



**ANNUAL REPORT 2015**



#### **FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS:**

This Annual Report includes "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. All statements other than statements of historical fact included herein including statements regarding potential future products and markets, our potential future revenues, future financial position, business strategy, future expectations and other plans and objectives for future operations, are forward-looking statements. We believe our forward-looking statements are reasonable. However, they are based on certain assumptions about our industry and our business that may in the future prove to be inaccurate. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from our expectations include the level of seismic exploration worldwide, which is influenced primarily by prevailing prices for oil and gas, the extent to which our new products are accepted in the market, the availability of competitive products that may be more technologically advanced or otherwise preferable to our products, tensions in the Middle East and other factors disclosed under the heading "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in our Form 10-K which is on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Further, all written and verbal forward-looking statements attributable to us or persons acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by such factors.



**Rick Wheeler**

### **Dear Fellow Shareholder:**

For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015, we reported revenues of \$84.9 million, and a net loss of \$32.6 million, or \$2.51 per diluted share. This compares with revenues of \$236.9 million, and net income of \$36.9 million, or \$2.81 per diluted share, in the prior year. While industry conditions are difficult, our balance sheet remains strong as we have zero debt and are maintaining a strict cost containment regime.

As I write, the energy industry is once again in a downturn. This descent has occurred more quickly and appears to be deeper than anyone would have imagined just one year ago. In light of all that has changed, it seems almost unimaginable that rig counts were at a peak in November 2014.

In January 2015, in response to falling oil prices, large exploration and production companies were announcing significantly lower annual budgets, with capital spending 30-35% less than the preceding year. These new budgets came with provisos that spending could drop by 40-50%, if conditions didn't immediately improve. They also demanded immediate 20-30% across-the-board price cuts from oil service companies for any of the services they might provide.

Soon thereafter, exploration programs began to evaporate as many underway were abandoned altogether and plans for new work were shelved, resulting in the slashing of seismic crews and seismic data acquisition programs around the world.

Management teams immediately began implementing stringent cost containment programs, reducing headcount and slashing inessential expenditures. While in stronger financial shape than many of our competitors, we also reduced our headcount and put stronger cost controls and spending disciplines in place.

Today, the downturn is already steeper and deeper than those seen in the 1980s and 2008-2010. In all but a few cases, it appears that exploration spending in North America and internationally is virtually shut down.

Oil companies are once again assessing their budgets in light of the devaluation of their reserves and evaluation of their debt covenants. Barring significant market improvement, we have no doubt that 2016 will be another difficult year for the seismic industry. Many seismic contractors are struggling to stay alive, many will not survive and competition for the shrinking pool of business opportunities will be intense. Paradoxically, at a time when our market is at its weakest, a number of fledgling companies have entered our industry. We now have more competition than when the market was at its height.

While this downturn has its own distinct characteristics, it is not the first challenging downturn we've experienced. Not only is our team experienced at managing through downturns, but we are so keenly aware of their eventuality in our cyclical industry that we pride ourselves on maintaining fiscal discipline even when we are in the peaks of the cycle.

Some of the major players in the oil and gas industry are now touting that they are scaling back on projects that should never have begun and are fueling the projects that they believe will enable them to thrive when the markets return.

You won't hear us make that claim. During peak periods, we maintain discipline. We only engage in projects we believe will yield tangible benefits for our customers. We do, however, use downturns to continue to pursue the development of long-term, game-changing technologies.

In 2003, just after a time that saw oil prices sink below \$30/Bbl, we introduced a new permanent reservoir monitoring system that BP is using in its Valhall field to increase production by an estimated 60 million barrels, or over 10%.

In 2008, during the last downturn, we introduced the Geospace Seismic Recorder (GSR), a wireless land seismic data acquisition system that essentially changed the manner in which our clients operated, making their crews and data collection activities more efficient and cost effective. Since that introduction we have refined and evolved our suite of acquisition offerings to include complementary systems that operate across the spectrum of marine and transition zone environments.

Today, we are field-testing a new Line Health Recorder (LHR), small enough to be placed in a pocket or unobtrusively attached to any piece of equipment. The LHR can be carried on a daily basis by crew members as they go about their assignments. Without any interaction, the LHR will accumulate data on the recording units they encounter. At the end of the day, they turn in the LHR, its data is downloaded and the contractor then has an accurate reflection of the status of his system – without having to add any special training or technical capabilities to his existing crew.

The LHR is but one of many projects our team is developing to maintain its commitment to enable our customers to acquire seismic data cost effectively, with the highest data fidelity available in the industry.

We know that at some point the market for seismic equipment will return. At that time, we will have the necessary equipment for the energy industry as it seeks to find and increase its ability to extract oil and gas from each reservoir.

Until then, we will continue to pursue our commitment to engineer and manufacture products that improve our client's operations, providing long-term reliability and profitability. Each day we still seek incremental improvements, if not game-changing advances. We will not waver in our commitment.

In other corporate news, we are pleased to welcome Mr. E. R. ("Bud") Giesinger to our 2016 board of directors as an independent director. Mr. Giesinger recently retired from KPMG LLP where he held the position as the firm's Houston office Managing Partner.

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Rick Wheeler  
President & Chief Executive Officer



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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 10-K**

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- Annual Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015 OR**
- Transition Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Commission file number 001-13601

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**GEOSPACE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Texas  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation or Organization)

76-0447780  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

7007 Pinemont Drive  
Houston, Texas 77040-6601  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(713) 986-4444  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Securities Registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

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<b>Title of Each Class</b>	<b>Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered</b>
Common Stock	The NASDAQ Global Market

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Securities Registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: NONE

Indicate by check mark if the Registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark if the Registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Website, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes  No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K (§229.405 of this chapter) is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of the Registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer", "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer  Non-accelerated filer  Smaller reporting company

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes  No

There were 13,147,916 shares of the Registrant's Common Stock outstanding as of the close of business on October 31, 2015. As of March 31, 2015, the aggregate market value of the Registrant's Common Stock held by non-affiliates was approximately \$211 million (based upon the closing price of \$16.51 on March 31, 2015, as reported by The NASDAQ Global Market).

**DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE**

Portions of the definitive proxy statement for the Registrant's 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders are incorporated by reference into Part III of this report.

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## PART I

### Item 1. Business

#### Business Overview

Geospace Technologies Corporation reincorporated as a Texas corporation effective April 16, 2015. We originally incorporated as a Delaware corporation on September 27, 1994. Unless otherwise specified, the discussion in this Annual Report on Form 10-K refers to Geospace Technologies Corporation and its subsidiaries. We design and manufacture instruments and equipment used in the oil and gas industry to acquire seismic data in order to locate, characterize and monitor hydrocarbon producing reservoirs. We also design and manufacture non-seismic products, including industrial products, offshore cables, thermal printing equipment and film. We report and categorize our customers and products into two different segments: Seismic and Non-Seismic.

We have engaged in the seismic instrument and equipment business since 1980 and market our products primarily to the oil and gas industry. Demand for our products has been, and will likely continue to be, vulnerable to downturns in the economy and the oil and gas industry in general. For more information, please refer to the risks discussed under the heading “Risk Factors”.

#### Products and Product Development

##### Seismic Products

Our seismic business segment accounts for the majority of our revenue. Geoscientists use seismic data primarily in connection with the exploration, development and production of oil and gas reserves to map potential and known hydrocarbon bearing formations and the geologic structures that surround them. Our seismic product lines currently consist of land and marine nodal data acquisition systems, permanent land and seabed reservoir monitoring products and services, geophones and geophone strings, hydrophones, leader wire, connectors, telemetry cables, marine streamer retrieval and steering devices and various other products. Our seismic products are compatible with most major competitive seismic data acquisition systems currently in use. We believe that our seismic products are among the most technologically advanced instruments and equipment available for seismic data acquisition.

##### *Traditional Products*

An energy source and a data recording system are combined to acquire seismic data. We provide many of the components of seismic data recording systems, including geophones, hydrophones, multi-component sensors, leader wire, geophone strings, connectors, seismic telemetry cables and other seismic related products. On land, our customers use geophones, leader wire, cables and connectors to receive and measure seismic reflections resulting from an energy source into data recording units, which store the seismic information for subsequent processing and analysis. In the marine environment, large ocean-going vessels tow long seismic cables known as “streamers” containing hydrophones which are used to detect pressure changes. Hydrophones transmit electrical impulses back to the vessel’s data recording unit where the seismic data is stored for subsequent processing and analysis. Our marine seismic products help steer streamers while being towed and help recover streamers if they become disconnected from the vessel.

Our seismic sensor, cable and connector products are compatible with most major competitive seismic data acquisition systems currently in use. Sales result primarily from seismic contractors purchasing our products as components of new seismic data acquisition systems or to repair and replace components of seismic data acquisition systems already in use.

Our products used in marine seismic data acquisition include our marine seismic streamer retrieval devices (“SRDs”). Occasionally, streamer cables are severed and become disconnected from the vessel as a result of obstacles, inclement weather, vessel traffic or human error. Our SRDs, which are attached to the streamer cables, contain air bags which are designed to inflate automatically at a given water depth, bringing the severed streamer cables to the surface. These SRDs save the seismic contractors significant time and money compared to the alternative of losing the streamer cable. We also produce seismic streamer steering devices, or “birds,” which are fin-like devices that attach to the streamer cable. These birds help maintain the streamer cable at a certain desired depth as it is being towed through the water.

Our wholly-owned subsidiary in the Russian Federation manufactures international standard geophones, sensors, seismic leader wire, seismic telemetry cables and related seismic products for customers in the Russian Federation and other international seismic marketplaces. We have a branch office in Colombia that primarily rents seismic equipment to our customers in the South American

market. Operating in foreign locations involves certain risks as discussed under the heading “Risk Factors – Our Foreign Subsidiaries and Foreign Marketing Efforts Face Additional Risks and Difficulties” in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

### *Wireless Products*

We have developed a land-based wireless (or nodal) seismic data acquisition system called the GSX. Each GSX station operates independently and therefore can be deployed in virtually unlimited channel configurations. Rather than utilizing interconnecting cables as required by most traditional land data acquisition systems, each GSX station operates as an independent data collection system. As a result, our GSX system requires less maintenance, which we believe allows our customers to operate more effectively and efficiently because of its reduced environmental impact, lower weight and ease of operation. Our GSX system is designed into configurations ranging from one to four channels per station. Since its introduction in 2008 and through September 30, 2015, we have sold 331,000 GSX channels and we have 130,000 GSX channels in our rental fleet. We do not expect to expand our GSX rental fleet in the foreseeable future.

We have also developed a marine-based wireless seismic data acquisition system called the OBX. Similar to our GSX land-based wireless system, the marine OBX system can be deployed in virtually unlimited channel configurations and does not require interconnecting cables between each station. Our deep water versions of the OBX system can be deployed in depths of up to 3,450 meters. Through September 30, 2015, we have sold 450 OBX stations and we have 4,400 OBX stations in our rental fleet. We expect to make additional investments in our OBX rental fleet in fiscal year 2016 as a result of a recent agreement executed with an international seismic contractor.

### *Reservoir Products*

Seismic surveys repeated over selected time intervals show dynamic changes within the reservoir and can be used to monitor the effects of oil and gas production. In this regard, we have developed permanently installed high-definition reservoir monitoring systems for land and ocean-bottom applications in producing oil and gas fields. We also produce a retrievable version of our ocean-bottom system for use on fields where permanently installed systems are not appropriate or economical. Utilizing these tools, producers can enhance the recovery of oil and gas deposits over the life of a reservoir.

Our high-definition reservoir monitoring products include the HDSeis™ product line and a suite of borehole and reservoir monitoring products and services. Our HDSeis™ system is a high-definition seismic data acquisition system with flexible architecture that allows it to be configured as a borehole seismic system or as a subsurface system for both land and marine reservoir-monitoring projects. The scalable architecture of the HDSeis™ system enables custom designed system configuration for applications ranging from low-channel engineering and environmental-scale surveys requiring a minimum number of recording channels to high-channel surveys required to efficiently conduct permanent reservoir imaging and monitoring. Modular architecture allows virtually unlimited channel expansion. In addition, multi-system synchronization features make the HDSeis™ system well suited for multi-well or multi-site acquisition, simultaneous surface and downhole acquisition and continuous reservoir monitoring projects.

Reservoir monitoring requires special purpose or custom designed systems in which portability becomes less critical and functional reliability assumes greater importance. This reliability factor helps assure successful operations in inaccessible locations over a considerable period of time. Additionally, reservoirs located in deep water or harsh environments require special instrumentation and new techniques to maximize recovery. Reservoir monitoring also requires high-bandwidth, high-resolution seismic data for engineering project planning and reservoir management. We believe our HDSeis™ System and tools, designed for cost-effective deployment and lifetime performance, will make borehole and seabed seismic acquisition a cost-effective and reliable process for the challenges of reservoir monitoring. Our multi-component seismic product developments include an omni-directional geophone for use in reservoir monitoring, a compact marine three-component or four-component gimbaled sensor and special-purpose connectors, connector arrays and cases.

In November 2012, we received an order from Statoil (the “Statoil Order”) for \$171.7 million, including amendments, to instrument two reservoirs in the North Sea. During the fiscal years ended September 30, 2013 and 2014, we recognized revenue of \$109.6 million and \$62.1 million, respectively, from the Statoil Order using the percentage of completion revenue recognition method. During the fiscal year ended September 30, 2014, we also delivered a \$5.0 million permanent land reservoir monitoring system for use

in Saudi Arabia and a \$4.4 million system to enlarge BP's existing Valhall field system. We did not deliver nor did we receive orders for any permanent reservoir monitoring systems during fiscal year 2015.

In addition, we produce seismic borehole acquisition systems which employ a fiber optic augmented wireline capable of very high data transmission rates. These systems are used for several reservoir monitoring applications, including an application pioneered by us allowing operators and service companies to monitor and measure the results of fracturing operations.

### **Non-Seismic Products**

Our non-seismic businesses leverage upon our existing manufacturing facilities and engineering capabilities. We have found that many of our seismic products, with little or no modification, have direct application to industries beyond those involved in oil and gas exploration and development. For example, our customers utilize our borehole tools to monitor subsurface carbon dioxide injections and for mine safety applications.

Our non-seismic products include thermal imaging products targeted at the commercial graphics industry as well as various industrial products. Our industrial products include (i) sensors and tools for vibration monitoring, mine safety application and earthquake detection, (ii) cables for power and communication for the offshore oil and gas and offshore construction industries, and (iii) water meter cables and other specialty industrial cable and connector products.

### **Business Strategy**

Our long-term business strategy is focused on continued investment in research and development, expansion of our manufacturing and engineering capacity, expansion of our seismic equipment rental business, selective acquisitions, reinvestment of profits and minimizing debt obligations.

- *Continue Investment in Research and Development* – Historically, our growth has been driven through our internal development of new products targeted at the seismic industry. In past years, our seismic product innovations included the introduction of borehole seismology tools, seabed permanent reservoir monitoring systems and wireless data acquisition systems. These innovative technologies are the result of our continuous investment in research and development initiatives, even during difficult industry cycles when we experience a significant decline in customer demand for our products. We believe our past growth is a direct result of this strategy and we intend to continue such research and development investments.
- *Attract and Retain Engineering Staff* – Our engineering staff has been key to our success, we intend to continue our tradition of retaining and attracting engineering staff and providing appropriate compensation and benefits.
- *Expand Manufacturing and Engineering Capacity to Accommodate Future Growth* – Our new product innovations have led to significant revenue growth in previous years. Since our initial public offering in 1997 and through fiscal year 2015, we have expanded our manufacturing, warehousing, engineering and office space from 99,000 square feet to 648,000 square feet. Early in fiscal year 2013, we received a large order from Statoil to design and manufacture two seabed permanent reservoir monitoring systems. This order required substantially all of our manufacturing capacity and capabilities for a period of approximately 18 months, requiring us to outsource many of our routine manufacturing activities and to turn away potential customer orders for other products. Furthermore, we had no spare manufacturing capacity to accommodate any other large order for a permanent reservoir monitoring system, should one have occurred. We believe we are the world leader in the design and manufacture of these systems. As such, we expect to receive future orders for large-scale reservoir monitoring systems which may exceed the magnitude of the Statoil Order, although the timing and frequency of such orders, if any, is unknown. We are currently experiencing depressed industry conditions as a result of lower crude oil prices and their impact upon capital spending in the oil and gas industry worldwide. The resulting significant decline in seismic product orders and, in particular, the lack of any orders for permanent reservoir monitoring systems, have required us to defer our plans to expand our manufacturing and engineering facilities until product demand, including demand for large permanent reservoir monitoring systems, and factory capacity utilization return to levels comparable to those we experienced during fiscal year 2013.
- *Expand our Seismic Equipment Rental Business* – We have offered seismic equipment to our customers on a rental basis for many years, originally through our subsidiary in Canada. Following our introduction of new wireless data acquisition

technology in 2008, we began offering our newly introduced GSX systems for rent in 2009, and at that time we initiated a rental fleet of 2,000 GSX channels. At the conclusion of fiscal year 2015, our rental fleet contained 130,000 GSX channels which are warehoused in North America, South America and Europe. Many current owners of our GSX channels were initially introduced to the product through a rental. We believe this rental strategy has contributed to the sale of 331,000 GSX channels since its introduction in 2008. We have also expanded this rental strategy to our marine OBX wireless system. At the conclusion of fiscal year 2015, our rental fleet contained 4,400 OBX stations. While demand has declined substantially for the rental of our GSX equipment due to the significant underutilization of customer-owned land data acquisition systems, we expect our OBX rental revenue to increase in fiscal year 2016 as a result of a recent agreement executed with an international seismic contractor. We plan to meet this demand by adding additional OBX stations to our rental fleet. We believe our rental business creates opportunities for us to demonstrate the qualities and benefits of new products like the GSX and OBX to potential customers without requiring the customer to make a large upfront capital investment. As a result, we will continue adding new product technologies to our rental fleet to meet customer demand.

- *Selectively Pursue Acquisitions of Businesses with Technological and Engineering Overlap* – The seismic industry periodically experiences volatile business cycles requiring us to rapidly increase and decrease our business activities to meet the industry’s demand for our products. The seismic industry generally offers equipment manufacturers like us limited visibility into new orders creating challenges for us to manage our manufacturing capacity, workforce and working capital. While our primary growth initiative is to expand our seismic product offerings, we may also seek out other non-seismic business opportunities which complement our existing products, engineering and manufacturing capabilities, and company-wide culture. While we routinely evaluate both seismic and non-seismic business acquisition opportunities, we may direct these efforts toward non-seismic businesses in order to diversify our revenue base and expose us to different markets with different business cycles.
- *Reinvest Profits and Minimize Debt Obligations* – Our growth over the years has resulted from the reinvestment of our cash profits back into engineering projects, plant additions, rental fleet development and expansion, small niche acquisitions and working capital expansion. While we are not opposed to moderate amounts of short-term debt during favorable business cycles, we choose to minimize our exposure to long-term debt obligations which, in our view, restrict our ability to operate during periodic difficult business cycles in the seismic industry similar to the current business environment. We believe this strategy has allowed us to achieve higher revenue and profit growth than our peers, many of whom have significant long-term debt burdens. We also believe that the value of our common shares outstanding will be best served in the long-term by reinvesting our cash profits back into the business. In this regard, we do not anticipate paying any cash dividends in the foreseeable future, nor do we expect to initiate a buy-back program to repurchase our common stock.

## **Segment and Geographic Information**

We report and categorize our sales and products into two business segments: Seismic and Non-Seismic. Our Seismic product lines currently include land and marine wireless data acquisition systems, seabed permanent reservoir monitoring systems and services, geophones and geophone strings, hydrophones, leader wire, connectors, telemetry cables, marine streamer retrieval and steering devices and various other products. Our Non-Seismic product lines include thermal imaging and industrial products. Frequently, we have a minor amount of Seismic product sales to our Non-Seismic customers. For a discussion of financial information by segment and geographic area, see Note 19 to the consolidated financial statements contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

## **Competition**

### *Seismic Products*

We are one of the world’s largest designers and manufacturers of seismic related products. The principal competitors for many of our traditional seismic products are Sercel (a division of CGG), ION Geophysical (“ION”), INOVA (a joint venture formed in 2009 between ION and Bureau of Geophysical Prospecting, a subsidiary of China National Petroleum Company) and Steward Cable (a division of Amphenol Corporation). Furthermore, entities in China affiliated with Sercel as well as other Chinese manufacturers produce low-cost geophones meeting current industry standards. Geophones are generally price sensitive, so the ability to

manufacture these products at a low cost is essential to maintain market share. We believe our primary competitor in the manufacture of our marine products is Sercel.

The primary competitors for our land wireless data acquisition systems are Sercel, Fairfield Industries, INOVA Wireless Seismic and numerous smaller entities. We believe the primary competitors for our marine nodal data acquisition systems are marine seismic data acquisition service providers like Fairfield Industries, Seabed Geosolutions (a joint venture formed between Fugro and CGG), and Magseis ASA, each of whom utilizes their own proprietary nodal technology. For land and marine wireless data acquisition systems, while price is an important factor in a customer's decision to purchase the product, we believe customers also place a high value on a product's historical performance and the ongoing engineering and field support provided by the product's manufacturer.

Our primary competitors for rental of our traditional and wireless seismic equipment are Mitcham Industries, Inc. and Seismic Equipment Solutions.

Our primary competitors for our seabed permanent reservoir monitoring systems are Alcatel-Lucent and Petroleum Geo-Services ASA. We believe our primary competitors for high-definition borehole seismic data acquisition systems are Avalon Sciences Ltd and Sercel. A product's historical performance, field support and engineering capabilities are important factors for receiving orders for our seismic reservoir products.

The principal keys for success in the seismic instruments and equipment market are technological superiority, product durability, reliability, and customer support. Price and product delivery are always important considerations for our customers. In general, most customers prefer to standardize data acquisition systems, geophones and hydrophones, particularly if they are used by seismic companies that have multiple crews which are able to support each other. This standardization makes it difficult for competitive manufacturers to gain market share from other manufacturers with existing customer relationships.

As mentioned above, a key factor for seismic instruments and equipment manufacturers is durability under harsh field conditions. Seismic instruments and equipment must meet not only rigorous technical specifications regarding signal integrity and sensitivity, but must also be extremely rugged and durable to withstand the rigors of field use, often in harsh environments.

#### *Non-Seismic Products*

There are numerous competitors and competitive technologies for our thermal imaging products including other thermal device manufacturers and manufacturers of direct-to-screen and inkjet solutions similar to those offered by Hewlett Packard. Our non-seismic industrial products face competition from numerous domestic and international specialty product manufacturers.

#### **Suppliers**

We purchase raw materials from a variety of suppliers located in various countries. We typically have multiple suppliers for our critical materials.

We produce our own brand of dry thermal film internally. We also purchase a substantial quantity of dry thermal film manufactured by Agfa-Gevaert N.V. In addition, we manufacture variants of our marine wireless products using a timing device manufactured by Microsemi Corporation. For a discussion of the risks related to our reliance on these suppliers, see "Risk Factors – We Rely on Key Suppliers for Certain Components Used in Our Products."

We do not currently experience any significant difficulties in obtaining raw materials from our suppliers for the production of our seismic or non-seismic products.

#### **Product Manufacturing and Assembly**

Our manufacturing and product assembly operations consist of machining, molding or cabling the necessary component parts, configuring these parts along with components received from various vendors and assembling a final product. We manufacture seismic equipment to the specifications of our customers. For example, we can armor cables for applications such as deep water uses. We assemble geophone strings and seismic telemetry cables based on a number of customer choices such as length, gauge, tolerance

and color of molded parts. With regard to dry thermal film, we mix and react various chemicals to formulate a reactive layer that is then coated onto a clear polyester film. Upon completion of our manufacturing and assembly operations, we test our final products to the functional and, in the case of seismic equipment, environmental extremes of product specifications and inspect the products for quality assurance. Consistent with industry practice, we normally manufacture and ship our products based on customer orders and, therefore, typically do not maintain significant inventories of finished goods held for sale, although we do stock significant amounts of finished good sub-assemblies in anticipation of future customer orders.

## Markets and Customers

Our principal customers for our traditional and wireless seismic products are seismic contractors and, to a lesser extent, major independent and government-owned oil and gas companies that either operate their own seismic crews or specify seismic instrument and equipment preferences to contractors. For our deep water permanent reservoir monitoring products, our customers are generally large international oil and gas companies that operate long-term offshore oil and gas producing properties. Our thermal imaging customers primarily consist of direct users of our equipment as well as specialized resellers that focus on the newsprint, silkscreen and corrugated box printing industries. Our industrial product customers consist of specialty manufacturers, research institutions and industrial product distributors. No customer comprised 10% of our revenue during fiscal year 2015. Revenue recognition for the Statoil Order comprised 26.2% and 36.5% of our revenue for fiscal years 2014 and 2013, respectively. The following table describes our sales by customer type (in thousands):

	YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,		
	2015	2014	2013
Traditional seismic exploration product revenue.....	\$ 30,083	\$ 52,001	\$ 49,782
Wireless seismic exploration product revenue .....	25,070	78,636	87,316
Seismic reservoir product revenue .....	5,412	84,309	138,103
Non-seismic product revenue .....	23,758	21,420	24,578
Other.....	544	546	828
	<u>\$ 84,867</u>	<u>\$ 236,912</u>	<u>\$ 300,607</u>

## Intellectual Property

We seek to protect our intellectual property by means of patents, trademarks, trade secrets and other measures. Although we do not consider any single patent essential to our success, we consider our patents regarding our marine seismic cable retrieval devices to be of particular value to us. These patents are scheduled to expire in 2022. At this time we are not able to predict the effect of the patent expiration. We also hold patents on geophones, micro-geophones and seismic data acquisition and have pending applications on related technology. We protect our proprietary rights to our technology through a variety of methods, including confidentiality agreements and proprietary information agreements with suppliers, employees, consultants and others who may have access to proprietary information.

## Research and Development

We expect to incur significant future research and development expenditures aimed at the development of additional seismic and non-seismic products. We have incurred company-sponsored research and development expenses of \$14.7 million, \$16.5 million and \$14.7 million during the fiscal years ended September 30, 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

## Employees

As of September 30, 2015, we employed 978 people predominantly on a full-time basis, of which 659 were employed in the United States, 277 in the Russian Federation and the remainder in the United Kingdom, Canada, China and Colombia. Our employees in the Russian Federation belong to a national union for machine manufacturers. Our remaining employees are not unionized. We have never experienced a work stoppage and consider our relationship with our employees to be satisfactory.

## Financial Information by Segment and Geographic Area

For a discussion of financial information by segment and geographic area, see Note 19 to the consolidated financial statements contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. For a description of risks attendant to our foreign operations, please see “Risk Factors - Our Foreign Subsidiaries and Foreign Marketing Efforts Face Additional Risks and Difficulties.”

## Available Information

We file annual, quarterly and special reports, proxy statements and other information with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”). Our SEC filings are available to the public over the internet at the SEC’s website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). You may also read and copy any document we file at the SEC’s public reference room at 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on their public reference room. Our SEC filings are also available to the public on our website at [www.geospace.com](http://www.geospace.com). Please note that information contained on our website, whether currently posted or posted in the future, is not a part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K or the documents incorporated by reference in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

## Item 1A. Risk Factors

### Risk Factors

*Commodity Price Levels May Affect Demand for Our Products, Which Has and Could Continue to Materially and Adversely Affect our Results of Operations and Liquidity*

Demand for many of our products and the profitability of our operations depend primarily on the level of worldwide oil and gas exploration activity. Prevailing oil and gas prices, with an emphasis on crude oil prices, and market expectations regarding potential changes in such prices significantly affect the level of worldwide oil and gas exploration activity. During periods of improved energy commodity prices, the capital spending budgets of oil and natural gas operators tend to expand, which results in increased demand for our products. Conversely, in periods when these energy commodity prices deteriorate, such as is occurring in 2015, capital spending budgets of oil and natural gas operators tend to contract and the demand for our products generally weakens. Historically, the markets for oil and gas have been volatile and are subject to wide fluctuation in response to changes in the supply of and demand for oil and gas, market uncertainty and a variety of additional factors that are beyond our control. These factors include the level of consumer demand, supplies of oil and natural gas, regional and international economic conditions, weather conditions, domestic and foreign governmental regulations (including those related to climate change), price and availability of alternative fuels, political conditions, instability and hostilities in the Middle East and other significant oil-producing regions, increases and decreases in the supply of oil and gas, the effect of worldwide energy conservation measures and the ability of OPEC to set and maintain production levels and prices of foreign imports.

Slow economic recovery in the United States, uncertainty in the European markets and slowing economic growth in growing economies like those in China and India could lead to a decline in demand for crude oil and natural gas. Further slowdowns in economic activity would likely reduce worldwide demand for energy and result in an extended period of lower crude oil and natural gas prices. Any material changes in oil and gas prices or other market trends that adversely impact seismic exploration activity would likely affect the demand for our products and could materially and adversely affect our results of operations and liquidity.

Generally, as exists at present, imbalances in the supply and demand for oil and gas will ordinarily affect oil and gas prices and in such circumstances our company will be adversely affected as now with world supplies exceeding demand.

*Our New Products Require a Substantial Investment by Us in Research and Development Expense and May Not Achieve Market Acceptance*

Our outlook and assumptions are based on various macro-economic factors and internal assessments, and actual market conditions could vary materially from those assumed. In recent years, we have incurred significant expenditures to fund our research and development efforts, and we intend to continue those expenditures in the future. However, research and development is by its nature speculative, and we cannot assure you that these expenditures will result in the development of new products or services or that any new products and services we have developed recently or may develop in the future will be commercially marketable or profitable to us. In particular, we have incurred substantial expenditures to develop our land and marine wireless nodal seismic data acquisition

systems, as well as other seismic products for permanent reservoir monitoring applications. In addition, we try to use some of our capabilities, particularly our cable manufacturing capabilities, to supply products to new markets. Further, we have incurred substantial expense and expended significant effort to develop our thermal solutions products. We cannot assure you that we will realize our expectations regarding acceptance of and revenue generated by our new products and services in existing or new markets.

*The Short Term Nature of Our Order Backlog and Delayed or Canceled Customer Orders May Cause Us to Experience Fluctuations in Quarterly Results of Operations*

Historically, the rate of new orders for our products has varied substantially from quarter to quarter. Moreover, we typically operate, and expect to continue operating, on the basis of orders in-hand for our products before we commence substantial manufacturing “runs.” The short-term nature of our order backlog for most products generally does not allow us to predict with any accuracy demand for our products more than approximately three months in advance. Thus, our ability to replenish orders and the completion of orders, particularly large orders for deep water permanent reservoir monitoring projects, can significantly impact our operating results and cash flow for any quarter, and results of operations for any one quarter may not be indicative of results of operations for future quarters.

Additionally, customers can delay or even cancel orders and rental contracts before delivery. For larger orders, we attempt to negotiate for a non-refundable deposit or cancellation penalties depending on our relationship with the customer. However, such deposits or penalties, even when obtained, may not fully compensate us for our inventory investment and forgone profits if the order is ultimately cancelled.

These periodic fluctuations in our operating results and the impact of any order delays/cancellations could adversely affect our stock price.

*Our Credit Risk Could Increase and We May Incur Bad Debt Write-Offs if Our Customers Face Difficult Economic Circumstances*

We believe that our allowance for bad debts is adequate in light of known circumstances. However, we cannot assure you that additional amounts attributable to uncollectible receivables and bad debt write-offs will not have a material adverse effect on our future results of operations. Many of our seismic customers are not well capitalized and as a result cannot always pay our invoices when due. We have in the past incurred write-offs in our accounts receivable due to customer credit problems. We have found it necessary from time to time to extend trade credit, including promissory notes, to long-term customers and others where some risks of non-payment exist. With the recent decline in oil prices and a decline in seismic activities around the world, some of our customers may experience significant liquidity difficulties, which increase those credit risks. An increase in the level of bad debts and any deterioration in our credit risk could adversely affect the price of our stock. In addition, we rent equipment to our customers which utilize such equipment in various countries around the world. If our rental customers experience financial difficulties, it could be difficult or impossible to retrieve our rental equipment from foreign countries.

*Our Industry is Characterized by Rapid Technological Development and Product Obsolescence, Which May Affect Our Ability to Provide Product Enhancements or New Products on a Timely and Cost Effective Basis*

Our instruments and equipment are constantly undergoing rapid technological improvement. Our future success depends on our ability to continue to:

- improve our existing product lines,
- address the increasingly sophisticated needs of our customers,
- maintain a reputation for technological leadership,
- maintain market acceptance of our products,
- anticipate changes in technology and industry standards,
- respond to technological developments on a timely basis and
- develop new markets for our products and capabilities.

Current competitors or new market entrants may develop new technologies, products or standards that could render our products obsolete. We cannot assure you that we will be successful in developing and marketing, on a timely and cost effective basis, product enhancements or new products that respond to technological developments, that are accepted in the marketplace or that comply with new industry standards. Additionally, in anticipation of customer product orders, from time to time we acquire substantial quantities of inventories, which if not sold or integrated into products within a reasonable period of time, could become obsolete. In such case, we would be required to impair the value of such inventories on our balance sheet.

*We Operate in Highly Competitive Markets and Our Competitors May Be Able to Provide Newer or Better Products Than We Are Able*

The markets for most of our products are highly competitive. Many of our existing and potential competitors have substantially greater marketing, financial and technical resources than we do. Some competitors currently offer a broader range of instruments and equipment for sale than we do and may offer financing arrangements to customers on terms that we may not be able to match. In addition, new competitors may enter the market and competition could intensify. As to our non-seismic thermal solutions products, we compete with other printing solutions, including inkjet and laser printing technologies, many of which are provided by large companies with significant resources.

We cannot assure you that sales of our products will continue at current volumes or prices if current competitors or new market entrants introduce new products with better features, performance, price or other characteristics than our products. Competitive pressures or other factors may also result in significant price competition that could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

*The Limited Market for Our Seismic Products Can Affect Our Revenue in the Seismic Business Segment*

In our seismic business segment, we generally market our traditional and wireless products to seismic service contractors. We estimate that, based on published industry sources, fewer than 50 seismic contracting companies are currently operating worldwide (excluding those operating in the Russian Federation and the former Soviet Union, India, the People's Republic of China and certain Eastern European countries, where seismic data acquisition activity is difficult to verify). We estimate that fewer than 20 seismic contractors are engaged in marine seismic exploration. Due to these market factors, a relatively small number of customers, some of whom are experiencing financial difficulties, account for most of our sales. From time to time, these seismic contractors have sought to vertically integrate and acquire our competitors, which has influenced their supplier decisions before and after such transactions. In addition, consolidation among our customers may further concentrate our business to a limited number of customers and expose us to increased risks related to dependence on a small number of customers. The loss of a small number of these customers could materially and adversely impact sales of our seismic products. We market our seabed permanent reservoir monitoring systems products to large oil and gas companies. Since this product's introduction in 2002, we have received system orders from three offshore oil and gas operators including BP, Shell and Statoil, which have accounted for a significant portion of our revenue in fiscal year 2014 and prior fiscal years. We did not deliver nor have we received orders for any permanent reservoir monitoring systems during fiscal year 2015 which caused a significant decline in our fiscal year 2015 revenue and profits from our seismic reservoir product segment.

*We Cannot Be Certain of the Effectiveness of Patent Protection on Our Products*

We hold and from time to time apply for certain patents relating to some of our seismic products. We also own several patents which relate to the development of dry thermal film. We cannot assure you that our patents will prove enforceable or free of challenge, that any patents will be issued for which we have applied or that competitors will not develop functionally similar technology outside the protection of any patents we have or may obtain.

*Our Foreign Subsidiaries and Foreign Marketing Efforts Are Subject to Additional Political, Economic, Legal and Other Uncertainties Not Generally Associated with Domestic Operations*

Based on customer billing data, sales to customers outside the United States accounted for approximately 40% of our sales during fiscal year 2015; however, we believe the percentage of sales outside the United States is much higher since many of our products are first delivered to a domestic location and ultimately shipped to a foreign location. We again expect sales outside of the United States to represent a substantial portion of our sales for fiscal year 2016 and subsequent years.

Foreign sales are subject to special risks inherent in doing business outside of the United States, including the risk of war, terrorist activities, civil disturbances, embargo and government activities, shifting foreign attitudes about conducting business activities with the United States, restrictions of the movement and exchange of funds, inhibitions of our ability to collect accounts receivable, international sanctions, expropriation and nationalization of our assets or those of our customers, currency fluctuations, devaluations and conversion restrictions, confiscatory taxation or other adverse tax policies and governmental actions that may result in the deprivation of our contractual rights, all of which may disrupt markets or our operations.

A portion of our manufacturing is conducted through our subsidiary Geospace Technologies Eurasia, which is based in the Russian Federation. Our business could be directly affected by political and economic conditions in the Russian Federation, including the current geopolitical instability involving the Russian Federation and Ukraine. In regards to Ukraine, sanctions levied by the United States government preclude the export of seismic equipment to the Russian Federation if it will be used directly or indirectly in Russia's energy sector for exploration or production in (i) deepwater (greater than 500 feet), (ii) Arctic offshore or (iii) shale projects in Russia that have the potential to produce oil or gas. Furthermore, if an exporter is unable to determine whether its seismic equipment will be used in such projects, the export is prohibited. In fiscal year 2015, we imported \$2.9 million of products from Geospace Technologies Eurasia for resale elsewhere in the world. If imports of these products from the Russian Federation are restricted by government regulation, we may be forced to find other sources for these products at potentially higher costs. Boycotts, protests, unfavorable regulations, additional governmental sanctions and other actions in the region could also adversely affect our ability to operate profitably. Delays in obtaining governmental approvals can affect our ability to timely deliver our products pursuant to contractual obligations, which could result in us being liable to our customers for damages. The risk of doing business in the Russian Federation and other economically or politically volatile areas could adversely affect our operations and earnings.

Foreign sales are also generally subject to the risk of compliance with additional laws, including tariff regulations and import and export restrictions. International sales of our products containing hydrophones require prior U.S. government approval in the form of an export license, which may be withheld by the U.S. government based upon factors which we cannot predict.

We may experience difficulties in connection with future foreign sales. Additionally, due to foreign laws and restrictions, should we experience substantial growth in certain foreign markets, for example in the Russian Federation, we may not be able to transfer cash balances to the United States to assist with debt servicing or other obligations.

*Our Global Operations Expose Us to Risks Associated with Conducting Business Internationally, Including Failure to Comply with U.S. Laws Which Apply to International Operations, Such as the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and US Export Control Laws, as well as the Laws of Other Countries*

We have offices in Colombia, Canada, China, the Russian Federation and the United Kingdom, in addition to our offices in the United States. In addition to the risks noted above that are inherent in conducting business internationally, we are also liable for compliance with international and U.S. laws and regulations that apply to our international operations. These laws and regulations include data privacy requirements, labor relations laws, tax laws, anti-competition regulations, import and trade restrictions, export control laws, U.S. laws such as the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and similar laws in other countries which also prohibit certain payments to governmental officials or certain payments or remunerations to customers. Many of our products are subject to U.S. export law restrictions that limit the destinations and types of customers to which our products may be sold, or require an export license in connection with sales outside the United States. Given the high level of complexity of these laws, there is a risk that some provisions may be inadvertently or intentionally breached, for example through fraudulent or negligent behavior of individual employees, our failure to comply with certain formal documentation requirements or otherwise. Additionally, we may be held liable for actions taken by our local dealers and partners. Violations of these laws and regulations could result in fines, criminal sanctions against us, our officers or our employees, and prohibitions on the conduct of our business. Any such violations could include prohibitions on our ability to offer our products in one or more countries and could materially damage our reputation, our brand, our international expansion efforts, our ability to attract and retain employees, our business and our operating results.

*Our Strategy of Leasing Seismic Products Exposes Us to Additional Risks Relating to Equipment Recovery, Lease Renewals, Technological Obsolescence and Impairment of Assets*

Our rental fleet of seismic equipment represents a significant portion of our assets and accounts for a growing portion of our revenue. Equipment leased by our customers is frequently located in foreign countries where retrieval of the equipment after the

termination of the lease is difficult or impossible if the customer does not return the equipment. The costs associated with retrieving this equipment or the loss of equipment that is not retrieved could be significant and could adversely affect our operations and earnings.

The advancement of seismic technology having a significant competitive advantage over the equipment in our rental fleet could have an adverse effect on our ability to profitably lease and/or sell this equipment. Significant improvements in technology may also require us to recognize an asset impairment charge to our rental fleet investment and to invest significant sums to upgrade or replace our rental fleet with newer equipment demanded by our customers. In addition, rental contracts may not be renewed for equipment in our rental fleet, whether or not it has become obsolete. Significant technology improvements by our competitors could have an adverse effect on our results of operations and earnings.

Our equipment leasing business has high fixed costs, which primarily consist of depreciation expenses. In periods of declining rental revenue, these fixed costs generally do not decline. As a result, any significant decline in rental revenue caused by reduced demand could adversely affect our results of operations.

#### *Cybersecurity Breaches and Other Disruptions of our Information Technology Network and Systems Could Adversely Affect our Business*

We rely on information technology networks and systems, some of which are owned and operated by third parties, to process, transmit and store electronic information. In particular, we depend on our information technology infrastructure for a variety of functions, including worldwide financial reporting, inventory management, procurement, invoicing and email communications. Any of these systems may be susceptible to outages due to fire, floods, power loss, telecommunications failures, terrorist attacks and similar events. Despite the implementation of network security measures, our systems and those of third parties on which we rely may also be vulnerable to computer viruses, break-ins, malware and similar disruptions. Malware, if surreptitiously installed on our systems and not timely detected and removed, could collect and disclose sensitive information relating to our customers, employees or others, exposing us to legal liability and causing us to suffer reputational damage. It could also lead to disruptions in critical systems or the corruption or destruction of critical data. If we are unable to prevent such outages and breaches, these events could damage our reputation and lead to financial losses from remedial actions, loss of business or potential liability.

#### *Because We Have No Plans to Pay Any Dividends for the Foreseeable Future, Investors Must Look Solely to Stock Appreciation for a Return on Their Investment in Us*

We have not paid cash dividends on our common stock since our incorporation and do not anticipate paying any cash dividends in the foreseeable future. We currently intend to retain any future earnings to support our operations and growth. Any payment of cash dividends in the future will be dependent on the amount of funds legally available, our financial condition, capital requirements and other factors that our Board of Directors may deem relevant. Accordingly, investors must rely on sales of their common stock after price appreciation, which may never occur, as the only way to realize any future gains on their investment.

#### *Unfavorable Currency Exchange Rate Fluctuations Could Adversely Affect Our Results of Operations*

Substantially all of our third-party sales from the United States are made in U.S. dollars, though from time to time we may make sales in foreign currencies including intercompany sales. As a result, we may be subject to foreign currency fluctuations on our sales. The reporting currency for our financial statements is the U.S. dollar. However, the assets, liabilities, revenue and costs of our Russian, Canadian, United Kingdom, Chinese and Colombian subsidiaries are denominated in currencies other than U.S. dollars. To prepare our consolidated financial statements, we must translate those assets, liabilities, revenue and expenses into U.S. dollars at then-applicable exchange rates. Consequently, increases and decreases in the value of the U.S. dollar versus these other currencies will affect the amount of these items in our consolidated financial statements, even if their value has not changed in their original currency. These translations could result in significant changes to our results of operations from period to period. For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015, approximately 10.6% of our consolidated revenue related to the operations of our foreign subsidiaries.

### *We Have a Relatively Small Public Float, and Our Stock Price May be Volatile*

At September 30, 2015, we have approximately 12.8 million shares outstanding held by non-affiliates. This small float results in a relatively illiquid market for our common stock. Our daily trading volume for the year ended September 30, 2015 averaged approximately 267,000 shares. Our small float and daily trading volumes have in the past caused, and may in the future result in, significant volatility in our stock price.

### *We Rely on Key Suppliers for Certain Components Used in Our Products*

While we currently manufacture dry thermal film, we also purchase a large quantity of dry thermal film from a European manufacturer through its distributor. Except for the film produced by us and sold to us by this manufacturer/distributor, we know of no other source for dry thermal film that performs well in our thermal imaging equipment. If we are unable to economically manufacture dry thermal film internally or the European manufacturer/distributor we rely on were to discontinue producing dry thermal film, were to become unwilling to contract with us on competitive terms or were unable to supply dry thermal film in sufficient quantities to meet our requirements, our ability to compete in the thermal imaging marketplace could be impaired, which could adversely affect our financial performance.

Certain models of our marine wireless products require a timing device we purchase from a United States manufacturer. We currently do not possess the ability to manufacture this component and have no other source for this device. If this manufacturer were to discontinue its production of this timing device, were to become unwilling to contract with us on competitive terms or were unable to supply the component in sufficient quantities to meet our requirements, our ability to compete in the marine wireless marketplace could be impaired, which could adversely affect our financial performance.

### *Our Success Depends Upon a Limited Number of Key Personnel*

Our success depends on attracting and retaining highly skilled professionals. A number of our employees are highly skilled engineers and other professionals. In addition, our success depends to a significant extent upon the abilities and efforts of the members of our senior management team. If we fail to continue to attract and retain such professionals, our ability to compete in the industry could be adversely affected.

### *A General Downturn in the Economy in Future Periods May Adversely Affect Our Business*

Slow economic recovery in the United States, uncertainty in the European markets and slowing growth in China and India and any other economic slowdown in future periods, could adversely affect our business in ways that we cannot predict. During times of economic slowdown, our customers may reduce their capital expenditures and defer or cancel pending projects and product orders. Such developments occur even among customers that are not experiencing financial difficulties. Any economic downturn may adversely affect the demand for oil and gas generally or cause volatility in oil and gas commodity prices and, therefore, adversely affect the demand for delivery of our products to the oil and gas industry. It could also adversely affect the demand for consumer products, which could in turn adversely affect our thermal solutions business. To the extent these factors adversely affect other seismic companies in the industry, there could be an oversupply of products and services and downward pressure on pricing for seismic products and services, which could adversely affect us. Additionally, bankruptcies or financial difficulties among our customers could reduce our cash flows and adversely impact our liquidity and profitability. See “The Limited Market for Our Seismic Products Can Affect Our Revenues in the Seismic Business,” above.

### *We Have a Minimal Disaster Recovery Program at our Houston Facilities*

Due to its proximity to the Texas Gulf Coast, our facilities in Houston, Texas are annually subject to the threat of hurricanes, and the aftermath that follows. Hurricanes may cause, among other types of damage, the loss of electrical power for extended periods of time. If we lost electrical power at our Pinemont facility, or if a fire or other natural disaster occurred, we would be unable to continue our manufacturing operations during the power outage because we do not own a generator or any other back-up power source large enough to provide for our manufacturing power consumption needs. Additionally, we do not have an alternative manufacturing or operating location in the United States. Therefore, a significant disruption in our manufacturing operations could materially and adversely affect our business operations during an extended period of a power outage, fire or other natural disaster. We have a back-up generator to provide power for our information technology operations. We store our back-up data offsite and we replicate our mission

critical data to an alternative cloud-based data center on a real-time basis. In the event of a major service interruption in our data center, we believe we would be able to activate our mission critical applications within less than 24 hours.

#### *Our Credit Agreement Imposes Restrictions on Our Business*

We and several of our subsidiaries are parties to a credit agreement with a bank. Amounts available for borrowing under the credit agreement are determined by a borrowing base, which is determined based upon certain of our assets. The credit agreement limits the incurrence of additional indebtedness, requires the maintenance of a single financial ratio that compares certain of our and our U.S. subsidiaries' assets to certain of our liabilities, restricts our and our U.S. subsidiaries' ability to pay cash dividends and contains other covenants customary in agreements of this type. Our ability to comply with these restrictions may be affected by events beyond our control, including, but not limited to, prevailing economic, financial and industry conditions and continuing declines in our sales of products. The breach of any of these covenants or restrictions, as well as any failure to make a payment of interest or principal when due, could result in a default under the credit agreement. Such a default would permit our lender to declare any amounts borrowed from it to be due and payable, together with accrued and unpaid interest, and the ability to borrow under the credit agreement could be terminated. If we are unable to repay any debts owed to our lender, the lender could proceed against the collateral securing that debt. While we intend to seek alternative sources of cash in such a situation, there is no guarantee that any alternative cash source would be available or would be available on terms favorable to us.

#### *Reliance on Third Party Subcontractors Could Adversely Affect our Results of Operations and Reputation*

We may rely on subcontractors to complete certain projects. The quality and timing of production and services by our subcontractors is not totally under our control. Reliance on subcontractors gives us less control over a project and exposes us to significant risks, including late delivery, substandard quality and high costs. The failure of our subcontractors to deliver quality products or services in a timely manner could adversely affect our profitability and reputation.

#### *The High Fixed Costs of our Operations Could Adversely Affect our Results of Operations.*

We have a high fixed cost structure primarily consisting of (i) depreciation expenses associated with our rental equipment and (ii) fixed manufacturing costs including salaries and benefits, taxes, insurance, maintenance, depreciation and other fixed manufacturing costs. In regards to our rental equipment, large declines in the demand for rental equipment could result in substantial operating losses due to the on-going nature of rental equipment depreciation expense. Concerning our product manufacturing costs, in periods of low product demand our fixed costs generally do not decline or may decline only in modest increments. Therefore lower demand for our rental equipment and manufactured products could adversely affect our results of operations.

#### *Our Long-Lived Assets May be Subject to Impairment.*

We periodically assess our long-lived assets for impairment. Significant sustained future decreases in oil and natural gas prices may require us to write down the value of these assets if future cash flows anticipated to be generated from the related assets fall below the asset's net book value. If we are forced to write down the value of our long-lived assets, these noncash asset impairments could adversely affect our results of operations.

#### *Our Use of Percentage-of-Completion Method of Accounting Could Result in Volatility in our Results of Operations*

We recognize revenue and profits from larger orders like the Statoil Order using the percentage-of-completion method of accounting. Although we currently have no orders in hand that will require us to utilize the percentage-of-completion method of accounting, we anticipate that such contracts will again occur in the future although we can give no assurances in this regard. This accounting method requires us to estimate contract costs and the profitability of our long-term contracts. While such estimates may be reasonably reliable when made, these estimates can change as a result of uncertainties associated with these types of contracts. Accordingly, we review the contract price and cost estimates periodically as our manufacturing efforts progress, and the cumulative impact of any periodic revisions to the contract price or cost estimates will be reflected in the period in which these changes become known, including, to the extent required, the recognition of losses at the time such losses are known and estimable, and such losses could be material. In addition, change orders can increase (sometimes substantially) the future scope and cost of a job. Therefore,

change order awards (although frequently beneficial in the long-term) can have the short-term effect of reducing the contract's percentage-of-completion and, thus, the revenue and profits that otherwise would be recognized to date.

**Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments**

None.

**Item 2. Properties**

As of September 30, 2015, our operations included the following locations:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Owned/Leased</u>	<u>Approximate Square Footage/Acreage</u>	<u>Use</u>	<u>Segment</u>
Houston, Texas .....	Owned	387,000	See Note 1 below	Seismic and non-seismic
Houston, Texas .....	Owned	77,000	See Note 2 below	Corporate
Houston, Texas .....	Owned	30,000	See Note 3 below	Seismic
Houston, Texas .....	Owned	17.3 acres	See Note 4 below	Seismic
Houston, Texas .....	Leased	38,000	See Note 5 below	Seismic
Ufa, Bashkortostan, Russia.....	Owned	120,000	Manufacturing, sales and service	Seismic
Calgary, Alberta, Canada.....	Owned	45,000	Manufacturing, sales and service	Seismic and non-seismic
Luton, Bedfordshire, England ...	Owned	8,000	Sales and service	Non-seismic
Beijing, China.....	Leased	1,000	Sales and service	Seismic
Bogotá, Colombia.....	Owned	19,000	Sales and service	Seismic

While we believe that our facilities are adequate for our immediate needs, we are currently evaluating plans for the expansion of our Houston manufacturing and engineering facilities.

- (1) This property is located at 7007 Pinemont Drive in Houston, Texas (the "Pinemont Facility"). The Pinemont Facility contains substantially all manufacturing activities and all engineering, selling, marketing and administrative activities for us in the United States. The Pinemont Facility also serves as our international corporate headquarters.
- (2) This property is located at 7334 N. Gessner in Houston, Texas. The property previously contained a manufacturing operation and certain support functions. The property is currently leased to a tenant under a lease agreement which expires in July 2020.
- (3) This property is located at 6410 Langfield Road in Houston, Texas. This facility provides additional warehousing and testing capacity for our manufacturing operations.
- (4) This property is located adjacent to the Pinemont Facility. It is currently being used as additional parking for the Pinemont Facility and legacy structures are being used to support our manufacturing and warehousing operations. Future expansion plans, if pursued, are expected to more fully utilize this property.
- (5) This property is located at 6855 Wynnwood, Houston, Texas. This property is used to assemble products and to warehouse inventories. The lease term for this facility expires on March 31, 2016 and there are no plans to extend the lease for this property. Our activities at this facility are expected to be moved to the Pinemont Facility.

**Item 3. Legal Proceedings**

We are involved in various pending or potential legal actions in the ordinary course of our business. Management is unable to predict the ultimate outcome of these actions, because of the inherent uncertainty of litigation. However, management believes that the most probable, ultimate resolution of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

**Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures**

None.

## PART II

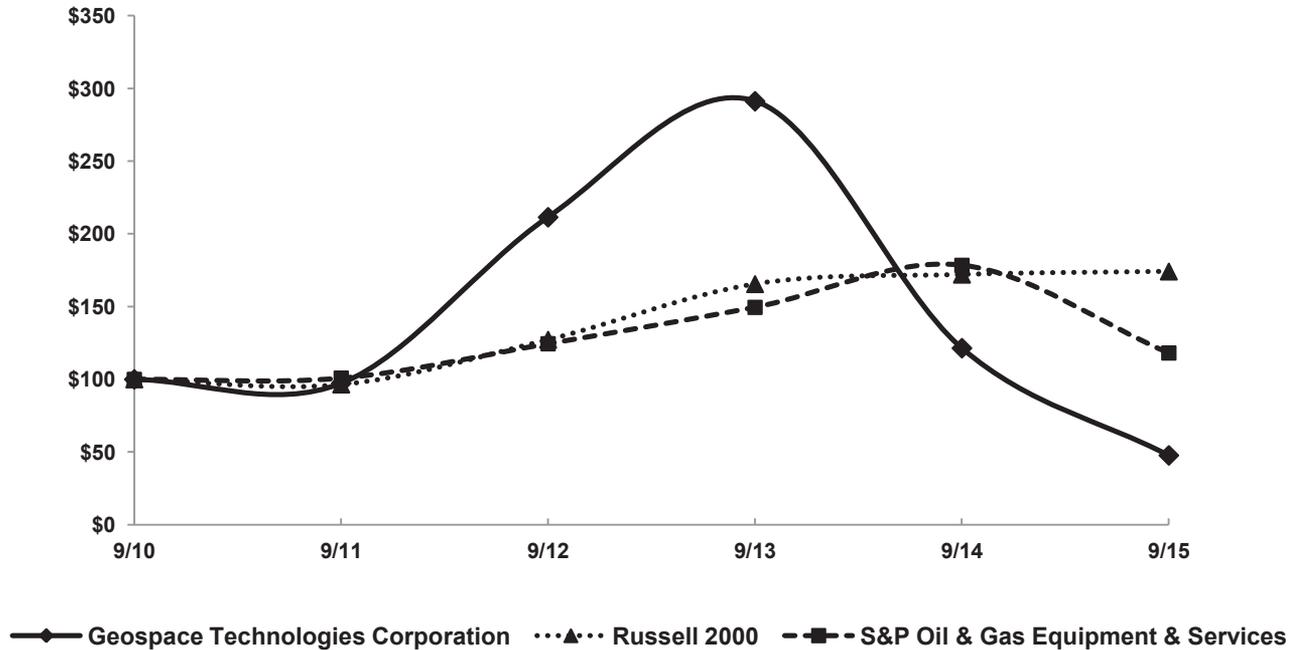
### Item 5. Market for Registrant’s Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

#### Stock Performance Graph

The following graph compares the performance of the Company’s common stock with the performance of the Russell 2000 index and the Standard & Poor’s Oil & Gas Equipment and Services index as of each of the dates indicated.

#### COMPARISON OF 5 YEAR CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURN\*

Among Geospace Technologies Corporation, the Russell 2000 Index and the S&P Oil & Gas Equipment & Services Index



\*\$100 invested on 9/30/10 in stock or index, including reinvestment of dividends.  
Fiscal year ending September 30.

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The graph assumes \$100 invested on September 30, 2010 (a) in the Company’s common stock, (b) in the stocks comprising the Russell 2000 index on that day and (c) in the stocks comprising the Standard & Poor’s Oil & Gas Equipment and Services index on that day. Reinvestment of all dividends on stocks comprising the two indices is assumed. The foregoing graphs are based on historical data and are not necessarily indicative of future performance. These graphs shall not be deemed to be “soliciting material” or to be “filed” with the SEC or subject to Regulations 14A or 14C under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”) or to the liabilities of Section 18 of the Exchange Act.

#### Holder of Record

Our common stock is traded on The NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol “GEOS”. On October 31, 2015, there were approximately 74 holders of record of our common stock, and the closing price per share on such date was \$15.36 as quoted by The NASDAQ Global Market.

## Market Information for Common Stock

The following table shows the high and low per share sales prices for our common stock reported on The NASDAQ Global Market.

	<u>Low</u>	<u>High</u>
<b><u>Year Ended September 30, 2015:</u></b>		
Fourth Quarter .....	\$ 13.44	\$ 23.45
Third Quarter .....	15.59	26.75
Second Quarter .....	14.95	28.88
First Quarter.....	24.07	35.32
<b><u>Year Ended September 30, 2014:</u></b>		
Fourth Quarter .....	\$ 34.01	\$ 55.50
Third Quarter .....	41.63	66.84
Second Quarter .....	60.70	94.82
First Quarter.....	79.60	107.93

## Dividends

Since our initial public offering in 1997, we have not paid dividends, and we do not intend to pay cash dividends on our common stock in the foreseeable future. We presently intend to retain our earnings for use in our business, with any future decision to pay cash dividends dependent upon our growth, profitability, financial condition and other factors our Board of Directors may deem relevant. Our existing credit agreement also has covenants that materially limit our ability to pay dividends. For a discussion of our credit agreement, see the section entitled “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – Liquidity and Capital Resources” contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

## Securities Authorized for Issuance under Equity Compensation Plans

The following equity plan information is provided as of September 30, 2015:

### Equity Compensation Plan Information

<u>Plan Category</u>	<u>Number of Securities to be Issued upon Exercise of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights</u> (a)	<u>Weighted-average Exercise Price of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights</u> (b)	<u>Number of Securities Remaining Available for Future Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans (Excluding Securities Reflected in Column (a))</u> (c)
Equity Compensation Plans Approved by Security Holders.....	89,700	\$ 17.27	1,476,000

During fiscal year 2015, we issued a total of 3,000 restricted shares of common stock to our directors. The weighted average grant date fair value of the shares issued was \$19.13 per share. The restrictions on the shares issued lapse in four equal annual installments commencing on the first anniversary date of the issuance. The issuances were exempt from registration pursuant to Section 4(a)(2) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

## Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities and Use of Proceeds

None.

## Purchases of Equity Securities by the Issuer and Affiliated Purchasers

None.

## Item 6. Selected Consolidated Financial Data

The following table sets forth certain selected historical financial data on a consolidated basis. We have derived the selected consolidated financial information as of September 30, 2015 and 2014 and for fiscal years 2015, 2014 and 2013 from our audited consolidated financial statements appearing elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. We have derived the selected consolidated financial information as of September 30, 2013, 2012 and 2011 and for fiscal years 2012 and 2011 from audited consolidated information not included herein. The selected consolidated financial data should be read in conjunction with “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” in item 7 and our consolidated financial statements appearing elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

	Year Ended September 30,				
	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	(in thousands, except share and per share amounts)				
<b>Statement of Operations Data:</b>					
Revenue .....	\$ 84,867	\$ 236,912	\$ 300,607	\$ 191,664	\$ 172,970
Cost of revenue .....	96,067	140,453	160,846	109,600	98,857
Gross profit (loss) .....	(11,200)	96,459	139,761	82,064	74,113
Operating expenses:					
Selling, general and administrative expenses .....	22,671	25,291	23,383	18,914	18,051
Research and development expenses .....	14,694	16,536	14,694	12,167	11,529
Goodwill impairment expense .....	1,843	—	—	—	—
Bad debt expense .....	2,147	833	457	118	128
Total operating expenses .....	41,355	42,660	38,534	31,199	29,708
Income (loss) from operations .....	(52,555)	53,799	101,227	50,865	44,405
Other income (expense), net .....	2,721	(256)	(134)	997	214
Income (loss) before income taxes .....	(49,834)	53,543	101,093	51,862	44,619
Income tax expense (benefit) .....	(17,193)	16,632	31,536	16,744	14,908
Net income (loss) .....	\$ (32,641)	\$ 36,911	\$ 69,557	\$ 35,118	\$ 29,711
Net income (loss) per share:					
Basic (1) .....	\$ (2.51)	\$ 2.82	\$ 5.40	\$ 2.76	\$ 2.39
Diluted (1) .....	\$ (2.51)	\$ 2.81	\$ 5.38	\$ 2.74	\$ 2.36
Weighted average shares outstanding:					
Basic (1) .....	12,996,958	12,950,958	12,886,372	12,735,520	12,441,313
Diluted (1) .....	12,996,958	12,997,009	12,938,661	12,836,239	12,572,647
<b>Other Financial Data:</b>					
Depreciation and amortization expenses .....	\$ 19,547	\$ 17,774	\$ 12,229	\$ 9,587	\$ 7,047
Stock-based compensation expense .....	4,539	4,119	544	762	736
Capital expenditures .....	6,162	33,511	41,659	35,729	20,144

	As of September 30,				
	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	(in thousands)				
<b>Balance Sheet Data:</b>					
Working capital .....	\$ 191,075	\$ 220,657	\$ 198,464	\$ 146,036	\$ 124,900
Total assets .....	307,046	354,986	327,225	259,022	196,801
Long-term debt .....	—	—	931	—	—
Stockholders’ equity .....	289,624	329,258	289,058	214,987	177,013

We did not declare or pay any cash dividends during any of the periods noted in the above tables.

- (1) In October 2012, we implemented a 2-for-1 split of our common stock effected in the legal form of a stock dividend. Other than the disclosure of the authorized number of shares of our common stock, we have adjusted all share and per-share disclosures for all periods presented in our consolidated financial statements.

## **Item 7. Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations**

The following is management’s discussion and analysis of the major elements of our consolidated financial statements. You should read this discussion and analysis together with our consolidated financial statements, including the accompanying notes, and other detailed information appearing elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, including under the heading “Risk Factors”. The discussion of our financial condition and results of operations includes various forward-looking statements about our markets, the demand for our products and services and our future plans and results. These statements are based on assumptions that we consider to be reasonable, but that could prove to be incorrect. For more information regarding our assumptions, you should refer to the section entitled “Forward-Looking Statements and Assumptions” below.

### **Forward-Looking Statements and Assumptions**

This Annual Report on Form 10-K and the documents incorporated by reference herein, if any, contain “forward-looking” statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. These forward-looking statements can be identified by terminology such as “may”, “will”, “should”, “intend”, “expect”, “plan”, “budget”, “forecast”, “anticipate”, “believe”, “estimate”, “predict”, “potential”, “continue”, “evaluating” or similar words. Statements that contain these words should be read carefully because they discuss our future expectations, contain projections of our future results of operations or of our financial position or state other forward-looking information. Examples of forward-looking statements include, among others, statements that we make regarding our expected operating results, the adoption and sale of our products in various geographic regions, anticipated levels of capital expenditures and the sources of funding therefore, and our strategy for growth, product development, market position, financial results and reserves. These forward-looking statements reflect our best judgment about future events and trends based on the information currently available to us. However, there will likely be events in the future that we are not able to predict or control. The factors listed under the caption “Risk Factors”, as well as cautionary language in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, provide examples of risks, uncertainties and events that may cause our actual results to differ materially from the expectations we describe in our forward-looking statements. You should be aware that the occurrence of the events described under the caption “Risk Factors” and elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial position, and actual events and results of operations may vary materially from our current expectations.

### **Background**

We design and manufacture instruments and equipment used by the oil and gas industry to acquire seismic data in order to locate, characterize and monitor hydrocarbon producing reservoirs. The Company also designs and manufactures non-seismic products, including industrial products, offshore cables, thermal printing equipment and film. See the information under the heading “Business” in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

### **Consolidated Results of Operations**

As we have reported in the past, our revenue and operating profits have varied significantly from quarter-to-quarter, and even year-to-year, and are expected to continue that trend in the future, especially when our quarterly or annual financial results are impacted by the presence or absence of relatively large, but somewhat erratic, shipments of permanent seabed reservoir monitoring systems and/or wireless data acquisition systems for land and marine applications.

We report and evaluate financial information for two segments: Seismic and Non-Seismic. Summary financial data by business segment follows (in thousands):

	Year Ended September 30,		
	2015	2014	2013
<b>Seismic</b>			
Traditional exploration product revenue .....	\$ 30,083	\$ 52,001	\$ 49,781
Wireless exploration product revenue .....	25,070	78,636	87,316
Reservoir product revenue.....	5,412	84,309	138,103
Total revenue .....	<u>60,565</u>	<u>214,946</u>	<u>275,200</u>
Operating income (loss).....	(42,732)	65,159	110,118
<b>Non-Seismic</b>			
Revenue .....	23,758	21,420	24,578
Operating income .....	3,031	2,733	3,344
<b>Corporate</b>			
Revenue .....	544	546	829
Operating loss.....	(12,854)	(14,093)	(12,235)
<b>Consolidated Totals</b>			
Revenue .....	84,867	236,912	300,607
Operating income (loss).....	(52,555)	53,799	101,227

## Overview

During fiscal year 2013 and through the first half of fiscal year 2014, we experienced very strong market demand in both North American and international markets for our wireless GSX channels and geophone sensors. Also during that period, we reported significant revenue from our seismic reservoir products, primarily from the Statoil Order. Early in calendar year 2014, we began to experience a softening in the demand for our seismic exploration products, particularly in North America, as capital budgets for oil and gas producers were trending away from exploration-focused activities toward production and exploitation activities. During this period oil production in North America's unconventional shale reservoirs increased, as did oil production from non-OPEC countries, resulting in an oversupply of crude oil in the world market. Since July 2014, market prices for a barrel of crude oil declined from over \$100 to approximately \$40 today. With the decline in oil and natural gas prices, exploration and production companies have experienced a significant reduction in cash flows resulting in sharp reductions in their capital spending budgets for oil and gas exploration activities, including seismic activities. In addition, the Statoil Order was completed in April 2014 and we have not received any new orders for permanent reservoir monitoring systems since that time. As a result of these factors, revenue from our seismic business segment for fiscal year 2015 declined to \$60.6 million (a 71.8% reduction from fiscal year 2014) resulting in the segment's operating loss of \$42.7 million. We expect sales of our seismic products, and in particular our traditional and wireless products, to be lower until crude oil prices stabilize and industry conditions improve. We expect these challenging industry conditions to negatively impact the demand for our seismic products throughout fiscal year 2016.

### *Fiscal Year 2015 Compared to Fiscal Year 2014*

Consolidated revenue for fiscal year 2015 decreased \$152.0 million, or 64.2%, from fiscal year 2014. The decrease in revenue was primarily attributable to substantially lower product demand in our seismic business segment.

We had a consolidated gross profit (loss) of \$(11.2) million for fiscal year 2015, which was \$107.7 million less than our consolidated gross profit for fiscal year 2014. The decrease in gross profit was caused by a number of factors, including (i) significantly lower seismic product revenue, (ii) unabsorbed fixed manufacturing costs due to low factory utilization, (iii) fixed depreciation expenses from our rental equipment during periods of low rental equipment utilization, (iv) a sales mix containing a concentration of significantly lower-margin products caused by a substantial reduction in revenue from our wireless and reservoir products, (v) increased warranty costs due to product defects, and (vi) increased inventory obsolescence expenses due to higher levels of slow-moving inventories.

Consolidated operating expenses for fiscal year 2015 decreased \$1.3 million, or 3.1%, from fiscal year 2014. The decrease in operating expenses was primarily due to the elimination of \$4.1 million of incentive compensation expenses. This decrease was partially offset by a goodwill impairment charge of \$1.8 million and a \$1.3 million increase in bad debt expense.

Consolidated other income for fiscal year 2015 increased \$3.0 million from fiscal year 2014. The increase in other income primarily resulted from foreign exchange gains attributable to U.S. dollar deposits held by our Russian subsidiary.

The U.S. statutory tax rate applicable to us for fiscal years 2015 and 2014 was 35.0%; however, our effective tax rate was (34.5)% and 31.1% for fiscal years 2015 and 2014, respectively. The lower effective tax rate for fiscal year 2014 primarily resulted from (i) the impact of the manufacturers'/producers' deduction available to U.S. manufacturers, (ii) lower tax rates applicable to income earned in foreign tax jurisdictions and (iii) research and experimentation tax credits.

#### *Fiscal Year 2014 Compared to Fiscal Year 2013*

Consolidated revenue for fiscal year 2014 decreased \$63.7 million, or 21.2%, from fiscal year 2013. The decrease was primarily due to lower seismic reservoir product revenue attributable to the completion of the Statoil Order in April 2014.

Consolidated gross profit for fiscal year 2014 decreased by \$43.3 million, or 31.0%, from fiscal year 2013. The decrease was primarily due to lower seismic reservoir product revenue attributable to the completion of the Statoil Order in April 2014 resulting in lower gross profit margins due to reduced efficiencies in our manufacturing operations.

Consolidated operating expenses for fiscal year 2014 increased \$4.1 million, or 10.7%, from fiscal year 2013. The increase in operating expenses reflects higher stock-based compensation expenses and higher costs resulting from increased staffing of our administrative and research and development departments.

The U.S. statutory tax rate applicable to us for fiscal years 2014 and 2013 was 35.0%; however, our effective tax rate was 31.1% and 31.2% for fiscal years 2014 and 2013, respectively. The lower effective tax rate for both fiscal years resulted from (i) the impact of the manufacturers'/producers' deduction available in the United States, (ii) lower tax rates applicable to income earned in foreign tax jurisdictions and (iii) research and experimentation tax credits.

## **Segment Results of Operations**

### **Seismic Products**

#### *Fiscal Year 2015 Compared to Fiscal Year 2014*

##### *Revenue*

Revenue from our seismic products for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015 decreased by \$154.4 million, or 71.8%, from the prior fiscal year. The components of this decrease include the following:

- Traditional Exploration Product Revenue – For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015, revenue from our traditional products decreased \$21.9 million, or 42.1% from the prior fiscal year. The decrease reflects lower demand for our geophone and marine products due to the soft industry conditions described above. In addition, the first quarter results of the prior year period included large orders for geophones which accompanied the sale of GSX wireless systems.
- Wireless Exploration Product Revenue – For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015, revenue from our GSX and OBX wireless products decreased by \$53.6 million, or 68.1%, from the prior fiscal year. These results reflect declines in both product and rental revenue and are a direct result of reduced demand caused by soft industry conditions.
- Reservoir Product Revenue – For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015, revenue from our reservoir products decreased \$78.9 million, or 93.6%, from the prior fiscal year. The decrease in revenue was primarily due to the delivery in fiscal year 2014 of \$71.5 million of permanent reservoir monitoring systems, including \$62.1 million relating to the Statoil Order. No orders for permanent reservoir monitoring systems were received or delivered in fiscal year 2015. We continue to actively market these products to our customers.

Customer orders for our seismic products, especially large orders for our GSX and OBX wireless systems and our seabed permanent reservoir monitoring systems, generally occur irregularly making it difficult for us to predict our sales and production levels each quarter. Furthermore, product shipping dates are generally determined by our customers and are not at our discretion. As a result, these factors have caused past sales of our seismic products to be unpredictable, or “lumpy,” and we expect this trend to continue into the future.

#### *Operating Income (Loss)*

We had an operating loss for fiscal year 2015, which was \$107.9 million less than our operating income for fiscal year 2014. The decrease in operating income (loss) was due to the substantial decline in our product revenue which, in turn, resulted in substantially lower gross profits due to the factors described above.

#### *Fiscal Year 2014 Compared to Fiscal Year 2013*

##### *Revenue*

Revenue from our seismic products for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2014 decreased by \$60.3 million, or 21.9%, from the prior fiscal year. The components of this decrease include the following:

- *Traditional Exploration Product Revenue* – For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2014, revenue from our traditional products increased \$2.2 million, or 4.5%, from the corresponding period of the prior fiscal year. The increase reflects higher demand for our geophone products, primarily in connection with the sale of two large GSX wireless systems in the first quarter ended December 31, 2013.
- *Wireless Exploration Product Revenue* – For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2014, revenue from our GSX and OBX wireless products decreased by \$8.7 million, or 9.9%. The decrease in revenue was primarily due to lower demand for sales of our GSX wireless products resulting from continued industry softness and increasing competition for sales of wireless data acquisition systems. The lower product revenue was partially offset by significantly higher GSX and OBX rental revenue. During fiscal year 2014, we sold approximately 86,000 GSX channels compared to 81,000 in the prior fiscal year, with a significant portion of the fiscal year 2014 sales comprised of 3-channel stations yielding a lower sales price per channel.
- *Reservoir Product Revenue* – For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2014, revenue from our reservoir products decreased \$53.8 million, or 39.0%. The decrease in revenue was primarily due to the completion of the manufacturing of the Statoil Order in April 2014 resulting in a substantial decline in revenue from our permanent reservoir monitoring systems. During the year ended September 30, 2014, we recognized \$62.1 million of Statoil Order revenue compared to prior fiscal year revenue of \$109.6 million and \$18.0 million from permanent reservoir monitoring systems sold to Statoil and Shell Brasil Petróleo, respectively.

#### *Operating Income*

Operating income for fiscal year 2014 decreased by \$47.4 million, or 46.9%, from fiscal year 2013. The decrease was primarily due to lower seismic reservoir product revenue attributable to the completion of the Statoil Order in April 2014.

#### **Non-Seismic Products**

#### *Fiscal Year 2015 Compared to Fiscal Year 2014*

##### *Revenue*

Revenue from our non-seismic products for the year ended September 30, 2015 increased by \$2.3 million, or 10.9%, from fiscal year 2014. This increase in revenue was primarily due to increased demand for our industrial and offshore cable products.

### *Operating Income*

Our operating income associated with sales of our non-seismic products for the year ended September 30, 2015 increased by \$0.3 million, or 10.9%, from fiscal year 2014. The increase in operating income was primarily the result of increased demand for our industrial products.

### *Fiscal Year 2014 Compared to Fiscal Year 2013*

#### *Revenue*

Revenue of our non-seismic products for the year ended September 30, 2014 decreased by \$3.2 million, or 12.8%, from fiscal year 2013. This decrease in revenue resulted from lower sales of our offshore cable and thermal imaging products. Sales of our offshore cable products were impacted due to constrained manufacturing capacity caused by the Statoil Order through the first half of fiscal year 2014.

### *Operating Income*

Our operating income associated with sales of our non-seismic products for the year ended September 30, 2014 decreased by \$0.6 million, or 18.3%, from fiscal year 2013. The decrease in operating income resulted from lower sales and profit margins from sales of our industrial products.

## **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

### *Fiscal Year 2015*

At September 30, 2015, we had approximately \$22.3 million in cash and cash equivalents and \$18.1 million in short-term investments. For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015, we used \$11.4 million of cash from operating activities. These uses of cash included (i) our net loss of \$32.6 million, (ii) a \$6.0 million decrease in accrued expenses and other current liabilities primarily due to the payment of fiscal year 2014 incentive compensation, (iii) a \$14.8 million increase in income tax receivable resulting from our pretax loss and our intent to claim a tax refund of \$17.4 million in our second quarter ending March 2016 for taxes paid in prior years, and (iv) a \$3.6 million decrease in deferred revenue primarily due to the revenue recognition of a \$3.0 million non-refundable customer deposit. These uses of cash were partially offset by (i) net non-cash charges of \$31.2 million from deferred income taxes, depreciation, goodwill impairment, accretion, stock-based compensation, inventory obsolescence and bad debts, (ii) a \$7.1 million decrease in trade accounts and notes receivable resulting from collections and a decline in revenue, (iii) a \$9.7 million decrease in inventories caused by reduced product demand and a drawdown of our excess inventories, and (iv) a \$1.0 million decrease in prepaid and other current assets.

For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015, we used cash of \$0.3 million from investing activities. These uses of cash included (i) \$4.0 million to expand our rental equipment fleet primarily for the addition of OBX nodes and (ii) \$2.2 million for additions to our property, plant and equipment. These uses of cash were partially offset by (i) proceeds of \$4.3 million from the sale of used rental equipment and (ii) net proceeds of \$1.6 million from the sale and purchase of short-term investments. Regarding future investments into our rental fleet, we expect total fiscal year 2016 cash investments into our rental fleet to be approximately \$2.0 million and non-cash transfers from our inventory account of at least \$14.0 million pending demand for OBX systems. We estimate total fiscal year 2016 cash investments in property, plant and equipment will be approximately \$3.0 million. We expect these capital expenditures will be financed from our cash on hand, internal cash flow, or from borrowings under our credit agreement.

For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015, we had no cash flows from financing activities. We had no long-term debt outstanding at September 30, 2015.

As previously mentioned, with the decline in oil and natural gas prices, exploration and production companies have experienced a significant reduction in cash flows resulting in sharp reductions in their capital spending budgets for exploration-focused activities, including seismic activities. As a result, our seismic business segment has experienced a significant decline in product orders and associated revenue, resulting in significant operating losses and the partial depletion of our cash balance during fiscal year 2015. Due to the uncertainty concerning a recovery of crude oil prices to levels capable of sustaining increased seismic exploration activities, we expect these depressed market conditions to continue through fiscal year 2016.

Our available cash, cash equivalents and short term investments totaled \$40.4 million at September 30, 2015, including \$7.6 million of cash and cash equivalents held by our foreign subsidiaries. We intend to permanently reinvest undistributed earnings of our foreign subsidiaries. If we were to repatriate the cash held by our foreign subsidiaries, we would be required to accrue and pay income taxes in the United States.

We recently amended our credit agreement which reduced our borrowing availability to \$30.0 million with amounts available for borrowing determined by a borrowing base. At September 30, 2015, we had no outstanding long-term debt or borrowings under the credit agreement and our borrowing availability under the credit facility was \$29.9 million. At September 30, 2015, we were in compliance with all covenants under the credit agreement and we expect to remain in compliance with all covenants throughout fiscal year 2016. We currently do not anticipate the need to borrow from the credit agreement during fiscal year 2016; however, we can make no assurance that we will not do so.

During these difficult times, we are remaining focused on cash preservation and cost reduction. Since April 2014, we have reduced our workforce by 32%. In addition, we have eliminated significant cash incentive compensation costs, redundant facility costs, and other discretionary costs while concurrently seeking to retain key employees in line with our business strategy. We expect to continue these cash preservation efforts throughout fiscal year 2016.

As a result of the significant losses we experienced in fiscal year 2015, we expect to receive a \$17.3 million income tax refund from the U.S. Department of Treasury in our second fiscal quarter ending March 31, 2016. We believe the combination of this cash refund, together with expected cash proceeds from executed rental contracts, existing cash balances, short-term investments and available borrowings under the credit agreement, will be sufficient to finance our operating losses and planned capital expenditures for the next twelve months.

#### *Fiscal Year 2014*

At September 30, 2014, we had \$33.4 million in cash and cash equivalents. For fiscal year 2014, we generated approximately \$67.7 million of cash from operating activities. Sources of cash generated in our operating activities included our net income of \$36.9 million. Our net income included net non-cash charges of \$26.2 million for deferred income taxes, depreciation, amortization, accretion, stock-based compensation, inventory obsolescence and bad debts. Other sources of cash and changes in working capital included (i) a \$25.6 million decrease in trade accounts and notes receivable due to reduced product shipments in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2014 compared to the prior year period and (ii) a \$12.4 million decrease in costs and estimated earnings in excess of billings due to the completion of revenue recognition of the Statoil Order. These sources of cash were primarily offset by (i) a \$11.8 million decrease in accounts payable due to a reduction in inventory buying activities caused by the slowdown in customer orders, (ii) a \$9.0 million adjustment to transfer gross profits from rental equipment sales to investing activities since such transactions involve the sale of long-lived assets and (iii) a \$10.5 million increase in inventories (excluding the impact of \$10.7 million of non-cash transfers of inventories to our rental equipment fleet).

For fiscal year 2014, we used approximately \$36.7 million of cash in investing activities. The primary use of cash was for capital expenditures of \$33.5 million, including \$26.7 million to expand our rental equipment fleet and \$6.8 million for property and equipment. Cash of \$21.6 million was used to purchase short-term investments in order to enhance investment earnings on our available cash resources. These uses of cash were partially offset by \$16.4 million of proceeds from the sale of used rental equipment.

For fiscal year 2014, we used approximately \$0.3 million of cash in financing activities. We received cash proceeds of \$0.6 million from the exercise of stock options and the associated tax benefit related to such exercised stock options. These proceeds were more than offset by the payment of \$0.9 million outstanding under our credit agreement.

#### *Fiscal Year 2013*

At September 30, 2013, we had \$2.7 million in cash and cash equivalents. For fiscal year 2013, we used approximately \$57.2 million of cash from operating activities. Sources of cash generated in our operating activities included our net income of \$69.6 million. Additional sources of cash included net non-cash charges of \$13.1 million for deferred income taxes, depreciation, amortization, accretion, stock-based compensation, inventory obsolescence and bad debts and a \$3.3 million increase accrued expenses and other. These sources of cash were offset by uses of cash which included (i) a \$73.4 million increase in inventories due to

current and expected future production for the Statoil Order and for production of marine and land wireless products in anticipation of future orders, (ii) a \$33.7 million increase in trade accounts and notes receivable primarily resulting from increased sales and the timing of cash collections, (iii) a \$13.6 million adjustment to transfer gross profits from rental equipment sales to investing activities since such transactions involve the sale of long-lived assets, (iv) a \$12.4 million increase in costs and estimated earnings in excess of billings for the Statoil Order (v) a \$7.5 million decrease in deferred revenue primarily due to the revenue recognition of advance payments received from Shell Brasil Petróleo Ltda, (vi) a \$1.1 million decrease in income tax payable resulting from the timing of our income tax payments, (vii) a \$0.7 million increase in prepaid income taxes related to intercompany product sales, (viii) a \$0.3 million increase in prepaid expenses and other current assets due to vendor prepayment requirements and tax deposits and (iv) a \$0.4 million decrease in accounts payable due to the timing of payments to our vendors.

For fiscal year 2013, we generated approximately \$3.4 million of cash from investing activities. We generated \$25.5 million of cash proceeds from the sale of used rental equipment and we generated \$19.6 million of cash proceeds from the sale of short-term investments. These cash proceeds were offset by an investment of \$22.3 million to expand our rental equipment fleet to meet customer demand, and a \$19.4 million investment in other property and equipment, including \$8.5 million of real property acquisitions in Houston and Bogotá.

For fiscal year 2013, we generated approximately \$5.8 million of cash from financing activities. We generated \$4.8 million from the exercise of stock options and related tax benefits and we borrowed \$0.9 million under our credit agreement for working capital purposes. Such borrowings were subsequently repaid during October 2013.

### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

We do not have any obligations which meet the definition of an off-balance sheet arrangement and which have or are reasonably likely to have a current or future effect on our financial statements or the items contained therein that are material to investors.

### **Contractual Obligations**

For information regarding our contractual obligations over the course of the next five years, please refer to Note 11 and Note 17 to our consolidated financial statements contained in this Annual Report, which provide detailed information regarding repayment of our Credit Agreement and an operating lease.

### **Critical Accounting Policies**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires the use of estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. We consider many factors in selecting appropriate operational and financial accounting policies and controls, and in developing the estimates and assumptions that are used in the preparation of these financial statements. We continually evaluate our estimates, including those related to revenue recognition, bad debt reserves, inventory obsolescence reserves, self-insurance reserves for medical expenses, product warranty reserves, goodwill, stock-based compensation and deferred income tax assets. We base our estimates on historical experience and various other factors, including the impact from the current economic conditions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different conditions or assumptions.

Our normal credit terms for trade receivables are 30 days. In certain situations, credit terms for trade receivables may be extended to 60 days or longer and such receivables generally do not require collateral. Additionally, we provide long-term financing in the form of promissory notes when competitive conditions require such financing and, in such cases, we may require collateral. We perform ongoing credit evaluations of our customers' accounts and notes receivable and allowances are recognized for potential credit losses.

Our long-lived assets are reviewed for impairment whenever an event or change in circumstances indicates the carrying amount of an asset or group of assets may not be recoverable. The impairment review, if necessary, includes a comparison of expected future cash flows (undiscounted and without interest charges) to be generated by an asset group with the associated carrying value of the related assets. If the carrying value of the asset group exceeds the expected future cash flows, an impairment loss is recognized to the extent that the carrying value of the asset group exceeds its fair value.

Management makes judgments regarding the interpretation of tax laws that might be challenged upon an audit and causes changes to previous estimates of tax liability. In addition, we operate within multiple taxing jurisdictions and are subject to audit in these jurisdictions as well as by the Internal Revenue Service. In management's opinion, adequate provisions for income taxes have been made for all open tax years. The potential outcomes of examinations are regularly assessed in determining the adequacy of the provision for income taxes and income tax liabilities. Management believes that adequate provisions have been made for reasonable and foreseeable outcomes related to uncertain tax matters.

We record a write-down of our inventories when the cost basis of any manufactured product, including any estimated future costs to complete the manufacturing process, exceeds its net realizable value. Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market value. Cost is determined on a first-in, first-out method, except that our subsidiary in the Russian Federation uses an average cost method to value its inventories.

We periodically review the composition of our inventories to determine if market demand, product modifications, technology changes, excessive quantities on-hand and other factors hinder our ability to recover its investment in such inventories. Management's assessment is based upon historical product demand, estimated future product demand and various other judgments and estimates. Inventory obsolescence reserves are recorded when such assessments reveal that portions or components of our inventory investment will not be realized in our operating activities.

Except for revenue recognized using the percentage-of-completion method discussed below, we primarily derive our revenue from product sales and product rentals under short-term operating leases. Our products are produced in a standard manufacturing operation. We recognize revenue from product sales when (i) title passes to the customer, (ii) the customer assumes risks and rewards of ownership, (iii) the product sales price has been determined, (iv) collectability of the sales price is reasonably assured and (v) product delivery occurs as directed by our customer. We recognize rental revenue as earned over the rental period. Rentals of our equipment generally range from daily rentals to rental periods of up to six months or longer. Service revenue is recognized when services are rendered and are generally priced on a per day rate. Except for certain of our permanent reservoir monitoring products, our products are generally sold without any customer acceptance provisions and our standard terms of sale do not allow customers to return products for credit.

We utilize the percentage-of-completion method (the "POC Method") to recognize revenue and costs on future contracts having the following characteristics:

- the contract requires significant custom designs for customer specific applications;
- the product design requires significant engineering efforts;
- the contract requires the customer to make progress payments during the contract term; and
- the contract requires at least 90 days of engineering and manufacturing effort.

The POC Method requires our senior management to make estimates, at least quarterly, of the (i) total costs of the contract, (ii) manufacturing progress against the contract and (iii) the estimated cost to complete the contract. These estimates will impact the amount of revenue and gross profit we will recognize for each reporting period. Significant estimates that may affect future cost to complete a contract include the cost and availability of raw materials and component parts, engineering services, manufacturing equipment, labor, manufacturing capacity, factory productivity, contract penalties and disputes, product warranties and other contingent factors. The cumulative impact of periodic revisions to the future cost to complete a contract will be reflected in the period in which these changes become known, including, to the extent required, the recognition of losses at the time such losses are known and estimable on contracts in progress. Due to the various estimates inherent in the POC Method, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Most of our products do not require installation assistance or sophisticated instruction. We offer a standard product warranty, which obligates us to repair or replace equipment with manufacturing defects. We maintain a reserve for future warranty costs based on historical experience or, in the absence of historical experience, management estimates.

## Recent Accounting Pronouncements

Reference is made to Note 1 in Part II, Item 8. of this Annual Report on Form 10-K for a discussion of recent accounting pronouncements.

## Management's Current Outlook and Assumptions

During fiscal year 2015 we witnessed a significant decline in the crude oil pricing environment and its negative impact upon cash flows and spending patterns of oil and gas companies. Significantly reduced capital spending budgets targeted at oil and gas exploration projects, including land and marine seismic projects, contributed to the steep decline in our seismic business segment revenue and gross profit. We believe fiscal year 2016 capital spending by oil and gas companies for seismic projects will continue to remain depressed and, therefore, we do not expect customer demand for most of our seismic products will exceed fiscal year 2015 levels. As a result of reduced exploration activities by oil and gas companies, many of our seismic customers are currently utilizing only a fraction of their owned seismic equipment. In most cases, this unutilized equipment is generally available for immediate deployment if future demand for seismic services were to increase. The availability of excess customer-owned seismic equipment combined with substantially reduced capital budgets and cash flows has curtailed our customer's need to purchase or rent seismic equipment from providers like us. As a result, we expect large-ticket sales of our GSX and OBX wireless data acquisition systems, as well as sales of our other land and marine seismic products, are likely to remain at depressed levels through fiscal year 2016.

Our rental revenue is primarily derived from short-term leases of our GSX and OBX wireless products and, to a lesser extent, from our traditional and reservoir products. Demand for rentals of our GSX land-based wireless equipment declined significantly during fiscal year 2015 and is expected to remain depressed throughout fiscal year 2016. However, as a result of a recently executed agreement with an international seismic contractor, we expect our OBX rental revenue to increase in fiscal year 2016.

Many of our traditional seismic products are characterized as low margin commodity or consumable products with intense international competition. Sales levels for these products have been relatively flat or declining since fiscal year 2010, and we do not expect sales levels for these lower margin products to grow during fiscal year 2016. As we focus our future product development and production activities toward higher margin specialty products and new technologies, especially our wireless and reservoir products, we expect future sales of these lower margin traditional seismic products to decline.

In fiscal year 2013, we received a \$171.7 million order from Statoil, including amendments, to instrument two reservoirs in the North Sea with our permanent reservoir monitoring systems. We did not receive any orders for large-scale seabed permanent reservoir monitoring systems in fiscal year 2014 or 2015 and we currently do not have any indication that such an order will be received in fiscal year 2016, although we do believe opportunities for permanent reservoir monitoring orders do exist in today's market. If a large-scale order were received in fiscal year 2016, it could significantly impact our fiscal year 2016 revenue and profits. However, if no such order is received, we expect revenue and profits from our reservoir products to remain at fiscal year 2015 levels.

We expect fiscal year 2016 revenue from our non-seismic products to modestly increase over fiscal year 2015 levels, with our industrial products contributing the majority of this increase.

## Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

We have market risk relative to our short-term investments. We do not engage in commodity or commodity derivative instrument purchase or sales transactions. Because of the inherent unpredictability of foreign currency rates and interest rates, as well as other factors, actual results could differ materially from those projected in this Item 7A.

### *Foreign Currency and Operations Risk*

One of our wholly-owned subsidiaries, Geospace Technologies Eurasia, is located in the Russian Federation. In addition, we operate a branch office, Geospace Technologies Sucursal Sudamericana, in Colombia. Our financial results for these entities may be affected by factors such as changes in foreign currency exchange rates, weak economic conditions or changes in the political climate. Our consolidated balance sheet at September 30, 2015 reflected approximately \$3.4 million and \$0.4 million of foreign currency denominated net working capital related to our Russian and Colombian operations, respectively. Both of these entities receive a portion of their revenue and pay a majority of their expenses primarily in their local currency. To the extent that transactions of these

entities are settled in their local currency, a devaluation of these currencies versus the U.S. dollar could reduce any contribution from these entities to our consolidated results of operations and total comprehensive income as reported in U.S. dollars. We do not hedge the market risk with respect to our operations in these countries; therefore, such risk is a general and unpredictable risk of future disruptions in the valuation of such currencies versus U.S. dollars to the extent such disruptions result in any reduced valuation of these foreign entities' net working capital or future contributions to our consolidated results of operations. At September 30, 2015, the foreign exchange rate for \$1.00 (one U.S. dollar) was equal to 65.4 Russian Rubles and 3,116 Colombian Pesos, respectively. If the value of the U.S. dollar were to increase by ten percent against these foreign currencies, our working capital in the Russian Federation and in Colombia could decline by \$0.3 million and \$39,000, respectively.

#### *Foreign Currency Intercompany Accounts and Notes Receivable*

From time to time, we provide access to capital to our foreign subsidiaries through U.S. dollar denominated interest bearing promissory notes. Such funds are generally used by our foreign subsidiaries to purchase capital assets and for general working capital needs. In addition, we sell products to our foreign subsidiaries on trade credit terms in both U.S. dollars and in the subsidiary's local currency. At September 30, 2015, we had outstanding Canadian-dollar denominated intercompany accounts receivable of CAN\$28.1 million. Approximately CAN\$4.1 million of these intercompany receivables are considered by management to be of a short-term nature whereby the appreciation or devaluation of the Canadian dollar against the U.S. dollar will result in a gain or loss, respectively, to our consolidated statement of operations. The Company considers approximately CAN\$24.0 million of the intercompany receivable to be of a long-term nature whereby settlement is not planned or anticipated in the foreseeable future; therefore, any resulting foreign exchange gains and losses are reported in the consolidated balance sheets as a component of other comprehensive income in accordance with ASC 830 "Foreign Currency Matters". In September 2015, we entered into a CAN\$4.0 million 90-day hedge agreement with a United States bank to hedge our short-term Canadian dollar foreign exchange rate exposure, resulting in an under-hedged position of approximately \$0.1 million Canadian dollars. To the extent our under-hedged position remains, if the U.S. dollar exchange rate were to strengthen by ten percent against the Canadian dollar, we would recognize a foreign exchange loss of \$8,000 U.S. dollars in our consolidated financial statements.

#### *Floating Interest Rate Risk*

Our credit agreement contains a floating interest rate which subjects us to the risk of increased interest costs associated with any upward movements in bank market interest rates. Under our credit agreement our borrowing interest rate is the Wall Street Journal prime rate, which was 3.25% at September 30, 2015. As of September 30, 2015 and September 30, 2014, there were no borrowings outstanding under our credit agreement.

### **Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data**

Our consolidated financial statements, including the reports thereon, the notes thereto and supplementary data begin at page F-1 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K and are incorporated herein by reference.

### **Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure**

None.

## Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

### Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in our reports filed under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified under the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and Chief Financial Officer ("CFO"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, there can be no assurance that our disclosure controls and procedures will detect or uncover all failures of persons within the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries to report material information otherwise required to be set forth in our reports.

In connection with the preparation of this Annual Report on Form 10-K, we carried out an evaluation under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including the CEO and CFO, as of September 30, 2015 of the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures, as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act. Based on that evaluation, the CEO and CFO concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were not effective due to the material weakness described in "Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting" as of September 30, 2015.

### Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act). Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

Our management assessed the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2015. In making this assessment, we used the criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) in *Internal Control Integrated Framework (2013)*. Based on this assessment, our management concluded that due to a material weakness in our internal control over financial reporting as described below, our disclosure controls and procedures were not effective as of September 30, 2015.

A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the company's annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis.

As of September 30, 2015, we did not maintain effective monitoring and oversight controls concerning our calculation of deferred income taxes in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification 740 ("ASC 740"), *Accounting for Income Taxes*. Specifically, we misapplied the guidance of ASC 740 by providing deferred taxes for currency translation adjustments resulting from the consolidation of our foreign subsidiaries whose earnings are deemed to be reinvested indefinitely. During the fourth quarter of our fiscal year ended September 30, 2015, we determined that no deferred taxes assets or liabilities should be recorded for such subsidiaries. The error resulted in an adjustment to our consolidated balance sheet as of September 30, 2015 and our consolidated statement of comprehensive (loss) for the year ended September 30, 2015, with no impact upon previously reported total assets, revenues, net income (loss), earnings (loss) per share, or cash flows.

The error arising from the underlying deficiency was not material to the financial statements reported in any prior interim or annual periods and, therefore, did not result in a revision to previously filed financial statements. However, this control deficiency, if not remediated, could have resulted in a material misstatement to our annual or interim consolidated statements that may not have been prevented or detected in a timely manner. Accordingly, we have determined that this control deficiency constitutes a material weakness.

Because of this material weakness, management concluded that we did not maintain effective internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2015, based on criteria described in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by COSO.

To remediate the material weakness described above, in accordance with ASC 740, we have ceased providing deferred taxes for any foreign subsidiary whose earnings are deemed to be reinvested indefinitely. We believe that this measure along with an enhanced review of the calculation of deferred taxes will remediate the material weakness identified and strengthen the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

Our internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2015 has been audited by BDO USA, LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report which appears herein.

#### **Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2015 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

#### **Item 9B. Other Information**

None.

## PART III

### **Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance**

The information required by this Item is contained in our definitive Proxy Statement to be distributed within 120 days of September 30, 2015 in connection with our 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders under the captions “Election of Directors”, “Executive Officers and Compensation,” “Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance” and “Code of Ethics” and is incorporated herein by reference.

### **Item 11. Executive Compensation**

The information required by this Item is contained in our definitive Proxy Statement to be distributed within 120 days of September 30, 2015 in connection with our 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders under the caption “Executive Officers and Compensation” and is incorporated herein by reference.

### **Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters**

The information required by this Item is contained in our definitive Proxy Statement to be distributed within 120 days of September 30, 2015 in connection with our 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders under the caption “Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management” and is incorporated herein by reference, and in Item 5, “Market for Registrant’s Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities,” contained in Part II hereof.

### **Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions and Director Independence**

The information required by this Item is contained in our definitive Proxy Statement to be distributed within 120 days of September 30, 2015 in connection with our 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders under the caption “Certain Relationships and Related Transactions” and is incorporated herein by reference.

### **Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services**

The information required by this Item is contained in our definitive Proxy Statement to be distributed within 120 days of September 30, 2015 in connection with our 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders under the caption “Independent Public Accountants” and is incorporated herein by reference.

## PART IV

### Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules

#### Financial Statements and Financial Statement Schedules

The financial statements and financial statement schedules listed on the accompanying Index to Financial Statements (see page F-1) are filed as part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

#### Exhibits

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description of Documents</u>
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Formation of Geospace Technologies Corporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2015, filed May 8, 2015).
3.2	Bylaws of Geospace Technologies Corporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed April 17, 2015).
10.1	Employment Agreement dated as of August 1, 1997, between the Company and Gary D. Owens (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed September 30, 1997 (Registration No. 333-36727)).*
10.2	Employment Agreement dated as of August 1, 1997, between the Company and Michael J. Sheen (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed September 30, 1997 (Registration No. 333-36727)).*
10.3	OYO Geospace Corporation 1997 Key Employee Stock Option Plan (incorporated by reference to Amendment No. 1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed November 5, 1997 (Registration No. 333-36727)).*
10.4	Amendment No. 1 to OYO Geospace Corporation 1997 Key Employee Stock Option Plan, dated February 2, 1998 (incorporated by reference to Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 1998).*
10.5	Amendment No. 2 to OYO Geospace Corporation 1997 Key Employee Stock Option Plan, dated November 16, 1998 (incorporated by reference to Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 1998).*
10.6	Amendment No. 3 to OYO Geospace Corporation 1997 Key Employee Stock Option Plan, dated November 10, 2000 (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed February 15, 2005 (Registration No. 333-122835)).*
10.7	Amendment No. 4 to OYO Geospace Corporation 1997 Key Employee Stock Option Plan, dated February 8, 2005 (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed February 15, 2005 (Registration No. 333-122835)).*
10.8	Amendment No. 5 to OYO Geospace Corporation 1997 Key Employee Stock Option Plan, dated January 1, 2009 (incorporated by reference to Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2013).*
10.9	Amendment No. 6 to OYO Geospace Corporation 1997 Key Employee Stock Option Plan, approved by stockholders August 20, 2013 (incorporated by reference to Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2013).*
10.10	Form of Employee Restricted Stock Award Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Form S-8 filed May 21, 2014).*
10.11	Form of Employee Incentive Stock Option Award Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Registrant's Form S-8 filed May 21, 2014).*
10.12	Form of Employee Non-Qualified Stock Option Award Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Registrant's Form S-8 filed May 21, 2014).*

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description of Documents</b>
10.13	Form of Consultant Restricted Stock Award Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the Registrant's Form S-8 filed May 21, 2014).*
10.14	Form of Consultant Stock Option Award Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the Registrant's Form S-8 filed May 21, 2014).*
10.15	Form of Director Stock Option Award Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 to the Registrant's Form S-8 filed May 21, 2014).*
10.16	Form of Director Restricted Stock Award Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.7 to the Registrant's Form S-8 filed May 21, 2014).*
10.17	Geospace Technologies Corporation 2014 Long-Term Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Appendix A to the Company's Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed on December 11, 2013).*
10.18	Form of Amended and Restated Indemnity Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed May 26, 2015).
10.19	Geospace Technologies Corporation Fiscal Year 2013 Bonus Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 31, 2012 filed February 7, 2013).*
10.20	First Amendment effective October 1, 2008 to Employment Agreement dated as of August 1, 1997, between the Company and Gary D. Owens (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 31, 2009, filed February 5, 2010).*
10.21	First Amendment effective October 1, 2008 to Employment Agreement dated as of August 1, 1997, between the Company and Michael J. Sheen (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 31, 2009, filed February 5, 2010).*
10.22	Loan Agreement dated September 27, 2013 among Geospace Technologies Corporation, as borrower, certain subsidiaries of Geospace Technologies Corporation, as guarantors, and Frost Bank, as lender (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed October 1, 2013).
10.23	First Amendment to Loan Agreement effective September 27, 2013 among Geospace Technologies Corporation, as borrower, certain subsidiaries of Geospace Technologies Corporation, as guarantors, and Frost Bank, as lender (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed December 18, 2013).
10.24	Revolving Promissory Note dated September 27, 2013 made by Geospace Technologies Corporation payable to Frost Bank (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 of the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed October 1, 2013).
10.25	Employment Agreement effective as of January 1, 2012, by and between OYO Geospace Corporation and Walter R. Wheeler (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed December 9, 2011).*
10.26	Employment Agreement effective as of January 1, 2012, by and between OYO Geospace Corporation and Robbin B. Adams (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.2 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed December 9, 2011).*
10.27	Employment Agreement effective as of January 1, 2012, by and between OYO Geospace Corporation and Thomas T. McEntire (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.3 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed December 9, 2011).*
10.28	Geospace Technologies Corporation Fiscal Year 2014 Bonus Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 31, 2013 filed February 6, 2014).*

Exhibit Number	Description of Documents
10.29	Waiver and Consent Letter to Loan Agreement effective April 6, 2015 among Geospace Technologies Corporation as borrower, certain subsidiaries of Geospace Technologies Corporation, as guarantors, and Frost Bank, as lender (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed April 7, 2015).
10.30	Second Amendment to the Credit Agreement effective May 4, 2015 by and between Geospace Technologies Corporation as borrower, certain subsidiaries of Geospace Technologies Corporation, as guarantors, and Frost Bank, as lender (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2015, filed May 8, 2015).
10.31	Revolving Promissory Note effective May 4, 2015 by and between Geospace Technologies Corporation as borrower, certain subsidiaries of Geospace Technologies Corporation, as guarantors, and Frost Bank, as lender (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2015, filed May 8, 2015).
21.1	Subsidiaries of the Registrant.**
23.1	Consent of BDO USA, LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.**
23.2	Consent of UHY LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.**
31.1	Certification of the Company's Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.**
31.2	Certification of the Company's Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.**
32.1	Certification of the Company's Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.**
32.2	Certification of the Company's Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.**
101	Interactive data file.**

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\* This exhibit is a management contract or a compensatory plan or arrangement.

\*\* Filed herewith.

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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.

### GEOSPACE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION

By:           /s/  **WALTER R. WHEELER**  
Walter R. Wheeler, Director, President and  
Chief Executive Officer  
November 19, 2015

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this Annual Report on Form 10-K has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
<u>/s/  <b>WALTER R. WHEELER</b></u> Walter R. Wheeler	Director, President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	November 19, 2015
<u>/s/  <b>THOMAS T. McENTIRE</b></u> Thomas T. McEntire	Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	November 19, 2015
<u>/s/  <b>GARY D. OWENS</b></u> Gary D. Owens	Chairman of the Board	November 19, 2015
<u>/s/  <b>THOMAS L. DAVIS</b></u> Thomas L. Davis	Director	November 19, 2015
<u>/s/  <b>E.R. GIESINGER</b></u> E.R. Giesinger	Director	November 19, 2015
<u>/s/  <b>TINA M. LANGTRY</b></u> Tina M. Langtry	Director	November 19, 2015
<u>/s/  <b>RICHARD F. MILES</b></u> Richard F. Miles	Director	November 19, 2015
<u>/s/  <b>WILLIAM H. MOODY</b></u> William H. Moody	Director	November 19, 2015
<u>/s/  <b>MICHAEL J. SHEEN</b></u> Michael J. Sheen	Director	November 19, 2015
<u>/s/  <b>CHARLES H. STILL</b></u> Charles H. Still	Director	November 19, 2015

**GEOSPACE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
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## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and  
Stockholders of Geospace Technologies Corporation  
Houston, Texas

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Geospace Technologies Corporation (“the Company”) as of September 30, 2015, and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income (loss), stockholders’ equity, and cash flows for the fiscal year then ended. In connection with our audit of the consolidated financial statements, we have also audited the financial statement schedule as of and for the year ended September 30, 2015 listed in the accompanying index. These consolidated financial statements and schedule are the responsibility of the Company’s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements and schedule based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements and schedule. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Geospace Technologies Corporation as of September 30, 2015, and the consolidated results of its operations and its cash flows for the fiscal year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Also, in our opinion, the related financial statement schedule as of and for the year ended September 30, 2015, when considered in relation to the basic consolidated financial statements taken as a whole, presents fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the Company’s internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2015, based on criteria established in *Internal Control-Integrated Framework* (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO), and our report dated November 19, 2015 expressed an adverse opinion thereon.

/s/ BDO USA, LLP

Houston, Texas  
November 19, 2015

## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and  
Stockholders of Geospace Technologies Corporation  
Houston, Texas

We have audited Geospace Technologies Corporation (“the Company”) internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2015, based on criteria established in *Internal Control-Integrated Framework* (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (the COSO criteria). The Company’s management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Item 9A, Management’s Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company’s internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audit also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company’s internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company’s internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company’s assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the company’s annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. A material weakness regarding management’s failure to maintain effective controls over the calculation of deferred income taxes has been identified and described in management’s assessment. This material weakness was considered in determining the nature, timing, and extent of audit tests applied in our audit of the 2015 consolidated financial statements, and this report does not affect our report dated November 19, 2015 on those consolidated financial statements.

In our opinion, Geospace Technologies Corporation did not maintain, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2015, based on the COSO criteria.

We do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on management’s statements referring to any corrective actions taken by the Company after the date of management’s assessment.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheet of Geospace Technologies Corporation as of September 30, 2015, and the related consolidated statement of operations, comprehensive income (loss), stockholders’ equity, and cash flows for the year then ended, and our report dated November 19, 2015 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ BDO USA, LLP

Houston, Texas  
November 19, 2015

## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and  
Stockholders of Geospace Technologies Corporation:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Geospace Technologies Corporation and subsidiaries (“the Company”) as of September 30, 2014, and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, stockholders’ equity, and cash flows for each of the two fiscal years in the period ended September 30, 2014. Our audits also included the financial statement schedule listed in the accompanying index. These consolidated financial statements and schedule are the responsibility of the Company’s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements and schedule based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Geospace Technologies Corporation and subsidiaries as of September 30, 2014, and the consolidated results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the two fiscal years in the period ended September 30, 2014, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Also, in our opinion, the related financial statement schedule, when considered in relation to the basic consolidated financial statements taken as a whole, presents fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein.

/s/ UHY LLP

Houston, Texas  
November 21, 2014

**Geospace Technologies Corporation and Subsidiaries**  
**Consolidated Balance Sheets**  
(In thousands, except share amounts)

	AS OF SEPTEMBER 30,	
	2015	2014
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents .....	\$ 22,314	\$ 33,357
Short-term investments .....	18,112	19,861
Trade accounts receivable, net of allowance of \$2,516 and \$1,125 .....	12,693	24,602
Current portion of notes receivable .....	2,004	3,786
Income tax receivable .....	17,369	2,570
Inventories, net .....	124,800	145,890
Deferred income tax assets .....	6,422	7,244
Prepaid expenses and other current assets .....	1,295	6,698
Total current assets .....	205,009	244,008
Rental equipment, net .....	46,036	53,873
Property, plant and equipment, net .....	48,709	49,205
Goodwill .....	—	1,843
Non-current deferred income tax assets .....	1,586	75
Non-current notes receivable .....	1,516	28
Prepaid income taxes .....	4,095	5,848
Other assets .....	95	106
Total assets .....	\$ 307,046	\$ 354,986
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable trade .....	\$ 4,077	\$ 4,964
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities .....	9,679	14,590
Deferred revenue .....	165	3,752
Deferred income tax liabilities .....	10	23
Income tax payable .....	3	22
Total current liabilities .....	13,934	23,351
Non-current deferred income tax liabilities .....	3,488	2,377
Total liabilities .....	17,422	25,728
Commitments and contingencies (Note 17) .....		
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, 1,000,000 shares authorized, no shares issued and outstanding .....	—	—
Common stock, \$.01 par value, 20,000,000 shares authorized, 13,147,916 and 13,147,416 shares issued and outstanding .....	131	131
Additional paid-in capital .....	74,160	70,704
Retained earnings .....	228,278	260,919
Accumulated other comprehensive loss .....	(12,945)	(2,496)
Total stockholders' equity .....	289,624	329,258
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity .....	\$ 307,046	\$ 354,986

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

**Geospace Technologies Corporation and Subsidiaries**  
**Consolidated Statements of Operations**  
(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	<b>YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,</b>		
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Revenue:			
Products .....	\$ 73,691	\$ 209,581	\$ 287,233
Rental equipment .....	11,176	27,331	13,374
Total revenue .....	<u>84,867</u>	<u>236,912</u>	<u>300,607</u>
Cost of revenue:			
Products .....	79,998	125,497	152,659
Rental equipment .....	16,069	14,956	8,187
Total costs of revenue .....	<u>96,067</u>	<u>140,453</u>	<u>160,846</u>
Gross profit (loss) .....	(11,200)	96,459	139,761
Operating expenses:			
Selling, general and administrative expenses .....	22,671	25,291	23,383
Research and development expenses .....	14,694	16,536	14,694
Goodwill impairment expense .....	1,843	—	—
Bad debt expense .....	2,147	833	457
Total operating expenses .....	<u>41,355</u>	<u>42,660</u>	<u>38,534</u>
Income (loss) from operations .....	<u>(52,555)</u>	<u>53,799</u>	<u>101,227</u>
Other income (expense):			
Interest expense .....	(229)	(471)	(260)
Interest income .....	427	123	880
Foreign exchange gains (losses) .....	2,622	182	(708)
Other, net .....	(99)	(90)	(46)
Total other income (expense), net .....	<u>2,721</u>	<u>(256)</u>	<u>(134)</u>
Income (loss) before income taxes .....	(49,834)	53,543	101,093
Income tax expense (benefit) .....	(17,193)	16,632	31,536
Net income (loss) .....	<u>\$ (32,641)</u>	<u>\$ 36,911</u>	<u>\$ 69,557</u>
Earnings (loss) per common share:			
Basic .....	<u>\$ (2.51)</u>	<u>\$ 2.82</u>	<u>\$ 5.40</u>
Diluted .....	<u>\$ (2.51)</u>	<u>\$ 2.81</u>	<u>\$ 5.38</u>
Weighted average common shares outstanding:			
Basic .....	<u>12,996,958</u>	<u>12,950,958</u>	<u>12,886,372</u>
Diluted .....	<u>12,996,958</u>	<u>12,997,009</u>	<u>12,938,661</u>

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

**Geospace Technologies Corporation and Subsidiaries**  
**Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss)**  
(In thousands)

	<b>YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,</b>		
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Net income (loss).....	\$ (32,641)	\$ 36,911	\$ 69,557
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:			
Change in unrealized gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities.....	23	(26)	(30)
Foreign currency translation adjustments.....	(10,472)	(1,406)	(809)
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax.....	(10,449)	(1,432)	(839)
Total comprehensive income (loss).....	<u>\$ (43,090)</u>	<u>\$ 35,479</u>	<u>\$ 68,718</u>

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

**Geospace Technologies Corporation and Subsidiaries**  
**Consolidated Statement of Stockholders' Equity**  
**For the years ended September 30, 2015, 2014 and 2013**  
(In thousands, except share amounts)

	Common Stock		Additional Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Total
	Shares	Amount				
Balance at October 1, 2012.....	12,802,160	\$ 128	\$ 60,633	\$ 154,451	\$ (225)	\$214,987
Net income.....	—	—	—	69,557	—	69,557
Other comprehensive loss.....	—	—	—	—	(839)	(839)
Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation.....	—	—	3,390	—	—	3,390
Issuance of common stock pursuant to exercise of options, net of tax.....	139,906	1	1,418	—	—	1,419
Stock-based compensation expense.....	—	—	544	—	—	544
Balance at September 30, 2013.....	12,942,066	129	65,985	224,008	(1,064)	289,058
Net income.....	—	—	—	36,911	—	36,911
Other comprehensive loss.....	—	—	—	—	(1,432)	(1,432)
Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation.....	—	—	178	—	—	178
Issuance of restricted stock.....	197,000	2	(2)	—	—	—
Forfeiture of restricted stock.....	(8,000)	—	—	—	—	—
Issuance of common stock pursuant to exercise of options, net of tax.....	16,350	—	424	—	—	424
Stock-based compensation expense.....	—	—	4,119	—	—	4,119
Balance at September 30, 2014.....	13,147,416	131	70,704	260,919	(2,496)	329,258
Net loss.....	—	—	—	(32,641)	—	(32,641)
Other comprehensive loss.....	—	—	—	—	(10,449)	(10,449)
Excess tax expense from stock-based compensation.....	—	—	(1,083)	—	—	(1,083)
Issuance of restricted stock.....	3,000	—	—	—	—	—
Forfeiture of restricted stock.....	(2,500)	—	—	—	—	—
Stock-based compensation expense.....	—	—	4,539	—	—	4,539
Balance at September 30, 2015.....	13,147,916	\$ 131	\$ 74,160	\$ 228,278	\$ (12,945)	\$289,624

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

**Geospace Technologies Corporation and Subsidiaries**  
**Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**  
(In thousands)

	<b>YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,</b>		
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net income (loss) .....	\$ (32,641)	\$ 36,911	\$ 69,557
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:			
Deferred income tax expense (benefit).....	(943)	818	(523)
Depreciation and amortization .....	19,547	17,774	12,229
Goodwill impairment .....	1,843	—	—
Accretion of discounts on short-term-investments .....	225	49	162
Stock-based compensation expense.....	4,539	4,119	544
Bad debt expense.....	2,147	833	457
Inventory obsolescence expense.....	3,887	2,617	187
Gross profit from sale of used rental equipment.....	(3,208)	(9,031)	(13,627)
Loss (gain) on disposal of property, plant and equipment.....	26	(64)	301
Realized loss (gain) on short-term investments.....	7	—	(19)
Excess tax expense from stock-based compensation.....	(1,083)	—	—
Effects of changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Trade accounts and notes receivable .....	7,088	25,605	(33,717)
Income tax receivable.....	(14,799)	(2,639)	(137)
Inventories.....	9,661	(10,452)	(73,357)
Costs and estimated earnings in excess of billings.....	—	12,400	(12,400)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets .....	997	998	(321)
Prepaid income taxes.....	1,753	353	(722)
Accounts payable trade .....	(834)	(11,756)	(442)
Accrued expenses and other .....	(6,004)	(3,435)	3,324
Deferred revenue .....	(3,567)	2,685	(7,541)
Income taxes payable .....	(10)	(135)	(1,116)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities.....	<u>(11,369)</u>	<u>67,650</u>	<u>(57,161)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment .....	(2,189)	(6,792)	(19,384)
Proceeds from the sale of property, plant and equipment.....	—	27	—
Investment in rental equipment .....	(3,973)	(26,719)	(22,275)
Proceeds from the sale of used rental equipment .....	4,278	16,390	25,497
Purchases of short-term investments .....	(6,306)	(21,610)	(1,587)
Proceeds from the sale of short-term investments.....	7,902	2,000	21,139
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities.....	<u>(288)</u>	<u>(36,704)</u>	<u>3,390</u>
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Net (payments) borrowings under line of credit.....	—	(931)	931
Excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation.....	—	178	3,390
Proceeds from exercise of stock options and other.....	—	424	1,419
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities.....	<u>—</u>	<u>(329)</u>	<u>5,740</u>
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash .....	614	14	5
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents .....	(11,043)	30,631	(48,026)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of fiscal year.....	33,357	2,726	50,752
Cash and cash equivalents, end of fiscal year.....	<u>\$ 22,314</u>	<u>\$ 33,357</u>	<u>\$ 2,726</u>

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

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**Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

**1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:**

*The Company*

Geospace Technologies Corporation (“Geospace”) designs and manufactures instruments and equipment used by the oil and gas industry to acquire seismic data in order to locate, characterize and monitor hydrocarbon producing reservoirs. Geospace also designs and manufactures non-seismic products, including industrial products, offshore cables, thermal imaging equipment and film. Geospace and its subsidiaries are referred to collectively as the “Company”.

The significant accounting policies followed by the Company are summarized below.

*Basis of Presentation*

The accompanying financial statements present the consolidated financial position, results of operations and cash flows of the Company in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated.

*Reclassifications*

Certain amounts previously presented in the consolidated financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation. Such reclassifications had no effect on net income (loss), stockholders’ equity or cash flows.

*Use of Estimates*

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the use of estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. The Company considers many factors in selecting appropriate operational and financial accounting policies and controls, and in developing the estimates and assumptions that are used in the preparation of these financial statements. The Company continually evaluates its estimates, including those related to bad debt reserves, inventory obsolescence reserves, percentage-of-completion revenue recognition, self-insurance reserves, product warranty reserves, long-lived assets, goodwill and deferred income tax assets. The Company bases its estimates on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different conditions or assumptions.

*Cash and Cash Equivalents*

The Company considers all highly liquid investments purchased with an original or remaining maturity at the time of purchase of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

*Short-term Investments*

The Company classifies its short-term investments consisting of corporate bonds, government bonds and other such similar investments as available-for-sale securities. Available-for-sale securities are carried at fair market value with net unrealized holding gains and losses reported each period as a component of accumulated other comprehensive loss in stockholders’ equity. The Company’s short-term investments have contractual maturities ranging from October 2015 to July 2017. See Note 2 for additional information.

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*Concentrations of Credit Risk*

The Company maintains its cash in bank deposit accounts that, at times, exceed federally insured limits. Management of the Company believes that the financial strength of the financial institutions holding such deposits minimizes the credit risk of such deposits.

The Company sells products to customers throughout the United States and various foreign countries. The Company's normal credit terms for trade receivables are 30 days. In certain situations, credit terms may be extended to 60 days or longer. The Company performs ongoing credit evaluations of its customers and generally does not require collateral for its trade receivables. Additionally, the Company provides long-term financing in the form of promissory notes when competitive conditions require such financing. In such cases, the Company may require collateral. Allowances are recognized for potential credit losses. No customers comprised 10% of the Company's revenue during fiscal year 2015. One customer comprised 26.4% of the Company's revenue during fiscal year 2014. One customer comprised 36.5% of the Company's revenue during fiscal year 2013.

One of the Company's wholly-owned subsidiaries, Geospace Technologies Eurasia, is located in the Russian Federation. In addition, the Company operates a branch office, Geospace Technologies Sucursal Sudamericana, in Colombia. The financial results for these entities may be affected by factors such as changes in foreign currency exchange rates, weak economic conditions or changes in the political climate. The consolidated balance sheet at September 30, 2015 reflected approximately \$3.4 million and \$0.4 million of foreign currency denominated net working capital related to the Russian and Colombian operations, respectively. Both of these entities receive a portion of their revenue and pay a majority of their expenses in their local currency. To the extent that transactions of these entities are settled in their local currency, a devaluation of these currencies versus the U.S. dollar could reduce any contribution from these entities to the consolidated results of operations and total comprehensive income (loss) as reported in U.S. dollars. The Company does not hedge the market risk with respect to the operations in these countries; therefore, such risk is a general and unpredictable risk of future disruptions in the valuation of such currencies versus U.S. dollars to the extent such disruptions result in any reduced valuation of these foreign entities' net working capital or future contributions to the consolidated results of operations. At September 30, 2015, the foreign exchange rate for \$1.00 (one U.S. dollar) was equal to 65.4 Russian Rubles and 3,116 Colombian Pesos, respectively. If the value of the U.S. dollar were to increase by ten percent against these foreign currencies, the working capital in the Russian Federation and in Colombia could decline by \$0.3 million and \$39,000, respectively.

*Inventories*

The Company records a write-down of its inventories when the cost basis of any manufactured product, including any estimated future costs to complete the manufacturing process, exceeds its net realizable value. Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market value. Cost is determined on the first-in, first-out method, except that certain of the Company's foreign subsidiaries use an average cost method to value their inventories.

*Property, Plant and Equipment and Rental Equipment*

Property, plant and equipment and rental equipment are stated at cost. Depreciation expense is calculated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

	<u>Years</u>
Rental equipment.....	3-5
Property, plant and equipment:	
Machinery and equipment.....	3-15
Buildings and building improvements .....	10-50
Other .....	5-10

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Expenditures for renewals and betterments are capitalized. Repairs and maintenance expenditures are charged to expense as incurred. The cost and accumulated depreciation of assets sold or otherwise disposed of are removed from the accounts and any gain or loss thereon is reflected in the statements of operations.

*Goodwill*

The Company accounts for goodwill in accordance with the provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) ASC 350, Intangibles—Goodwill and Other” . Under FASB ASC 350 goodwill is tested for impairment at least annually, unless indicators of impairment exist in interim periods.

FASB ASC 350 requires a two-step process for testing goodwill impairment, however it permits an entity the option to first assess qualitative factors to determine whether it is necessary to perform the two-step goodwill impairment test. If it is determined that, based on a qualitative assessment, it is not more likely than not that the Company’s fair value is less than its carrying amount, then the first and second steps of the goodwill impairment test are unnecessary. Under the first step of the two-step process, the fair value of each reporting unit is compared to its carrying value to determine whether an indication of impairment exists. A reporting unit is an operating segment or one level below an operating segment (referred to as a component). Two or more components of an operating segment shall be aggregated and deemed a single reporting unit if the components have similar economic characteristics. Second, if an impairment is indicated, the implied fair value of the reporting unit’s goodwill is determined by allocating the unit’s fair value to its assets and liabilities, including any unrecognized intangible assets, as if the reporting unit had been acquired in a business combination. The amount of impairment for goodwill and other intangible assets is measured as the excess of the carrying value over the implied fair value.

See Note 4 for our discussion on our annual impairment test. In estimating the fair value of the seismic reporting unit, the Company used a combination of two methods, one based on market multiples (the market approach) and the other based on discounted cash flows (the income approach) which requires assumptions and estimates with respect to revenue and expense growth rates, changes in working capital and the selection of and use of an appropriate discount rate.

*Impairment of Long-lived Assets*

The Company’s long-lived assets are reviewed for impairment whenever an event or change in circumstances indicates the carrying amount of an asset or group of assets may not be recoverable. The impairment review, if necessary, includes a comparison of expected future cash flows (undiscounted and without interest charges) to be generated by an asset group with the associated carrying value of the related assets. If the carrying value of the asset group exceeds the expected future cash flows, an impairment loss is recognized to the extent that the carrying value of the asset group exceeds its fair value. In connection with the Company’s goodwill impairment test, management also reviewed the recoverability of the carrying value of the Company’s rental equipment and property, plant and equipment based on future undiscounted cash flows and determined that the expected future cash flows exceed the carrying value of the asset group at September 30, 2015.

*Revenue Recognition*

The Company primarily derives revenue from the sale of its manufactured products, including revenue derived from the sale of its manufactured rental equipment. In addition, the Company generates revenue from the short-term rental under operating leases of its manufactured products. Except for revenue recognized using the percentage-of-completion method discussed below, the Company recognizes revenue from product sales, including the sale of used rental equipment, when (i) title passes to the customer, (ii) the customer assumes risks and rewards of ownership, (iii) the product sales price has been determined, (iv) collectability of the sales price is reasonably assured and (v) product delivery occurs as directed by the customer. Except for certain of the Company’s permanent reservoir monitoring products, the Company’s products are generally sold without any customer acceptance provisions and the Company’s standard terms of sale do not allow customers to return products for credit. The Company recognizes rental revenue as earned over the rental period. Rentals of the Company’s equipment generally range from daily rentals to rental periods of up to six

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months or longer. Revenue from engineering services are recognized as services are rendered over the duration of a project, or as billed on a per hour basis. Field service revenue is recognized when services are rendered and are generally priced on a per day rate.

*Revenue Recognition – Percentage of Completion*

The Company utilizes the percentage-of-completion method (the “POC Method”) to recognize revenue and costs on contracts having the following characteristics:

- the order/contract requires significant custom designs for customer specific applications;
- the product design requires significant engineering efforts;
- the order/contract requires the customer to make progress payments during the contract term; and
- the order/contract requires at least 90 days of engineering and manufacturing effort.

The POC Method requires the Company’s senior management to make estimates, at least quarterly, of the (i) total expected costs of the contract, (ii) manufacturing progress against the contract and (iii) the estimated cost to complete the contract. These estimates impact the amount of revenue and gross profit the Company recognizes for each reporting period. Significant estimates that may affect the future cost to complete a contract include the cost and availability of raw materials and component parts, engineering services, manufacturing equipment, labor, manufacturing capacity, factory productivity, contract penalties and disputes, product warranties and other contingent factors. Change orders are included in the total estimated contract revenue when it is probable that the change order will result in additional value that can be reliably estimated and realized. The Company defers recognition of the entire amount of revenue or portion thereof associated with unapproved change orders if there is substantial uncertainty as to amounts involved or ultimate realization. The cumulative impact of periodic revisions to the future cost to complete a contract will be reflected in the period in which these changes become known, including, to the extent required, the recognition of losses at the time such losses are known and estimable. Due to the various estimates inherent in the POC Method, actual final results at the conclusion of a contract could differ from management’s previous estimates.

The Company analyzes a variety of indicators to determine manufacturing progress, including actual costs incurred to date compared to total estimated costs and actual quantities produced to date compared to total contract quantities.

The Company had no contracts accounted for under the POC Method at September 30, 2015 and September 30, 2014.

*Deferred Revenue*

The Company records deferred revenue when funds are received prior to the recognition of the associated revenue.

*Research and Development Costs*

The Company expenses research and development costs as incurred. Research and development costs include salaries, employee benefit costs, department supplies, direct project costs and other related costs.

*Product Warranties*

Most of the Company’s products do not require installation assistance or sophisticated instructions. The Company offers a standard product warranty obligating it to repair or replace equipment with manufacturing defects. The Company maintains a reserve for future warranty costs based on historical experience or, in the absence of historical product experience, management’s estimates. Reserves for future warranty costs are included within accrued expenses and other current liabilities on the consolidated balance sheets.

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Changes in the product warranty reserve are reflected in the following table (in thousands):

Balance at October 1, 2012.....	\$	2,308
Accruals for warranties issued during the year.....		681
Settlements made (in cash or in kind) during the year.....		<u>(1,037)</u>
Balance at September 30, 2013.....		1,952
Accruals for warranties issued during the year.....		324
Settlements made (in cash or in kind) during the year.....		<u>(1,325)</u>
Balance at September 30, 2014.....		951
Accruals for warranties issued during the year.....		4,984
Settlements made (in cash or in kind) during the year.....		<u>(3,609)</u>
Balance at September 30, 2015.....	\$	<u><u>2,326</u></u>

*Stock-Based Compensation*

The Company expenses the grant date fair value of equity awards over the requisite service period. The Company uses the Black-Scholes model to value its new stock option grants at the issuance date. Restricted stock grants are valued based on the fair value of the Company's stock at the date of grant. The stock-based payment framework also requires the Company to estimate forfeitures in calculating the expense related to stock-based compensation. In addition, the stock-based payment framework requires the Company to reflect the benefits of tax deductions in excess of recognized compensation cost to be reported as a financing cash inflow.

During fiscal year 2015, the Company issued 3,000 shares of restricted stock at a weighted average grant date fair value of \$19.13 per share. During fiscal year 2014, the Company issued 197,000 shares of restricted stock at a weighted average grant date fair value of \$95.18 per share. No restricted stock was issued during fiscal year 2013. No stock options were granted during fiscal years 2015, 2014 and 2013.

The Company recorded stock-based compensation expense of \$4.5 million, \$4.1 million and \$0.5 million for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

*Foreign Currency Gains and Losses*

The assets and liabilities of the Company's foreign subsidiaries that have a foreign currency as their functional currency have been translated into U.S. dollars using the exchange rates in effect at the balance sheet date. Results of operations have been translated using the average exchange rates during the year. Resulting translation adjustments have been recorded as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) in stockholders' equity. Foreign currency transaction gains and losses are included in the statements of operations as they occur. Transaction gains and losses on intra-entity foreign currency transactions and balances including advances and demand notes payable, on which settlement is not planned or anticipated in the foreseeable future, are recorded in "accumulated other comprehensive loss" on our consolidated balance sheets.

*Shipping and Handling Costs*

Amounts billed to a customer in a sales transaction related to reimbursable shipping and handling costs are included in revenue and the associated costs incurred by the Company for reimbursable shipping and handling expenses are reported in cost of sales. The Company had shipping and handling expenses of \$0.6 million, \$0.9 million and \$1.4 million for each of the fiscal years ended September 30, 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

*Fair Value*

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or the amount paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants (an exit price) at the measurement date. The Company has established a fair value hierarchy which

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prioritizes the inputs to the valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three levels. These levels are determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Level 1 represents unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities. Level 2 represents quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets (other than those included in Level 1) which are observable, either directly or indirectly. Level 3 represents valuations derived from valuation techniques in which one or more significant inputs or significant value drivers are unobservable.

*Income Taxes*

Income taxes are presented in accordance with the Accounting Standards Codification Topic 740 (“Topic 740”) guidance for accounting for income taxes. The estimated future tax effects of temporary differences between the tax basis of assets and liabilities and amounts reported in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets, as well as operating loss and tax credit carrybacks and carryforwards are recorded. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based on differences between financial reporting and tax basis of assets and liabilities (temporary differences) and are measured using the enacted tax rates and laws that will be in effect when the differences are expected to reverse. The Company periodically reviews the recoverability of tax assets recorded on the balance sheet and provides valuation allowances if it is more likely than not that such assets will not be realized.

The Company follows the guidance of Topic 740 to analyze all tax positions that are less than certain. Topic 740 prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. In accordance with Topic 740, the Company recognizes in its financial statements the impact of a tax position if that position is “more likely than not” to be sustained on audit, based on the technical merits of the position. The Company’s estimate of the potential outcome of any uncertain tax issue is subject to management’s assessment of relevant risks, facts, and circumstances existing at that time.

The Company classifies interest and penalties associated with the payment of income taxes in the Other Income (Expense) section of its consolidated statements of operations.

*Recent Accounting Pronouncements*

In July 2015, the FASB issued guidance requiring management to measure inventory at the lower of cost or net realizable value. Net realizable value is the estimated selling prices in the ordinary course of business, less reasonably predictable costs of completion, disposal, and transportation. The pronouncement is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016, including interim periods within that reporting period and should be applied retrospectively, with early application permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the impact this guidance will have on its consolidated financial statements and related disclosures.

In August 2014, the FASB issued guidance requiring management to evaluate whether there are conditions and events that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern and to provide disclosures in certain circumstances. The new guidance was issued to reduce diversity in the timing and content of footnote disclosures. This guidance is effective for fiscal years, and interim reporting periods therein, beginning after December 15, 2016. The Company will continue to evaluate any significant impacts on consolidated financial statement disclosures.

In May 2014, the FASB issued guidance requiring entities to recognize revenue from contracts with customers by applying a five-step model in accordance with the core principle to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. In addition, this guidance specifies the accounting for some costs to obtain or fulfill a contract with a customer and expands disclosure requirements for revenue recognition. In August 2015, the FASB issued guidance deferring the effective date of this guidance to annual periods beginning after December 15, 2017, including interim reporting periods therein. Entities have the option to adopt this guidance either retrospectively or through a modified retrospective transition method. This new standard will supersede existing revenue guidance and affect the Company's revenue recognition process and the presentations or disclosures of the Company's consolidated financial statements and footnotes. The Company is currently evaluating the impact this guidance will have on its consolidated financial statements.

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**2. Short-term Investments**

During the fiscal years ended September 30, 2015, 2014 and 2013 the Company realized gains (losses) of \$(7,000), zero and \$19,000, respectively, from the sale of short-term investments. The realized gains (losses) are recorded in Other Income (Expense) on the consolidated statements of operations. At September 30, 2015 and 2014, the Company's short-term investments were composed of the following (in thousands):

AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2015				
	Amortized Cost	Unrealized Gains	Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value
Short-term investments:				
Corporate bonds .....	\$ 15,166	\$ —	\$ (5)	\$ 15,161
Government bonds.....	2,948	3	—	2,951
Total .....	\$ 18,114	\$ 3	\$ (5)	\$ 18,112
AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2014				
	Amortized Cost	Unrealized Gains	Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value
Short-term investment s:				
Corporate bonds .....	\$ 14,262	\$ —	\$ (27)	\$ 14,235
Government bonds.....	5,638	—	(12)	5,626
Total .....	\$ 19,900	\$ —	\$ (39)	\$ 19,861

**3. Derivative Financial Instruments**

At September 30, 2015 and September 30, 2014, the Company's Canadian subsidiary had \$28.1 million and \$26.6 million, respectively, of Canadian dollar denominated intercompany accounts payable owed to one of the Company's U.S. subsidiaries. In order to mitigate its exposure to movements in foreign currency rates between the U.S. dollar and Canadian dollar, the Company routinely enters into foreign currency forward contracts to hedge a portion of its exposure to changes in the value of the Canadian dollar. Approximately \$4.1 million of these Canadian dollar denominated intercompany accounts payable are considered by management to be of a short-term nature whereby the appreciation or devaluation of the Canadian dollar against the U.S. dollar will result in a gain or loss, respectively, to the consolidated statements of operations. The Company considers the remaining \$24.0 million Canadian dollar denominated intercompany accounts payable to be of a long-term nature and whereby settlement is not planned or anticipated in the foreseeable future; therefore, any resulting foreign exchange gains and losses are reported in the consolidated balance sheets as a component of other comprehensive income in accordance with ASC 830 "Foreign Currency Matters". In September 2015, the Company entered into a \$4.0 million 90-day hedge contract with a United States bank to hedge its short-term Canadian dollar foreign exchange rate exposure. This contract reduces the impact on cash flows from movements in the Canadian dollar/U.S. dollar currency exchange rate, but has not been designated as a hedge for accounting purposes. At September 30, 2015, the Company had an accrued unrealized foreign exchange loss of \$18,000 under this contract.

The following table summarizes the gross fair value of all derivative instruments, which are not designated as hedging instruments and their location in the consolidated balance sheets (in thousands):

Derivative Instrument	Location	SEPTEMBER 30, 2015	SEPTEMBER 30, 2014
Foreign Currency Forward Contracts	Prepaid Expenses and Other Current Assets .....	\$ —	\$ 795
Foreign Currency Forward Contracts	Accrued Expenses and Other Current Liabilities...	18	—
		\$ 18	\$ 795

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The following table summarizes the impact of the Company’s derivatives on the consolidated statements of operations for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2015, 2014 and 2013 (in thousands):

<u>Derivative Instrument</u>	<u>Location of Gain (loss) on Derivative Instrument</u>	<u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED</u>		
		<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 2015</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 2014</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 2013</u>
Foreign Currency Forward Contracts	Other Income (Expense).....	\$ 2,698	\$ 2,439	\$ 398
		\$ 2,698	\$ 2,439	\$ 398

Amounts in the above table include realized and unrealized derivative gains and losses.

**4. Goodwill**

In accordance with FASB ASC 350, “Intangibles – Goodwill and Other,” the Company performs goodwill impairment testing at least annually, unless indicators of impairment exist in interim periods. At September 30, 2015, the Company conducted a qualitative goodwill impairment assessment on its seismic reporting unit as business conditions in the oil and gas industry further deteriorated in the Company’s fourth quarter resulting in a decline in the market value of the Company’s common stock significantly below its book value.

The qualitative assessment determined that performing a quantitative goodwill impairment test was necessary. In the first step of the goodwill impairment test, the Company determined that the fair value of its seismic reporting unit was less than its carrying amount, including goodwill. Therefore, the Company performed the second step of the goodwill impairment test which concluded that there would be no remaining implied value attributable to goodwill. In order to arrive at the implied fair value of goodwill, the Company calculated the fair value of its all of its assets and liabilities of the seismic reporting unit as if it had been acquired in a business combination. The estimate of the fair value of the Company’s seismic reporting unit was based on the best information available as of the date of the assessment.

As a result, the Company recorded a goodwill impairment charge of \$1.8 million to reduce the carrying value of the goodwill to zero at September 30, 2015. The impairment charge is included in operating expenses on the consolidated statement of operations.

**5. Fair Value of Financial Instruments**

At September 30, 2015, the Company’s financial instruments included cash and cash equivalents, short-term investments, a foreign currency forward contract, trade and notes receivables and accounts payable. Due to the short-term maturities of cash and cash equivalents, trade and other receivables and accounts payable, the carrying amounts approximate fair value on the respective balance sheet dates.

The Company measures short-term investments and derivatives at fair value on a recurring basis.

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The following tables present the fair value of the Company's short-term investments and foreign currency forward contracts at September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively, by valuation hierarchy and input (in thousands):

	<b>AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2015</b>			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)</b>	<b>Significant Other Observable (Level 2)</b>	<b>Significant Unobservable (Level 3)</b>
Short-term investments:				
Corporate bonds.....	\$ 15,161	\$ 15,161	\$ —	\$ —
Government bonds.....	2,951	2,951	—	—
Foreign currency forward contract.....	(18)	—	(18)	—
Total .....	<u>\$ 18,094</u>	<u>\$ 18,112</u>	<u>\$ (18)</u>	<u>\$ —</u>
	<b>AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2014</b>			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)</b>	<b>Significant Other Observable (Level 2)</b>	<b>Significant Unobservable (Level 3)</b>
Short-term investments:				
Corporate bonds.....	\$ 14,235	\$ 14,235	\$ —	\$ —
Government bonds.....	5,626	5,626	—	—
Foreign currency forward contract.....	795	—	795	—
Total .....	<u>\$ 20,656</u>	<u>\$ 19,861</u>	<u>\$ 795</u>	<u>\$ —</u>

*Assets and liabilities measured on a nonrecurring basis*

The measurements utilized to determine the implied fair value of goodwill represented significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) in accordance with the fair value hierarchy, a Level 3 measurement.

**6. Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)**

Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) consisted of the following (in thousands):

	<b>Unrealized Gains (Losses) on Available-for- Sale Securities</b>	<b>Foreign Currency Translation Adjustments</b>	<b>Total</b>
Balance at October 1, 2012.....	\$ 30	\$ (255)	\$ (225)
Other comprehensive loss.....	(30)	(809)	(839)
Balance at September 30, 2013.....	—	(1,064)	(1,064)
Other comprehensive loss.....	(26)	(1,406)	(1,432)
Balance at September 30, 2014.....	(26)	(2,470)	(2,496)
Other comprehensive income (loss) .....	23	(10,472)	(10,449)
Balance at September 30, 2015.....	<u>\$ (3)</u>	<u>\$ (12,942)</u>	<u>\$ (12,945)</u>

Subsequent to the filing of its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2015, the Company determined that its "Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)" balance was not appropriately presented in the consolidated balance sheet, consolidated statements of comprehensive income (loss) and consolidated statement of stockholders' equity.

During the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2015, the Company determined that it was not appropriate to present its foreign translation adjustments net of taxes with respect to its controlled foreign corporations whose earnings were considered to be

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indefinitely reinvested. To rectify the matter, the Company made an adjustment in its fourth quarter of fiscal year 2015 which resulted in a \$3.2 million increase to accumulated other comprehensive loss and a corresponding \$3.2 million increase to non-current deferred income tax liabilities. The Company concluded that the impact of this adjustment to its previous filed consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year 2015 interim periods and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2014 was immaterial. The adjustment did not affect the Company's total assets, net loss, loss per share or cash flows.

**7. Inventories**

Inventories consisted of the following (in thousands):

	AS OF SEPTEMBER 30,	
	2015	2014
Finished goods.....	\$ 55,074	\$ 42,473
Work in progress.....	5,632	28,582
Raw materials .....	70,769	82,599
Obsolescence reserve.....	(6,675)	(7,764)
	\$ 124,800	\$ 145,890

Inventory obsolescence expense was approximately \$3.9 million, \$2.6 million and \$0.2 million during fiscal years 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

**8. Accounts and Notes Receivable**

The Company's current trade accounts receivable consisted of the following (in thousands):

	AS OF SEPTEMBER 30,	
	2015	2014
Trade accounts receivable.....	\$ 15,209	\$ 25,727
Allowance for doubtful accounts .....	(2,516)	(1,125)
	\$ 12,693	\$ 24,602

The allowance for doubtful accounts represents the Company's best estimate of probable credit losses. The Company determines the allowance based upon historical experience and a review of its balances. Accounts receivable balances are charged off against the allowance whenever it is probable that the receivable will not be recoverable. The Company does not have any off-balance-sheet credit exposure related to its customers.

Notes receivable are reflected in the following table (in thousands):

	SEPTEMBER 30, 2015	SEPTEMBER 30, 2014
Notes receivable.....	\$ 3,520	\$ 3,814
Allowance for doubtful notes .....	—	—
	3,520	3,814
Less current portion .....	2,004	3,786
Non-current notes receivable .....	\$ 1,516	\$ 28

Notes receivable are generally collateralized by the products sold, and bear interest at rates ranging up to 8.8% per year. The notes receivable of \$3.5 million will mature at various times through January 2018. The Company has, on occasion, extended or renewed notes receivable as they mature, but there is no obligation to do so.

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**9. Rental Equipment**

Rental equipment consisted of the following (in thousands):

	AS OF SEPTEMBER 30,	
	2015	2014
Rental equipment, primarily geophones and related products.....	\$ 75,359	\$ 76,193
Accumulated depreciation .....	(29,323)	(22,320)
	\$ 46,036	\$ 53,873

Rental equipment depreciation expense was \$13.9 million, \$12.4 million and \$7.3 million in fiscal years 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively. The Company transferred \$5.0 million and \$10.7 million of inventories to its rental equipment during fiscal years 2015 and 2014, respectively, which had a non-cash impact.

**10. Property, Plant and Equipment**

Property, plant and equipment consisted of the following (in thousands):

	AS OF SEPTEMBER 30,	
	2015	2014
Land and land improvements.....	\$ 8,714	\$ 8,828
Buildings and building improvements .....	30,955	30,255
Machinery and equipment .....	44,905	46,806
Furniture and fixtures .....	1,260	1,399
Transportation equipment .....	29	30
Tools and molds.....	1,864	1,629
Leasehold improvements .....	43	71
Construction in progress .....	6,135	3,226
	93,905	92,244
Accumulated depreciation .....	(45,196)	(43,039)
	\$ 48,709	\$ 49,205

Property, plant and equipment depreciation expense was \$5.6 million, \$5.4 million and \$4.8 million in fiscal years 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

**11. Long-Term Debt**

The Company had no long-term debt outstanding at September 30, 2015 and September 30, 2014.

On March 2, 2011, the Company entered into a credit agreement with Frost Bank. On September 27, 2013, the Company amended the credit agreement and increased its borrowing availability to \$50.0 million (as amended, the “Credit Agreement”). The interest rate for borrowings under the Credit Agreement was a LIBOR based rate with a margin spread of 250 to 325 basis points depending upon the maintenance of certain ratios.

On May 4, 2015, the Company amended the Credit Agreement which reduced its borrowing availability to \$30.0 million with amounts available for borrowing determined by a borrowing base. Under the amendments to the Credit Agreement, the borrowing base is determined based upon certain of the Company’s and its U.S. subsidiaries’ assets which include (i) 80% of certain accounts receivable plus (ii) 50% of certain notes receivable (such result not to exceed \$10 million) plus (iii) 25% of certain inventories (excluding work-in-process inventories). As of September 30, 2015, the Company’s borrowing base was \$36.6 million resulting in borrowing availability of \$30.0 million less any outstanding letters of credit. Borrowings under the Credit Agreement as amended are

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secured by substantially all of the Company’s assets. In addition, the Company’s domestic subsidiaries have guaranteed the obligations of the Company under the Credit Agreement and such subsidiaries have secured the obligations by the pledge of substantially all of the assets of such subsidiaries. The Credit Agreement as amended expires on May 4, 2018 and all borrowed funds are due and payable at that time. The Company is required to make monthly interest payments on borrowed funds. The Credit Agreement as amended limits the incurrence of additional indebtedness, requires the maintenance of a single financial ratio that compares certain of the Company’s assets to certain of its liabilities, restricts the Company and its subsidiaries’ ability to pay cash dividends and contains other covenants customary in agreements of this type. The interest rate for borrowings under the Credit Agreement as amended is based on the Wall Street Journal prime rate, which was 3.25% at September 30, 2015.

At September 30, 2015, the Company was in compliance with all covenants under the Credit Agreement. At September 30, 2015, the Company had standby letters of credit outstanding in the amount of \$136,000.

**12. Accrued Expenses and Other Current Liabilities**

Accrued expenses and other current liabilities consisted of the following (in thousands):

	AS OF SEPTEMBER 30,	
	2015	2014
Employee bonuses .....	\$ 36	\$ 6,611
Product warranty .....	2,326	951
Compensated absences .....	1,653	1,626
Legal and professional fees.....	277	275
Payroll.....	581	665
Property taxes .....	2,909	2,043
Medical claims.....	763	852
Other .....	1,134	1,567
	\$ 9,679	\$ 14,590

The Company is self-insured for certain losses related to employee medical claims. The Company has purchased stop-loss coverage for individual claims in excess of \$150,000 per claimant per year in order to limit its exposure to any significant levels of employee medical claims. Self-insured losses are accrued based on the Company’s historical experience and on estimates of aggregate liability for uninsured claims incurred using certain actuarial assumptions followed in the insurance industry.

**13. Employee Benefits**

The Company’s U.S. employees are participants in the Geospace Technologies Corporation’s Employee’s 401(k) Retirement Plan (the “Plan”), which covers substantially all eligible employees in the United States. The Plan is a qualified salary reduction plan in which all eligible participants may elect to have a percentage of their compensation contributed to the Plan, subject to certain guidelines issued by the Internal Revenue Service. The Company’s share of discretionary matching contributions was approximately \$1.0 million, \$1.1 million and \$0.9 million in fiscal years 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

The Company’s stock incentive plans in which key employees may participate are discussed in Note 14 to these Consolidated Financial Statements.

**14. Stockholders’ Equity**

In September 1997, the board of directors and stockholders approved the 1997 Key Employee Stock Option Plan (as amended the “1997 Plan”) and, following amendments thereto, there has been reserved an aggregate of 2,250,000 shares of common stock for issuance thereunder. In August 2013, the board of directors and stockholders approved an amendment that extended the 1997 Plan to November 14, 2017.

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In February 2014, the board of directors and stockholders approved the 2014 Long Term Incentive Plan (the “2014 Plan”), which replaced the 1997 Plan. Under the 2014 Plan, an aggregate of 1,500,000 shares of common stock may be issued. The Company is authorized to issue nonqualified and incentive stock options to purchase common stock and restricted stock awards of common stock to key employees, directors and consultants under the 2014 Plan. Options have a term not to exceed ten years, with the exception of incentive stock options granted to employees owning ten percent or more of the outstanding shares of common stock, which have a term not to exceed five years. The exercise price of any option may not be less than the fair market value of the common stock on the date of grant. In the case of incentive stock options granted to an employee owning ten percent or more of the outstanding shares of common stock, the exercise price of such option may not be less than 110% of the fair market value of the common stock on the date of grant. Under the 2014 Plan, the Company may issue shares of restricted stock to employees for no payment by the employee or for a payment below the fair market value on the date of grant. The restricted stock is subject to certain restrictions described in the 2014 Plan.

At September 30, 2015, an aggregate of 1,476,000 shares of common stock were available for issuance under the 2014 Plan. No shares of common stock were available for issuance under the 1997 Plan.

The following table summarizes the combined activity under the equity incentive plans for the indicated periods:

	Number of Nonqualified Options Outstanding	Weighted Average Exercise Price per Share	Number of Restricted Stock Awards	Weighted Average Grant-date fair- value per Share
Outstanding at October 1, 2012.....	245,956	\$ 13.90	—	\$ —
Granted .....	—	—	—	—
Exercised.....	(139,906)	10.36	—	—
Forfeited.....	—	—	—	—
Vested .....	—	—	—	—
Outstanding at September 30, 2013.....	106,050	18.61	—	—
Granted .....	—	—	197,000	95.18
Exercised.....	(16,350)	25.94	—	—
Forfeited.....	—	—	(8,000)	98.68
Vested .....	—	—	—	—
Outstanding at September 30, 2014.....	89,700	17.27	189,000	95.03
Granted .....	—	—	3,000	19.13
Exercised.....	—	—	—	—
Forfeited.....	—	—	(2,500)	98.68
Vested .....	—	—	(47,000)	95.02
Outstanding at September 30, 2015.....	<u>89,700</u>	\$ 17.27	<u>142,500</u>	\$ 93.80

The restricted stock outstanding at September 30, 2015 and 2014 was issued from the 2014 Plan. The stock options outstanding at September 30, 2015, 2014 and 2013 represent nonqualified options issued under the 1997 Plan.

The number of nonqualified stock options vested during fiscal years 2015, 2014 and 2013 were zero, zero and 106,500, respectively. The fair values of nonqualified stock options vested during fiscal years 2015, 2014 and 2013 were zero, zero and \$0.8 million, respectively.

The total intrinsic value of nonqualified stock options exercised during fiscal years 2015, 2014 and 2013 were zero, \$0.7 million and \$10.4 million, respectively. As of September 30, 2015, the Company had no unvested nonqualified stock options.

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The following table summarizes information about stock options outstanding and exercisable at September 30, 2015:

	Options Outstanding			Options Exercisable				
	Shares	Weighted Average Remaining Term (in years)	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Intrinsic Value	Shares	Weighted Average Remaining Term (in years)	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Intrinsic Value
Range of Exercise Prices								
\$8.78 to \$9.99 .....	38,200	3.2	\$ 8.78	\$ 192,146	38,200	3.2	\$ 8.78	\$ 192,146
\$10.00 to \$26.48 .....	51,500	4.6	23.57	—	51,500	4.6	23.57	—
	89,700	4.0	\$ 17.27	\$ 192,146	89,700	4.0	\$ 17.27	\$ 192,146

As of September 30, 2015, the Company had unrecognized compensation expense, net of forfeitures, of approximately \$9.3 million related to restricted stock awards, which will be recognized over a remaining weighted average period of 2.2 years. As of September 30, 2015, the issued and outstanding nonqualified stock options were fully expensed.

**15. Income Taxes:**

Components of income (loss) before income taxes were as follows (in thousands):

	YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,		
	2015	2014	2013
United States.....	\$ (41,700)	\$ 48,988	\$ 103,349
Foreign.....	(8,134)	4,555	(2,256)
	\$ (49,834)	\$ 53,543	\$ 101,093

The provision (benefit) for income taxes consisted of the following (in thousands):

	YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,		
	2015	2014	2013
Current:			
Federal.....	\$ (16,901)	\$ 15,352	\$ 31,954
Foreign .....	647	393	(19)
State .....	4	69	124
	(16,250)	15,814	32,059
Deferred:			
Federal.....	964	41	43
Foreign .....	(1,907)	777	(566)
	(943)	818	(523)
	\$ (17,193)	\$ 16,632	\$ 31,536

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Actual income tax expense (benefit) differs from income tax expense computed by applying the U.S. statutory federal tax rate of 35.0% for each of the fiscal years ended September 30, 2015, 2014 and 2013 as follows (in thousands):

	<b>YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,</b>		
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Provision (benefit) for U.S. federal income tax at statutory rate ...	\$ (17,442)	\$ 18,740	\$ 35,382
Effect of foreign income taxes.....	249	(629)	130
Manufacturers’/producers’ deduction.....	—	(1,496)	(3,048)
Research and experimentation tax credits .....	(400)	(208)	(661)
State income taxes, net of federal income tax benefit.....	2	45	81
Nondeductible expenses .....	488	205	253
Resolution of prior years’ tax matters.....	96	20	(467)
Contingency for uncertainty in income taxes .....	(121)	—	(51)
Other items .....	(65)	(45)	(83)
	<u>\$ (17,193)</u>	<u>\$ 16,632</u>	<u>\$ 31,536</u>
Effective tax rate.....	<u>(34.5)%</u>	<u>31.1%</u>	<u>31.2%</u>

Deferred income taxes reflect the net tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income tax purposes. Significant components of the Company’s net deferred income tax asset were as follows (in thousands):

	<b>AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2015</b>			<b>AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2014</b>		
	<b>U. S.</b>	<b>Non U.S.</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>U. S.</b>	<b>Non U.S.</b>	<b>Total</b>
Deferred income tax assets:						
Allowance for doubtful accounts.....	\$ 681	\$ 21	\$ 702	\$ 214	\$ 73	\$ 287
Inventories .....	4,350	(34)	4,316	5,035	(125)	4,910
Net operating loss carry-forwards, tax credits and deferrals .....	—	2,270	2,270	—	871	871
Stock-based compensation .....	1,690	—	1,690	1,658	—	1,658
Accrued product warranty .....	803	6	809	317	8	325
Accrued compensated absences.....	520	—	520	579	—	579
Currency translation adjustments .....	101	—	101	1,344	—	1,344
Insurance and other reserves.....	62	43	105	1,088	31	1,119
	<u>8,207</u>	<u>2,306</u>	<u>10,513</u>	<u>10,235</u>	<u>858</u>	<u>11,093</u>
Deferred income tax liabilities:						
Intangible assets.....	31	—	31	(285)	—	(285)
Property, plant and equipment and other ..	(5,264)	(770)	(6,034)	(4,768)	(1,121)	(5,889)
Subtotal deferred income tax assets .....	<u>2,974</u>	<u>1,536</u>	<u>4,510</u>	<u>5,182</u>	<u>(263)</u>	<u>4,919</u>
Valuation allowance.....	—	—	—	—	—	—
Net deferred income tax assets.....	<u>\$ 2,974</u>	<u>\$ 1,536</u>	<u>\$ 4,510</u>	<u>\$ 5,182</u>	<u>\$ (263)</u>	<u>\$ 4,919</u>

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are reported as follows in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets (in thousands):

	<b>AS OF SEPTEMBER 30,</b>	
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Current deferred income tax asset.....	\$ 6,422	\$ 7,244
Non-current deferred income tax asset .....	1,586	75
Current deferred income tax liability .....	(10)	(23)
Non-current deferred income tax liability.....	(3,488)	(2,377)
	<u>\$ 4,510</u>	<u>\$ 4,919</u>

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The financial reporting basis of investments in foreign subsidiaries exceed their tax basis. A deferred tax liability is not recorded for this temporary difference because the investment is essentially permanent. A reversal of the Company’s plans to permanently invest in these foreign operations would cause the excess to become taxable. At September 30, 2015 and 2014, the temporary difference related to undistributed earnings for which no deferred taxes have been provided was approximately \$9.2 million and \$16.1 million, respectively.

Tax return filings which are subject to review by local tax authorities by major jurisdiction are as follows:

- United States—fiscal years ended September 30, 2012 through 2015
- State of Texas—fiscal years ended September 30, 2011 through 2015
- State of New York—fiscal years ended September 30, 2003 through 2015
- State of California – fiscal years ended September 30, 2011 through 2015
- State of Pennsylvania – fiscal years ended September 30, 2008 through 2015
- Russian Federation—calendar years 2012 through 2015
- Canada—fiscal years ended September 30, 2011 through 2015
- United Kingdom—fiscal years ended September 30, 2006, 2012 through 2015
- Colombia—calendar years 2013 through 2015

The following table is a reconciliation of the total amounts of unrecognized tax liabilities (in thousands):

Balance at October 1, 2012.....	\$	355
Change in prior year tax positions .....		(22)
Current tax positions .....		142
Settlements with taxing authorities .....		(47)
Lapse of statute of limitations.....		(114)
Balance at September 30, 2013.....		314
Change in prior year tax positions .....		9
Current tax positions .....		23
Settlements with taxing authorities .....		—
Lapse of statute of limitations.....		(45)
Balance at September 30, 2014.....		301
Change in prior year tax positions .....		(187)
Current tax positions .....		17
Settlements with taxing authorities .....		—
Lapse of statute of limitations.....		(56)
Balance at September 30, 2015.....	<u>\$</u>	<u>75</u>

As of September 30, 2015, the Company had net operating loss (“NOL”) carry-forwards of approximately \$9.0 million in Canada and approximately \$60,000 in the United Kingdom to offset future taxable income in those jurisdictions. The Company, using the “more likely than not” criteria, has determined these NOL carry-forwards will be utilized in full before they begin to expire. The NOL carry-forwards for Canada expire in 2033. The NOL carry-forwards for the United Kingdom currently have no expiration. Therefore, no valuation allowance against the Company’s deferred tax assets was considered necessary.

Management believes that adequate provisions for income taxes have been reflected in the consolidated financial statements and it is not aware of any significant exposure items that have not been reflected in the consolidated financial statements. Amounts considered probable of settlement within one year have been included in the accrued expenses and other liabilities in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets.

**Geospace Technologies Corporation and Subsidiaries**  
**Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements—(Continued)**

**16. Earnings (Loss) Per Common Share**

In connection with the issuances of restricted stock during fiscal years 2015 and 2014, the Company applied the two-class method in calculating per share data for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2015 and 2014. Basic earnings (loss) per share is computed by dividing net earnings (loss) available to common stockholders by the weighted average number of common shares used in basic earnings (loss) per share during the period. Diluted earnings (loss) per share is determined on the assumption that outstanding dilutive stock options have been exercised and the aggregate proceeds as defined were used to reacquire common stock using the average price of such common stock for the period.

The following table summarizes the calculation of net earnings (loss) and weighted average common shares and common equivalent shares outstanding for purposes of the computation of earnings (loss) per share (in thousands, except share and per share amounts):

	<b>YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,</b>		
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Net income (loss).....	\$ (32,641)	\$ 36,911	\$ 69,557
Less: Income allocable to unvested restricted stock .....	—	(444)	—
Income (loss) available to common shareholders .....	(32,641)	36,467	69,557
Reallocation of participating earnings .....	—	2	—
Income (loss) attributable to common shareholders for diluted earnings per share .....	<u>\$ (32,641)</u>	<u>\$ 36,469</u>	<u>\$ 69,557</u>
Weighted average number of common share equivalents:			
Common shares used in basic earnings (loss) per share ..	12,996,958	12,950,958	12,886,372
Common share equivalents outstanding related to stock options .....	—	46,051	52,289
Total weighted average common shares and common share equivalents used in diluted earnings per share .....	<u>12,996,958</u>	<u>12,997,009</u>	<u>12,938,661</u>
Earnings (loss) per share:			
Basic .....	<u>\$ (2.51)</u>	<u>\$ 2.82</u>	<u>\$ 5.40</u>
Diluted .....	<u>\$ (2.51)</u>	<u>\$ 2.81</u>	<u>\$ 5.38</u>

For the calculation of diluted earnings per share for fiscal year 2015, 89,700 stock options were excluded in the calculation of weighted average shares outstanding as a result of their impact being antidilutive. No stock options were excluded in the calculation of weighted average shares outstanding for fiscal years 2014 and 2013.

**17. Commitments and Contingencies**

*Operating Leases*

The Company leases a warehouse under a non-cancelable operating lease which expires on March 31, 2016. Future minimum rental commitments under non-cancelable operating leases are as follows (in thousands):

<b>YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30,</b>	
2016.....	\$ 95

The Company also leases office space and certain equipment on a month to month basis. Rent expense was approximately \$0.4 million, \$0.7 million and \$0.4 million during fiscal years 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

**Geospace Technologies Corporation and Subsidiaries**  
**Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements—(Continued)**

*Legal Proceedings*

The Company is involved in various pending or potential legal actions in the ordinary course of its business. Management is unable to predict the ultimate outcome of these actions, because of the inherent uncertainty of litigation. However, management believes that the most probable, ultimate resolution of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

**18. Supplemental Cash Flow Information**

Supplemental cash flow information is as follows (in thousands):

	<b>YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,</b>		
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Cash paid for:			
Interest .....	\$ 286	\$ 438	\$ 119
Income taxes .....	638	15,163	29,837
Noncash investing and financing activities:			
Inventory transferred to rental equipment.....	5,013	10,742	4,902
Inventory transferred to property, plant and equipment....	98	—	—
Settlement of note receivable in connection with return of rental equipment .....	2,588	—	—
Prepaid assets transferred to property, plant and equipment.....	4,219	—	—

**19. Segment and Geographic Information**

The Company reports and evaluates financial information for two segments: Seismic and Non-Seismic. Seismic product lines include land and marine wireless data acquisition systems, seabed reservoir characterization products and services, geophones and geophone strings, hydrophones, leader wire, connectors, telemetry cables, marine streamer retrieval and steering devices and various other products. The Non-Seismic product lines include thermal imaging products and industrial products.

**Geospace Technologies Corporation and Subsidiaries**  
**Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements—(Continued)**

The following tables summarize the Company's segment information:

	<b>YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,</b>		
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
<b>Revenue:</b>			
Seismic.....	\$ 60,565	\$ 214,946	\$ 275,201
Non-Seismic.....	23,758	21,420	24,578
Corporate .....	544	546	828
Total.....	<u>84,867</u>	<u>236,912</u>	<u>300,607</u>
<b>Income (loss) from operations:</b>			
Seismic.....	(42,732)	65,159	110,118
Non-Seismic.....	3,031	2,733	3,344
Corporate .....	(12,854)	(14,093)	(12,235)
Total.....	<u>(52,555)</u>	<u>53,799</u>	<u>101,227</u>
<b>Depreciation, amortization, goodwill impairment and stock-based compensation expenses:</b>			
Seismic.....	23,696	19,925	11,207
Non-Seismic.....	505	468	289
Corporate .....	1,728	1,500	1,277
Total.....	<u>25,929</u>	<u>21,893</u>	<u>12,773</u>
<b>Interest income:</b>			
Seismic.....	280	74	781
Non-Seismic.....	7	5	2
Corporate .....	140	44	97
Total.....	<u>427</u>	<u>123</u>	<u>880</u>
<b>Interest expense:</b>			
Seismic.....	—	—	141
Non-Seismic.....	—	—	—
Corporate .....	229	471	119
Total.....	<u>229</u>	<u>471</u>	<u>260</u>

The Company's manufacturing operations for its Seismic and Non-Seismic business segments are combined. Therefore, the Company does not segregate and report separate balance sheet accounts for these segments. As a result, the Company does not report business segment balance sheet information.

"Corporate" revenue consists of rental revenue earned from an operating lease of a surplus building located in Houston, Texas. "Corporate" loss from operations primarily consists of the Company's Houston headquarter general and administrative expenses.

**Geospace Technologies Corporation and Subsidiaries**  
**Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements—(Continued)**

The Company generates revenue from product sales and rentals from its subsidiaries located in the United States, Canada, Colombia, the Russian Federation and the United Kingdom. Revenue information for the Company is as follows (in thousands):

	<b>YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,</b>		
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
United States.....	\$ 77,487	\$ 230,818	\$ 300,131
Canada.....	4,796	39,064	39,415
Colombia.....	609	3,222	608
Russian Federation.....	5,554	14,048	10,758
United Kingdom.....	2,644	2,229	2,021
Eliminations.....	(6,223)	(52,469)	(52,326)
	<u>\$ 84,867</u>	<u>\$ 236,912</u>	<u>\$ 300,607</u>

A summary of revenue by geographic area for fiscal years 2015, 2014 and 2013 is as follows (in thousands):

	<b>YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,</b>		
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Asia (excluding Middle East).....	\$ 8,755	\$ 5,028	\$ 8,789
Canada.....	2,298	42,632	74,839
Europe.....	13,672	71,713	115,226
Middle East.....	2,024	7,550	2,385
United States.....	50,101	96,380	88,512
Other.....	8,017	13,609	10,856
	<u>\$ 84,867</u>	<u>\$ 236,912</u>	<u>\$ 300,607</u>

Revenue is attributed to countries based on the ultimate destination of the product sold, if known. If the ultimate destination is not known, revenue is attributed to countries based on the geographic location of the initial shipment.

Long-lived assets were as follows (in thousands):

	<b>AS OF SEPTEMBER 30,</b>	
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
United States.....	\$ 70,170	\$ 63,369
Canada.....	19,323	32,270
Colombia.....	9,227	12,122
Russian Federation.....	1,215	2,549
United Kingdom.....	502	579
China.....	14	14
	<u>\$ 100,451</u>	<u>\$ 110,903</u>

Amounts in the above table consist of non-current assets.

**Geospace Technologies Corporation and Subsidiaries**  
**Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements—(Continued)**

**20. Selected Quarterly Information (Unaudited):**

The following table represents summarized data for each of the quarters in fiscal years 2015 and 2014 (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	<b>2015</b>			
	<b>Fourth Quarter</b>	<b>Third Quarter</b>	<b>Second Quarter</b>	<b>First Quarter</b>
Revenue .....	\$ 16,008	\$ 19,751	\$ 27,942	\$ 21,166
Gross profit (loss) .....	(9,289)	(3,306)	1,416	(21)
Loss from operations .....	(21,667)	(12,451)	(8,549)	(9,888)
Other income (expense), net .....	1,180	(489)	584	1,446
Net loss .....	(13,450)	(8,564)	(5,182)	(5,445)
Basic loss per share .....	<u>\$ (1.03)</u>	<u>\$ (0.66)</u>	<u>\$ (0.40)</u>	<u>\$ (0.41)</u>
Diluted loss per share .....	<u>\$ (1.03)</u>	<u>\$ (0.66)</u>	<u>\$ (0.40)</u>	<u>\$ (0.41)</u>
	<b>2014</b>			
	<b>Fourth Quarter</b>	<b>Third Quarter</b>	<b>Second Quarter</b>	<b>First Quarter</b>
Revenue .....	\$ 26,285	\$ 40,728	\$ 68,551	\$ 101,348
Gross profit .....	6,089	15,376	27,903	47,091
Income (loss) from operations .....	(3,282)	5,458	15,956	35,667
Other income (expense), net .....	10	(129)	11	(148)
Net income (loss) .....	(1,833)	3,752	10,816	24,176
Basic earnings (loss) per share .....	<u>\$ (0.14)</u>	<u>\$ 0.29</u>	<u>\$ 0.83</u>	<u>\$ 1.86</u>
Diluted earnings (loss) per share .....	<u>\$ (0.14)</u>	<u>\$ 0.29</u>	<u>\$ 0.82</u>	<u>\$ 1.85</u>

Schedule II

**Geospace Technologies Corporation and Subsidiaries**  
**Valuation and Qualifying Accounts**  
(In thousands)

	<u>Balance at Beginning of Period</u>	<u>Charged to Costs And Expenses</u>	<u>Charged to Other Assets</u>	<u>(Deductions) And Additions</u>	<u>Balance at End of Period</u>
<b>Year ended September 30, 2015</b>					
Allowance for doubtful accounts on accounts and notes receivable....	\$ 1,125	\$ 2,147	\$ —	\$ (756)	\$ 2,516
<b>Year ended September 30, 2014</b>					
Allowance for doubtful accounts on accounts and notes receivable....	376	833	—	(84)	1,125
<b>Year ended September 30, 2013</b>					
Allowance for doubtful accounts on accounts and notes receivable....	280	457	—	(361)	376

	<u>Balance at Beginning of Period</u>	<u>Charged to Costs And Expenses</u>	<u>Charged to Other Assets</u>	<u>(Deductions) And Additions</u>	<u>Balance at End of Period</u>
<b>Year ended September 30, 2015</b>					
Inventory obsolescence reserve.....	\$ 7,764	\$ 3,887	\$ —	\$ (4,976)	\$ 6,675
<b>Year ended September 30, 2014</b>					
Inventory obsolescence reserve.....	6,932	2,617	—	(1,785)	7,764
<b>Year ended September 30, 2013</b>					
Inventory obsolescence reserve.....	9,324	187	—	(2,579)	6,932

**Subsidiaries of  
Geospace Technologies Corporation**

GTC, Inc., a Texas corporation

Geospace Technologies Canada, Inc., an Alberta corporation

Geospace Technologies Corporation Azerbaijan Branch, an Azerbaijan company

Geospace Engineering Resources International, Inc., a Texas corporation

Geospace Finance Corp., a Texas corporation

GTC Inc. Beijing Representative Office, a Chinese company

Exile Technologies Corporation, a Texas Corporation

Exile Technologies Limited, a United Kingdom company

Geospace J.V., Inc., a Texas corporation

Geospace Technologies Eurasia, LLC, a Russian limited liability company

Geospace Technologies, Sucursal Sudamericana LLC, a Texas Limited Liability Company

Geospace Technologies Sucursal Sudamericana a Colombia Branch Office

**CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements on Form S-8 (No. 333-196149, No. 333-40893, No. 333-80003, No. 333-122834 and No. 333-122835) and Form S-3 (No. 333-177964) of Geospace Technologies Corporation of our reports dated November 19, 2015, relating to the consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule as of and for the year ended September 30, 2015, and the effectiveness of Geospace Technologies Corporation's internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2015, which appear in this Form 10-K.

/s/ BDO USA, LLP

Houston, Texas  
November 19, 2015

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/s/ UHY LLP

Farmington Hills, Michigan  
November 19, 2015

## CERTIFICATIONS

I, Walter R. Wheeler, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of Geospace Technologies Corporation;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

November 19, 2015

/s/ Walter R. Wheeler

Name: Walter R. Wheeler

Title: Director, President and Chief Executive Officer

## CERTIFICATIONS

I, Thomas T. McEntire, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of Geospace Technologies Corporation;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
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  - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
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November 19, 2015

/s/ Thomas T. McEntire

Name: Thomas T. McEntire

Title: Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary

**Informational Addendum to Report on Form 10-K  
Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

**Not Filed Pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

The undersigned Director, President and Chief Executive Officer of Geospace Technologies Corporation does hereby certify as follows:

Solely for the purpose of meeting the requirements of Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, and solely to the extent this certification may be applicable to this Report on Form 10-K, the undersigned hereby certifies that this Report on Form 10-K fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the information contained in this Report on Form 10-K fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of Geospace Technologies Corporation.

/s/ Walter R. Wheeler

Name: Walter R. Wheeler

Title: Director, President and Chief Executive Officer

November 19, 2015

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/s/ Thomas T. McEntire

Name: Thomas T. McEntire

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November 19, 2015



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