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FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

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

For the Quarterly Period Ended September 30, 2017

Or

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

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission file number: 000-54638

WALKER INNOVATION INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

30-0342273

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

Two High Ridge Park, Stamford, Connecticut

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

06905

(Zip Code)

(203) 263-9362

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name and former address, if changed since last report)

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

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

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

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

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

Smaller reporting company

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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

As of October 30, 2017, there were 20,400,368 shares of the issuer's common stock outstanding.

WALKER INNOVATION INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
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WALKER INNOVATION INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(in thousands except share and per share amounts)

	September 30, 2017 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2016
ASSETS		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 24,634	\$ 10,285
Short-term investment	25	25
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	269	398
Total current assets	24,928	10,708
Property and equipment, net	1	9
Other Assets:		
Investment, at fair value	--	14,621
Investment, at cost	--	250
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 24,929	\$ 25,588
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 151	\$ 214
Accrued expenses	90	461
Deferred revenue	64	316
Total current liabilities	305	991
TOTAL LIABILITIES	305	991
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (NOTE 8)		
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Preferred stock, \$0.001 par value, 15,000,000 shares authorized	—	—
Series B Convertible Preferred stock, \$0.001 par value, 14,999,000 shares designated, issued and outstanding, as of September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016 respectively	15	15
Common stock, \$0.001 par value, 100,000,000 shares authorized; 21,134,744 shares issued and 20,400,368 and 20,741,572 shares outstanding as of September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016 respectively	21	21
Treasury stock, 734,376 and 393,172 shares, at cost as of September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively	(965)	(840)
Additional paid-in capital	47,303	46,985
Accumulated deficit	(21,750)	(21,584)
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	24,624	24,597
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 24,929	\$ 25,588

The accompanying unaudited notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

WALKER INNOVATION INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(in thousands except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,	
	2017	2016
Revenues:		
Licensing fees	\$ 300	\$ 100
Custom innovation – related party	--	630
Total revenues	300	730
Cost of Revenue:		
Cost of custom innovation	--	415
Legal and consulting contingency	--	25
	--	440
Net revenue	300	290
Operating expenses:		
Other legal and consulting fees	28	174
Patent prosecution and maintenance fees	6	59
Compensation and benefits (includes non-cash stock based compensation of \$24 and \$461 for the three months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively)	330	914
Professional fees	162	268
General and administrative	111	169
Total operating expenses	637	1,584
Operating net loss	(337)	(1,294)
Other income	93	157
Interest income	17	1
Loss before income taxes	(227)	(1,136)
Provision for income taxes	(219)	--
Net loss	\$ (446)	\$ (1,136)
Net loss per common share:		
Basic	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.05)
Diluted	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.05)
Weighted average common shares outstanding:		
Basic	20,400	20,742
Diluted	20,400	20,742

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WALKER INNOVATION INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(in thousands except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2017	2016
Revenues:		
Licensing fees	\$ 300	\$ 602
Custom innovation – related party	--	1,733
Subscription revenue	--	75
Total revenues	300	2,410
Cost of Revenue:		
Cost of subscription service	--	199
Cost of custom innovation	--	1,400
Legal and consulting contingency	--	25
Total cost of revenues	--	1,624
Net revenue	300	786
Operating expenses:		
Other legal and consulting fees	280	1,342
Patent prosecution and maintenance fees	75	143
Compensation and benefits (includes non-cash stock based compensation of \$318 and \$1,424 for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively)	1,386	3,025
Professional fees	607	796
General and administrative	401	582
Restructuring charge	--	575
Total operating expenses	2,749	6,463
Operating net loss	(2,449)	(5,677)
Realized gain on investment (Note 6)	2,189	--
Unrealized gain on investment (Note 6)	--	6,536
Other income	322	597
Interest income	28	6
Income before income taxes	90	1,462
Provision for income taxes	(256)	--
Net (loss) income	\$ (166)	\$ 1,462
Net (loss) income per common share:		
Basic	\$ (0.01)	\$ 0.07
Diluted	\$ (0.01)	\$ 0.04
Weighted average common shares outstanding:		
Basic	20,580	20,742
Diluted	20,580	35,922

The accompanying unaudited notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

WALKER INNOVATION INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(in thousands)
(Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2017	2016
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:		
Net (loss) income	\$ (166)	\$ 1,462
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:		
Accelerated amortization related to write off of Haystack IQ asset	--	213
Stock-based compensation	318	1,543
Depreciation and amortization	8	33
Change in fair value of investment (Note 6)	(2,189)	(6,536)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Decrease (increase) in:		
Accounts receivable	--	839
Other receivable	(6)	18
Prepaid and other current assets	10	334
Increase (decrease) in:		
Accounts payable	(63)	49
Accrued expenses	(371)	(16)
Deferred software costs	--	(63)
Deferred liabilities	(252)	(488)
Net cash used in operating activities	(2,711)	(2,612)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:		
Proceeds from sale of investment in Tagged and Upside	18,362	--
Commission in connection with sale of Upside investment	(543)	--
Exercise of Upside warrant	(759)	--
Net change in short-term investment	--	25
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	17,060	25
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:		
	--	--
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	--	--
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	14,349	(2,587)
Cash and cash equivalents:		
Beginning	\$ 10,285	\$ 5,858
Ending	\$ 24,634	\$ 3,271
Non-cash Investing and Financing activities:		
Reclassification as treasury stock of shares received in connection with settlement of related party matter (Note 9)	\$ 125	--
Cash paid for income taxes	\$ 256	--

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WALKER INNOVATION INC.
September 30, 2017
(in thousands except share and per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

NOTE 1. THE COMPANY

Walker Innovation Inc. (formerly known as Patent Properties, Inc.), a Delaware corporation (collectively, with its subsidiaries, the “Company” or “Walker Innovation”), seeks to develop and commercialize its unique portfolio of intellectual property assets through licensing and enforcement operations (“Licensing and Enforcement”). In response to challenging developments in the patent licensing and enforcement environment and the cessation of the Company’s custom innovation work described below, the Company’s current plan of operations includes a carefully focused Licensing and Enforcement program, and an effort to acquire, through merger, share exchange, asset acquisition, plan of arrangement, recapitalization, reorganization or similar business combination, one or more operating businesses, either within its current verticals or in new industry segments, or control of such operating businesses through contractual arrangements. An investment bank has been retained to advise the Company on its acquisition process and other opportunities to create shareholder value.

Walker Digital, LLC (“Walker Digital”), a related party, is the owner of 82% of the voting interest in the Company and owns approximately 48% of the economic interest in the Company (42% on a fully diluted basis).

NOTE 2. NATURE OF BUSINESS

Licensing and Enforcement

The Company seeks to develop, license and otherwise enforce patented technologies through its wholly owned subsidiaries. Historically, the Company generated revenues from the granting of intellectual property rights for the use of, or pertaining to, its patented technologies. The Company may also monetize its intellectual property through the sale of select patent assets. Patent protection is a key part of the Company’s business model, because it provides the Company with a period of exclusive ownership during which the Company has the opportunity to recoup risk capital and generate a profit from inventions. The Company’s recent Licensing and Enforcement efforts have focused on a specific family of patents.

Innovation Business

Prior to 2017, the Company had focused on helping companies innovate more effectively and efficiently. The Company accomplished this by offering custom innovation services to large companies and by offering a product for small and medium businesses called “Haystack IQ”. In the first quarter of 2016 the Company ceased operations of Haystack IQ and recorded a one-time non-recurring charge of \$575.

NOTE 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (“GAAP”) for interim financial reporting and pursuant to the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 8 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (including those which are normal and recurring) considered necessary for a fair presentation of the interim financial information have been included. Additionally, operating results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for any other interim period or for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017. For further information, refer to the financial statements and footnotes included in the Company’s annual financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2016, which are included in the Company’s annual report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on February 7, 2017.

The accompanying Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company were prepared in accordance with GAAP and include the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses of the Company’s wholly-owned subsidiaries over which the Company exercises control. Intercompany transactions and balances were eliminated in consolidation.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements in conformity with US GAAP requires management of the Company to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. Actual results could differ from these estimates. The Company’s significant estimates and assumptions include stock-based compensation and the valuation allowance related to the Company’s deferred tax assets, revenue recognition and establishing the fair value of its investments. Certain of the Company’s estimates could be affected by external conditions, including those unique to the Company and general economic conditions. It is reasonably possible that these external factors could have an effect on the Company’s estimates and could cause actual results to differ from those estimates and assumptions.

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Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company maintains its cash in bank deposit and money market accounts that, at times, may exceed federally insured limits. The Company considers money market accounts that have maturity dates of three months or less from the purchase date to be cash equivalents.

Short term Investments

The Company classifies its investment consisting of a certificate of deposit with a maturity greater than three months but less than one year as a short-term investment.

Earnings (Loss) per Share

Basic earnings (loss) per share ("EPS") is computed by dividing net income (loss) applicable to common stock by the weighted-average number of shares of common stock outstanding. Diluted EPS reflects the potential dilution that could occur if securities or other instruments that are convertible into common stock were exercised or could result in the issuance of common stock. As of September 30, 2017 and 2016, the following common stock equivalents were outstanding:

	September 30, 2017	September 30, 2016
Common Stock options	5,073,832	4,885,499
Convertible Preferred Stock	14,999,000	14,999,000
Potentially dilutive securities	<u>20,072,832</u>	<u>19,884,499</u>

A reconciliation of basic and diluted earnings per share ("EPS") is given in the following table:

	<i>Income (in thousands)</i>	<i>Shares</i>	<i>Amount per Share</i>
Three months ended September 30, 2017			
Basic EPS	\$ (446)	20,400,368	\$ (0.02)
No effect of Dilutive Securities	--	--	
Diluted EPS	\$ (446)	20,400,368	\$ (0.02)
Three months ended September 30, 2016			
Basic EPS	\$ (1,136)	20,741,572	\$ (0.05)
No effect of Dilutive Securities	--	--	
Diluted EPS	\$ (1,136)	20,741,572	\$ (0.05)
Nine months ended September 30, 2017			
Basic EPS	\$ (166)	20,580,344	\$ (0.01)
No effect of Dilutive Securities	--	--	
Diluted EPS	\$ (166)	20,580,344	\$ (0.01)
Nine months ended September 30, 2016			
Basic EPS	\$ 1,462	20,741,572	\$ 0.07
Effect of Dilutive Securities	--	15,180,606	
Diluted EPS	\$ 1,462	35,922,178	\$ 0.04

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Revenue Recognition

The Company derives its revenue from patent licensing and enforcement. In general, these revenue arrangements provide for the payment of contractually determined fees in consideration for the grant of certain intellectual property rights for patented technologies owned or controlled by the Company. A significant number of the patent licenses are granted on the entire portfolio rather than individual patents. Most of the intellectual property rights granted are perpetual in nature, extending until the expiration of the related patents, although they can be granted for a defined, relatively short period of time. The Company recognizes licensing and enforcement fees when there is persuasive evidence of a licensing arrangement, fees are fixed or determinable, delivery has occurred and collectability is reasonably assured.

Costs Associated with Revenue

Contingent legal and consulting fees are expensed in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations in the period that the related revenues are recognized. In instances where there are no recoveries from potential infringers, no contingent legal and consulting fees are required to be paid; however, the Company may be liable for certain out of pocket legal and consulting costs incurred in connection with the services performed pursuant to the underlying legal and consulting services agreement. Legal fees advanced to contingent law firms, if any, that are required to be paid in the event that no license recoveries are obtained are expensed as incurred and included in liabilities in the accompanying Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Fair Value Measurements

The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, short term investment, accounts receivable, and accounts payable, approximate fair value due to the short-term nature of these instruments.

Fair value is defined as an exit price, representing the amount that would be received upon the sale of an asset or payment to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants. Fair value is a market-based measurement that is determined based on assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability. A three-tier fair value hierarchy is used to prioritize the inputs in measuring fair value as follows:

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

Level 2. Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, or other inputs that are observable, either directly or indirectly.

Level 3. Significant unobservable inputs that cannot be corroborated by market data.

These valuation techniques involve some level of management estimation and judgment, the degree of which is dependent on the price transparency of the asset, liability or market and the nature of the asset or liability.

Investment

In cases where the Company's investment is less than 20% of the outstanding voting stock and significant influence does not exist, the investment is carried at cost, and evaluated for impairment at each reporting period.

The Company elected the fair value option for its investment in The Upside Commerce Group, LLC formerly known as Flexible Travel Company, LLC ("Upside"). The investment was classified as a Level 3 financial instrument at December 31, 2016, and until its disposal in June 2017.

On June 2, 2017, the Company entered into a Redemption Agreement (the "Redemption Agreement") with Upside, a company affiliated with Walker Digital, LLC, to redeem 12,650,000 Upside Class A Common Shares. Simultaneously with the redemption on June 2, 2017, the Company acquired the Upside Class A Common Shares at a price of \$0.06 per share pursuant to a warrant (the "Warrant") previously granted to the Company by Jay S. Walker, the controlling stockholder of Walker Digital. The Upside Class A Common Shares were redeemed at \$1.43182745 per share as approved by the Company's Audit Committee. Net proceeds from the transaction after giving effect to fees and the exercise price was approximately \$16.8 million. After giving effect to the transaction described above, the Company no longer retains an equity interest in Upside.

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As of December 31, 2016, the fair value of this investment was \$14,621 (see Note 6).

The following table sets forth a summary of the changes in the fair value of the Company's Level 3 financial liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis:

	<u>As of</u>	
	<u>September 30, 2017 (Unaudited)</u>	<u>December 31, 2016</u>
Beginning balance (fair value of Upside Warrant upon issuance)	\$ 14,621	\$ 672
Change in fair value of Upside Warrant	3,491	18,283
Exercise and sale of Upside Warrant	(18,112)	(4,334)
Ending balance	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ 14,621</u>

While the Company believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different estimate of fair value at the reporting date.

The decision to elect the fair value option, which is irrevocable once elected, is determined on an instrument by instrument basis and applied to an entire instrument. The net gains or losses, if any, on an investment for which the fair value option has been elected, are recognized as an unrealized gain on investment in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Revenue Concentrations

The Company considers significant revenue concentrations to be counterparties or customers who account for 10% or more of the total revenues generated by the Company during the period. Revenue for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 was \$300 and was from one counterparty. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, 72% of the Company's revenue was derived from one counterparty, which was Walker Digital for revenue in connection with custom innovation subcontracted to the Company. For the three months ended September 30, 2016, 86% of the Company's revenue was derived from one counterparty, which was Walker Digital, and was in connection with custom innovation subcontracted to the Company.

Stock Based Compensation

The Company measures the cost of services received in exchange for an award of equity instruments based on the fair value of the award. For employees and directors, the fair value of the award is measured on the grant date and for non-employees, the fair value of the award is generally measured on the measurement date and re-measured on each financial reporting date and vesting date until the service period is complete. The fair value amount is then recognized over the period services are required to be provided in exchange for the award, usually the vesting period. The Company recognizes employee stock-based compensation expense on a straight line basis over the requisite service period for each separately vesting tranche of each award. Stock-based compensation expense is reflected within operating expenses and cost of sales in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Property and Equipment, net

Property and equipment consist primarily of computer and network hardware and are stated at cost net of accumulated depreciation and amortization expenses. Leasehold improvements are amortized over the shorter of their estimated useful lives or the remaining term of the lease. Lease amortization is included in depreciation expense. Equipment and software are depreciated on a straight-line basis over two to five years. Costs related to maintenance and repairs are expensed as incurred.

Deferred Revenue

Deferred revenue represents amounts to be recognized in connection with the amortization of the Upside Warrant (See Note 6).

Income Taxes

Income taxes are accounted for under the asset and liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases, and operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in operations in the period that includes the enactment date. A valuation allowance is provided when it is more likely than not that some portion or all of a deferred tax asset will not be realized. The ultimate realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the generation of future taxable income and the reversal of deferred tax liabilities during the period in which related temporary differences become deductible. The benefit of tax positions taken or expected to be taken in the Company's income tax returns are recognized in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements if such positions are more likely than not of being sustained.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2014, as part of its ongoing efforts to assist in the convergence of GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (the “FASB”) issued Accounting Standards Update (“ASU”) 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*, which is a new standard related to revenue recognition. Under the new standard, recognition of revenue occurs when a customer obtains control of promised services or goods in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to receive in exchange for those goods or services. In addition, the standard requires disclosure of the nature, amount, timing, and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from customer contracts. The standard must be adopted using either a full retrospective approach for all periods presented in the period of adoption or a modified retrospective approach. In July 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-14, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers - Deferral of the Effective Date*, which defers the implementation of this new standard to be effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017. Early adoption is permitted effective January 1, 2017. In March 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-08, *Principal versus Agent Considerations*, which clarifies the implementation guidance on principal versus agent considerations in the new revenue recognition standard pursuant to ASU 2014-09. In April 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-10, *Identifying Performance Obligations and Licensing*, and in May 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-12, *Narrow-Scope Improvements and Practical Expedients*, which amend certain aspects of the new revenue recognition standard pursuant to ASU No. 2014-09. In February 2017, the FASB issued ASU No. 2017-05, *Other Income-Gains and Losses from the Derecognition of Nonfinancial Assets (subtopic 610.20)*, which clarifies the scope of asset derecognition and accounting for partial sales of nonfinancial assets pursuant to ASU No. 2014-09. We are evaluating the effect of the adoption of this standard on our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

In January 2017, the FASB issued ASU No. 2017-01, “*Business Combinations (Topic 805): Clarifying the Definition of a Business*.” The amendments in this update clarify the definition of a business with the objective of adding guidance to assist entities with evaluating whether transactions should be accounted for as acquisitions (or disposals) of businesses. The amendments in this update provide a screen to determine when a set is not a business. If the screen is not met, it (1) requires that to be considered a business, a set must include, at a minimum, an input and a substantive process that together significantly contribute to the ability to create output and (2) removes the evaluation of whether a market participant could replace the missing elements. The amendments in this Update are effective for all entities for annual periods, and interim periods within those annual periods, beginning after December 15, 2017. Early adoption is permitted. This ASU is not expected to have a material impact on the Company’s financial statements.

In May 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-09, “*Compensation—Stock Compensation (Topic 718): Scope of Modification Accounting*” to provide clarity and reduce both (1) diversity in practice and (2) cost and complexity when applying the guidance in Topic 718, *Compensation—Stock Compensation*, to a change to the terms or conditions of a share-based payment award. The amendments in this Update provide guidance about which changes to the terms or conditions of a share-based payment award require an entity to apply modification accounting in Topic 718. The amendments in this Update are effective for all entities for annual periods, and interim periods within those annual periods, beginning after December 15, 2017. Early adoption is permitted. This ASU is not expected to have a material impact on the Company’s financial statements.

In July 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-11, “*Earnings Per Share (Topic 260), Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity (Topic 480), Derivatives and Hedging (Topic 815): I. Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Down Round Features, II. Replacement of the Indefinite Deferral for Mandatorily Redeemable Financial Instruments of Certain Nonpublic Entities and Certain Mandatorily Redeemable Non-controlling Interests with a Scope Exception*” which addresses narrow issues identified as a result of the complexity associated with applying generally accepted accounting principles for certain financial instruments with characteristics of liabilities and equity. Part I of this Update addresses the complexity of accounting for certain financial instruments with down round features. Current accounting guidance creates cost and complexity for entities that issue financial instruments (such as warrants and convertible instruments) with down round features that require fair value measurement of the entire instrument or conversion option. Part II of this Update addresses the difficulty of navigating Topic 480, *Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity*, because of the existence of extensive pending content in the FASB Accounting Standards Codification. This pending content is the result of the indefinite deferral of accounting requirements about mandatorily redeemable financial instruments of certain nonpublic entities and certain mandatorily redeemable non-controlling interests. The amendments in Part I of this Update change the classification analysis of certain equity-linked financial instruments (or embedded features) with down round features. When determining whether certain financial instruments should be classified as liabilities or equity instruments, a down round feature no longer precludes equity classification when assessing whether the instrument is indexed to an entity’s own stock. The amendments also clarify existing disclosure requirements for equity-classified instruments. The amendments in Part II of this Update recharacterize the indefinite deferral of certain provisions of Topic 480 that now are presented as pending content in the Codification, to a scope exception. These amendments in Part I of this update are effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2018, early adoption is permitted, including adoption in an interim period. If an entity early adopts the amendments in an interim period, any adjustments should be reflected as of the beginning of the fiscal year that includes that interim period. The amendments in Part I of this Update should be applied in either of the following ways: (1) Retrospectively to outstanding financial instruments with a down round feature by means of a cumulative-effect adjustment to the statement of financial position as of the beginning of the first fiscal year and interim period(s) in which the pending content that links to this paragraph is effective. (2) Retrospectively to outstanding financial instruments with a down round feature for each prior reporting period presented in accordance with the guidance on accounting changes in paragraphs 250-10-45-5 through 45-10. The amendments in Part II of this Update do not require any transition guidance because those amendments do not have an accounting effect.

NOTE 4. PREPAID EXPENSES AND OTHER CURRENT ASSETS

As of September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016 prepaid expenses and other current assets consist of the following:

	As of	
	September 30, 2017 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2016
Prepaid insurance	\$ 68	\$ 61
Prepaid patent costs	3	11
Due from Walker Digital/Upside	157	301
Other prepaid expenses and other current assets	41	25
Total prepaid expenses and other current assets	\$ 269	\$ 398

NOTE 5. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

As of September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016 property and equipment, net, consist of the following:

	As of	
	September 30, 2017 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2016
Computer equipment and software	\$ 30	\$ 30
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(29)	(21)
Total property and equipment, net	1	9

Depreciation expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016 was \$3 and \$8 and \$3 and \$33, respectively.

NOTE 6. INVESTMENTS*Investment in Tagged*

The Company received 57,000 shares of common stock in Tagged, Inc. ("Tagged") as partial payment in connection with a license agreement. If on liquidation date (i.e. public offering or change of control), the then current fair value of the stock is less than \$250 ("floor value"), Tagged will pay the Company the difference between the \$250 floor value and the then current fair value. The investment is carried at cost. In April 2017, Tagged was the subject of an acquisition pursuant to which the Company received \$244 in exchange for its shares in Tagged and expects to receive an additional \$6 (the difference between the \$250 floor value and the acquisition proceeds) within one year and has included this amount in Other current assets on its Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet.

Investment in The Upside Commerce Group, LLC

The Company entered into a Shared Services Agreement (the "Upside Services Agreement,") dated as of December 4, 2015, with Upside, a company affiliated with Walker Digital, regarding the provision of executive management, marketing, innovation, legal and financial consulting services. There are no set deliverables contemplated by the Upside Services Agreement, although the hourly rates the Company charges Upside (approximately equal to the Company's cost) are specified and under certain circumstances could require audit committee approval.

In connection with the Upside Services Agreement, the Company was granted a warrant to purchase limited liability company interests in Upside at an exercise price of \$0.06 per Class A Common Share, (the "Upside Warrant") which amount has been determined to equal the fair market value of such shares as of the date of issuance of the Upside Warrant. The Upside Warrant was issued to the Company by Mr. Walker. At the time of issuance, Mr. Walker beneficially owned approximately 37% of the aggregate outstanding limited liability company interests of Upside on a fully diluted basis. The total Class A Common Shares that could have been purchased pursuant to the exercise of the Upside Warrant was 16,400,000 shares, equal to approximately 16% of the then aggregate outstanding limited liability company interests of Upside on a fully diluted basis as of December 31, 2015. The transfer of such shares to the Company was subject to certain requirements, including the provision of an opinion of counsel that such would not result in Upside being deemed to be a publicly traded partnership for purposes of U.S. federal income tax law.

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On November 21, 2016 the Company entered into a Securities Purchase Agreement (the “November Purchase Agreement”) in connection with the sale of an aggregate of 2,500,000 Class A Common Shares (the “November Shares”) of Upside, at \$2.00 per share to a group of accredited investors (the “Investors”) in private resales not requiring registration under the Securities Act of 1933. The November Shares were issued upon exercise of the Upside Warrant to purchase Class A Common Shares at a price of \$0.06 per share, granted to the Company by Mr. Walker, the controlling stockholder of the Company, Walker Digital and Upside. The sale of the November Shares to the Investors was consummated concurrently with entering into the November Purchase Agreement and the Company realized a gain of \$4.7 million upon the sale.

The Company entered into a Securities Purchase Agreement dated as of December 5, 2016 (the “December Purchase Agreement” and, together with the November Purchase Agreement, the “Purchase Agreements”) in connection with the sale of an aggregate of 1,250,000 Class A Common Shares of Upside, at \$2.00 per share to an existing investor in Upside in a private resale not requiring registration under the Securities Act of 1933. The December Shares were issued upon exercise of the Warrant at a price of \$0.06 per share, and the Company recorded a realized gain of \$2.4 million on the sale. After giving effect to the Purchase Agreements, the Company retained the right to purchase 12,650,000 Shares of Upside pursuant to the Upside Warrant, equal to approximately 11% of the then current aggregate outstanding limited liability company interests of Upside on a fully diluted basis.

In connection with the November and December Purchase Agreements, the Company recorded realized gains of \$7.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2016. Unrealized gains of \$14.1 million were recognized for the year ended December 31, 2016 based on the change in the fair value of the investment.

On June 2, 2017, the Company entered into a Redemption Agreement with Upside to redeem 12,650,000 Upside Class A Common Shares. Simultaneously with the redemption on June 2, 2017, the Company acquired the Upside Class A Common Shares at a price of \$0.06 per share pursuant to a Warrant previously granted to the Company. The Upside Class A Common Shares were redeemed at \$1.43182745 per share as approved by the Company’s Audit Committee. Net proceeds from the transaction after giving effect to fees and the exercise price was approximately \$16.8 million and in connection with the transaction the company realized a gain of \$2,189. After giving effect to the transaction described above, the Company no longer retains an equity interest in Upside.

In connection with the issuance of the Upside Warrant, the Company recorded deferred revenue of \$671 and has amortized \$84 and \$252 and \$82 and \$248 of this deferred revenue into other income during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

NOTE 7. SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT

Walker Digital

The Company has a Shared Services Agreement (“WDM Shared Services Agreement”) with Walker Digital Management (“WDM”). The cost of such services varies monthly based on the terms of the WDM Shared Services Agreement. The incurred expenses include but are not limited to executive compensation, information technology services and supplies, administrative and general services and supplies and rent and utilities, and are based either on specific attribution of those expenses or, where necessary and appropriate, based on the Company’s best estimate of an appropriate proportional allocation.

The following table represents operating expenses contributed by WDM on behalf of the Company and expenses incurred under the WDM Shared Services Agreement for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Operating Expenses:				
Compensation expenses ⁽¹⁾	\$ 0	(3)	\$ 7	\$ (28)
Rent and utilities	24	28	111	131
Office services and supplies	1	6	15	27
Telephone	1	10	4	30
Other	8	16	37	55
Total Operating Expenses	<u>\$ 34</u>	<u>\$ 57</u>	<u>\$ 174</u>	<u>\$ 215</u>

(1) Compensation expenses are net of services charged to WDM. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, and 2016, the Company charged approximately \$0 and \$0 and \$6 and \$38 of expenses, respectively, related to such services .

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As of September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016, due from WDM included in prepaid and other current assets on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets was \$162 and \$283, respectively, and due to WDM included in accounts payable/accrued expenses on the Condensed Balance Sheets was \$8 and \$59, respectively.

The Upside Commerce Group, LLC

In December 2015, the Company entered into the Upside Services Agreement with Upside to provide executive management, marketing, legal, financial consulting and other services. For the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016 the Company provided approximately \$9 and \$70 and \$74 and \$351, respectively, of expenses related to such services and these amounts are included in Other income in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations.

NOTE 8. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Litigation

The Company may be subject to claims, counterclaims and legal actions that arise in the ordinary course of business. The plaintiff in each patent suit may have defenses to any counterclaim. In addition, the defendants in certain of the patent suits may file motions seeking costs and fees against the plaintiff, which may be opposed. Management believes that the ultimate liability with respect to these claims and legal actions, if any, will not have a material effect on the Company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows. The Company recognizes a liability for a contingency when it is probable that liability has been incurred and when the amount of loss can be reasonably estimated. When a range of probable loss can be estimated, the Company accrues the most likely amount of such loss, at no less than the minimum of the range. As of September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016, the litigation accrual was not material.

NOTE 9. EQUITY

As of September 30, 2017, the Company had authorized an aggregate of 100,000,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.001 per share. The Company had authorized an aggregate of 15,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.001 per share, 14,999,000 shares of which have been designated Series B Convertible Preferred Stock. As of September 30, 2017, there were 21,134,744 shares of the Company's common stock issued and 20,400,368 outstanding. As of September 30, 2017, 14,999,000 shares of the Company's Series B Convertible Preferred Stock were issued and outstanding.

In connection with a Settlement Agreement with Walker Digital (the "Settlement Agreement") relating to rights to indemnification from Walker Digital as a consequence of a settlement with a third party, Walker Digital returned to the Company shares of its Common Stock having a value of \$125, in May 2017. The Company reclassified the previously outstanding 341,204 shares it received as Treasury Stock.

NOTE 10. STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

Option Repricing

On January 12, 2017, the compensation committee of the Company's Board of Directors, and Walker Digital, a stockholder entitled to vote 2,358,500 shares of the Company's Common Stock and 14,999,000 shares of Series B Preferred Stock, representing, collectively, approximately 82.3% of the outstanding voting stock of the Company entitled to vote on such date with respect to such corporate actions, approved a one-time Stock Option Repricing program (the "Option Repricing") to permit the Company to reprice certain options to purchase the Company's common stock held by its then current directors, officers and employees (the "Eligible Options"), which actions became effective on February 19, 2017. Under the Option Repricing, as of the date the Option Repricing became effective, Eligible Options with an exercise price at or above \$1.37 per share (representing an aggregate of 2,743,000 options, or 58% of the total outstanding) were amended to reduce such exercise price to \$0.43.

The impact of the repricing was a one time incremental non cash charge of approximately \$216, of which \$114 was expensed in the first quarter of 2017 and an additional \$102 of expense will be charged to operations over the remaining term of the options.

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Stock-based Compensation

Total stock-based compensation to employees and non-employees for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively, is presented in the following table:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Employee option awards	\$ 24	\$ 382	\$ 317	\$ 1,452
Non employee compensation expenses	--	3	1	91
Total compensation expense	\$ 24	\$ 385	\$ 318	\$ 1,543

Primarily all of the stock-based compensation incurred in 2017 was incurred in connection with employee awards, and accordingly is included in Compensation expense on the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations for the three month and nine months ended September 30, 2017. During 2016, stock-based compensation related to expense incurred in connection with awards to employees, employees whose salaries were included in cost of revenue, as well as professional fees. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016, (\$79) and \$28 of the employee option awards expense was included in Cost of revenue. The (\$79) represented a reversal of expense for options forfeited by employees who left the company during the quarter. Non employee compensation expense of \$3 and \$91, respectively, was included in professional fees in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations.

During the third quarter of 2017 the Company granted new options to an existing officer for the purchase of 250,000 shares of its Common Stock under the Incentive Plan for employees of the Company. These options have an aggregate grant date fair value of approximately \$77 utilizing the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions used:

Exercise Price	\$0.39
Term (in years)	10
Remaining Contractual Life (in years)	9.9
Volatility	98.9%
Dividends	0%
Risk Free Rate of Interest	1.73%
Vesting:	June 2018 -- June 2020

The Company used historical volatility rates used to calculate the fair value of options granted during the three months ended September 30, 2017.

A summary of the status of the Company's stock option plans and the changes during the nine months ended September 30, 2017, is presented in the table below:

	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Intrinsic Value	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life (in years)
Outstanding at December 31, 2016	4,745,500	\$ 2.38	-	7.3
Options Granted	640,000	\$ 0.39	-	
Options Exercised	--			
Options Cancelled/Forfeited	(311,668)	\$ 2.49		
Outstanding at September 30, 2017	5,073,832	\$ 0.65	-	7.1
Options vested and exercisable	4,134,490	\$ 0.71	324	6.7

As of September 30, 2017, the Company had unrecognized stock-based compensation expense related to all unvested stock options of \$188, which is expected to be recognized over the remaining weighted-average vesting period of 2.2 years.

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

The following discussion and analysis of the financial condition and results of our operations should be read in conjunction with our financial statements and the notes to those statements. This discussion contains forward-looking statements reflecting our management's current expectations that involve risks and uncertainties. Actual results and the timing of events may differ materially from those contained in these forward-looking statements due to a number of factors, including those discussed under the heading "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on February 7, 2017.

Narrative discussions of dollar figures are in thousands, except share and per share data and where the context indicates otherwise.

General

Through our wholly-owned subsidiaries, we historically have created, commercialized, licensed and, when necessary, legally enforced our homegrown portfolio of business innovations, many of which we acquired from our affiliate Walker Digital, LLC ("Walker Digital"), and are actively engaged in identifying new synergies for our assets and operations. In response to challenging developments in the patent licensing and enforcement environment and the cessation of the Company's custom innovation work described below, the Company's current plan of operations includes a carefully focused Licensing and Enforcement program, and an effort to acquire, through merger, share exchange, asset acquisition, plan of arrangement, recapitalization, reorganization or similar business combination, one or more operating businesses, either within its current verticals or in new industry segments, or control of such operating businesses through contractual arrangements. An investment bank has been retained to advise the Company on its acquisition process and other opportunities to create shareholder value.

Prior to 2017 the Company also focused on helping companies innovate more effectively and efficiently. It accomplished this by performing custom innovation work for large companies desiring to prototype and scale new businesses and new business methods, and through its Haystack IQ™ product that was intended to help small to mid-size businesses use proprietary Big Data software to connect the global stockpile of technology improvements and technical experts, represented by the U.S. patent database and other technical databases, with businesses that can put them into commercial uses that help them compete and grow. The Company is not currently performing any customer innovation projects.

The Company's Executive Chairman is entrepreneur and inventor Jay Walker, who is best known as the founder of Priceline.com and has twice been named by TIME magazine as "one of the top 50 business leaders of the digital age." Mr. Walker currently ranks as the world's 13th most patented living individual, based on U.S. patent issuances according to Wikipedia.

All improvements to the intellectual property assets that were primary to the business of Walker Digital assigned to the Company in 2013, together with any of the intellectual property associated with Haystack IQ, have been assigned to our subsidiary Inventor Holdings, LLC pursuant to an Invention Assignment Agreement with Mr. Walker. While the terms of the Invention Assignment Agreement do not entitle us to any other intellectual property Mr. Walker may develop in the future, in view of his significant equity position in the Company and the Company's platform for the protection of the intellectual property it holds, Mr. Walker may nevertheless determine to develop and commercialize intellectual property through the Company.

All of our intellectual property assets were created with the goal of solving business problems, with the intent to achieve commercial status. However, it is our belief that some of our inventions have become part of the commercial activities of other businesses without having been licensed, depriving us of financial value. We are currently pursuing one matter regarding our inventions in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. Our monetization efforts include the possible sale or licensing of all or part of the relevant patent portfolio. It is our plan to continue enforcement activities for certain patents, although the timing and extent of these activities depends upon many factors affecting the market for patents and the patent enforcement industry that are beyond our control.

On November 28, 2016, the Company entered into a Release and Settlement Agreement with Walker Digital (the "Settlement Agreement") relating to rights to indemnification from Walker Digital as a consequence of a settlement with a third party. The terms of the Settlement Agreement were approved by the Audit Committee of the Company. The Settlement Agreement required Walker Digital to pay the Company \$125 in cash, or to return to the Company shares of its common stock having a value of \$125 within six months following the date of the Settlement Agreement and acknowledged the direct and indirect benefits received by the Company from Walker Digital in connection with the sale of shares of Upside by the Company in the November Purchase Agreement as part of the consideration received in connection with the release of the Company's indemnification claims against Walker Digital.

Overview

Operating activities for 2017 were principally focused on the development, licensing and enforcement of our patent portfolios, helping to create value in our investment in Upside by providing services to them pursuant to the shared services agreement, and continuing efforts to improve operational efficiencies and preserve cash. Once we monetized our investment in Upside our focus transitioned to the initiation of efforts to acquire, through merger, share exchange, asset acquisition, plan of arrangement, recapitalization, reorganization or similar business combination, one or more operating businesses, either within our current verticals or in new industry segments, or control of such operating businesses through contractual arrangements.

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Our operating activities during fiscal 2016 were principally focused on the development, licensing and enforcement of our patent portfolios, performing custom innovation services, and helping to create value in our investment in Upside by providing services to them pursuant to the shared services agreement.

Licensing and Enforcement

Our Licensing and Enforcement revenues historically have fluctuated period to period, and can vary significantly, based on a number of factors including the following:

- the dollar amount of agreements executed each period, which can be driven by the nature and characteristics of the technology or technologies being licensed and the magnitude of infringement associated with a specific licensee;
- the specific terms and conditions of agreements executed each period including the nature and characteristics of rights granted, and the periods of infringement or term of use contemplated by the respective payments;
- fluctuations in the total number of agreements executed each period;
- the timing, results and uncertainties associated with enforcement proceedings relating to our intellectual property rights;
- the ageing of the patent portfolio; and
- other external factors, including developments in the law affecting patent enforcement and availability of contingent legal financing, as required.

All of the Licensing and Enforcement revenues were generated through settlement and non-exclusive license agreements. All of the agreements provide for a one-time payment to the Company. Generally we are willing to engage in settlement discussions with defendants at any appropriate time during the course of litigation. We will agree to settle a dispute with a defendant when we believe that such a settlement and the terms of the agreement are in the best interest of the Company and its shareholders. The environment for entering into such license agreements in 2017 continues to be adversely affected by several significant developments in the patent monetization industry, including the continued effect of the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act of 2011 (including several new means by which challenges to the validity of our patents may be effected, including *Inter Partes* review proceedings) and the Supreme Court holding in the Alice Corp. v. CLS Bank International case, which called into question the patentability of certain types of inventions. In view of these trends, we are anticipating that the revenues from Licensing and Enforcement will continue to be minimal.

Custom Innovation

We had initially planned to fund our investment in sales, marketing, product development and infrastructure for Haystack IQ with the operating cash flows of our Licensing and Enforcement activities. In view of the negative trends in the patent licensing industry discussed above and the potential adverse impact of those changes on our revenues, we were forced to decrease our investment in Haystack IQ. Without the necessary capital to bring the business to scale, we subsequently decided to cease the operations of Haystack IQ entirely on March 31, 2016.

During 2016 the Company performed custom innovation services for Walker Digital, pursuant to a work order for a prototype project involving a Fortune 500 insurance company that previously retained Walker Digital to design and develop viable new business models. The business prototype to be developed had an approved budget of approximately \$3.0 million that was funded through late 2016. This agreement has expired.

Upside Services Agreement and Warrant

In December 2015, the Company entered into the Upside Services Agreement with Upside (the “Upside Services Agreement”), a company affiliated with Walker Digital, the Company’s controlling stockholder, regarding the provision of executive management, marketing, legal and financial consulting services. There are no set deliverables contemplated by the Upside Services Agreement, and services are provided as needed pursuant to the hourly rates (approximately equal to the Company’s cost) specified in the Upside Services Agreement.

In connection with the Upside Services Agreement, the Company was granted the Upside Warrant to purchase limited liability company interests in Upside at an exercise price of \$0.06 per Class A common share, which amount has been determined to equal the fair market value of such shares as of the date of issuance of the Upside Warrant. The Upside Warrant was issued to the Company by Jay Walker, who at the time of issuance, beneficially owned approximately 37% of the aggregate outstanding limited liability company interests of Upside on a fully diluted basis, and controls Walker Digital, the Company’s controlling stockholder. The total Class A common shares that may be purchased pursuant to the exercise of the Upside Warrant was originally 16,400,000 shares, equal to approximately 16% of the aggregate outstanding limited liability company interests of Upside, on a fully diluted basis, at the time of issuance, and the transfer of such shares to the Company was subject to certain requirements, including the provision of an opinion of counsel that such would not result in Upside being deemed to be a publicly traded partnership for purposes of U.S. federal income tax law.

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The Company entered into a Securities Purchase Agreement dated as of November 21, 2016 (the “November Purchase Agreement”) in connection with the sale of an aggregate of 2,500,000 Class A Common Shares (the “November Shares”) of Upside at \$2.00 per share to a group of accredited investors (the “Investors”) in private resales not requiring registration under the Securities Act of 1933. The November Shares were issued upon exercise of a warrant to purchase Class A Common Shares at a price of \$0.06 per share (the “Upside Warrant”), granted to the Company by Jay S. Walker, the controlling stockholder of the Company, Walker Digital and Upside. The total Class A Common Shares that could be purchased pursuant to the exercise of the Upside Warrant was originally 16,400,000 and, following the exercise in connection with the November Purchase Agreement, was 13,900,000. The sale of the November Shares to the Investors was consummated concurrently with entering into the November Purchase Agreement.

In December 2016, the Company entered into a Securities Purchase Agreement (the “December Purchase Agreement”) in connection with the sale of an aggregate of 1,250,000 Class A Common Shares (the “December Shares”) of Upside, at \$2.00 per share to an existing investor in Upside in a private resale not requiring registration under the Securities Act of 1933. The Shares were issued upon exercise of the Warrant at a price of \$0.06 per share. Giving effect to the sale of the November Shares and December Shares, the Company raised gross proceeds of \$7.5 million and retained the ability to purchase 12,650,000 Shares of Upside pursuant to the Upside Warrant (then 11% on a fully diluted basis).

On June 2, 2017, the Company entered into a Redemption Agreement with Upside to redeem the remaining 12,650,000 Upside Class A Common Shares. Simultaneously with the redemption on June 2, 2017, the Company acquired the Upside Class A Common Shares at a price of \$0.06 per share pursuant to the Warrant previously granted to the Company. The Upside Class A Common Shares were redeemed at \$1.43182745 per share as approved by the Company’s Audit Committee. Net proceeds from the transaction after giving effect to fees and the exercise price was approximately \$16.8 million. After giving effect to the transaction described above, the Company no longer retains an equity interest in Upside.

The Upside Warrant was valued at \$14.6 million (the fair value as determined using the Black-Scholes model at both December 31, 2016 and March 31, 2017). The Company accounts for the Upside Warrant using fair value accounting, and, accordingly, for the nine month period ended September 30, 2017 the Company recorded an unrealized loss of \$14.1 million relating to the reversal of unrecognized gains reflected in previous periods and a realized gain of \$16.3 million in connection with the Redemption Agreement. In connection with the November and December Purchase Agreements, the Company recorded a realized gain of \$7.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2016.

In connection with the issuance of the Upside Warrant in December of 2015, the Company recorded deferred revenue of \$646 for the year ended December 31, 2015 and has amortized \$84 and \$82 of this deferred revenue into Other Income for the three months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016 respectively.

Current Plan of Operation

The Company’s current plan of operations includes a carefully focused Licensing and Enforcement program, continuing efforts to improve operational efficiencies and preserve cash, and an effort to acquire, through merger, share exchange, asset acquisition, plan of arrangement, recapitalization, reorganization or similar business combination, one or more operating businesses, either within its current verticals or in new industry segments, or control of such operating businesses through contractual arrangements. The Company expects to consider acquisition opportunities, if any, based on the circumstances presented by the business trends discussed above and the potential benefits to stockholders.

Results of Operations

For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2017 Compared with Three Months Ended September 30, 2016

Net Loss

Net loss for the three months ended September 30, 2017 was \$446 compared to net loss of \$1,136 for the three months ended September 30, 2016.

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Operating expenses of \$637 for the quarter ended September 30, 2017 included other legal and consulting fees of \$28, patent prosecution and maintenance fees of \$6 compensation and related benefits (including non-cash compensation of \$24) of \$330, professional fees of \$162, general and administrative expense of \$111. Net revenue totaled \$300 for the quarter ended September 30, 2017.

Operating expenses of \$1,584 for the quarter ended September 30, 2016 included other legal and consulting fees of \$174, patent prosecution and maintenance fees of \$59, compensation and related benefits (including non-cash compensation of \$461) of \$914, professional fees of \$268, general and administrative expense of \$169. Net revenue totaled \$290 for the quarter ended September 30, 2016.

Revenues

	Three Months Ended		% Change
	September 30, 2017	September 30, 2016	
Licensing revenue	\$ 300	\$ 100	200%
Custom innovation	--	630	N/A
<i>Total revenue</i>	<u>\$ 300</u>	<u>\$ 730</u>	<u>(59)%</u>

For the three months ended September 30, 2017 we recognized \$300 of revenue compared to \$730 of revenue that was recognized in the third quarter of 2016. Revenue generated in the third quarter of 2016 was primarily attributed to revenue from Custom Innovation, while the revenue recorded in the third quarter of 2017 related to our Licensing and Enforcement revenue. Our revenues from Licensing and Enforcement historically have fluctuated based on the number of patented technology families, the timing and results of patent filings and our enforcement proceedings relating to our intellectual property rights.

Cost of Revenue

Cost of Custom Innovation Work

Costs of custom innovation work represent the staff and related other costs associated with any of the services provided. For the third quarter of 2016 this amount totaled \$415. Custom Innovation work ceased at the end of 2016.

Licensing and Enforcement Expenses

	Three Months Ended		% Change
	September 30, 2017	September 30, 2016	
Other legal and consulting fees	\$ 28	\$ 174	(84)%
Patent prosecution and maintenance costs	6	59	(90)%
<i>Total licensing and enforcement expenses</i>	<u>\$ 34</u>	<u>\$ 233</u>	<u>(85)%</u>

Other legal and consulting expenses for the three months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016 were \$28 and \$174, respectively. Other legal and consulting expenses fluctuate from period to period based on patent enforcement and prosecution activity associated with ongoing licensing and enforcement programs and the timing of the commencement of new licensing and enforcement programs in each period. We expect other legal and consulting expenses to continue to fluctuate period to period based on the factors summarized above, in connection with scheduled trial dates and our current and future patent development, licensing and enforcement activities.

Patent prosecution and maintenance expenses for the third quarter of 2017 decreased to \$6 from \$59 in third quarter 2016. Patent prosecution and maintenance expenses are related to legal fees and Patent Trademark Office expenses for reexaminations and patent prosecutions.

General and Administrative Expenses

	Three Months Ended		% Change
	September 30, 2017	September 30, 2016	
Compensation and benefits	\$ 330	\$ 914	(64)%
Professional fees	162	268	(40)%
General and administrative	111	169	(34)%
<i>Total general & administrative expenses</i>	<u>\$ 603</u>	<u>\$ 1,351</u>	<u>(55)%</u>

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Compensation and benefits expense decreased by 64% for the three months ended September 30, 2017 from \$914 to \$330 and includes share based compensation of \$24 and \$461 for the third quarter ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The decrease in compensation and benefits is related to an overall decrease in headcount from 10 in 2016 to 5 in 2017.

Professional fees for the third quarter of 2017 decreased by 40% and totaled \$162 and related primarily to accounting and legal fees of \$104, board and advisory fees of \$39 and public company expenses of \$19. Professional fees for the third quarter of 2016 totaled \$268 and related to accounting and corporate legal fees of \$161, board and advisory fees of \$75, investor and public relation fees of \$48 and public company expenses of \$26.

General and administrative expenses decreased by 34% to \$111 for the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared to \$169 for the three months ended September 30, 2016. The decrease is mainly attributed to decreases of \$9 for telephone and utilities, \$15 of computer services and expense, and \$10 in insurance expense.

Other Income

Included in other income of \$93 is \$9 received from Upside in connection with services provided as well as \$84 of amortization in connection with the Upside Warrant. For the three months ended September 30, 2016, the Company recorded other income of \$157, of which \$74 was received from Upside in connection with services provided and \$83 of amortization was expensed in connection with the Upside Warrant.

Provision for Income Taxes

Provision for income taxes of \$219 represents taxes paid during the three months ending September 30, 2017 compared to no income taxes paid in the three months ending September 30, 2016. The amount of income taxes paid in the third quarter 2017 relate to the exercise and sale of the Upside Warrant.

For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017 Compared with Nine Months Ended September 30, 2016**Net (Loss) Income**

Net loss for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 was \$166 compared to net income of \$1,462 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016.

Operating expenses of \$2,749 for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 included other legal and consulting fees of \$280, patent prosecution and maintenance fees of \$75, compensation and related benefits (including non-cash compensation of \$318) of \$1,386, professional fees of \$607, general and administrative expense of \$401. Included in non cash compensation is a one time non-recurring charge of \$114 in connection with the repricing of certain options.

Operating expenses of \$6,463 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 included other legal and consulting fees of \$1,342, patent prosecution and maintenance fees of \$143, compensation and related benefits (including non-cash compensation of \$1,424) of \$3,025, professional fees of \$796, general and administrative expense of \$582 and included a one time non-recurring restructuring charge of \$575 in connection with the closing of the operations of Haystack IQ in March 2016. Net revenue totaled \$786 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016.

Revenues

	Nine Months Ended		% Change
	September 30, 2017	September 30, 2016	
Subscription revenue	\$ --	\$ 75	N/A
Licensing revenue	300	602	(50)%
Custom innovation	--	1,733	N/A
<i>Total revenue</i>	<u>\$ 300</u>	<u>\$ 2,410</u>	<u>(88)%</u>

For the nine months ended September 30, 2017 we recognized \$300 of revenue compared to \$2.4 million of revenue that was recognized for the same period in 2016. Revenue generated in the first nine months of 2016 was attributed to \$602 from eight licensing agreements, an average of 20 subscriptions in queue related to Haystack IQ that represented \$75 in revenue and \$1,733 in revenue from Custom Innovation. Our Licensing and Enforcement revenues historically have fluctuated based on the number of patented technology families, the timing and results of patent filings and our enforcement proceedings relating to our intellectual property rights.

Cost of Revenue*Cost of Subscription Revenue*

Cost of subscription revenue was comprised of compensation for Company employees within the software and systems engineering groups in addition to data costs and amortization expenses. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016 this amount totaled \$199. This amount is disproportionate to the revenue as the Company had not achieved scale at which it could amortize its technology costs. Haystack IQ was shut down in March 2016.

Cost of Custom Innovation Work

Costs of custom innovation work represent the staff and related other costs associated with any of the services provided. For nine months ended September 30, 2016, this amount totaled \$1.4 million. Custom Innovation work ceased at the end of 2016.

Licensing and Enforcement Expenses

	Nine Months Ended		% Change
	September 30, 2017	September 30, 2016	
Other legal and consulting fees	\$ 280	\$ 1,342	(79)%
Patent prosecution and maintenance costs	75	143	(48)%
<i>Total licensing and enforcement expenses</i>	<u>\$ 355</u>	<u>\$ 1,485</u>	<u>(76)%</u>

Other legal and consulting expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016 were \$280 and \$1,342, respectively. The decrease in other legal and consulting fees during the nine months ended September 30, 2017 as compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2016 was mainly attributable to a payment of \$933 of legal and filing fees in connection with a 2016 court ruling. Other legal and consulting expenses fluctuate from period to period based on patent enforcement and prosecution activity associated with ongoing licensing and enforcement programs and the timing of the commencement of new licensing and enforcement programs in each period. We expect other legal and consulting expenses to continue to fluctuate period to period based on the factors summarized above, in connection with scheduled trial dates and our current and future patent development, licensing and enforcement activities.

Patent prosecution and maintenance expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 decreased to \$75 from \$143 in the nine months ended September 30, 2016. Patent prosecution and maintenance expenses are related to legal fees and Patent Trademark Office expenses for reexaminations and patent prosecutions.

General and Administrative Expenses

	Nine Months Ended		% Change
	September 30, 2017	September 30, 2016	
Compensation and benefits	\$ 1,386	\$ 3,025	(54)%
Professional fees	607	796	(24)%
General and administrative	401	582	(31)%
<i>Total general & administrative expenses</i>	<u>\$ 2,394</u>	<u>\$ 4,403</u>	<u>(46)%</u>

Compensation and benefits expense decreased by 54% for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 from \$3,025 to \$1,386 and includes share based compensation of \$318 and \$1,424 for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The decrease in compensation and benefits is related to an overall decrease in headcount from 10 in 2016 to 5 in 2017.

Professional fees for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 decreased by 24% and totaled \$607 and related primarily to accounting and legal fees of \$332, board fees of \$185 and public company expenses of \$93. Professional fees for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 totaled \$796 and related primarily to accounting and legal fees of \$388, board and advisory fees of \$213, investor and public relation costs of \$93 and public company expenses of \$92.

General and administrative expenses decreased by 31% to \$401 for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 compared to \$582 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016. The decrease is mainly attributed to decreases of \$27 of office supplies and services and rent, \$26 of telephone and utilities, \$43 of computer services and expense, and \$31 of insurance expense.

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In connection with closing of Haystack IQ business, the Company recorded approximately \$575 in one time, non-recurring restructuring costs for the nine months ended September 30, 2016. These costs consist primarily of severance and other employee costs of \$172, write off of prepaid expenses of \$69, accelerated amortization of \$213 and other costs, including obligations for leases, legal and allowance for doubtful accounts of \$121.

Unrealized and Realized Gain

For the nine months ended September 30, 2017, the Company recorded a net realized gain of \$2,189 in connection with the exercise and redemption of the Upside Warrant. The Company accounted for the Upside Warrant using the fair value option and therefore recorded a non-cash, unrealized gain of \$6,536 as a change in fair value in its Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2016.

Other Income

Included in other income of \$322 is \$70 received from Upside in connection with services provided as well as \$252 of amortization in connection with the Upside Warrant. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, the Company recorded other income of \$597, of which \$350 was received from Upside in connection with services provided and \$247 of amortization was expensed in connection with the Upside Warrant.

Provision for Income Taxes

Provision for income taxes of \$256 represent taxes paid during the nine months ending September 30, 2017 compared to no income taxes paid in the nine months ending September 30, 2016. The amount of income tax expenses paid in 2017 relate to the exercise and sale of the Upside Warrant.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Our significant accounting policies are more fully described in Note 3 to our Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses, and the related disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates under different assumptions or conditions. The Company's significant estimates and assumptions include stock-based compensation, the valuation allowance related to the Company's deferred tax assets revenue recognition, and establishing the fair value of its investments.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our current assets were \$24.9 million at September 30, 2017, including \$24.6 million of cash and cash equivalents. Working capital amounted to \$24.6 million as of September 30, 2017. We have narrowed the focus of our Licensing and Enforcement business to those patent families that we believe have potential to yield the highest return and we have discretion as to whether the associated legal costs are incurred hourly or on a contingent basis.

We believe we have the ability to manage our expenses while we invest in growing our revenue and therefore believe that the Company's cash and cash equivalents are sufficient to meet our obligations and other liquidity needs for at least the next twelve months from the issuance date of this filing. Cash used in operating activities was approximately \$2.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017.

Contractual Obligations

We had no significant commitments for capital expenditures and we have no committed lines of credit or other committed funding or long-term debt as of September 30, 2017.

Off-Balance Sheet Transactions

We are not party to any off-balance sheet transactions. We have no guarantees or obligations other than those which arise out of normal business operations.

Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

See Note 3 to our Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements as of September 30, 2017, included elsewhere in this document.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk.

Not applicable.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

Disclosure Controls and Procedures

As of September 30, 2017, we conducted an evaluation, under the supervision and participation of management including our chief executive officer and chief financial officer, of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) and Rule 15d-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended). There are inherent limitations to the effectiveness of any system of disclosure controls and procedures. Accordingly, even effective disclosure controls and procedures can only provide reasonable assurance of achieving their control objectives.

Based upon this evaluation, our chief executive officer and chief financial officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective at the reasonable assurance level as of September 30, 2017.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended September 30, 2017 that materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings.

Below is a brief description of material pending legal proceedings, other than ordinary routine litigation incidental to the business, to which we or any of our subsidiaries is a party or of which any of their property is the subject.

As described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on February 9, 2017, on April 8, 2014, Inventor Holdings LLC (“IH, LLC”), a subsidiary of the Company, filed suit alleging infringement by Bed Bath & Beyond (“BBB”) of one or more claims of U.S. Patent No. 6,381,582 in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, Docket No. 14-448. The complaint sought damages for past, present and future infringement. On August 21, 2015, the District Court granted a Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings by Bed Bath & Beyond, finding US Patent No. 6,381,582 invalid under 35 U.S.C. Section 101. IH LLC subsequently filed an appeal with the Federal Circuit challenging the District Court’s Section 101 Ruling. On April 7, 2016, the Federal Circuit affirmed the District Court’s ruling invalidating the patent. BBB sought its fees and costs for both the District Court and Federal Circuit proceedings from IH LLC. On May 31, 2016, the District Court granted, in part, BBB’s motion for attorney’s fees and costs and ordered a recalculation of these amounts, which were approved by the District Court in the amount of approximately \$933,000 on July 14, 2016. IH LLC obtained a bond in the amount of \$936,200 (which includes interest) and the parties filed a stipulation for approval of such bond and stay of execution of the fee award pending appeal, which stipulation was approved by the District Court. An appeal to the Federal Circuit was filed on October 11, 2016, and a hearing took place in June 2017. IH, LLC is awaiting a decision on that appeal. No assurance can be given that the Company will not be required to pay such counsel fees in the full amount approved by the District Court, or additional fees, or the timing of any such payment.

As described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on February 9, 2017, on January 22, 2015, Alstom Grid, Inc. (“Alstom”) filed a complaint for declaratory judgment of non-infringement of U.S. Patent Nos. 5,828,751, 6,282,648, 6,289,453 and 8,549,310 against Certified Measurement LLC (“CM LLC”), a subsidiary of IH LLC, in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, Docket No. 15-072. On February 5, 2015, CM LLC filed a counterclaim alleging infringement of one or more claims of such patents seeking damages for past, present and future infringement. On July 22, 2016, the Court held a claim construction hearing and a hearing on Alstom’s motion to invalidate the patents under 35 U.S. Code Section 101. On August 3, 2016 the U.S. Magistrate Judge presiding over the claim construction hearing issued a report recommending that the District Court adopt the claim construction proposed by CM LLC. CM LLC entered into a settlement agreement with Alstom on December 2, 2016 and the litigation was dismissed with prejudice on January 9, 2017.

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On December 8, 2016, CM LLC filed suit alleging infringement of one or more claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 5,828,751, 6,282,648, 6,289,453 and 8,549,310 (“CM Patents”) against Yokogawa Corporation of America (“Yokogawa”). On February 23, 2017, Yokogawa filed a motion for invalidity of the CM Patents under section 101. A hearing on the motion was held on June 7, 2017. On June 30, 2017, Yokogawa filed petitions for *Inter Partes* Review of the CM Patents before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (“PTO”). CM LLC entered into a settlement agreement with Yokogawa effective August 4, 2017 and the litigation was dismissed with prejudice on August 18, 2017. A joint motion to terminate the *Inter Partes* Review proceedings was filed on September 25, 2017. An order terminating the *Inter Partes* Review proceedings was issued October 13, 2017.”

Item 1A. Risk Factors.

Not required for a smaller reporting company.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.

None.

Item 3. Default Upon Senior Securities.

None.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.

None.

Item 5. Other information

None.

Item 6. Exhibits.

The following is a list of exhibits filed as part of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Exhibit No.

10.1	Amendment to Executive Employment Agreement, dated as of September 25, 2017, between Kara B. Jenny and Walker Innovation Inc.
31.1	Certification of Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.2	Certification of Principal Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.1	Certification of Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 906 of The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.2	Certification of Principal Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 906 of The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document.
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Schema.
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase.
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase.
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase.
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase.

SIGNATURES

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

WALKER INNOVATION INC.

Dated: October 30, 2017

By: /s/ Jonathan A. Siegel
Jonathan A. Siegel
Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

Dated: October 30, 2017

By: /s/ Kara B. Jenny
Kara B. Jenny
Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Accounting Officer)