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ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 X For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018 TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 Commission File Number 0-20853 ANSYS, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) **Delaware** 04-3219960 (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) 2600 ANSYS Drive, Canonsburg, PA 15317 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) 844-462-6797 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code) Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share The Nasdaq Global Select Market (Title of each class) (Name of exchange on which registered) Securities registered pursuant to section 12(g) of the Act: None (Title of class) Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes 🗵 No \square Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Act. Yes \Box 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. Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted 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 such files). 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 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, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. Accelerated filer □ Non-accelerated filer □ 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. □ No ⊠ Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). Yes The aggregate market value of the voting stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant, based upon the closing sale price of the Common Stock on June 29, 2018 as reported on the Nasdaq Global Select Market, was \$11,318,000,000 The number of shares of the registrant's Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share, outstanding as of February 22, 2019 was 83,771,828 shares. **Documents Incorporated By Reference:** Portions of the Proxy Statement for the Registrant's 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders are incorporated by reference into Part III.

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Important Factors Regarding Future Results

Information provided by ANSYS, Inc. (hereafter the Company or ANSYS), in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, may contain forward-looking statements concerning such matters as projected financial performance, market and industry segment growth, product development and commercialization, acquisitions or other aspects of future operations. Such statements, made pursuant to the safe harbor established by the securities laws, are based on the assumptions and expectations of the Company's management at the time such statements are made. The Company cautions investors that its performance (and, therefore, any forward-looking statement) is subject to risks and uncertainties. Various important factors including, but not limited to, those discussed in Item 1A. Risk Factors, may cause the Company's future results to differ materially from those projected in any forward-looking statement. All information presented is as of December 31, 2018, unless otherwise indicated.

Note About Forward-Looking Statements

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The Company's discussion and analysis of its financial condition and results of operations are based upon the Company's consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). The preparation of these financial statements requires the Company to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. On an ongoing basis, the Company evaluates its estimates, including those related to fair values of stock awards, bad debts, contract revenue, acquired deferred revenue, the valuation of goodwill and other intangible assets, deferred compensation, income taxes, uncertain tax positions, tax valuation reserves, useful lives for depreciation and amortization, and contingencies and litigation. The Company bases its estimates on historical experience, market experience, estimated future cash flows and various other assumptions that management believes are reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

This Annual Report on Form 10-K contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, including, but not limited to, the following statements, as well as statements that contain such words as "anticipates," "believes," "plans" and other similar expressions:

- The Company's intentions regarding its hybrid sales and distribution model.
- The Company's intentions related to investments in research and development, particularly as it relates to expanding the ease of use and capabilities of its broad portfolio of simulation software products.
- The Company's expectations regarding the accelerated development of new and innovative products to the marketplace while lowering design and
 engineering costs for customers as a result of the Company's acquisitions.
- The Company's statements regarding the impact of global economic conditions.
- The Company's expectations regarding the outcome of its service tax audit cases.
- The Company's belief that, in most geographical locations, its facilities allow for sufficient space to support present and future foreseeable needs, including such expansion and growth as the business may require.
- The Company's expectation that it can renew existing facility leases as they expire or find alternative facilities without difficulty, as needed.
- The Company's assessment of the ultimate liabilities arising from various investigations, claims and legal proceedings.
- The Company's statement regarding the strength of the features, functionality and integrated multiphysics capabilities of its software products.
- The Company's belief that its overall performance is best measured by fiscal-year results rather than by quarterly results.
- The Company's estimates regarding the expected impact on reported revenue related to the acquisition accounting treatment of deferred revenue.
- The Company's expectation that it will continue to make targeted investments in its global sales and marketing organizations and its global business infrastructure to enhance and support its revenue-generating activities.

- The Company's intention to repatriate previously taxed earnings in excess of working capital needs and to reinvest all other earnings of its non-U.S. subsidiaries.
- The Company's plans related to future capital spending.
- The sufficiency of existing cash and cash equivalent balances to meet future working capital and capital expenditure requirements.
- The Company's belief that the best uses of its excess cash are to invest in the business and repurchase stock in order to both offset dilution and return capital, in excess of its requirements, to stockholders with the goal of increasing stockholder value.
- The Company's intentions related to investments in complementary companies, products, services and technologies.
- The Company's expectation that changes in currency exchange rates will affect the Company's financial position, results of operations and cash flows.
- The Company's expectations regarding future claims related to indemnification obligations.
- The Company's estimates regarding total compensation expense associated with granted stock-based awards for future years.
- The Company's expectations regarding the impacts of new accounting guidance.
- The Company's assessment of its ability to realize deferred tax assets.
- The Company's performance expectations related to its partnerships and strategic alliances.
- The Company's expectations regarding acquisitions and integrating such acquired companies to realize the benefits of cost reductions and other synergies relating thereto.

Forward-looking statements should not be unduly relied upon because they involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors, some of which are beyond the Company's control. The Company's actual results could differ materially from those set forth in the forward-looking statements. Certain factors that might cause such a difference include risks and uncertainties detailed in Item 1A. Risk Factors.

PART I

ITEM 1. BUSINESS

ANSYS, a Delaware corporation formed in 1994, develops and globally markets engineering simulation software and services widely used by engineers, designers, researchers and students across a broad spectrum of industries and academia, including aerospace and defense, automotive, electronics, semiconductors, energy, materials and chemical processing, turbomachinery, consumer products, healthcare, and sports. Headquartered south of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the Company and its subsidiaries employed approximately 3,400 people as of December 31, 2018. The Company focuses on the development of open and flexible solutions that enable users to analyze designs directly on the desktop, providing a common platform for fast, efficient and cost-conscious product development, from design concept to final-stage testing and validation. The Company distributes its ANSYS ® suite of simulation technologies through a global network of independent resellers and distributors (collectively, channel partners) and direct sales offices in strategic, global locations. It is the Company's intention to continue to maintain this hybrid sales and distribution model. The Company operates and reports as one segment.

The Company's product portfolio consists of the following:

Simulation Platform: ANSYS Workbench ™

ANSYS Workbench is the framework upon which the Company's suite of advanced engineering simulation technologies is built. The innovative project schematic view ties together the entire simulation process, guiding the user through complex multiphysics analyses with drag-and-drop simplicity. With bi-directional computer-aided design (CAD) connectivity, powerful highly-automated meshing, a project-level update mechanism, pervasive parameter management and integrated optimization tools, the ANSYS Workbench platform enables Pervasive Engineering SimulationTM.

The Company's Workbench framework allows engineers and designers to incorporate the compounding effects of multiple physics into a virtual prototype of their design and simulate its operation under real-world conditions. As product architectures become smaller, lighter and more complex, companies must be able to accurately predict how products will behave in real-world environments where multiple types of physics interact in a coupled way. ANSYS multiphysics software enables engineers to simulate the interactions between structures, heat transfer, fluids and electronics all within a single, unified engineering simulation environment.

ANSYS Workbench enables companies to create a customized simulation environment to deploy specialized simulation best practices and automations unique to their product development process or industry. With ANSYS ACTTM, end users or ANSYS partners can modify the user interface, process simulation data or embed third-party applications to create specialized tools based on ANSYS Workbench.

High-Performance Computing

The Company's high-performance computing (HPC) product suite enables enhanced insight into product performance and improves the productivity of the design process. The HPC product suite delivers cross-physics parallel processing capabilities for the full spectrum of the Company's simulation software by supporting structures, fluids, thermal and electronics simulations. This product suite decreases turnaround time for individual simulations, allowing users to consider multiple design ideas and make the right design decisions early in the design cycle.

Structures

The Company's structural analysis product suite offers simulation tools for product design and optimization that increase productivity, minimize physical prototyping and help to deliver better and more innovative products in less time. These tools tackle real-world analysis problems by making product development less costly and more reliable. In addition, these tools have capabilities that cover a broad range of analysis types, elements, contacts, materials, equation solvers and coupled physics capabilities, all targeted toward understanding and solving complex design problems. The Company also provides comprehensive topology optimization tools that engineers use to design structural components to meet loading requirements with minimal material and component weight. The Company offers a complete simulation workflow for additive manufacturing that allows reliable 3D printing by simulating the laser sintering process and delivering compensated CAD geometries that ensure reliable printed parts.

Fluids

The Company's fluids product suite enables modeling of fluid flow and other related physical phenomena. Fluid flow analysis capabilities provide all the tools needed to design and optimize new fluids equipment and to troubleshoot already existing installations. The suite contains general-purpose computational fluid dynamics software and specialized products to address specific industry applications.

Electromagnetics

The Company's electromagnetics product suite provides field simulation software for designing high-performance electronic and electromechanical products. The software streamlines the design process and predicts performance of mobile communication and internet-access devices, broadband networking components and systems, integrated circuits (ICs) and printed circuit boards (PCBs), as well as electromechanical systems such as automotive components and power electronics equipment, all prior to building a prototype.

Semiconductors

Advancements in semiconductor design and manufacturing enable smaller electronic architectures. Shrinking geometries, especially in the emerging 3D IC, FinFET and stacked-die architectures, reveal design challenges related to power and reliability. The Company's power analysis and optimization software suite manages the power budget, power delivery integrity and power-induced noise in an electronic design, from initial prototyping to system sign-off. These solutions deliver accuracy with correlation to silicon measurement; the capacity to handle an entire electronic system, including IC, package and PCB, efficiently for ease-of-debug and fast turnaround time; and comprehensiveness to facilitate cross-domain communications and electronic ecosystem enablement.

Embedded Software

The Company's SCADE ® product suite is a comprehensive solution for embedded software simulation, code production and automated certification. It has been developed specifically for use in critical systems with high dependability requirements, including aerospace, rail transportation, nuclear, industrial and automotive applications. SCADE software supports the entire development workflow, from requirements analysis and design, through verification, implementation and deployment. SCADE solutions easily integrate with each other and the rest of the ANSYS product suite, allowing for development optimization and increased communication among team members.

Systems

The Company delivers a unique and comprehensive system simulation capability that is ideal for the design of today's increasingly automated products. This collaborative environment leverages the Company's multiphysics, multibody dynamics, circuit and embedded software simulation capabilities, enabling users to simulate the complex interactions between components, circuits and control software within a single environment. These technologies provide a complete view into predicted product performance, which creates greater design confidence for engineers.

3D Design

The Company's DiscoveryTM product family allows every engineer to benefit from the insight of simulation in their product design. The Discovery products range from early design exploration tools powered by interactive real-time simulation and intuitive geometry editing, to detailed product validation solutions utilizing proven flagship solver technology with easy-to-use guided workflows. These tools allow for design engineers of all levels of expertise to utilize simulation across the entire product design process and to work seamlessly with simulation experts using ANSYS flagship products for even more advanced analysis.

Academic

The Company's academic product suite provides a highly scalable portfolio of academic products based on several usage tiers, including associate, research and teaching. Each tier includes various non-commercial products that bundle a broad range of physics and advanced coupled field solver capabilities. The academic product suite provides entry-level tools intended for class demonstrations and hands-on instruction. It includes flexible terms of use and more complex analysis suitable for doctoral and post-doctoral research projects. The Company also provides a special product at no cost to students that is suitable for use away from the classroom and in non-commercial applications.

PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT

The Company makes significant investments in research and development and emphasizes frequent, integrated product releases. The Company's product development strategy centers on ongoing development and innovation of new technologies to increase productivity and to provide engineering simulation solutions that customers can integrate into enterprise-wide product lifecycle management (PLM) systems. The Company's product development efforts focus on extensions of the full product line with new functional modules, further integration with CAD, electronic CAD (ECAD) and PLM products, and the development of new products. The Company's products run on the most widely-used engineering computing platforms and operating systems, including Windows, Linux and most UNIX workstations.

The Company's total research and development expenses were \$233.8 million , \$202.7 million and \$183.1 million in 2018 , 2017 and 2016 , respectively, or 18.1% , 18.5% and 18.5% of total revenue, respectively. As of December 31, 2018 , the Company's product development staff consisted of approximately 1,200 employees, most of whom hold advanced degrees and have industry experience in engineering, mathematics, computer science or related disciplines. The Company has traditionally invested significant resources in research and development activities and intends to continue to make investments in expanding the ease of use and capabilities of its broad portfolio of simulation software products.

The Company completed the following major product development activities and releases:

- In February 2019, the Company released ANSYS 2019 R1. The new ANSYS Fluent [®] user experience improves the workflow process without compromising accuracy. Engineers benefit from the complete, single-window solution within ANSYS Fluent. ANSYS Motion™ was released with the most-powerful multibody dynamics solution. New offerings in the electronics and electromagnetics suite include an EMI Scanner, electromigration analysis and noise-vibration-harshness (NVH) capabilities. In structures, ANSYS Mechanical added thermal compliance to enable the generation of designs that maximize heat transfer using topology optimization. A new semi-implicit method allows efficient solution of problems that involve both large strain and large deformation. ANSYS Additive Suite™ includes ANSYS Additive Science™, an exploratory environment for engineers to determine how process parameters affect meltpool sizes and material porosity. Improvements to the SCADE suite for automotive make it simpler and faster to comply with industry standards like AUTOSAR and ISO 26262 for model-based systems and software in autonomous vehicles. ANSYS VRXPERIENCE™ integrates two new camera models, enabling users to test the perception algorithm in night driving conditions. New features in ANSYS medini ® analyze allow users to more quickly and accurately perform functional safety analysis for DO-178C and other standards on aircraft systems. ANSYS SPEOS™ strengthens predictive design capabilities for creating, testing and validating a virtual design in a fast iteration loop, ensuring compliance with international standards and regulations. Topology optimization has been added to ANSYS Discovery Live, taking a leap forward in making digital exploration and generative design accessible for every engineer.
- In September 2018, the Company released ANSYS 19.2 with faster problem-solving capabilities. In fluids, ANSYS 19.2 delivered new features to accelerate computational fluid dynamics simulations using a task-based workflow for watertight geometries and Mosaic meshing technology, empowering more engineers to get accurate results faster and with less training. ANSYS 19.2 introduced System Coupling 2.0 for multiphysics simulation with improved and consistent performance for any scenario, enabling HPC for multiphysics simulations. Engineers benefit from new functionality to improve workflow for semiconductors, specifically those used in the automotive and autonomous vehicle industries, with dedicated ISO 26262 support to meet safety regulations in ANSYS medini analyze. ANSYS introduced ANSYS VRXPERIENCE, providing virtual reality simulation and validation for autonomous vehicle simulation, complex systems such as intelligent headlamps, interior and exterior lighting, autonomous vehicles controls and HMI validation. A new product bundle, ANSYS SPEOS, provides a complete solution for designing and simulating illumination, interior and exterior lighting, cameras and lidars. New inverse analysis in the ANSYS structural suite, material designer and topology optimization developments give engineers more simulation options. Inverse Analysis predicts the shape of a component, helping achieve the desired shape during operation. Additive solutions provided improved robustness for both ANSYS Additive Print™ and ANSYS Workbench Additive, including physics-driven lattice optimization. In topology optimization, ANSYS 19.2 added loading options; manufacturing constraints that are ideal for additive manufacturing; and a unique lattice optimization capability. In the electromagnetics suite, new advancements in multi-channel radar system simulation include a lightweight geometry modeler that enables rapid meshing and an efficient actor movement in pulse-by-pulse road scene simulation resulting in 20 times faster processing.
- In May 2018, the Company released ANSYS 19.1 with new simulation-based digital twin functionality. ANSYS Twin BuilderTM is a first-of-its-kind product, enabling customers to build, validate and deploy simulation-based digital twins. A digital twin combines accurate physics-based virtual replicas of a product with data collected using industrial internet of things connectivity platforms, providing intelligence and predictive maintenance insights in real-world operating conditions. ANSYS 19.1 also provided updates across all physics and delivered new metal additive manufacturing solutions, empowering customers to quickly test their product designs virtually before printing a part. ANSYS Additive Suite enables designers to optimize weight reduction and lattice density; create, repair and clean up CAD geometry; simulate the additive process; and conduct structural and thermal analysis for data validation. In fluids, ANSYS 19.1 offered a new approach to cavitation modeling across diverse applications, from hydro pumps to rocket fuel systems. Users reliably predict cavitation using pre-existing material properties, without the need for empirical model parameters or extensive physical testing. ANSYS 19.1 introduced ANSYS EnVisionTM Pro, a new version of ANSYS EnSightTM Viewer, which empowers engineers to interact with EnSight data and create new views and photorealistic images. In semiconductors, a new 3D IC graphical user interface wizard enabled automatic and seamless connections between multiple dies, interposer and package for chip-level power and thermal integrity analysis, significantly improving usability and easing 3D IC setup and analysis.

New Product Offerings

Optical

On May 2, 2018, the Company acquired OPTIS, a premier provider of software for scientific simulation of light, human vision and physics-based visualization. Adding OPTIS' optical sensor and closed-loop, real-time simulation to the Company's leading multiphysics portfolio, the Company now offers the broadest toolset for validating the safety and reliability of autonomous vehicles.

The Company's capabilities now span the simulation of all sensors, including lidar, cameras and radar; the multiphysics simulation of physical and electronic components; the analysis of systems functional safety; as well as the automated development of safety-certified embedded software. This functionality can be integrated into a closed-loop simulation environment that interacts with weather and traffic simulators, enabling thousands of driving scenarios to be executed virtually.

Beyond the autonomous vehicle sector, the acquisition reinforces the Company as a world-class simulation provider across various industries and verticals.

PRODUCT OUALITY

The Company's employees generally perform product development tasks according to predefined quality plans, procedures and work instructions. Certain technical support tasks are also subject to a quality process. These plans define, for each project, the methods to be used, the responsibilities of project participants and the quality objectives to be met. The majority of software products are developed under a quality system that is certified to the ISO 9001:2015 standard. The Company establishes quality plans for its products and services, and subjects product designs to multiple levels of testing and verification in accordance with processes established under the Company's quality system.

SALES AND MARKETING

The Company distributes and supports its products through its own direct sales offices, as well as a global network of independent channel partners. This channel partner network provides the Company with a cost-effective, highly-specialized channel of distribution and technical support. It also enables the Company to draw on business and technical expertise from a global network, provides relative stability to the Company's operations to help mitigate geography-specific economic trends and provides the Company with an opportunity to take advantage of new geographic markets or enhance its sales coverage in existing markets. The Company derived 22.4%, 24.8% and 24.4% of its total revenue through the indirect sales channel for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

The channel partners sell ANSYS products to new customers, expand installations within the existing customer base, offer training and consulting services, and provide the first line of ANSYS technical support. The Company's channel partner certification process helps to ensure that each channel partner has the ongoing capability to adequately represent the Company's expanding product lines and to provide an acceptable level of training, consultation and customer support.

The Company also has a direct sales organization to develop an enterprise-wide, focused sales approach and to implement a worldwide major account strategy. The sales management organization also functions as a focal point for requests to ANSYS from the channel partners and provides additional support in strategic locations through the presence of direct sales offices.

During 2018, the Company continued to invest in its existing domestic and international strategic sales offices. In total, the Company's direct sales organization comprises 1,700 employees who are responsible for the sales, technical support, consulting services, marketing initiatives and administrative activities designed to support the Company's overall revenue growth and expansion strategies.

The Company's products are utilized by organizations ranging in size from small consulting firms to the world's largest industrial companies. No single customer accounted for more than 5% of the Company's revenue in 2018, 2017 or 2016.

Information with respect to foreign and domestic revenue may be found in Note 16 to the consolidated financial statements in Part IV, Item 15 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K and in the section entitled "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in Part II, Item 7 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

STRATEGIC ALLIANCES AND MARKETING RELATIONSHIPS

The Company has established and continues to pursue strategic alliances with advanced technology suppliers, hardware vendors, specialized application developers, and CAD, ECAD and PLM providers. The Company believes that these relationships facilitate accelerated incorporation of advanced technology into the Company's products, provide access to new

customers, expand the Company's sales channels, develop specialized product applications and provide direct integration with leading CAD, electronic design automation (EDA), product data management and PLM systems.

The Company has technical and marketing relationships with leading CAD vendors, such as Autodesk, PTC and Siemens Product Lifecycle Management Software, to provide direct links between products. These links facilitate the transfer of electronic data models between the CAD systems and ANSYS products.

In 2018, the Company partnered with PTC to accelerate product innovation by providing customers a world-class simulation-driven design solution. Working together, ANSYS and PTC will deliver ANSYS Discovery Live real-time simulation within PTC's Creo ® 3D CAD software. The combined solution will be sold by PTC as part of the Creo product suite. This solution will offer customers a unified modeling and simulation environment, removing the boundaries between CAD and simulation and enabling design engineers to gain insight into each of the many design decisions they make throughout the product development process. This insight will enable design engineers to create higher quality products, while reducing product and development costs. The product is expected to be commercially available in the first half of 2019.

Similarly, the Company maintains marketing and software development relationships with leading EDA software companies, including Cadence Design Systems, Synopsys, Mentor Graphics, Zuken and National Instruments. These relationships support the transfer of data between electronics design and layout software and the ANSYS electronics simulation portfolio. In 2017, the Company entered into an integration and distribution agreement with Synopsys to cooperatively integrate ANSYS RedHawk technology into an in-design add-on to a Synopsys design tool for the primary purpose of providing customers with direct, in-design access to the RedHawk technology's capabilities.

The Company also has a relationship with Spatial Corp. to provide the 3D modeling kernel technology upon which the Company's in-house geometry modeling software solutions are built.

The main method that ANSYS employs to democratize HPC to a wider audience is through partnerships with a number of companies, such as cloud-hosting providers, HPC hardware manufacturers and supercomputing centers such as HLRS in Stuttgart, Germany. The cloud partners not only provide HPC services, but also the back-end infrastructure to those customers who lack the in-house HPC or IT staff, but still want the ability to increase computational resources quickly. In addition, ANSYS has established partnerships with HPC partners that provide appliances, or pre-configured racks of computational hardware optimized and configured to run ANSYS software.

The Company's open cloud strategy allows it to work with various public cloud providers and cloud hosting partners. This approach makes it easy for customers to use the same workflows on-premise and in the Cloud. In addition, the Company strengthened its other cloud-hosting service partnerships by further improving best practices for executing engineering simulation in the Cloud. Cloud-hosting partners such as Nimbix, Rescale and Gompute provide friction-free cloud access to ANSYS solutions for customers. Furthermore, the Company enjoys mutually-committed alliances with large cloud platform providers such as Microsoft and AWS. In 2018, the Company entered into an agreement with SAP to embed ANSYS' pervasive simulation solutions for digital twins into SAP's market-leading digital supply chain, manufacturing and asset management portfolio. The partnership's first solution, expected in 2019, will run on SAP Cloud Platform and empower industrial asset operators to optimize operations and maintenance through real-time engineering insights, to reduce product cycle times and increase profitability.

The Company's Partner Program actively encourages specialized developers of software solutions to use the Company's technology as a development platform for their applications and provides customers with enhanced functionality related to their use of the Company's software. With almost 200 active solution partnerships, spanning a wide range of technologies, including optimization, electronics, mechanical simulation, fluid simulation and CAD, this partner ecosystem extends the depth and breadth of the Company's technology offerings.

The Company has a software license agreement with Livermore Software Technology Corporation (LSTC) whereby LSTC has provided LS-DYNA ® software for explicit dynamics solutions used in applications such as crash test simulations in automotive and other industries. Under this arrangement, LSTC assists in the integration of the LS-DYNA software with the Company's pre- and post-processing capabilities and provides updates and problem resolution in return for royalties from sales of the ANSYS LS-DYNA® combined product.

The Company has a license agreement with Dynardo GmbH involving the optiSLang software for robust design optimization. Under this arrangement, Dynardo provides its optiSLang software and assists with marketing, customer support, training, and integration into the Company's platform, in return for royalties from sales of the combined product. ANSYS optiSLang applies across many industries, extending and strengthening the Company's capabilities in sensitivity analysis and simulation process automation to enable faster and better-performing product designs.

The Company has a software license agreement with HBM that provides the advanced fatigue capabilities of nCode DesignLifeTM, a leading durability software from HBM. ANSYS nCode DesignLifeTM technology leverages the open architecture of the ANSYS platform and enables mechanical engineers to more easily address complex product life and durability issues before a prototype is built.

COMPETITION

The Company believes that the principal factors affecting sales of its software include ease of use, breadth and depth of functionality, flexibility, quality, ease of integration with other software systems, file compatibility across computer platforms, range of supported computer platforms, performance, price and total cost of ownership, customer service and support, company reputation and financial viability, and effectiveness of sales and marketing efforts.

The Company continues to experience competition across all markets for its products and services. The Company's competitors include large, global, publicly traded companies; small, geographically-focused firms; startup firms; and solutions produced in-house by the end users. Some of the Company's current and possible future competitors have greater financial, technical, marketing and other resources than the Company, and some have well-established relationships with current and potential customers of the Company. The Company's current and possible future competitors also include firms that have elected, or may in the future elect, to compete by means of open source licensing. These competitive pressures may result in decreased sales volumes, price reductions and/or increased operating costs, and could result in lower revenues, margins and net income.

PROPRIETARY RIGHTS AND LICENSES

The Company regards its software as proprietary and relies on a combination of trade secret, copyright, patent and trademark laws, license agreements, nondisclosure and other contractual provisions, and technical measures to protect its proprietary rights in its products. The Company distributes its software products under software license agreements that grant customers nonexclusive licenses, which are typically nontransferable, for the use of the Company's products. License agreements for the Company's products are directly between the Company and end users. Use of the licensed software product is restricted to specified sites unless the customer obtains a multi-site license for its use of the software product or the software product is by its nature a multi-site use product. Software security measures are also employed to prevent unauthorized use of the Company's software products and the licensed software is subject to terms and conditions prohibiting unauthorized reproduction. For most products, customers may purchase a perpetual license of the technology with the right to annually purchase ongoing maintenance, technical support and upgrades, or may lease the product on a fixed-term basis for a fee that includes the license, maintenance, technical support and upgrades. For its Discovery products, customers purchase an annual subscription for a certain number of named users that includes the license, maintenance, technical support and upgrades.

The Company licenses its software products utilizing a combination of web-based and hard-copy license terms and forms. For certain software products, the Company primarily relies on "click-wrapped" licenses (i.e. online agreements where the website provider posts terms and conditions, and the user clicks on the "accept" button). The enforceability of these types of agreements under the laws of some jurisdictions is uncertain.

The Company also seeks to protect the source code of its software as a trade secret and as unpublished copyrighted work. The Company has obtained federal trademark registration protection for ANSYS and other marks in the U.S. and foreign countries. Additionally, the Company was awarded numerous patents by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, and has a number of patent applications pending. To the extent the Company does not choose to seek patent protection for its intellectual property, the Company primarily relies on the protection of its source code as a trade secret.

Employees of the Company have signed agreements under which they have agreed not to disclose trade secrets or confidential information. These agreements, where legally permitted, restrict engagement in or connection with any business that is competitive with the Company anywhere in the world while employed by the Company (and, in some cases, for specified periods thereafter) and state that any products or technology created by employees during their term of employment are the property of the Company. In addition, the Company requires all channel partners to enter into agreements not to disclose the Company's trade secrets and other proprietary information.

Despite these precautions, there can be no assurance that misappropriation of the Company's technology and proprietary information (including source code) will be prevented. Further, there can be no assurance that copyright, trademark, patent and trade secret protection will be available for the Company's products in certain jurisdictions, or that restrictions on the ability of employees and channel partners to engage in activities competitive with the Company will be enforceable. Costly and time-consuming litigation could be necessary in the future to enforce the Company's rights to its trade secrets and proprietary information or to enforce its patent rights and copyrights, and it is possible that, in the future, the Company's competitors may be able to obtain the Company's trade secrets or to independently develop similar, unpatented technology.

The software development industry is characterized by rapid technological change. Therefore, the Company believes that factors such as the technological and creative skills of its personnel, new product developments, frequent product enhancements, name recognition and reliable product maintenance are also important to establishing and maintaining technology leadership in addition to the various legal protections of its technology that may be available.

The Company does not believe that any of its products infringe upon the proprietary rights of third parties. There can be no assurance, however, that third parties will not claim such infringement by the Company or its licensors or licensees with respect to current or future products. The Company expects that software suppliers will increasingly be subject to the risk of such claims as the number of products and suppliers continues to expand and the functionality of products continues to increase. Any such claims, with or without merit, could be time consuming, result in costly litigation, cause product release delays or require the Company to enter into royalty or licensing agreements. Such royalty or licensing agreements, if required, may not be available on terms acceptable to the Company.

SEASONAL VARIATIONS

ASC 606 (1)

The Company's business has experienced seasonality, including quarterly reductions in software sales resulting from slowdowns of customer activities during the summer months, particularly in Europe, as well as from the seasonal purchasing and budgeting patterns of the Company's global customers. Lease and maintenance contract renewals are typically highest in the first and fourth quarters. The Company's revenue is typically highest in the fourth quarter.

DEFERRED REVENUE AND BACKLOG

Deferred revenue consists of billings made or payments received in advance of revenue recognition. The deferred revenue on the Company's consolidated balance sheets does not represent the total value of annual or multi-year, noncancellable agreements. The Company's backlog represents installment billings for periods beyond the current quarterly billing cycle and custom er orders received but not processed. The Company's deferred revenue and backlog as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 consisted of the following:

Balance at December 31, 2018

| | | Datance at December 31, 2016 | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------|------------------------------|---------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|--|--|--|--|--|
| (in thousands) | | Total | | Current | Long-Term | | | | | | |
| Deferred revenue | <u>\$</u> | 343,174 | \$ | 328,584 | \$ | 14,590 | | | | | |
| Backlog | | 315,998 | | 147,299 | | 168,699 | | | | | |
| Total | \$ | 659,172 | \$ | 475,883 | \$ | 183,289 | | | | | |
| ASC 605 ⁽¹⁾ | | Balance at December 31, 2018 | | | | | | | | | |
| (in thousands) | | Total Current | | | | Long-Term | | | | | |
| Deferred revenue | \$ | 555,539 | \$ | 526,168 | \$ | 29,371 | | | | | |
| Backlog | | 401,543 | | 142,284 | | 259,259 | | | | | |
| Total | \$ | 957,082 | \$ | 668,452 | \$ | 288,630 | | | | | |
| ASC 605 | | 1 | Balance | at December 31, 20 | 17 | | | | | | |
| (in thousands) | | Total | | Current | | Long-Term | | | | | |
| Deferred revenue | \$ | 468,560 | \$ | 440,491 | \$ | 28,069 | | | | | |
| Backlog | | 301,150 | | 97,283 | | 203,867 | | | | | |
| Total | \$ | 769,710 | \$ | 537,774 | \$ | 231,936 | | | | | |

(1) Effective January 1, 2018, the Company adopted new guidance on revenue recognition, Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 606. The Company recorded \$244.1 million of deferred revenue to retained earnings upon the adoption of the new guidance. Deferred revenue and backlog is presented under the prior guidance, ASC 605, for comparability purposes. For further information, see Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements included in Part IV, Item 15 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Revenue associated with deferred revenue and backlog that will be recognized in the subsequent twelve months is classified as current in the tables above.

EMPLOYEES

As of December 31, 2018, the Company employed approximately 3,400 people. At that date, there were also contract personnel and co-op students providing ongoing development services and technical support. Certain employees of the Company are subject to collective bargaining agreements and have local work councils.

ACQUISITIONS

The Company makes targeted acquisitions in order to support its long-term strategic direction, accelerate innovation, provide increased capabilities to its existing products, supply new products and services, expand its customer base and enhance its distribution channels.

During the year ended December 31, 2018, the Company completed the acquisition of 100% of the shares of OPTIS, a premier provider of software for scientific simulation of light, human vision and physics-based visualization, for a purchase price of \$291.0 million.

During the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company completed various acquisitions to expand its customer base and accelerate the development of new and innovative products to the marketplace while lowering design and engineering costs for customers. The acquisitions were not individually significant. The combined purchase prices of the acquisitions purchased during the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 were approximately \$67.0 million and \$10.3 million, respectively.

The 2018 and 2017 technology acquisitions are further described in the table below:

| _ | Date of Closing | Company | Details |
|---|-------------------|--|---|
| | May 2, 2018 | OPTIS | OPTIS, a premier provider of software for scientific simulation of light, human vision and physics-based visualization, extends the Company's portfolio into the area of optical simulation to provide comprehensive sensor solutions, covering visible and infrared light, electromagnetics and acoustics for camera, radar and lidar. |
| | November 15, 2017 | 3DSIM | 3DSIM, a developer of premier additive manufacturing technology, gives ANSYS a complete additive manufacturing simulation workflow solution. 3DSIM's software solutions empower manufacturers, designers, materials scientists and engineers to achieve their objectives through simulation-driven innovation rather than physical trial and error. |
| | July 5, 2017 | Computational Engineering International, Inc. (CEI Inc.) | CEI Inc., the developer of EnSight, aids engineers and scientists in their ability to analyze, visualize and communicate large simulation data sets in clear, higher-resolution outputs. |
| | March 10, 2017 | CLK Design Automation (CLK-DA) | CLK-DA offers fast transistor simulation technology that complements the Company's semiconductor product portfolio. |

For further information on the Company's business combinations, see Note 4 to the consolidated financial statements included in Part IV, Item 15 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

AVAILABLE INFORMATION

The Company's website is www.ansys.com. The Company makes available on its website, free of cha rge, Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, interactive data files, Current Reports on Form 8-K, reports filed pursuant to Section 16 and amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as soon as reasonably practicable after such materials are electronically filed or furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). The Company's reports may also be obtained by accessing the EDGAR database of the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. In addition, the Company has posted the charters for its Audit Committee, Compensation Committee, and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, as well as the Company's Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, Standard Business Practices and Corporate Governance Guidelines on its website. Information posted on the Company's website or social media accounts is not incorporated by reference in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

Information provided by the Company or its spokespersons, including information contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, may from time to time contain forward-looking statements concerning projected financial performance, market and industry sector growth, product development and commercialization or other aspects of future operations. Such statements will be based on the assumptions and expectations of the Company's management at the time such statements are made. The Company cautions investors that its performance (and, therefore, any forward-looking statement) is subject to risks and uncertainties. Various important factors, including, but not limited to, the following may cause the Company's future results to differ materially from those projected in any forward-looking statement.

Global Economic Conditions. The Company's operations and performance depend significantly on foreign and domestic economic conditions. Uncertainty in the macroeconomic environment, as well as geopolitical conditions, can result in significant volatility in credit, equity and foreign exchange markets. This volatility and the related economic conditions may negatively impact the Company as customers defer spending in response to tighter credit; higher unemployment; geopolitical tensions and uncertainties; unpredictable government trade, tax or other policies; evolving immigration and other labor policies; financial market volatility; government austerity programs; negative financial news; declining valuations of investments; and other factors. In addition, certain of the Company's customers' budgets may be constrained and may be unable to purchase the Company's products at the same level as they have in prior periods. Customer spending levels may be impacted by trade or tax policies or decreased government spending in certain countries as concerns continue regarding economic conditions and government debt levels. These economic conditions can change abruptly. To the extent the global economy experiences volatility, the Company may be exposed to impairments of certain assets as their values deteriorate.

Tighter credit due to economic conditions may diminish the Company's future borrowing ability. The Company's customers' ability to pay for the Company's products and services may also be impaired, which may lead to an increase in the Company's allowance for doubtful accounts and write-offs of accounts receivable. Since the Company is exposed to the majority of major world markets, uncertainty in any significant market may negatively impact the Company's performance and results, particularly with respect to the Company's largest geographic customer bases. The Company is unable to predict the likely duration and magnitude of changing economic conditions or the likelihood of additional uncertainty arising in any of the Company's key markets.

Decline in Customers' Businesses. The Company's sales are based significantly on end-user demand for products in key industrial sectors. Many of these sectors periodically experience economic declines, which may be exacerbated by other economic factors. These factors may also adversely affect the Company's business by extending sales cycles and reducing revenue. These economic factors may cause the Company's customers to reduce the size of their workforce or cut back on operations and may lead to a reduction in renewals of licenses or maintenance contracts with the Company. The Company's customers may request discounts which may cause fluctuations in the Company's future operating results. The Company may not be able to adjust its operating expenses to offset such fluctuations because a substantial portion of the Company's operating expenses are related to personnel, facilities and marketing programs. The level of personnel and related expenses may not be able to be adjusted quickly and is based, in significant part, on the Company's expectation for future revenue.

Risks Associated with International Activities. A majority of the Company's business comes from outside the United States and the Company has customers that supply a wide spectrum of goods and services in virtually all of the world's major economic regions. If any of the foreign economies in which the Company does business deteriorate or suffer periods of uncertainty, the Company's business and performance may be negatively impacted through reduced customer spending, changes in purchasing cycles or timing, reduced access to credit for its customers, or other factors impacting the Company's international sales and collections. The Company's results may also be negatively impacted by geopolitical tensions, which may result in increased economic volatility.

As a result of its significant international presence, the Company has revenue, expenses, cash, accounts receivable and payment obligations denominated in foreign currencies. As a result, the Company is subject to currency exchange risk. The Company's revenues and operating results are adversely affected when the U.S. Dollar strengthens relative to other currencies and are positively affected when the U.S. Dollar weakens. As a result, changes in currency exchange rates will affect the Company's financial position, results of operations and cash flows. In the event that there are economic declines in countries in which the Company conducts transactions, the resulting changes in currency exchange rates may affect the Company's financial position, results of operations and cash flows. The Company seeks to reduce currency exchange transaction risks primarily through its normal operating and treasury activities, but there can be no assurance that it will be successful in reducing these risks.

Additional risks inherent in the Company's international business activities include imposition of government controls; export license requirements; restrictions on the export of critical technology, products and services; the violation of anti-corruption laws and regulations applicable to the Company, by third parties in countries where such conduct may be permissible or commonplace; political and economic instability; difficulties in staffing and managing international operations; changes in data privacy regulations; longer accounts receivable payment cycles; burdens of complying with a wide variety of foreign laws, taxes and regulations; protectionist economic policies; new foreign tariffs and trade sanctions; new U.S. export and/or import and doing-business regulations, including new trade sanctions impacting more foreign entities thereby restricting the sale of the Company's products and services to those entities (which may result in an advantage to certain of the Company's competitors who may not be subject to the same regulatory restrictions); and the fact that patent, copyright, trademark and trade secret protection may not be available in every foreign country in which the Company sells its products and services. The Company's business, financial position, results of operations and cash flows could be materially, adversely affected by any of these risks.

The U.S. government has been requesting foreign governments to renegotiate existing trade agreements with the U.S. and to change currency conversion rates, increasing uncertainty levels in the international trade environment. While preliminary agreements were reached with Mexico and Canada, a high level of uncertainty remains in the future trade conditions, including with China, which may have an impact on the Company's business.

In 2017, the United Kingdom initiated a two-year process to leave the European Union commonly known as "Brexit". The lack of success of the efforts of the government of the United Kingdom to conclude a withdrawal agreement with the representatives of the European Union creates a high level of uncertainty in the political, legal and economic environment in the United Kingdom, the European Union and the United States. The Company has significant operations in the United Kingdom and the European Union. Ongoing uncertainty or the conclusion of withdrawal terms that are disadvantageous for the Company could negatively impact the Company's results.

In May 2018, the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) went into effect in the European Union. These rules outline a comprehensive set of requirements for businesses that use any personal data in-scope for the regulation, including the use of data solely for sales, marketing, or support purposes and with respect to employee data originating in or processed within the European Economic Area. The Company is subject to the requirements of the GDPR with respect to both customer and employee data, for which non-compliance can result in potentially significant monetary penalties and enhanced regulatory oversight of data practices, as well as the basis for a private right of action and class action claims. If the Company fails to comply with the GDPR or a number of other data protection regulations that apply to the Company's business globally, its reputation may suffer and its financial position, results of operations and cash flows may be negatively impacted.

Sales Forecasts. The Company makes many operational and strategic decisions based upon short- and long-term sales forecasts. The Company's sales personnel continually monitor the status of all proposals, including the estimated closing date and the value of the sale, in order to forecast quarterly sales. These forecasts are subject to significant estimation and are impacted by many external factors, including global economic conditions and the performance of the Company's customers. A variation in actual sales activity from that forecasted could cause the Company to plan or budget incorrectly and, therefore, could adversely affect the Company's business, financial position, results of operations and cash flows. The Company's management team forecasts macroeconomic trends and developments, and integrates them through long-range planning into budgets, research and development strategies and a wide variety of general management duties. Global economic conditions, and the effect those conditions and other disruptions in global markets have on the Company's customers, may have a significant impact on the accuracy of the Company's sales forecasts. These conditions may increase the likelihood or the magnitude of variations between actual sales activity and the Company's sales forecasts and, as a result, the Company's performance may be hindered because of a failure to properly match corporate strategy with economic conditions. This, in turn, may adversely affect the Company's business, financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

Stock Market and Stock Price Volatility. Market prices for securities of software companies have generally been volatile. In particular, the market price of the Company's common stock has been, and may continue to be, subject to significant fluctuations as a result of factors affecting the Company, the software industry or the securities markets in general. Such factors include, but are not limited to, declines in trading price that may be triggered by the Company's failure to meet the expectations of securities analysts and investors. Moreover, the trading price could be subject to additional fluctuations in response to quarter-to-quarter variations in the Company's operating results, material announcements made by the Company or its competitors, conditions in the financial markets or the software industry generally, or other events and factors, many of which are beyond the Company's control.

Rapidly Changing Technology; New Products; Risk of Product Errors. The Company operates in an industry generally characterized by rapidly changing technology and frequent new product introductions, which can render existing products obsolete or unmarketable. A major factor in the Company's future success will be its ability to anticipate technological changes and to develop and introduce, in a timely manner, enhancements to its existing products, products acquired in acquisitions and new products to meet those changes. If the Company is unable to introduce new products and to respond quickly to industry changes, its business, financial position, results of operations and cash flows could be materially, adversely affected.

The introduction and marketing of new or enhanced products requires the Company to manage the transition from existing products in order to minimize disruption in customer purchasing patterns. There can be no assurance that the Company will be successful in developing and marketing, on a timely basis, new products or product enhancements, that the new products will adequately address the changing needs of the marketplace or that the Company will successfully manage the transition from existing products. Software products as complex as those offered by the Company may contain undetected errors when first introduced, or as new versions are released, and the likelihood of errors is increased as a result of the Company's commitment to the frequency of its product releases. There can be no assurance that errors will not be found in any new or enhanced products after the commencement of commercial shipments. Certain products require a higher level of sales and support expertise. Failure of the Company's sales channel, particularly the indirect channel, to obtain this expertise and to sell the new

product offerings effectively could have an adverse impact on the Company's sales in future periods. Any of these problems may result in the loss of or delay in customer acceptance, diversion of development resources, damage to the Company's reputation, or increased service and warranty costs, any of which could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

Product Quality. The Company has separate quality systems and registrations under the ISO 9001:2015 standard, in addition to other governmental and industrial regulations. The Company's continued compliance with quality standards and favorable outcomes in periodic examinations is important to retain current customers and vital to procure new sales. If the Company was determined not to be compliant with various regulatory or ISO 9001 standards, its certificates of registration could be suspended, requiring remedial action and a time-consuming re-registration process. Product quality issues or failures could result in the Company's reputation becoming diminished, resulting in a material adverse impact on revenue, operating margins, net income, financial position and cash flows.

Competition. The Company continues to experience competition across all markets for its products and services. Some of the Company's current and possible future competitors have greater financial, technical, marketing and other resources than the Company, and some have well-established relationships with current and potential customers of the Company. The Company's current and possible future competitors also include firms that have competed or may in the future elect to compete by means of open source licensing. Parties among the Company's current or future strategic alliances may diminish or sever technical, software development and marketing relationships with the Company for competitive purposes. These competitive pressures may result in decreased sales volumes, price reductions and/or increased operating costs, and could result in lower revenues, margins and net income.

Research and Development. The Company devotes substantial resources to research and development. New competitors, technological advances in the software development industry by the Company or by competitors, acquisitions, entry into new markets, or other competitive factors may require the Company to invest significantly greater resources than it anticipates. If the Company is required to invest significantly greater resources than anticipated without a corresponding increase in revenue, its operating results could decline. In addition, the Company's periodic research and development expenses may be independent of its level of revenue, which could negatively impact its financial results. Finally, there can be no guarantee that the Company's research and development investments will result in products that create additional revenue.

Changes in the Company's Pricing Models. The intense competition the Company faces in the sales of its products and services, and general economic and business conditions, can put pressure on the Company to adjust its prices. If the Company's competitors offer deep discounts on certain products or services, or develop products that the marketplace considers more valuable, the Company may need to lower prices or offer discounts or other favorable terms in order to compete successfully. Any such changes may reduce operating margins and could adversely affect operating results. The Company's maintenance products, which include software license updates and product support fees, are generally priced as a percentage of its new software license fees. The Company's competitors may offer lower percentage pricing on product updates and support that could put pressure on the Company to further discount its new license or product support prices.

Any broad-based change to the Company's prices and pricing policies could cause new software license and service revenues to decline or be delayed as its sales force implements and its customers adjust to the new pricing policies. Some of the Company's competitors may bundle software products for promotional purposes or as a long-term pricing strategy or provide guarantees of prices, product implementations or wider geographical license usage provisions. These practices could, over time, significantly constrain the prices that the Company can charge for certain products. If the Company does not adapt its pricing models to reflect changes in customer use of its products or changes in customer demand, the Company's new software license revenues could decrease. Additionally, increased distribution of applications through application service providers, including software-as-a-service providers, may reduce the average price for the Company's products or adversely affect other sales of the Company's products, reducing new software license revenues unless the Company can offset price reductions with volume increases. The increase in open source software distribution may also cause the Company to adjust its pricing models.

Dependence on Senior Management and Key Technical Personnel. The Company's success depends upon the continued services of the Company's senior executives, key technical employees and other employees. Each of the Company's executive officers, key technical personnel and other employees could terminate his or her relationship with the Company at any time. The loss of any of the Company's senior executives might significantly delay or prevent the achievement of the Company's business objectives and could materially harm the Company's business and customer relationships.

In addition, because of the highly technical nature of the Company's products, the Company must attract and retain highly skilled engineering and development personnel, many of whom are recruited from outside of the United States. The market for this talent is highly competitive. The Company is limited in its ability to recruit internationally by restrictive domestic immigration laws. If the immigration laws become stricter or the processing of immigration requests becomes more

cumbersome or less efficient, or if the Company has less success in recruiting and retaining key personnel, the Company's business, reputation and operating results could be materially and adversely affected.

Dependence on Proprietary Technology. The Company's success is highly dependent upon its proprietary technology. The Company generally relies on contracts and the laws of copyrights, patents, trademarks and trade secrets to protect its technology. The Company maintains a trade secrets program, enters into confidentiality agreements with its employees and channel partners, and limits access to and distribution of its software, documentation and other proprietary information. There can be no assurance that the steps taken by the Company to protect its proprietary technology will be adequate to prevent misappropriation of its technology by third parties, or that third parties will not be able to develop similar technology independently. Costly and time-consuming litigation could be necessary to enforce and determine the scope of trade secret rights and related confidentiality and nondisclosure provisions. Although the Company is not aware that any of its technology infringes upon the rights of third parties, there can be no assurance that other parties will not assert technology infringement claims against the Company or that, if asserted, such claims will not prevail. Any such litigation could be costly to the Company, damage its reputation, and distract the Company's employees from their daily work. Any successful infringement claims asserted against the Company could require the Company to develop technology workarounds for the impacted products or product development, which could be costly, disrupt product development, and delay go-to-market activities. Such disruption and delay could negatively impact the Company's results.

Risks Associated with Security of the Company's Products, Source Code and IT Systems. The Company makes significant efforts to maintain and improve the security and integrity of its products, source code, computer systems and data. Despite significant efforts to create security barriers to such programs, it is virtually impossible for the Company to entirely mitigate all risks. There appears to be an increasing number of computer "hackers" developing and deploying a variety of destructive software programs (such as viruses, worms, ransomware and the like) that could attack the Company's products and computer systems. Effective security requires increasingly broad governance that may require involvement of increased numbers of personnel or departments. As a result, the Company may incur costs to increase personnel and technology to prevent such attacks and implement such broader governance. Because the techniques used to obtain unauthorized access to networks or to sabotage systems change frequently and generally are not recognized until launched against a target, the Company may be unable to anticipate these techniques or to implement adequate preventive measures. Like all software products, the Company's communications system and software is vulnerable to such attacks. The impact of such an attack could disrupt the proper functioning of the Company's software products, cause errors in the output of its customers' work, allow unauthorized access to sensitive, proprietary or confidential information of the Company or its customers and employees and result in other destructive outcomes. If this were to occur, the Company's reputation may suffer, customers may stop buying products, the Company could face lawsuits and potential liability, and the Company's financial performance could be negatively impacted.

There is also a danger of industrial espionage, cyber-attacks, misuse, theft of information or assets (including source code), or damage to assets by people who have gained unauthorized access to the Company's facilities, systems or information. This includes phishing, which has become a very prevalent technique. Such cybersecurity breaches, misuse or other disruptions could lead to the disclosure of portions of the Company's product source code or other confidential information, improper usage and distribution of the Company's products without compensation, illegal usage of the Company's products which could jeopardize the security of information stored in and transmitted through its computer systems, and theft, manipulation and destruction of private and proprietary data, resulting in defective products and production downtimes. Although the Company actively employs measures to combat unlicensed copying, access and use of software and intellectual property through a variety of techniques, preventing unauthorized use or infringement of the Company's rights is inherently difficult. These events could adversely affect the Company's financial results or could result in significant claims for damages against it. Participating in lawsuits to protect against any such unauthorized access to, usage of or disclosure of any of the Company's products or any portion of the Company's product source code, or in prosecutions in connection with any such cybersecurity breach, could be costly and time-consuming, and may divert management's attention and adversely affect the market's perception of the Company and its products.

Policing the unauthorized distribution and use of the Company's products is difficult, and software piracy (including online piracy) is a persistent problem. The proliferation of technology designed to circumvent typical software protection measures used in the Company's products, and the possibility of methods that circumvent the techniques it employs in its products, may lead to an expansion in piracy or misuse of its products and intellectual property. As a result, and despite the Company's efforts to prevent such activities, the Company may nonetheless lose significant revenue due to illegal use of its software, and management's attention may be diverted to address specific instances of piracy or misuse, or to address piracy and misuse in general.

A number of the Company's core processes, such as software development, sales and marketing, customer service and financial transactions, rely on its IT infrastructure and applications. The Company also relies upon third-party products, which are exposed to various security vulnerabilities. Malicious software, sabotage and other cybersecurity breaches of the types

discussed above could cause an outage of the Company's infrastructure, which could lead to a substantial denial of service and ultimately to production downtime, recovery costs and customer claims. This could have a significant negative impact on the Company's business, financial position, profit and cash flows.

The Company has implemented a number of measures designed to ensure the security of its information, IT resources and other assets. Nonetheless, unauthorized users could gain access to its systems through cyber-attacks and steal, use without authorization, and sabotage the Company's intellectual property and confidential data. Any breach of its IT security, misuse or theft could lead to loss of production, recovery costs or litigation brought by employees, customers or business partners, which could have a significant negative impact on the Company's business, financial position, profit, cash flows and reputation.

Implementation of IT Systems. The Company is currently implementing a new Customer Relationship Management (CRM) system. While this system is anticipated to simplify the sales and order processing efforts and to enhance customer service, there is a risk that the project will not achieve the anticipated benefits or that the benefits will not be achieved as quickly as anticipated. There is also a risk that the Company will have to write off previously capitalized expenditures if the project is not successful or if implementation decisions regarding the project are modified. The project implementation timeline and scope may change and become longer and broader as new facets of the design and implementation efforts are undertaken. This may take the attention of key operational management away from other aspects of the business, including the integration of acquisitions, and also result in increased consulting and software costs. These factors may have a significant negative impact on the Company's business, financial position, profit, cash flows and reputation.

Dependence on Channel Partners. The Company continues to distribute a meaningful portion of its products through its global network of independent, regional channel partners. The channel partners sell the Company's software products to new and existing customers, expand installations within the existing customer base, offer consulting services and provide the first line of technical support. Consequently, in certain geographies, the Company is highly dependent upon the efforts of the channel partners. Difficulties in ongoing relationships with channel partners, such as failure to meet performance criteria or to promote the Company's products as aggressively as the Company expects, and differences in the handling of customer relationships, could adversely affect the Company's performance. Additionally, the loss of any major channel partner for any reason, including a channel partner's decision to sell competing products rather than the Company's products, could have a material adverse effect on the Company. Moreover, the Company's future success will depend substantially on the ability and willingness of its channel partners to continue to dedicate the resources necessary to promote the Company's portfolio of products and to support a larger installed base of the Company's products. If the channel partners are unable or unwilling to do so, the Company may be unable to sustain revenue growth.

The Company has been increasing its number of channel partners, particularly in international locations. The business relationships with these channel partners are recently established and could result in additional compliance burdens for the Company. These partners also have a less-established payment history with the Company and revenue from these partners could come with a higher rate of bad debt expense.

During times of significant fluctuations in world currencies, certain channel partners may have solvency issues to the extent that effective hedge strategies are not employed or there is not sufficient working capital. In particular, if the U.S. Dollar strengthens relative to other currencies, certain channel partners who pay the Company in U.S. Dollars may have trouble paying the Company on time or may have trouble distributing the Company's products due to the impact of the currency exchange fluctuation on such channel partner's cash flows. This may impact the Company's ability to distribute its products into certain regions and markets, and may have an adverse effect on the Company's results of operations and cash flows.

Revenue Volatility. As described in Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements included in Part IV, Item 15 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K, the Company adopted ASC 606 effective January 1, 2018, which significantly impacts the Company's timing, allocation and presentation of lease license, perpetual license and maintenance revenue. Under previous revenue guidance, the Company historically maintained stable recurring revenue from the sale of software lease licenses and software maintenance subscriptions. However, under ASC 606, the license component of lease revenue is recognized up front, whereas, it was recognized ratably over the contract under prior guidance. The post-contract support portion of lease license contracts continues to be recognized over the contract term, but it is now allocated to maintenance and service revenue.

The Company continues to sell perpetual licenses that involve the payment of a single, upfront fee. Historically, these licenses have been more typical in the computer software industry and remain as the preferred licensing approach in certain markets. The revenue associated with perpetual licenses continues to be recognized up front, consistent with prior revenue guidance.

The adoption of the new revenue recognition guidance, coupled with the Company's continued sales of perpetual licenses, creates the likelihood for software license revenue volatility to increase across periods, particularly as compared to the Company's results under the previous revenue recognition standard. The Company's revenue in any period will depend significantly on sales contracts completed during that period.

Renewal Rates for Annual Lease and Maintenance Contracts. A substantial portion of the Company's license and maintenance revenue is derived from annual lease and maintenance contracts. These contracts are generally renewed on an annual basis and typically have a high rate of customer renewal. In addition to the recurring revenue base associated with these contracts, a majority of customers purchasing new perpetual licenses also purchase related annual maintenance contracts. If the rate of renewal for these contracts is adversely affected by economic or other factors, the Company's lease license and maintenance growth will be adversely affected. As a result, the Company's business, financial position, results of operations and cash flows may also be adversely impacted during those periods.

Risks Associated with Acquisitions. Historically, the Company has consummated acquisitions in order to support the Company's long-term strategic direction, accelerate innovation, provide increased capabilities to existing products, supply new products and services, expand its customer base and enhance its distribution channels. The Company has completed a number of acquisitions in recent years and expects to make additional acquisitions in the future, but may not be able to identify suitable acquisition candidates or, if suitable candidates are identified, the Company may not be able to complete the business combination on commercially acceptable terms. The process of exploring and pursuing acquisition opportunities may result in devotion of significant management and financial resources.

Even if the Company is able to consummate acquisitions that it believes will be successful, such transactions present many risks including, among others, difficulty in integrating the management teams, strategies, cultures and operations of the companies; failing to achieve anticipated synergies and revenue increases; difficulty incorporating and integrating the acquired technologies or products with the Company's existing product lines; difficulty in coordinating, establishing or expanding sales, distribution and marketing functions, as necessary; difficulty in training the global sales team to sell the acquired products; failure to develop new products and services that utilize the technologies and resources of the companies; disruption of the Company's ongoing business and diversion of management's attention to transition or integration issues; unanticipated and unknown liabilities; the loss of key employees, customers, partners and channel partners of the Company or of the acquired company, resulting in the loss of key information, expertise or know-how, and unanticipated additional recruitment and training costs; infringement of intellectual property rights; difficulties implementing and maintaining sufficient controls, policies and procedures over the systems, products and processes of the acquired company; and cybersecurity risks. If the Company does not achieve the anticipated benefits of its acquisitions as rapidly or to the extent anticipated by the Company's management and financial or industry analysts, there could be a material adverse effect on the Company's stock price, business, financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

In addition, for companies acquired, limited experience will exist for several quarters following the acquisition relating to how the acquired company's sales pipelines will convert into sales or revenues, and the conversion rate post-acquisition may be quite different than the historical conversion rate. Because a substantial portion of the Company's sales are completed in the latter part of a quarter, and its cost structure is largely fixed in the short-term, revenue shortfalls may have a negative impact on the Company's profitability. A delay in a small number of large, new software license transactions could cause the Company's quarterly software license revenues to fall significantly short of its predictions.

The Company may periodically be involved in business combinations with enterprises that are developmental in nature. While these entities have leading-edge technology, they may not have developed direct or indirect distribution channels and may not have software revenues which cover the ongoing expenses. Therefore, the Company may have a decrease in operating margin and profitability while these types of acquisitions are integrated and the distribution channel incorporates the new product offerings.

As the Company continues to expand through acquisition or strategic transactions, the acquisition of entities or entry into strategic partnerships with companies that will be viewed as competitors by other strategic partners may become more likely. Such acquisitions could have an adverse effect on partnerships or impact sales of the Company's products, which could negatively impact the Company's results.

Disruption of Operations or Infrastructure Failures. A significant portion of the Company's software development personnel, source code and computer equipment is located at operating facilities in the United States, Canada, India, Japan and throughout Europe. The occurrence of a natural disaster or other unforeseen catastrophe at any of these facilities could cause interruptions in the Company's operations, services and product development activities. Additionally, if the Company experiences problems that impair its business infrastructure, such as a computer virus, telephone system failure or an intentional disruption of its information technology systems by a third party, these interruptions could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial position, results of operations, cash flows and the ability to meet financial reporting deadlines. Further, because the Company's sales are not generally linear during any quarterly period, the potential adverse effects resulting from any of the events described above or any other disruption of the Company's business could be accentuated if it occurs close to the end of a fiscal quarter.

Risks Associated with Significant Sales to Existing Customers. A significant portion of the Company's sales includes follow-on sales to existing customers that invest in the Company's broad suite of engineering simulation software and services. If a significant number of current customers were to become dissatisfied with the Company's products and services, or choose to license or utilize competitive offerings, the Company's follow-on sales, and recurring lease and maintenance revenues, could be materially, adversely impacted, resulting in reduced revenue, operating margins, net income and cash flows.

Industry Consolidation. Consolidation in industries that utilize the Company's software may result in combined workforces where economies of scale and synergies are achieved, and fewer ANSYS software licenses are required. Consolidation may also result in the newly combined/surviving entity wanting the most favorable pricing from the former contracts and expecting larger volume discounts on future purchases. If a customer is acquired by an entity that does not utilize ANSYS in favor of a competing product, the Company may not have future orders from the enterprise. Further, consolidation of the Company's competitors may result in synergies that allow those competitors to benefit from broader sales channels and increased access to capital. Any of these impacts could adversely affect the Company's business, financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

Periodic Reorganization of Sales Force. The Company relies heavily on its direct sales force. From time to time, the Company reorganizes and makes adjustments to its sales leadership and/or its sales force in response to such factors as management changes, performance issues, market opportunities and other considerations. These changes may result in a temporary lack of sales production and may adversely impact revenue in future quarters. There can be no assurance that the Company will not restructure its sales force in future periods or that the transition issues associated with such a restructuring will not occur.

Governmental Revenue Sources. The Company's sales to the United States government must comply with Federal Acquisition Regulations. Failure to comply with these regulations could result in penalties being assessed against the Company or an order preventing the Company from making future sales to the United States government. Further, the Company's international activities must comply with the export control laws of the United States and other countries, the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, the United Kingdom Bribery Act of 2010 and a variety of other laws and regulations of the United States and other countries in which the Company operates. Failure to comply with any of these laws and regulations could adversely affect the Company's business, financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

In certain circumstances, the United States government, state and local governments and their respective agencies, and certain foreign governments may have the right to terminate contractual arrangements at any time, without cause. The United States, European Union and certain other government contracts, as well as the Company's state and local level contracts, are subject to the approval of appropriations or funding authorizations. Certain of these contracts permit the imposition of various civil and criminal penalties and administrative sanctions, including, but not limited to, termination of contracts, refund of a portion of fees received, forfeiture of profits, suspension of payments, fines and suspensions or debarment from future government business, any of which could have an adverse effect on the Company's results of operations and cash flows.

Contingencies. The Company is subject to various investigations, claims and legal proceedings that arise in the ordinary course of business, including commercial disputes, labor and employment matters, tax audits and litigations, alleged infringement of intellectual property rights and other matters. Use or distribution of the Company's products could generate product liability, regulatory infraction, or similar claims by the customers or end users of the Company or its indirect sales partners, government entities, or other third parties. Each of these matters is subject to various uncertainties, and it is possible that an unfavorable resolution of one or more of these matters could materially affect the Company's results of operations, cash flows and financial position.

Income Tax Estimates. The Company makes significant estimates in determining its worldwide income tax provision. These estimates involve complex tax regulations in a number of jurisdictions across the Company's global operations and are subject to many transactions and calculations in which the ultimate tax outcome is uncertain. The final outcome of tax matters could be different than the estimates reflected in the historical income tax provision and related accruals. Such differences could have a material impact on income tax expense and net income in the periods in which such determinations are made.

The amount of income tax paid by the Company is subject to ongoing audits by federal, state and foreign tax authorities. These audits can result in additional assessments, including interest and penalties. The Company's estimate for liabilities associated with uncertain tax positions is highly judgmental and actual future outcomes may result in favorable or unfavorable adjustments to the Company's estimated tax liabilities, including estimates for uncertain tax positions, in the period the assessments are made or resolved, audits are closed or when statutes of limitation on potential assessments expire. As a result, the Company's effective tax rate may fluctuate significantly on a quarterly or annual basis.

The Company allocates a portion of its purchase price to goodwill and intangible assets. Impairment charges associated with goodwill are generally not tax-deductible and will result in an increased effective income tax rate in the period the impairment is recorded. The Company has recorded significant deferred tax liabilities related to acquired intangible assets that are not

deductible for tax purposes. These deferred tax liabilities are based on future statutory tax rates in the locations in which the intangible assets are recorded. Any future changes in statutory tax rates would be recorded as an adjustment to the deferred tax liabilities in the period the change is announced, and could have a material impact on the Company's effective tax rate during that period.

Changes in Tax Law. The Company's operations are subject to income and transaction taxes in the United States and in multiple foreign jurisdictions. A change in the tax law in the jurisdictions in which the Company does business, including an increase in tax rates, an adverse change in the treatment of an item of income or expense, or a decrease in tax rates in a jurisdiction in which the Company has significant deferred tax assets, could result in a material increase in tax expense. Currently, a substantial portion of the Company's revenue is generated from customers located outside the United States, and a substantial portion of assets are located outside the United States. Changes in existing taxation rules or practices, new taxation rules, or varying interpretations of current taxation practices could have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operations or the manner in which the Company conducts its business.

Interest Rates. Borrowings under the Company's revolving credit facility use the London Interbank Offering Rate (LIBOR) as a benchmark for establishing the interest rate. LIBOR is the subject of recent national, international and other regulatory guidance and proposals for reform. These reforms and other pressures may cause LIBOR to disappear entirely or to perform differently than in the past. The consequences of these developments cannot be entirely predicted, but could include an increase in the cost of the Company's variable rate indebtedness.

Changes in Existing Financial Accounting Standards. Changes in existing accounting rules or practices, new accounting pronouncements, or varying interpretations of current accounting pronouncements could have a significant adverse effect on the Company's results of operations or the manner in which the Company conducts its business.

In addition, the Company could incur significant costs for changes to its business systems, processes and internal controls as a result of the transition. These costs could have a significant adverse impact on the Company's results of operations and cash flows. The transition could also cause management to divert time from the day-to-day operations of the Company, which could impact the Company's business. If the Company is unable to successfully transition its business systems, processes and internal controls before the guidance effective date, it could impact the ability to meet financial reporting deadlines. For further information on the impact of recently issued accounting guidance on the Company, see Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements included in Part IV, Item 15 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

None.

ITEM 2. PROPERTIES

The Company's executive offices and those related to certain domestic product development, marketing, production and administration are located in a LEED certified, 186,000 square foot office facility in Canonsburg, Pennsylvania. The lease for this facility was effective as of September 14, 2012 and expires on December 31, 2029, excluding any renewal or termination options.

The Company owns: a 70,000 square foot office facility in Lebanon, New Hampshire; a 62,000 square foot office building near its current Canonsburg headquarters; a 59,000 square foot facility in Pune, India; and a 5,000 square foot facility in Apex, North Carolina.

The Company and its subsidiaries also lease office space in various locations throughout the world. The Company owns substantially all equipment used in its facilities. Management believes that, in most geographic locations, its facilities allow for sufficient space to support present and future foreseeable needs, including such expansion and growth as the business may require. In other geographic locations, the Company expects that it will be required to expand capacity beyond that which it currently owns or leases.

The Company's properties and equipment are in good operating condition and are adequate for the Company's current needs. The Company does not anticipate difficulty in renewing existing leases as they expire or in finding alternative facilities.

ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The Company is subject to various investigations, claims and legal proceedings that arise in the ordinary course of business, including commercial disputes, labor and employment matters, tax audits, alleged infringement of intellectual property rights and other matters. In the opinion of the Company, the resolution of pending matters is not expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated results of operations, cash flows or financial position. However, each of these matters is subject to various uncertainties and it is possible that an unfavorable resolution of one or more of these proceedings could materially affect the Company's results of operations, cash flows or financial position.

ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable.

PART II

ITEM 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

The Company's common stock trades on the Nasdaq Global Select Market tier of the Nasdaq Stock Market under the symbol: "ANSS".

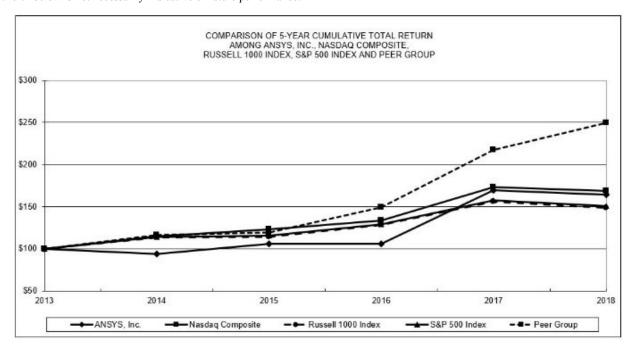
On February 15, 2019, there were 132 stockholders of record.

The Company has not paid cash dividends on its common stock as it has retained earnings primarily for acquisitions, for future business opportunities and to repurchase stock when authorized by the Board of Directors and when such repurchase meets the Company's objectives. The Company reviews its policy with respect to the payment of dividends from time to time; however, there can be no assurance that any dividends will be paid in the future.

Peer Group

Performance Graph

Set forth below is a line graph comparing the yearly percentage change in the cumulative total stockholder return on the Company's common stock, based on the market price per share of the Company's common stock, with the total return of companies included within the Nasdaq Composite Stock Market Index, the Russell 1000 Index, the S&P 500 Stock Index and an industry peer group of four companies (Autodesk, Inc., PTC Inc., Cadence Design Systems, Inc. and Synopsys, Inc.) selected by the Company pursuant to Item 201(e) of Regulation S-K, for the period commencing December 31, 2013 and ending December 31, 2018. The calculation of total cumulative returns assumes a \$100 investment in the Company's common stock, the Nasdaq Composite Stock Market Index, the Russell 1000 Index, the S&P 500 Stock Index and the peer group on December 31, 2013, and the reinvestment of all dividends, and accounts for all stock splits. The historical information set forth below is not necessarily indicative of future performance.



ASSUMES \$100 INVESTED ON DECEMBER 31, 2013

ASSUMES DIVIDENDS REINVESTED

FIVE FISCAL YEARS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2018

| | As of December 31, | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|--------------------|----|------|----|------|----|------|----|------|----|------|
| | 2013 | | 2014 | | 2015 | | 2016 | | 2017 | | 2018 |
| ANSYS, Inc. | \$ 100 | \$ | 94 | \$ | 106 | \$ | 106 | \$ | 169 | \$ | 164 |
| Nasdaq Composite | \$ 100 | \$ | 115 | \$ | 123 | \$ | 134 | \$ | 173 | \$ | 168 |
| Russell 1000 Index | \$ 100 | \$ | 113 | \$ | 114 | \$ | 128 | \$ | 156 | \$ | 148 |
| S&P 500 Stock Index | \$ 100 | \$ | 114 | \$ | 115 | \$ | 129 | \$ | 157 | \$ | 150 |

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Equity Compensation Plan Information as of December 31, 2018

| | (a) | (b) | (c) |
|--|---|---|---|
| Plan Category | Number of Securities to be Issued Upon Exercise of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights | Weighted Average Exercise Price of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights ⁽¹⁾ | Number of Securities Remaining Available for Future Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a)) |
| Equity Compensation Plans Approved by Security Holders | | _ | |
| 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan | 3,027,267 (2) | \$ 65.46 | 6,246,619 (3) |
| 1996 Employee Stock Purchase Plan | (4) | (5) | 242,643 |
| Equity Compensation Plans Not Approved by Security Holders (6) | | | |
| Ansoft Corporation 2006 Stock Incentive Plan | 57,242 | \$ 41.02 | _ |
| Apache Design Solutions, Inc. 2001 Stock/Option Issuance Plan | 46,963 | \$ 19.38 | _ |
| SpaceClaim Corporation 2005 Stock Incentive Plan | 3,471 | \$ 23.81 | _ |
| Gear Design Solutions, Inc. Stock Incentive Plan | 4,502 | \$ 12.26 | _ |
| Total | 3,139,445 | | 6,489,262 |

- (1) The weighted average exercise price does not take into account the shares for outstanding restricted stock units or deferred stock awards, which have no exercise price.
- (2) Includes 1,521,525 shares for outstanding restricted stock units for employees, 1,371,661 shares for outstanding stock options, 13,632 shares for outstanding restricted stock units for non-employee directors and 120,449 shares for deferred stock awards for non-employee directors. Restricted stock units with a performance or market condition are included based on assumed target performance, unless performance is otherwise known.
- (3) The number of securities remaining available for future issuance assumes maximum attainment for awards with a performance condition or a market condition.
- (4) The number of shares issuable with respect to the current offering period is not determinable until the end of the period.
- (5) The per share purchase price of shares issuable with respect to the current offering period is not determinable until the end of the period.
- (6) The Company no longer issues awards under equity compensation plans not approved by security holders.

Unregistered Sale of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

None

Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

| Period | Total Number of Shares Purchased | Ave | erage Price Paid per Share | Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs | Maximum Number of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under Plans or Programs ⁽¹⁾ |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----|-------------------------------|---|--|
| October 1 - October 31, 2018 | 500,000 | \$ | 154.03 | 500,000 | 3,825,505 |
| November 1 - November 30, 2018 | _ | \$ | _ | _ | 3,825,505 |
| December 1 - December 31, 2018 | _ | \$ | _ | _ | 3,825,505 |
| Total | 500,000 | \$ | 154.03 | 500,000 | 3,825,505 |

⁽¹⁾ The Company initially announced its stock repurchase program in February 2000, and subsequently announced various amendments to the program. The most recent amendment to the program, authorizing the repurchase of up to 5,000,000 shares, was approved by the Company's Board of Directors in February 2018. There is no expiration date to this amendment.

ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The following table sets forth selected financial data as of and for the year ended December 31 for each of the last five years. This selected financial data should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes included in Part IV, Item 15 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

| | Year Ended December 31, | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|----|-----------|----|-----------|----|-----------|----|-----------|
| (in thousands, except per share data) | | 2018 (1) | | 2017 | | 2016 | | 2015 | | 2014 |
| Total revenue | \$ | 1,293,636 | \$ | 1,095,250 | \$ | 988,465 | \$ | 942,753 | \$ | 936,021 |
| Operating income | | 476,574 | | 390,728 | | 376,242 | | 353,679 | | 347,450 |
| Net income | | 419,375 | | 259,251 | | 265,636 | | 252,521 | | 254,690 |
| Earnings per share – basic | \$ | 4.99 | \$ | 3.05 | \$ | 3.05 | \$ | 2.82 | \$ | 2.77 |
| Weighted average shares – basic | | 83,973 | | 84,988 | | 87,227 | | 89,561 | | 92,067 |
| Earnings per share – diluted | \$ | 4.88 | \$ | 2.98 | \$ | 2.99 | \$ | 2.76 | \$ | 2.70 |
| Weighted average shares - diluted | | 85,913 | | 86,854 | | 88,969 | | 91,502 | | 94,194 |
| Total assets | \$ | 3,265,964 | \$ | 2,941,623 | \$ | 2,800,526 | \$ | 2,729,904 | \$ | 2,752,879 |
| Working capital | | 786,410 | | 661,713 | | 630,301 | | 592,280 | | 617,240 |
| Long-term liabilities | | 91,650 | | 87,239 | | 53,021 | | 51,331 | | 70,303 |
| Stockholders' equity | | 2,649,547 | | 2,245,831 | | 2,208,405 | | 2,194,427 | | 2,217,501 |
| Cash provided by operating activities | | 486,437 | | 430,438 | | 365,980 | | 375,699 | | 399,838 |

⁽¹⁾ Effective January 1, 2018, the Company adopted new guidance on revenue recognition. The Company elected to adopt the change in accounting principle using the modified retrospective approach. Results for reporting periods beginning after January 1, 2018 are presented under the new guidance, while prior period amounts are not adjusted and continue to be reported in accordance with previous guidance. For further information, see Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements included in Part IV, Item 15 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

In the table above, the comparability of information among the years presented is impacted by the Company's acquisitions. The operating results of the Company's acquisitions have been included in the results of operations since their respective acquisition dates. For further information, see the "Acquisitions" section of Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in Item 7 and Note 4 to the consolidated financial statements included in Part IV, Item 15 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Overview

Overall GAAP and Non-GAAP Results

The Company's growth rates of GAAP and non-GAAP results for the year ended December 31, 2018 as compared to the year ended December 31, 2017 were as follows:

| | | GAAP | | | Non-GAAP | | | | |
|----------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|-------|---------------|-----------------------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| | Under ASC 605 | Impact of ASC 606 Adoption (1) | Total | Under ASC 605 | Impact of ASC 606 Adoption (1) | Total | | | |
| Revenue | 11.1% | 7.0% | 18.1% | 12.2% | 6.5% | 18.7% | | | |
| Operating income | 2.2% | 19.8% | 22.0% | 7.4% | 13.9% | 21.3% | | | |
| Diluted earnings per share | 39.3% | 24.5% | 63.8% | 32.2% | 16.9% | 49.1% | | | |

(1) The Company adopted Accounting Standards Codification 606 (ASC 606) on January 1, 2018 using the modified retrospective approach for all contracts not completed as of the date of adoption. Results for reporting periods beginning after January 1, 2018 are presented under ASC 606, while prior period amounts are not adjusted and continue to be reported in accordance with ASC 605, *Revenue Recognition* (ASC 605). The adoption of ASC 606 significantly impacted the timing, allocation and presentation of lease license, perpetual license and maintenance revenue. For further information on the impact of this adoption on the Company's results, see Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements included in Part IV, Item 15 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Under ASC 605, the Company experienced higher revenue during the year ended December 31, 2018 across all classes of revenue, including license revenue, maintenance and services. The Company also experienced increased operating expenses primarily due to increased personnel costs, higher stock-based compensation and OPTIS expenses for the period from the acquisition date (May 2, 2018) through December 31, 2018. These increases were partially offset by restructuring in 2017 that did not reoccur in 2018.

The non-GAAP results exclude the income statement effects of the acquisition accounting adjustment to deferred revenue, stock-based compensation, amortization of acquired intangible assets, restructuring charges, transaction costs related to business combinations, and the impact of the enactment of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. For further disclosure regarding non-GAAP results, see the section titled "Non-GAAP Results" immediately preceding the section titled "Liquidity and Capital Resources."

Impact of OPTIS

On May 2, 2018, the Company completed the acquisition of OPTIS. The table presented below reflects the impact of OPTIS from the date of acquisition to December 31, 2018. The operating (loss) income does not include integration costs borne directly by ANSYS, Inc. and its non-OPTIS subsidiaries as a result of the acquisition.

| | Year Ended December 31, 2018 | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|----|----------|----|----------|----|----------|--|--|--|--|
| | ASC 606 | | | | | | ASC 605 | | | | |
| (in thousands) | GAAP | | Non-GAAP | | GAAP | | Non-GAAP | | | | |
| Revenue | \$ 18,532 | \$ | 27,261 | \$ | 12,276 | \$ | 26,703 | | | | |
| Operating (loss) income | \$ (5,462) | \$ | 4,992 | \$ | (11,718) | \$ | 4,434 | | | | |

Impact of Foreign Currency

The Company's comparative financial results were impacted by fluctuations in the U.S. Dollar during the year ended December 31, 2018 as compared to the year ended December 31, 2017. The impacts on the Company's revenue and operating income due to currency fluctuations are reflected in the table below. Amounts in brackets indicate an adverse impact from currency fluctuations.

| | Year Ended December 31, 2018 | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|------------------------------|--------|----|----------|----|---------|----|----------|--|--|
| | ASC 606 | | | | | ASC 605 | | | | |
| (in thousands) | | GAAP | | Non-GAAP | | GAAP | | Non-GAAP | | |
| Revenue | \$ | 14,622 | \$ | 14,647 | \$ | 14,847 | \$ | 14,884 | | |
| Operating income | \$ | 9,620 | \$ | 9,855 | \$ | 10,295 | \$ | 10,545 | | |

Using ASC 606 and ASC 605 results for the year ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, the Company's constant currency (1) growth rates (2) were as follows:

| Year Ended Decer | nber 31, 2018 |
|------------------|---------------|
| GAAP | Non-GAAP |
| 16.8% | 17.3% |
| 19.5% | 19.4% |

In constant currency, the Company's growth rates (2) under ASC 605 were as follows:

| | Year Ended Dece | mber 31, 2018 |
|------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| | GAAP | Non-GAAP |
| Revenue | 9.7 % | 10.8% |
| Operating income | (0.4)% | 5.3% |

⁽¹⁾ Constant currency amounts exclude the effect of foreign currency fluctuations on the reported results. To present this information, the 2018 results for entities whose functional currency is a currency other than the U.S. Dollar were converted to U.S. Dollars at rates that were in effect for 2017, rather than the actual exchange rates in effect for 2018.

Other Financial Information

The Company's financial position includes \$777.4 million in cash and short-term investments, and working capital of \$786.4 million as of December 31, 2018.

During the year ended December 31, 2018, the Company repurchased 1.7 million shares for \$269.8 million at an average price of \$161.12 per share under the Company's stock repurchase program.

Business

ANSYS, a Delaware corporation formed in 1994, develops and globally markets engineering simulation software and services widely used by engineers, designers, researchers and students across a broad spectrum of industries and academia, including aerospace and defense, automotive, electronics, semiconductors, energy, materials and chemical processing, turbomachinery, consumer products, healthcare, and sports. Headquartered south of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the Company and its subsidiaries employed approximately 3,400 people as of December 31, 2018. The Company focuses on the development of open and flexible solutions that enable users to analyze designs directly on the desktop, providing a common platform for fast, efficient and cost-conscious product development, from design concept to final-stage testing and validation. The Company distributes its ANSYS suite of simulation technologies through a global network of independent resellers and distributors (collectively, channel partners) and direct sales offices in strategic, global locations. It is the Company's intention to continue to maintain this hybrid sales and distribution model.

The Company licenses its technology to businesses, educational institutions and governmental agencies. Growth in the Company's revenue is affected by the strength of global economies, general business conditions, currency exchange rate fluctuations, customer budgetary constraints and the competitive position of the Company's products. Please see Item 1A. Risk

⁽²⁾ The constant currency growth rates are calculated by adjusting the 2018 reported revenue and operating income amounts by the 2018 currency fluctuation impacts in the table above and comparing to the 2017 reported revenue and operating income amounts.

Factors for a complete discussion of factors that might impact the Company's financial condition and operating results. The Company believes that the features, functionality and integrated multiphysics capabilities of its software products are as strong as they have ever been. However, the software business is generally characterized by long sales cycles. These long sales cycles increase the difficulty of predicting sales for any particular quarter. The Company makes many operational and strategic decisions based upon short- and long-term sales forecasts that are impacted not only by these long sales cycles, but also by current global economic conditions. As a result, the Company believes that its overall performance is best measured by fiscal year results rather than by quarterly results. Please see the sub-section entitled "Sales Forecasts" under Item 1A. Risk Factors for a complete discussion of the potential impact of the Company's sales forecasts on the Company's financial condition, cash flows and operating results.

The Company's management considers the competition and price pressure that it faces in the short- and long-term by focusing on expanding the breadth, depth, ease of use and quality of the technologies, features, functionality and integrated multiphysics capabilities of its software products as compared to its competitors; investing in research and development to develop new and innovative products and increase the capabilities of its existing products; supplying new products and services; focusing on customer needs, training, consulting and support; and enhancing its distribution channels. From time to time, the Company also considers acquisitions to supplement its global engineering talent, product offerings and distribution channels.

Geographic Trends

Compared to the ASC 605 revenue for the year ended December 31, 2017, the Company's geographic revenue growth during the year ended December 31, 2018 was as follows:

| | | Year Ended December 31, 2018 | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| | ASC | ℂ 606 | ASC 605 | | | | | | | | | |
| | Reporting Currency | Constant Currency | Reporting Currency | Constant Currency | | | | | | | | |
| Americas | 19.4% | 19.4% | 13.7% | 13.7% | | | | | | | | |
| Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA) | 22.3% | 18.3% | 12.4% | 8.6% | | | | | | | | |
| Asia-Pacific | 12.2% | 11.7% | 6.1% | 5.4% | | | | | | | | |
| Total | 18.1% | 16.8% | 11.1% | 9.7% | | | | | | | | |

Due to the change in revenue recognition under ASC 606, the ASC 606 growth rates presented above, which compare the 2018 results under ASC 606 to the 2017 results under ASC 605, are less representative of the underlying operations of each region than those presented under ASC 605.

The Company continues to focus on a number of sales improvement activities across the geographic regions, including sales hiring, pipeline building, productivity initiatives and customer engagement activities.

Industry Commentary:

Due to the continued investments in autonomous vehicles and electrification, the automotive industry remained strong throughout 2018. Investments in smart, connected products and 5G by companies around the globe bolstered the high-tech industry during the year. Increased defense spending in both the United States and Europe supported strong performance in aerospace and defense. The industrial equipment sector saw growth due to the continued focus on efficiency and reliability.

Acquisitions

In February 2019, the Company acquired 100% of the shares of Granta Design Limited (Granta Design) and Helic, Inc. (Helic) for a combined purchase price of approximately \$261.5 million. The acquisition of Granta Design, the premier provider of materials information technology, expands the Company's portfolio into this important area, giving customers access to material intelligence, including data that is critical to successful simulations. The acquisition of Helic, the industry-leading provider of electromagnetic crosstalk solutions for systems on chips, combined with the Company's flagship electromagnetic and semiconductor solvers, will provide a comprehensive solution for on-chip, 3D integrated circuit and chip-package-system electromagnetics and noise analysis.

During the year ended December 31, 2018, the Company completed the acquisition of 100% of the shares of OPTIS, a premier provider of software for scientific simulation of light, human vision and physics-based visualization, for a purchase price of \$291.0 million, paid in cash. The acquisition extended the Company's portfolio into the area of optical simulation to provide comprehensive sensor solutions, covering visible and infrared light, electromagnetics and acoustics for camera, radar and lidar.

During the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company completed various acquisitions to expand its customer base and accelerate the development of new and innovative products to the marketplace while lowering design and engineering costs for customers. The acquisitions were not individually significant. The combined purchase prices of the acquisitions purchased during the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 were approximately \$67.0 million and \$10.3 million, respectively.

For further information on the Company's business combinations during the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, see Note 4 to the consolidated financial statements included in Part IV, Item 15 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Results of Operations

For purposes of the following discussion and analysis, the table below sets forth certain consolidated financial data for the years 2018, 2017 and 2016. The operating results of the Company's acquisitions have been included in the results of operations since their respective acquisition dates.

| | | Year Ended December 31, | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----|-------------------------|----|-------------------|----|-----------|----|---------|--|--|--|
| (in thousands) | | | | 2018 (ASC 605) | | | | | | | |
| Revenue: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Software licenses | \$ | 576,717 | \$ | 676,846 | \$ | 624,964 | \$ | 568,174 | | | |
| Maintenance and service | | 716,919 | | 539,623 | | 470,286 | | 420,291 | | | |
| Total revenue | · | 1,293,636 | | 1,216,469 | | 1,095,250 | | 988,465 | | | |
| Cost of sales: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Software licenses | | 18,619 | | 36,852 | | 34,421 | | 28,860 | | | |
| Amortization | | 27,034 | | 27,034 | | 36,794 | | 38,092 | | | |
| Maintenance and service | | 110,232 | | 91,999 | | 78,949 | | 79,908 | | | |
| Total cost of sales | | 155,885 | | 155,885 | | 150,164 | | 146,860 | | | |
| Gross profit | | 1,137,751 | | 1,060,584 | | 945,086 | | 841,605 | | | |
| Operating expenses: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Selling, general and administrative | | 413,580 | | 413,580 | | 338,640 | | 269,515 | | | |
| Research and development | | 233,802 | | 233,802 | | 202,746 | | 183,093 | | | |
| Amortization | | 13,795 | | 13,795 | | 12,972 | | 12,755 | | | |
| Total operating expenses | | 661,177 | | 661,177 | | 554,358 | | 465,363 | | | |
| Operating income | | 476,574 | | 399,407 | | 390,728 | | 376,242 | | | |
| Interest income | | 11,419 | | 11,419 | | 6,962 | | 4,209 | | | |
| Other expense, net | | (908) | | (908) | | (1,996) | | (136) | | | |
| Income before income tax provision | | 487,085 | | 409,918 | | 395,694 | | 380,315 | | | |
| Income tax provision | | 67,710 | | 53,067 | | 136,443 | | 114,679 | | | |
| Net income | \$ | 419,375 | \$ | 356,851 | \$ | 259,251 | \$ | 265,636 | | | |
| | | | | | _ | | | | | | |

Year Ended December 31, 2018 Compared to Year Ended December 31, 2017

Revenue:

| | | Year Ended | d December 31, | | | | Change | | |
|------------------------------------|----|----------------------------------|----------------|-----------|----|-----------|--------|---------------------|--|
| (in thousands, except percentages) | | 2018 2017 (ASC 606) (ASC 605) | | | | Amount | % | Constant Currency % | |
| Revenue: | | | | | | | | | |
| Lease licenses | \$ | 275,619 | \$ | 376,886 | \$ | (101,267) | (26.9) | (27.4) | |
| Perpetual licenses | | 301,098 | | 248,078 | | 53,020 | 21.4 | 20.2 | |
| Software licenses | | 576,717 | | 624,964 | | (48,247) | (7.7) | (8.5) | |
| Maintenance | | 676,883 | | 440,428 | | 236,455 | 53.7 | 51.6 | |
| Service | | 40,036 | | 29,858 | | 10,178 | 34.1 | 33.1 | |
| Maintenance and service | | 716,919 | | 470,286 | | 246,633 | 52.4 | 50.4 | |
| Total revenue | \$ | 1,293,636 | \$ | 1,095,250 | \$ | 198,386 | 18.1 | 16.8 | |

The adoption of ASC 606 significantly impacted the timing, allocation and presentation of lease license, perpetual license and maintenance revenue. For further information on the impact of this adoption on the Company's results, see Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements included in Part IV, Item 15 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

For purposes of comparability, the changes in the following table and the related discussion that follows are presented in accordance with ASC 605.

| | | Year Ended | d December 31, | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|----|----------------------------------|----------------|-----------|--------|---------------------|------|------|
| (in thousands, except percentages) | | 2018 2017 (ASC 605) (ASC 605) | | | Amount | Constant Currency % | | |
| Revenue: | | | | | | | | |
| Lease licenses | \$ | 421,268 | \$ | 376,886 | \$ | 44,382 | 11.8 | 10.7 |
| Perpetual licenses | | 255,578 | | 248,078 | | 7,500 | 3.0 | 2.0 |
| Software licenses | | 676,846 | | 624,964 | | 51,882 | 8.3 | 7.2 |
| Maintenance | | 499,510 | | 440,428 | | 59,082 | 13.4 | 11.6 |
| Service | | 40,113 | | 29,858 | | 10,255 | 34.3 | 33.4 |
| Maintenance and service | | 539,623 | | 470,286 | | 69,337 | 14.7 | 13.0 |
| Total revenue | \$ | 1,216,469 | \$ | 1,095,250 | \$ | 121,219 | 11.1 | 9.7 |

The Company's ASC 605 revenue in the year ended December 31, 2018 increased 11.1 % as compared to the year ended December 31, 2017, while revenue grew 9.7% in constant currency. The growth rate was favorably impacted by the Company's continued investment in its global sales, support and marketing organizations; continued progress with market segmentation and go-to-market adjustments; and the May 2018 acquisition of OPTIS. Lease license revenue increased 11.8%, or 10.7% in constant currency, as compared to the year ended December 31, 2017. Perpetual license revenue, which is derived primarily from new sales during the year, increased 3.0%, or 2.0% in constant currency, as compared to the year ended December 31, 2017. Annual maintenance contracts that were sold with new perpetual licenses, along with maintenance contracts for perpetual licenses sold in previous quarters, contributed to maintenance revenue growth of 13.4 %, or 11.6% in constant currency. Service revenue, driven primarily by a focus on service offerings that provide on-site mentorship on simulation best practices, training and expanding simulation adoption, increased 34.3%, or 33.4% in constant currency, as compared to the year ended December 31, 2017.

With respect to revenue, on average for the year ended December 31, 2018, the U.S. Dollar was approximately 2.3% weaker and 2.6% weaker, when measured against the Company's primary foreign currencies, than for the year ended December 31, 2017 under ASC 606 and ASC 605, respectively. The table below presents the impacts of currency fluctuations on revenue for the year ended December 31, 2018. Amounts in brackets indicate a net adverse impact from currency fluctuations.

| | Year Ended December 31, 2 | | | | | | | |
|------------------|---------------------------|------------|---------|--|--|--|--|--|
| (in thousands) | ASC 606 | ASC 606 AS | | | | | | |
| Euro | \$ 12, | 498 \$ | 11,915 | | | | | |
| Japanese Yen | 2, | 088 | 2,075 | | | | | |
| South Korean Won | | 918 | 1,182 | | | | | |
| British Pound | | 870 | 1,083 | | | | | |
| Indian Rupee | (1, | 623) | (1,372) | | | | | |
| Other | (| 129) | (36) | | | | | |
| Total | \$ 14, | 622 \$ | 14,847 | | | | | |

The net overall weaker U.S. Dollar also resulted in increased operating income of \$9.6 million and \$10.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2018 as compared to the year ended December 31, 2017 under ASC 606 and ASC 605, respectively.

A substantial portion of the Company's lease license and maintenance revenue is derived from annual lease and maintenance contracts. These contracts are generally renewed on an annual basis and have a high rate of customer renewal. In addition to the recurring revenue base associated with these contracts, a majority of customers purchasing new perpetual licenses also purchase related annual maintenance contracts. As a result of the significant recurring revenue base, the Company's lease license and maintenance revenue growth rate in any period does not necessarily correlate to the growth rate of new licenses sold during that period under ASC 605. The same is true for maintenance revenue growth under ASC 606. However, under ASC 606, lease license revenue is entirely attributed to license sales completed during the period, resulting in a higher correlation of lease license revenue growth to the growth rate of new lease license sales than that under ASC 605. To the extent the rate of customer renewal for lease and maintenance contracts is high, incremental lease contracts, and maintenance contracts sold with new perpetual licenses, will result in lease license and maintenance growth in constant currency. Conversely, if the rate of renewal for these contracts is adversely affected by economic or other factors, the Company's lease license and maintenance growth will be adversely affected.

The Company has been experiencing an increased interest by some of its larger customers in enterprise agreements that often include longer-term, time-based licenses involving a larger number of the Company's software products. While these arrangements typically involve a higher overall transaction price, the revenue from these contracts is typically deferred and recognized over the period of the contract under ASC 605, resulting in increased deferred revenue and backlog. To the extent these types of contracts replace sales of perpetual licenses, there could be a near-term adverse impact on software license and maintenance revenue growth. Under ASC 606, the upfront recognition of license revenue related to these larger, multi-year transactions can result in significantly higher lease license revenue volatility. As software products, across a large variety of applications and industries, become increasingly distributed in software-as-a-service, cloud and other subscription environments in which the licensing approach is time-based rather than perpetual, the Company is also experiencing a shifting preference from perpetual licenses to time-based licenses across a broader spectrum of its customers, particularly in the more mature geographic markets, such as the U.S. and Japan.

As a percentage of revenue, the Company's international and domestic revenues, and the Company's direct and indirect revenues, are as follows:

| | Ye | Year Ended December 31, | | | | |
|------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|--|--|--|
| | 2018 (ASC 606) | 2018 (ASC 605) | 2017 (ASC 605) | | | |
| International | 60.9% | 60.5% | 61.9% | | | |
| Domestic | 39.1% | 39.5% | 38.1% | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| Direct revenue | 77.6% | 76.5% | 75.2% | | | |
| Indirect revenue | 22.4% | 23.5% | 24.8% | | | |

In valuing deferred revenue on the balance sheets of the Company's recent acquisitions as of their respective acquisition dates, the Company applied the fair value provisions applicable to the accounting for business combinations, resulting in a reduction

of deferred revenue as compared to its historical carrying amount. As a result, the Company's post-acquisition revenue will be less than the sum of what would have otherwise been reported by ANSYS and each acquiree absent the acquisitions. Under ASC 606, the impacts on reported revenue were \$9.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. The expected impacts on reported revenue, including an estimate for the Granta and Helic acquisitions, are \$2.2 million and \$6.5 million for the quarter ending March 31, 2019 and the year ending December 31, 2019, respectively. The Company has not yet performed a valuation of the Granta and Helic acquired deferred revenue. Until such valuation is completed, the expected impacts on revenue will remain preliminary estimates that are likely to change. Under ASC 605, the impacts on reported revenue were \$15.6 million and \$2.9 million for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Cost of Sales and Operating Expenses:

The tables below reflect the Company's operating results as presented on the consolidated statements of income, which are inclusive of foreign currency translation impacts. The adoption of ASC 606 resulted in a reclassification of expenses within cost of sales from software licenses to maintenance and service. Amounts included in the discussion that follows are provided in constant currency and do not include the impact of the OPTIS acquisition. The impact of the OPTIS acquisition on each expense line is provided separately, where material. The impact, where material, of foreign exchange translation on each expense line is also provided separately and is inclusive of the OPTIS acquisition.

| | | Year Ended | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|--------|--|
| | 201 | 8 | 20 | 17 | Change | | |
| (in thousands, except percentages) | Amount | % of Revenue | Amount | % of Revenue | Amount | % | |
| Cost of sales: | | | | | | | |
| Software licenses | \$ 18,619 | 1.4 | \$ 34,421 | 3.1 | \$ (15,802) | (45.9) | |
| Amortization | 27,034 | 2.1 | 36,794 | 3.4 | (9,760) | (26.5) | |
| Maintenance and service | 110,232 | 8.5 | 78,949 | 7.2 | 31,283 | 39.6 | |
| Total cost of sales | 155,885 | 12.1 | 150,164 | 13.7 | 5,721 | 3.8 | |
| Gross profit | \$ 1,137,751 | 87.9 | \$ 945,086 | 86.3 | \$ 192,665 | 20.4 | |

<u>Software Licenses:</u> The net decrease in the cost of software licenses was primarily due to the following:

- Reclassification of \$18.2 million of cost of sales, previously reflected within software licenses, to maintenance and service due to the adoption of ASC 606 in 2018.
- OPTIS-related software license expenses of \$1.6 million for the period from the acquisition date (May 2, 2018) through December 31, 2018.

<u>Amortization</u>: The decrease in amortization expense was primarily due to a net decrease in the amortization of trade names and acquired technology due to assets that became fully amortized.

Maintenance and Service: The increase in maintenance and service costs was primarily due to the following:

- Reclassification of \$18.2 million of cost of sales, previously reflected within software licenses, to maintenance and service due to the adoption of ASC 606 in 2018.
- Increased third-party technical support of \$5.5 million.
- OPTIS-related maintenance and service expenses of \$2.8 million for the period from the acquisition date (May 2, 2018) through December 31, 2018.
- Increased salaries of \$2.1 million.

The improvement in gross profit was a result of the increase in revenue, partially offset by the increase in the related cost of sales.

| | | | Year Ended | | | | | |
|----|-------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|----|---------|-----------------|---------------|------|
| | | 2018 2017 | | | | Change | | |
| (i | in thousands, except percentages) | Amount | % of Revenue | | Amount | % of Revenue | Amount | % |
| C | perating expenses: | | | | | | | |
| | Selling, general and administrative | \$ 413,580 | 32.0 | \$ | 338,640 | 30.9 | \$ 74,940 | 22.1 |
| | Research and development | 233,802 | 18.1 | | 202,746 | 18.5 | 31,056 | 15.3 |
| | Amortization | 13,795 | 1.1 | | 12,972 | 1.2 | 823 | 6.3 |
| Τ | otal operating expenses | \$ 661,177 | 51.1 | \$ | 554,358 | 50.6 | \$ 106,819 | 19.3 |

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Selling, General and Administrative: The net increase in selling, general and administrative costs was primarily due to the following:

- Increased salaries, incentive compensation and other headcount-related costs of \$35.2 million.
- Increased stock-based compensation of \$15.3 million.
- OPTIS-related selling, general and administrative expenses of \$13.8 million for the period from the acquisition date (May 2, 2018) through December 31, 2018.
- Increased business travel of \$3.9 million.
- Increased severance expenses of \$3.7 million.
- Decreased consulting costs of \$7.1 million.

The Company anticipates that it will continue to make targeted investments in its global sales and marketing organizations and its global business infrastructure to enhance and support its revenue-generating activities.

Research and Development: The net increase in research and development costs was primarily due to the following:

- Increased salaries, incentive compensation and other headcount-related costs of \$15.2 million.
- Increased stock-based compensation of \$11.6 million.
- OPTIS-related research and development expenses of \$5.9 million for the period from the acquisition date (May 2, 2018) through December 31, 2018.
- Increased IT maintenance and software hosting costs of \$1.5 million.
- Restructuring costs of \$6.8 million related to 2017 workforce realignment activities that did not reoccur in 2018.

The Company has traditionally invested significant resources in research and development activities and intends to continue to make investments in expanding the ease of use and capabilities of its broad portfolio of simulation software products.

Interest Income: Interest income for the year ended December 31, 2018 was \$11.4 million as compared to \$7.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2017. Interest income increased as a result of an increase in the average rate of return on invested cash balances.

Other Expense, net: The Company's other expense, net consists of the following:

| | Year Ende | d Decer | nber 31, |
|------------------------------|-----------|---------|----------|
| (in thousands) | 2018 | | 2017 |
| Foreign currency losses, net | \$ (3,058 | \$ | (1,935) |
| Investment gains, net | 2,204 | | 24 |
| Other | (54 | , | (85) |
| Total other expense, net | \$ (908 | \$ | (1,996) |
| | | | |

Income Tax Provision: The Company's income before income tax provision, income tax provision and effective tax rate were as follows:

| | | | Year | Ended December 31 | , | | |
|------------------------------------|----|---------|------|-------------------|---------------------------------|---------|--|
| (in thousands, except percentages) | | | | | 2018 2017 ASC 605) (ASC 605) | | |
| Income before income tax provision | \$ | 487,085 | \$ | 409,918 | \$ | 395,694 | |
| Income tax provision | \$ | 67,710 | \$ | 53,067 | \$ | 136,443 | |
| Effective tax rate | | 13.9% | | 12.9% | | 34.5% | |

On December 22, 2017, the U.S. government enacted comprehensive tax legislation commonly referred to as the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (Tax Reform). Tax Reform makes broad and complex changes to the U.S. tax code, including, but not limited to, (1) reducing the U.S. federal corporate tax rate from 35 percent to 21 percent; (2) requiring companies to pay a one-time federal income tax on certain unrepatriated earnings of foreign subsidiaries (transition tax); (3) generally eliminating U.S. federal income taxes on dividends from foreign subsidiaries; (4) creating a new provision designed to tax global intangible low-taxed income (GILTI) which allows for the possibility of using foreign tax credits (FTCs) and a deduction of up to 50 percent to offset the income tax liability (subject to some limitations); (5) repealing the domestic production activity deduction; (6) creating the foreign-derived intangible income deduction; (7) creating the base erosion anti-abuse tax, a new minimum tax; (8) allowing for full expensing of qualified property through bonus depreciation; and (9) creating limitations on the deductibility of certain executive compensation.

The SEC staff issued Staff Accounting Bulletin (SAB) 118, which provides guidance on accounting for the tax effects of Tax Reform. SAB 118 provided a measurement period that was limited to one year from enactment for companies to complete the accounting under ASC 740, *Income Taxes*. In accordance with SAB 118, throughout the measurement period, a company must reflect the income tax effects of those aspects of Tax Reform for which the accounting under ASC 740 was complete in the financial statements. To the extent that a company's accounting for certain income tax effects of Tax Reform was incomplete, but a reasonable estimate was able to be made, the company must record a provisional estimate in the financial statements. If a company could not determine a provisional estimate to be included in the financial statements, it should continue to apply ASC 740 on the basis of the tax laws that were in effect immediately before the enactment of Tax Reform.

As further discussed below, the Company finalized its provisional Tax Reform calculations as of the end of the measurement period, based on guidance and information available as of the reporting date. The U.S. government has not yet issued final guidance related to the new rules enacted as part of Tax Reform. Subsequent adjustments, if any, will be recorded in the period in which guidance is finalized.

The Company's accounting for the impact of the reduction in the U.S. federal corporate tax rate on the Company's deferred tax assets and liabilities is complete. Tax Reform reduced the corporate tax rate to 21 percent, effective January 1, 2018. Consequently, the Company recorded a net adjustment to deferred income tax expense of \$1.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2017 to revalue the Company's deferred tax assets and liabilities. No further adjustments were recorded for the year ended December 31, 2018.

The Company's accounting for the transition tax is complete. Reasonable estimates of certain effects were calculated and a provisional adjustment of \$16.0 million was recorded in the December 31, 2017 financial statements. To determine the amount of the transition tax, the Company determined, in addition to other factors, the amount of post-1986 earnings and profits (E&P) of the relevant subsidiaries, as well as the amount of non-U.S. income taxes paid on such earnings. Based on revised E&P calculations updated during the measurement period, the Company recognized an additional measurement-period adjustment of \$0.9 million to the transition tax obligation and a corresponding adjustment to tax expense, resulting in a total transition tax obligation of \$16.9 million. The Company has elected to pay this liability over eight years; however, in accordance with IRS issued guidance, tax overpayments from the year ended December 31, 2017 are required to be applied to the transition tax obligation. Based on this guidance, \$15.6 million of the obligation has been paid, with the remaining \$1.3 million recorded in other long-term liabilities at December 31, 2018.

The Company's accounting for the indefinite reinvestment assertion is complete. In general, it is the practice and intention of the Company to repatriate previously taxed earnings in excess of working capital needs and to reinvest all other earnings of its non-U.S. subsidiaries. As part of Tax Reform, the Company incurred U.S. tax on substantially all of the earnings of its non-U.S. subsidiaries as part of the transition tax. This tax increased the Company's previously taxed earnings and allows for the repatriation of the majority of its foreign earnings without any residual U.S. federal tax. The Company does not believe that there is an excess of the financial reporting basis over the tax basis of investments in foreign subsidiaries. Accordingly, any repatriation in excess of previously taxed earnings will be a non-taxable return of basis. During the year ended December 31, 2018, the Company repatriated \$144.3 million of foreign cash. The Company has not made any measurement-period adjustments related to its indefinite reinvestment assertion during the year ended December 31, 2018.

The Company's accounting policy choice for GILTI is complete. Under U.S. GAAP, the Company is allowed to make an accounting policy choice of either (1) treating taxes due on future U.S. inclusions in taxable income related to GILTI as a current-period expense when incurred (the period cost method) or (2) factoring such amounts into the Company's measurement of its deferred taxes (the deferred method). The Company selected the period cost method and recorded GILTI tax expense of \$0.4 million in the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2018.

The decrease in the effective tax rate from the prior year is primarily due to the reduction in the U.S. federal corporate tax rate from 35 percent to 21 percent enacted as part of Tax Reform, the additional \$15.1 million of transition tax in 2017 when compared to 2018, and a net \$6.7 million benefit related to global legal entity restructuring activities. The effective tax rate was also reduced by the foreign-derived intangible income deduction, increased research and development credits and increased stock-based compensation benefits, partially offset by the loss of the domestic manufacturing deduction, which was repealed as part of Tax Reform. When compared to the federal and state combined statutory rate, the effective tax rates for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 were favorably impacted by tax benefits from stock-based compensation and research and development credits.

Net Income: The Company's net income, diluted earnings per share and weighted average shares used in computing diluted earnings per share were as follows:

| | | Year Ended December 31, | | | | | |
|---|---|-------------------------|---------|-------------------|---------|-------------------|---------|
| (in thousands, except per share data) | | 2018 (ASC 606) | | 2018 (ASC 605) | | 2017 (ASC 605) | |
| Net income | • | \$ | 419,375 | \$ | 356,851 | \$ | 259,251 |
| Diluted earnings per share | | \$ | 4.88 | \$ | 4.15 | \$ | 2.98 |
| Weighted average shares outstanding - diluted | | | 85,913 | | 85,913 | | 86,854 |

Year Ended December 31, 2017 Compared to Year Ended December 31, 2016

Revenue:

| | | Year Ended | Dece | mber 31, | Change | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|----|------------|------|----------|--------|---------|------|---------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| (in thousands, except percentages) | | 2017 | | 2016 | | Amount | % | Constant Currency % | | | | | |
| Revenue: | | | | | | _ | _ | | | | | | |
| Lease licenses | \$ | 376,886 | \$ | 340,331 | \$ | 36,555 | 10.7 | 10.8 | | | | | |
| Perpetual licenses | | 248,078 | | 227,843 | | 20,235 | 8.9 | 7.6 | | | | | |
| Software licenses | | 624,964 | | 568,174 | | 56,790 | 10.0 | 9.5 | | | | | |
| Maintenance | | 440,428 | | 394,745 | | 45,683 | 11.6 | 11.0 | | | | | |
| Service | | 29,858 | | 25,546 | | 4,312 | 16.9 | 16.0 | | | | | |
| Maintenance and service | | 470,286 | | 420,291 | | 49,995 | 11.9 | 11.3 | | | | | |
| Total revenue | \$ | 1,095,250 | \$ | 988,465 | \$ | 106,785 | 10.8 | 10.3 | | | | | |

The Company's revenue increased 10.8%, or 10.3% in constant currency, during the year ended December 31, 2017 as compared to the year ended December 31, 2016. The growth rate was favorably impacted by the Company's continued investment in its global sales, support and marketing organizations. Lease license revenue increased 10.7%, or 10.8% in constant currency, as compared to the prior year. Perpetual license revenue, which is derived primarily from new sales, increased 8.9%, or 7.6% in constant currency, as compared to the prior year. Annual maintenance contracts that were sold with new perpetual licenses, along with maintenance contracts sold with new perpetual licenses in previous years, contributed to maintenance revenue growth of 11.6%, or 11.0% in constant currency. Service revenue, primarily composed of consulting projects, increased 16.9%, or 16.0% in constant currency.

With respect to revenue, on average for the year ended December 31, 2017, the U.S. Dollar was 1.0% weaker, when measured against the Company's primary foreign currencies, than for the year ended December 31, 2016. The table below presents the impacts of currency fluctuations on revenue for the year ended December 31, 2017. Amounts in brackets indicate a net adverse impact from currency fluctuations.

| (in thousands) | Year Ended December 31, 2017 |
|------------------|------------------------------|
| Euro | \$ 6,634 |
| South Korean Won | 1,439 |
| Taiwan Dollar | 886 |
| Indian Rupee | 838 |
| Japanese Yen | (3,416) |
| British Pound | (1,316) |
| Other | 329 |
| Total | \$ 5,394 |

The net overall weaker U.S. Dollar also resulted in increased operating income of \$3.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2017 as compared to the year ended December 31, 2016.

As a percentage of revenue, the Company's international and domestic revenues, and the Company's direct and indirect revenues, are as follows:

| | | Year Ended Decen | iber 31, |
|------------------|----|------------------|----------|
| | | 2017 | 2016 |
| International | | 61.9% | 62.8% |
| Domestic | | 38.1% | 37.2% |
| | | | |
| Direct revenue | | 75.2% | 75.6% |
| Indirect revenue | | 24.8% | 24.4% |
| | | | |
| | 37 | | |

In valuing deferred revenue on the balance sheets of the Company's recent acquisitions as of their respective acquisition dates, the Company applied the fair value provisions applicable to the accounting for business combinations, resulting in a reduction of deferred revenue as compared to its historical carrying amount. As a result, the Company's post-acquisition revenue will be less than the sum of what would have otherwise been reported by ANSYS and each acquiree absent the acquisitions. The impacts on reported revenue for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 were \$2.9 million and \$0.1 million, respectively.

Cost of Sales and Operating Expenses:

The tables below reflect the Company's operating results as presented on the consolidated statements of income, which are inclusive of foreign currency translation impacts. Amounts included in the discussion that follows are provided in constant currency. The impact, where material, of foreign exchange translation on each expense line is provided separately.

| | | Year Ended | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|----|---------|-----------------|--------|---------|-------|--|
| | 201 | 7 | | 20 | 16 | Change | | | |
| (in thousands, except percentages) | Amount | % of Revenue | | Amount | % of Revenue | Amount | | % | |
| Cost of sales: | | | | _ | | | | | |
| Software licenses | \$ 34,421 | 3.1 | \$ | 28,860 | 2.9 | \$ | 5,561 | 19.3 | |
| Amortization | 36,794 | 3.4 | | 38,092 | 3.9 | | (1,298) | (3.4) | |
| Maintenance and service | 78,949 | 7.2 | | 79,908 | 8.1 | | (959) | (1.2) | |
| Total cost of sales | 150,164 | 13.7 | | 146,860 | 14.9 | | 3,304 | 2.2 | |
| Gross profit | \$ 945,086 | 86.3 | \$ | 841,605 | 85.1 | \$ | 103,481 | 12.3 | |

Software Licenses: The increase in the cost of software licenses was primarily due to the following:

- Increased third-party royalties of \$2.9 million.
- Increased salaries and other headcount-related costs of \$1.6 million.
- Increased restructuring costs of \$0.6 million.

Amortization: The decrease in amortization expense was primarily due to a net decrease in the amortization of acquired technology, partially offset by an increase in the amortization of trade names.

Maintenance and Service: The net decrease in maintenance and service costs was primarily due to the following:

- Decreased salaries and other headcount-related costs of \$4.0 million, primarily due to a redeployment of technical personnel resources to pre-sales
 activities.
- Decreased depreciation and facility costs, each of \$0.6 million.
- Increased third-party technical support of \$2.1 million.
- Increased restructuring costs of \$1.7 million.
- Increased stock-based compensation of \$1.0 million.

The improvement in gross profit was a result of the increase in revenue, partially offset by the increase in the related cost of sales.

| | 201 | 7 | | 201 | 6 | Change | | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|------|----|---------|-----------------|--------|--------|------|--|
| (in thousands, except percentages) | Amount % of Revenue | | | Amount | % of Revenue | | Amount | % | |
| Operating expenses: | | | | | | | | | |
| Selling, general and administrative | \$ 338,640 | 30.9 | \$ | 269,515 | 27.3 | \$ | 69,125 | 25.6 | |
| Research and development | 202,746 | 18.5 | | 183,093 | 18.5 | | 19,653 | 10.7 | |
| Amortization | 12,972 | 1.2 | | 12,755 | 1.3 | | 217 | 1.7 | |
| Total operating expenses | \$ 554,358 | 50.6 | \$ | 465,363 | 47.1 | \$ | 88,995 | 19.1 | |

Voor Ended December 31

<u>Selling, General and Administrative:</u> The increase in selling, general and administrative costs was primarily due to the following:

- Increased salaries, incentive compensation and other headcount-related costs of \$42.1 million.
- Increased stock-based compensation of \$14.8 million.
- Increased consulting costs of \$7.3 million.

<u>Research and Development:</u> The increase in research and development costs was primarily due to the following:

- Increased salaries, incentive compensation and other headcount-related costs of \$9.6 million.
- Increased restructuring costs of \$6.5 million.
- Increased stock-based compensation of \$3.8 million.

<u>Interest Income</u>: Interest income for the year ended December 31, 2017 was \$7.0 million as compared to \$4.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2016. Interest income increased as a result of an increase in both the Company's average invested cash balances and the average rate of return on those balances.

Other Expense, net: The Company's other expense, net consists of the following:

| | Ye | ar Ended December 31, |
|--------------------------------------|------|-----------------------|
| (in thousands) | 2017 | 2016 |
| Foreign currency (losses) gains, net | \$ | (1,935) \$ 77 |
| Other | | (61) (213) |
| Total other expense, net | \$ | (1,996) \$ (136) |

Income Tax Provision: The Company's income before income tax provision, income tax provision and effective tax rate were as follows:

| | | Year Ended | er 31, | | |
|------------------------------------|----|------------|--------|---------|--|
| (in thousands, except percentages) | _ | 2017 | | 2016 | |
| Income before income tax provision | \$ | 395,694 | \$ | 380,315 | |
| Income tax provision | \$ | 136,443 | \$ | 114,679 | |
| Effective tax rate | | 34.5% | | 30.2% | |

The increase in the effective tax rate from the prior year is primarily due to tax charges of \$17.9 million related to Tax Reform, partially offset by increased tax benefits of \$13.1 million related to stock-based compensation in 2017. In addition, the 2016 effective tax rate was reduced by entity structuring and related repatriation benefits of \$10.8 million that did not reoccur in 2017. In the first quarter of 2017, the Company adopted ASU 2016-09, *Compensation - Stock Compensation (Topic 718): Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting*, which requires excess tax benefits and deficiencies related to stock-based compensation to be reflected in the income statement as a component of the provision for income taxes. Previously, these tax effects were reflected in stockholders' equity.

When compared to the federal and state combined statutory rate, the effective tax rates for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 were favorably impacted by the domestic manufacturing deduction and research and development credits. The rates were also favorably impacted by the recurring item of lower statutory tax rates in many of the Company's foreign jurisdictions.

<u>Net Income:</u> The Company's net income, diluted earnings per share and weighted average shares used in computing diluted earnings per share were as follows:

| | Year Ended | Decer | nber 31, |
|---|----------------|-------|----------|
| (in thousands, except per share data) | 2017 | | 2016 |
| Net income | \$ 259,251 | \$ | 265,636 |
| Diluted earnings per share | \$ 2.98 | \$ | 2.99 |
| Weighted average shares outstanding - diluted | 86,854 | | 88,969 |

Non-GAAP Results

The Company provides non-GAAP revenue, non-GAAP operating income, non-GAAP operating profit margin, non-GAAP net income and non-GAAP diluted earnings per share as supplemental measures to GAAP regarding the Company's operational performance. These financial measures exclude the impact of certain items and, therefore, have not been calculated in accordance with GAAP. A detailed explanation and a reconciliation of each non-GAAP financial measure to its most comparable GAAP financial measure are described below.

| | ASC 606 | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------------|-----------|----------------|-------------|----|---------------------|--|--|--|
| | | Year | d December 31, | , 2018 | | | | | |
| (in thousands, except percentages and per share data) | GAAP Results | | | justments | | Non-GAAP Results | | | |
| Total revenue | \$ | 1,293,636 | \$ | 9,442 (1) | \$ | 1,303,078 | | | |
| Operating income | | 476,574 | | 141,442 (2) | | 618,016 | | | |
| Operating profit margin | | 36.8% | | | | 47.4% | | | |
| Net income | \$ | 419,375 | \$ | 94,510 (3) | \$ | 513,885 | | | |
| Earnings per share – diluted: | | | | | | | | | |
| Earnings per share | \$ | 4.88 | | | \$ | 5.98 | | | |
| Weighted average shares | | 85,913 | | | | 85,913 | | | |

- (1) Amount represents the revenue not reported during the period as a result of the acquisition accounting adjustment associated with the accounting for deferred revenue in business combinations.
- (2) Amount represents \$83.3 million of stock-based compensation expense, \$4.3 million of excess payroll taxes related to stock-based awards, \$40.8 million of amortization expense associated with intangible assets acquired in business combinations, \$3.5 million of transaction expenses related to business combinations and the \$9.4 million adjustment to revenue as reflected in (1) above.
- (3) Amount represents the impact of the adjustments to operating income referred to in (2) above, decreased for the related income tax impact of \$47.9 million and increased for a measurement-period adjustment related to the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of \$0.9 million and rabbi trust expense of \$0.1 million.

| | | | | | ASC | 605 | | | | | | | |
|---|-----------------|----|------------|-----|---------------------|---------------|----------------|----|-------------|----|---------------------|--|--|
| | | | | | Year Ended I |) ecen | iber 31, | | | | | | |
| | | | 2018 | | | 2017 | | | | | | | |
| (in thousands, except percentages and per share data) | As Reported | A | djustments | | Non-GAAP Results | | As Reported | | Adjustments | | Non-GAAP Results | | |
| Total revenue | \$ 1,216,469 | \$ | 15,583 | (1) | \$ 1,232,052 | \$ | 1,095,250 | \$ | 2,856 (4) | \$ | 1,098,106 | | |
| Operating income | 399,407 | | 147,583 | (2) | 546,990 | | 390,728 | | 118,567 (5) | | 509,295 | | |
| Operating profit margin | 32.8% | | | | 44.4% | | 35.7% | | | | 46.4% | | |
| Net income | \$ 356,851 | \$ | 98,832 | (3) | \$ 455,683 | \$ | 259,251 | \$ | 88,663 (6) | \$ | 347,914 | | |
| Earnings per share – diluted: | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Earnings per share | \$ 4.15 | | | | \$ 5.30 | \$ | 2.98 | | | \$ | 4.01 | | |
| Weighted average shares | 85,913 | | | | 85,913 | | 86,854 | | | | 86,854 | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

- (1) Amount represents the revenue not reported during the period as a result of the acquisition accounting adjustment associated with the accounting for deferred revenue in business combinations.
- (2) Amount represents \$83.3 million of stock-based compensation expense, \$4.3 million of excess payroll taxes related to stock-based awards, \$40.8 million of amortization expense associated with intangible assets acquired in business combinations, \$3.5 million of transaction expenses related to business combinations and the \$15.6 million adjustment to revenue as reflected in (1) above.
- (3) Amount represents the impact of the adjustments to operating income referred to in (2) above, decreased for the related income tax impact of \$49.7 million and increased for a measurement-period adjustment related to the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of \$0.9 million and rabbi trust expense of \$0.1 million.

- (4) Amount represents the revenue not reported during the period as a result of the acquisition accounting adjustment associated with the accounting for deferred revenue in business combinations.
- (5) Amount represents \$53.2 million of stock-based compensation expense, \$49.8 million of amortization expense associated with intangible assets acquired in business combinations, \$11.7 million of restructuring charges, \$1.1 million of transaction expenses related to business combinations and the \$2.9 million adjustment to revenue as reflected in (4) above.
- (6) Amount represents the impact of the adjustments to operating income referred to in (5) above, decreased for the related income tax impact of \$52.5 million, excluding the impact of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, and rabbi trust income of \$0.1 million, and increased for total net impacts of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of \$22.7 million.

| | | | | | ASC 60 |)5 | | | | |
|---|-----------------|----|-------------|-----|---------------------|-----|----------------|--------------|-----|---------------------|
| | | | | | Year Ended Dec | emb | oer 31, | | | |
| | | | 2017 | | | | 2016 | | | |
| (in thousands, except percentages and per share data) | As Reported | 1 | Adjustments | | Non-GAAP Results | | As Reported | Adjustments | | Non-GAAP Results |
| Total revenue | \$ 1,095,250 | \$ | 2,856 | (1) | \$ 1,098,106 | \$ | 988,465 | \$ 103 | (4) | \$ 988,568 |
| Operating income | 390,728 | | 118,567 | (2) | 509,295 | | 376,242 | 88,114 | (5) | 464,356 |
| Operating profit margin | 35.7% | | | | 46.4% | | 38.1% | | | 47.0% |
| Net income | \$ 259,251 | \$ | 88,663 | (3) | \$ 347,914 | \$ | 265,636 | \$ 57,286 | (6) | \$ 322,922 |
| Earnings per share – diluted: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Earnings per share | \$ 2.98 | | | | \$ 4.01 | \$ | 2.99 | | | \$ 3.63 |
| Weighted average shares | 86,854 | | | | 86,854 | | 88,969 | | | 88,969 |

- (1) Amount represents the revenue not reported during the period as a result of the acquisition accounting adjustment associated with the accounting for deferred revenue in business combinations.
- (2) Amount represents \$53.2 million of stock-based compensation expense, \$49.8 million of amortization expense associated with intangible assets acquired in business combinations, \$11.7 million of restructuring charges, \$1.1 million of transaction expenses related to business combinations and the \$2.9 million adjustment to revenue as reflected in (1) above.
- (3) Amount represents the impact of the adjustments to operating income referred to in (2) above, decreased for the related income tax impact of \$52.5 million, excluding the impact of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, and rabbi trust income of \$0.1 million, and increased for total net impacts of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of \$22.7 million.
- (4) Amount represents the revenue not reported during the period as a result of the acquisition accounting adjustment associated with the accounting for deferred revenue in business combinations.
- (5) Amount represents \$50.8 million of amortization expense associated with intangible assets acquired in business combinations, \$33.3 million of stock-based compensation expense, \$3.4 million of restructuring charges, \$0.4 million of transaction expenses related to business combinations and the \$0.1 million adjustment to revenue as reflected in (4) above.
- (6) Amount represents the impact of the adjustments to operating income referred to in (5) above, adjusted for the related income tax impact of \$30.8 million.

Non-GAAP Measures

Management uses non-GAAP financial measures (a) to evaluate the Company's historical and prospective financial performance as well as its performance relative to its competitors, (b) to set internal sales targets and spending budgets, (c) to allocate resources, (d) to measure operational profitability and the accuracy of forecasting, (e) to assess financial discipline over operational expenditures and (f) as an important factor in determining variable compensation for management and its employees. In addition, many financial analysts that follow the Company focus on and publish both historical results and future projections based on non-GAAP financial measures. The Company believes that it is in the best interest of its investors to provide this information to analysts so that they accurately report the non-GAAP financial information. Moreover, investors have historically requested, and the Company has historically reported, these non-GAAP financial measures as a means of providing consistent and comparable information with past reports of financial results.

While management believes that these non-GAAP financial measures provide useful supplemental information to investors, there are limitations associated with the use of these non-GAAP financial measures. These non-GAAP financial measures are not prepared in accordance with GAAP, are not reported by all the Company's competitors and may not be directly comparable to similarly titled measures of the Company's competitors due to potential differences in the exact method of calculation. The Company compensates for these limitations by using these non-GAAP financial measures as supplements to GAAP financial measures and by reviewing the reconciliations of the non-GAAP financial measures to their most comparable GAAP financial measures.

The adjustments to these non-GAAP financial measures, and the basis for such adjustments, are outlined below:

Acquisition accounting for deferred revenue and its related tax impact. Historically, the Company has consummated acquisitions in order to support its strategic and other business objectives. In accordance with the fair value provisions applicable to the accounting for business combinations, acquired deferred revenue is often recorded on the opening balance sheet at an amount that is lower than the historical carrying value. Although this acquisition accounting requirement has no impact on the Company's business or cash flow, it adversely impacts the Company's reported GAAP revenue in the reporting periods following an acquisition. In order to provide investors with financial information that facilitates comparison of both historical and future results, the Company provides non-GAAP financial measures which exclude the impact of the acquisition accounting adjustment. The Company believes that this non-GAAP financial adjustment is useful to investors because it allows investors to (a) evaluate the effectiveness of the methodology and information used by management in its financial and operational decision-making, and (b) compare past and future reports of financial results of the Company as the revenue reduction related to acquired deferred revenue will not recur when related annual lease licenses and software maintenance contracts are renewed in future periods.

Amortization of intangible assets from acquisitions and its related tax impact. The Company incurs amortization of intangible assets, included in its GAAP presentation of amortization expense, related to various acquisitions it has made. Management excludes these expenses and their related tax impact for the purpose of calculating non-GAAP operating income, non-GAAP operating profit margin, non-GAAP net income and non-GAAP diluted earnings per share when it evaluates the continuing operational performance of the Company because these costs are fixed at the time of an acquisition, are then amortized over a period of several years after the acquisition and generally cannot be changed or influenced by management after the acquisition. Accordingly, management does not consider these expenses for purposes of evaluating the performance of the Company during the applicable time period after the acquisition, and it excludes such expenses when making decisions to allocate resources. The Company believes that these non-GAAP financial measures are useful to investors because they allow investors to (a) evaluate the effectiveness of the methodology and information used by management in its financial and operational decision-making, and (b) compare past reports of financial results of the Company as the Company has historically reported these non-GAAP financial measures.

Stock-based compensation expense and its related tax impact. The Company incurs expense related to stock-based compensation included in its GAAP presentation of cost of software licenses; cost of maintenance and service; research and development expense; and selling, general and administrative expense. This non-GAAP adjustment also includes excess payroll tax expense related to stock-based compensation. Stock-based compensation expense (benefit) incurred in connection with the Company's deferred compensation plan held in a rabbi trust includes an offsetting benefit (charge) recorded in other income (expense). Although stock-based compensation is an expense of the Company and viewed as a form of compensation, management excludes these expenses for the purpose of calculating non-GAAP operating income, non-GAAP operating profit margin, non-GAAP net income and non-GAAP diluted earnings per share when it evaluates the continuing operational performance of the Company, Management similarly excludes income (expense) related to assets held in a rabbi trust in connection with the Company's deferred compensation plan. Specifically, the Company excludes stock-based compensation and income (expense) related to assets held in the deferred compensation plan rabbi trust during its annual budgeting process and its quarterly and annual assessments of the Company's and management's performance. The annual budgeting process is the primary mechanism whereby the Company allocates resources to various initiatives and operational requirements. Additionally, the annual review by the board of directors during which it compares the Company's historical business model and profitability to the planned business model and profitability for the forthcoming year excludes the impact of stock-based compensation. In evaluating the performance of senior management and department managers, charges related to stock-based compensation are excluded from expenditure and profitability results. In fact, the Company records stock-based compensation expense into a stand-alone cost center for which no single operational manager is responsible or accountable. In this way, management can review, on a period-to-period basis, each manager's performance and assess financial discipline over operational expenditures without the effect of stock-based compensation. The Company believes that these non-GAAP financial measures are useful to investors because they allow investors to (a) evaluate the Company's operating results and the effectiveness of the methodology used by management to review the Company's operating results, and (b) review historical comparability in the Company's financial reporting as well as comparability with competitors' operating results.

Restructuring charges and the related tax impact. The Company occasionally incurs expenses for restructuring its workforce included in its GAAP presentation of cost of software licenses; cost of maintenance and service; research and development expense; and selling, general and administrative expense. Management excludes these expenses for the purpose of calculating non-GAAP operating income, non-GAAP operating profit margin, non-GAAP net income and non-GAAP diluted earnings per share when it evaluates the continuing operational performance of the Company, as it generally does not incur these expenses as a part of its operations. The Company believes that these non-GAAP financial measures are useful to investors because they allow investors to (a) evaluate the Company's operating results and the effectiveness of the methodology used by management to review the Company's operating results, and (b) review historical comparability in the Company's financial reporting as well as comparability with competitors' operating results.

Transaction costs related to business combinations. The Company incurs expenses for professional services rendered in connection with business combinations, which are included in its GAAP presentation of selling, general and administrative expense. These expenses are generally not tax-deductible. Management excludes these acquisition-related transaction expenses, derived from announced acquisitions, for the purpose of calculating non-GAAP operating income, non-GAAP operating profit margin, non-GAAP net income and non-GAAP diluted earnings per share when it evaluates the continuing operational performance of the Company, as it generally would not have otherwise incurred these expenses in the periods presented as a part of its operations. The Company believes that these non-GAAP financial measures are useful to investors because they allow investors to (a) evaluate the Company's operating results and the effectiveness of the methodology used by management to review the Company's operating results, and (b) review historical comparability in the Company's financial reporting as well as comparability with competitors' operating results.

Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. The Company recorded charges in its income tax provision related to the enactment of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, specifically for the transition tax related to unrepatriated cash and the impacts of the tax rate change on net deferred tax assets. Management excludes these charges for the purpose of calculating non-GAAP net income and non-GAAP diluted earnings per share when it evaluates the continuing operational performance of the Company, as (i) the charges are not expected to recur as part of its normal operations and (ii) the charges resulted from the extremely infrequent event of major U.S. tax reform, the last such reform having occurred in 1986. The Company believes that these non-GAAP financial measures are useful to investors because they allow investors to (a) evaluate the Company's operating results and the effectiveness of the methodology used by management to review the Company's operating results, and (b) review historical comparability in the Company's financial reporting.

Non-GAAP financial measures are not in accordance with, or an alternative for, GAAP. The Company's non-GAAP financial measures are not meant to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for comparable GAAP financial measures and should be read only in conjunction with the Company's consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP.

The Company has provided a reconciliation of the non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures as listed below:

GAAP Reporting Measure

Revenue
Operating Income
Operating Profit Margin
Net Income

Diluted Earnings Per Share

Non-GAAP Reporting Measure

Non-GAAP Revenue
Non-GAAP Operating Income
Non-GAAP Operating Profit Margin
Non-GAAP Net Income
Non-GAAP Diluted Earnings Per Share

Liquidity and Capital Resources

| | As of December 31, | | | | | Change | | | | |
|---|--------------------|---------|----|---------|----|-----------|--------|--|--|--|
| (in thousands, except percentages) | | 2018 | | 2017 | | Amount | % | | | |
| Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments | \$ | 777,364 | \$ | 881,787 | \$ | (104,423) | (11.8) | | | |
| Working capital | \$ | 786,410 | \$ | 661,713 | \$ | 124,697 | 18.8 | | | |

Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments decreased during the current fiscal year primarily due to cash utilized in the May 2, 2018 acquisition of OPTIS, partially offset by the excess of cash provided by operating activities over cash used in financing activities.

Cash, Cash Equivalents and Short-Term Investments

Cash and cash equivalents consist primarily of highly liquid investments such as money market funds and deposits held at major banks. Short-term investments consist primarily of deposits held by certain foreign subsidiaries of the Company with original maturities of three months to one year. The following table presents the Company's foreign and domestic holdings of cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments:

| | As of December 31, | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|---------|------------|----|---------|------------|--|--|--|--|
| (in thousands, except percentages) | | 2018 | % of Total | | 2017 | % of Total | | | | |
| Domestic | \$ | 616,249 | 79.3 | \$ | 561,417 | 63.7 | | | | |
| Foreign | | 161,115 | 20.7 | | 320,370 | 36.3 | | | | |
| Total | \$ | 777,364 | | \$ | 881,787 | | | | | |

In general, it is the practice and intention of the Company to repatriate previously taxed earnings in excess of working capital needs and to reinvest all other earnings of its non-U.S. subsidiaries. As part of Tax Reform, the Company incurred U.S. tax on substantially all of the earnings of its non-U.S. subsidiaries as part of the transition tax. This tax increased the Company's previously taxed earnings and allows for the repatriation of the majority of its foreign earnings without any residual U.S. federal tax. The Company does not believe that there is an excess of the financial reporting basis over the tax basis of investments in foreign subsidiaries. Accordingly, any repatriation in excess of previously taxed earnings will be a non-taxable return of basis. During the year ended December 31, 2018, the Company repatriated \$144.3 million of foreign cash, which increased the percentage of domestic cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments at December 31, 2018.

The amount of cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments held by foreign subsidiaries is subject to translation adjustments caused by changes in foreign currency exchange rates as of the end of each respective reporting period, the offset to which is recorded in accumulated other comprehensive loss on the Company's consolidated balance sheet.

Cash Flows from Operating Activities

| | Year Ended December 31, | | | | | | Change | | | | |
|---|-----------------------------|----|---------|----|---------|-----|------------|---------------|--------|--|--|
| (in thousands) | 2018 | | 2017 | | 2016 | 201 | 8 vs. 2017 | 2017 vs. 2016 | | | |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | \$ 486,437 | \$ | 430,438 | \$ | 365,980 | \$ | 55,999 | \$ | 64,458 | | |

Fiscal year 2018 as compared to fiscal year 2017

Net cash provided by operating activities increased during the current fiscal year due to increased net income (net of non-cash operating adjustments) of \$151.4 million, partially offset by decreased net cash flows from operating assets and liabilities of \$95.4 million.

Fiscal year 2017 as compared to fiscal year 2016

Net cash provided by operating activities increased during the prior fiscal year due to increased net cash flows from operating assets and liabilities of \$46.5 million and increased net income (net of non-cash operating adjustments) of \$17.9 million.

Cash Flows from Investing Activities

| | Year Ended December 31, | | | | | | Change | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----|----------|----|----------|----|--------------|---------------|----------|--|--|
| (in thousands) | 2018 | | 2017 | | 2016 | 20 | 018 vs. 2017 | 2017 vs. 2016 | | | |
| Net cash used in investing activities | \$ (313,680) | \$ | (97,443) | \$ | (32,173) | \$ | (216,237) | \$ | (65,270) | | |

Fiscal year 2018 as compared to fiscal year 2017

Net cash used in investing activities increased during the current fiscal year due primarily to increased acquisition-related net cash outlays of \$219.1 million, primarily related to OPTIS. The Company currently plans capital spending of \$35 million to \$40 million during fiscal year 2019 as compared to the \$21.8 million that was spent in 2018. The level of spending will depend on various factors, including the growth of the business and general economic conditions.

Fiscal year 2017 as compared to fiscal year 2016

Net cash used in investing activities increased during the prior fiscal year due to increased acquisition-related net cash outlays of \$56.0 million and increased capital expenditures of \$6.7 million.

Cash Flows from Financing Activities

| | Year Ended December 31, | | | | | | Change | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----|-----------|----|-----------|----|--------------|---------------|---------|--|--|
| (in thousands) | 2018 | | 2017 | | 2016 | 20 | 018 vs. 2017 | 2017 vs. 2016 | | | |
| Net cash used in financing activities | \$ (262,675) | \$ | (294,651) | \$ | (288,630) | \$ | 31,976 | \$ | (6,021) | | |

Fiscal year 2018 as compared to fiscal year 2017

Net cash used in financing activities decreased during the current fiscal year due primarily to decreased stock repurchases of \$66.2 million, partially offset by increased restricted stock unit withholding taxes paid in lieu of issuing shares of \$17.8 million and decreased proceeds from shares issued for stock-based compensation of \$11.5 million.

Fiscal year 2017 as compared to fiscal year 2016

Net cash used in financing activities increased during the prior fiscal year due primarily to increased restricted stock unit withholding taxes paid in lieu of issuing shares of \$6.1 million.

Other Cash Flow Information

The Company believes that existing cash and cash equivalent balances of \$777.1 million, together with cash generated from operations, will be sufficient to meet the Company's working capital and capital expenditure requirements through the next twelve months. The Company's cash requirements in the future may also be financed through additional equity or debt financings. There can be no assurance that additional financings can be obtained on favorable terms, if at all.

Under the Company's stock repurchase program, the Company repurchased shares as follows:

| | Year Ended December 31, | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------|----|---------|--|--|--|--|--|
| (in thousands, except per share data) | 2018 | 2017 | | 2016 | | | | | |
| Number of shares repurchased | 1,674 | 2,750 | | 3,700 | | | | | |
| Average price paid per share | \$ 161.12 | \$ 122.20 | \$ | 90.90 | | | | | |
| Total cost | \$ 269,801 | \$ 336,042 | \$ | 336,335 | | | | | |

The most recent amendment to the program, authorizing the repurchase of up to 5,000,000 shares, was approved by the Company's Board of Directors in February 2018. There is no expiration date to this amendment. As of December 31, 2018, 3.8 million shares remained available for repurchase under the program.

The Company continues to generate positive cash flows from operating activities and believes that the best uses of its excess cash are to invest in the business and acquire or make investments in complementary companies, products, services and technologies. Any future acquisitions may be funded by available cash and investments, cash generated from operations, credit facilities, or the issuance of additional securities. Additionally, the Company has in the past, and expects in the future, to repurchase stock in order to both offset dilution and return capital, in excess of its requirements, to stockholders with the goal of increasing stockholder value.

In February 2019, the Company acquired 100% of the shares of Granta Design and Helic for a combined purchase price of approximately \$261.5 million. The acquisition of Granta Design, the premier provider of materials information technology, expands the Company's portfolio into this important area, giving customers access to material intelligence, including data that is critical to successful simulations. The acquisition of Helic, the industry-leading provider of electromagnetic crosstalk solutions for systems on chips, combined with the Company's flagship electromagnetic and semiconductor solvers, will provide a comprehensive solution for on-chip, 3D integrated circuit and chip-package-system electromagnetics and noise analysis.

Also in February 2019, the Company entered into a \$500 million unsecured revolving credit facility. The revolving credit facility will be available for general corporate purposes, including, among others, to finance acquisitions, share repurchases and capital expenditures, and becomes payable in full in February 2024.

Off-Balance-Sheet Arrangements

The Company does not have any special-purpose entities or off-balance-sheet arrangements.

Contractual Obligations

The Company's significant contractual obligations as of December 31, 2018 are summarized below:

| | Payments Due by Period | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|------------------------|---------|----|---------------|----|-------------|-------------|--------|----|---------------|--|--|
| (in thousands) | | Total | | Within 1 year | | 2 – 3 years | 4 – 5 years | | | After 5 years | | |
| Global headquarters operating lease (1) | \$ | 31,946 | \$ | 4,294 | \$ | 8,928 | \$ | 8,928 | \$ | 9,796 | | |
| Other operating leases (2) | | 37,776 | | 12,687 | | 14,210 | | 6,408 | | 4,471 | | |
| Unconditional purchase obligations (3) | | 37,511 | | 24,182 | | 13,221 | | 108 | | | | |
| Obligations related to uncertain tax positions, including interest and penalties ⁽⁴⁾ | | _ | | _ | | _ | | _ | | _ | | |
| Other long-term obligations (5) | | 16,171 | | 2,836 | | 2,686 | | 2,328 | | 8,321 | | |
| Total contractual obligations | \$ | 123,404 | \$ | 43,999 | \$ | 39,045 | \$ | 17,772 | \$ | 22,588 | | |

- (1) The Company previously entered into a lease agreement for 186,000 square feet of rentable space located in an office facility in Canonsburg, Pennsylvania, which serves as the Company's headquarters. The term of the lease is 183 months, beginning on October 1, 2014 and expiring on December 31, 2029. The Company has a one-time right to terminate the lease effective upon the last day of the tenth full year following the date of possession (December 31, 2024) by providing the landlord with at least 18 months' prior written notice of such termination.
- (2) Other operating leases primarily include noncancellable lease commitments for the Company's other domestic and international offices as well as certain operating equipment.
- (3) Unconditional purchase obligations primarily include royalties, software licenses and long-term purchase contracts for network, communication and office maintenance services, which are unrecorded as of December 31, 2018.
- (4) The Company has \$29.3 million of unrecognized tax benefits, including estimated interest and penalties, that have been recorded as liabilities in accordance with income tax accounting guidance for which the Company is uncertain as to if or when such amounts may be settled. As a result, such amounts are excluded from the table above.
- (5) Other long-term obligations primarily include post-employment benefits, including pension obligations, of \$9.7 million for certain foreign locations of the Company, office space restoration of \$2.3 million, federal transition tax related to Tax Reform of \$1.3 million and deferred compensation of \$1.1 million. These amounts include the related current portions when applicable.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

The Company believes that the following critical accounting policies affect the more significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of its consolidated financial statements.

Revenue Recognition: The Company's revenue is derived principally from the licensing of computer software products and from related maintenance contracts. The Company adopted ASC 606 on January 1, 2018 using the modified retrospective approach for all contracts not completed as of the date of adoption. Results for reporting periods beginning after January 1, 2018 are presented under ASC 606, while prior period amounts are not adjusted and continue to be reported in accordance with ASC 605, Revenue Recognition (ASC 605). The adoption of ASC 606 represents a change in accounting principle that will more closely align revenue recognition with the delivery of the Company's software licenses, maintenance and services.

Revenue Recognition Policy 2018 (ASC 606)

The Company enters into contracts that include combinations of products, maintenance and services, which are accounted for as separate performance obligations with differing revenue recognition patterns.

Revenue from perpetual licenses is classified as software license revenue. Software license revenue is recognized up front upon delivery of the licensed product and/or the utility that enables the customer to access authorization keys, provided that a signed contract has been received. Typically, the Company's perpetual licenses are sold with post-contract support (PCS), which includes unspecified technical enhancements and customer support. The Company allocates value in bundled perpetual and PCS arrangements based on the standalone selling prices of the perpetual license and PCS. Revenue from PCS is classified as maintenance revenue and is recognized ratably over the term of the contract, as the Company satisfies the PCS performance obligation over time.

In addition to perpetual licenses, the Company sells time-based lease licenses. Lease licenses are sold only as a bundled arrangement that includes the rights to a term software license and PCS. Utilizing observable inputs, the Company determined that 50% of the estimated standalone selling price of the lease license is attributable to the term license and 50% is attributable to the PCS. Consistent with the perpetual sales, the license component is classified as software license revenue and recognized as revenue up front at the commencement of the lease. The PCS is classified as maintenance revenue and is recognized ratably over the term of the contract, as the Company provides the PCS benefit over time.

Revenue from training, support and other services is recognized as the services are performed. For contracts in which the service consists of a single performance obligation, such as providing a training class to a customer, the Company recognizes revenue upon completion of the performance obligation. For service contracts that are longer in duration and often include multiple performance obligations (for example, both training and consulting), the Company measures the progress toward completion of the obligations and recognizes revenue accordingly. In measuring progress towards the completion of performance obligations, the Company typically utilizes output-based estimates for services with contractual billing arrangements that are not based on time and materials, and estimates output based on the total tasks completed as compared to the total tasks required for each work contract. Input-based estimates are utilized for services that involve general consultations with contractual billing arrangements based on time and materials, utilizing direct labor as the input measure.

The Company also executes arrangements through independent channel partners in which the channel partners are authorized to market and distribute the Company's software products to end users of the Company's products and services in specified territories. In sales facilitated by channel partners, the channel partner bears the risk of collection from the end-user customer. The Company recognizes revenue from transactions with channel partners at a point in time or over time as appropriate when the channel partner submits a purchase commitment, collectability from the channel partner is probable, a license agreement signed by the end-user customer is received and the performance obligation was met. Revenue from channel partner transactions is the amount remitted to the Company by the channel partners. This amount includes a fee for PCS that is compensation for providing technical enhancements and the second level of technical support to the end user, which is recognized over the period that PCS is to be provided. The Company does not offer right of return, product rotation or price protection to any of its channel partners.

Non-income related taxes collected from customers and remitted to governmental authorities are recorded on the consolidated balance sheet as accounts receivable and accrued expenses. The collection and payment of these amounts are reported on a net basis in the consolidated statements of income and do not impact reported revenues or expenses.

The Company warrants to its customers that its software will perform substantially as specified in the Company's current user manuals. The Company has not experienced significant claims related to software warranties beyond the scope of maintenance support, which the Company is already obligated to provide. The warranty is not sold, and cannot be purchased, separately. The warranty does not provide any type of additional service to the customer or performance obligation for the Company.

The Company's agreements with its customers generally require it to indemnify the customer against claims that the Company's software infringes third-party patent, copyright, trademark or other proprietary rights. Such indemnification obligations are

generally limited in a variety of industry-standard respects, including the Company's right to replace an infringing product. As of December 31, 2018, the Company had not experienced any losses related to these indemnification obligations and no claims with respect thereto were outstanding. The Company does not expect significant claims related to these indemnification obligations, and, consequently, the Company has not established any related reserves.

Significant Judgments (ASC 606)

The Company's contracts with customers typically include promises to transfer licenses and services to a customer. Judgment is required to determine if the promises are separate performance obligations, and if so, the allocation of the transaction price to each performance obligation. The Company uses the estimated standalone selling price method to allocate the transaction price for items that are not sold separately, particularly lease licenses sold with PCS. The estimated standalone selling price is determined using all information reasonably available to the Company, including market conditions and other observable inputs. The corresponding revenues are recognized as the related performance obligations are satisfied.

The Company applies a practical expedient to expense sales commissions as incurred when the amortization period would have been one year or less. Sales commissions associated with the initial year of multi-year contracts are expensed as incurred due to their immateriality. Sales commissions associated with multi-year contracts beyond the initial year are subject to an employee service requirement and are expensed as incurred as they are not considered incremental costs to obtain a contract.

The Company is required to adjust promised amounts of consideration for the effects of the time value of money if the timing of the payments provides the customer or the Company with a significant financing benefit. The Company considers various factors in assessing whether a financing component exists, including the duration of the contract, market interest rates and the timing of payments. The Company's contracts do not include a significant financing component requiring adjustment to the transaction price.

Revenue Recognition Policy 2017 and 2016 (ASC 605)

Revenue from perpetual licenses was classified as license revenue and was recognized upon delivery of the licensed product and/or the utility that enabled the customer to access authorization keys, provided that acceptance had occurred and a signed contractual obligation was received, the price was fixed and determinable, and collectibility of the receivable was probable. The Company determined the fair value of PCS sold together with perpetual licenses based on the rate charged for PCS when sold separately. Revenue from PCS contracts was classified as maintenance and service revenue and was recognized ratably over the term of the contract.

Revenue for software lease licenses was classified as license revenue and was recognized over the period of the lease contract. Typically, the Company's software leases include PCS which, due to the short term (principally one year or less) of the Company's software lease licenses, could not be separated from lease revenue for accounting purposes. As a result, both the lease licenses and PCS were recognized ratably over the lease period. The Company included the revenue for the entire lease arrangement within software license revenue in the consolidated statements of income.

Many of the Company's semiconductor products were typically licensed via longer term leases of 24–36 months. The Company recognized revenue for these licenses over the term of the lease contract. Because the Company did not have vendor-specific objective evidence of the fair value of these leases, the Company also recognized revenue from perpetual licenses over the term of the lease contract during the infrequent occurrence of these licenses being sold with semiconductor leases in multiple-element arrangements.

Revenue from training, support and other services was recognized as the services were performed. The Company applied the specific performance method to contracts in which the service consisted of a single act, such as providing a training class to a customer, and the proportional performance method to other service contracts that were longer in duration and often included multiple acts (for example, both training and consulting). In applying the proportional performance method, the Company typically utilized output-based estimates for services with contractual billing arrangements that were not based on time and materials, and estimated output based on the total tasks completed as compared to the total tasks required for each work contract. Input-based estimates were utilized for services that involved general consultations with contractual billing arrangements based on time and materials, utilizing direct labor as the input measure.

The accounting treatment under ASC 605 associated with arrangements through independent channel partners, non-income related taxes, warranties and indemnification obligations is consistent with ASC 606 described above.

<u>Allowance for Doubtful Accounts</u>: The Company makes judgments as to its ability to collect outstanding receivables and provides allowances for a portion of receivables when collection becomes doubtful. Provisions are made based upon a specific review of all significant outstanding invoices from both value and delinquency perspectives. For those invoices not specifically reviewed, provisions are provided at differing rates based upon the age of the receivable and the geographic area of origin. In determining these percentages, the Company considers its historical collection experience and current economic trends in the

customer's industry and geographic region. If the historical data used to calculate the allowance for doubtful accounts does not reflect the future ability to collect outstanding receivables, additional provisions for doubtful accounts may be needed and future results of operations could be materially affected.

Income Taxes: The Company accounts for income taxes under the asset and liability method, which requires the recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences of events that have been included in the financial statements. Under this method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based on the differences between the financial statement and tax bases of assets and liabilities using enacted tax rates in effect for the year in which the differences are expected to reverse. The effect of a change in tax rates on deferred tax assets and liabilities is recognized in income in the period of the enactment date.

The Company records net deferred tax assets to the extent it believes these assets will more likely than not be realized. In making such determination, the Company considers all available positive and negative evidence, including scheduled reversals of deferred tax liabilities, projected future taxable income, tax planning strategies and recent financial operations. In the event the Company determines that it will be able to realize deferred tax assets for which a valuation allowance was used to reduce their carrying value, the adjustment to the valuation allowance will be recorded as a reduction to the provision for income taxes.

Tax benefits related to uncertain tax positions taken or expected to be taken on a tax return are recorded when such benefits meet a more-likely-than-not threshold. Otherwise, these tax benefits are recorded when a tax position has been effectively settled, which means that the statute of limitations has expired or the appropriate taxing authority has completed their examination even though the statute of limitations remains open.

The Company recognizes interest and penalties related to income taxes within the income tax expense line in the consolidated statements of income. Accrued interest and penalties are included within the related tax liability line in the consolidated balance sheets.

Goodwill and Indefinite-Lived Intangible Assets: The Company tests goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets for impairment at least annually by performing a quantitative assessment of whether the fair value of each reporting unit or asset exceeds its carrying amount. The Company has one reporting unit. Goodwill is tested at this reporting unit level and indefinite-lived intangible assets are tested at the individual asset level. This requires the Company to assess and make judgments regarding a variety of factors which impact the fair value of the reporting unit or asset being tested, including business plans, anticipated future cash flows, economic projections and other market data. Because there are inherent uncertainties involved in these factors, significant differences between these estimates and actual results could result in future impairment charges and could materially impact the Company's future financial results. During the first quarter of 2018, the Company completed the annual impairment test for goodwill and the indefinite-lived intangible asset and determined that these assets had not been impaired as of the test date, January 1, 2018. No other events or circumstances changed during the year ended December 31, 2018 that would indicate that the fair values of the Company's reporting unit and indefinite-lived intangible asset are below their carrying values.

<u>Contingencies</u>: The Company is involved in various investigations, claims and legal proceedings that arise in the ordinary course of business, including commercial disputes, labor and employment matters, tax audits, alleged infringement of intellectual property rights and other matters. The Company reviews the status of these matters, assesses its financial exposure and records a related accrual if the potential loss from an investigation, claim or legal proceeding is probable and the amount is reasonably estimable. Significant judgment is involved in the determination of probability and in the determination of whether an exposure is reasonably estimable. As a result of the uncertainties involved in making these estimates, the Company may have to revise its estimates as facts and circumstances change. The revision of these estimates could have a material impact on the Company's financial position and results of operations.

Stock-Based Compensation: The Company grants restricted stock units and other stock awards to employees and directors under the Company's equity incentive plan. Eligible employees can also purchase shares of the Company's common stock at a discount under the Company's employee stock purchase plan. The benefits provided under these plans are share-based payments subject to the provisions of share-based payment accounting guidance. The Company uses the fair value method to apply the provisions of share-based payment accounting guidance. Stock-based compensation expense for 2018, 2017 and 2016 was \$83.3 million, \$53.2 million and \$33.3 million, respectively. As of December 31, 2018, total unrecognized estimated compensation expense related to unvested stock options and awards granted prior to that date was \$141.1 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.6 years.

The value of each stock option award was estimated on the date of grant, or date of acquisition for options issued in a business combination, using the Black-Scholes option pricing model (Black-Scholes model). The determination of the fair value of share-based payment awards using an option pricing model is affected by the Company's stock price as well as assumptions

regarding a number of complex and subjective variables. These variables include the Company's expected stock price volatility over the term of the awards, actual and projected employee stock option exercise behaviors, risk-free interest rates and expected dividends. The table below presents the weighted average input assumptions used and resulting fair values for options granted or issued in business combinations during each respective year. The stock-based compensation expense for options is recorded ratably over the requisite service period. The interest rate assumptions were determined by using the five-year U.S. Treasury Note yield on the date of grant or date of acquisition. The Company did not grant stock option awards during 2018 or 2017.

| | Year Ended December 31, |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| | 2016 |
| Risk-free interest rate | 1.19% to 1.93% |
| Expected dividend yield | % |
| Expected volatility | 24% |
| Expected term | 5.7 years |
| Weighted average fair value per share | \$23.96 |

The Company issues various restricted stock unit awards which contain a market condition, a performance condition, a service condition, or any combination of the three. Restricted stock unit awards are valued based on the grant-date fair value of the award. Stock-based compensation expense is recognized over the employee's requisite service period for awards with only a service condition. For awards with a performance condition, stock-based compensation expense is recorded from the service inception date through the conclusion of the measurement period based on management's estimates concerning the probability of vesting.

Vesting of restricted stock unit awards with a market condition is based on the Company's performance as measured by total shareholder return relative to the appreciation of a specified stock index over the measurement period, subject to each participant's continued employment with the Company through the conclusion of the measurement period. The fair value of the restricted stock unit awards with a market condition is estimated using a Monte Carlo simulation model. The determination of the fair value of the awards is affected by the grant date and a number of variables, each of which has been identified in the chart below for awards granted during each respective period. Share-based compensation expense based on the fair value of the award is being recorded from the grant date through the conclusion of the measurement period.

| | Y | Year Ended December 31, | | | | | |
|---|-----------|-------------------------|------------|--|--|--|--|
| Assumptions used in Monte Carlo lattice pricing model | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | | | | |
| Risk-free interest rate | 2.4% | 1.5% | 1.0% | | | | |
| Expected dividend yield | _% | % | <u> </u> % | | | | |
| Expected volatility—ANSYS stock price | 21% | 19% | 21% | | | | |
| Expected volatility—Nasdaq Composite Index | 15% | 15% | 16% | | | | |
| Expected term | 2.8 years | 2.8 years | 2.8 years | | | | |
| Correlation factor | 0.65 | 0.70 | 0.65 | | | | |
| Weighted average fair value per share | \$191.76 | \$120.94 | \$78.71 | | | | |

The Company also grants restricted stock units to non-employee Directors, which vest upon the earlier of one year from the date of grant or the date of the next regular annual meeting of stockholders.

To the extent the Company changes the terms of its stock-based compensation programs, experiences market volatility in the pricing of its common stock that increases the implied volatility assumption used in the Black-Scholes model, refines different assumptions, or assumes stock awards from acquired companies that are different in nature than the Company's stock award arrangements, among other potential impacts, the stock-based compensation expense recorded in future periods and the related tax benefits may differ significantly from what was recorded in previous reporting periods. The Company accounts for forfeitures of stock-based awards as they occur.

Estimates of stock-based compensation expense are significant to the Company's financial statements, but this expense is partially based on the aforementioned option valuation and Monte Carlo simulation models and will never result in the payment of cash by the Company other than through the payment of withholding taxes in lieu of additional share issuance. For this reason, and because the Company does not view stock-based compensation as related to its operational performance, the Board of Directors and management exclude stock-based compensation expense when evaluating the Company's underlying business performance.

Recent Accounting Guidance

For information regarding recent accounting guidance and its impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements, see Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements in Part IV, Item 15 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Interest Income Rate Risk. Changes in the overall level of interest rates affect the interest income that is generated from the Company's cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments. For the year ended December 31, 2018, total interest income was \$11.4 million. Cash and cash equivalents consist primarily of highly liquid investments such as money market funds and deposits held at major banks. Short-term investments consist primarily of deposits held by certain foreign subsidiaries of the Company with original maturities of three months to one year.

Foreign Currency Transaction Risk. As the Company operates in international regions, a portion of its revenue, expenses, cash, accounts receivable and payment obligations are denominated in foreign currencies. As a result, changes in currency exchange rates will affect the Company's financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

With respect to revenue, on average for the year ended December 31, 2018, the U.S. Dollar was approximately 2.3% weaker and 2.6% weaker, when measured against the Company's primary foreign currencies, than for the year ended December 31, 2017 under ASC 606 and ASC 605, respectively. The table below presents the impacts of currency fluctuations on revenue for the year ended December 31, 2018. Amounts in brackets indicate a net adverse impact from currency fluctuations.

| | Ye | Year Ended December 31, 2018 | | | | | | | |
|------------------|-----|------------------------------|---------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| (in thousands) | ASC | 606 | ASC 605 | | | | | | |
| Euro | \$ | 12,498 \$ | 11,915 | | | | | | |
| Japanese Yen | | 2,088 | 2,075 | | | | | | |
| South Korean Won | | 918 | 1,182 | | | | | | |
| British Pound | | 870 | 1,083 | | | | | | |
| Indian Rupee | | (1,623) | (1,372) | | | | | | |
| Other | | (129) | (36) | | | | | | |
| Total | \$ | 14,622 \$ | 14,847 | | | | | | |

The net overall weaker U.S. Dollar also resulted in increased operating income of \$9.6 million and \$10.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2018 as compared to the year ended December 31, 2017 under ASC 606 and ASC 605, respectively.

The most significant currency impacts on revenue and operating income are typically attributable to U.S. Dollar exchange rate changes against the British Pound, Euro, Japanese Yen and South Korean Won as reflected in the charts below:

| | Period End Exchange Rates | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|--------------------|----------------------|--|--|--|
| As of | GBP/USD | EUR/USD | USD/JPY | USD/KRW | | | |
| December 31, 2015 | 1.474 | 1.086 | 120.337 | 1,176.886 | | | |
| December 31, 2016 | 1.234 | 1.051 | 116.918 | 1,208.313 | | | |
| December 31, 2017 | 1.351 | 1.200 | 112.701 | 1,068.376 | | | |
| December 31, 2018 | 1.276 | 1.147 | 109.589 | 1,115.325 | | | |
| | Average Exchange Rates | | | | | | |
| | | Average Exch | ange Rates | | | | |
| Year Ended | GBP/USD | Average Exch | ange Rates USD/JPY | USD/KRW | | | |
| Year Ended December 31, 2016 | GBP/USD 1.355 | | | USD/KRW 1,160.699 | | | |
| | | EUR/USD | USD/JPY | | | | |
| December 31, 2016 | 1.355 | EUR/USD 1.107 | USD/JPY 108.530 | 1,160.699 | | | |

ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

The following tables set forth selected unaudited quarterly information. The Company believes that the amounts stated below present fairly the results of such periods when read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes included in Part IV, Item 15 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Other information required by this Item is included in Part IV, Item 15 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

| | Fiscal Quarter Ended | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----|-----------------------|----|------------------|----|-------------------|--|--|
| (in thousands, except per share data) | | December 31, 2018 | | September 30, 2018 | | June 30, 2018 | | March 31, 2018 | | |
| Revenue | \$ | 415,432 | \$ | 289,418 | \$ | 305,913 | \$ | 282,873 | | |
| Gross profit | | 375,343 | | 253,110 | | 265,463 | | 243,835 | | |
| Operating income | | 179,936 | | 93,024 | | 108,553 | | 95,061 | | |
| Net income | | 153,163 | | 89,336 | | 92,596 | | 84,280 | | |
| Earnings per share – basic | \$ | 1.83 | \$ | 1.06 | \$ | 1.10 | \$ | 1.00 | | |
| Earnings per share – diluted | \$ | 1.79 | \$ | 1.04 | \$ | 1.08 | \$ | 0.98 | | |

| | Fiscal Quarter Ended | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----|-----------------------|----|------------------|----|-------------------|--|
| (in thousands, except per share data) | D | December 31, 2017 | | September 30, 2017 | | June 30, 2017 | | March 31, 2017 | |
| Revenue | \$ | 302,336 | \$ | 275,585 | \$ | 263,924 | \$ | 253,405 | |
| Gross profit | | 261,524 | | 239,602 | | 227,586 | | 216,374 | |
| Operating income | | 100,679 | | 106,183 | | 98,394 | | 85,472 | |
| Net income | | 52,585 | | 73,630 | | 69,730 | | 63,306 | |
| Earnings per share – basic | \$ | 0.62 | \$ | 0.87 | \$ | 0.82 | \$ | 0.74 | |
| Earnings per share – diluted | \$ | 0.61 | \$ | 0.85 | \$ | 0.80 | \$ | 0.73 | |
| | | 55 | | | | | | | |

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. As required by Rules 13a-15 and 15d-15 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act, the Company has evaluated, with the participation of management, including the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, the effectiveness of the design and operation of its disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on such evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that such disclosure controls and procedures are effective, as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) of the Exchange Act.

The Company believes, based on its knowledge, that 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 Company as of and for the periods presented in this report. The Company is committed to both a sound internal control environment and to good corporate governance.

From time to time, the Company reviews the disclosure controls and procedures, and may periodically make changes to enhance their effectiveness and to ensure that the Company's systems evolve with its business.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. The Company's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f). Under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, the Company has conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of its internal control over financial reporting based upon the Internal Control – Integrated Framework (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Based on this evaluation, the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective at December 31, 2018.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. 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 policies or procedures may deteriorate.

Additionally, Deloitte & Touche LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, has issued an attestation report on the Company's internal control over financial reporting. This report is included in Item 15 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Changes in Internal Controls. There were no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the three months ended December 31, 2018 that materially affected, or were reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting. During fiscal year 2018, the Company implemented internal controls to ensure it has adequately evaluated contracts and arrangements that may contain leases and properly assessed the impact of the new lease accounting standard on the Company's consolidated financial statements. The Company does not expect significant changes to its internal controls over financial reporting due to the adoption of the new standard, effective January 1, 2019.

ITEM 9B. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On February 22, 2019, the Company entered into a \$500 million unsecured revolving credit facility, which includes a \$50 million sublimit for the issuance of standby letters of credit, with Bank of America, N.A. as Administrative Agent. The revolving credit facility will be available for general corporate purposes, including, among others, to finance acquisitions, share repurchases and capital expenditures and becomes payable in full on February 22, 2024.

Borrowings under the revolving credit facility will accrue interest at the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) plus an applicable margin or at the base rate. The base rate is the applicable margin plus the highest of (i) the Federal Funds Rate plus 0.500%, (ii) the Bank of America prime rate and (iii) the one-month LIBOR plus 1.000%. The applicable margin for borrowings is a percentage per annum based on the lower of (1) a pricing level determined by the Company's then-current

consolidated leverage ratio and (2) a pricing level determined by the Company's debt ratings (if such debt ratings exist). The revolving credit facility contains customary representations and warranties, affirmative and negative covenants and events of default.

The revolving credit agreement also contains a financial covenant requiring the Company and its subsidiaries to maintain a consolidated leverage ratio of 3.50 to 1.00 as of the end of any fiscal quarter (for the four-quarter period ending on such date) with an opportunity for a temporary increase in such consolidated leverage ratio to 4.00 to 1.00 upon the consummation of certain qualified acquisitions for which the aggregate consideration is at least \$250 million.

Item 2.03 Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant

The information required by this Item 2.03 is incorporated by reference to Item 1.01 above.

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

Pursuant to the terms of the transition agreement between James E. Cashman, III and the Company, on February 22, 2019, Mr. Cashman tendered his voluntary resignation from the Company's Board of Directors and as an employee of the Company effective, in each case, on April 30, 2019.

PART III

ITEM 10. DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The information required by this Item is incorporated by reference to the Company's 2019 Proxy Statement and is set forth under "Corporate Governance at ANSYS," "Director Nominations," "Continuing Directors Following the 2019 Annual Meeting," "Corporate Governance at ANSYS," "Audit Committee," "Our Executive Officers," "Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance" and "Audit Committee" therein.

The Company adopted a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics that applies to its principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer, and all directors of the Company and its subsidiaries. The Company's Code of Business Conduct and Ethics is posted under the Corporate Responsibility tab of the Investor Relations section of its website at www.ansys.com. The Company will post any amendments to, or waiver of, its Code of Business Conduct and Ethics on its website.

ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The information required by this Item is incorporated by reference to the Company's 2019 Proxy Statement and is set forth under "Compensation Discussion and Analysis," "Compensation Policies and Practices Related to Risk Management," "Summary Compensation Table (Fiscal Years 2018, 2017 and 2016)," "Grants of Plan-Based Awards in Fiscal Year 2018," "Outstanding Equity Awards at End of Fiscal Year 2018," "Option Exercises and Vested Stock in Fiscal Year 2018," "Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change of Control Under Employment or Other Agreements," "2018 CEO Pay Ratio," "Compensation Committee Report," "Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation," "Director Nominations" and "Non-Employee Director Compensation" therein.

ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT, AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

The information required by this Item relating to Regulation S-K, Item 201(d) is incorporated by reference herein from Part II, Item 5 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

All other information required by this Item is incorporated by reference to the Company's 2019 Proxy Statement and is set forth under "Ownership of Our Common Stock" therein.

ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS, AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE

The information required by this Item is incorporated by reference to the Company's 2019 Proxy Statement and is set forth under "Director Independence" and "Related-Party Transactions" therein.

ITEM 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES

The information required by this Item is incorporated by reference to the Company's 2019 Proxy Statement and is set forth under "Independent Registered Accounting Firm Services and Fees" therein.

PART IV

ITEM 15. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

- (a) Documents Filed as Part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K:
 - 1. Financial Statements: The following consolidated financial statements and reports are filed as part of this report:

| - Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting | <u>60</u> |
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| - Reports of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm | <u>61</u> |
| - Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 | <u>63</u> |
| - Consolidated Statements of Income for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 | <u>64</u> |
| - Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 | <u>65</u> |
| - Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 | <u>66</u> |
| - Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 | <u>67</u> |
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2. Financial Statement Schedule: The following financial statement schedule is filed as part of this report and should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements.

- Schedule II - Valuation and Qualifying Accounts

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Schedules not listed above have been omitted because they are not applicable, are not required or the information required to be set forth therein is included in the consolidated financial statements or notes thereto.

- 3. *Exhibits*: The exhibits listed in the accompanying Exhibit Index immediately following the financial statement schedule are filed as part of, or incorporated by reference into, this Annual Report on Form 10-K.
- (b) Exhibits:

The Company hereby files as part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K the exhibits listed in the Exhibit Index immediately following the financial statement schedule of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

(c) Financial Statement Schedule:

The Company hereby files as part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K the financial statement schedule listed in Item 15(a)(2) as set forth above.

MANAGEMENT'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining an adequate system of internal control over financial reporting for the Company. In order to evaluate the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, management has conducted an assessment, including testing, using the financial reporting criteria in the *Internal Control - Integrated Framework (2013)*, issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

The Company's system of internal control over financial reporting is designed to provide reasonable assurance to the Company's management and Board of Directors regarding the reliability of financial records used in preparation of the Company's published financial statements. As all internal control systems have inherent limitations, even systems determined to be effective can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation and presentation. Based on its assessment, management has concluded that the Company maintained an effective system of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2018. Deloitte & Touche LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, has audited the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2018, as stated in their report which appears in Part IV, Item 15 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

/s/ A JEI S. G OPAL /s/ M ARIA T. S HIELDS

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President and Chief Executive Officer
February 28, 2019 February 28, 2019

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of ANSYS, Inc.

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of ANSYS, Inc. and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows, for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2018, and the related notes and the schedule listed in the Index at Item 15 (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2018, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2018, based on criteria established in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated February 28, 2019, expressed an unqualified opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

Change in Accounting Principle

As discussed in Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company has changed its method of accounting for revenue from contracts with customers in 2018 due to the adoption of the new revenue standard. The Company adopted the new revenue standard using a modified retrospective approach.

Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
February 28, 2019
We have served as the Company's auditor since 2002.

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of ANSYS, Inc.

Opinion on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

We have audited the internal control over financial reporting of ANSYS, Inc. and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 31, 2018, based on criteria established in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). In our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2018, based on criteria established in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by COSO.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2018, of the Company and our report dated February 28, 2019, expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements and included an explanatory paragraph related to the Company's change in method of accounting for revenue from contracts with customers in 2018 due to the adoption of the new revenue standard.

Basis for Opinion

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 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 are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. 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, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Definition and Limitations of Internal Control over Financial Reporting

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.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania February 28, 2019

ANSYS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

| | December 31 | | | 31, | | |
|--|-------------|-------------|----|-----------|--|--|
| (in thousands, except share and per share data) | | 2018 | | 2017 | | |
| ASSETS | | | | | | |
| Current assets: | | | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ | 777,139 | \$ | 881,501 | | |
| Short-term investments | | 225 | | 286 | | |
| Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$8,000 and \$6,800, respectively | | 317,700 | | 124,659 | | |
| Other receivables and current assets | | 216,113 | | 263,820 | | |
| Total current assets | | 1,311,177 | | 1,270,266 | | |
| Property and equipment, net | | 61,655 | | 57,096 | | |
| Goodwill | | 1,572,455 | | 1,378,553 | | |
| Other intangible assets, net | | 211,272 | | 157,625 | | |
| Other long-term assets | | 82,775 | | 35,972 | | |
| Deferred income taxes | | 26,630 | | 42,111 | | |
| Total assets | \$ | 3,265,964 | \$ | 2,941,623 | | |
| LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY | | | | | | |
| Current liabilities: | | | | | | |
| Accounts payable | \$ | 7,953 | \$ | 6,042 | | |
| Accrued bonuses and commissions | | 79,945 | | 69,925 | | |
| Accrued income taxes | | 8,726 | | 5,760 | | |
| Other accrued expenses and liabilities | | 99,559 | | 86,335 | | |
| Deferred revenue | | 328,584 | | 440,491 | | |
| Total current liabilities | | 524,767 | | 608,553 | | |
| Long-term liabilities: | | | | | | |
| Deferred income taxes | | 30,077 | | 1,461 | | |
| Other long-term liabilities | | 61,573 | | 85,778 | | |
| Total long-term liabilities | | 91,650 | | 87,239 | | |
| Commitments and contingencies | | | | | | |
| Stockholders' equity: | | | | | | |
| Preferred stock, \$.01 par value; 2,000,000 shares authorized; zero shares issued or outstanding | | _ | | _ | | |
| Common stock, \$.01 par value; 300,000,000 shares authorized; 93,236,023 shares issued | | 932 | | 932 | | |
| Additional paid-in capital | | 867,462 | | 873,357 | | |
| Retained earnings | | 2,919,411 | | 2,316,916 | | |
| Treasury stock, at cost: 9,601,670 and 9,044,498 shares, respectively | | (1,075,879) | | (907,530) | | |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss | | (62,379) | | (37,844) | | |
| Total stockholders' equity | | 2,649,547 | • | 2,245,831 | | |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity | \$ | 3,265,964 | \$ | 2,941,623 | | |

ANSYS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

| | | Ye | ear En | ided December | 31, | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|--------|--------|---------------|-----|---------|--|
| (in thousands, except per share data) | 201 | 18 | | 2017 | | 2016 | |
| Revenue: | | | | | | | |
| Software licenses | \$ 5 | 76,717 | \$ | 624,964 | \$ | 568,174 | |
| Maintenance and service | 7 | 16,919 | | 470,286 | | 420,291 | |
| Total revenue | 1,2 | 93,636 | | 1,095,250 | | 988,465 | |
| Cost of sales: | | | | | | | |
| Software licenses | | 18,619 | | 34,421 | | 28,860 | |
| Amortization | | 27,034 | | 36,794 | | 38,092 | |
| Maintenance and service | 1 | 10,232 | | 78,949 | | 79,908 | |
| Total cost of sales | 1 | 55,885 | | 150,164 | | 146,860 | |
| Gross profit | 1,1 | 37,751 | | 945,086 | | 841,605 | |
| Operating expenses: | | | | | | | |
| Selling, general and administrative | 4 | 13,580 | | 338,640 | | 269,515 | |
| Research and development | 2 | 33,802 | | 202,746 | | 183,093 | |
| Amortization | | 13,795 | | 12,972 | | 12,755 | |
| Total operating expenses | 6 | 61,177 | | 554,358 | | 465,363 | |
| Operating income | 4 | 76,574 | | 390,728 | | 376,242 | |
| Interest income | | 11,419 | | 6,962 | | 4,209 | |
| Other expense, net | | (908) | | (1,996) | | (136) | |
| Income before income tax provision | 4 | 87,085 | | 395,694 | | 380,315 | |
| Income tax provision | | 67,710 | | 136,443 | | 114,679 | |
| Net income | \$ 4 | 19,375 | \$ | 259,251 | \$ | 265,636 | |
| Earnings per share – basic: | | | | | | | |
| Earnings per share | \$ | 4.99 | \$ | 3.05 | \$ | 3.05 | |
| Weighted average shares | | 83,973 | | 84,988 | | 87,227 | |
| Earnings per share – diluted: | | | _ | | | | |
| Earnings per share | \$ | 4.88 | \$ | 2.98 | \$ | 2.99 | |
| Weighted average shares | | 85,913 | | 86,854 | | 88,969 | |
| | | | | | _ | | |

ANSYS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

| | Year Ended December 31, | | | | | | |
|--|-----------------------------|----|---------|----|---------|--|--|
| (in thousands) | 2018 2017 | | | | 2016 | | |
| Net income | \$ 419,375 | \$ | 259,251 | \$ | 265,636 | | |
| Other comprehensive (loss) income: | | | | | | | |
| Foreign currency translation adjustments | (24,535) | | 19,808 | | (5,488) | | |
| Comprehensive income | \$ 394,840 | \$ | 279,059 | \$ | 260,148 | | |

ANSYS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

| | | Year Ended December 31, | | | | |
|---|----|-------------------------|----|-----------|----|-----------|
| (in thousands) | | 2018 | | 2017 | | 2016 |
| Cash flows from operating activities: | | | | | | |
| Net income | \$ | 419,375 | \$ | 259,251 | \$ | 265,636 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: | | | | | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | | 59,255 | | 67,678 | | 69,587 |
| Deferred income tax benefit | | (33,675) | | (2,693) | | (10,921) |
| Provision for bad debts | | 1,577 | | 1,474 | | 2,009 |
| Stock-based compensation expense | | 83,346 | | 53,154 | | 33,347 |
| Other | | 410 | | 21 | | 1,290 |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities: | | | | | | |
| Accounts receivable | | (74,455) | | (14,406) | | (17,388) |
| Other receivables and current assets | | (30,241) | | (18,498) | | (39,644) |
| Other long-term assets | | 3,288 | | 2,343 | | (7,167) |
| Accounts payable, accrued expenses and current liabilities | | 19,920 | | 27,045 | | 16,919 |
| Accrued income taxes | | 1,086 | | 1,215 | | 9,052 |
| Deferred revenue | | 56,213 | | 20,648 | | 41,430 |
| Other long-term liabilities | | (19,662) | | 33,206 | | 1,830 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | _ | 486,437 | | 430,438 | | 365,980 |
| Cash flows from investing activities: | | | | | | |
| Acquisitions, net of cash acquired | | (283,026) | | (63,885) | | (7,891) |
| Capital expenditures | | (21,762) | | (19,149) | | (12,443) |
| Other investing activities | | (8,892) | | (14,409) | | (11,839) |
| Net cash used in investing activities | | (313,680) | | (97,443) | | (32,173) |
| Cash flows from financing activities: | _ | | | | | |
| Purchase of treasury stock | | (269,801) | | (336,042) | | (336,335) |
| Restricted stock withholding taxes paid in lieu of issued shares | | (28,879) | | (11,112) | | (5,057) |
| Contingent consideration payments | | _ | | _ | | (1,048) |
| Proceeds from shares issued for stock-based compensation | | 41,019 | | 52,503 | | 53,811 |
| Other financing activities | | (5,014) | | _ | | (1) |
| Net cash used in financing activities | | (262,675) | | (294,651) | | (288,630) |
| Effect of exchange rate fluctuations on cash and cash equivalents | | (14,444) | | 20,678 | | (6,866) |
| Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents | | (104,362) | | 59,022 | | 38,311 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period | | 881,501 | | 822,479 | | 784,168 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of period | \$ | 777,139 | \$ | 881,501 | \$ | 822,479 |
| Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information: | | | | | | |
| Income taxes paid | \$ | 87,244 | \$ | 116,389 | \$ | 118,455 |

ANSYS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

| <u>-</u> | Comm | on Sto | ock | . , | Additional | | | Treas | Treasury Stock | | Accumulated - Other | | | Total |
|---|--------|--------|--------|-----|--------------------|----|----------------------|---------|----------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|----|------------------------|
| (in thousands) | Shares | A | Amount | | Paid-In Capital | | Retained Earnings | Shares | Amount | | | Comprehensive (Loss)/Income | S | tockholders' Equity |
| Balance, January 1, 2016 | 93,236 | \$ | 932 | \$ | 894,469 | \$ | 1,792,029 | 5,097 | \$ | (440,839) | \$ | (52,164) | \$ | 2,194,427 |
| Treasury shares acquired | | | | | | | | 3,700 | | (336,335) | | | | (336,335) |
| Stock-based compensation activity, including tax benefit of \$8,065 | | | | | (11,459) | | | (1,249) | | 101,624 | | | | 90,165 |
| Other comprehensive loss | | | | | (,) | | | (, , , | | . ,. | | (5,488) | | (5,488) |
| Net income for the year | | | | | | | 265,636 | | | | | (, , | | 265,636 |
| Balance, December 31, 2016 | 93,236 | | 932 | | 883,010 | | 2,057,665 | 7,548 | | (675,550) | | (57,652) | | 2,208,405 |
| Treasury shares acquired | | | | | | | | 2,750 | | (336,042) | | | | (336,042) |
| Stock-based compensation activity | | | | | (9,653) | | | (1,254) | | 104,062 | | | | 94,409 |
| Other comprehensive income | | | | | | | | | | | | 19,808 | | 19,808 |
| Net income for the year | | | | | | | 259,251 | | | | | | | 259,251 |
| Balance, December 31, 2017 | 93,236 | | 932 | | 873,357 | | 2,316,916 | 9,044 | | (907,530) | | (37,844) | | 2,245,831 |
| Cumulative effect of the ASC 606 adoption | | | | | | | 183,120 | | | | | | | 183,120 |
| Treasury shares acquired | | | | | | | | 1,674 | | (269,801) | | | | (269,801) |
| Stock-based compensation activity | | | | | (5,895) | | | (1,116) | | 101,452 | | | | 95,557 |
| Other comprehensive loss | | | | | | | | | | | | (24,535) | | (24,535) |
| Net income for the year | | | | | | | 419,375 | | | | | | | 419,375 |
| Balance, December 31, 2018 | 93,236 | \$ | 932 | \$ | 867,462 | \$ | 2,919,411 | 9,602 | \$ | (1,075,879) | \$ | (62,379) | \$ | 2,649,547 |

ANSYS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS December 31, 2018

1. Organization

ANSYS, Inc. (hereafter the Company or ANSYS) develops and globally markets engineering simulation software and services widely used by engineers, designers, researchers and students across a broad spectrum of industries and academia, including aerospace and defense, automotive, electronics, semiconductors, energy, materials and chemical processing, turbomachinery, consumer products, healthcare, and sports.

As defined by the accounting guidance for segment reporting, the Company operates as one segment.

Given the integrated approach to the multi-discipline problem-solving needs of the Company's customers, a single sale of software may contain components from multiple product areas and include combined technologies. The Company also has a multi-year product and integration strategy that will result in new, combined products or changes to the historical product offerings. As a result, it is impracticable for the Company to provide accurate historical or current reporting among its various product lines.

2. Accounting Policies

Accounting Principles

The financial statements and accompanying notes are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Certain items in the notes to the consolidated financial statements of prior years have been reclassified to conform to the current year's presentation. These reclassifications had no effect on reported net income, comprehensive income, cash flows, total assets or total liabilities and stockholders' equity.

Principles of Consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly owned subsidiaries. All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated.

Recently Adopted Accounting Guidance

Revenue from contracts with customers: In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2014-09, Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606) (ASU 2014-09). The Company adopted ASU 2014-09 and its related amendments (collectively known as ASC 606) effective January 1, 2018 using the modified retrospective approach. See Note 3 for the required disclosures related to the impact of adopting this standard.

Income taxes: In October 2016, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-16, Income Taxes (Topic 740): Intra-Entity Transfers of Assets Other Than Inventory (ASU 2016-16). The Company adopted ASU 2016-16 effective January 1, 2018 using the modified retrospective approach. Previous guidance required the tax effects from intra-entity asset transfers to be deferred until the asset was sold to a third party or recovered through use. ASU 2016-16 eliminated this deferral for all intra-entity asset transfers other than inventory. The adoption of the standard did not have a material effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

Business combinations: In January 2017, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2017-01, Business Combinations (Topic 805): Clarifying the Definition of a Business (ASU 2017-01). The Company prospectively adopted ASU 2017-01 effective January 1, 2018. This standard narrows the definition of a business. If substantially all the fair value of the gross assets acquired is concentrated in a single identifiable asset or group of similar identifiable assets, the acquiree is not a business. The standard also requires a business to include an input and a substantive process that significantly contributes to the ability to create outputs. This definition is expected to reduce the number of acquisitions accounted for as business combinations, which will impact the accounting treatment of certain items, including the accounting treatment of contingent consideration and transaction expenses.

Accounting Guidance Issued and Not Yet Adopted

Leases: In February 2016, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-02, Leases (Topic 842) (ASU 2016-02). ASU 2016-02 requires virtually all leases, other than leases that meet the definition of a short-term lease or leases of intangible assets, to be recorded on the balance sheet with a right-of-use asset and a corresponding lease liability. Leases will be classified

as either operating or finance leases based on certain criteria. This classification will determine the timing and presentation of expenses on the income statement, as well as the presentation of related cash flows. The standard is effective for the Company on January 1, 2019. A modified retrospective transition is required upon adoption.

The Company will elect the package of practical expedients permitted under the transition guidance within the new standard, which among other things, allows the Company to carry forward the historical lease classification. In addition, the Company will elect the accounting policy to combine the lease and nonlease components as a single component. The Company will make the accounting policy election to record short-term leases on the consolidated balance sheet.

The Company will primarily have operating leases. The Company expects adoption of the new standard will result in the recognition of a right-of-use asset, and a corresponding lease liability, of \$80.0 million - \$100.0 million on the Company's consolidated balance sheet. Where applicable, a corresponding deferred tax asset and liability will be recorded related to the right-of-use asset and lease liability. The new standard is not expected to materially impact the Company's consolidated statements of income or consolidated statements of cash flows.

Credit losses: In June 2016, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-13, Financial Instruments - Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments (ASU 2016-13). The current guidance requires the allowance for doubtful accounts to be estimated based on an incurred loss model, which considers past and current conditions. ASU 2016-13 requires companies to use an expected loss model that also considers reasonable and supportable forecasts of future conditions. ASU 2016-13 is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2019, including interim periods within that reporting period. Early adoption is permitted for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2018, including interim periods within that reporting period. The standard requires a cumulative-effect adjustment to the balance sheet as of the beginning of the first reporting period in which the guidance is effective. The Company will not early adopt the standard. The Company is currently evaluating the effect that this update will have on its financial results upon adoption.

Implementation cost accounting for cloud computing arrangements: In August 2018, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2018-15, Intangibles—Goodwill and Other—Internal-Use Software (Subtopic 350-40): Customer's Accounting for Implementation Costs Incurred in a Cloud Computing Arrangement That Is a Service Contract (ASU 2018-15). The standard aligns the accounting for costs incurred to implement a cloud computing arrangement (CCA) that is a service arrangement with the guidance on capitalizing costs associated with developing or obtaining internal-use software. Under ASU 2018-15, an entity would apply Subtopic 350-40 to determine which implementation costs related to a CCA that is a service contract should be capitalized. The standard does not change the accounting for the service component of a CCA. The associated cash flows will be reflected within operating activities. ASU 2018-15 is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2019, including interim periods within that reporting period. Early adoption is permitted, including adoption in any interim period for which financial statements have not been issued. Entities can choose to adopt the new guidance (1) prospectively to eligible costs incurred on or after the date the guidance is first applied or (2) retrospectively. The Company is currently evaluating the effect that this update will have on its financial results upon adoption.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management 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 financial statements. Estimates also affect the amounts of revenue and expenses during the reported periods. Significant estimates included in these consolidated financial statements include:

- Allowances for doubtful accounts receivable
- · Income tax accruals, including those related to the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act
- Uncertain tax positions
- · Tax valuation reserves
- Fair value of stock-based compensation and probabilities of performance award attainment
- · Contract revenue
- · Acquired deferred revenue
- Useful lives for depreciation and amortization
- · Valuations of goodwill and other intangible assets
- Deferred compensation
- Loss contingencies

Actual results could differ from these estimates. Changes in estimates are recorded in the results of operations in the period that the changes occur.

Revenue Recognition

The Company's revenue is derived principally from the licensing of computer software products and from related maintenance contracts. The Company adopted ASC 606 on January 1, 2018. ASC 606 requires an entity to evaluate revenue recognition by identifying a contract with a customer, identifying the performance obligations in the contract, determining the transaction price, allocating the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract, and recognizing revenue when (or as) the entity satisfies a performance obligation.

Revenue Recognition Policy 2018 (ASC 606)

The Company enters into contracts that include combinations of products, maintenance and services, which are accounted for as separate performance obligations with differing revenue recognition patterns.

Revenue from perpetual licenses is classified as software license revenue. Software license revenue is recognized up front upon delivery of the licensed product and/or the utility that enables the customer to access authorization keys, provided that a signed contract has been received. Typically, the Company's perpetual licenses are sold with post-contract support (PCS), which includes unspecified technical enhancements and customer support. The Company allocates value in bundled perpetual and PCS arrangements based on the standalone selling prices of the perpetual license and PCS. Revenue from PCS is classified as maintenance revenue and is recognized ratably over the term of the contract, as the Company satisfies the PCS performance obligation over time.

In addition to perpetual licenses, the Company sells time-based lease licenses. Lease licenses are sold only as a bundled arrangement that includes the rights to a term software license and PCS. Utilizing observable inputs, the Company determined that 50% of the estimated standalone selling price of the lease license is attributable to the term license and 50% is attributable to the PCS. Consistent with the perpetual sales, the license component is classified as software license revenue and recognized as revenue up front at the commencement of the lease. The PCS is classified as maintenance revenue and is recognized ratably over the term of the contract, as the Company provides the PCS benefit over time.

Revenue from training, support and other services is recognized as the services are performed. For contracts in which the service consists of a single performance obligation, such as providing a training class to a customer, the Company recognizes revenue upon completion of the performance obligation. For service contracts that are longer in duration and often include multiple performance obligations (for example, both training and consulting), the Company measures the progress toward completion of the obligations and recognizes revenue accordingly. In measuring progress towards the completion of performance obligations, the Company typically utilizes output-based estimates for services with contractual billing arrangements that are not based on time and materials, and estimates output based on the total tasks completed as compared to the total tasks required for each work contract. Input-based estimates are utilized for services that involve general consultations with contractual billing arrangements based on time and materials, utilizing direct labor as the input measure.

The Company also executes arrangements through independent channel partners in which the channel partners are authorized to market and distribute the Company's software products to end users of the Company's products and services in specified territories. In sales facilitated by channel partners, the channel partner bears the risk of collection from the end-user customer. The Company recognizes revenue from transactions with channel partners at a point in time or over time as appropriate when the channel partner submits a purchase commitment, collectability from the channel partner is probable, a license agreement signed by the end-user customer is received and the performance obligation was met. Revenue from channel partner transactions is the amount remitted to the Company by the channel partners. This amount includes a fee for PCS that is compensation for providing technical enhancements and the second level of technical support to the end user, which is recognized over the period that PCS is to be provided. The Company does not offer right of return, product rotation or price protection to any of its channel partners.

Non-income related taxes collected from customers and remitted to governmental authorities are recorded on the consolidated balance sheet as accounts receivable and accrued expenses. The collection and payment of these amounts are reported on a net basis in the consolidated statements of income and do not impact reported revenues or expenses.

The Company warrants to its customers that its software will perform substantially as specified in the Company's current user manuals. The Company has not experienced significant claims related to software warranties beyond the scope of maintenance support, which the Company is already obligated to provide. The warranty is not sold, and cannot be purchased, separately. The warranty does not provide any type of additional service to the customer or performance obligation for the Company.

The Company's agreements with its customers generally require it to indemnify the customer against claims that the Company's software infringes third-party patent, copyright, trademark or other proprietary rights. Such indemnification obligations are generally limited in a variety of industry-standard respects, including the Company's right to replace an infringing product. As

of December 31, 2018, the Company had not experienced any losses related to these indemnification obligations and no claims with respect thereto were outstanding. The Company does not expect significant claims related to these indemnification obligations, and, consequently, the Company has not established any related reserves.

Significant Judgments (ASC 606)

The Company's contracts with customers typically include promises to transfer licenses and services to a customer. Judgment is required to determine if the promises are separate performance obligations, and if so, to allocate the transaction price to each performance obligation. The Company uses the estimated standalone selling price method to allocate the transaction price for items that are not sold separately, particularly lease licenses sold with PCS. The estimated standalone selling price is determined using all information reasonably available to the Company, including market conditions and other observable inputs. The corresponding revenues are recognized as the related performance obligations are satisfied.

The Company applies a practical expedient to expense sales commissions as incurred when the amortization period would have been one year or less. Sales commissions associated with the initial year of multi-year contracts are expensed as incurred due to their immateriality. Sales commissions associated with multi-year contracts beyond the initial year are subject to an employee service requirement and are expensed as incurred as they are not considered incremental costs to obtain a contract.

The Company is required to adjust promised amounts of consideration for the effects of the time value of money if the timing of the payments provides the customer or the Company with a significant financing benefit. The Company considers various factors in assessing whether a financing component exists, including the duration of the contract, market interest rates and the timing of payments. The Company's contracts do not include a significant financing component requiring adjustment to the transaction price.

Revenue Recognition Policy 2017 and 2016 (ASC 605)

Revenue from perpetual licenses was classified as license revenue and was recognized upon delivery of the licensed product and/or the utility that enabled the customer to access authorization keys, provided that acceptance had occurred and a signed contractual obligation was received, the price was fixed and determinable, and collectibility of the receivable was probable. The Company determined the fair value of PCS sold together with perpetual licenses based on the rate charged for PCS when sold separately. Revenue from PCS contracts was classified as maintenance and service revenue and was recognized ratably over the term of the contract.

Revenue for software lease licenses was classified as license revenue and was recognized over the period of the lease contract. Typically, the Company's software leases include PCS which, due to the short term (principally one year or less) of the Company's software lease licenses, could not be separated from lease revenue for accounting purposes. As a result, both the lease licenses and PCS were recognized ratably over the lease period. The Company included the revenue for the entire lease arrangement within software license revenue in the consolidated statements of income.

Many of the Company's semiconductor products were typically licensed via longer term leases of 24 – 36 months. The Company recognized revenue for these licenses over the term of the lease contract. Because the Company did not have vendor-specific objective evidence of the fair value of these leases, the Company also recognized revenue from perpetual licenses over the term of the lease contract during the infrequent occurrence of these licenses being sold with semiconductor leases in multiple-element arrangements.

Revenue from training, support and other services was recognized as the services were performed. The Company applied the specific performance method to contracts in which the service consisted of a single act, such as providing a training class to a customer, and the proportional performance method to other service contracts that were longer in duration and often included multiple acts (for example, both training and consulting). In applying the proportional performance method, the Company typically utilized output-based estimates for services with contractual billing arrangements that were not based on time and materials, and estimated output based on the total tasks completed as compared to the total tasks required for each work contract. Input-based estimates were utilized for services that involved general consultations with contractual billing arrangements based on time and materials, utilizing direct labor as the input measure.

The accounting treatment under ASC 605 associated with arrangements through independent channel partners, non-income related taxes, warranties and indemnification obligations is consistent with ASC 606 described above.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist primarily of highly liquid investments such as deposits held at major banks and money market funds. Cash equivalents are carried at cost, which approximates fair value. The Company's cash and cash equivalents balances comprise the following:

| | December 3 | 31, 2018 | Decembe | er 31, 2017 |
|------------------------------------|---------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| (in thousands, except percentages) | Amount | % of Total | Amount | % of Total |
| Cash accounts | \$ 331,084 | 42.6 | \$ 568,587 | 64.5 |
| Money market funds | 446,055 | 57.4 | 312,914 | 35.5 |
| Total | \$ 777,139 | | \$ 881,501 | |

The Company's money market fund balances are held in various funds of a single issuer.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment is stated at cost. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the various classes of assets, which range from one to forty years. Repairs and maintenance are charged to expense as incurred. Gains or losses from the sale or retirement of property and equipment are included in operating income.

Research and Development

Research and development costs, other than certain capitalized software development costs, are expensed as incurred. Internally developed software costs required to be capitalized as defined by the accounting guidance are not material to the Company's consolidated financial statements.

Business Combinations

When the Company consummates an acquisition, the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed are recognized separately from goodwill at their acquisition date fair values. Goodwill as of the acquisition date is measured as the excess of the fair value of consideration transferred over the net of the acquisition date fair values of the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed. While best estimates and assumptions are used to accurately value assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the acquisition date as well as contingent consideration, where applicable, the Company's estimates are inherently uncertain and subject to refinement. As a result, during the measurement period, which may be up to one year from the acquisition date, the Company records adjustments to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed with the corresponding offset to goodwill as the Company obtains new information about facts and circumstances that existed as of the acquisition date that, if known, would have affected the measurement of the amounts recognized as of that date. Upon the earlier of the conclusion of the measurement period or final determination of the values of assets acquired or liabilities assumed, any subsequent adjustments are recorded in the consolidated statements of income.

Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

Goodwill represents the excess of the consideration transferred over the fair value of net identifiable assets acquired. Other intangible assets consist of trade names, customer lists, contract backlog and acquired software and technology. Intangible assets that are not considered to have an indefinite useful life are amortized over their useful lives, which are generally two to fifteen years. Amortization expense for intangible assets was \$40.8 million , \$49.8 million and \$50.8 million for the years ended December 31, 2018 , 2017 and 2016 , respectively.

The Company tests goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets for impairment at least annually by performing a quantitative assessment of whether the fair value of each reporting unit or asset exceeds its carrying amount. The Company has one reporting unit. Goodwill is tested at this reporting unit level and indefinite-lived intangible assets are tested at the individual asset level. This requires the Company to assess and make judgments regarding a variety of factors which impact the fair value of the reporting unit or asset being tested, including business plans, anticipated future cash flows, economic projections and other market data.

The Company performs its annual impairment tests for goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets as of January 1 of each year unless there is an indicator that would require a test during the year. The Company periodically reviews the carrying value of other intangible assets and will recognize impairments when events or circumstances indicate that such assets may be impaired.

Concentrations of Credit Risk

The Company has a concentration of credit risk with respect to revenue and trade receivables due to the use of certain significant channel partners to market and sell the Company's products. The Company performs periodic credit evaluations of its customers' financial condition and generally does not require collateral. The following table outlines concentrations of risk with respect to the Company's revenue:

| | Year Ended December 31, | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------------|------|------|--|--|--|--|
| (as a % of revenue) | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | | | | |
| Revenue from channel partners | 22% | 25% | 24% | | | | |
| Largest channel partner | 4% | 5% | 5% | | | | |
| 2 nd largest channel partner | 2% | 2% | 2% | | | | |

No single customer accounted for more than 5% of the Company's revenue in 2018, 2017 or 2016.

In addition to the concentration of credit risk with respect to trade receivables, the Company's cash and cash equivalents are also exposed to concentration of credit risk. The Company's cash and cash equivalent accounts are insured through various public and private bank deposit insurance programs, foreign and domestic; however, a significant portion of the Company's funds are not insured. The following table outlines concentrations of risk with respect to the Company's cash and cash equivalents:

| | | As of December 31, | | | | | | |
|--|----|--------------------|------|---------|--|--|--|--|
| (in thousands) | | 2018 | 2017 | | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents held domestically | \$ | 616,249 | \$ | 561,417 | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents held by foreign subsidiaries | | 160,890 | | 320,084 | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents held in excess of deposit insurance, foreign and domestic | | 754,163 | | 852,138 | | | | |
| Largest balance of cash and cash equivalents held with one financial institution, foreign and domestic | | 452,166 | | 328,902 | | | | |

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

The Company makes judgments as to its ability to collect outstanding receivables and provides allowances for a portion of receivables when collection becomes doubtful. Provisions are made based upon a specific review of all significant outstanding invoices from both value and delinquency perspectives. For those invoices not specifically reviewed, provisions are estimated at differing rates based upon the age of the receivable and the geographic area of origin. In determining these percentages, the Company considers its historical collection experience and current economic trends in the customer's industry and geographic region. The Company recorded provisions for bad debts of \$1.6 million, \$1.5 million and \$2.0 million for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

Income Taxes

The Company accounts for income taxes under the asset and liability method, which requires the recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences of events that have been included in the financial statements. Under this method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based on the differences between the financial statement and tax bases of assets and liabilities using enacted tax rates in effect for the year in which the differences are expected to reverse. The effect of a change in tax rates on deferred tax assets and liabilities is recognized in income in the period of the enactment date.

The Company records net deferred tax assets to the extent it believes these assets will more likely than not be realized. In making such determination, the Company considers all available positive and negative evidence, including scheduled reversals of deferred tax liabilities, projected future taxable income, tax planning strategies and recent financial operations. In the event the Company determines that it will be able to realize deferred tax assets for which a valuation allowance was used to reduce their carrying value, the adjustment to the valuation allowance will be recorded as a reduction to the provision for income taxes.

Tax benefits related to uncertain tax positions taken or expected to be taken on a tax return are recorded when such benefits meet a more-likely-than-not threshold. Otherwise, these tax benefits are recorded when a tax position has been effectively settled, which means that the statute of limitations has expired or the appropriate taxing authority has completed its examination even though the statute of limitations remains open. The Company recognizes interest and penalties related to

income taxes within the income tax expense line in the consolidated statements of income. Accrued interest and penalties are included within the related tax liability line in the consolidated balance sheets.

Foreign Currencies

Certain of the Company's sales and intercompany transactions are denominated in foreign currencies. These transactions are translated to the functional currency at the exchange rate on the transaction date. Assets and liabilities denominated in a currency other than the Company's or subsidiary's functional currency are translated at the effective exchange rate on the balance sheet date. Gains and losses resulting from foreign exchange transactions are included in other expense, net. The Company recorded net foreign exchange losses of \$3.1 million and \$1.9 million for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and net foreign exchange gains of \$0.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2016.

The financial statements of the Company's foreign subsidiaries are translated from the functional (local) currency to U.S. Dollars. Assets and liabilities are translated at the exchange rates on the balance sheet date. Results of operations are translated at average exchange rates, which approximate rates in effect when the underlying transactions occurred.

Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss

Accumulated other comprehensive loss is composed entirely of foreign currency translation adjustments.

Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share (EPS) amounts are computed by dividing earnings by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted EPS amounts assume the issuance of common stock for all potentially dilutive equivalents outstanding. To the extent stock awards are anti-dilutive, they are excluded from the calculation of diluted EPS.

The details of basic and diluted EPS are as follows:

| | Year Ended December 31, | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------------|------|---------|----|---------|----|---------|
| (in thousands, except per share data) | | 2018 | | | 2017 | | 2016 |
| Net income | · | \$ | 419,375 | \$ | 259,251 | \$ | 265,636 |
| Weighted average shares outstanding - basic | = | | 83,973 | | 84,988 | | 87,227 |
| Dilutive effect of stock plans | | | 1,940 | | 1,866 | | 1,742 |
| Weighted average shares outstanding - diluted | - | | 85,913 | | 86,854 | | 88,969 |
| Basic earnings per share | - | \$ | 4.99 | \$ | 3.05 | \$ | 3.05 |
| Diluted earnings per share | : | \$ | 4.88 | \$ | 2.98 | \$ | 2.99 |
| Anti-dilutive shares | | | 7 | | 84 | | 260 |

Stock-Based Compensation

The Company accounts for stock-based compensation in accordance with share-based payment accounting guidance. The guidance requires an entity to measure the cost of employee services received in exchange for an award of equity instruments based on the grant-date fair value of the award. The cost is recognized over the period during which an employee is required to provide service in exchange for the award, typically the vesting period.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Company accounts for certain assets and liabilities at fair value in accordance with the accounting guidance applicable to fair value measurements and disclosures. The carrying values of cash, cash equivalents, short-term investments, accounts receivable, accounts payable, accrued expenses, other accrued liabilities and short-term obligations are deemed to be reasonable estimates of their fair values because of their short-term nature.

3. Revenue from Contracts with Customers

Adoption of ASC 606, Revenue from Contracts with Customers

The Company adopted ASC 606 on January 1, 2018 using the modified retrospective approach for all contracts not completed as of the date of adoption. Results for reporting periods beginning after January 1, 2018 are presented under ASC 606, while prior period amounts are not adjusted and continue to be reported in accordance with ASC 605, *Revenue Recognition* (ASC 605). The adoption of ASC 606 represents a change in accounting principle that will more closely align revenue recognition with the delivery of the Company's software licenses, maintenance and services.

The Company recorded an increase to retained earnings of \$242.4 million, or \$183.1 million net of tax, on January 1, 2018 due to the cumulative effect of the ASC 606 adoption, with the impact primarily derived from revenue related to time-based software lease licenses.

Impact of ASC 606 on Consolidated Financial Statement Line Items

The following table compares the impacted assets and liabilities on the consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2018 to the amounts had ASC 605 been in effect:

| | December 31, 2018 | | | | | |
|--|-------------------|-----------------------|----|-----------|----|-----------|
| (in thousands) | | As Reported (ASC 606) | | ASC 605 | | Change |
| Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$8,000 | \$ | 317,700 | \$ | 135,190 | \$ | 182,510 |
| Other receivables and current assets | | 216,113 | | 351,246 | | (135,133) |
| Other long-term assets | | 82,775 | | 43,429 | | 39,346 |
| Deferred income tax assets | | 26,630 | | 65,973 | | (39,343) |
| Accrued income taxes | | 8,726 | | _ | | 8,726 |
| Other accrued expenses and liabilities | | 99,559 | | 101,949 | | (2,390) |
| Deferred revenue - current | | 328,584 | | 526,168 | | (197,584) |
| Deferred income tax liabilities | | 30,077 | | 23,056 | | 7,021 |
| Other long-term liabilities | | 61,573 | | 76,354 | | (14,781) |
| Stockholders' equity | \$ | 2,649,547 | \$ | 2,403,159 | \$ | 246,388 |

The Company recorded \$244.1 million of deferred revenue to retained earnings upon the adoption of ASC 606 on January 1, 2018. The pattern of software lease license revenue recognition has changed under ASC 606. Software lease license revenue was recognized ratably over the term of the contract under the previous guidance; however, approximately 50% of the contract is recognized up front at the commencement of the lease under ASC 606. This change in the pattern of revenue recognition, coupled with the recording of deferred revenue to retained earnings at the adoption date, resulted in the changes to the consolidated balance sheet line items as noted in the table above.

The following table compares the impacted amounts on the consolidated statements of income for the year ended December 31, 2018 to the amounts had ASC 605 been in effect:

| (in thousands, except per share data) | As Ro | eported (ASC 606) | ASC 605 | Change |
|---------------------------------------|-------|----------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Revenue: | | 000) | ASC 003 | Change |
| Software licenses | \$ | 576,717 | \$ 676,846 | \$ (100,129) |
| Maintenance and service | | 716,919 | 539,623 | 177,296 |
| Cost of sales: | | | | |
| Software licenses | | 18,619 | 36,852 | (18,233) |
| Maintenance and service | | 110,232 | 91,999 | 18,233 |
| Income tax provision | | 67,710 | 53,067 | 14,643 |
| Earnings per share: | | | | |
| Basic | \$ | 4.99 | \$ 4.25 | \$ 0.74 |
| Diluted | \$ | 4.88 | \$ 4.15 | \$ 0.73 |

The impacts to reported software licenses revenue, and maintenance and service revenue, were primarily due to the PCS portion of lease license contracts now being allocated to maintenance and service revenue under ASC 606. Under the previous guidance, this revenue was reported as software licenses revenue. This decrease to software licenses revenue was partially offset by the upfront recognition of the license component of lease revenue, which would have been recognized ratably over the contract under prior guidance. Consistent with the change in revenue, there was a corresponding reclassification within cost of sales. Costs incurred related to the PCS portion of lease license contracts are reflected in cost of maintenance and service. Under the previous guidance, such costs were reflected within cost of software licenses.

The adoption of ASC 606 had no impact on the Company's cash flows from operations. However, with the adoption of ASC 606, there will be income tax payments associated with deferred revenue and backlog credited to retained earnings and never recognized as revenue in the financial statements. The 2018 tax payments related to the adoption of ASC 606 are approximately \$14.0 million.

Disaggregation of Revenue

The following table summarizes revenue for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016:

| | | Year Ended December 31, | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|----|-------------------------|----|-------------------|----|-------------------|----|-------------------|
| (in thousands) | | 2018 (ASC 606) | | 2018 (ASC 605) | | 2017 (ASC 605) | | 2016 (ASC 605) |
| Revenue: | | | | | | | | |
| Lease licenses | \$ | 275,619 | \$ | 421,268 | \$ | 376,886 | \$ | 340,331 |
| Perpetual licenses | | 301,098 | | 255,578 | | 248,078 | | 227,843 |
| Software licenses | | 576,717 | | 676,846 | | 624,964 | | 568,174 |
| Maintenance | | 676,883 | | 499,510 | | 440,428 | | 394,745 |
| Service | | 40,036 | | 40,113 | | 29,858 | | 25,546 |
| Maintenance and service | | 716,919 | | 539,623 | | 470,286 | | 420,291 |
| Total revenue | \$ | 1,293,636 | \$ | 1,216,469 | \$ | 1,095,250 | \$ | 988,465 |

The Company's software licenses revenue is recognized up front, while maintenance and service revenue is generally recognized over the term of the contract. Under ASC 606, the Company derived 22.4% of its total revenue through the indirect sales channel for the year ended December 31,2018. Under ASC 605, the Company derived 23.5%, 24.8%, and 24.4% of its total revenue through the indirect sales channel for the years ended December 31,2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

Deferred Revenue

Deferred revenue consists of billings made or payments received in advance of revenue recognition from software license and maintenance agreements. The timing of revenue recognition may differ from the timing of billings to customers. Payment terms vary by the type and location of customer and the products or services offered. The time between invoicing and when payment is due is not significant. The changes in deferred revenue during the year ended December 31, 2018, inclusive of both current and long-term, are as follows:

| (in thousands) | |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Beginning balance – January 1 | \$ 299,730 |
| Acquired deferred revenue | 2,470 |
| Recognition of deferred revenue | (1,293,636) |
| Deferral of revenue | 1,339,964 |
| Currency translation | (5,354) |
| Ending balance – December 31 | \$ 343,174 |
| | |

Revenue allocated to remaining performance obligations represents contracted revenue that has not yet been recognized, which includes deferred revenue and backlog. The Company's backlog represents installment billings for periods beyond the current quarterly billing cycle and customer orders received but not processed. Revenue recognized during the year ended December 31, 2018 reflected above of \$1,293.6 million included amounts in deferred revenue and backlog at the beginning of the period of \$387.2 million . Total revenue allocated to remaining performance obligations was \$659.2 million as of December 31, 2018 and will be recognized as revenue as follows:

(in thousands)

| Next 12 months | \$ 475,883 |
|--|---------------|
| Months 13-24 | 125,048 |
| Months 25-36 | 43,470 |
| Thereafter | 14,771 |
| Total revenue allocated to remaining performance obligations | \$ 659,172 |

4. Acquisitions

OPTIS

On May 2, 2018, the Company completed the acquisition of 100% of the shares of OPTIS, a premier provider of software for scientific simulation of light, human vision and physics-based visualization, for a purchase price of \$291.0 million, paid in cash. The acquisition extends the Company's portfolio into the area of optical simulation to provide comprehensive sensor solutions, covering visible and infrared light, electromagnetics and acoustics for camera, radar and lidar. The acquisition met the definition of a business under ASU 2017-01.

The operating results of OPTIS have been included in the Company's consolidated financial statements since May 2, 2018, the date of acquisition.

Goodwill

The assets and liabilities of OPTIS have been recorded based upon management's estimates of their fair market values as of the acquisition date. The following tables summarize the fair value of consideration transferred and the fair values of identified assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the acquisition date:

Fair Value of Consideration Transferred:

| (in thousands) | |
|---|---------------|
| Cash | \$ 290,983 |
| Recognized Amounts of Identifiable Assets Acquired and Liabilities Assumed: | |
| (in thousands) | |
| Cash | \$ 7,957 |
| Accounts receivable and other tangible assets | 15,979 |
| Developed software and core technologies (9 – 10 year life) | 47,597 |
| Customer lists (12 year life) | 41,303 |
| Trade names (4 – 10 year life) | 10,749 |
| Accounts payable and other liabilities | (11,444) |
| Deferred revenue | (2,470) |
| Net deferred tax liabilities | (23,187) |
| Total identifiable net assets | \$ 86,484 |

The goodwill, which is not tax-deductible, is attributed to intangible assets that do not qualify for separate recognition, including the assembled workforce of the acquired business and the synergies expected to arise as a result of the acquisition of OPTIS.

204,499

The fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed are based on preliminary calculations. The estimates and assumptions for these items are subject to change as additional information about what was known and knowable at the acquisition date is obtained during the measurement period (up to one year from the acquisition date). During the period since the OPTIS acquisition date, the Company adjusted the fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed, with the offset recorded as a \$1.8 million increase to goodwill. These adjustments were based on refinements to assumptions used in the preliminary valuation of accounts receivable and other tangible assets, developed software and core technologies, accounts payable and other liabilities, and information about what was known and knowable as of the acquisition date in the calculation of the net deferred tax liabilities.

In valuing deferred revenue on the OPTIS balance sheet as of the acquisition date, the Company applied the fair value provisions applicable to the accounting for business combinations. Acquired deferred revenue with a historical carrying value of \$14.2 million under ASC 606, and \$22.3 million under ASC 605, was ascribed a fair value of \$2.5 million on the opening balance sheet. As a result, the Company's post-acquisition revenue will be less than the sum of what would have otherwise been reported by ANSYS and OPTIS absent the acquisition. Under ASC 606 and ASC 605, the impacts on reported revenue for the year ended December 31, 2018 were \$8.7 million and \$14.4 million, respectively. The expected impact on reported revenue for the year ending December 31, 2019 is \$1.6 million under ASC 606.

Full pro forma results of operations have not been presented as the effects of the OPTIS business combination were not material to the Company's consolidated results of operations. The table presented below reflects the impact of OPTIS from the date of acquisition to December 31, 2018. The operating loss does not include integration costs borne directly by ANSYS, Inc. and its non-OPTIS subsidiaries as a result of the acquisition.

| | | Year Ended December 31, 2018 | | | | | | |
|----------------|----|------------------------------|----|----------|--|--|--|--|
| (in thousands) | | ASC 606 | | ASC 605 | | | | |
| Revenue | \$ | 18,532 | \$ | 12,276 | | | | |
| Operating loss | \$ | (5,462) | \$ | (11,718) | | | | |

Prior Year Acquisitions

During the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company completed various acquisitions to expand its customer base and accelerate the development of new and innovative products to the marketplace while lowering design and engineering costs for customers. The acquisitions were not individually significant. The combined purchase prices of the acquisitions purchased during the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 were approximately \$67.0 million and \$10.3 million, respectively. The 2017 technology acquisitions are further described in the table below:

| _ | Date of Closing | Company | Details |
|---|-------------------|--|---|
| | November 15, 2017 | 3DSIM | 3DSIM, a developer of premier additive manufacturing technology, gives ANSYS a complete additive manufacturing simulation workflow solution. 3DSIM's software solutions empower manufacturers, designers, materials scientists and engineers to achieve their objectives through simulation-driven innovation rather than physical trial and error. |
| | July 5, 2017 | Computational Engineering International, Inc. (CEI Inc.) | CEI Inc., the developer of EnSight, aids engineers and scientists in their ability to analyze, visualize and communicate large simulation data sets in clear, higher-resolution outputs. |
| | March 10, 2017 | CLK Design Automation (CLK-DA) | CLK-DA offers fast transistor simulation technology that complements the Company's semiconductor product portfolio. |

The operating results of each acquisition have been included in the Company's consolidated financial statements since each respective date of acquisition. The effects of the business combinations were not material to the Company's consolidated results of operations individually or in the aggregate.

In valuing deferred revenue on the balance sheets of the Company's acquisitions as of their respective acquisition dates, the Company applied the fair value provisions applicable to the accounting for business combinations. Under ASC 606, the impacts on reported revenue for the year ended December 31, 2018 were \$0.7 million . The expected impact on reported revenue for the year ending December 31, 2019 is \$0.1 million . Under ASC 605, the impacts on reported revenue for the years ended December 31, 2018 , 2017 and 2016 were \$1.2 million , \$2.9 million and \$0.1 million , respectively.

5. Receivables and Other Current Assets

The Company's receivables and other current assets comprise the following balances:

| | December 31, | | | |
|--|--------------|------------|----|---------|
| (in thousands) | 2018 | | | 2017 |
| Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$8,000 and \$6,800, respectively | \$ | \$ 317,700 | | 124,659 |
| | | | | |
| Receivables related to unrecognized revenue | \$ | 167,144 | \$ | 215,155 |
| Income taxes receivable, including overpayments and refunds | | 13,709 | | 21,663 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | | 35,260 | | 27,002 |
| Total other receivables and current assets | \$ | 216,113 | \$ | 263,820 |

Receivables for unrecognized revenue represent the current portion of billings made for customer contracts that have not yet been recognized as revenue.

Upon the adoption of ASC 606 on January 1, 2018, the opening balances of accounts receivable and receivables related to unrecognized revenue were \$278.8 million and \$136.4 million, respectively.

6. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment consists of the following:

| | | December 31, | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------|-----------|----|-----------|
| (in thousands) | Estimated Useful Lives | | 2018 | | 2017 |
| Equipment | 1-12 years | \$ | 92,409 | \$ | 88,189 |
| Computer software | 1-5 years | | 35,053 | | 34,994 |
| Buildings and improvements | 5-40 years | | 27,352 | | 26,423 |
| Leasehold improvements | 1-17 years | | 15,782 | | 13,316 |
| Furniture | 1-13 years | | 10,846 | | 9,239 |
| Land | | | 1,759 | | 1,759 |
| Property and equipment, gross | | | 183,201 | | 173,920 |
| Less: Accumulated depreciation | | | (121,546) | | (116,824) |
| Property and equipment, net | | \$ | 61,655 | \$ | 57,096 |

Depreciation expense related to property and equipment was \$18.4 million, \$17.9 million and \$18.7 million for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

7. Goodwill and Intangible Assets

Goodwill represents the excess of the fair value of the consideration transferred over the value of net tangible and identifiable intangible assets of acquired businesses. Identifiable intangible assets acquired in business combinations are recorded based on their fair values on the date of acquisition.

During the first quarter of 2018, the Company completed the annual impairment test for goodwill and the indefinite-lived intangible asset and determined that these assets had not been impaired as of the test date, January 1, 2018. No other events or circumstances changed during the year ended December 31, 2018 that would indicate that the fair values of the Company's reporting unit and indefinite-lived intangible asset are below their carrying values.

The Company's intangible assets and estimated useful lives are classified as follows:

| | Decembe | r 31, 2018 | December 31, 2017 | | | |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|---------|----|-----------------------------|
| (in thousands) | Gross Carrying Amount | Accumulated Amortization | | | | Accumulated Amortization |
| Finite-lived intangible assets: | | | | | | |
| Developed software and core technologies (3 – 11 years) | \$ 410,680 | \$ (314,730) | \$ | 365,317 | \$ | (297,645) |
| Customer lists and contract backlog (5 – 15 years) | 209,031 | (117,614) | | 171,048 | | (104,522) |
| Trade names (2 – 10 years) | 137,225 | (113,677) | | 127,200 | | (104,130) |
| Total | \$ 756,936 | \$ (546,021) | \$ | 663,565 | \$ | (506,297) |
| Indefinite-lived intangible assets: | | | | | | |
| Trade name | \$ 357 | | \$ | 357 | | |

Amortization expense for the intangible assets reflected above was \$40.8 million , \$49.8 million and \$50.8 million for the years ended December 31, 2018 , 2017 and 2016 , respectively.

As of December 31, 2018, estimated future amortization expense for the intangible assets reflected above is as follows:

| (in thousands) | |
|--|---------------|
| 2019 | \$ 31,652 |
| 2020 | 32,723 |
| 2021 | 29,900 |
| 2022 | 26,182 |
| 2023 | 23,275 |
| Thereafter | 67,183 |
| Total intangible assets subject to amortization, net | 210,915 |
| Indefinite-lived trade name | 357 |
| Other intangible assets, net | \$ 211,272 |

The changes in goodwill during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 are as follows:

| (in thousands) | 2018 | 2017 |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Beginning balance - January 1 | \$ 1,378,553 | \$ 1,337,215 |
| Acquisitions and adjustments (1) | 204,381 | 36,443 |
| Currency translation | (10,479) | 4,895 |
| Ending balance - December 31 | \$ 1,572,455 | \$ 1,378,553 |

⁽¹⁾ In accordance with the accounting for business combinations, the Company recorded adjustments to goodwill for the effect of changes in the provisional fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed during the measurement period (up to one year from the acquisition date) as the Company obtained new information about facts and circumstances that existed as of the acquisition date that, if known, would have affected the measurement of the amounts recognized as of that date.

8. Fair Value Measurement

The valuation hierarchy for disclosure of assets and liabilities reported at fair value prioritizes the inputs for such valuations into three broad levels:

- Level 1: quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2: quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets or inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly through market corroboration, for substantially the full term of the financial instrument; or
- · Level 3: unobservable inputs based on the Company's own assumptions used to measure assets and liabilities at fair value.

A financial asset's or liability's classification within the hierarchy is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The following tables provide the assets carried at fair value and measured on a recurring basis:

| | | | | e Using: | | | | |
|--|----|----------------|---|----------|----|--|----|--|
| (in thousands) | | ember 31, 2018 | Quoted Prices in Active Markets (Level 1) | | S | Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2) | | Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3) |
| Assets | | | | | | | | |
| Cash equivalents | \$ | 446,055 | \$ | 446,055 | \$ | _ | \$ | _ |
| Short-term investments | \$ | 225 | \$ | _ | \$ | 225 | \$ | _ |
| Deferred compensation plan investments | \$ | 1,646 | \$ | 1,646 | \$ | _ | \$ | _ |
| | | 0.1 | | | | | | |

| | | | Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using: | | | | | | | |
|--|-------------------|---------|--|---------|----|---|----|--|--|--|
| (in thousands) | December 31, 2017 | | December 31, 2017 | | | Quoted Prices in Active Markets (Level 1) | | Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2) | | Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3) |
| Assets | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cash equivalents | \$ | 312,914 | \$ | 312,914 | \$ | | \$ | | | |
| Short-term investments | \$ | 286 | \$ | _ | \$ | 286 | \$ | _ | | |
| Deferred compensation plan investments | \$ | 3,742 | \$ | 3,742 | \$ | _ | \$ | _ | | |

The cash equivalents in the preceding tables represent money market funds, valued at net asset value, with carrying values which approximate their fair values because of their short-term nature.

The short-term investments in the preceding tables represent deposits held by certain foreign subsidiaries of the Company. The deposits have fixed interest rates with original maturities ranging from three months to one year.

The deferred compensation plan investments in the preceding tables represent trading securities held in a rabbi trust for the benefit of the non-employee Directors. These securities consist of mutual funds traded in an active market with quoted prices. As a result, the plan assets are classified as Level 1 in the fair value hierarchy. The plan assets are recorded within other long-term assets on the Company's consolidated balance sheets.

9. Income Taxes

Income before income taxes includes the following components:

| | Year Ended December 31, | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|-------------------------|---------|----|---------|----|---------|--|--|--|
| (in thousands) | 2018 2017 2010 | | | | | | | | |
| Domestic | \$ | 455,478 | \$ | 344,447 | \$ | 340,251 | | | |
| Foreign | | 31,607 | | 51,247 | | 40,064 | | | |
| Total | \$ | 487,085 | \$ | 395,694 | \$ | 380,315 | | | |

The provision for income taxes is composed of the following:

| | _ | | Year E | Ended December 31, | | |
|------------|---|-----------|--------|--------------------|----|----------|
| thousands) | | 2018 | | 2017 | | 2016 |
| | | | | | | |
| | 5 | \$ 58,138 | \$ | 112,414 | \$ | 99,783 |
| | | 12,888 | | 7,879 | | 8,338 |
| | | 30,359 | | 18,843 | | 17,479 |
| | | | | | | |
| | | (20,764) | | (7,387) | | (13,368) |
| | | (2,901) | | (584) | | (1,036) |
| | | (10,010) | | 5,278 | | 3,483 |
| | 5 | \$ 67,710 | \$ | 136,443 | \$ | 114,679 |
| | | | | | | |

The reconciliation of the U.S. federal statutory tax rate to the consolidated effective tax rate is as follows:

| | Year Ended December 31, | | | | | |
|---|-------------------------|--------|--------|--|--|--|
| | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | | | |
| Federal statutory tax rate | 21.0 % | 35.0 % | 35.0 % | | | |
| State income taxes, net of federal benefit | 1.5 | 1.1 | 1.6 | | | |
| Foreign rate differential | 0.8 | 0.1 | 0.1 | | | |
| Uncertain tax positions | 0.5 | 0.3 | (0.2) | | | |
| U.S. tax reform enactment | 0.2 | 4.5 | _ | | | |
| Domestic production activity benefit | _ | (2.6) | (3.7) | | | |
| Benefit from entity structuring activities | (1.4) | _ | (2.2) | | | |
| Research and development credits | (2.3) | (1.4) | (1.0) | | | |
| Stock-based compensation | (3.3) | (3.1) | 0.2 | | | |
| Foreign-derived intangible income deduction | (3.9) | _ | _ | | | |
| Other | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.4 | | | |
| | 13.9 % | 34.5 % | 30.2 % | | | |

On December 22, 2017, the U.S. government enacted comprehensive tax legislation commonly referred to as the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (Tax Reform). Tax Reform makes broad and complex changes to the U.S. tax code, including, but not limited to, (1) reducing the U.S. federal corporate tax rate from 35 percent to 21 percent; (2) requiring companies to pay a one-time federal income tax on certain unrepatriated earnings of foreign subsidiaries (transition tax); (3) generally eliminating U.S. federal income taxes on dividends from foreign subsidiaries; (4) creating a new provision designed to tax global intangible low-taxed income (GILTI) which allows for the possibility of using foreign tax credits (FTCs) and a deduction of up to 50 percent to offset the income tax liability (subject to some limitations); (5) repealing the domestic production activity deduction; (6) creating the foreign-derived intangible income deduction; (7) creating the base erosion anti-abuse tax, a new minimum tax; (8) allowing for full expensing of qualified property through bonus depreciation; and (9) creating limitations on the deductibility of certain executive compensation.

The SEC staff issued Staff Accounting Bulletin (SAB) 118, which provides guidance on accounting for the tax effects of Tax Reform. SAB 118 provided a measurement period that was limited to one year from enactment for companies to complete the accounting under ASC 740, *Income Taxes*. In accordance with SAB 118, throughout the measurement period, a company must reflect the income tax effects of those aspects of Tax Reform for which the accounting under ASC 740 was complete in the financial statements. To the extent that a company's accounting for certain income tax effects of Tax Reform was incomplete, but a reasonable estimate was able to be made, the company must record a provisional estimate in the financial statements. If a company could not determine a provisional estimate to be included in the financial statements, it should continue to apply ASC 740 on the basis of the tax laws that were in effect immediately before the enactment of Tax Reform.

As further discussed below, the Company finalized its provisional Tax Reform calculations as of the end of the measurement period, based on guidance and information available as of the reporting date. The U.S. government has not yet issued final guidance related to the new rules enacted as part of Tax Reform. Subsequent adjustments, if any, will be recorded in the period in which guidance is finalized.

The Company's accounting for the impact of the reduction in the U.S. federal corporate tax rate on the Company's deferred tax assets and liabilities is complete. Tax Reform reduced the corporate tax rate to 21 percent, effective January 1, 2018. Consequently, the Company recorded a net adjustment to deferred income tax expense of \$1.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2017 to revalue the Company's deferred tax assets and liabilities. No further adjustments were recorded for the year ended December 31, 2018.

The Company's accounting for the transition tax is complete. Reasonable estimates of certain effects were calculated and a provisional adjustment of \$16.0 million was recorded in the December 31, 2017 financial statements. To determine the amount of the transition tax, the Company determined, in addition to other factors, the amount of post-1986 earnings and profits (E&P) of the relevant subsidiaries, as well as the amount of non-U.S. income taxes paid on such earnings. Based on revised E&P calculations updated during the measurement period, the Company recognized an additional measurement-period adjustment of \$0.9 million to the transition tax obligation and a corresponding adjustment to tax expense, resulting in a total transition tax obligation of \$16.9 million. The Company has elected to pay this liability over eight years; however, in accordance with IRS issued guidance, tax overpayments from the year ended December 31, 2017 are required to be applied to the transition tax obligation. Based on this guidance, \$15.6 million of the obligation has been paid, with the remaining \$1.3 million recorded in other long-term liabilities at December 31, 2018.

The Company's accounting for the indefinite reinvestment assertion is complete. In general, it is the practice and intention of the Company to repatriate previously taxed earnings in excess of working capital needs and to reinvest all other earnings of its non-U.S. subsidiaries. As part of Tax Reform, the Company incurred U.S. tax on substantially all of the earnings of its non-U.S. subsidiaries as part of the transition tax. This tax increased the Company's previously taxed earnings and allows for the repatriation of the majority of its foreign earnings without any residual U.S. federal tax. The Company does not believe that there is an excess of the financial reporting basis over the tax basis of investments in foreign subsidiaries. Accordingly, any repatriation in excess of previously taxed earnings will be a non-taxable return of basis. During the year ended December 31, 2018, the Company repatriated \$144.3 million of foreign cash. The Company has not made any measurement-period adjustments related to its indefinite reinvestment assertion during the year ended December 31, 2018.

The Company's accounting policy choice for GILTI is complete. Under U.S. GAAP, the Company is allowed to make an accounting policy choice of either (1) treating taxes due on future U.S. inclusions in taxable income related to GILTI as a current-period expense when incurred (the period cost method) or (2) factoring such amounts into the Company's measurement of its deferred taxes (the deferred method). The Company selected the period cost method and recorded GILTI tax expense of \$0.4 million in the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2018.

The components of deferred tax assets and liabilities are as follows:

| | Dece | mber 31, |
|---------------------------------------|------------|-----------|
| (in thousands) | 2018 | 2017 |
| Deferred tax assets: | | |
| Stock-based compensation | \$ 20,464 | \$ 17,825 |
| Net operating loss carryforwards | 19,741 | 21,391 |
| Uncertain tax positions | 17,823 | 15,424 |
| Employee benefits | 15,048 | 8,603 |
| Research and development credits | 5,951 | 3,699 |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts | 1,616 | 1,462 |
| Deferred revenue | _ | 5,134 |
| Other | 2,505 | 2,003 |
| Valuation allowance | (2,127) | (1,906) |
| | 81,021 | 73,635 |
| Deferred tax liabilities: | | |
| Other intangible assets | (38,787) | (29,924) |
| Accounting method change | (31,626) | _ |
| Deferred revenue | (12,021) | _ |
| Property and equipment | (2,034) | (1,557) |
| Unremitted foreign earnings | _ | (1,504) |
| | (84,468) | (32,985) |
| Net deferred tax (liabilities) assets | \$ (3,447) | \$ 40,650 |

At December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, the Company excluded from the above table deferred tax assets associated with foreign net operating loss carryforwards of \$19.5 million and \$25.2 million and corresponding valuation allowances of \$19.5 million and \$25.2 million in a jurisdiction where the Company determined utilization is remote.

The net increase in the valuation allowance was primarily due to an increase in unrealizable tax assets. As of each reporting date, management considers new evidence, both positive and negative, that could affect the future realization of deferred tax assets. If management determines it is more likely than not that an asset, or a portion of an asset, will not be realized, a valuation allowance is recorded.

As of December 31, 2018, the Company had federal net operating loss carryforwards of \$5.6 million. These losses expire between 2025 - 2036, and are subject to limitations on their utilization. Deferred tax assets of \$0.4 million have been recorded for state operating loss carryforwards. These losses expire between 2029 - 2035, and are subject to limitations on their utilization. The Company had total foreign net operating loss carryforwards of \$73.8 million, of which \$46.0 million are not currently subject to expiration dates. The remainder, \$27.8 million, expires between 2021 - 2035. The Company had tax credit carryforwards of \$4.3 million, of which \$2.2 million are subject to limitations on their utilization. Approximately \$0.6 million of these tax credit carryforwards are not currently subject to expiration dates. The remainder, \$3.7 million, expires in various years between 2019 - 2038.

The following is a reconciliation of the total amounts of unrecognized tax benefits:

| | Year Ended December 31, | | | | | |
|--|-------------------------|--------|----|--------|----|---------|
| (in thousands) | 2018 | | | 2017 | | 2016 |
| Unrecognized tax benefit as of January 1 | \$ | 19,657 | \$ | 15,209 | \$ | 16,067 |
| Gross increases—tax positions in prior period | | 1,229 | | 905 | | 983 |
| Gross decreases—tax positions in prior period | | (376) | | (765) | | (2,502) |
| Gross increases—tax positions in current period | | 4,014 | | 3,757 | | 2,725 |
| Reductions due to a lapse of the applicable statute of limitations | | (994) | | (847) | | (927) |
| Changes due to currency fluctuation | | (703) | | 1,414 | | (348) |
| Settlements | | _ | | (16) | | (789) |
| Unrecognized tax benefit as of December 31 | \$ | 22,827 | \$ | 19,657 | \$ | 15,209 |

The Company believes that it is reasonably possible that approximately \$1.0 million of uncertain tax positions may be resolved within the next twelve months as a result of settlement with a taxing authority or a lapse of the statute of limitations. Of the total unrecognized tax benefit as of December 31, 2018, \$13.7 million would affect the effective tax rate, if recognized.

The Company recognizes interest and penalties related to income taxes as income tax expense. During the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, the Company recorded penalty expense of \$0.8 million, \$1.1 million and \$0.8 million, respectively. The Company recorded interest income of \$0.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2018 and interest expense of \$0.4 million and \$0.1 million during the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. As of December 31, 2018, the Company accrued a liability for penalties of \$4.7 million and interest of \$4.0 million. As of December 31, 2017, the Company accrued a liability for penalties of \$3.9 million and interest of \$3.6 million.

The Company is subject to taxation in the U.S. and various states and foreign jurisdictions. In the U.S., the Company's only major tax jurisdiction, the 2015 - 2018 tax years are open to examination by the Internal Revenue Service.

10. Pension and Profit-Sharing Plans

The Company has a 401(k)/profit-sharing plan for all qualifying domestic employees that permits participants to defer a portion of their pay pursuant to Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Company makes matching contributions on behalf of each eligible participant in an amount equal to 100% of the first 3% and an additional 25% of the next 5%, for a maximum total of 4.25% of the employee's compensation. The Company may make a discretionary contribution based on the participant's eligible compensation, provided the employee is employed at the end of the year and has worked at least 1,000 hours . The Company also maintains various defined contribution and defined benefit pension arrangements for its international employees. The Company meets the minimum statutory funding requirements for its foreign defined benefit and contribution plans. The total unfunded portion of the defined benefit obligations is \$9.7 million .

Expenses related to the Company's retirement programs were \$12.4\$ million in 2018, \$10.1\$ million in 2017 and <math>\$9.1\$ million in 2016.

11. Non-Compete and Employment Agreements

Employees of the Company have signed agreements under which they have agreed not to disclose trade secrets or confidential information that, where legally permitted, restrict engagement in or connection with any business that is competitive with the Company anywhere in the world while employed by the Company (and, in some cases, for specified periods thereafter in relevant geographic areas), and that any products or technology created by them during their term of employment are the property of the Company. In addition, the Company requires all channel partners to enter into agreements not to disclose the Company's trade secrets and other proprietary information.

The Company has an employment agreement with its Chief Executive Officer. This agreement provides for, among other things, in the case of termination for reasons other than death, disability or cause and subject to non-compete and non-solicit clauses, minimum severance payments equal to two times his base salary and target bonus paid out over two years from the date of termination and up to two years of payments for health care coverage from the date of termination. The Chief Executive Officer is subject to a two-year restriction on competition and solicitation following termination of employment under the circumstances described in the contract.

The Company has a transition agreement with its Chairman of the Board. This agreement provides for, among other things, that the Chairman of the Board shall be employed by the Company until April 30, 2019 unless terminated earlier in accordance with the terms of the agreement. The Chairman of the Board shall receive salary paid in bi-monthly installments as specified in the transition agreement and restricted stock units vesting in part in March 2018 and the remainder at the end of the transition agreement, subject to the Chairman of the Board's continued employment, in accordance with the terms of the transition agreement. The Chairman of the Board will not be entitled to bonus payments during his employment pursuant to the transition agreement, but he will be eligible to participate in all of the Company's benefit plans subject to the terms of such plans. The transition agreement provides for an additional payment (less salary received and equity calculations as set forth in the transition agreement) in the event that the Chairman of the Board's employment is terminated without cause prior to April 30, 2019.

The Company also has employment agreements with several other employees, primarily in foreign jurisdictions. The terms of these employment agreements generally include annual compensation, severance payment provisions and non-compete clauses.

12. Stock-Based Compensation

The Company has an equity incentive plan—the Fifth Amended and Restated ANSYS, Inc. 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan (Stock Plan). The Stock Plan, as amended, authorizes the grant of up to 39.8 million shares of the Company's common stock in the form of: (i) incentive stock options (ISOs), (ii) nonqualified stock options, (iii) common stock with or without vesting or other restrictions, (iv) common stock upon the attainment of specified performance goals, (v) restricted stock awards, (vi) the right to receive cash dividends with the holders of the common stock as if the recipient held a specified number of shares of the common stock, (vii) deferred stock awards, (viii) restricted stock unit awards, (ix) stock appreciation rights and (x) cash-based awards.

The Stock Plan provides that: (i) the exercise price of an ISO must be no less than the fair value of the stock at the date of grant and (ii) the exercise price of an ISO held by an optionee who possesses more than 10% of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock must be no less than 110% of the fair market value of the stock at the time of grant. The Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors has the authority to set expiration dates no later than ten years from the date of grant (or five years for an optionee who meets the 10% criterion), payment terms, and other provisions for each grant. The majority of options granted have a four -year vesting period. Shares associated with unexercised options or reacquired shares of common stock (except those shares withheld as a result of tax withholding or net issuance) become available for option grants and common stock issuances under the Stock Plan. The Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors may, at its sole discretion, accelerate or extend the date or dates on which all or any particular award or awards granted under the Stock Plan may vest or be exercised. Upon termination of service of a participant due to the participant's death or disability, the vesting of restricted stock units held by the participant accelerates (in case of performance-based vesting, subject to the attainment of the performance requirement).

In the event of a "sale event," defined in the Stock Plan as a "Transaction," all outstanding awards will be assumed or continued by the successor entity, with appropriate adjustment in the awards to reflect the transaction. In such event, except as the Compensation Committee may otherwise specify with respect to particular awards in the award agreements, if the service relationship of the holder of an award is terminated without cause within 18 months after the sale event, then all awards held by such holder will become fully vested and exercisable at that time. If there is a sale event in which the successor entity refuses to assume or continue outstanding awards, then subject to the consummation of the sale event, all awards with time-based vesting conditions will become fully vested and exercisable at the effective time of the sale event and all awards with performance-based vesting conditions may become vested and exercisable in accordance with the award agreements at the discretion of the Compensation Committee. If awards are not assumed or continued after a sale event, then all such awards will terminate at the time of the sale event. In the event of the termination of stock options or stock appreciation rights in connection with a sale event, the Compensation Committee may either make or provide for a cash payment to the holders of such awards equal to the difference between the per share transaction consideration and the exercise price of such awards or permit each holder to have at least a 15 -day period to exercise such awards prior to their termination.

The Company currently issues shares related to exercised stock options or vested awards from its existing pool of treasury shares and has no specific policy to repurchase treasury shares as stock options are exercised or as awards vest. If the treasury pool is depleted, the Company will issue new shares.

Total stock-based compensation expense recognized for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 is as follows:

| | | Year Ended December 31, | | | | | | |
|--|----|-------------------------|----|----------|----|----------|--|--|
| (in thousands, except per share amounts) | | 2018 | | 2017 | | 2016 | | |
| Cost of sales: | | | | | | | | |
| Software licenses | \$ | _ | \$ | 969 | \$ | 701 | | |
| Maintenance and service | | 5,224 | | 2,533 | | 1,578 | | |
| Operating expenses: | | | | | | | | |
| Selling, general and administrative | | 47,099 | | 30,817 | | 15,990 | | |
| Research and development | | 31,023 | | 18,835 | | 15,078 | | |
| Stock-based compensation expense before taxes | | 83,346 | | 53,154 | | 33,347 | | |
| Related income tax benefits | | (34,518) | | (20,503) | | (10,538) | | |
| Stock-based compensation expense, net of taxes | \$ | 48,828 | \$ | 32,651 | \$ | 22,809 | | |
| Net impact on earnings per share: | | | | | | | | |
| Basic earnings per share | \$ | (0.58) | \$ | (0.38) | \$ | (0.26) | | |
| Diluted earnings per share | \$ | (0.57) | \$ | (0.38) | \$ | (0.26) | | |

Stock Options

Information regarding stock option transactions is summarized below:

| | | | | Year Ended | Dec | ember 31, | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---|-------|------------|---|-----------|---------|----|---|--|--|
| | 2 | 018 | | 20 | 017 | | 2016 | | | | |
| (options in thousands) | Options | Weighted- Average Exercise Price | | Options | Weighted- Average Exercise Options Price | | Options | | Weighted- Average Exercise Price | | |
| Outstanding, beginning of year | 2,170 | \$ | 59.17 | 3,136 | \$ | 56.37 | 3,986 | \$ | 51.07 | | |
| Granted | _ | \$ | _ | _ | \$ | _ | 260 | \$ | 94.38 | | |
| Exercised | (679) | \$ | 50.92 | (956) | \$ | 49.78 | (1,082) | \$ | 45.57 | | |
| Forfeited | (7) | \$ | 86.28 | (10) | \$ | 80.92 | (28) | \$ | 72.07 | | |
| Outstanding, end of year | 1,484 | \$ | 62.80 | 2,170 | \$ | 59.17 | 3,136 | \$ | 56.37 | | |
| Vested and Exercisable, end of year | 1,347 | \$ | 59.69 | 1,930 | \$ | 55.11 | 2,762 | \$ | 51.80 | | |
| Nonvested | 137 | \$ | 93.44 | 240 | \$ | 91.71 | 374 | \$ | 90.12 | | |

| | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 |
|--|---------------|------------|---------------|
| Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term (in years) | | | |
| Outstanding | 3.55 | 4.10 | 4.62 |
| Vested and Exercisable | 3.14 | 3.57 | 4.04 |
| Nonvested | 7.60 | 8.30 | 8.93 |
| Aggregate Intrinsic Value (in thousands) | | | |
| Exercised | \$ 78,648 | \$ 58,472 | \$ 49,752 |
| Outstanding | \$ 118,908 | \$ 191,895 | \$ 113,822 |
| Vested and Exercisable | \$ 112,133 | \$ 178,456 | \$ 112,379 |
| Nonvested | \$ 6,775 | \$ 13,439 | \$ 1,443 |
| Compensation Expense - Stock Options (in thousands) | \$ 2,006 | \$ 2,948 | \$ 7,406 |

Historical and future expected forfeitures have not been significant and, as a result, the outstanding option amounts reflected in the tables above approximate the options expected to vest.

The fair value of each option grant is estimated on the date of grant, or date of acquisition for options issued in a business combination, using the Black-Scholes option pricing model, which was developed for use in estimating the fair value of traded options that have no vesting restrictions and are fully transferable. The Company's options have characteristics significantly different from those of traded options, and changes in input assumptions can materially affect the fair value estimates. The interest rates used were determined by using the five-year Treasury Note yield at the date of grant or date of acquisition for

options issued in a business combination. The volatility was determined based on the historic volatility of the Company's stock during the preceding six years.

The table below presents the weighted average input assumptions used and resulting fair values for options granted or issued in business combinations during the year ended December 31, 2016:

| Risk-free interest rate | 1.19% to 1.93% |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| Expected dividend yield | <u> </u> |
| Expected volatility | 24% |
| Expected term | 5.7 years |
| Weighted average fair value per share | \$23.96 |

The Company did not grant stock option awards in 2018 and 2017. Forfeitures of awards are accounted for as they occur. The effect of pre-vesting forfeitures on the Company's recorded expense has historically been negligible due to the relatively low turnover of stock option holders.

The Company's determination of fair value of share-based payment awards on the date of grant using an option pricing model is affected by the Company's stock price as well as assumptions regarding a number of variables. As of December 31, 2018, total unrecognized estimated compensation cost related to unvested stock options granted prior to that date was \$2.8 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.4 years.

Information regarding stock options outstanding as of December 31, 2018 is summarized below:

| (options in thousands) | | Options Outstandi | ng | | | Options Exercisal | ble | | | Options Unveste | d | |
|-----------------------------|---------|--|----|---|---------|--|-----|---|---------|--|----|---|
| Range of Exercise Prices | Options | Weighted- Average Remaining Contractual Life (years) | | Weighted- Average Exercise Price | Options | Weighted- Average Remaining Contractual Life (years) | | Weighted- Average Exercise Price | Options | Weighted- Average Remaining Contractual Life (years) | | Veighted- Average Exercise Price |
| \$5.91 - \$48.97 | 458 | 1.57 | \$ | 42.12 | 457 | 1.56 | \$ | 42.20 | 1 | 6.00 | \$ | 12.26 |
| \$58.67 | 359 | 2.84 | \$ | 58.67 | 359 | 2.84 | \$ | 58.67 | _ | 0.00 | \$ | _ |
| \$61.68 - \$65.72 | 11 | 0.44 | \$ | 63.75 | 11 | 0.44 | \$ | 63.75 | _ | 0.00 | \$ | _ |
| \$67.44 - \$95.09 | 656 | 5.38 | \$ | 79.50 | 520 | 4.79 | \$ | 75.68 | 136 | 7.61 | \$ | 94.16 |

Restricted Stock Units

Under the terms of the ANSYS, Inc. Second Amended and Restated Long-Term Incentive Plan, the Company issues various restricted stock awards. The following table summarizes the types of awards and vesting conditions:

| Award | Vesting Period | Vesting Condition |
|--|-----------------------|--|
| Restricted stock units with a market and service condition | Three years | Company performance measured by total shareholder return relative to the Nasdaq Composite Index for the measurement period and subject to continued employment through the vesting period. |
| Restricted stock units with an operating performance and service condition | Three years | Operating performance metrics as defined by the Company through the vesting period. |
| Restricted stock units with a service condition only | Three or four years | Continued employment with the Company through the yearly vesting period. |

The fair values of restricted stock units (RSUs) with a market condition were estimated using a Monte Carlo simulation model and are recognized over the vesting period. The determination of the fair values of the awards was affected by the grant date and several variables, each of which has been identified in the chart below:

| | Year Ended December 31, | | | | | |
|---|-------------------------|------------|-----------|--|--|--|
| Assumptions used in Monte Carlo lattice pricing model | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | | | |
| Risk-free interest rate | 2.4% | 1.5% | 1.0% | | | |
| Expected dividend yield | % | <u> </u> % | % | | | |
| Expected volatility—ANSYS stock price | 21% | 19% | 21% | | | |
| Expected volatility—Nasdaq Composite Index | 15% | 15% | 16% | | | |
| Expected term | 2.8 years | 2.8 years | 2.8 years | | | |
| Correlation factor | 0.65 | 0.70 | 0.65 | | | |
| Weighted average fair value per share | 191.76 | 120.94 | 78.71 | | | |

The fair value of RSUs with operating performance metrics is based on the fair market value of the Company's stock on the date of the grant and is recognized from the grant date through the conclusion of the measurement period associated with each operating performance metric based on management's estimates concerning the probability of vesting.

The fair value of RSUs with only a service condition is based on the fair market value of the Company's stock on the date of the grant and is recognized over the vesting period.

Total compensation expense for RSU awards recorded for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 was \$77.4 million, \$46.3 million and \$22.9 million, respectively.

Information regarding all employee RSU transactions is summarized below:

| | | | | Year Ended | Dece | mber 31, | | | | | |
|------------------------------|-------|-----|---|------------|------|---|-------|----|--|--|--|
| | 2 | 018 | | 2 | 017 | | 2016 | | | | |
| (RSUs in thousands) | RSUs | Gr | Weighted- Average rant Date Fair Value | RSUs | G | Weighted- Average rant Date Fair Value | RSUs | | Weighted- Average ant Date Fair Value | | |
| Nonvested, beginning of year | 1,361 | \$ | 100.66 | 906 | \$ | 86.45 | 656 | \$ | 83.30 | | |
| Granted (1) | 681 | \$ | 163.67 | 866 | \$ | 109.67 | 588 | \$ | 87.50 | | |
| Performance adjustment (2) | 76 | \$ | 151.52 | 35 | \$ | 98.29 | (90) | \$ | 77.68 | | |
| Vested | (524) | \$ | 101.38 | (341) | \$ | 88.58 | (176) | \$ | 83.79 | | |
| Forfeited | (72) | \$ | 125.29 | (105) | \$ | 90.80 | (72) | \$ | 83.82 | | |
| Nonvested, end of year | 1,522 | \$ | 129.96 | 1,361 | \$ | 100.66 | 906 | \$ | 86.45 | | |

⁽¹⁾ Includes all RSUs granted during the year. RSUs with operating performance conditions are issued annually and have three performance cycles. Performance conditions are assigned at the beginning of each performance cycle and are reflected as grants at target at that time.

(2) RSUs with a market or performance condition are granted at target and vest based on achievement of the market or operating performance and service conditions. The actual number of RSUs issued may be more or less than the target RSUs depending on the achievement of the market or operating performance conditions.

Board of Directors

In 2015 and prior, the Company granted deferred stock awards to non-employee Directors, which are rights to receive shares of common stock upon termination of service as a Director. Associated with these awards, the Company established a non-qualified 409(a) deferred compensation plan with assets held under a rabbi trust to provide Directors an opportunity to diversify their vested awards. During open trading windows and at their elective option, the Directors may convert their Company shares into a variety of non-Company-stock investment options in order to diversify a portion of their holdings, subject to meeting ownership guidelines.

Information regarding deferred stock awards to non-employee Directors is summarized below:

| | Year | Year Ended December 31, 2018 | | | | | |
|--|-------------|------------------------------|----------|--|--|--|--|
| | Diversified | Undiversified | Total | | | | |
| Deferred Awards Outstanding, beginning of year | 29,500 | 159,599 | 189,099 | | | | |
| Shares Diversified | 6,105 | (6,105) | _ | | | | |
| Shares Issued Upon Retirement | (23,355) | (33,045) | (56,400) | | | | |
| Deferred Awards Outstanding, end of year | 12,250 | 120,449 | 132,699 | | | | |

In 2018, 2017 and 2016, the Company granted 13,632, 18,018 and 38,400 RSUs, respectively, which will vest in full upon the earlier of one year from the date of grant or the date of the next regular meeting of stockholders. The weighted average grant date fair values per RSU were \$165.71, \$123.38 and \$86.25 for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Total compensation expense associated with the awards recorded for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 was \$2.3 million, \$2.6 million and \$1.9 million, respectively.

Employee Stock Purchase Plan

The Company's 1996 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "Purchase Plan") was adopted by the Board of Directors on April 19, 1996 and was subsequently approved by the Company's stockholders. The stockholders approved an amendment to the Purchase Plan in May 2016 to increase the number of shares available for offerings to 1.8 million shares. The Purchase Plan is administered by the Compensation Committee. Offerings under the Purchase Plan commence on each February 1 and August 1, and have a duration of six months. An employee who owns or is deemed to own shares of stock representing in excess of 5% of the combined voting power of all classes of stock of the Company may not participate in the Purchase Plan.

During each offering, an eligible employee may purchase shares under the Purchase Plan by authorizing payroll deductions of up to 10% of his or her cash compensation during the offering period. The maximum number of shares that may be purchased by any participating employee during any offering period is limited to 3,840 shares (as adjusted by the Compensation Committee from time to time). Unless the employee has previously withdrawn from the offering, his or her accumulated payroll deductions will be used to purchase common stock on the last business day of the period at a price equal to 90% of the fair market value of the common stock on the first or last day of the offering period, whichever is lower. Under applicable tax rules, an employee may not accrue the right to purchase more than \$ 25,000 of common stock, based on the grant-date fair value, in any calendar year in which the option is outstanding at any time. As of December 31, 2018, 1.6 million shares of common stock had been issued under the Purchase Plan. The total compensation expense recorded under the Purchase Plan during the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 was \$1.8 million, \$1.2 million, respectively.

13. Stock Repurchase Program

Under the Company's stock repurchase program, the Company repurchased shares as follows:

| | Year Ended December 31, | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------|----|---------|----|---------|--|--|
| (in thousands, except per share data) | | 2018 | | 2017 | | 2016 | | |
| Number of shares repurchased | | 1,674 | | 2,750 | | 3,700 | | |
| Average price paid per share | \$ | 161.12 | \$ | 122.20 | \$ | 90.90 | | |
| Total cost | \$ | 269,801 | \$ | 336,042 | \$ | 336,335 | | |

The most recent amendment to the program, authorizing the repurchase of up to 5.0 million shares, was approved by the Company's Board of Directors in February 2018. There is no expiration date to this amendment. As of December 31, 2018, 3.8 million shares remained available for repurchase under the program.

14. Leases

Office Space

The Company's executive offices and those related to certain domestic product development, marketing, production and administration are located in a 186,000 square foot office facility in Canonsburg, Pennsylvania. The term of the lease is 183 months, beginning on October 1, 2014 and expiring on December 31, 2029. Absent the exercise of options in the lease for additional rentable space or early lease termination, the Company's base rent (inclusive of property taxes and certain operating expenses) will be \$4.3 million per annum for the first five years of the lease term, \$4.5 million per annum for years six through ten and \$4.7 million per annum for years eleven through fifteen. The Company incurred \$4.4 million in lease expense related to this facility during each of the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016.

The Company has entered into various other noncancellable operating leases for office space.

Office space lease expense totaled \$19.9 million , \$17.1 million and \$16.9 million for the years ended December 31, 2018 , 2017 and 2016 , respectively. Future minimum lease payments, including termination fees, under noncancellable operating leases for office space in effect at December 31, 2018 are as follows:

| (in thousands) | |
|----------------|--------------|
| 2019 | \$ 16,354 |
| 2020 | 12,469 |
| 2021 | 10,177 |
| 2022 | 8,523 |
| 2023 | 6,809 |
| Thereafter | 14,267 |
| Total | \$ 68,599 |

15. Royalty Agreements

The Company has entered into various renewable, nonexclusive license agreements under which the Company has been granted access to the licensor's technology and the right to sell the technology in the Company's product line. Royalties are payable to developers of the software at various rates and amounts, which generally are based upon unit sales, revenue or flat fees. Royalty fees are reported in cost of goods sold and were \$16.9 million, \$16.0 million and \$13.1 million for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

16. Geographic Information

Revenue to external customers is attributed to individual countries based upon the location of the customer. Revenue by geographic area is as follows:

| | Year Ended December 31, | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|----|-------------------|----|-------------------|----|---------|
| (in thousands) | 2018 2018 (ASC 606) (ASC 605) | | | 2017 (ASC 605) | | 2016 (ASC 605) | | |
| United States | \$ | 506,335 | \$ | 480,997 | \$ | 417,343 | \$ | 367,892 |
| Japan | | 145,951 | | 137,733 | | 126,097 | | 120,159 |
| Germany | | 140,506 | | 124,729 | | 108,211 | | 99,820 |
| South Korea | | 72,724 | | 62,215 | | 63,011 | | 56,793 |
| France | | 67,657 | | 62,146 | | 53,672 | | 49,293 |
| China | | 57,567 | | 56,060 | | 54,415 | | 43,088 |
| Other EMEA | | 193,317 | | 182,228 | | 166,472 | | 151,250 |
| Other international | | 109,579 | | 110,361 | | 106,029 | | 100,170 |
| Total revenue | \$ | 1,293,636 | \$ | 1,216,469 | \$ | 1,095,250 | \$ | 988,465 |

Property and equipment by geographic area is as follows:

| | | December 31, | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|------|--------------|-----------|--|--|--|
| (in thousands) | 2018 | | 2017 | | | |
| United States | \$ | 6,605 \$ | \$ 45,498 | | | |
| India | | 4,176 | 3,704 | | | |
| EMEA | | 7,120 | 5,114 | | | |
| Other international | | 3,754 | 2,780 | | | |
| Total property and equipment, net | \$ | 1,655 \$ | \$ 57,096 | | | |

17. Unconditional Purchase Obligations

The Company has entered into various unconditional purchase obligations which primarily include royalties, software licenses and long-term purchase contracts for network, communication and office maintenance services. The Company expended \$22.4 million, \$14.1 million and \$7.2 million related to unconditional purchase obligations that existed as of the beginning of each year for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Future expenditures under unconditional purchase obligations in effect as of December 31, 2018 are as follows:

| (in thousands) | |
|----------------|--------------|
| 2019 | \$ 24,182 |
| 2020 | 8,588 |
| 2021 | 4,633 |
| 2022 | 54 |
| 2023 | 54 |
| Total | \$ 37,511 |

18. Restructuring

During the fourth quarter of 2016, the Company initiated workforce realignment activities to reallocate resources to align with the Company's future strategic plans. The Company completed the workforce realignment activities as of September 30, 2017. The Company incurred related restructuring charges as follows:

| (in thousands) | Gross | Net of Tax |
|-----------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Q4 2016 | \$ 3,419 | \$ 2,355 |
| Q1 2017 | 9,273 | 6,176 |
| Q2 2017 | 2,000 | 1,435 |
| Q3 2017 | 466 | 331 |
| Total restructuring charges | \$ 15,158 | \$ 10,297 |

The restructuring charges are included in the presentation of cost of software licenses; cost of maintenance and service; research and development expense; and selling, general and administrative expense. The gross charges were fully paid as of March 31, 2018.

19. Contingencies and Commitments

The Company is subject to various investigations, claims and legal proceedings that arise in the ordinary course of business, including commercial disputes, labor and employment matters, tax audits, alleged infringement of intellectual property rights and other matters. In the opinion of the Company, the resolution of pending matters is not expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated results of operations, cash flows or financial position. However, each of these matters is subject to various uncertainties and it is possible that an unfavorable resolution of one or more of these proceedings could materially affect the Company's results of operations, cash flows or financial position.

An Indian subsidiary of the Company has several service tax audits pending that have resulted in formal inquiries being received on transactions through mid-2012. The Company could incur tax charges and related liabilities of approximately \$7.1 million. The service tax issues raised in the Company's notices and inquiries are very similar to the case, M/s Microsoft Corporation (I) (P) Ltd. Vs. Commissioner of Service Tax, New Delhi, wherein the Delhi Customs, Excise and Service Tax Appellate Tribunal (CESTAT) passed a favorable ruling to Microsoft. The Company can provide no assurances on whether the Microsoft case's favorable ruling will be challenged in higher courts or on the impact that the present Microsoft case's decision will have on the Company's cases. The Company is uncertain as to when these service tax matters will be concluded.

The Company sells software licenses and services to its customers under proprietary software license agreements. Each license agreement contains the relevant terms of the contractual arrangement with the customer, and generally includes certain provisions for indemnifying the customer against losses, expenses and liabilities from damages that are incurred by or awarded against the customer in the event the Company's software or services are found to infringe upon a patent, copyright or other proprietary right of a third party. To date, the Company has not had to reimburse any of its customers for any losses related to these indemnification provisions and no material claims asserted under these indemnification provisions are outstanding as of December 31, 2018. For several reasons, including the lack of prior material indemnification claims, the Company cannot determine the maximum amount of potential future payments, if any, related to such indemnification provisions.

20. Subsequent Events

Acquisitions

In February 2019, the Company acquired 100% of the shares of Granta Design Limited (Granta Design) and Helic, Inc. (Helic) for a combined purchase price of approximately \$261.5 million. The acquisition of Granta Design, the premier provider of materials information technology, expands the Company's portfolio into this important area, giving customers access to material intelligence, including data that is critical to successful simulations. The acquisition of Helic, the industry-leading provider of electromagnetic crosstalk solutions for systems on chips, combined with the Company's flagship electromagnetic and semiconductor solvers, will provide a comprehensive solution for on-chip, 3D integrated circuit and chip-package-system electromagnetics and noise analysis.

Credit Facility

Also in February 2019, the Company entered into a \$500 million unsecured revolving credit facility. The revolving credit facility will be available for general corporate purposes, including, among others, to finance acquisitions, share repurchases and capital expenditures, and becomes payable in full in February 2024.

ANSYS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES Valuation and Qualifying Accounts

| Balance at Beginning of Year | | Additions: Charges to Costs and Expenses | | Deductions: Returns and Write-Offs | | Balance at End of Year |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|--|---|---|--|--|
| \$ 6,800 | \$ | 1,577 | \$ | 377 | \$ | 8,000 |
| \$ 5,700 | \$ | 1,474 | \$ | 374 | \$ | 6,800 |
| \$ 5,200 | \$ | 2,009 | \$ | 1,509 | \$ | 5,700 |
| \$ | \$ 6,800 \$ 5,700 | \$ 6,800 \$ \$ 5,700 \$ | Beginning of Year Charges to Costs and Expenses \$ 6,800 \$ 1,577 \$ 5,700 \$ 1,474 | Beginning of Year Charges to Costs and Expenses \$ 6,800 \$ 1,577 \$ 5,700 \$ 1,474 | Beginning of Year Charges to Costs and Expenses Returns and Write-Offs \$ 6,800 \$ 1,577 \$ 377 \$ 5,700 \$ 1,474 \$ 374 | Beginning of Year Charges to Costs and Expenses Returns and Write-Offs \$ 6,800 \$ 1,577 \$ 377 \$ 5,700 \$ 1,474 \$ 374 |

| Exhibit No. | Exhibit |
|-------------|--|
| 3.1 | Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 1996 and incorporated herein by reference). |
| 3.2 | Certificate of Amendment to the Company's Restated Certificate of Incorporation as filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed June 21, 2006, and incorporated herein by reference). |
| 3.3 | Certificate of Amendment to the Company's Restated Certificate of Incorporation as filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed May 17, 2011, and incorporated herein by reference). |
| 3.4 | Certificate of Amendment to the Company's Restated Certificate of Incorporation as filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed May 21, 2012, and incorporated herein by reference). |
| 3.5 | Second Amended and Restated By-laws of the Company (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed February 19, 2008, and incorporated herein by reference). |
| 3.6 | Amendment No. 1 to the Second Amended and Restated By-laws of the Company (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed July 23, 2008, and incorporated herein by reference). |
| 3.7 | Amendment No. 2 to the Second Amended and Restated By-laws of the Company (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed December 20, 2011, and incorporated herein by reference). |
| 3.8 | Amendment No. 3 to the Second Amended and Restated By-laws of ANSYS, Inc. (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed August 7, 2015, and incorporated herein by reference). |
| 3.9 | Amendment No. 4 to the Second Amended and Restated By-laws of ANSYS, Inc. (filed as Exhibit 3.9 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed February 23, 2017, and incorporated herein by reference). |
| 3.10 | Third Amended and Restated By-laws of the Company (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed January 19, 2018, and incorporated herein by reference). |
| 10.1 | ANSYS, Inc. Second Amended and Restated Employee Stock Purchase Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.2 | The Company's Pension Plan and Trust, as amended (filed as Exhibit 10.20 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-4278) and incorporated herein by reference).*(P) |
| 10.3 | Form of Director Indemnification Agreement (filed as Exhibit 10.21 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-4278) and incorporated herein by reference).(P) |
| 10.4 | Employment Agreement between the Registrant and James E. Cashman III dated as of April 21, 2003 (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003 and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.5 | Incentive Stock Option Agreement under the ANSYS, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan (filed as Exhibit 99.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed February 8, 2005, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.6 | Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement under the ANSYS, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan (filed as Exhibit 99.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed February 8, 2005, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.7 | Incentive Stock Option Agreement under the ANSYS, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan (filed as Exhibit 99.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed February 8, 2005, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.8 | Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement under the ANSYS, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan (filed as Exhibit 99.4 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed February 8, 2005, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.9 | Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement under the ANSYS, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan (filed as Exhibit 99.5 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed February 8, 2005, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.10 | Options Granted to Independent Directors Related to the 2005 Annual Meeting of Stockholders on May 10, 2005 (filed as a disclosure in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K. filed May 13, 2005, and incorporated herein by reference).* |

| 10.11 | Amendment to Non-Affiliate Independent Director Compensation on February 9, 2006 (filed as a disclosure in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed February 15, 2006, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
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| 10.12 | Form of Deferred Stock Unit Agreement under the Third Amended and Restated ANSYS, Inc. 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed July 6, 2006, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.13 | Deferred Stock Unit Agreement under the Third Amended and Restated ANSYS, Inc. 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2008 and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.14 | Amended and Restated ANSYS, Inc. Cash Bonus Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.5 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2008 and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.15 | First Amendment of the Employment Agreement Between the Company and James E. Cashman III as of November 6, 2008 (filed as Exhibit 10.0 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2008 and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.16 | ANSYS, Inc. Executive Severance Plan, dated February 17, 2010 (filed as Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed February 23, 2010, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.17 | Form of Award Notice under the ANSYS, Inc. Long-Term Incentive Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Conference of the quarter ended March 31, 2010 and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.18 | Second Amendment of the Employment Agreement Between ANSYS, Inc. and James E. Cashman III dated March 14, 2011 (filed as Exhibit 10. to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed March 18, 2011, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.19 | Form of Employee Incentive Stock Option Agreement under the Fourth Amended and Restated ANSYS, Inc. Stock Option and Grant Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.5 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed March 18, 2011, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.20 | Form of Employee Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement under the Fourth Amended and Restated ANSYS, Inc. 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, filed May 2, 2013, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.21 | Form of Employee Director Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement under the Fourth Amended and Restated ANSYS, Inc. 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, filed May 2, 2013, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.22 | Form of Non-Employee Director Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement under the Fourth Amended and Restated ANSYS, Inc. 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, filed May 2, 2013, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.23 | Form of Non-Qualified Option Transfer Acknowledgment under the Fourth Amended and Restated ANSYS, Inc. 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, filed May 2, 2013, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.24 | Form of Indemnification Agreement between ANSYS, Inc. and Non-Employee Directors (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed March 20, 2013, and incorporated herein by reference). |
| 10.25 | First Amendment to Letter Agreement between ANSYS, Inc. and Maria T. Shields, dated March 14, 2011 (filed as Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed March 18, 2011, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.26 | Consent of the Compensation Committee of the ANSYS, Inc. Board of Directors dated March 14, 2011 (filed as Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed March 18, 2011, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.27 | Fourth Amended and Restated ANSYS, Inc. 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed May 17, 2011, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.28 | Lease by and between ANSYS, Inc. and Quattro Investment Group, L.P., dated as of September 14, 2012 (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed September 18, 2012, and incorporated herein by reference). |
| 10.29 | Form of Restricted Stock Unit Agreement under the Fourth Amended and Restated ANSYS, Inc. 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.39 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K. filed February 27, 2014, and incorporated herein by reference) * |

| 10.30 | ANSYS, Inc. Second Amended and Restated Long-Term Incentive Plan, dated March 5, 2014 (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed March 11, 2014, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
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| 10.31 | Form of Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit (Total Shareholder Return) Award under the ANSYS, Inc. Second Amended and Restated Long-Term Incentive Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed March 11, 2014, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.32 | Form of Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award under the ANSYS, Inc. Fourth Amended and Restated 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed March 11, 2014, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.33 | Employment Agreement between ANSYS, Inc. and Ajei S. Gopal, dated August 29, 2016 (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed August 29, 2016, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.34 | Form of Restricted Stock Unit Agreement with Ajei S. Gopal (filed as Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed August 29, 2016, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.35 | Form of Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement with Ajei S. Gopal (filed as Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed August 29, 2016, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.36 | Transition Agreement between ANSYS, Inc. and James E. Cashman III, effective as of December 31, 2016 (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed December 23, 2016, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.37 | ANSYS, Inc. Third Amended and Restated Employee Stock Purchase Plan (filed as Appendix 2 to the registrant's Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed with the SEC on March 31, 2016 and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.38 | Fifth Amended and Restated ANSYS, Inc. 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan (filed as Appendix 1 to the registrant's Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed with the SEC on March 31, 2016 and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.39 | Form of Restricted Stock Unit Agreement under the Fifth Amended and Restated ANSYS, Inc. 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.35 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed February 23, 2017, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.40 | Form of Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement under the Fifth Amended and Restated ANSYS, Inc. 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan (filed a Exhibit 10.36 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed February 23, 2017, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.41 | Form of Award Notice under the Fifth Amended and Restated ANSYS, Inc. 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.37 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed February 23, 2017, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.42 | Form of Restricted Stock Unit Agreement (Non-Employee Directors) under the Fifth Amended and Restated Stock Option and Grant Plan (filed as Exhibit 10.38 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed February 23, 2017, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.43 | Agreement and General Release by and between the Company and Walid Abu-Hadba, dated May 1, 2017 (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed May 1, 2017, and incorporated herein by reference).* |
| 10.44 | Form of Restricted Stock Unit Agreement under the Fifth Amended and Restated ANSYS, Inc. 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan 2018, attached hereto as Exhibit 10.44.* |
| 14.1 | ANSYS, Inc Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, effective July 29, 2016 (filed as Exhibit 14.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed August 4, 2016, and incorporated herein by reference). |
| 14.2 | Amended and restated ANSYS, Inc Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, effective February 7, 2018 (filed as Exhibit 14.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed February 9, 2018, and incorporated herein by reference). |
| 21.1 | Subsidiaries of the Registrant; filed herewith. |
| 23.1 | Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP, independent registered public accounting firm. |
| 24.1 | Powers of Attorney. Contained on the Signatures page of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018 and incorporated herein by reference. |
| 31.1 | Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. |

| 31.2 | Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. |
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| 32.1 | Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. |
| 32.2 | Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. |
| 101.INS | XBRL Instance Document |
| 101.SCH | XBRL Taxonomy Extension 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 |

^{*} Indicates management contract or compensatory plan, contract or arrangement.

⁽P) Indicates a paper filing.

ITEM 16. FORM 10-K SUMMARY

None.

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.

| | | ANSYS, Inc. | |
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| Date: | February 28, 2019 | Ву: | /s/ A JEI S. G OPAL |
| | | | Ajei S. Gopal President and Chief Executive Officer |
| Date: | February 28, 2019 | Ву: | /s/ M ARIA T. S HIELDS |
| | | | Maria T. Shields Chief Financial Officer |
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POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Ajei S. Gopal, his or her attorney-infact, with the power of substitution, for such person in any and all capacities, to sign any amendments to this Report on Form 10-K, and to file the same, with exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact, or substitute or substitutes, may do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

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

| <u>Signature</u> | <u>Title</u> | <u>Date</u> |
|--|--|-------------------|
| /s/ A JEI S. G OPAL Ajei S. Gopal | President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer) | February 28, 2019 |
| /s/ M ARIA T. S HIELDS Maria T. Shields | Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Accounting Officer) | February 28, 2019 |
| /s/ N ICOLE A NASENES Nicole Anasenes | Director | February 28, 2019 |
| /s/ JAMES E. C ASHMAN III James E. Cashman III | Non-Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors | February 28, 2019 |
| /s/ G LENDA M. D ORCHAK Glenda M. Dorchak | Director | February 28, 2019 |
| /s/ G UY E. D UBOIS Guy E. Dubois | Director | February 28, 2019 |
| /s/ D R . A LEC D. G ALLIMORE Dr. Alec D. Gallimore | Director | February 28, 2019 |
| /s/ R ONALD W. H OVSEPIAN Ronald W. Hovsepian | Lead Independent Director | February 28, 2019 |
| /s/ W ILLIAM R. M C D ERMOTT William R. McDermott | Director | February 28, 2019 |
| /s/ B ARBARA V. S CHERER Barbara V. Scherer | Director | February 28, 2019 |
| /s/ M ICHAEL C. T HURK Michael C. Thurk | Director | February 28, 2019 |

RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AGREEMENT UNDER THE FIFTH AMENDED AND RESTATED ANSYS, INC. 1996 STOCK OPTION AND GRANT PLAN

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| | Pursuant to the Fifth Amended and Restated ANSYS, Inc. 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan (the "Plan") as amended through |
| the da | te hereof, ANSYS, Inc. (the "Company") hereby grants the number of Restricted Stock Units listed above (the "Award") to the |
| Grant | ee named above. Each "Restricted Stock Unit" shall relate to one share of Common Stock par value \$.01 per share (the "Stock") |

of the Company, subject to the restrictions and conditions set forth in this Restricted Stock Unit Agreement (the "Agreement") and in

- 1. <u>Restrictions on Transfer of Award</u>. The Award shall not be sold, transferred, pledged, assigned or otherwise encumbered or disposed of by the Grantee, until shares of Stock have been issued pursuant to Section 3 hereof.
 - 2. <u>Vesting of Restricted Stock Units</u>.

Ingramental Number of

Name of Grantee:

the Plan.

No. of Restricted Stock Units Granted:

(a) The Restricted Stock Units shall become vested pursuant to the following schedule (each, a "Vesting Date"), so long as the Grantee continues to be employed by the Company on each such date;

| Restricted Stock Units Vested | | <u>Vest Date</u> |
|-------------------------------|-----|------------------------------------|
| SHARES_PERIOD1,',,' | 33_ | VEST_DATE_PERIOD1,'Month DD, YYYY' |
| SHARES_PERIOD2,',,' | 33_ | VEST_DATE_PERIOD2,'Month DD, YYYY' |
| SHARES_PERIOD3,',,' | 34_ | VEST_DATE_PERIOD3,'Month DD, YYYY' |

(b) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, in the event that this Award is assumed in the sole discretion of the parties to a Transaction (as defined in Section 3 of the Plan) or is continued by the Company and thereafter remains in effect following such Transaction, then this Award shall be deemed vested in full upon the date on which the Grantee's employment with the Company and its subsidiaries or successor entities terminates if (i) such termination occurs within 18 months of such Transaction and (ii) such termination is by either the Company without Cause (as defined below), or by the Grantee if such termination by the Grantee is preceded during such 18-month period by any material adverse modification of the duties, principal employment location or compensation of the Grantee without

his or her consent, subject, however, to the following sentence. In addition and notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, in the event that the Grantee is not offered employment by the Company and its subsidiaries or any successor entities following a Transaction on substantially the same or better terms (including, without limitation, duties and compensation) than those in effect immediately prior to such Transaction, then this Award shall be deemed vested in full upon the date on which the Grantee's employment with the Company and its subsidiaries terminates. For this purpose, "Cause" shall have the meaning given such term in the employment, severance or similar agreement between the Company and the Grantee and, in the absence of any such agreement, shall mean a determination by the Company that the Grantee shall be dismissed as a result of (i) any material breach by the Grantee of any agreement between the Grantee and the Company; (ii) the conviction of, indictment for or plea of nolo contendere by the Grantee to a felony or a crime involving moral turpitude; or (iii) any material misconduct or willful and deliberate non-performance (other than by reason of disability) by the Grantee of the Grantee's duties to the Company.

3. <u>Issuance of Shares of Stock</u>.

- (a) Subject to the terms of the Plan and this Agreement, each Restricted Stock Unit entitles the Grantee to receive one share of Stock as soon as reasonably practicable following the Vesting Date.
- (b) As soon as reasonably practicable following each Vesting Date, but in no event later than 60 days after the end of the year in which such Vesting Date occurs, the Company shall direct its transfer agent to issue to the Grantee the number of shares of Stock equal to the incremental number of Restricted Stock Units that became vested on such Vesting Date in satisfaction of the Award via the Company's dedicated on-line broker.
- (c) Shares of Stock shall be issued and delivered to the Grantee in accordance with Section 3(b) upon compliance to the satisfaction of the Committee with all requirements under applicable laws or regulations in connection with such issuance and with the requirements hereof and of the Plan. The determination of the Committee as to such compliance shall be final and binding on the Grantee.
- (d) Until such time as shares of Stock are issued to the Grantee pursuant to Section 3(b), the Grantee shall have no rights as a stockholder with respect to any shares of Stock underlying the Restricted Stock Units, including but not limited to any voting rights.

- 4. <u>Termination of Employment</u>. Except as provided in Section 2(b) hereof, if the Grantee's employment by the Company or its subsidiaries is terminated for any reason or under any circumstances, this Award shall no longer vest with respect to any unvested Restricted Stock Units.
- 5. <u>Effect of Certain Transactions</u>. Subject to Section 2(b) hereof, in the case of a Transaction (as defined in Section 3 of the Plan), the unvested portion of this Award shall terminate on the effective date of such Transaction, unless provision is made in such Transaction in the sole discretion of the parties thereto for the assumption or continuation of the unvested Award or the substitution for the unvested Award of new restricted stock units of the successor person or entity or a parent or subsidiary thereof, with appropriate adjustment as to the number and kind of shares, as provided in the Plan.
- 6. <u>Incorporation of Plan</u>. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, this Award shall be subject to and governed by all the terms and conditions of the Plan, including the powers of the Committee set forth in Section 2(b) of the Plan. Capitalized terms used herein shall have the meaning specified in the Plan, unless a different meaning is specified herein.
- 7. <u>Transferability</u>. This Award is personal to the Grantee, is non-assignable and is not transferable by Grantee in any manner, by operation of law or otherwise, other than by will or the laws of descent and distribution. The Stock to be issued upon the vesting of this Award to the Grantee shall be issued, during the Grantee's lifetime, only to the Grantee.
- 8. <u>Tax Withholding</u>. Any issuance of shares of Stock to a Grantee pursuant to this Award shall be subject to applicable tax withholding requirements. The Grantee shall, not later than the date as of which the transfer of shares of Stock pursuant to this Award becomes a taxable event for Federal income tax or other applicable withholding tax purposes, pay to the Company or make arrangements satisfactory to the Committee for payment of any Federal, state, local, non U.S., or other taxes required by law to be withheld on account of such taxable event. The Company shall have the authority to cause the required minimum tax withholding amount to be satisfied, in whole or in part, by withholding from shares of Stock to be issued to the Grantee a number of shares of Stock with an aggregate Fair Market Value that would satisfy such minimum withholding obligation.
- 9. <u>No Obligation to Continue Employment</u>. Neither the Company nor any Subsidiary is obligated by or as a result of the Plan or this Award to continue the Grantee in employment and neither the Plan nor this Award shall interfere in any way with the right of the Company or any Subsidiary to terminate the employment of the Grantee at any time, in accordance with applicable law.
- 10. <u>Non-Competition, Non-Solicitation</u>. As additional consideration for this Award to the Grantee, the Grantee hereby agrees that, if at any time during and for a period of one year after the termination of his or her employment with the Company or any Subsidiary no matter what the cause of that termination, he or she engages for any reason, directly or indirectly, whether as owner, part-owner, shareholder, member, partner, director, officer, trustee, employee, agent or consultant, or in any other capacity, on behalf of himself or herself or any firm, corporation or other business organization other than the Company and its subsidiaries in any one or more of the following activities:

- (a) the development, marketing, solicitation, or selling of any product or service that is competitive with the products or services of the Company, or products or services that the Company has under development or that are subject to active planning at any time during Grantee's employment;
- (b) the use of any of the Company's confidential or proprietary information, copyrights, patents or trade secrets which was acquired by the Grantee as an employee of the Company and its subsidiaries; or
- (c) any activity for the purpose of inducing, encouraging, or arranging for the employment or engagement by anyone other than the Company and its subsidiaries of any employee, officer, director, agent, consultant, or sales representative of the Company and its subsidiaries or attempt to engage any of them in a manner which would deprive the Company and its subsidiaries of their services or place them in a conflict of interest with the Company and its subsidiaries;
- then (i) this Award shall terminate effective on the date on which he or she first engages in such activity, unless terminated sooner by operation of any other term or condition of this Award or the Plan, and (ii) all shares of Stock issued to the Grantee pursuant to this Award shall become immediately due and payable by Grantee to the Company and if such shares of Stock have been sold by the Grantee, an amount equal to the proceeds from such sale shall become immediately due and payable by the Grantee to the Company. Grantee acknowledges and agrees that the activities set forth in this Section 10(a)-(c) are adverse to the Company's interests, and that it would be inequitable for Grantee to benefit from this Award should Grantee engage in any such activities during or within one year after termination of his or her employment with the Company.

The Grantee may be released from his or her obligations as stated above only if the Committee (or its duly appointed agent) determines in its sole discretion that such action is in the best interests of the Company and its subsidiaries.

- 11. <u>Section 409A of the Code</u>. This Agreement shall be interpreted in such a manner that the Award shall be exempt from the requirements of Section 409A of the Code as a "short-term deferral" as described in Section 409A of the Code.
- 12. <u>Integration</u>. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with respect to this Award and supersedes all prior agreements and discussions between the parties concerning such subject matter.
- 13. <u>Data Privacy</u>. The Grantee hereby explicitly and unambiguously consents to the collection, use and transfer, in electronic or other form, of the Grantee's personal data as described in this Agreement and any other Award grant materials by and among, as applicable, the company employing the Grantee (the "Employer"), the Company and any other Subsidiary for the exclusive purpose of implementing, administering and managing the Grantee's participation in the Plan.

The Grantee understands that the Company and the Employer may hold certain personal information about the Grantee, including, but not limited to, the Grantee's name, home address and telephone number, date of birth, social insurance number or other identification number, salary, nationality, job title, any shares of Stock or directorships held in the Company, details of all awards or

any other entitlement to shares of Stock awarded, canceled, exercised, vested, unvested or outstanding in the Grantee's favor ("Data"), for the exclusive purpose of implementing, administering and managing the Plan.

The Grantee understands that Data will be transferred to the stock plan service provider selected by the Company, which is assisting the Company with the implementation, administration and management of the Plan. The Grantee understands that the recipients of the Data may be located in the United States or elsewhere, and that the recipient's country (e.g., the United States) may have different data privacy laws and protections than the Grantee's country. The Grantee understands that he or she may request a list with the names and addresses of any potential recipients of the Data by contacting his or her local human resources representative. The Grantee authorizes the Company, the stock plan service provider and any other possible recipients which may assist the Company (presently or in the future) with implementing, administering and managing the Plan to receive, possess, use, retain and transfer the Data, in electronic or other form, for the sole purposes of implementing, administering and managing the Grantee's participation in the Plan. The Grantee understands that Data will be held only as long as is necessary to implement, administer and manage the Grantee's participation in the Plan. The Grantee understands that he or she may, at any time, view Data, request additional information about the storage and processing of Data, require any necessary amendments to Data or refuse or withdraw the consents herein, in any case without cost, by contacting in writing his or her local human resources representative. Further, the Grantee understands that he or she is providing the consents herein on a purely voluntary basis. If the Grantee does not consent, or if the Grantee later seeks to revoke his or her consent, his or her employment status or service and career with the Employer will not be adversely affected; the only adverse consequence of refusing or withdrawing consent is that the Company would not be able to grant the Grantee the Award or other equity awards or administer or maintain such awards. Therefore, the Grantee understands that refusing or withdrawing his or her consent may affect the Grantee's ability to participate in the Plan. For more information on the consequences of the Grantee's refusal to consent or withdrawal of consent, the Grantee understands that he or she may contact his or her local human resources representative.

- 14. Nature of Grant . In accepting the Award, the Grantee acknowledges, understands and agrees that:
- (a) the Plan is established voluntarily by the Company, it is discretionary in nature and it may be modified, amended, suspended or terminated by the Company at any time, to the extent permitted by the Plan;
- (b) the grant of the Award is voluntary and occasional and does not create any contractual or other right to receive future grants;
 - (c) all decisions with respect to future Awards or other grants, if any, will be at the sole discretion of the Company;
- (d) the Award and the Grantee's participation in the Plan shall not be interpreted as forming an employment contract with the Company;
 - (e) the Grantee is voluntarily participating in the Plan;

- (f) the Award and any shares of Stock acquired under the Plan are not intended to replace any pension rights or compensation;
- (g) the Award and any shares of Stock acquired under the Plan, and the income and value of same, are not part of normal or expected compensation for any purpose, including, without limitation, calculating any severance, resignation, termination, redundancy, dismissal, end-of-service payments, bonuses, long-service awards, pension or retirement benefits or payments or welfare benefits or similar payments;
- (h) the future value of the shares of Stock underlying the Award is unknown, indeterminable, and cannot be predicted with certainty;
- (i) no claim or entitlement to compensation or damages shall arise from forfeiture of the Award resulting from the termination of the Grantee's employment relationship (for any reason whatsoever, whether or not later found to be invalid or in breach of employment laws in the jurisdiction where the Grantee is employed or the terms of the Grantee's employment agreement, if any);
- (j) unless otherwise provided in the Plan or by the Company in its discretion, the Award and the benefits evidenced by this Agreement do not create any entitlement to have the Award or any such benefits transferred to, or assumed by, another company nor to be exchanged, cashed out or substituted for, in connection with any corporate transaction affecting the Company's Stock; and
- (k) neither the Employer, the Company nor any other Subsidiary shall be liable for any foreign exchange rate fluctuation between the Grantee's local currency and the United States Dollar that may affect the value of the Award or of any amounts due to the Grantee pursuant to settlement of the Award or the subsequent sale of any shares of Stock acquired upon settlement.
- 15. No Advice Regarding Grant. The Company is not providing any tax, legal or financial advice, nor is the Company making any recommendations regarding the Grantee's participation in the Plan, or the Grantee's acquisition or sale of the underlying shares of Stock. The Grantee is hereby advised to consult with his or her own personal tax, legal and financial advisors regarding his or her participation in the Plan before taking any action related to the Plan.
- 16. <u>Language</u>. If the Grantee has received this Agreement, or any other document related to the Award and/or the Plan translated into a language other than English and if the meaning of the translated version is different than the English version, the English version will control.
- 17. <u>Notices</u>. Notices hereunder shall be mailed or delivered to the Company at its principal place of business and shall be mailed or delivered to the Grantee at the address on file with the Company or, in either case, at such other address as one party may subsequently furnish to the other party in writing.
- 18. <u>Amendment.</u> Pursuant to Section 18 of the Plan, the Committee may at any time amend or cancel any unvested portion of this Award, but no such action may be taken that adversely affects the Grantee's rights under hereunder without the Grantee's consent.

| 19. | Severability. | If any provision(s) | hereof shall b | e determined to | be illegal o | r unenforceable, | such detern | nination shall |
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| in no manner affe | ct the legality | If any provision(s) or enforceability of | any other pro | vision hereof. | | ŕ | | |

| 20. | <u>Counterparts</u> | | | | | | | | | |
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| wo or more cou | nterparts, êach o | of which shall | be deemed | an original | , but all of v | vhich shall c | constitute of | ne and the s | ame documen | t. |

ANSYS, Inc.

By: _____

Name: Ajei S. Gopal

Title: President and CEO

| Dated: | Optionee's Signature |
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| | Optionee's name and address: FIRST_NAMELAST_NAMEADDRESS_LINE_1ADDRESS_LINE_2ADDRESS_LINE_3CITYSTATEZIPCODECOUNTRY |
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The foregoing Award is hereby accepted and the terms and conditions of this Agreement are hereby agreed to by the undersigned. Electronic acceptance of this Award pursuant to the Company's instructions to the Grantee (including through an online acceptance

process) is acceptable.

INTERNATIONAL APPENDIX

Additional Terms and Conditions

Terms and Conditions

This International Appendix includes additional terms and conditions that govern the award granted to you under the Plan for your country. Certain capitalized terms used but not defined in this International Appendix have the meanings set forth in the Plan and the Agreement that relate to your award. By acceptance of the award you agree to be bound by the terms and conditions contained in the paragraphs below in addition to the terms of the Plan and the Agreement and the terms of any other document that may apply to you and your award.

Notifications

This International Appendix also includes information regarding issues of which you should be aware with respect to participation in the Plan. The information is based on the securities, exchange control, and other laws in effect in the respective countries as of the date set forth above. Such laws are often complex and change frequently. As a result, it is strongly recommended that you not rely on the information in this International Appendix as the only source of information relating to the consequences of your participation in the Plan because the information may be out of date at the time you vest in your award or sell shares acquired under the Plan.

The information contained herein is general in nature and may not apply to your particular situation, and the Company is not in a position to assure you of a particular result. In addition, please note that the requirements may differ for residents and non-residents. Accordingly, you are advised to seek appropriate professional advice as to how the relevant laws in your country may apply to your situation.

Finally, if you are a citizen or resident of a country other than the one in which you are currently working, transferred employment to another country after the award was granted to you, or are considered a resident of another country for local law purposes, the information contained herein may not apply.

Provisions Applicable to all International Awards

Data Privacy. The Participant explicitly and unambiguously consents to the collection, use and transfer, in electronic or other form, of the Participant's personal data by and among, as applicable, the Company, its subsidiaries and affiliates, for the exclusive purpose of implementing, administering and managing the Participant's participation in the Plan. The Participant hereby understands that the Company, its subsidiaries and affiliates hold (but only process or transfer to the extent required or permitted by local law) certain personal information about the Participant, including, but not limited to, the Participant's name, home address and telephone number, date of birth, social

insurance number or other identification number, salary, nationality, job title, any Shares or directorships held in the Company, details of all Restricted Stock Units or any other entitlement to Shares awarded, canceled, exercised, vested, unvested or outstanding in the Participant's favor, for the purpose of implementing, administering and managing the Plan ("Data"). The Participant hereby understands that Data may be transferred to any third parties assisting in the implementation, administration and management of the Plan, that these recipients may be located in the Participant's country or elsewhere (including countries outside of the European Economic Area such as the United States of America), and that the recipient's country may have different data privacy laws and protections than the Participant's country. The Participant hereby understands that the Participant may request a list with the names and addresses of any potential recipients of the Data by contacting the Participant's local human resources representative. The Participant authorizes the recipients to receive, possess, use, retain and transfer the Data, in electronic or other form, for the purposes of implementing, administering and managing the Participant's participation in the Plan, including any requisite transfer of such Data as may be required to a broker or other third party with whom the Participant may elect to deposit any Shares acquired upon exercise. The Participant hereby understands that Data will be held only as long as is necessary to implement, administer and manage the Participant's participation in the Plan and in accordance with local law. The Participant hereby understands that the Participant may, at any time, view Data, request additional information about the storage and processing of Data, require any necessary amendments to Data or refuse or withdraw the consents herein, in any case without cost, by contacting in writing the Participant's local human resources representative. The Participant hereby understands, however, that refusing or withdrawing the Participant's consent may affect the Participant's ability to participate in the Plan. For more information on the consequences of the Participant's refusal to consent or withdrawal of consent, the Participant hereby understands that the Participant may contact the Participant's local human resources representative.

Nature of Grant. In accepting the grant of Restricted Stock Units, the Participant acknowledges that:

- (a) the Plan is established voluntarily by the Company, is discretionary in nature and may be modified, amended, suspended or terminated by the Company at any time, unless otherwise provided in the Plan and this Agreement;
- (b) the grant of Restricted Stock Units is voluntary and occasional and does not create any contractual or other right to receive future grants of Restricted Stock Units, or benefits in lieu of Restricted Stock Units, even if Restricted Stock Units have been granted repeatedly in the past;
 - (c) all decisions with respect to future Restricted Stock Units, if any, will be at the sole discretion of the Company;

- (d) the Participant's participation in the Plan will not create a right to further employment with the Participant's employer (the "Employer") and shall not interfere with the ability of the Employer to terminate the Participant's employment relationship;
 - (e) the Participant is voluntarily participating in the Plan;
- (f) the Restricted Stock Units are an extraordinary item that does not constitute compensation of any kind for services of any kind rendered to the Company or the Employer, and which is outside the scope of the Participant's employment contract, if any;
- (g) the Restricted Stock Units are not part of normal or expected compensation or salary for any purposes, including, but not limited to, calculating any severance, resignation, termination, redundancy, end of service payments, bonuses, long-service awards, pension or retirement benefits or similar payments and in no event should be considered as compensation for, or relating in any way to, past services for the Company or the Employer;
- (h) in the event that the Participant is not an employee of the Company, the grant of Restricted Stock Units will not be interpreted to form an employment contract or relationship with the Company; and furthermore, the grant of Restricted Stock Units will not be interpreted to form an employment contract with the Employer or any subsidiary or affiliate of the Company;
 - (i) the future value of the underlying Shares is unknown and cannot be predicted with certainty;
- (j) if the Participant vests in the Restricted Stock Units and obtains Shares, the value of those Shares may increase or decrease in value;
- (k) in consideration of the grant of the Restricted Stock Units, no claim or entitlement to compensation or damages shall arise from termination of the Restricted Stock Units or diminution in value of the Restricted Stock Units or Shares acquired resulting from termination of the Participant's employment by the Company or the Employer, and the Participant irrevocably releases the Company and the Employer from any such claim that may arise; if, notwithstanding the foregoing, any such claim is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to have arisen, then, by signing this Agreement, the Participant will be deemed irrevocably to have waived his or her entitlement to pursue such claim; and
- (l) in the event of termination of the Participant's employment, Participant's right to receive the Restricted Stock Units and vest in the Restricted Stock Units under the Plan, if any, will terminate effective as of the date that the Participant is no longer actively employed.

Country-Specific Language

Below please find country-specific language that applies to you if you are a citizen or resident of one of the following countries: Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, India, Italy, Japan, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan and United Kingdom.

BELGIUM

Notifications

Tax Reporting Information. Participants are required to report any bank accounts opened and maintained outside Belgium on their annual tax return.

CANADA

Terms and Conditions

Restricted Stock Units Settled in Shares Only. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Plan and/or the Agreement, you understand that any Restricted Stock Units granted to you shall be paid in shares only and do not provide any right for you to receive a cash payment.

The following provision will apply to residents of Quebec:

Language Consent . The parties to the Agreement have expressly required that the Agreement and all documents and notices relating to the Agreement be drafted in English.

Les parties aux présentes ont expressément exigé que la présente convention et tous les documents et avis qui y sont afférents soient rédigés en anglais.

Notifications

Additional Restrictions on Resale. In addition to the restrictions on resale and transfer noted in Plan materials, securities purchased under the Plan may be subject to certain restrictions on resale imposed by Canadian provincial securities laws. Participants are encouraged to seek legal advice prior to any resale of such securities. In general, Participants resident in Canada may resell their securities in transactions carried out on exchanges outside of Canada.

<u>Tax Reporting</u>. The Tax Act and the regulations thereunder require a Canadian resident individual (among others) to file an information return disclosing prescribed information where, at any time in a tax year, the total cost amount of such individual's "specified foreign property" (which includes shares) exceeds Cdn.\$100,000. Participants should consult their own tax advisor regarding this reporting requirement.

FRANCE

Notifications

Exchange Control Information . If a Participant imports or exports cash (e.g., sale proceeds received under the Plan) with a value equal to or exceeding &10,000 and does not use a financial institution to do so, Participant must submit a report to the customs and excise authorities. If Participant maintains a foreign bank account, Participant is required to report such account to the French tax authorities when filing his/her annual tax return.

GERMANY

Notifications

Exchange Control Information. Cross-border payments in excess of epsilon 12,500 must be reported monthly to the German Federal Bank. If a Participant uses a German bank to transfer a cross-border payment in excess of epsilon 12,500 in connection with the sale of Shares acquired under the Plan, the bank will file the report for the Participant.

INDIA

Terms and Conditions

Repatriation of Proceeds. You understand that you must repatriate any proceeds from the sale of Shares acquired upon vesting of the Restricted Stock Units to India and convert the proceeds into local currency within 90 days of receipt. You will receive a foreign inward remittance certificate ("FIRC") from the bank where you deposit the foreign currency. You should maintain the FIRC as evidence of the repatriation of funds in the event the Reserve Bank of India or your employer requests proof of repatriation.

Notifications

Tax Information. The amount subject to tax at vesting may partially be dependent upon a valuation of Shares from a Merchant Banker in India. The Company has no responsibility or obligation to obtain the most favorable valuation possible nor obtain valuations more frequently than required under Indian tax law.

ITALY

Terms and Conditions

Data Privacy. In addition to the data privacy provision that is set forth above, by accepting the grant of Restricted Stock Units, you also consent to the following additional data privacy-related terms:

I am aware that providing the Company and my employer with Data is necessary for participation in the Plan and that my refusal to provide such Data may affect my ability to participate in the Plan. The Controller of personal data processing is Ansys, Inc., with registered offices at 2600 Ansys Drive, Canonsburg, PA 15317 and, pursuant to D.lgs 196/2003, its representative in Italy is ANSYS Italia Srl with registered offices at via G. B. Pergolesi n. 25 20124 Milano MI Italy.

I understand that I may at any time exercise the rights acknowledged by Section 7 of Legislative Decree June 30, 2003 n.196, including, but not limited to, the right to access, delete, update,

request the rectification of my Data and cease, for legitimate reasons, the data processing. Furthermore, I am aware that my Data will not be used for direct marketing purposes.

Notifications

Exchange Control Information . By September 30th of each year, the Participants are required to report on their annual tax return (Form RW) any foreign investments (including proceeds from the sale of Shares acquired upon vesting) held outside of Italy if the investment may give rise to income in Italy. However, deposits and bank accounts held outside of Italy only need to be disclosed if the value of the assets exceeds €10,000 during any part of the tax year.

With respect to Shares received upon vesting of the Restricted Stock Units, the Participants must report (i) the value of the Shares at the beginning of the year or on the day the Participant acquired the Shares, whichever is later; and (ii) the value of the Shares when sold, or if the Participant still owns the Shares at the end of the year, the value of the Shares at the end of the year. The value to be reported is the fair market value of the Shares on the applicable dates mentioned above.

JAPAN

Notifications

Exchange Control Information. If you acquire Shares valued at more than \$100,000,000 in a single transaction, you must file a Securities Acquisition Report with the Ministry of Finance through the Bank of Japan within 20 days of the acquisition of the Shares.

RUSSIA

Notifications

You acknowledge that the grant of RSUs, the Plan and all other materials you may receive regarding participation in the Plan do not constitute an advertising or offering of securities in Russia. The issuance of securities pursuant to the Plan has not and will not be registered in Russia and therefore, the securities described in any Plan-related documents may not be used for offering or public circulation in Russia.

You further acknowledge that in no event will Shares that may be issued to you with respect to the RSUs be delivered to you in Russia; all Shares issued to you with respect to the RSUs will be maintained on your behalf in the United States.

You are not permitted to sell Shares directly to a Russian legal entity or resident.

SOUTH KOREA

Notifications

Exchange Control Information. If you receive US\$500,000 or more from the sale of underlying Shares, Korean exchange control laws require you to repatriate the proceeds to South Korea within 18 months of sale.

SPAIN

Notifications

Exchange Control Information. All acquisitions of foreign shares by Spanish residents must comply with exchange control regulations in Spain. Because of foreign investment requirements, the acquisition of Shares upon vesting of the Restricted Stock Units must be declared for statistical purposes to the Spanish Direction General de Politica Comercial y de Inversiones Extranjeras (the "DGPCIE"). If you acquire Shares through the use of a Spanish financial institution, that institution will automatically make the declaration to the DGPCIE for you. Otherwise, you must make the declaration by filing a form with the DGPCIE.

If you import the Shares acquired upon vesting of the Restricted Stock Units into Spain, you must declare the importation of the share certificates to the DGPCIE.

In addition, you must also file a declaration of the ownership of the Shares with the Directorate of Foreign Transactions each January while the shares are owned. These filings are made on standard forms furnished by the Directorate of Foreign Transactions.

When you receive any foreign currency payments (*i.e.*, as a result of the sale of the Shares), you must inform the institution receiving the payment of the basis upon which such payment is made and provide certain specific information (*e.g.*, name, address, and fiscal identification number; the name and corporate domicile of the company; the amount of the payment; the type of foreign currency received; the country of origin; and the reason for the payment).

Tax Reporting . If you hold assets (e.g., cash or shares in a bank or brokerage account) or rights outside Spain that exceed \in 50,000 per type of asset, you must file a Form 720 with the Spanish Tax Authorities by April 30 th of each year.

SWITZERLAND

Notifications

Securities Law Information. The offer of the Restricted Stock Units is considered a private offering in Switzerland and is not subject to registration in Switzerland.

TAIWAN

Notifications

Exchange Control Information. Taiwan's foreign exchange control regulations may have an impact on the grant and vesting of the Restricted Stock Units as well as the repatriation of capital gains realized from the holding or sale of the underlying Shares. Under current foreign exchange regulations, a Taiwanese resident can remit up to US \$5 million (or an equivalent amount of other foreign currencies) per year into or out of Taiwan without prior approval from the Taiwan Central Bank.

If the transaction amount is TWD500,000 or more in a single transaction, you must submit a Foreign Exchange Transaction Form. If the transaction amount is US\$500,000 or more in a single transaction, you must also provide supporting documentation to the satisfaction of the remitting bank.

UNITED KINGDOM

Terms and Conditions

Purpose. This section is to modify those provisions of the Plan in order for awards made under the Plan, and communications concerning those awards, to be exempt from provisions of the United Kingdom Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the "FSMA").

Application. These provisions shall be used solely to grant awards to employees of the Company or any member of the same group as the Company resident and providing services in the United Kingdom. (The term "group" in relation to the Company shall bear the meaning given to such term in section 421 of the FSMA.)

Restricted Delivery of Awards. Payments of benefits under these provisions shall be made only in Shares or such other securities of the Company that may arise from such Shares under the adjustment provisions of the Plan. For the avoidance of doubt, and without limitation, no cash settlement of awards (including dividends or dividend equivalent payments in cash) shall be permissible.

Exercise of Restricted Stock Units/Vesting of Awards. The Administrator may specify, in its discretion, any other conditions of exercise and/or vesting of awards that will be specified in the award agreement.

Restricted Transfer of Rights. The persons to whom rights under awards may be assigned or transferred, whether by will or the laws of descent and distribution or any transferability of awards shall be limited to a Participant's children and step-children under the age of eighteen, spouses and surviving spouses and civil partners and civil partners (within the meaning of the United Kingdom Civil Partnerships Act 2004) and surviving partners.

Tax. All awards will be subject to tax withholding and all references to "tax" shall be read and construed as including, without limitation, United Kingdom income tax and primary class 1 (employee's) national insurance contributions that the Participant's employer is liable to account for

and, if so agreed between the Company and the Participant, secondary class 1 (employer's) national insurance contributions that the Participant's employer is liable to account for.

Subsidiaries of the Registrant as of December 31, 2018

Jurisdiction of Incorporation

Barbados

Fluent China Holdings Limited

ANSYS Belgium S.A. Belgium

ANSYS Canada Limited Canada

2011767 Ontario Inc. Canada

3DSim LLC Delaware

ANSYS France SAS France

Esterel Technologies SAS France

Genesis SAS France

OPTIS Europe SAS France

OPTIS SAS France

ANSYS Germany GmbH Germany

ANSYS medini Technologies AG Germany

CEI GmbH Germany

OPTIS GmbH Germany

ANSYS Hong Kong Ltd. Hong Kong

OPTIS Hong Kong Limited Hong Kong

ANSYS Software Private Limited India

ANSYS Software Ltd. Israel

ANSYS Italia, S.r.l. Italy

ANSYS Japan K.K. Japan

CEI Software Co., Ltd. Japan

OPTIS Japan K.K. Japan

ANSYS Luxembourg Holding Company S.à.r.l. Luxembourg

ANSYS Luxembourg S.à.r.l. Luxembourg

OPTIS North America Inc. Michigan

Computational Engineering, Inc.

North Carolina

Fluent Software (Shanghai) Co., Limited People's Republic of China

ANSYS-Fluent (Shanghai) Engineering Software Trading Co., Ltd. People's Republic of China

Apache Science and Technology (Shanghai) Co. Ltd.

People's Republic of China

Apache Design Solutions, Inc. People's Republic of China

OPTIS CN Limited People's Republic of China

ANSYS OOO Russia

ANSYS Singapore Pte. Ltd. Singapore

ANSYS Korea LLC South Korea

OPTIS Korea Co., Ltd South Korea

ANSYS Iberia S.L. Spain

ANSYS Sweden AB Sweden

ANSYS Switzerland GmbH

OPTIS World SA

Taiwan ANSYS Technologies Co.

ANSYS UK Limited

OPTIS Northern Europe Limited

OPTIS Pristine Limited

Switzerland

United Kingdom

United Kingdom

United Kingdom

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in Registration Statement Nos. 333-08613, 333-69506, 333-110728, 333-137274, 333-152765, 333-174670, 333-177030, 333-196393, 333-206111 and 333-212412 on Form S-8 of our reports dated February 28, 2019, relating to the consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule of ANSYS, Inc. and subsidiaries (the "Company") (which report expresses an unqualified opinion and includes an explanatory paragraph related to the Company's change in method of accounting for revenue from contracts with customers in 2018 due to the adoption of the new revenue standard), and the effectiveness of ANSYS, Inc. and subsidiaries' internal control over financial reporting, appearing in this Annual Report on Form 10-K of ANSYS, Inc. and subsidiaries for the year ended December 31, 2018.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania February 28, 2019

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER CERTIFICATION

I, Ajei S. Gopal, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of ANSYS, Inc. ("ANSYS");
- 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 ANSYS as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. ANSYS's other certifying officer 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 ANSYS 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 ANSYS, 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 ANSYS'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 ANSYS's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during ANSYS's most recent fiscal quarter (ANSYS's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, ANSYS's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. ANSYS's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to ANSYS's auditors and the audit committee of ANSYS'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 ANSYS'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 ANSYS's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: February 28, 2019 /s/ Ajei S. Gopal

Ajei S. Gopal

President and Chief Executive Officer

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER CERTIFICATION

I, Maria T. Shields, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of ANSYS, Inc. ("ANSYS");
- 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 ANSYS as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. ANSYS's other certifying officer 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 ANSYS 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 ANSYS, 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 ANSYS'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 ANSYS's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during ANSYS's most recent fiscal quarter (ANSYS's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, ANSYS's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. ANSYS's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to ANSYS's auditors and the audit committee of ANSYS'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 ANSYS'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 ANSYS's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: February 28, 2019 /s/ Maria T. Shields

Maria T. Shields

Chief Financial Officer

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350 AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Annual Report of ANSYS, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Ajei S. Gopal, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:

- (1) The Report fully complies with requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

This certification is provided solely pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, and shall not be deemed to be part of the Report or filed for any purpose whatsoever.

/s/ Ajei S. Gopal

Ajei S. Gopal President and Chief Executive Officer February 28, 2019

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350 AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Annual Report of ANSYS, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Maria T. Shields, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:

- (1) The Report fully complies with requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

This certification is provided solely pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, and shall not be deemed to be part of the Report or filed for any purpose whatsoever.

/s/ Maria T. Shields

Maria T. Shields Chief Financial Officer February 28, 2019