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To:

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Stephen Collins; Mike Svatek

Subject:

Board M&A update

Brett,

Attached, please let me know your feedback. I have 90 minutes but knowing how our Board discussions typically run, I've tried to strike a balance between high-level context setting and "need to know" details. I think we may end up spending most of our time discussing the specific opportunities — PowerReviews and Involver. In the interest of time, I didn't add a third opportunity for debate (although I had candidates in mind), but that's also because we aren't engaged yet in a genuine exploratory discussion with anyone beyond Involver at this point.

Stephen & Mike, I would appreciate your input as well.

In addition to any changes you guys suggest, I may have further updates once I get some additional information back from Rahim at Involver.

Thanks, Brant

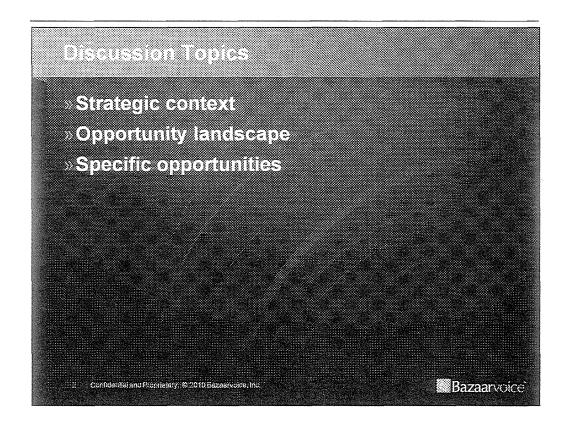
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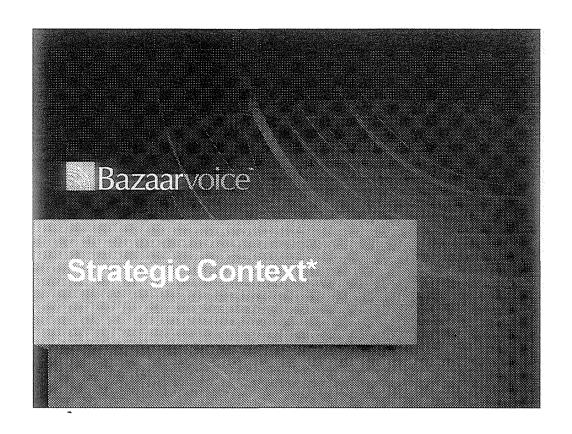
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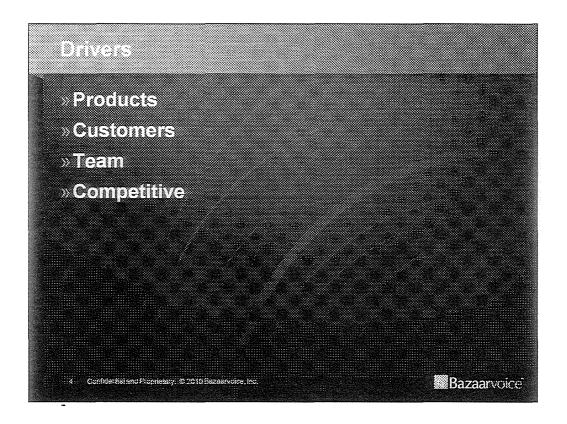
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Not an exhaustive list, but these are all related. No single independent reason to acquire.

Products

- Plays to the strength of our Sales & CS teams and existing channel
- Augments our organic ability to stay best-in-class in an incredibly fast-moving market space
- This includes TECHNOLOGY that is critical for product development, but we'd lean towards GA products that we can start selling immediately

Customers

- This includes actual customers and ACCESS to new sets of customers & markets
- Example of access: We currently do not have a strong agency channel, but the right offering could immediately open this up
- This also includes acquiring a product that is already in use by a large % of our customers so that we can claim a greater % of their social wallet (>51%)
- Includes vertical and geography-driven acquisitions



AKA, "profit from the core" concept

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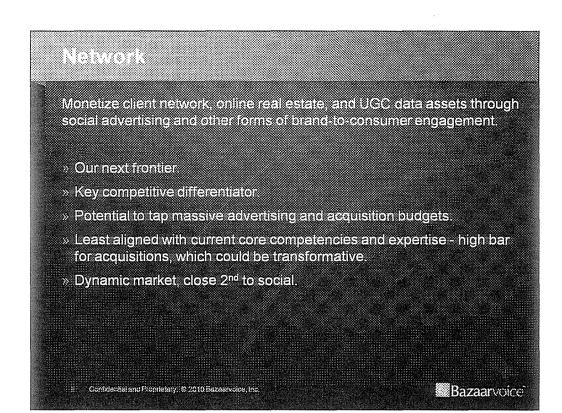
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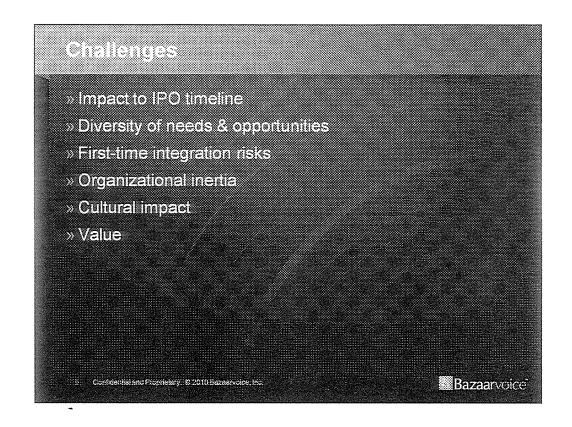
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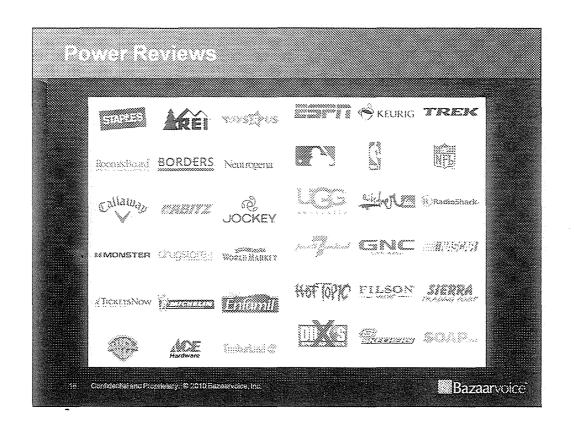
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Opportunity Summery

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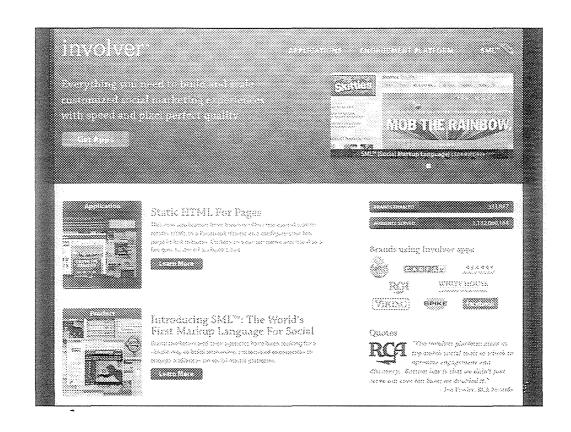


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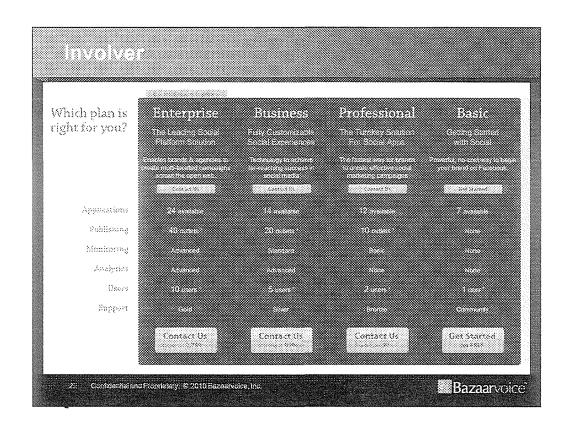
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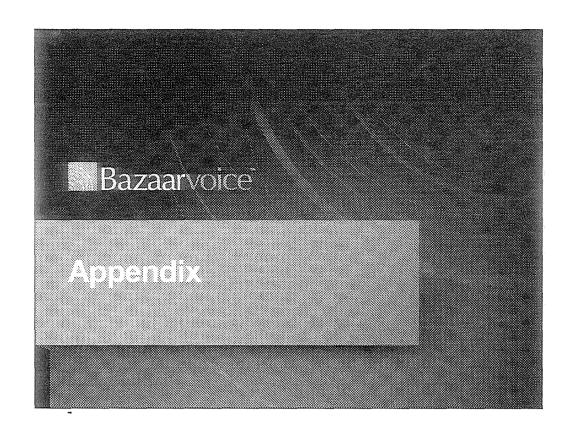


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May 2011

Board Update – M&A

Discussion Topics

- » Strategic context
- » Opportunity landscape
- » Specific opportunities



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Strategic Context*

Drivers

- » Products
- » Customers
- » Team
- » Competitive

Our Strategic Pillars



Marketing

Ratings & Reviews
Ask & Answer
Stories
ActiveProfiles
Smart SEO
SocialConnect

Intelligence

Workbench
Customer Intelligence*

Network

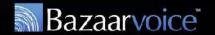
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Network

Monetize client network, online real estate, and UGC data assets through social advertising and other forms of brand-to-consumer engagement.

- » Our next frontier.
- » Key competitive differentiator.
- » Potential to tap massive advertising and acquisition budgets.
- » Least aligned with current core competencies and expertise high bar for acquisitions, which could be transformative.
- » Dynamic market, close 2nd to social.



Challenges

- » Impact to IPO timeline
- » Diversity of needs & opportunities
- » First-time integration risks
- » Organizational inertia
- » Cultural impact
- » Value



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Opportunity Landscape

Current Status

- » 150+ companies and growing
- » Screening database in progress
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Paradox of Choice

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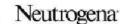




































































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- » GM was 65% in Q1-11 but targeting 80% long-term
- » 280 "enterprise" clients growing to 400 by end of 2011
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Brand marketers and their agencies have been looking for a simple way to build immersive, customized experiences to engage audiences on social media platforms.

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Brands using Involver apps

















Quotes



"The Involver platform gives us top-notch social tools in which to optimize engagement and

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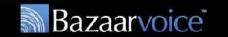
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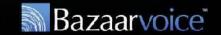
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Which plan is right for you?

Applications

Publishing

Monitoring

Analytics

Users

Support

interested in agency pricing? Enterprise Business Professional Basic The Leading Social **Fully Customizable** The Turnkey Solution **Getting Started** Platform Solution Social Experiences For Social Apps with Social Enables brands & agencies to Technology to achieve The fastest way for brands Powerful, no-cost way to begin far-reaching success in your brand on Facebook. create multi-faceted campaigns to create effective social across the open web. social media marketing campaigns Contact Us Contact Us Get Started Contact Us 14 available 12 available 24 available 7 available 40 outlets * 10 outlets* 20 outlets * None Advanced Standard Basic None Advanced Advanced None None 10 users * 5 users * 2 users * 1 user* Gold Community Silver Bronze Contact Us Contact Us Contact Us **Get Started** Starting at 2,749/mo for FREE Starting at 999/mo Starting at 99/mo

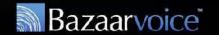
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