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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

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

For the quarterly period ended April 30, 2001

OR

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

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Commission file number 000-19608

ARI Network Services, Inc.

-----  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter.)

WISCONSIN

39- 1388360

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(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

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(IRS Employer Identification No.)

330 E. Kilbourn Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202

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(Address of principal executive office)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (414) 278-7676

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 twelve 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 ninety days.

YES [X]

NO [ ]

As of June 11, 2001 there were 6,184,281 shares of the registrant's shares outstanding.

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FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED APRIL 30, 2001

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ARI NETWORK SERVICES, INC.  
BALANCE SHEETS  
(IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT SHARE AND PER SHARE DATA)

ASSETS	APRIL 30 2001 ----- (Unaudited)
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 216
Trade receivables, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$632 at April 30, 2001 and \$697 at July 31, 2000	2,551
Prepaid expenses and other	83
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Total current assets	2,850
Equipment and leasehold improvements:	
Computer equipment	4,394
Leasehold improvements	239
Furniture and equipment	1,028
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	5,661
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	5,269
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Net equipment and leasehold improvements	392
Goodwill, less accumulated amortization of \$1,906 at April 30, 2001 and \$1,413 at July 31, 2000	1,383
Deferred financing costs, less accumulated amortization of \$157 at April 30, 2001 and \$59 at July 31, 2000	262
Capitalized software development:	
Network platform	11,467
Software products	30,813
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	42,280
Less accumulated amortization	31,747
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Net capitalized software development	10,533
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 15,420 =====

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ARI NETWORK SERVICES, INC.  
BALANCE SHEETS  
(IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT SHARE AND PER SHARE DATA)

	APRIL 2001 ----- (Unaudi
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	
Current liabilities:	
Current portion of notes payable to shareholder	\$
Current portion of notes payable	
Accounts payable	
Unearned income	5,
Accrued payroll and related liabilities	1,
Other accrued liabilities	1,
Current portion of capital lease obligations	
	-----
Total current liabilities	9,
Long term liabilities:	
Notes payable to shareholder (net of discount)	
Notes payable (net of discount)	2,
Capital lease obligations	
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Total long term liabilities	2,
Shareholders' equity:	
Cumulative preferred stock, par value \$.001 per share, 1,000,000 shares authorized; 20,350 shares issued and outstanding at April 30, 2001 and July 31, 2000	
Common stock, par value \$.001 per share, 25,000,000 shares authorized; 6,184,281 and 6,168,270 shares issued and outstanding at April 30, 2001 and July 31, 2000, respectively	
Common stock warrants and options	2,
Additional paid-in-capital	91,
Accumulated deficit	(91,
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Total shareholders' equity	2,
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 15, =====

See notes to unaudited condensed financial statements.

Note: The balance sheet at July 31, 2000 has been derived from the audited balance sheet at that date but does not include all of the information and footnotes required by generally accepted accounting principles for complete financial statements.

ARI NETWORK SERVICES, INC.  
STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS  
(IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PER SHARE DATA)  
(UNAUDITED)

	THREE MONTHS ENDED APRIL 30	
	2001	2000
Net revenues:		
Subscriptions, support and transaction fees	\$ 2,515	\$ 2,247
Software licenses and renewals	823	375
Professional services	538	533
	3,876	3,155
Operating expenses:		
Cost of products and services sold:		
Subscriptions, support and transaction fees	579	395
Software licenses and renewals *	529	933
Professional services	269	404
	1,377	1,732
Depreciation and amortization (exclusive of amortization of software products included in cost of sales)	382	442
Customer operations and support	423	515
Selling, general and administrative	2,407	1,957
Software development and support	955	761
	5,544	5,407
Less capitalized portion	(556)	(569)
	4,988	4,838
Net operating expenses	4,988	4,838
Operating loss	(1,112)	(1,683)
Other expense:		
Interest expense	(366)	(160)
Other, net	(24)	--
	(390)	(160)
Total other expense	(390)	(160)
Net loss	\$ (1,502)	\$ (1,843)
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Average common shares outstanding	6,184	6,159
Basic and diluted net loss per share	\$ (0.24)	\$ (0.30)
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\* includes amortization of software products of \$764, \$916, \$2,436 and \$2,491 and excludes other depreciation and amortization shown separately

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ARI NETWORK SERVICES, INC.  
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS  
(IN THOUSANDS)  
(UNAUDITED)

	NINE MONTHS ENDED APRIL 30	2001	2000
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<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Net loss		\$ (4,240)	\$
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:			
Amortization of network platform		428	
Amortization of software products		2,436	
Amortization of goodwill		493	
Amortization of deferred financing costs and debt discount		713	
Depreciation and other amortization		231	
Net change in receivables, prepaid expenses and other		757	
Net change in accounts payable, unearned income and accrued liabilities		1,129	
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Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		1,947	
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Purchase of equipment and leasehold improvements		(33)	
Software products capitalized		(1,496)	
		-----	-----
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		(1,529)	
<b>FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Net payments under line of credit		--	
Borrowings (repayments) under notes payable		(628)	
Deferred financing costs		(39)	
Payments of capital lease obligations		(112)	
Proceeds from issuance of common stock		14	
		-----	-----
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		(765)	
		-----	-----
Net increase (decrease) in cash		(347)	
Cash at beginning of period		563	
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Cash at end of period		\$ 216	\$

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Cash paid for interest	\$ 420	\$
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NONCASH INVESTING AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Capital lease obligations incurred for:		
Furniture and equipment	\$ 154	\$
Issuance of detachable common stock warrants and options in connection with issuance of debt	--	
Issuance of common stock as payment of line of credit	--	
Conversion of line of credit to note payable	--	

See notes to unaudited condensed financial statements.

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NOTES TO CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
(UNAUDITED)  
APRIL 30, 2001

1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying unaudited financial statements have been prepared and reviewed in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States for interim financial information. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by generally accepted accounting principles for fiscal year end financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. Operating results for the three and nine months ended April 30, 2001 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the fiscal year ending July 31, 2001. For further information, refer to the financial statements and footnotes thereto included in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K/A for the year ended July 31, 2000.

2. BASIC AND DILUTED NET LOSS PER SHARE

Dilutive earnings per share is not shown as the impact is antidilutive.

3. PREFERRED STOCK

The Series A preferred stock accrues dividends on a quarterly basis, cumulatively, at a rate per annum equal to the product of the stated value thereof and 2% above the prime rate (minimum dividend rate of 10% and maximum of 14%). All Series A preferred stock must be redeemed at \$100 per share plus accrued and unpaid dividends prior to any payment of dividends on, or repurchases by the Company of, the Company's common stock. Prior to August 1, 2002, dividends, if declared by the Board of Directors, can be paid in either cash or additional shares of Series A preferred stock. The total amount of dividends in arrears on the Series A preferred stock is \$970,000 at April 30, 2001.

4. NOTES PAYABLE

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The convertible debentures, issued on April 27, 2000, and accrued interest thereon are convertible into common stock at a rate of \$4 per share, subject to certain conditions and adjustments. Concurrent with the issuance of the debentures, the Company issued the investors 600,000 common stock purchase warrants expiring April 27, 2005 and 800,000 investment options expiring October 27, 2001. Each of the warrants and options are exercisable for one share of common stock at a price of \$6 per share. The warrants and options, which were estimated to have a value of \$2,354,000 at the time of issuance, less accumulated amortization, reduce the carrying amount of the debt.

### 5. DERIVATIVES

Effective August 1, 2000, the Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," as amended by SFAS No. 138, "Accounting for Certain Derivative Instruments and Certain Hedging Activities," which establishes accounting and reporting standards for derivative instruments, including certain derivative instruments embedded in other contracts, and for hedging activities. SFAS No. 133, as amended, requires the recognition of all derivative instruments as either assets or liabilities in the statement of financial position measured at fair value. The impact of the adoption of SFAS 133 was immaterial to the Company's financial statements.

### 6. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On March 29, 2001, the Company received a letter from the Nasdaq National Market (Nasdaq) stating that the Company's common stock failed to maintain a minimum market value of public float of \$5 million over 30 consecutive trading days. The Company has until June 27, 2001 to become compliant with this Nasdaq listing requirement. On May 15, 2001, the Company received a letter from Nasdaq stating that the Company's common stock failed to maintain a minimum bid price of \$1.00 over 30 consecutive trading days. The Company has until August 7, 2001 to become compliant with this Nasdaq listing requirement. On June 4, 2001, the Company received a letter from Nasdaq stating that the Company has failed to maintain a net tangible asset value of \$4 million. The Company has until June 18, 2001 to submit a plan to become compliant with this and all other Nasdaq listing requirements.

The Company plans to stay listed on the Nasdaq by executing on a five part plan: (1) trim expenses to maintain or accelerate cash flow and profitability even if the manufacturing sector of the economy, upon which the Company depends for new sales, does not recover quickly; (2) complete one or more acquisitions to add products and/or customers to the business and net assets to the balance sheet; (3) convert a portion of its debt to equity; (4) continue to use investor relations programs to try to increase demand for the stock so that the bid price, and possibly the number of shares in the public float might be increased; and (5) in conjunction with (1) - (4), if necessary and warranted, execute a reverse stock split to enable the Company to meet the listing requirements for Nasdaq-Small Cap if the requirements for Nasdaq-NMS are not able to be met. There can be no assurance that Nasdaq will accept the Company's plan or that the Company can execute the plan successfully. Unless the Company demonstrates compliance with the requirements or appeals the decisions, the Company's common stock will be delisted from Nasdaq and trading in the Company's common stock would thereafter be conducted in the over-the-counter markets such as the OTC Bulletin Board.



NOTES TO CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)  
(UNAUDITED)  
APRIL 30, 2001

The RGC International Investors Debenture (see liquidity) requires the Company to maintain the listing of its common stock on Nasdaq National Market System, the Nasdaq Small Cap Market, the New York Stock Exchange or the American Stock Exchange. Failure to cure a violation under the Debenture within 10 days is considered a default, which would result in the subordinated debenture becoming due and payable at 130% of the outstanding principal and accrued interest balances, as well as, an increase in the stated interest rate from 7% to 17%. The Company is in discussions with RGC to restructure the security to avoid this problem should it arise, but there can be no assurance that the Company will be successful in this effort.

The Company's loan agreement with a shareholder (see liquidity) requires maintenance of a minimum net worth of \$5.3 million at all times. As of January 31, 2001, the Company was in violation of this covenant, resulting in the note payable to shareholder and line of credit payable to shareholder being due and payable. The line of credit expires December 31, 2001. The Company is in discussions with the shareholder to reduce the net worth requirement, though there can be no assurance that the Company will be successful in this effort.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL  
CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Total revenue for the quarter ended April 30, 2001 increased 23% from \$3,155,000 in fiscal 2000 to \$3,876,000 in fiscal 2001, representing the twentieth of the past twenty one consecutive quarters of year-over-year revenue improvement. Earnings improved by 19%, from a net loss of \$1,843,000, or \$0.30 per share for the quarter ended April 30, 2000 to a net loss of \$1,502,000 or \$0.24 per share for the quarter ended April 30, 2001.

REVENUES

The Company is a leading provider of technology-enabled business solutions for sales, service and life-cycle product support in the manufactured equipment market. The Company currently serves over 100 manufacturers and 20,000 dealers in more than 100 countries in 12 segments of the worldwide manufactured equipment market including outdoor power, recreation vehicles, auto and truck parts aftermarket, marine, construction, power sports, floor maintenance and others. The Company builds and supports a full suite of multi-media electronic catalog publishing and viewing software for the Web or CD. The Company's communications systems provide a global electronic pathway for parts orders, product registrations, warranty claims and other transactions between manufacturers and their networks of sales and service points.

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The Company also has a supplemental business that provides a variety of information technology services to non-Equipment industries including agribusiness and publishing. The non-Equipment industries generate positive cash flows for the Company but are a declining percentage of total revenue as the Company focuses on its core products in the Equipment Industry.

Management reviews the Company's recurring vs. non-recurring revenue in the aggregate and within the U.S. and Canadian Equipment, International Equipment and non-Equipment markets.

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The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, certain revenue information derived from the Company's unaudited financial statements.

### REVENUE BY INDUSTRY SECTOR (IN THOUSANDS)

INDUSTRY SECTOR	THREE MONTHS ENDED APRIL 30		PERCENT CHANGE	NINE MONTHS ENDED APRIL 30	
	2001	2000		2001	2000
	-----	-----		-----	-----
<b>EQUIPMENT INDUSTRY</b>					
U.S. and Canadian					
Recurring	\$ 1,835	\$ 1,145	60%	\$ 5,616	\$ 3,734
Non-recurring	1,002	613	63%	2,576	1,651
	-----	-----		-----	-----
Subtotal	2,837	1,758	61%	8,192	5,385
International					
Recurring	248	81	206%	795	263
Non-recurring	48	162	(70)%	255	302
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Subtotal	296	243	22%	1,050	565
<b>Total Equipment Industry</b>					
Recurring	2,083	1,226	70%	6,411	3,997
Non-recurring	1,050	775	36%	2,831	1,953
	-----	-----		-----	-----
Subtotal	3,133	2,001	57%	9,242	5,950
<b>NON-EQUIPMENT INDUSTRY</b>					
Recurring	743	1,082	(31)%	2,815	3,371
Non-recurring	--	72	(100)%	47	215
	-----	-----		-----	-----
Subtotal	743	1,154	(36)%	2,862	3,586

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TOTAL REVENUE					
Recurring	2,826	2,308	22%	9,226	7,368
Non-recurring	1,050	847	24%	2,878	2,168
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Grand Total	\$ 3,876	\$ 3,155	23%	\$ 12,104	\$ 9,536
	=====	=====		=====	=====

Recurring revenues are derived from catalog subscription fees, software maintenance and support fees, software license renewals, network traffic and support fees and other miscellaneous subscription fees. Non-recurring revenues are derived from initial software license fees and professional services fees. Recurring revenue, as a percentage of total revenue, remained 73% for the three months ended April 30, 2000 and 2001, respectively. On a year to date basis, recurring revenue is 76% of total revenue compared to 77% of total revenue for the same period last year. Management believes that the remainder of the year will continue to be in line with the Company's expected relationship of approximately three quarters recurring revenue to one quarter non-recurring revenue. Management believes that this ratio establishes an appropriate level of base revenue while the Company continues to add new sales to drive future increases in recurring revenue. If the manufacturing sector of the economy improves in the future, the percentage of recurring revenue may be slightly lower, indicating a higher amount of new business. This ratio is expected to fluctuate from quarter to quarter and year to year, depending on the size and timing of new business.

Equipment Industry

The Equipment Industry comprises several vertical markets including outdoor power, recreation vehicles, motorcycles, auto and truck parts after-market, manufactured housing, farm equipment, marine, construction, power sports, floor maintenance and others primarily in the U.S., Canada, Europe and Australia. Management's strategy is to expand the Company's electronic parts catalog and dealer communications software and services business with manufacturers and distributors and their dealers in the existing vertical markets and to expand to other similar markets in the future. Revenues in the Equipment Industry increased, as a percentage of total revenues, from 62% for the nine months ended April 30, 2000 to 76% for the nine months ended April 30, 2001. Management expects revenues in the Equipment Industry to increase at a higher rate than total revenues for the remainder of fiscal 2001, as management continues to focus attention and resources in this industry.

U.S. and Canada

Recurring revenues in the U.S. and Canadian Equipment Industry increased for the three and nine month periods ended April 30, 2001, compared to the same periods last year, primarily due to increased catalog license, maintenance and subscription renewals from the Company's growing base of customers. Non-recurring revenues in the U.S. and Canadian Equipment Industry increased for the three and nine month

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periods ended April 30, 2001, compared to the same periods last year, due to the proportional recognition of software licenses sold in fiscal 2000, new software licenses and professional services sold to dealers and manufacturers in the first quarter of this fiscal year and the renegotiation of prior agreements from a fixed price structure to the Company's time and materials based business model. However, the increase was lower than expected due to heavy turnover in the Company's sales force, a "lag time" to hire new salespeople and the decline in the manufacturing sector of the economy.

### International (Europe and Australia)

Recurring revenues in the International Equipment Industry increased for the three and nine month periods ended April 30, 2001, compared to the same periods last year, primarily due to catalog license, maintenance and subscription renewals from new business added last year, although the increase was lower than expected due to the Company's shift from the Equipment markets to other more lucrative markets and the establishment of new sales leads. Non-recurring revenues in the International Equipment Industry decreased for the three and nine month periods ended April 30, 2001 compared to the same periods last year, due to a lack of new software sales in fiscal 2001.

### Non-Equipment Industry

The Company's business outside of the Equipment Industry includes sales of database management services and electronic communications services to the agricultural inputs industry, the on-line provision of information for republication to the non-daily newspaper publishing industry and until December 31, 2000, database management services to the railroad industry. The non-Equipment Industry business is characterized by a base of customers with long-term relationships with the Company. Revenues in the non-Equipment Industry decreased for the three and nine month periods ended April 30, 2001, compared to the same periods last year, due to the Company's focus in the Equipment Industry, continued consolidation in the agricultural inputs industry, and the non-renewal of the railroad industry business. Management expects revenues in the non-Equipment Industry will decline for the remainder of fiscal 2001 and will continue to decrease in the future. The Company's five-year contract with the Association of American Railroads expired on December 31, 2000. Per quarter, the Association of American Railroads represented approximately \$250,000 of non-Equipment Industry recurring revenues. The Company's five year contract with the Associated Press, on which its business in the non-daily newspaper publishing industry depends, expired in December 2000 and was extended to September 14, 2001. Management is currently negotiating with the Associated Press to renew the contract, and, based on discussions we have had, management believes that if the contract is renegotiated, margins are likely to decline, although there is no assurance that the contract will be renewed.

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### COST OF PRODUCTS AND SERVICES SOLD

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, certain revenue and cost of products and services sold information derived from the Company's unaudited financial statements.

#### COST OF PRODUCTS AND SERVICES SOLD AS A PERCENT OF REVENUE BY REVENUE TYPE (IN THOUSANDS)

	THREE MONTHS ENDED APRIL 30		PERCENT CHANGE	NINE
	2001	2000		2001
	-----	-----		-----
<b>Subscriptions, support and transaction fees</b>				
Revenue	\$ 2,515	\$ 2,247	12%	\$ 7,6
Cost of revenue	579	395	47%	1,2
Cost of revenue as a percent of revenue	23%	18%		
<b>Software licenses and renewals</b>				
Revenue	823	375	119%	2,4
Cost of revenue	529	933	(43%)	2,4
Cost of revenue as a percent of revenue	64%	249%		
<b>Professional services</b>				
Revenue	538	533	1%	2,0
Cost of revenue	269	404	(33%)	1,1
Cost of revenue as a percent of revenue	50%	76%		
<b>Total</b>				
Revenue	\$ 3,876	\$ 3,155	23%	\$ 12,1
Cost of revenue	1,377	1,732	(20%)	4,8
Cost of revenue as a percent of revenue	36%	55%		

Cost of subscriptions, support and transaction fees consists primarily of telecommunications and catalog replication and distribution costs and Associated Press royalties. Cost of subscriptions, support and transaction fees as a percentage of revenue increased for the three and nine month periods ended April 30, 2001, compared to the same periods last year, primarily due to Associated Press royalties accrued in the third quarter of fiscal 2001 in connection with contract negotiations. Management expects gross margins from subscriptions, support and transaction fees to fluctuate somewhat from quarter to quarter based on the mix of products and services sold.

Cost of software licenses and renewals consists primarily of amortization of software products, royalties, and software distribution costs. Cost of software licenses and renewals as a percentage of revenue varies significantly due to the variability of new software license revenues and relatively fixed cost of sales, which comprises primarily amortization of software costs. Cost of software licenses and renewals as a percentage of revenue decreased for the three and nine month periods ended April 30, 2001, compared to the same periods last year, primarily due to the one time effect of successful renegotiation of contracts, assumed by the Company in the NDI acquisition, which waived accrued royalties, and to higher software license revenues in fiscal 2001, primarily as a result of

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the proportional recognition of software licenses sold in fiscal 2000. Management expects gross margins from software licenses and renewals to fluctuate significantly from quarter to quarter based on the number of licenses sold.

Cost of professional services consists of customization and catalog production labor. Cost of professional services as a percentage of revenue decreased for the three and nine month periods ended April 30, 2001, compared to the same periods last year, because professional services revenue increased from the conversion of old "fixed bid" contracts to time and materials contracts without a corresponding increase in the cost needed to provide those services and a decrease in communication software customization which has a lower margin. Management expects cost of professional services to fluctuate from quarter to quarter depending on the mix of services sold and on the Company's performance towards the estimate given to customers for customization projects.

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### OPERATING EXPENSES

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, certain operating expense information derived from the Company's unaudited financial statements.

### OPERATING EXPENSES (IN THOUSANDS)

	THREE MONTHS ENDED APRIL 30		PERCENT CHANGE	NINE MONTHS APRIL 2001
	2001	2000		2001
Cost of products and services sold	\$ 1,377	\$ 1,732	(20%)	\$ 4,845
Customer operations and support	423	515	(18%)	1,236
Selling, general and administrative	2,407	1,957	23%	6,840
Software development and support	987	761	30%	2,662
	5,194	4,965	5%	15,583
Depreciation and amortization	382	442	(14%)	1,152
Less capitalized portion	(588)	(569)	3%	(1,528)
	\$ 4,988	\$ 4,838	3%	\$ 15,207

Customer operations and support consists primarily of data center operations, software maintenance agreements for the Company's core network, catalog data maintenance and customer support costs. Customer operations and support costs

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decreased for the three and nine month periods ended April 30, 2001, compared to the same periods last year, due to classifying direct labor costs, which were not tracked prior to the integration of the NDI acquisition, to direct cost of sales in the catalog production area of professional services.

The increase in selling, general and administrative expenses ("SG&A") for the three and nine month periods ended April 30, 2001, compared to the same periods last year, was primarily due to increased bonuses and commissions associated with the increased sales and to the addition of a senior level financial consultant. SG&A, as a percentage of revenue, decreased from 62% for the nine month period ended April 30, 2000 to 57% for the nine month period ended April 30, 2001. Management expects costs in SG&A to remain relatively flat for the remainder of fiscal 2001 due to cost containment efforts instituted by the Company.

The Company's technical staff (in-house and contracted) performs both software development and support and software customization services for customer applications. Therefore, management expects fluctuations between software customization services and development expenses quarter to quarter, as the mix of development and customization activities will change based on customer requirements. Software development and support costs increased for the nine month period ended April 30, 2001, compared to the same period last year, primarily due to an increase in resources focused on development of Web-based communications and cataloging software. Management expects software development and support costs to remain relatively flat for the remainder of fiscal 2001 due to cost containment efforts instituted by the Company.

Depreciation and amortization expense decreased slightly for the three and nine month periods ended April 30, 2001, compared to the same periods last year. Management expects depreciation and amortization to remain relatively consistent for the remainder of fiscal 2001, providing there are no additional acquisitions.

Capitalized software development costs represented 57% of software development and support for the nine month period ended April 30, 2001, compared to 62% for the same period last year. Management expects capitalized software development to fluctuate from quarter to quarter depending on the deployment of the Company's resources between early stage research, software development available for capitalization, and customer customizations and support.

### OTHER ITEMS

Net loss decreased for the three and nine month periods ended April 30, 2001, compared to the same periods last year, due to revenues increasing at a higher rate than costs. As the Company continues its acquisition program, non-cash amortization of goodwill and other intangible assets from the Company's acquisitions may cause net losses to continue even if net cash provided by operations and used in investing activities is positive.

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Cash paid for interest increased for the three and nine month periods ended April 30, 2001, compared to the same periods last year, primarily due to increased utilization of the RFC Facility. Non-cash interest expense was incurred for the three and nine month periods ended April 30, 2001 as the Company accrued interest and amortized debt discount for the Debenture sold to Rose Glen in April 2000. Management expects cash paid for interest to decrease as the Company continues to pay off debt and non-cash interest expense to increase, compared to the prior year, as the Company accrues and amortizes non-cash interest expense associated with the Debenture. See "Liquidity and Capital Resources."

### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, certain cash flow information derived from the Company's unaudited financial statements.

#### CASH FLOW INFORMATION (IN THOUSANDS)

	THREE MONTHS ENDED APRIL 30		PERCENT CHANGE	NINE 2001
	2001	2000		2001
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities before changes in working capital	\$ (119)	\$ (461)	74%	\$
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(579)	(552)	(5%)	(1,5
Subtotal	(698)	(1,013)	31%	(1,4
Effect of net changes in working capital	343	43	698%	1,8
Net cash provided by (used in) operating and investing activities	\$ (355)	\$ (970)	63%	\$ 4
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Net cash provided by operating activities before changes in working capital increased for the three and nine months ended April 30, 2001, compared to the same periods last year, due to revenues increasing at a higher rate than expenses. Net cash used in investing activities increased slightly for the three and nine months ended April 30, 2001, compared to the same periods last year, primarily due to increased costs attributable to the development of the Company's Web-based software. The effect of net changes in working capital is dependent on the timing of payroll and other cash disbursements, accruals and the timing of invoices and may vary significantly from quarter to quarter. Management expects cash provided by operating activities to be positive for the fiscal year ended July 31, 2001, however, there can be no assurance that this result will be ultimately achieved.

The Company expects to continue to incur operating losses for the fiscal year ending July 31, 2001 due to non-cash expenses. Although there can be no assurance that profitability will be achieved thereafter, management expects to achieve full quarterly profitability before the end of fiscal 2003, provided



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there are no additional acquisitions.

At April 30, 2001, the Company had cash and cash equivalents of approximately \$216,000 compared to approximately \$563,000 at July 31, 2000.

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The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, certain information related to the Company's debt derived from the Company's unaudited financial statements.

DEBT SCHEDULE  
(IN THOUSANDS)

	APRIL 30 2001 (UNAUDITED)	JULY 31 2000
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Debt to Shareholder:		
Current portion of notes payable	\$ 333	\$ 361
Long-term portion of notes payable	139	389
Debt discount (common stock warrants)	(50)	(76)
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Total Debt to Shareholder	422	674
Subordinated Debenture:		
Long-term notes payable other	4,000	4,000
Debt discount (common stock warrants and options)	(1,569)	(2,158)
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Total Subordinated Debenture	2,431	1,842
Other Debt:		
Current portion of notes payable other	335	461
Long-term notes payable other	102	326
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Total Other Debt	437	787
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Total Debt	\$ 3,290	\$ 3,303
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On April 27, 2000, the Company issued and sold pursuant to a Securities Purchase Agreement, dated as of April 25, 2000, by and among the Company and RGC International Investors, LDC (the "Investor"), (i) a convertible subordinated debenture in the amount of Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000) due on April 27,

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2003 (the "Debenture"), and convertible into shares of the Company's common stock, \$.001 par value per share (the "Common Stock"), (ii) warrants to purchase Six Hundred Thousand (600,000) shares of Common Stock (the "Warrants"), and (iii) an investment option to purchase Eight Hundred Thousand (800,000) shares of Common Stock (the "Investment Option"). The Investment Option expires on October 27, 2001 and the Warrants expire on April 27, 2005. The Debenture is convertible into Common Stock at \$4 per share and the Warrants and Investment Option are exercisable at \$6 per share. At any time after October 27, 2000, the Company can require the Investor to convert the amount owed under the Debenture into Common Stock at \$4.00 per share provided that: (i) the closing bid price of the Common Stock has been greater than \$6.60 for twenty (20) consecutive trading days and (ii) the Company's resale registration statement has been effective for at least three (3) months. The resale registration became effective on September 1, 2000. The Company is required to maintain listing of its common stock on the Nasdaq National Market, the Nasdaq Small Cap Market, the New York Stock Exchange or the American Stock Exchange; failure to meet this requirement would result in the Debenture becoming fully due at 130% of outstanding principal and accrued interest and an increase in the stated interest rate from 7% to 17%. At any time after April 27, 2001, the Company can require the Investor to exercise the Investment Option if the closing bid price of the Common Stock is greater than \$9.90 for twenty (20) consecutive trading days and the Company's resale registration statement has been effective for at least three (3) months. If exercised, the Investment Option would contribute an additional Four Million Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$4,800,000) of working capital to the Company.

The Company is currently not in compliance with the Nasdaq National Market requirements, including the dollar minimum bid price, the \$5 million public float and \$4 million net tangible asset test. If the Company is delisted, and if the Company is unable to obtain waivers from the Investor or renegotiate the Debenture, shareholders could be materially and adversely affected.

ARI has a \$1.0 million line of credit with WITECH (the "WITECH Line") that has been in place since October 4, 1993. The WITECH Line expires on December 31, 2001. The WITECH Line bears interest at prime plus 2.0%. As of June 11, 2001 there was \$250,000 outstanding under the WITECH Line and \$444,000 outstanding under the WITECH term loan. In conjunction with obtaining the WITECH Line, since 1993, ARI has issued to WITECH 350 shares of its non-voting cumulative preferred stock and total warrants for the purchase of up to 280,000 shares of its common stock, including (i) warrants for the purchase of 250,000 shares at \$2.125 per share and (ii) warrants for the purchase of 30,000 shares of its common stock at \$4.00 per share. The exercise price under the warrants is reduced if ARI issues stock at less than the then current exercise price. WITECH also purchased 20,000 shares of non-voting cumulative preferred stock on July 15, 1997. Of the 280,000 warrants to purchase shares of Common Stock issued to WITECH; (i) warrants to purchase 175,000 shares of Common Stock at \$2.125 expired on October 1, 2000; (ii) warrants to purchase 75,000 shares of Common Stock at \$2.125 expire on January 1, 2002; and (iii) warrants to purchase 30,000 shares of Common Stock at \$4.000 expire on October 1, 2006.

The only financial covenant in the WITECH Credit Facility is that ARI must maintain a net worth (calculated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles) of at least \$5.3 million. ARI was not in compliance with the financial covenant in the Agreement on April 30, 2001 and is negotiating with WITECH to obtain a waiver. If the Company is unable to obtain a waiver, the Company would lose an essential source of liquidity.

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Company recognizes amortization of a debt discount, the gross amount of which is the value of the warrants and options issued as partial consideration for the terms of the debt instrument. The amortization of the debt discount appears as non-cash interest expense on the statement of operations and the net value of the debt discount reduces the carrying value of the debt on the balance sheet.

On September 28, 1999, ARI and RFC Capital Corporation ("RFC") executed a Receivables Sales Agreement (the "Sale Agreement") establishing a \$3.0 million working capital facility (the "RFC Facility"). The three year Sale Agreement allows RFC to purchase up to \$3.0 million (the "Purchase Commitment") of ARI's accounts receivable. The Purchase Commitment may be increased in increments of \$1.0 million upon mutual agreement and a payment by ARI of \$10,000 for each \$1.0 million increase. Under the Sale Agreement, RFC purchases 90% of eligible receivables. ARI is obligated to pay a monthly program fee equal to the greater of (a) \$3,000 or (b) the amount of the purchased but uncollected receivables times the prime rate plus 2%. ARI may terminate the Sale Agreement prior to three years by paying: 3.0% of the Purchase Commitment during the first year; 2.0% of the Purchase Commitment during the second year; and 1.0% of the Purchase Commitment during the third year. The balance of the RFC Facility at June 11, 2001 was \$556,000.

The RFC Facility states that the Company must be in compliance with the covenants under the WITECH facility, which it currently is not. If the Company is unable to obtain a waiver from RFC, the Company would lose an essential source of liquidity.

Management believes that funds generated from operations, the RFC Facility, the Debenture and the WITECH Line will be adequate to fund the Company's operations and investments through fiscal 2001 if the necessary waivers are obtained. If management is unable to obtain the necessary waivers, the Company will be in default and owe in excess of \$6 million, which would have a material adverse effect on the Company. On a long-term basis, management believes that cash for operations as well as capital expenditures will come principally from cash generated from operations. Management is working diligently to obtain the necessary waivers, but there can be no assurance that these efforts will be successful. Management is also analyzing its anticipated cash flows under a variety of growth scenarios ranging from no growth to modest growth. Management believes that, provided the defaults can be avoided, either (i) sufficient cash can be generated from the business to fund operations and a modest level of investment or (ii) that the cash profile of the business can be restructured to be self-funding.

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, certain earnings information derived from the Company's unaudited financial statements.

### EARNINGS BEFORE INTEREST, TAXES, DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION (IN THOUSANDS)

	THREE MONTHS ENDED		PERCENT CHANGE	NINE MONTHS ENDED
	2001	2000		2001
Net loss	\$ (1,502)	\$ (1,843)	19%	\$ (4,240)
Interest (cash)	129	130	(1%)	420
Interest (non-cash)	237	30	690%	713
Amortization of software products	764	916	(17%)	2,436
Other depreciation and amortization	382	442	(14%)	1,152

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Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization	\$ 10 =====	\$ (325) =====	103%	\$ 481 =====
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Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) increased for the three and nine month periods ended April 30, 2001, compared to the same periods last year, due primarily to the Company's improvement in earnings. Management expects EBITDA to continue to remain positive for the remainder of fiscal 2001, although there can be no assurance that this result will be ultimately achieved. As the Company continues its acquisition program, non-cash amortization of goodwill and other intangible assets from the Company's acquisitions may cause net losses to continue even if EBITDA is positive.

We have included data with respect to EBITDA because it is commonly used as a measurement of financial performance and by investors to analyze and compare companies on the basis of operating performance. EBITDA is not a measurement of financial performance under generally accepted accounting principles and should not be considered an alternative to operating income, as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, as an indicator of our operating performance, or to cash flows from operating activities, as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, as a measure of our liquidity. EBITDA is not necessarily comparable with similarly titled measures for other companies.

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### ACQUISITIONS

Since December 1995, the Company has had a formal and aggressive business development program aimed at identifying, evaluating and closing acquisitions that augment and strengthen the Company's market position, product offerings, and personnel resources. Since the program's inception, approximately 300 acquisition candidates have been evaluated, resulting in four completed acquisitions.

ACQUISITION DATE	ACQUIRED COMPANY AND LOCATION	DESCRIPTION OF ACQUIRED
November 4, 1996	cd\*.IMG, Inc. ("CDI") New Berlin, WI	CDI developed the Plus1(R) ele catalog, which featured parts from over 20 manufacturers in power, marine, motorcycle and sports industries.
September 30, 1997	Empart Technologies, Inc. ("EMPART") Foster City, CA	EMPART provided us with the EMPARTpublisher and EMPARTview
September 15, 1998	POWERCOM-2000 ("POWERCOM"), a subsidiary of Briggs & Stratton Corporation Colorado Springs, CO	POWERCOM provided electronic c and communication services to of manufacturers in North Amer Europe, and Australia in the o power, power tools, and sports

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Network Dynamics Incorporated ("NDI")  
Williamsburg, VA

NDI provided us with the PartS  
electronic catalog, which was  
over 10,000 dealers to view ca  
50 different manufacturers in  
the Equipment Industry.

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FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain statements contained in the Management's Discussion and Analysis of Results of Operations and Financial Condition are forward looking statements, including, without limitation, statements with respect to growth plans, projected sales, revenues, earnings, costs, product development schedules and future cash requirements and sources of liquidity. Other forward looking information includes (i) information included or incorporated by reference in our future filings with the Commission including, without limitation, statements with respect to growth plans, projected sales, revenues, earnings and costs, and product development schedules and plans and (ii) information contained in written material, releases and oral statements issued by us, or on our behalf, including, without limitation, statements with respect to growth plans, projected sales, revenues, earnings and costs, and product development schedules and plans. Generally, the words "anticipates," "believes," "expects," "intends" and similar expressions identify forward looking statements. The Company's actual results may differ materially from those contained in the forward looking statements identified above. Factors which may cause such a difference to occur, include, but are not limited to, those factors set forth in the section entitled "Risk Factors," in the Company's registration statement on Form S-3 filed on May 12, 2000, as amended.

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SIGNATURES

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

ARI Network Services, Inc.  
(Registrant)

Date: June 14, 2001

/s/ Brian E. Dearing

Brian E. Dearing, Chairman of the Board

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