UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): August 4, 2022

WILLDAN GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

001-33076

14-1951112 (IRS Employer

(State of other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

Identification No.)

2401 East Katella Avenue, Suite 300, Anaheim, California 92806 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (800) 424-9144

Not Applicable

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425).

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14A-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per	WLDN	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
share		(Nasdaq Global Market)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2). Emerging growth company \Box

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. 🗆

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

Willdan Group, Inc. ("Willdan") issued a press release on August 4, 2022. The press release announced Willdan's financial results for the second quarter ended July 1, 2022. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is hereby incorporated herein by reference in its entirety. The information in this Item 2.02 and the attached Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K is being furnished (not filed) pursuant to Item 2.02 of Form 8-K.

Item 9.01	Financial Statements and Exhibits
(d)	Exhibits.
Exhibit No.	Document
99.1	Press Release of Willdan Group, Inc. dated August 4, 2022.
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the inline XBRL document).

SIGNATURES

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

WILLDAN GROUP, INC.

Date: August 4, 2022

By: /s/ Creighton K. Early

Creighton K. Early Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)



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Willdan Group Reports Second Quarter 2022 Results

ANAHEIM, **Calif**. –**August 4**, **2022** – Willdan Group, Inc. ("Willdan") (Nasdaq: WLDN), a provider of professional, technical and consulting services, today reported financial results for its second quarter ended July 1, 2022.

Second Quarter 2022 Summary

- Consolidated contract revenue of \$102.6 million
- Net revenue* of \$52.9 million
- Net loss of \$4.3 million, or \$(0.33) per diluted share
- Adjusted net loss* of \$0.8 million, or \$(0.06) per diluted share
- Adjusted EBITDA* of \$1.2 million

Six Months Year to Date 2022 Summary

- Consolidated contract revenue of \$194.5 million
- Net revenue* of \$103.0 million
- Net loss of \$8.1 million, or \$(0.63) per diluted share
- Adjusted net income* of \$0.2 million, or \$0.02 per diluted share
- Adjusted EBITDA* of \$3.5 million

*See "Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" below.

"Willdan delivered solid top-line results, with revenue up 22% and net revenue up 12% over the second quarter last year," said Tom Brisbin, Willdan's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "Last quarter's profitability faced California Investor Owned Utility (CA IOU) headwinds and no major software sales. However, we expect to reach an inflection point in the back half of this year where CA IOU contract revenue significantly exceeds cost. Additionally, we have a strong pipeline of software license opportunities that capitalize on electric vehicle growth and electrification to decarbonize energy. Our civil engineering, energy consulting, and financial advisory businesses are performing well, and we now expect those trends to continue into 2023."

Second Quarter 2022 Financial Results

Consolidated contract revenue increased \$18.5 million, or 22.0%, in the three months ended July 1, 2022, compared to the three months ended July 2, 2021, primarily due to incremental revenues in our Energy segment generated from new governmental construction management projects, combined with incremental revenues from the resumption of Covid-19 suspended projects for utilities.

Net Revenue increased 11.9% to \$52.9 million from \$47.3 million for the second quarter of 2021 (see "Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" below) due to incremental contract revenues as described above.

General and administrative ("G&A") expenses decreased by \$1.1 million, or 2.8%, in the three months ended July 1, 2022 compared to the three months ended July 2, 2021. The decrease in G&A expenses was primarily attributed to lower stock-based compensation expenses, partially offset by higher salaries and wages, payroll taxes and employee benefits combined with higher computer-related expenses and professional service fees.

Income tax benefit was \$1.7 million for the three months ended July 1, 2022, compared to a tax benefit of \$3.7 million for the three months ended July 2, 2021. The decrease in the tax rate is primarily attributable to certain discrete credits realized in the three months ended July 2, 2021, that did not recur in the three months ended July 1, 2022.

Net loss for the second quarter of 2022 was \$4.3 million, or \$(0.33) per diluted share, as compared to a net loss of \$4.6 million, or \$(0.37) per diluted share, for the second quarter of 2021. The improvement in our net loss was primarily attributable to the increase in gross profit combined with lower G&A and lower total other expense, net, partially offset by lower income tax benefits. Adjusted Net Loss (see "Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" below) for the second quarter of 2022 was \$0.8 million, or \$(0.06) per diluted share, as compared to Adjusted Net Income of \$3.0 million, or \$0.24 per diluted share, for the second quarter of 2021.

Adjusted EBITDA (see "Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" below) was \$1.2 million for the second quarter of 2022, compared to \$3.3 million for the second quarter of 2021.

Six Months 2022 Financial Results

Consolidated contract revenue increased \$31.2 million, or 19.1%, in the six months ended July 1, 2022, compared to the six months ended July 2, 2021, primarily due to incremental revenues in our Energy segment generated from new governmental construction management projects, combined with incremental revenues from the resumption of Covid-19 suspended projects for utilities.

Net Revenue for the six months ended July 1, 2022 was \$103.0 million, an increase of 8.2% from \$95.2 million for the six months ended July 2, 2021(see "Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" below), due to incremental contract revenues as described above.

Income tax benefit was \$4.1 million for the six months ended July 1, 2022 compared to a tax benefit of \$5.1 million for the six months ended July 2, 2021. The decrease in the income tax rate is primarily attributable to certain discrete credits realized in the six months ended July 2, 2021, that did not recur in the six months ended July 1, 2022.

Net loss for the six months ended July 1, 2022 was \$8.1 million, or \$(0.63) per diluted share, as compared to a net loss of \$8.4 million, or \$(0.68) per diluted share, for the prior year period. The improvement in our net loss was primarily attributable to lower G&A expenses combined with lower total other expense, net, partially offset by lower income tax benefits. Adjusted Net Income (see "Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" below) for the six months ended July 1, 2022 was \$0.2 million, or \$0.02 per diluted share, as compared to Adjusted Net Income of \$5.3 million, or \$0.43 per diluted share, for the six months ended July 2, 2021.

Adjusted EBITDA (see "Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" below) was \$3.5 million for the six months ended July 1, 2022, compared to \$8.0 million for the prior year period.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

As of July 1, 2022, cash and cash equivalents totaled \$5.8 million. Cash flows used in operating activities were \$3.6 million for the six months ended July 1, 2022, as compared to cash flows used in operating activities of \$0.7 million for the six months ended July 2, 2021. Cash flows used in operating activities for the six months ended July 1, 2022 resulted primarily from the working capital needed to fund business growth.

As of July 1, 2022, there was \$112.5 million outstanding under our term loan credit facilities. We had no borrowings under our \$50.0 million revolving credit facility. On August 2, 2022, we amended our credit agreement to increase the purchase money indebtedness and capitalized lease obligations permissible limit from \$1.5 million to \$4.0 million.

Full Year 2022 Financial Targets

- Net revenue* growth of at least 10%
- Adjusted EBITDA* margin (as percent of net revenue) of at least 10%

Financial targets have been updated to reflect estimated minimum performance levels, as Willdan works with its CA IOU clients to streamline delivery of energy efficiency in the state. These efforts are expected to result in an improved Company outlook in 2023.

These updated financial targets supersede any previously disclosed financial targets and investors should not rely on any previously disclosed financial targets.

*See "Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" below.

Second Quarter 2022 Conference Call

Willdan will be hosting an investor conference call related to second quarter earnings today, August 4, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. Eastern/2:30 p.m. Pacific. To access the call, listeners should dial 888-394-8218 (or 323-794-2588) approximately five minutes prior to the scheduled start time and provide passcode 6928105. The conference call will be webcast simultaneously on Willdan's website at ir.willdangroup.com/events-presentations.

A replay of the conference call will be available through August 18, 2022 by dialing 888-203-1112 (or 719-457-0820) and entering access identification 6928105.

An Investor Report containing supplemental financial information can also be accessed on the home page of Willdan's investor relations website.

About Willdan Group, Inc.

Willdan is a nationwide provider of professional, technical and consulting services to utilities, government agencies, and private industry. Willdan's service offerings span a broad set of complementary disciplines that include electric grid solutions, energy efficiency and sustainability, engineering and planning, and municipal financial consulting. For additional information, visit Willdan's website at www.willdan.com.

Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

"Net Revenue," defined as contract revenue as reported in accordance with GAAP minus subcontractor services and other direct costs, is a non-GAAP financial measure, Net Revenue is a supplemental measure that Willdan believes enhances investors' ability to analyze Willdan's business trends and performance because it substantially measures the work performed by Willdan's employees. In the course of providing services, Willdan routinely subcontracts various services. Generally, these subcontractor services and other direct costs are passed through to Willdan's clients and, in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") and industry practice, are included in Willdan's revenue when it is Willdan's contractual responsibility to procure or manage such subcontracted activities. Because subcontractor services and other direct costs can vary significantly from project to project and period, changes in revenue may not necessarily be indicative of Willdan's business trends. Accordingly, Willdan segregates subcontractor services and other direct costs from revenue to promote a better understanding of Willdan's business by evaluating revenue exclusive of subcontract services and other direct costs associated with external service providers. A reconciliation of Willdan's contract revenue as reported in accordance with GAAP to Net Revenue is provided at the end of this press release. A reconciliation of targeted contract revenue for 2022 as reported in accordance with GAAP to targeted Net Revenues for fiscal 2022, which is a forward-looking non-GAAP financial measure, is not provided because Willdan is unable to provide such reconciliation without unreasonable effort. The inability to provide a reconciliation is due to the uncertainty and inherent difficulty of predicting the subcontractor services and other director costs that are subtracted from contract revenues in order to derive Net Revenues. While subcontractor costs have increased recently, subcontractor costs can vary significantly from period to period. Subcontractor costs and other direct costs were 48.5% and 43.0% of contract revenue for the quarter ended July 1, 2022 and fiscal year 2021 and 43.9% and 50.2% for the quarter ended July 2, 2021 and fiscal year 2020, respectively.



"Adjusted EBITDA," defined as net income plus interest expense, income tax expense, stock-based compensation, interest accretion, depreciation and amortization, transaction costs and gain on sale of equipment, is a non-GAAP financial measure. Adjusted EBITDA is a supplemental measure used by Willdan's management to measure Willdan's operating performance. Willdan believes Adjusted EBITDA is useful because it allows Willdan's management to evaluate its operating performance and compare the results of its operations from period to period and against its peers without regard to its financing methods, capital structure and non-operating expenses. Willdan uses Adjusted EBITDA to evaluate its performance for, among other things, budgeting, forecasting and incentive compensation purposes.

Certain items excluded from Adjusted EBITDA are significant components in understanding and assessing a company's financial performance, such as a company's costs of capital, stock-based compensation, as well as the historical costs of depreciable assets. A reconciliation of net income as reported in accordance with GAAP to Adjusted EBITDA is provided at the end of this press release.

"Adjusted Net Income," defined as net income plus stock-based compensation, intangible amortization, interest accretion and transaction costs, each net of tax, is a non-GAAP financial measure.

"Adjusted Diluted EPS," defined as net income plus stock-based compensation, intangible amortization, interest accretion, transaction costs, and deferred tax valuation, each net of tax, all divided by the diluted weighted-average shares outstanding, is a non-GAAP financial measure. Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted Diluted EPS are supplemental measures used by Willdan's management to measure its operating performance. Willdan believes Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted Diluted EPS are useful because they allow Willdan's management to more closely evaluate and explain the operating results of Willdan's business by removing certain non-operating expenses. Reconciliations of net income as reported in accordance with GAAP to Adjusted Net Income and diluted EPS as reported in accordance with GAAP to Adjusted Diluted EPS are provided at the end of this press release.

Willdan's definitions of Net Revenue, Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted Diluted EPS have limitations as analytical tools and may differ from other companies reporting similarly named measures or from similarly named measures Willdan has reported in prior periods. These measures should be considered in addition to, and not as a substitute for, or superior to, other measures of financial performance prepared in accordance with GAAP, such as contract revenue, net income and diluted EPS.

Forward Looking Statements

Statements in this press release that are not purely historical, including statements regarding Willdan's intentions, hopes, beliefs, expectations, representations, projections, estimates, plans or predictions of the future are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended, including statements regarding the impact of Covid-19 on Willdan's business, Willdan's ability to capitalize on increased energy efficiency spending in large markets and expected benefits from its acquisitions. All statements other than statements of historical fact included in this press release are forward-looking statements. It is important to note that Willdan's actual results could differ materially from those in any such forward-looking statements. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from its expectations include, but are not limited to, Willdan's ability to adequately complete projects in a timely manner, Willdan's ability to compete successfully in the highly competitive energy services market, Willdan's reliance on work from its top ten clients; the extent to which the Covid-19 pandemic and measures taken to contain its spread ultimately impact Willdan's business, results of operation and financial condition; changes in state, local and regional economies and government budgets, Willdan's ability to win new contracts, to renew existing contracts and to compete effectively for contracts awarded through bidding processes, Willdan's ability to successfully integrate its acquisitions and execute on its growth strategy, Willdan's ability to make principal and interest payments on its outstanding debt as they come due and to comply with financial covenants contained in its debt agreements, Willdan's ability to obtain financing and to refinance its outstanding debt as it matures, Willdan's ability to attract and retain managerial, technical, and administrative talent, and Willdan's ability to manage supply chain constraints, labor shortages, and rising inflation.

All written and oral forward-looking statements attributable to Willdan, or persons acting on its behalf, are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements and risk factors disclosed from time to time in Willdan's reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including, but not limited to, the Annual Report on Form 10-K filed

for the year ended December 31, 2021, as such disclosures may be amended, supplemented or superseded from time to time by other reports Willdan files with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including subsequent Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q or Current Reports on Form 8-K. Willdan cautions investors not to place undue reliance on the forward-looking statements contained in this press release. Willdan disclaims any obligation to, and does not undertake to, update or revise any forward-looking statements in this press release unless required by law.

WILLDAN GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands, except par value)

	July 1, 2022	De	cember 31, 2021
Assets			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,811	\$	11,221
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$751 and \$1,115 at July 1,			
2022 and December 31, 2021, respectively	60,301		67,211
Contract assets	61,177		59,288
Other receivables	6,231		6,267
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	 4,864		4,972
Total current assets	138,384		148,959
Equipment and leasehold improvements, net	19,382		16,757
Goodwill	130,124		130,124
Right-of-use assets	13,387		15,177
Other intangible assets, net	47,024		52,713
Other assets	13,891		13,843
Deferred income taxes, net	19,691		16,849
Total assets	\$ 381,883	\$	394,422
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		-	
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 27,813	\$	36,672
Accrued liabilities	34,994		35,680
Contingent consideration payable	943		10,206
Contract liabilities	11,410		13,499
Notes payable	16,019		15,036
Finance lease obligations	891		539
Lease liability	5,435		5,575
Total current liabilities	97,505		117,207
Contingent consideration payable			832
Notes payable	97,121		85,538
Finance lease obligations, less current portion	1,413		778
Lease liability, less current portion	8,956		10,768
Other noncurrent liabilities	78		78
Total liabilities	205,073		215,201
Commitments and contingencies			
Stockholders' equity:			

Stockholders' equity.		
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value, 10,000 shares authorized, no shares issued and		
outstanding	—	—
Common stock, \$0.01 par value, 40,000 shares authorized; 13,215 and 12,804 shares		
issued and outstanding at July 1, 2022 and December 31, 2021, respectively	132	128
Additional paid-in capital	172,678	167,032
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	_	(38)
Retained earnings	4,000	12,099
Total stockholders' equity	176,810	179,221
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 381,883	\$ 394,422

WILLDAN GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (in thousands, except per share amounts)

Contract revenue \$ Direct costs of contract revenue (inclusive of directly related depreciation and amortization):	July 1, 2022		July 2,		Teches 1		
Direct costs of contract revenue (inclusive of directly related	100 645		2021	July 1, 2022			July 2, 2021
	102,645	\$	84,154	\$	194,483	\$	163,240
depreciation and amortization):							
Salaries and wages	21,284		16,366		40,094		32,186
Subcontractor services and other direct costs	49,771		36,902		91,439		68,036
Total direct costs of contract revenue	71,055	_	53,268	_	131,533	_	100,222
General and administrative expenses:							
Salaries and wages, payroll taxes and employee benefits	20.439		18,712		39,796		38,156
Facilities and facility related	2,373		2,379		4,771		5,022
Stock-based compensation	1,714		5,933		5,019		10,139
Depreciation and amortization	4,426		4,224		8,835		8,411
Other	7,936		6,710		15,435		12,551
Total general and administrative expenses	36,888		37,958		73,856	-	74,279
Income (Loss) from operations	(5,298)		(7,072)		(10,906)		(11,261)
Other income (expense):							
Interest expense, net	(1,030)		(1,099)		(1,781)		(2,163)
Other, net	(1,050)		(1,055)		526		(2,103)
Total other expense, net	(701)	-	(1,192)	-	(1,255)	_	(2,227)
Income (Loss) before income taxes	(5,999)		(8,264)		(12,161)		(13,488)
	(1.072)				(4.002)		(5.101)
Income tax (benefit) expense	(1,673)	_	(3,663)		(4,062)	_	(5,121)
Net income (loss)	(4,326)	_	(4,601)		(8,099)		(8,367)
Other comprehensive income (loss):							
Unrealized gain (loss) on derivative contracts, net of tax	—		104		38		232
Comprehensive income (loss)	(4,326)	\$	(4,497)	\$	(8,061)	\$	(8,135)
Earnings (Loss) per share:							
Basic \$	(0.33)	\$	(0.37)	\$	(0.63)	\$	(0.68)
Diluted \$	(0.33)	\$	(0.37)	\$	(0.63)	\$	(0.68)
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>		<u> </u>		
Weighted-average shares outstanding:							
Basic	13,016		12,421		12,901		12,284
Diluted	13,016		12,421		12,901		12,284

WILLDAN GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (in thousands)

	Six Months Endee			-	
		July 1, 2022		July 2, 2021	
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Net income (loss)	\$	(8,099)	\$	(8,367	
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:					
Depreciation and amortization		8,835		8,411	
Deferred income taxes, net		(2,842)		(3,041	
(Gain) loss on sale/disposal of equipment		(69)		(25	
Provision for doubtful accounts		107		342	
Stock-based compensation		5,019		10,139	
Accretion and fair value adjustments of contingent consideration		111		751	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects from business acquisitions:					
Accounts receivable		6,803		2,946	
Contract assets		(1,889)		(4,266	
Other receivables		36		984	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		225		1,525	
Other assets		(48)		5,000	
Accounts payable		(8,859)		(13,311	
Accrued liabilities		(648)		(2,712	
Contract liabilities		(2,089)		1,020	
Right-of-use assets		(162)		(104	
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities		(3,569)		(708	
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Purchase of equipment and leasehold improvements		(4,344)		(3,100	
Proceeds from sale of equipment		73		43	
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities		(4,271)		(3,057	
Cash flows from financing activities:		(.,)		(0,00)	
Payments on contingent consideration		(10,206)		(6,616	
Payments on notes pavable		(1,051)		(1,541	
Borrowings under term loan facility and line of credit		20.000		(1,511	
Repayments under term loan facility and line of credit		(6,500)		(6,500	
Principal payments on finance leases		(444)		(214	
Proceeds from stock option exercise		23		1.378	
Proceeds from sales of common stock under employee stock purchase plan		1,561		1,385	
Cash used to pay taxes on stock grants		(953)		(3,117	
Restricted Stock Award and Units		(555)		(3,117	
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities		2.430		(15,226	
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(5,410)		(13,220	
		(5,410)			
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	¢		¢	28,405	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	5,811	\$	9,414	
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:					
Cash paid during the period for:					
Interest	\$	1,584	\$	1,961	
Income taxes		413		(1,669	
Supplemental disclosures of noncash investing and financing activities:					
Equipment acquired under finance leases		1,431		575	

Willdan Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries Reconciliation of GAAP Revenue to Net Revenue (in thousands) (Non-GAAP Measure)

	Three Months Ended					Six Mor	Ionths Ended		
	July 1, 2022		July 2, 2021		July 1, 2022			July 2, 2021	
Consolidated									
Contract revenue	\$	102,645	\$	84,154	\$	194,483	\$	163,240	
Subcontractor services and other direct costs		49,771		36,902		91,439		68,036	
Net Revenue	\$	52,874	\$	47,252	\$	\$ 103,044		95,204	
Energy segment									
Contract revenue	\$	84,675	\$	66,447	\$	159,561	\$	128,454	
Subcontractor services and other direct costs		49,040		34,652		89,888		63,910	
Net Revenue	\$	35,635	\$	31,795	\$	69,673	\$	64,544	
Engineering and Consulting segment									
Contract revenue	\$	17,970	\$	17,707	\$	34,922	\$	34,786	
Subcontractor services and other direct costs		731		2,250		1,551		4,126	
Net Revenue	\$	17,239	\$	15,458	\$	33,371	\$	30,660	

Willdan Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries Reconciliation of GAAP Net Income to Adjusted EBITDA (in thousands) (Non-GAAP Measure)

	Three Months Ended					Six Months Ended					
		July 1, 2022		July 2, 2021		July 1, 2022		July 2, 2021			
Net income (loss)	\$	(4,326)	\$	(4,601)	\$	(8,099)	\$	(8,367)			
Interest expense		1,030		1,099		1,781		2,163			
Income tax expense (benefit)		(1,673)		(3,663)		(4,062)		(5,121)			
Stock-based compensation		1,714		5,933		5,019		10,139			
Interest accretion (1)		31		353		111		751			
Depreciation and amortization		4,426		4,224		8,835		8,411			
Transaction costs (2)		—		9				43			
(Gain) Loss on sale of equipment		(33)		(26)		(69)		(25)			
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	1,169	\$	3,328	\$	3,516	\$	7,994			

Interest accretion represents the imputed interest and fair value adjustments to estimated contingent consideration.
 Transaction costs represents acquisition and acquisition related costs.

Willdan Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries Reconciliation of GAAP Net Income to Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted Diluted EPS (in thousands, except per share amounts) (Non-GAAP Measure)

	Three Months Ended			Six Months Ended				
		July 1, 2022		July 2, 2021		July 1, 2022		July 2, 2021
Net income (loss)	\$	(4,326)	\$	(4,601)	\$	(8,099)	\$	(8,367)
Adjustment for stock-based compensation	Ψ	1,714	Ψ	5,933	Ψ	5,019	Ψ	10,139
Tax effect of stock-based compensation		(393)		(843)		(1,150)		(1,441)
Adjustment for intangible amortization		2,843		2,886		5,690		5,772
Tax effect of intangible amortization		(652)		(410)		(1,304)		(820)
Adjustment for interest accretion		31		<u> </u>		111		
Tax effect of interest accretion		(7)		_		(25)		
Adjustment for transaction costs				9				43
Tax effect of transaction costs				(1)		—		(6)
Adjustment for deferred tax valuation		—		—		—		—
Tax effect of deferred tax valuation								
Adjusted Net Income (Loss)	\$	(790)	\$	2,973	\$	241	\$	5,320
Diluted weighted-average shares outstanding		13,016		12,421		12,901		12,284
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Diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$	(0.33)	\$	(0.37)	\$	(0.63)	\$	(0.68)
Impact of adjustment:								
Stock-based compensation per share		0.13		0.48		0.39		0.83
Tax effect of stock-based compensation per								
share		(0.03)		(0.07)		(0.09)		(0.12)
Intangible amortization per share		0.22		0.23		0.44		0.47
Tax effect of intangible amortization per share		(0.05)		(0.03)		(0.10)		(0.07)
Interest accretion per share		0.00		—		0.01		—
Tax effect of interest accretion per share		(0.00)		—		(0.00)		
Transaction costs per share				0.00				0.00
Tax effect of transaction costs per share				(0.00)		_		(0.00)
Deferred tax valuation per share				—				—
Tax effect of deferred tax valuation per share								
Adjusted Diluted EPS	\$	(0.06)	\$	0.24	\$	0.02	\$	0.43

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