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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

| Form 10-Q |
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| [X] QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES |
| EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 |
| For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2006 |
| 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 000-29239 |
| INFORTE CORP. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) |
| Delaware 36-3909334 (IRS Employer (State of incorporation) Identification No.) |
| 500 North Dearborn Street, Suite 1200, Chicago, Illinois 60610 (Address of principal executive offices, including ZIP code) |
| (312) 540-0900 (Registrant s telephone number, including area code) |
| 150 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 3400, Chicago, Illinois, 60601 (Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report) |
| Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes X No _ |
| Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of accelerated filer and larger accelerated filer in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one): |
| Large accelerated filer _ Accelerated filer _ Non-accelerated filer X |
| Indicated by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.) Yes _ No X |

The number of shares outstanding of the registrant s Common Stock as of September 30, 2006 was 11,905,374.

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This report contains forward-looking statements that involve risks, uncertainties, and assumptions, such as statements of our plans, objectives, expectations and intentions. Our actual results may differ materially from those discussed in these forward-looking statements because of the risks and uncertainties inherent in future events that include, but are not limited to, those identified under the caption Risk Factors appearing in this 10-Q and elsewhere in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005, as well as factors discussed elsewhere in this Form 10-Q. Actual results may differ from forward-looking results for a number of reasons, including, but not limited to, Inforte s ability to: (i) effectively forecast demand and profitably match resources with demand; (ii) attract and retain clients and satisfy our clients expectations; (iii) recruit and retain qualified professionals; (iv) accurately estimate the time and resources necessary for the delivery of our services; (v) build and maintain marketing relationships with leading software vendors while competing with their professional services organizations; (vi) compete with emerging alternative economic models for delivery, such as offshore development; (vii) effectively integrate acquired businesses; (viii) grow new areas of its business, such as business intelligence and customer analytics; (ix) identify and successfully offer the solutions that clients demand; (x) effectively compete with larger and established competitors; (xi) retain significant clients and collect sizeable accounts receivable; and (xii) implement legislative and regulatory requirements in a timely and cost efficient manner, as well as other factors discussed from time to time in our other Securities and Exchange Commission filings. Should one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may vary materially from those anticipated, estimated or projected. All forward-looking statements included in this document are made as of the date hereof, based on information available to Inforte on the date thereof, and Inforte assumes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements.

PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Consolidated Financial Statements

INFORTE CORP. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (000 s except share amounts)

| | SEPT 30, 2005 | DEC 31, 2005 | MAR 31, 2006 | JUNE 30, 2006 | SEPT 30, 2006 |
|---|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|
| | (Unaudited) |) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) |
| ASSETS | | | | | |
| Current assets: | | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 12,107 | \$ 10,353 | \$ 12,217 | \$ 10,569 | \$ 13,583 |
| Short-term marketable securities | 18,996 | 22,591 | 17,844 | 19,266 | 16,037 |
| Accounts receivable | 8,707 | 8,460 | 8,078 | 7,683 | 7,453 |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts | (450) | (400) | (400) | (400) | (400) |
| Accounts receivable, net | 8,257 | 8,060 | 7,678 | 7,283 | 7,053 |
| Note receivable from affiliate | 429 | 684 | 1,122 | 1,537 | 1,784 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 1,066 | 1,023 | 1,211 | 1,147 | 895 |
| Interest receivable on investment securities | 204 | 199 | 164 | 133 | 125 |
| Deferred income taxes | 1,073 | 484 | 371 | 351 | 371 |
| Income taxes recoverable | 218 | 124 | 124 | 13 | |
| Total current assets | 42,350 | 43,518 | 40,731 | 40,299 | 39,848 |
| Computers, purchased software and property | 2,111 | 1,862 | 1,865 | 2,303 | 2,324 |
| Less accumulated depreciation and amortization | 1,091 | 881 | 805 | 893 | 955 |
| | | | | | |
| Computers, purchased software and property, net | 1,020 | 981 | 1,060 | 1,410 | 1,369 |
| Long-term marketable securities | 492 | | | | |
| Intangible assets | 64 | 42 | 27 | 14 | 7 |
| Goodwill | 14,307 | 15,238 | 15,238 | 15,126 | 15,118 |
| Deferred income taxes | 1,565 | 2,758 | 2,754 | 2,748 | 2,786 |
| Investment in affiliate | 1,924 | 1,857 | 1,783 | 1,721 | 1,631 |
| Total assets | \$ 61,722 | \$ 64,394 | \$ 61,593 | \$ 61,318 | \$ 60,759 |
| | | | | | |

LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

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| SEPT 30, 2005 | DEC 31, 2005 | MAR 31, 2006 | JUNE 30, 2006 | SEPT 30, 2006 |
|------------------|--|---|---|---|
| \$ 666 | \$ 357 | \$ 406 | \$ 1,152 | \$ 458 |
| 359 | 920 | 992 | 306 | 320 |
| 3,012 | 3,595 | 3,850 | 3,195 | 3,349 |
| 1,106 | 845 | 635 | 486 | 408 |
| 3,650 | 3,650 | 500 | 500 | 500 |
| 1,084 | 1,679 | 1,456 | 1,197 | 944 |
| 9,877 | 11,046 | 7,839 | 6,836 | 5,979 |
| | | | | |
| 500 | 1,500 | 1,500 | 1,500 | 1,000 |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | 12 |
| 75,179 | 75,469 | 75,461 | 75,487 | 75,795 |
| | | | | |
| (24,997) | (24,997) | (24,997) | (24,997) | (24,997) |
| 999 | 1,307 | 1,636 | 2,056 | 2,358 |
| 152 | 56 | 142 | 424 | 612 |
| 51,345 | 51,848 | 52,254 | 52,982 | 53,780 |
| \$ 61,722 | \$ 64,394 | \$ 61,593 | \$ 61,318 | \$ 60,759 |
| | 2005 \$ 666 359 3,012 1,106 3,650 1,084 9,877 500 12 75,179 (24,997) 999 152 51,345 | 2005 2005 \$ 666 \$ 357 359 920 3,012 3,595 1,106 845 3,650 3,650 1,084 1,679 9,877 11,046 500 1,500 12 13 75,179 75,469 (24,997) (24,997) 999 1,307 152 56 51,345 51,848 | 2005 2005 2006 \$ 666 \$ 357 \$ 406 359 920 992 3,012 3,595 3,850 1,106 845 635 3,650 3,650 500 1,084 1,679 1,456 9,877 11,046 7,839 500 1,500 1,500 12 13 12 75,179 75,469 75,461 (24,997) (24,997) (24,997) 999 1,307 1,636 152 56 142 51,345 51,848 52,254 | 2005 2006 2006 \$ 666 \$ 357 \$ 406 \$ 1,152 359 920 992 306 3,012 3,595 3,850 3,195 1,106 845 635 486 3,650 3,650 500 500 1,084 1,679 1,456 1,197 9,877 11,046 7,839 6,836 500 1,500 1,500 1,500 150 1,500 1,500 1,500 150 1,500 1,500 1,500 150 1,500 1,500 1,500 150 1,500 1,500 1,500 |

See notes to consolidated financial statements

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (000 s, except per share data)

| | THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, | | | | | NINE MONT | | |
|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-------------|---------------------|------|-----------------------|----|-------------------------|
| | 2005 2006 (Unaudited) (Unaudited) | | | 2006 | 2005 | | | 2006 |
| | | | (Unaudited) | | (| Unaudited) | | |
| Revenues: | | | | | | | | |
| Revenue before reimbursements (net revenue) Reimbursements | \$ | 9,711 922 | \$ | 10,252 961 | \$ | 28,160 2,912 | \$ | 29,778 2,847 |
| Total revenues | | 10,633 | | 11,213 | | 31,072 | | 32,625 |
| Cost of services: Project personnel and related expenses Reimbursed expenses | | 5,187 922 | | 6,051 961 | | 16,267 2,912 | | 16,838 2,847 |
| Total cost of services | | 6,109 | | 7,012 | | 19,179 | | 19,685 |
| Gross profit | | 4,524 | | 4,201 | | 11,893 | | 12,940 |
| Other operating expenses: Sales and marketing Recruiting, retention and training Management and administrative | | 638 324 2,788 | | 641 576 2,776 | | 1,942 785 9,382 | | 1,867 1,420 8,640 |

| | | THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, | | | | ENDED R 30, | | |
|---|------------------|----------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|----------|--------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------------|
| Total other operating expenses Operating income (loss) Loss on investment in affiliate Interest income, net and other | | 3,750 774 (76) 214 | | 3,993 208 (90) 414 | | 12,109 (216) (76) 671 | | 11,927 1,013 (226) 1,038 |
| Income before income tax Income tax expense | | 912 367 | | 532 230 | | 379 150 | | 1,825 774 |
| Net income | \$ | 545 | \$ | 302 | \$ | 229 | \$ | 1,051 |
| Earnings per share: -Basic -Diluted | \$ \$ | 0.05 0.05 | \$ \$ | 0.03 0.03 | \$ \$ | 0.02 0.02 | \$ \$ | 0.09 0.09 |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding: -Basic -Diluted See notes to cons | olidated financi | 11,260 11,694 ial statemer | nts | 11,411 11,811 | | 11,209 11,516 | | 11,353 11,826 |

$\begin{array}{c} \text{INFORTE CORP.} \\ \text{CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS} \\ 000 \hspace{0.2cm} \text{s)} \end{array}$

| | | THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, | | | | NINE MON' SEPTEN | | |
|---|----|----------------------------------|----|---------------------|----|---------------------|----|-------------|
| | _ | 2005 (Unaudited) | | 2006 (Unaudited) | | 2005 (Unaudited) | | 2006 |
| | J) | | | | | | | (Unaudited) |
| Cash flows from operating activities Net income | \$ | 545 | \$ | 302 | \$ | 229 | \$ | 1,051 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: | | | | | | | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | | 293 | | 228 | | 979 | | 698 |
| Loss on investment in affiliate | | 76 | | 90 | | 76 | | 226 |
| Stock-based compensation | | 188 | | | | | | |

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