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): November 2, 2017

PAYLOCITY HOLDING CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Delaware

001-36348 (Commission File Number) **46-4066644** (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

> 3850 N. Wilke Road Arlington Heights, Illinois 60004

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(847) 463-3200

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

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

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

- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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

o Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. o

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On November 2, 2017, Paylocity Holding Corporation (the "Company") issued a press release announcing financial results for the three month period ended September 30, 2017. The press release contains forward-looking statements regarding the Company, and includes cautionary statements identifying important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated.

The press release issued November 2, 2017 is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1. The information in this Item 2.02, including Exhibit 99.1, is being furnished and shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liability of that Section, nor shall such information be deemed to be incorporated by reference in any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, except as otherwise stated in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.

Description

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SIGNATURES

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

PAYLOCITY HOLDING CORPORATION

Date: November 2, 2017

By:

/s/ Toby J. Williams Toby J. Williams Chief Financial Officer



Paylocity Announces First Quarter Fiscal Year 2018 Financial Results

- · Q1 2018 Total Revenue of \$81.5 million, up 25% year-over-year
- Q1 2018 Recurring Revenue of \$78.9 million, up 26% year-over-year

Arlington Heights, IL. — November 2, 2017 — Paylocity Holding Corporation (Nasdaq: PCTY), a cloud-based provider of payroll and human capital management software solutions, today announced financial results for the first quarter of fiscal year 2018, which ended September 30, 2017.

"Fiscal 2018 is off to a nice start, as we saw 25% top-line revenue growth while also continuing to drive improved leverage across all of our key financial metrics, as we remain committed to scaling the business," said Steve Beauchamp, Chief Executive Officer of Paylocity. "We continue to be focused on investment in product development, announcing today at our annual Client Conference the release of our Compensation Management and Survey modules as we continue to add value to our product suite."

First Quarter Fiscal 2018 Financial Highlights

Revenue:

- Total revenue was \$81.5 million, an increase of 25% from the first quarter of fiscal year 2017.
- Total recurring revenue was \$78.9 million, representing 97% of total revenue and an increase of 26% from the first quarter of fiscal year 2017.

Operating Income (Loss):

- GAAP operating income was \$0.5 million, compared to an operating loss of (\$2.5) million in the first quarter of fiscal year 2017.
- Non-GAAP operating income was \$8.2 million, compared to non-GAAP operating income of \$4.0 million in the first quarter of fiscal year 2017.

Net Income (Loss):

- GAAP net income was \$0.5 million. This compares to a net loss of (\$2.6) million for the first quarter of fiscal year 2017. Net income per share was \$0.01 for the first quarter of fiscal year 2018 based on 54.6 million diluted weighted average common shares outstanding. Net loss per share was (\$0.05) for the first quarter of fiscal year 2017, based on 51.2 million basic and diluted weighted average common shares outstanding.
- Non-GAAP net income was \$8.2 million. This compares to non-GAAP net income of \$4.0 million for the first quarter of fiscal year 2017. Non-GAAP net income per share was \$0.15 for the first quarter of fiscal year 2018, based on 54.6 million diluted weighted average common shares outstanding. Non-GAAP net income per share was \$0.07 for the first quarter of fiscal year 2017, based on 54.2 million pro forma diluted weighted average common shares outstanding.

Adjusted EBITDA:

• Adjusted EBITDA, a non-GAAP measure, was \$14.6 million compared to Adjusted EBITDA of \$8.0 million in the first quarter of fiscal year 2017.

Balance Sheet and Cash Flow:

- · Cash and cash equivalents totaled \$97.4 million at the end of the quarter.
- · Cash flow from operations for the first quarter of fiscal year 2018 was \$8.2 million compared to \$1.9 million for the first quarter of fiscal year 2017.

A reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP financial measures has been provided in this press release, including the accompanying tables. An explanation of these measures is also included below under the heading "Non-GAAP Financial Measures."

Business Outlook

Based on information available as of November 2, 2017, Paylocity is issuing guidance for the second quarter and full fiscal year 2018 as indicated below.

Second Quarter 2018:

- Total revenue is expected to be in the range of \$84.3 million to \$85.3 million.
- · Adjusted EBITDA is expected to be in the range of \$12.5 million to \$13.5 million.
- Non-GAAP net income is expected to be in the range of \$6.0 million to \$7.0 million, or \$0.11 to \$0.13 per share, based on approximately 55 million diluted weighted average common shares outstanding.

Fiscal Year 2018:

- Total revenue is expected to be in the range of \$368.5 million to \$370.5 million.
- · Adjusted EBITDA is expected to be in the range of \$74.0 million to \$75.0 million.
- Non-GAAP net income is expected to be in the range of \$46.0 million to \$47.0 million, or \$0.84 to \$0.85 per share, based on approximately 55 million diluted weighted average common shares outstanding.

We are unable to reconcile these forward-looking non-GAAP financial measures to their directly comparable GAAP financial measures because the information which is needed to complete a reconciliation is unavailable at this time without unreasonable effort.

Conference Call Details

Paylocity will host a conference call to discuss its first quarter fiscal year 2018 results at 4:00 p.m. Central Time today (5:00 Eastern Time). A live audio webcast of the conference call, together with detailed financial information, can be accessed through the company's Investor Relations Web site at http://www.paylocity.com. Participants who choose to call in to the conference call can do so by dialing (855) 226-3021 or (315) 625-6892, passcode 97618145. A replay of the call will be available and archived via webcast at www.paylocity.com.

About Paylocity

Paylocity is a provider of cloud-based payroll and human capital management, or HCM, software solutions. Paylocity's comprehensive and easy-to-use solutions enable its clients to manage their workforces more effectively. Paylocity's solutions help drive strategic human capital decision-making and improve employee engagement by enhancing the human resource, payroll and finance capabilities of its clients. For more information, visit www.paylocity.com.

Source: Paylocity

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

The company uses certain non-GAAP financial measures in this release, including Adjusted EBITDA, adjusted gross profit, adjusted recurring gross profit, non-GAAP operating income (loss), non-GAAP net income (loss), non-GAAP net income (loss) per share, non-GAAP sales and marketing, non-GAAP total research and development and non-GAAP general and administrative. Generally, a non-GAAP financial measure is a numerical measure of a company's performance, financial position or cash flow that either excludes or includes amounts that are not normally excluded or included in the most directly comparable measure calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP. We define Adjusted EBITDA as net income (loss) before interest expense, income tax expense, and depreciation and amortization expense, adjusted to eliminate stock-based compensation expense and employer payroll taxes related to stock releases and option exercises and employer payroll taxes related to stock releases and option exercises and employer payroll taxes related to stock releases and option exercises and employer payroll taxes related to stock releases and option exercises and employer payroll taxes related to stock releases and option exercises. Non-GAAP general and administrative expense is adjusted to eliminate stock-based compensation expense and employer payroll taxes related to stock releases and option exercises. Non-GAAP general and administrative expense is adjusted to eliminate stock-based compensation expense and employer payroll taxes related to stock releases and option exercises and the amortization of acquired intangibles. Non-GAAP net income (loss) and non-GAAP net income (loss) per share are adjusted to eliminate stock-based compensation expense and employer payroll taxes related to stock releases and option exercises and the amorti

number of common shares are adjusted for the weighted average effect of potentially diluted shares. Non-GAAP total research and development is adjusted for capitalized internal-use software costs and to eliminate stock-based compensation expense and employer payroll taxes related to stock releases and option exercises. Please note that other companies may define their non-GAAP financial measures differently than we do. Management presents certain non-GAAP financial measures in this release because it considers them to be important supplemental measures of performance. Management uses these non-GAAP financial measures for planning purposes, including analysis of the company's performance against prior periods, the preparation of operating budgets and to determine appropriate levels of operating and capital investments. Management believes that these non-GAAP financial measures provide additional insight for analysts and investors in evaluating the company's financial and operational performance. Management also intends to provide these non-GAAP financial measures as part of the company's future earnings discussions and, therefore, the inclusion of the non-GAAP financial measures should provide consistency in the company's financial measures have limitations as an analytical tool. Investors are encouraged to review the reconciliation of the non-GAAP measures to their most directly comparable GAAP measures provided in this release.

Safe Harbor/forward looking statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements that involve substantial risks and uncertainties. All statements, other than statements of historical facts, included herein regarding Paylocity's future operations, ability to scale its business, future financial position and performance, future revenues, projected costs, prospects, plans and objectives of management are forward-looking statements. The words "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "plan," "will," "would," "seek" and similar expressions (or the negative of these terms) are intended to identify forward-looking statements, although

not all forward-looking statements contain these identifying words. These forward-looking statements include, among other things, statements about management's estimates regarding future revenues and financial performance and other statements about management's beliefs, intentions or goals. Paylocity may not actually achieve the expectations disclosed in the forward-looking statements, and you should not place undue reliance on Paylocity's forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results or events to differ materially from the expectations disclosed in the forward-looking, but not limited to, risks related to regulatory, legislative and judicial uncertainty in Paylocity's markets, including the potential repeal or replacement of the Affordable Care Act; Paylocity's ability to retain existing clients and to attract new clients to enter into subscriptions for its services; Paylocity's ability to sell new products and retain subscriptions for its existing products, such as ACA Compliance, to its new and existing clients; the challenges associated with a growing company's ability to effectively service clients in a dynamic and competitive market; challenges associated with expanding and evolving a sales organization to effectively address new geographies and products and services; Paylocity's reliance on and ability to expand its referral network of third parties; difficulties associated with accurately forecasting revenue and appropriately planning expenses; challenges with managing growth effectively; difficulties in forecasting Paylocity's tax position, including but not limited to the assessment of the need for a valuation allowance against its deferred tax position; continued acceptance of SaaS as an effective method for delivery of payroll and HCM solutions; Paylocity's ability to protect and defend its intellectual property; the risk that Paylocity's security measures are compromised or the unauthorized access to customer data; unexp

market for Paylocity's solutions; changes in the competitive environment in Paylocity's industry and the markets in which it operates; adverse changes in general economic or market conditions; changes in the employment rates of Paylocity's clients and the resultant impact on revenue; and other risks and potential factors that could affect Paylocity's business and financial results identified in Paylocity's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), including its 10-K filed with the SEC on August 11, 2017. Additional information will also be set forth in Paylocity's future quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, annual reports on Form 10-K and other filings that Paylocity makes with the SEC. These forward-looking statements represent Paylocity's expectations as of the date of this press release. Subsequent events may cause these expectations to change, and Paylocity disclaims any obligations to update or alter these forward-looking statements in the future, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

PAYLOCITY HOLDING CORPORATION Unaudited Consolidated Balance Sheets (in thousands, except per share data)

	June 30, 2017		September 30, 2017	
Assets				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	103,468	\$	97,399
Accounts receivable, net		2,040		2,565
Prepaid expenses and other		14,879		13,494
Total current assets before funds held for clients		120,387		113,458
Funds held for clients		942,459		941,989
Total current assets		1,062,846		1,055,447
Long-term prepaid expenses		1,535		1,323
Capitalized internal-use software, net		17,394		17,979
Property and equipment, net		40,756		44,968
Intangible assets, net		8,907		8,548
Goodwill		6,003		6,003
Total assets	\$	1,137,441	\$	1,134,268
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	2,046	\$	1,864
Accrued expenses		30,301		26,728
Total current liabilities before client fund obligations		32,347		28,592
Client fund obligations		942,459		941,989
Total current liabilities		974,806		970,581
Deferred rent		14,621		14,529
Deferred income tax liabilities, net		401		438
Total liabilities	\$	989,828	\$	985,548
Stockholders' equity:				
Preferred stock, \$0.001 par value, 5,000 authorized, no shares issued and outstanding at June 30, 2017 and September 30, 2017	\$		\$	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value, 155,000 shares authorized at June 30, 2017 and September 30, 2017;	Ψ		Ψ	
51,738 shares issued and outstanding at June 30, 2017 and 52,075 shares issued and outstanding at				
September 30, 2017		52		52
Additional paid-in capital		192,837		193,406
Accumulated deficit		(45,276)		(44,733)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss				(5)
Total stockholders' equity	\$	147,613	\$	148,720

PAYLOCITY HOLDING CORPORATION

Unaudited Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss) (in thousands, except per share data)

		Three Mor Septem	led	
-		2016		2017
Revenues:	*		<i>*</i>	
Recurring fees	\$	61,920	\$	77,294
Interest income on funds held for clients		717		1,617
Total recurring revenues		62,637		78,911
Implementation services and other		2,385		2,589
Total revenues		65,022		81,500
Cost of revenues:				
Recurring revenues		19,103		24,091
Implementation services and other		9,256		10,868
Total cost of revenues		28,359		34,959
Gross profit		36,663		46,541
Operating expenses:				
Sales and marketing		18,011		21,180
Research and development		7,301		8,895
General and administrative		13,858		15,951
Total operating expenses		39,170		46,026
Operating income (loss)		(2,507)		515
Other income		39		109
Income (loss) before income taxes		(2,468)		624
Income tax expense		100		81
Net income (loss)	\$	(2,568)	\$	543
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax Unrealized losses on securities, net of tax				
Total other comprehensive loss, net of tax				(5)
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Comprehensive income (loss)	\$	(2,568)	\$	538
Net income (loss) per share:				
Basic	\$	(0.05)	\$	0.01
Diluted	\$	(0.05)	\$	0.01
Weighted-average shares used in computing net income (loss) per share:				
Basic		51,231		51,893
Diluted		51,231		54,610
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Stock-based compensation expense and employer payroll taxes related to stock releases and option exercises for each of the three months ended September 30 are included in the above line items:

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		2016	2017		
Cost of revenue — recurring	\$	605	\$	737	
Cost of revenue — implementation services and other		348		444	
Sales and marketing		1,597		2,051	
Research and development		900		1,097	
General and administrative		2,721		2,966	
Total stock-based compensation expense and employer payroll taxes related to stock releases and					
option exercises	\$	6,171	\$	7,295	
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PAYLOCITY HOLDING CORPORATION Unaudited Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (in thousands)

Three Months Ended September 30, 2016 2017

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Paylocity Holding Corporation Reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP Financial Measures (In thousands except per share data)

	Three months Ended September 30,			
		2016		2017
Reconciliation from gross profit to adjusted gross profit:				
Gross profit	\$	36,663	\$	46,541
Amortization of capitalized internal-use software costs		1,684		3,389
Stock-based compensation expense and employer payroll taxes related to stock releases and option exercises		953		1,181
Adjusted gross profit	\$	39,300	\$	51,111
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		2016		2017
Reconciliation from total recurring revenues to adjusted recurring gross profit:				
Total recurring revenues	\$	62,637	\$	78,911
Cost of recurring revenues		19,103		24,091
Recurring gross profit		43,534		54,820
Amortization of capitalized internal-use software costs		1,684		3,389
Stock-based compensation expense and employer payroll taxes related to stock releases and option exercises		605		737
Adjusted recurring gross profit	\$	45,823	\$	58,946
	Three months Ended September 30,			
		2016		2017
Reconciliation from operating income (loss) to non-GAAP operating income:				
Operating income (loss)	\$	(2,507)	\$	515
Stock-based compensation expense and employer payroll taxes related to stock releases and option exercises		6,171		7,295

 Stock-based compensation expense and employer payroll taxes related to stock releases and option exercises
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 Amortization of acquired intangibles
 381

 Non-GAAP operating income
 \$ 4,045

359

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	September 30,			
	2016			2017
Reconciliation from net income (loss) to non-GAAP net income:				
Net income (loss)	\$	(2,568)	\$	543
Stock-based compensation expense and employer payroll taxes related to stock releases and option exercises		6,171		7,295
Amortization of acquired intangibles		381		359
Non-GAAP net income	\$	3,984	\$	8,197

		Three months Ended September 30,		
		2016	Der 50,	2017
Reconciliation from diluted weighted-average number of common shares as reported to pro forma				
diluted weighted average number of common shares				
Diluted weighted-average number of common shares, as reported		51,231		54,610
Weighted-average effect of potentially dilutive shares		2,946		
Pro forma diluted weighted-average number of common shares		54,177		54,610
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		Septem 2016	Der 30,	2017
Calculation of non-GAAP net income per share:				
Non-GAAP net income	\$	3,984	\$	8,197
Pro forma diluted weighted-average number of common shares		54,177		54,610
Non-GAAP net income per share	\$	0.07	\$	0.15
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		2016		2017
Reconciliation from net income (loss) to Adjusted EBITDA:				
Net income (loss)	\$	(2,568)	\$	543
Interest expense		—		—
Income tax expense		100		81
Depreciation and amortization expense		4,268		6,673
EBITDA		1,800		7,297
Stock-based compensation expense and employer payroll taxes related to stock releases and option exercises		6,171		7,295
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	7,971	\$	14,592
	Three months Ended September 30.			
		2016		2017
Reconciliation of non-GAAP Sales and Marketing:	¢	10.011	¢	21.100
Sales and Marketing	\$	18,011	\$	21,180
Stock-based compensation expense and employer payroll taxes related to stock releases and option exercises	<u>_</u>	1,597	<u>_</u>	2,051
Non-GAAP Sales and Marketing	\$	16,414	\$	19,129
	Three months Ended September 30,		led	
		2016 Septem	ber 30,	2017
Reconciliation of non-GAAP Total Research and Development:				
Research and Development	\$	7,301	\$	8,895
Capitalized internal-use software costs		2,887		3,751
Stock-based compensation expense and employer payroll taxes related to stock releases and option exercises		900		1,097
Non-GAAP Total Research and Development	\$	9,288	\$	11,549
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	Three months Ended September 30,			
		2016		2017
Reconciliation of non-GAAP General and Administrative:				
General and Administrative	\$	13,858	\$	15,951
Stock-based compensation expense and employer payroll taxes related to stock releases and option exercises		2,721		2,966
Amortization of acquired intangibles		381		359
Non-GAAP General and Administrative	\$	10,756	\$	12,626