# **UNITED STATES** SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 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): July 8, 2020

# Veritone, Inc. act name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

001-38093

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

47-1161641 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

575 Anton Boulevard, Suite 100 Costa Mesa, California (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

92626 (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (888) 507-1737

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 (see General Instructions A.2. below):

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 240.14d-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 Exchange Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered		
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	VERI	The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC		
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).				

Emerging growth company  $\times$ 

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 Section13(a) of the Exchange Act.

#### Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On July 8, 2020, Veritone, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release in which it provided updated guidance regarding its expected financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2020, which differs from the Company's previously issued guidance. The Company's press release is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

This information shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing by the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, except as may be set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On July 8, 2020, the Company issued a press release in which it provided updated guidance for the second quarter of 2020, as discussed under Item 2.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K above.

This information shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing by the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, except as may be set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

# Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

# (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description		
99.1	Press Release dated July 8, 2020 (furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 and Item 7.01		
	and not deemed filed).		

# SIGNATURES

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

Date: July 8, 2020

# Veritone, Inc.

By: /s/ Jeffrey B. Coyne

Jeffrey B. Coyne Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

# Veritone Improves Revenue and Non-GAAP Net Loss Guidance for the Second Quarter of 2020

# -- Schedules Call on August 10th to Report Results --

**COSTA MESA, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE) July 8, 2020** -- <u>Veritone, Inc.</u> (NASDAQ: <u>VERI</u>), a leading provider of artificial intelligence (AI) technology and solutions, today announced that it now expects net revenues for the second quarter of 2020 to be in the range of \$13.1 million to \$13.3 million, up from the range of \$11.8 million to \$12.2 million provided on May 11, 2020.

In addition, Veritone now expects its non-GAAP net loss for the second quarter of 2020 to be in the range of \$6.0 million to \$5.8 million, improving from the range of \$6.5 million to \$6.1 million provided on May 11<sup>th</sup>. A non-GAAP net loss at the midpoint of the new range would represent a 39% improvement in Veritone's quarterly net loss compared with the third quarter of 2019, when the Company shifted its priority to reaching cash flow breakeven. A reconciliation of the expected non-GAAP net loss to the expected GAAP net loss is attached to this news release. Management expects this trend of sequential improvement in the Company's non-GAAP net loss to continue in future quarters.

"The Veritone team performed very well in the second quarter, despite the continuing challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, widespread unemployment and civil unrest, producing higher-than-expected net revenues in our Advertising and Content Licensing businesses as well as record bookings for our powerful and unique aiWARE platform from Government, Legal and Compliance customers," said Chad Steelberg, Chairman and CEO of Veritone. "Based on our strong revenue performance and the continuing results of our cost reduction initiatives, we now expect to report record financial performance in the second quarter. The upgrades we have made to aiWARE, the world's first operating system for AI, are helping our clients lower costs, increase productivity and allow their employees to focus on more creative and fulfilling tasks at a critical juncture in our history when digital transformation is occurring at lightning speed. We are also making significant inroads in energy, security and other promising new verticals as those companies look to harness the power of AI. We look forward to discussing all of these exciting trends in detail when we report our full results for the second quarter of 2020 next month."

# **Conference Call:**

Veritone will hold a conference call on Monday, August 10, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time (1:30 p.m. Pacific Time) to discuss its results for the second quarter of 2020, provide an update on the business, and conduct a question and answer session. To listen, please join the webcast or dial-in. To avoid a wait, if dialing in, please pre-register or call in 20 minutes in advance.

Preregister*:	http://dpregister.com/10146081
Live audio webcast:	investors.veritone.com
Domestic call number:	1-866-270-1533
International call number:	1-412-317-0797
Call ID:	10146081

\* Callers who pre-register will be emailed, upon registering and again on the day of the call, a conference pass code and unique PIN to gain immediate access to the call and bypass the live operator. Participants may pre-register at any time, including up to and after the call start time.

# **About Veritone**

Veritone (NASDAQ: VERI) is a leading provider of artificial intelligence (AI) technology and solutions. The Company's proprietary operating system, aiWARE<sup>™</sup> powers a diverse set of AI applications and intelligent process automation solutions that are transforming both commercial and government organizations. aiWARE orchestrates an expanding ecosystem of machine learning models to transform

audio, video, and other data sources into actionable intelligence. The Company's AI developer tools enable its customers and partners to easily develop and deploy custom applications that leverage the power of AI to dramatically improve operational efficiency and unlock untapped opportunities. Veritone is headquartered in Costa Mesa, California, and has offices in Denver, London, New York and San Diego. To learn more, visit Veritone.com.

# Safe Harbor Statement

This news release contains forward-looking statements, including without limitation statements regarding the Company's expected net revenues and non-GAAP net loss for the second guarter of 2020, its expectation that its non-GAAP net loss will continue to improve sequentially in future quarters, its expectation of record bookings in its Government, Legal and Compliance business, its expectation of record financial performance in the second quarter of 2020, and statements regarding the capabilities of Veritone's aiWARE operating system and its expected benefits to customers. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, words such as "may," "will," "expect," "believe," "anticipate," "intend," "could," "estimate" or "continue" or the negative or other variations thereof or comparable terminology are intended to identify forward-looking statements. In addition, any statements that refer to expectations, projections or other characterizations of future events or circumstances are forward-looking statements. Assumptions relating to the foregoing involve judgments and risks with respect to various matters which are difficult or impossible to predict accurately and many of which are beyond the control of Veritone. Certain of such judgments and risks are discussed in Veritone's SEC filings. Although Veritone believes that the assumptions underlying the forward-looking statements are reasonable, any of the assumptions could prove inaccurate and, therefore, there can be no assurance that the results contemplated in forward-looking statements will be realized. In light of the significant uncertainties inherent in the forward-looking information included herein, the inclusion of such information should not be regarded as a representation by Veritone or any other person that their objectives or plans will be achieved. Veritone undertakes no obligation to revise the forward-looking statements contained herein to reflect events or circumstances after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events for any reason, except as required by law.

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# VERITONE, INC. RECONCILIATION OF EXPECTED NON-GAAP NET LOSS RANGE TO EXPECTED GAAP NET LOSS RANGE (UNAUDITED) (in millions)

	Three Months Ended June 30, 2020
Expected GAAP net loss	(\$12.2) to (\$12.0)
Provision for income taxes	—
Depreciation and amortization	1.6
Stock-based compensation expense	4.1
Stock warrant expense	0.5
Expected non-GAAP net loss	(\$6.0) to (\$5.8)

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