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

#### FORM 6-K

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer** 

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of November 2022

Commission File Number: 000-51694

# **Perion Network Ltd.**

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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#### **Explanatory Note**

On November 9, 2022, Perion Network Ltd. (the "**Registrant**" or "**Perion**") issued a press release titled "Perion Delivers Another Strong Quarter, with 31% Revenue Growth and 141% Growth in Net Income." A copy of this press release is furnished as <u>Exhibit 99.1</u> herewith.

The GAAP financial statements tables contained in the press release attached to this Report on Form 6-K are incorporated by reference into the Registrant's registration statements on Form F-3 (Files No. 333-254706 and 333-261541) and Form S-8 (File Nos. 333-133968, 333-152010, 333-171781, 333-188714, 333-192376, 333-193145, 333-203641, 333-208278, 333-216494, 333-237196, 333-249846, 333-262260 and 333-266928).

# Signature

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, thereunto duly authorized.

PERION NETWORK LTD.

By: <u>/s/ Maoz Sigron</u> Name: Maoz Sigron

Title: Chief Financial Officer

Date: November 9, 2022



# Perion Delivers Another Strong Quarter, with 31% Revenue Growth and 141% Growth in Net Income

Company increases 2022 adjusted EBITDA guidance from \$102M to at least \$120M as a result of a sustainable improvement in profitability

Tel Aviv & New York – November 9, 2022 – Perion Network Ltd. (NASDAQ & TASE: PERI), a global advertising technology company whose synergistic solutions are delivered across the three primary channels of digital advertising – ad search, social media and display/video/CTV advertising – today reported record financial results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2022.

Doron Gerstel, Perion's CEO, stated, "Once again, Perion outperformed the adtech industry – and we believe will continue to do so for the following reasons:

- We are leveraging our diversification strategy as advertisers are shifting their direct response budgets from social advertising (mainly Facebook) to search advertising
- · We are continuously expanding our profit margins, which demonstrates the strategic and economic value of our Intelligent HUB (iHUB)
- We are bringing innovation through SORT™ in response to advertiser recognition that privacy matters more than ever
- We are meeting our clients' objective to enhance their brand equity by increasing user engagement through Perion's High-Impact ad suite."

"This was the eighth consecutive quarter we delivered top and bottom-line double-digit growth on a year-over-year basis," Mr. Gerstel continued. "The 145% year-over-year increase in operating cash flow to nearly \$35 million, reflects the significant earnings power of our business model. With a cash position of \$390 million at quarter end, we have significant dry powder to execute on our growth strategy, delivering value to shareholders for years to come."

#### Third Quarter 2022 Business Highlights

- Media margin increased to 41%, compared with 39% in Q3 2021
- Adjusted EBITDA to revenue ex-TAC of 51% vs. 37% last year. This is among the highest in the industry
- · Video revenue increased by 209% year-over-year, representing 44% of Display Advertising revenue
- CTV revenue increased by 134% year-over-year, representing 9% of Display Advertising revenue compared with 5% last year
- SORT<sup>TM</sup> spending increased by 25% over the previous quarter, driven by an 11% increase in the number of customers from 126 to 140
- The increase in market adoption of our holistic Video Platform solution continues to deliver strong results:
  - o 88% year-over-year increase in the number of Video Platform publishers
  - o 67% year-over-year increase in revenue from existing Video Platform publishers
- The number of search advertising publishers increased by 60% year-over-year, RPM increased by 42% over the same period

#### Third Quarter 2022 Financial Highlights(1)

In millions,											
except per share data	Three months ended					Nine months ended					
	September 30,					5	Septe	ember 30,			
	2022 2021 %				2022	2021		%			
Display Advertising Revenue	\$	86.8	\$	69.0	+26%	\$	236.9	\$	165.1	+43%	
Search Advertising Revenue	\$	71.8	\$	52.0	+38%	\$	193.7	\$	155.4	+25%	
Total Revenue	\$	158.6	\$	121.0	+31%	\$	430.6	\$	320.5	+34%	
GAAP Net Income	\$	25.6	\$	10.6	+141%	\$	60.5	\$	21.0	+188%	
Non-GAAP Net Income	\$	29.9	\$	15.4	+94%	\$	75.1	\$	34.7	+117%	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	33.0	\$	17.6	+87%	\$	84.1	\$	40.7	+107%	
Adjusted EBITDA to Revenue ex-TAC		51%		37%			47%		32%		
Net Cash from Operations	\$	34.7	\$	14.2	+145%	\$	83.9	\$	42.3	+99%	
GAAP Diluted EPS	\$	0.53	\$	0.28	+89%	\$	1.27	\$	0.57	+123%	
Non-GAAP Diluted EPS	\$	0.61	\$	0.40	+53%	\$	1.56	\$	0.93	+68%	

(1) See below reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP measures.

#### **Outlook for 2022**

Mr. Gerstel concluded, "Given our strong performance and our sustainable and predictable business model, we are increasing our guidance for 2022 substantially."

In millions				
		Prior 2022	Current 2022	YoY
	2021	Guidance	Guidance	Growth % <sup>1</sup>
Revenue	\$478.5	\$620-\$640	\$630-\$635	32%1
Adjusted EBITDA	\$69.6	\$102+	\$120+	$72\%^{1}$
Adjusted EBITDA to Revenue ex-TAC	37%	41%	46%1	

(1) Calculated at revenue guidance midpoint and Adjusted EBITDA of \$120 million

# Financial Comparison for the Third Quarter of 2022

**Revenue:** Revenue increased by 31% to \$158.6 million in the third quarter of 2022 from \$121.0 million in the third quarter of 2021. Display Advertising revenue increased by 26% year-over-year, accounting for 55% of total revenue. This is primarily due to 209% growth in video, now representing 44% of Display Advertising revenue compared with 18% in the third quarter of 2021, 134% growth in CTV revenue, which represents 9% of Display Advertising revenue, as well as a 10% increase in average deal size and a 9% increase in the number of clients for high impact solutions. The number of SORT<sup>TM</sup> customers increased by 11% quarter-over-quarter to 140, and SORT<sup>TM</sup> customers' spending during the period increased by 25%, representing 17% of Display Advertising revenue compared with 14% in the previous quarter. Search Advertising revenue increased by 38% year-over-year, accounting for 45% of revenue, primarily due to a 42% increase in RPM and a 60% increase in the number of publishers.

**Traffic Acquisition Costs ("TAC"):** TAC amounted to \$93.6 million, or 59% of revenue, in the third quarter of 2022, compared with \$73.6 million, or 61% of revenue, in the third quarter of 2021. The improvement in media margin was primarily due to a favorable product mix of ad formats and the iHUB contribution.

**Net Income:** On a GAAP basis, net income increased by 141% to \$25.6 million in the third quarter of 2022 from \$10.6 million in the third quarter of 2021.

**Non-GAAP Net Income:** Non-GAAP net income was \$29.9 million, or 19% of revenue, in the third quarter of 2022, compared with \$15.4 million, or 13% of revenue, in the third quarter of 2021. A reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP net income is included in this press release.

**Adjusted EBITDA:** Adjusted EBITDA was \$33.0 million, or 21% of revenue (and 51% of revenue ex-TAC), in the third quarter of 2022, compared with \$17.6 million, or 15% of revenue (and 37% of revenue ex-TAC), in the third quarter of 2021. A reconciliation of GAAP Net Income to Adjusted EBITDA is included in this press release.

**Cash and Cash Flow from Operations:** As of September 30, 2022, cash and cash equivalents and short-term bank deposits amounted to \$390.4 million. Net cash provided by operating activities in the third quarter of 2022 was \$34.7 million, compared with \$14.2 million in the third quarter of 2021.

#### **Conference Call**

Perion management will host a conference call to discuss the results at 8:30 a.m. ET today. Call details:

• Registration link:

https://incommconferencing.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN Xf964JLR62r9JhUOeJvHg

• Toll Free: 1-877-407-0779

Toll/International: 1-201-389-0914

A replay of the call and a transcript will be available within approximately 24 hours of the live event on Perion's website.

#### **About Perion Network Ltd.**

Perion is a global advertising technology company whose synergistic solutions are delivered across the three primary channels of digital advertising – ad search, social media and display / video / CTV advertising. These channels are brought together by Perion's intelligent Hub, which integrates the company's business assets from both sides of the open Web, providing significant benefit to its brands and publisher customers.

For more information, visit Perion's website at www.perion.com.

#### **Non-GAAP Measures**

Non-GAAP financial measures consist of GAAP financial measures adjusted to exclude stock-based compensation expenses, retention and acquisition related expenses, revaluation of acquisition related contingent consideration, amortization of acquired intangible assets and the related taxes thereon, non-recurring expenses, foreign exchange gains (losses) associated with ASC-842, as well as changes in fair value of earnout contingent consideration. Adjusted Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization ("Adjusted EBITDA") is defined as operating income excluding stock-based compensation expenses, depreciation, acquisition related items consisting of amortization of intangible assets, acquisition related expenses, gains and losses recognized on changes in the fair value of contingent consideration arrangements. Revenue excluding Traffic Acquisition Costs ("Revenue ex-TAC") presents revenue reduced by traffic acquisition costs, reflecting that a portion of our revenue must be directly passed to publishers or advertisers and presents our revenue excluding such items.

The purpose of such adjustments is to give an indication of our performance exclusive of non-cash charges and other items that are considered by management to be outside of our core operating results. These non-GAAP measures are among the primary factors management uses in planning for and forecasting future periods. Furthermore, the non-GAAP measures are regularly used internally to understand, manage and evaluate our business and make operating decisions, and we believe that they are useful to investors as a consistent and comparable measure of the ongoing performance of our business. However, our non-GAAP financial measures are not meant to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for comparable GAAP measures, and should be read only in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP. Additionally, these non-GAAP financial measures may differ materially from the non-GAAP financial measures used by other companies. Due to the high variability and difficulty in making accurate forecasts and projections of some of the information excluded from these projected measures, together with some of the excluded information not being ascertainable or accessible, we are unable to quantify certain amounts that would be required for such presentation without unreasonable effort. Consequently, no reconciliation of the forward-looking non-GAAP financial measures is included. A reconciliation between results on a GAAP and non-GAAP basis is provided in the last table of this press release.

#### **Forward Looking Statements**

This press release contains historical information and forward-looking statements within the meaning of The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 with respect to the business, financial condition and results of operations of Perion. The words "will," "believe," "expect," "intend," "plan," "should", "estimate" and similar expressions are intended to identify forwardlooking statements. Such statements reflect the current views, assumptions and expectations of Perion with respect to future events and are subject to risks and uncertainties. Many factors could cause the actual results, performance or achievements of Perion to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements that may be expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements, or financial information, including, among others, the failure to realize the anticipated benefits of companies and businesses we acquired and may acquire in the future, risks entailed in integrating the companies and businesses we acquire, including employee retention and customer acceptance; the risk that such transactions will divert management and other resources from the ongoing operations of the business or otherwise disrupt the conduct of those businesses, potential litigation associated with such transactions, and general risks associated with the business of Perion including intense and frequent changes in the markets in which the businesses operate and in general economic and business conditions, loss of key customers, unpredictable sales cycles, competitive pressures, market acceptance of new products, changes in applicable laws and regulations as well as industry self-regulation, data breaches, cyber-attacks and other similar incidents, inability to meet efficiency and cost reduction objectives, changes in business strategy and various other factors, whether referenced or not referenced in this press release. Various other risks and uncertainties may affect Perion and its results of operations, as described in reports filed by Perion with the Securities and Exchange Commission from time to time, including its annual report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2021 filed with the SEC on March 16, 2022. Perion does not assume any obligation to update these forward-looking statements.

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# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

# In thousands (except share and per share data)

		Three months ended September 30,					ths ended ber 30,		
		2022		2021	2022			2021	
	(Ur	audited)	(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)		
Revenue:									
Display Advertising	\$	86,779	\$	68,980	\$	236,933	\$	165,146	
Search Advertising		71,836		52,049		193,653		155,377	
Total Revenue		158,615		121,029		430,586	_	320,523	
Costs and Expenses:									
Cost of revenue		7,540		6,284		21,014		17,879	
Traffic acquisition costs and media buy		93,625		73,590		250,555		194,676	
Research and development		7,766		8,630		25,135		26,103	
Selling and marketing		12,591		12,926		39,884		36,410	
General and administrative		3,793		5,295		15,927		14,055	
Depreciation and amortization		3,704		1,922		10,097		6,299	
Total Costs and Expenses		129,019		108,647		362,612		295,422	
Income from Operations		29,596		12,382		67,974		25,101	
Financial expense (income), net		(1,019)		11		(2,526)		116	
Income before Taxes on income		30,615		12,371		70,500		24,985	
Taxes on income		5,033		1,749		9,952		3,974	
Net Income	\$	25,582	\$	10,622	\$	60,548	\$	21,011	
Net Earnings per Share									
Basic	\$	0.57	\$	0.31	\$	1.36	\$	0.63	
Diluted	\$	0.53	\$	0.28	\$	1.27	\$	0.57	
Weighted average number of shares									
Basic		45,146,639		34,567,551		44,544,483		33,605,215	
Diluted		17,997,745		37,865,732	_	47,560,112	_	36,866,637	

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

# In thousands

September 30, 2022		De	December 31, 2021	
(	(Unaudited)	(	(Audited)	
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\$	171,355		104,446	
	1,042		1,089	
	219,000		217,200	
	99,862		115,361	
_	10,587		8,075	
	501,846		446,171	
	3,766		4,211	
	9,175		11,578	
	250,179		245,965	
	2,955		5,228	
	68		79	
	266,143		267,061	
\$	767,989	\$	713,232	
\$	110,672	\$	107,730	
	29,376		40,331	
	3,200		3,615	
	2,098		3,852	
	34,571		38,179	
	179,917		193,707	
	32,966		33,250	
	6,805		9,774	
	9,265		9,541	
	49,036		52,565	
	228,953		246,272	
	389		375	
	508,946		496,154	
	(1,002)		(1,002)	
			(128)	
	32,109		(28,439)	
	539.036		466,960	
\$			713,232	
	\$	32,109 <b>539,036</b>	539,036	

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

# In thousands

	Three months ended September 30,					Nine mon Septem			
		2022		2021		2022		2021	
	(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)		(Uı	naudited)	
Cash flows from operating activities:									
Net Income	\$	25,582	\$	10,622	\$	60,548	\$	21,011	
Adjustments required to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating									
activities:									
Depreciation and amortization		3,704		1,922		10,097		6,299	
Stock-based compensation expense		3,236		1,744		8,365		3,733	
Foreign currency translation		(64)		(18)		(238)		(107)	
Accrued interest, net		(825)		(53)		(2,006)		(220)	
Deferred taxes, net		1,575		(478)		1,327		(183)	
Accrued severance pay, net		(831)		135		(328)		333	
Gain from sale of property and equipment		(5)		-		(10)		(11)	
Net changes in operating assets and liabilities		2,300		301		6,194		11,415	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	34,672	\$	14,175	\$	83,949	\$	42,270	
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Cash flows from investing activities:									
Purchases of property and equipment, net of sales		(349)		(141)		(779)		(495)	
Short-term deposits, net		31,600		23,000		(1,800)		(47,300)	
Cash paid in connection with acquisitions, net of cash acquired		-		-		(9,570)		(3,438)	
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	\$	31,251	\$	22,859	\$	(12,149)	\$	(51,233)	
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Cash flows from financing activities:									
Issuance of shares in private placement, net		-		-		-		60,960	
Proceeds from exercise of stock-based compensation		3,147		1,069		4,441		4,940	
Payments of contingent consideration		-		-		(9,091)		-	
Repayment of long-term loans		-		-		-		(8,333)	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	\$	3,147	\$	1,069	\$	(4,650)	\$	57,567	
Effect of analysis and alternative and analysis analysis and analysis analysis and		(110)		(46)		(200)		(40)	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash		(110)		(46)		(288)		(49)	
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash		68,960		38,057		66,862		48,555	
Cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash at beginning of period		103,437		59,376		105,535		48,878	
Cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash at end of period	\$	172,397	\$	97,433	\$	172,397	\$	97,433	
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# RECONCILIATION OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP RESULTS

# In thousands (except share and per share data)

	Three months ended September 30,				Nine months ended September 30,				
	2022 2021 (Unaudited)			2022			2021		
					(Unau	ted)			
GAAP Net Income	\$	25,582	\$	10,622	\$	60,548	\$	21,011	
Stock-based compensation		3,236		1,744		8,365		3,733	
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		3,295		1,370		8,896		4,068	
Retention and other related to M&A related expenses		288		1,561		1,518		5,527	
Changes in FV of Earnout contingent consideration		(3,816)		-		(3,816)		-	
Foreign exchange losses (gains) associated with ASC-842		(80)		6		(824)		(207)	
Revaluation of acquisition related contingent consideration		342		136		602		476	
Taxes on the above items		1,067		(54)		(145)		92	
Non-GAAP Net Income	\$	29,914	\$	15,385	\$	75,144	\$	34,700	
Non-GAAP Net Income	\$	29,914	\$	15,385	\$	75,144	\$	34,700	
Taxes on income		3,966		1,803		10,097		3,882	
Financial income, net		(1,281)		(131)		(2,304)		(153)	
Depreciation		409		552		1,201		2,231	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	33,008	\$	17,609	\$	84,138	\$	40,660	
Non-GAAP diluted earnings per share	\$	0.61	\$	0.40	\$	1.56	\$	0.93	
Shares used in computing non-GAAP diluted earnings per share	4	48,873,796		38,428,524		48,112,823		37,206,600	