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## TRANSCRIPT OF SPENCER RASCOFF S OCTOBER 1, 2014 APPEARANCE ON CNBC

**Jim Cramer, Host, Mad Money, CNBC:** What do we do with Zillow the number 1 online repository of home values and home listings that s about to get even bigger with its \$3.5 billion acquisition Trulia. And, now that the big boys have decided to start to compete on this online real estate space, Monday we learned that News Corp, Rupert Murdoch, is acquiring Move the owner of Realtor.com which with Trulia about to be gobbled up is really Zillow s last remaining competitor of any meaningful scale. Will it matter? Could the deep pocketed competitor impact Zillow s last sustes? Which when combined with Trulia makes up 61% of the online real estate listing market. Zillow s latest quarter was solid. Average company s average revenue per user rising 20%. Management boosted their outlook for the next quarter and for the full year. Meanwhile, stocks up 36% year to date. Much better than the market lately taking a beating though. It s now down 50 points from its high. Let s check in with Spencer Rascoff the CEO of Zillow. Get a better sense of where his company s headed. Mr. Rascoff welcome back to Mad Money.

Spencer Rascoff, CEO, Zillow: Thanks Jim. Thanks for having me.

**Jim Cramer:** How are you today? Good to see you. Have a seat. Alright. Let s cut right to it. Rupert Murdoch. Tough guy. People don t like usually get again go against him. He buys a principle competitor. What does it do to the landscape? What does it do for Zillow s margins?

**Spencer Rascoff:** Well, I think what it means is that Realtor.com is no longer the realtor s website. And, I think that the industry the real estate industry will now realize that it s Rupert.com and that makes them more likely to wanna partner with Zillow based on the size of our traffic and our business model. And, I think that s good for us.

Jim Cramer: But why wouldn t they try to pit you against

**Spencer Rascoff:** Well, I mean, they can try but we have a large audience, we have a business model which is listing agent friendly, broker friendly, MLS friendly and this is why most every major real estate site most every major real estate company in the country including Realogy, Keller Williams, ReMax and many others have partnered with Zillow. So, I think with the acquisition of Realtor.com that means more and more MLSs and agents and brokers will realize that Realtor.com is just another portal and they ought to work with Zillow.

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**Jim Cramer:** Now, you did there are numbers that have come out. Looks like the com score August traffic. You are growing much faster.

**Spencer Rascoff:** We are. I mean we started this company 9 years ago and from a standing start we zoomed past the competition. We re the largest real estate site in the category. We re gaining share each and every quarter. So, we keep growing.

**Jim Cramer:** Do you did you ever consider buying Realtor.com. And I ask that is because you told me in the spring that you wouldn t buy Trulia. You would destroy Trulia then you told me yes it was a good idea to buy Trulia cause the time was right.

Spencer Rascoff: We did consider buying Realtor.com.

Jim Cramer: You did?

**Spencer Rascoff:** Yes. We did. And, we did consider buying Trulia and you know the thing is on the Internet user experience rules and if you build a great product you end up with the audience lead. If you end up with the audience lead eventually advertisers follow. It s very difficult to turn around a struggling brand online. And, once audience starts decline, we ve seen this with many other Internet companies, it s very hard to turn around. Trulia is a brand with on the ascendency. They ve got 50 million unique users. Zillow has 90 million unique users. But, Zillow and Trulia are a lot bigger than Realtor.com.

Jim Cramer: Why won t you ever destroy Trulia?

**Spencer Rascoff:** Well, we separated ourselves quite a bit such that when we eventually bought them the exchange ratio was such that Zillow shareholders received  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the company. Trulia shareholders received  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the company. So, it s not about destroying them but it is about having grown Zillow quite a bit bigger and now we think Trulia will be a great additional brand within the Zillow family. So, we ll operate it, once the deal closes, as a separate brand. Some consumers will choose Zillow. Some will choose Trulia and advertisers will buy media from Zillow, Inc. and the ads will serve on both sides.

**Jim Cramer:** Will there be enough inventory? What percentage of the sites are already locked up or blocked out some could say by individual realtor?

**Spencer Rascoff:** Our traffic has grown so quickly that we have lots of inventory. Lots of ads to sell. And, that s when we went public we had 15,000 agents spending about \$240 a month advertising. Today we have 60,000 agents approximately. So, 4x growth spending over \$300 a month. So, the number of agents keeps growing and as you mentioned at the start of the segment here the revenue per agent continues to grow as well.

**Jim Cramer:** Now, stock down 50 so I try to figure out what did it. Now, maybe some people felt like you paid too much or you had arbitrage. But, how bout these. I spoke with Professor Shiller yesterday Nobel Laureate. He said, listen the price of homes are peaking. We know that mortgage refi s [phonetic] are down a lot. You ve addressed that because you ve cut that mortgage business that you do. But, is it just possible that there is another slow down coming and that people won t be looking as aggressively for homes?

**Spencer Rascoff:** I m not that worried about that. You know what s happening nationwide with housing is home values are increasing about 5% year over year and we forecast only a 3% appreciation. So, Shiller s right that home values are slowing but the migration of consumer shopping from offline, out of print and on to online and onto mobile which is where Zillow is really the clear leader, I think that swamps any potential real estate slow down but regardless we re not forecasting a real significant slowdown. This is a it s kind of a choppy real estate market. Some parts of the country still growing very quickly. Others not growing as quickly. But, the real estate market overall is growing more slowly than it was a year ago but it s not in a housing recession.

Jim Cramer: In San Francisco we know has peaked according to Shiller. Does your usage in San Francisco drop?

Spencer Rascoff: No. Not at all. Doesn t go away.

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**Jim Cramer:** Now, how about correlations. You told me once you were gonna spend a lot of money on advertising. I got worried about an arms war. I watch a lot of NFL football. Is it working? You spend a lot of money on NFL football.

**Spencer Rascoff:** We do advertise a lot. We re spending around \$75 million in advertising this year. And, last year we spent over \$35 million in advertising. It s working. You see it in the audience numbers. You see it in a traffic growth. You see it. Zillow is the largest real estate site out there and it s because we have a great product though we ve also spent a lot of money in advertisement.

**Jim Cramer:** Okay. Talk to me about StreetEasy. In the most recent [unintelligible] looks like that was a good buy. You re starting New York-centric that I think New York was a market that you weren t doing well in. How s the amalgamation?

Spencer Rascoff: It s fantastic. We ve

Jim Cramer: You had to do it though. Right? You admitted to me you had to do it.

**Spencer Rascoff:** Well, we did. I did. So, Zillow was the largest real estate site in every city except in New York where StreetEasy had 14 times the number of listing pages as Zillow. So, StreetEasy is a incredible brand for New York. A year ago we bought it for \$50 million. We took the Zillow playbook to New York. That means focus on mobile, mobile. And, so over the last year we made the website free. StreetEasy used to have a pay wall. We ve removed that. We launched a mobile website. A completely responsive mobile website and then iPhone, iPad and Android Apps for StreetEasy. A year later the StreetEasy Brand, audience, registrations, number of leads to emails. Email leads to real estate agents are way up. And, now, it s time to build a business. So, I couldn t be more excited about StreetEasy in New York.

**Jim Cramer:** Last question. I m Marissa Mayer from Yahoo. I just got \$5.8 billion in tax. I m not a dominant player in any particular aspect. I need to dominate something. I pick up the phone. I call Spencer Rascoff and say this is the call of your dreams name your price. Is there a price?

Spencer Rascoff: Well, I guess there s always a price for any asset whether it s your home or your company.

**Jim Cramer:** This could be a good deal for you. You could start another company. You could stay with them. But, this is how I would, you know, this is how I would turn my company around.

**Spencer Rascoff:** Yeah. I mean, I don t know. For us we feel like we re still in the pretty early innings with the Trulia acquisition, we have so much further to go so that s my focus. I don t think it would be the right time to sell.

**Jim Cramer:** Very good. That s what I need to know. That s Spencer Rascoff, CEO of Zillow [unintelligible]. Always entertaining. Always forth full. Thank you so much Spencer.

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