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FORM 10-Q

Quarterly Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
For the Quarterly Period Ended December 27, 2009

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 No. 0-08866

MICROSEMI CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

95-2110371
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

2381 Morse Avenue, Irvine, California
(Address of principal executive offices)

92614
(Zip Code)

(949) 221-7100

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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 twelve 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 No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate website, if any, every interactive data file required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (section 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer, and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Smaller reporting company

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No

The number of shares of the issuer's Common Stock, \$0.20 par value, outstanding on January 21, 2010 was 82,941,188.

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IMPORTANT FACTORS RELATED TO FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS AND ASSOCIATED RISKS

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws. Any statements that do not relate to historical or current facts or matters are forward-looking statements. You can identify some of the forward-looking statements by the use of forward-looking words, such as may, will, could, should, project, believe, anticipate, expect, plan, estimate, forecast, maintain, continue and variations of these words and comparable words. In addition, all of the information herein that does not state a historical fact is forward-looking, including any statement or implication about an estimate or a judgment, or an expectation as to a future time, future result or other future circumstance. Statements concerning current conditions may also be forward-looking if they imply a continuation of current conditions. Examples of forward-looking statements in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q include, but are not limited to, statements concerning:

expectations that we will successfully complete announced and to-be-announced plant consolidations on the anticipated schedules and without unanticipated costs or expenses, and that such consolidations will result in anticipated cost savings;

demand, growth and sales expectations for our products;

expectations regarding our performance and competitive position in future periods;

new market opportunities and emerging applications for our products;

the uncertainty of litigation, the costs and expenses of litigation, and the potential material adverse effect litigation could have on our business and results of operations;

expectations that we will be able to successfully integrate acquired companies and personnel with existing operations;

beliefs that our customers will not cancel orders or terminate or renegotiate their purchasing relationships with us;

expectation that we will not suffer production delays as a result of a supplier's inability to supply parts;

beliefs that we stock adequate supplies of all materials;

beliefs that we will be able to successfully resolve any disputes and other business matters as anticipated;

beliefs that we will be able to meet our operating cash and capital commitment requirements in the foreseeable future;

expectations regarding the value and future liquidity of the auction rate securities held by us;

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critical accounting estimates;

expectations regarding tax exposures and future tax rates and ability to realize deferred tax assets;

expectations regarding financial and operating results; and

expectations regarding our outlook for our end markets.

Forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the results that the forward-looking statements suggest. You are urged to carefully review the disclosures we make in this report concerning risks and other factors that may affect our business and operating results, including those made under the heading **Item 1A. RISK FACTORS** included in Part II of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, as well as in our other reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (**SEC**). Forward-looking statements are not a guarantee of future performance and should not be regarded as a representation by us or any other person that all of our estimates will necessarily prove correct or that all of our objectives or plans will necessarily be achieved. You are cautioned, therefore, not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which are made only as of the date of this report. We do not intend, and undertake no obligation, to update or revise the forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this report, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The unaudited consolidated income statements for the quarter ended December 27, 2009 of Microsemi Corporation and its subsidiaries (which we herein sometimes refer to collectively as Microsemi, the Company, we, our, ours or us), the unaudited consolidated statement of cash for the quarter ended December 27, 2009, and the comparative unaudited consolidated financial information for the corresponding periods of the prior year, together with the unaudited balance sheets as of December 27, 2009 and September 27, 2009, are included herein.

Table of Contents**MICROSEMI CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES****Unaudited Consolidated Balance Sheets**

(amounts in thousands, except per share data)

	December 27, 2009	September 27, 2009
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 234,895	\$ 216,742
Investment in available for sale auction rate securities	36,550	46,550
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$2,507 and \$2,302 at December 27, 2009 and September 27, 2009, respectively	71,742	62,543
Inventories	91,043	95,372
Deferred income taxes	10,655	10,697
Other current assets	22,312	22,818
Total current assets	467,197	454,722
Property and equipment, net	66,922	68,698
Goodwill	222,731	222,731
Other intangible assets, net	51,500	55,283
Other assets	10,211	9,696
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 818,561	\$ 811,130
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 22,934	\$ 15,211
Accrued liabilities	32,765	38,577
Auction rate securities credit facility	36,550	46,550
Current maturity of long-term liabilities	430	431
Total current liabilities	92,679	100,769
Other long term liabilities	33,467	34,010
Stockholders equity:		
Preferred stock, \$1.00 par value; authorized 1,000; none issued		
Common stock, \$0.20 par value; authorized 250,000, issued and outstanding 82,830 and 81,413 at December 27, 2009 and September 27, 2009, respectively	16,566	16,282
Capital in excess of par value of common stock	520,764	512,862
Retained earnings	154,635	146,675
Accumulated other comprehensive income	450	532
Total stockholders equity	692,415	676,351
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY	\$ 818,561	\$ 811,130

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

Table of Contents**MICROSEMI CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES****Unaudited Consolidated Income Statements**

(amounts in thousands, except per share data)

	Quarter Ended	
	December 27, 2009	December 28, 2008
Net sales	\$ 112,832	\$ 130,594
Cost of sales	60,564	70,161
Gross profit	52,268	60,433
Operating expenses:		
Selling, general and administrative	25,813	30,605
Research and development	11,805	10,767
Amortization of intangible assets	3,883	3,244
Restructuring and severance charges	295	1,905
Total operating expenses	41,796	46,521
Operating income	10,472	13,912
Other income (expense):		
Interest income	91	683
Interest expense	(112)	(56)
Other, net	(157)	46
Total other income (expense)	(178)	673
Income before income taxes	10,294	14,585
Provision for income taxes	2,334	1,377
NET INCOME	\$ 7,960	\$ 13,208
Earnings per share:		
Basic	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.16
Diluted	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.16
Common and common equivalent shares outstanding:		
Basic	81,505	80,936
Diluted	82,117	81,848

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

Table of Contents**MICROSEMI CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES****Unaudited Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**

(amounts in thousands)

	Quarter Ended	
	December 27, 2009	December 28, 2008
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 7,960	\$ 13,208
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	8,506	7,651
Provision for doubtful accounts	205	
Stock-based compensation	6,736	7,915
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of the effects of acquisitions:		
Accounts receivable, net	(9,404)	8,676
Inventories, net	4,260	(5,759)
Other current assets	10,506	3,204
Other assets	(172)	146
Deferred income taxes	(494)	(824)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(7,873)	(14,860)
Income taxes payable	(145)	2,334
Other long term liabilities	(8)	140
Net cash provided by operating activities	20,077	21,831
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Proceeds from sale of available for sale auction rate securities	10,000	15,450
Purchases of property and equipment	(3,234)	(4,224)
Changes in other assets	(210)	(525)
Purchases of other intangibles	(100)	
Payments for acquisitions, net of cash acquired		(21,867)
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	6,456	(11,166)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Repayments of auction rate securities credit facility	(10,000)	
Excess tax benefit stock awards	145	15
Exercise of stock options	1,475	380
Net cash (used) provided by financing activities	(8,380)	395
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	18,153	11,060
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	216,742	107,197
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 234,895	\$ 118,257

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

Table of Contents**MICROSEMI CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES****NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS****December 27, 2009****1. PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

The unaudited consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Microsemi Corporation and its subsidiaries. Intercompany transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

The consolidated financial information furnished herein is unaudited, but in the opinion of our management, includes all adjustments (all of which are normal, recurring adjustments) necessary for a fair statement of the results of operations for the periods indicated. The results of operations for the most recently reported quarter of the current fiscal year are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full year.

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the instructions to Form 10-Q, and therefore do not include all information and note disclosures necessary for a fair presentation of consolidated financial position, results of operations and cash flows in conformity with United States generally accepted accounting principles. The unaudited consolidated financial statements and notes must be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year-ended September 27, 2009. Management has evaluated events subsequent to the fiscal quarter end date of December 27, 2009 through January 29, 2010, the filing date of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

The unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles which require us to make estimates and assumptions that may materially affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the unaudited consolidated financial statements and revenues and expenses during the periods reported. Actual results could differ materially from those estimates. Information with respect to our critical accounting policies that we believe could have the most significant effect on our reported results and require subjective or complex judgments is contained in the notes to the consolidated financial statements in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year-ended September 27, 2009.

2. INVENTORIES

Inventories were as follows (amounts in thousands):

	December 27, 2009	September 27, 2009
Raw materials	\$ 23,809	\$ 24,148
Work in progress	39,733	43,209
Finished goods	27,501	28,015
	\$ 91,043	\$ 95,372

3. INVESTMENT IN AVAILABLE FOR SALE AUCTION RATE SECURITIES AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

We invest cash balances in excess of projected liquidity needs primarily in money market funds and auction rate securities. All of our investments to date have maintained triple-A ratings; however, current credit market disruptions, particularly related to auction rate securities, may adversely affect the ratings of our investments. At December 27, 2009, our investment in auction rate securities consisted of auction rate bonds whose principal and interest are federally guaranteed by the Family Federal Education Loan Program. We previously had a practice of investing in auction rate securities and selling the securities prior to our interim and year-end reporting periods. We purchased the auction rate securities held at December 27, 2009 in January 2008 and experienced auction failures in mid-February 2008 that have impacted the liquidity of our investment in auction rate securities. Auction failures do not represent a default of the security.

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During the quarter ended March 29, 2009, we entered into a settlement agreement with the financial institution where we hold our investment in auction rate securities and, per the terms of the settlement agreement: a) on November 3, 2008, the financial institution repurchased our \$15,450,000 investment in auction rate preferred shares at par plus accrued interest; b) we hold rights to sell our remaining investment in auction rate bonds back to the financial institution at par plus accrued interest beginning June 30, 2010 through July 2, 2012 (ARS Rights); and c) we are permitted to borrow at no net cost the full par value of our investment in auction rate bonds.

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During the quarter ended March 29, 2009, we monetized all auction rate securities at full par value via the no net cost auction rate securities credit facility, which resulted in an increase in the balance of our cash and cash equivalents and a corresponding increase in borrowing under our auction rate securities credit facility. The credit facility, which is maintained by a subsidiary of the financial institution where we hold our investment in auction rate securities, is collateralized by any balances held in a collateral account at the subsidiary. The only balances held in the collateral account since the settlement date are the auction rate securities. The outstanding amounts under the credit facility may become due and payable upon demand, provided that the parent financial institution is required, either itself or through an affiliate, to provide alternative financing on substantially the same terms as soon as reasonably possible. While the financial institution may repurchase our investment in auction rate securities prior to June 30, 2010, we intend to put these auction rate securities back to the financial institution and use the proceeds to repay the credit facility when permitted by the ARS Rights. As such, at December 27, 2009, we have classified both the investment in auction rate securities and auction rate securities credit facility as current.

We classify assets and liabilities carried at fair value in one of the following three categories: Level 1 quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities that an entity has the ability to access at the measurement date; Level 2 observable market-based inputs or unobservable inputs that are corroborated by market data for the asset or liability at the measurement date; and Level 3 unobservable inputs that are not corroborated by market data used when there is minimal market activity for the asset or liability at the measurement date. Fair value measurements of assets and liabilities are assigned a level within the fair value hierarchy based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. We elected to measure the fair value of the auction rate securities settlement agreement at fair value.

Our cash and cash equivalents are classified as Level 1, and our investment in auction rate securities and the fair value of the settlement agreement are classified as Level 3. For our investment in auction rate securities, we evaluated counterparty risk with regard to the settlement agreement and concluded, as of December 27, 2009, that non-performance risk was nominal. At December 27, 2009, we concluded that any other-than-temporary impairment in the fair value of our auction rate securities would be offset substantially by the fair value recognized for the rights provided to us in the settlement agreement. As such, the investment in auction rate securities and the fair value of the auction rate securities settlement agreement are recorded at \$36,550,000, the par value of the auction rate bonds.

During the quarter ended December 27, 2009, an issuer called \$10,000,000 in auction rate bonds at par plus accrued interest and as such, the par value of our investment in auction rate securities and the corresponding auction rate securities credit facility were each \$36,550,000 at December 27, 2009. Subsequent to December 27, 2009 an issuer called \$1,650,000 million in auction rate bonds at par plus accrued interest. As such, the par value of our remaining investment in auction rate securities and the corresponding auction rate securities credit facility were each \$34,900,000.

However, given that there is currently no active secondary market for our investment in auction rate securities, the determination of fair market value in the future could be negatively impacted by many factors including but not limited to, failure of the financial institution to meet its obligations under the settlement agreement, continuing illiquidity in the market for auction rate securities for an extended period of time, a lack of action by the issuers to establish different forms of financing to replace or redeem these securities, changes in the credit quality of the underlying securities and changes in market interest rates above contractual maximum interest rates on the underlying auction rate securities. Should credit market disruptions continue or increase in magnitude or if our assessment of the counterparty risk indicates an increased potential for non-performance, we may be required to record an impairment on our investments or consider that an ultimate liquidity event may take longer than currently anticipated. We currently do not anticipate an impairment of our investments that would not be substantially offset by the fair value recognized for the rights provided to us in the settlement agreement; however, if we had to record any impairment, for every 1% decline in principal, a decrease in value of approximately \$349,000 would occur.

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Goodwill and other intangible assets, net, were as follows (amounts in thousands):

	December 27, 2009	September 27, 2009
Goodwill	\$ 222,731	\$ 222,731
Other intangible assets, net		
Completed technology	\$ 35,630	\$ 38,409
Customer relationships	12,901	14,441
Backlog	2,077	1,428
Trade names	892	1,005
	\$ 51,500	\$ 55,283

Estimated amortization expense in the five succeeding years is as follows (amounts in thousands):

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Amortization expense	\$ 15,450	\$ 9,312	\$ 8,033	\$ 7,755	\$ 4,045

5. ACCRUED LIABILITIES

Accrued liabilities consisted of the following components (amounts in thousands):

	December 27, 2009	September 27, 2009
Payroll, bonus, vacation, sick and other employee benefits	\$ 9,360	\$ 14,275
Restructuring	6,744	8,256
Other	16,661	16,046
	\$ 32,765	\$ 38,577

6. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

In Broomfield, Colorado, the owner of a property located adjacent to a manufacturing facility owned by one of our subsidiaries, Microsemi Corp. Colorado had notified the subsidiary and other parties of a claim that contaminants migrated to his property, thereby diminishing its value. In August 1995, the subsidiary, together with Coors Porcelain Company, FMC Corporation and Siemens Microelectronics, Inc. (former owners of the manufacturing facility), agreed to settle the claim and to indemnify the owner of the adjacent property for remediation costs. Although trichloroethylene and other contaminants previously used by former owners at the facility are present in soil and groundwater on the subsidiary's property, we vigorously contest any assertion that the subsidiary caused the contamination. In November 1998, we signed an

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agreement with the three former owners of this facility whereby they have 1) reimbursed us for \$530,000 of past costs, 2) assumed responsibility for 90% of all future clean-up costs, and 3) promised to indemnify and protect us against any and all third-party claims relating to the contamination of the facility. An Integrated Corrective Action Plan was submitted to the State of Colorado. Sampling and management plans were prepared for the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment. State and local agencies in Colorado are reviewing current data and considering study and cleanup options. The most recent forecast estimated that the total project cost, up to the year 2020, would be approximately \$5,300,000; accordingly, we recorded a charge of \$530,000 for this project in fiscal year 2003. There has not been any significant development since September 28, 2003.

We assumed legal exposures in connection with our acquisition of PowerDsine, Ltd. (PDL), including exposures related to a complaint filed against PDL and its subsidiary, PowerDsine, Inc. (together with PDL, the PD Companies), by ChriMar Systems, Inc. (ChriMar) on October 26, 2001 (the Complaint). The Complaint, which was filed by ChriMar in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, Southern Division (the Court), alleges that products manufactured and sold by the PD Companies infringe United States Patent Number 5,406,260 assigned to ChriMar and requests, among other things, damages and injunctive relief. In February 2002, the PD Companies filed an answer denying all of the allegations stated in the Complaint and raising several affirmative defenses to the claims asserted. In May 2003, the Court stayed the proceeding between ChriMar and the PD Companies pending resolution of a lawsuit filed by ChriMar against Cisco Systems, Inc. (Cisco), alleging that Cisco products infringed the same patent asserted against the PD Companies. In August 2006, following settlement of the case against Cisco, the Court issued an order to commence

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discovery. The discovery order was stayed in 2006 after ChriMar filed separate patent infringement actions against both D-Link Systems and Foundry Networks. The Court subsequently combined these actions with the case against the PD Companies for partial joint administration. No trial date has been set. The Court has issued a construction of the applicable claims involved in the case, and discovery has been completed. Based on the application of industry statistics relating to outcome of patent litigation matters, we have provided for the estimated potential loss.

In January 2009, the International Trade Commission announced that it had voted to commence an investigation as to whether one of our products (as incorporated into one of our customer's products) infringes a patent owned by O2Micro International Limited. The principal remedy if infringement is found will be a bar on importation of the product involved. Microsemi is vigorously defending its position. An administrative law judge from the International Trade Commission conducted an evidentiary hearing in this matter and the parties are now in the process of submitting post-hearing briefs. Management cannot reasonably determine the scope or amount of possible liabilities, if any, that could result from an unfavorable settlement or resolution of these claims, and no reserves for these claims have been established as of December 27, 2009. However, it is possible that an unfavorable resolution of these claims could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations, and there can be no assurance that we will be able to achieve a favorable settlement or resolution of these claims.

We are generally self-insured for losses and liabilities related to Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance. Accrued workers compensation liability was \$760,000 and \$781,000 at December 27, 2009 and September 27, 2009, respectively. Our self-insurance accruals are based on estimates and, while we believe that the amounts accrued are adequate, the ultimate claims may be in excess of the amounts provided.

We are also involved in other pending litigation matters arising out of the normal conduct of our business, including litigation relating to employment matters, commercial transactions, contracts, environmental matters and matters related to compliance with governmental regulations. Although the ultimate aggregate amount of monetary liability or financial impact with respect to these matters is subject to many uncertainties and is therefore not predictable with assurance, in the opinion of management, the final outcome of these matters, if they are adverse, will not have a material adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows. However, there can be no assurance with respect to such result, and monetary liability or financial impact to us from these litigation matters could differ materially from those projected.

7. COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Comprehensive income is defined as the change in equity (net assets) of a business enterprise during the period from transactions and other events and circumstances from non-owner sources. Our comprehensive income consisted of net income and the change of the cumulative foreign currency translation. Accumulated other comprehensive income consisted of the cumulative foreign currency translation adjustment.

Total comprehensive income was calculated as follows (amounts in thousands):

	Quarter Ended	
	December 27, 2009	December 28, 2008
Net income	\$ 7,960	\$ 13,208
Translation adjustment	(81)	(179)
Comprehensive income	\$ 7,879	\$ 13,029

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Basic earnings per share have been computed based upon the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the respective periods. Diluted earnings per share have been computed, when the result is dilutive, using the treasury stock method for stock awards outstanding during the respective periods. Earnings per share (EPS) for the respective periods were calculated as follows (amounts in thousands, except per share data):

	Quarter Ended	
	December 27, 2009	December 28, 2008
BASIC		
Net income	\$ 7,960	\$ 13,208
Weighted-average common shares outstanding for basic	81,505	80,936
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.16
DILUTED		
Net income	\$ 7,960	\$ 13,208
Weighted-average common shares outstanding for basic	81,505	80,936
Dilutive effect of stock awards	612	912
Weighted-average common shares outstanding on a diluted basis	82,117	81,848
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.16

For the quarters ended December 27, 2009 and December 28, 2008, approximately 7,949,000 and 8,393,000 stock awards, respectively, were excluded in the computation of diluted EPS as these stock awards would have been anti-dilutive.

In June 2008, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued authoritative guidance that clarified that share-based payment awards that entitle their holders to receive non-forfeitable dividends before vesting should be considered participating securities. As participating securities, these instruments should be included in the calculation of basic earnings per share. This authoritative guidance became effective for our quarter ended December 27, 2009 and early adoption was not permitted. Once effective, all prior period earnings per share data are to be adjusted retrospectively.

A reconciliation to amounts previously reported for the quarter ended December 28, 2008 is as follows (unaudited, in thousands, except per share amounts):

Earnings per Share	Common and Equivalent Shares Outstanding
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Basic, as previously reported	\$ 0.17	79,430
Effect of adoption	(0.01)	1,506
Basic, as adopted	\$ 0.16	80,936
Diluted, as previously reported	\$ 0.16	80,474
Effect of adoption		1,374
Diluted, as adopted	\$ 0.16	81,848

9. RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

In September 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued authoritative guidance which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosures regarding fair value measurements. Additional authoritative guidance issued in February 2008 deferred the effective date of this authoritative guidance for all nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities, except those that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis (at least annually) to fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2008 and interim periods within those years (our fiscal year 2010). Additional authoritative guidance issued in October 2008 and April 2009 provided additional guidance on determining fair value in an inactive market and when volume and level of activity have significantly decreased. The adoption did not result in a material impact to our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

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In December 2007, the FASB issued authoritative guidance that requires the acquiring entity in a business combination to recognize all assets acquired and liabilities assumed in the transaction, establishes the acquisition date fair value as the measurement objective for all assets acquired and liabilities assumed, establishes principles and requirements for how an acquirer recognizes and measures any non-controlling interest in the acquiree and the goodwill acquired, and requires the acquirer to disclose the nature and financial effect of the business combination. Among other changes, this statement also requires that negative goodwill be recognized in earnings as a gain attributable to the acquisition and that acquisition related costs be recognized separately from the acquisition and expensed as incurred. In December 2007, the FASB also issued authoritative guidance related to non-controlling interests in consolidated financial statements. In the event an entity holds less than a full ownership interest, this guidance provides for the recognition, measurement and subsequent accounting for the non-controlling interest included in the entity's consolidated financial statements. This authoritative guidance is effective at the beginning of the first annual reporting period beginning on or after December 15, 2008 (our fiscal year 2010). The adoption did not result in a material impact to our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In November 2008, the Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF) of the FASB reached a final consensus on authoritative guidance that concluded that a defensive intangible asset should be considered a separate unit of accounting and not combined with an existing asset whose value it may enhance. In addition, a useful life should be assigned that reflects the acquiring entity's consumption of the defensive asset's expected benefits. This authoritative guidance will be applied prospectively for intangible assets acquired on or after the beginning of the first annual reporting period beginning on or after December 15, 2008 (our fiscal year 2010). Subsequent to the adoption of this guidance, we have not entered into a transaction that is impacted by this guidance and as such, the adoption has not had an impact on our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In August 2009, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2009-05, which provides clarification for measuring fair value when a quoted price in an active market for the identical liability is not available. ASU No. 2009-05 also clarifies that when estimating the fair value of a liability, a reporting entity is not required to include a separate input or adjustment to other inputs relating to the existence of a restriction that prevents the transfer of the liability. ASU No. 2009-05 was effective for us beginning after September 27, 2009. The adoption did not result in a material impact to our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In September 2009, the FASB issued ASU No. 2009-13, which eliminates the criterion for objective and reliable evidence of fair value for the undelivered products or services. Instead, revenue arrangements with multiple deliverables should be divided into separate units of accounting provided the deliverables meet certain criteria. ASU No. 2009-13 provides a hierarchy for estimating the selling price for each of the deliverables. ASU No. 2009-13 eliminates the use of the residual method of allocation and requires that arrangement consideration be allocated at the inception of the arrangement to all deliverables based on their relative selling price. ASU No. 2009-13 is effective prospectively for revenue arrangements entered into or materially modified in fiscal years beginning on or after June 15, 2010 (our fiscal year 2011). Early adoption is permitted. We are currently assessing the impact of this accounting standards update on our consolidated financial position and results of operation.

10. STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

In February 2008, our stockholders approved the Microsemi Corporation 2008 Performance Incentive Plan (the 2008 Plan). The 2008 Plan replaced the 1987 Plan, as amended, previously approved by our stockholders. The 2008 Plan includes a share limit of 4,063,000 shares of the Company's common stock for delivery under awards that have been and may be granted under the 2008 Plan. Awards authorized by the 2008 Plan include options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, stock bonuses, stock units, performance share awards, and other cash or share-based awards (each an Award). The shares of common stock delivered under the 2008 Plan may be newly-issued shares or shares held by the Company as treasury stock.

The share limit under the 2008 Plan increases on the first day of each year for the first five consecutive years by an amount equal to the lowest of (i) three percent of the total number of shares of common stock issued and outstanding on the last day of the immediately preceding fiscal year, (ii) 7,500,000 shares of common stock or (iii) such number of shares of common stock as may be established by the Board of Directors. Shares issued in respect of any Full-Value Award granted under the 2008 Plan shall be counted against the share limit as 2.25 shares for every one share

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actually issued in connection with such award. Full-Value Award means any award under the 2008 Plan that is not a stock option grant or a stock appreciation right grant. The maximum term of a stock option grant or a stock appreciation right grant is six years.

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Awards granted, weighted-average exercise price, weighted-average fair value and weighted-average assumptions used in the calculation of compensation expense are as follows:

Three Months Ended	# of Awards	Per Award		Risk Free Rate	Expected Dividend Yield	Expected Life (Years)	Expected Volatility
		Exercise Price	Fair Value				
December 27, 2009							
Restricted stock awards	1,250,800		\$ 14.89				
December 28, 2008							
Option grants	1,600	\$ 19.92	\$ 6.07	1.9%	0.0%	3.0	42.5%
Restricted stock awards	1,259,367		\$ 21.43				

In the quarters ended December 27, 2009 and December 28, 2008, stock-based compensation expense of stock awards decreased operating income by \$6,736,000 and \$7,915,000, respectively. Compensation expense for stock options was calculated based on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. Options are granted at exercise prices equal to the closing price of our common stock on the date of grant. Expected life was estimated based on historical exercise data that was stratified between members of the Board of Directors, executive employees and all other recipients. Expected volatility was estimated based on historical volatility using equally weighted daily price observations over a period approximately equal to the expected life of each option. The risk free interest rate is based on the implied yield currently available on U.S. Treasury securities with an equivalent remaining term. No dividends are expected to be paid. Restricted stock awards are granted to employees with compensation expense determined based on the closing price of our common stock on the date of grant. Options and restricted stock awards are subject to forfeiture if length of service requirements are unmet.

11. SEGMENT INFORMATION

We manage our business on the basis of one reportable segment, as a manufacturer of semiconductors in different geographic areas, including the United States, Europe and Asia.

We derive revenue from sales of our high-performance analog and mixed signal integrated circuits and power and high-reliability individual component semiconductors. These products include individual components as well as integrated circuit solutions that enhance customer designs by improving performance, reliability and battery optimization, reducing size or protecting circuits. The principal markets that we serve include commercial air / satellite, defense and security, industrial / semicap, medical, mobile / connectivity and notebook / LCD TVs / displays. We evaluate sales by end-market based on our understanding of end market uses of our products and sales by channel.

Net sales by the originating geographic area and by estimated end market are as follows (amounts in thousands):

	Quarter Ended	
	December 27, 2009	December 28, 2008
Net Sales:		
United States	\$ 47,369	\$ 62,026
Europe	34,252	36,808
Asia	31,211	31,760
Total	\$ 112,832	\$ 130,594

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Commercial Air / Satellite	\$ 25,402	\$ 33,853
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Long lived assets by geographic area are as follows (amounts in thousands):

	December 27, 2009	September 27, 2009
Tangible long lived assets:		
United States	\$ 49,329	\$ 51,874
Europe	14,486	13,619
Asia	3,107	3,205
Total	\$ 66,922	\$ 68,698

12. INCOME TAXES

We recorded an income tax provision of \$2,334,000 or 23% of pre-tax income and \$1,377,000 or 9% of pre-tax income for the quarters ended December 27, 2009 and December 28, 2008, respectively. Our effective income tax rate depends on various factors, such as tax legislation, the ratio of domestic and international pre-tax income, valuation allowances on both U.S. and foreign deferred tax assets and the effectiveness of our tax planning strategies.

The effective tax rate increase from first quarter of fiscal year 2010 compared to the first quarter of fiscal year 2009 was primarily due to additional valuation allowance on increases in U.S. deferred tax assets that would more likely than not be unrealized.

We had gross unrecognized tax benefits including interest and penalties of approximately \$20,064,000 and \$19,711,000 related to various U.S. and foreign jurisdictions at December 27, 2009 and September 27, 2009, respectively. These amounts include \$3,582,000 and \$3,280,000 of interest and penalties at December 27, 2009 and September 27, 2009, respectively. Unrecognized tax benefits of \$12,245,000 and \$12,194,000 at December 27, 2009 and September 27, 2009, respectively, would impact our effective tax rate in the period of recognition. We are unaware of any positions for which it is reasonably possible that the total amounts of unrecognized tax benefits will significantly increase or decrease within the next twelve months.

We file U.S. federal, state and foreign income tax returns in jurisdictions with varying statutes of limitation. The 2006 through 2008 tax years generally remain subject to examination by federal authority. The 2005 through 2008 tax years generally remain subject to examination by most state tax authorities and in significant foreign jurisdictions. Each quarter, we reassess our uncertain tax positions for any additions, deletions due to statute expiration, interest and penalties.

We establish liabilities for possible assessments by tax authorities resulting from known tax exposures including, but not limited to, international tax issues and certain tax credits. We do not believe the results of these audits will have a material impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flow.

13. RESTRUCTURING AND SEVERANCE CHARGES

In 2005, we announced consolidation plans for our facility in Broomfield, Colorado (Broomfield). Broomfield ceased operations at the end of the third quarter of fiscal year 2009, and substantially all accrued amounts are expected to be paid within twelve months. The following table reflects the activities related to the consolidation of Broomfield and the accrued liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets at the dates below (amounts in thousands):

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	Employee Severance
Balance at September 27, 2009	\$ 583
Cash expenditures	(213)
Balance at December 27, 2009	\$ 370

In fiscal year 2009, we approved consolidation plans that will result in the closure of our manufacturing facility in Scottsdale, Arizona (Scottsdale) by April 2011. Scottsdale currently has approximately 275 employees and occupies a 135,000 square foot leased facility. Shipments from the Scottsdale facility accounted for approximately 7% of net sales for the quarter ended December 27, 2009. At September 27, 2009, we had recorded severance accruals of \$5,491,000 that are expected to be paid through 2012. The following table reflects the restructuring activities for the Scottsdale facility and the accrued liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets at the dates below (amounts in thousands):

	Employee Severance	Other Associated Costs
Balance at September 27, 2009	\$ 5,491	\$
Provisions		19
Cash expenditures	(630)	(19)
Balance at December 27, 2009	\$ 4,861	\$

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At September 27, 2009, we had recorded severance accruals of \$2,186,000 from reductions in force at our various facilities other than Broomfield and Scottsdale. These restructuring activities covered approximately 300 individuals in manufacturing, engineering and sales. Substantially all accrued amounts are expected to be paid within twelve months. The following table reflects the restructuring activities and the accrued liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets at the dates below (amounts in thousands):

	Employee Severance
Balance at September 27, 2009	\$ 2,186
Provisions	276
Cash expenditures	(847)
Other non-cash settlement	(102)
 Balance at December 27, 2009	 \$ 1,513

14. REVOLVING CREDIT FACILITY

On October 5, 2009, we entered into a Credit Agreement with Bank of America, N.A. (the "Revolving Credit Facility"). The Revolving Credit Facility is scheduled to mature on October 5, 2012. The Revolving Credit Facility provides for a revolving line of credit of up to \$50 million (the "Maximum Commitment"). The Revolving Credit Facility is available for direct borrowings and, subject to the Maximum Commitment, up to \$20 million of the Revolving Credit Facility is available for the issuance of letters of credit. Borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility may be used for working capital and other lawful corporate purposes. The Company has no direct borrowings and \$400,000 in letters of credit outstanding under the Revolving Credit Facility.

Interest accruing on the amount of direct borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility is determined based upon the Company's choice of either a Base Rate Loan or a Eurodollar Rate Loan. The interest rate per annum for Base Rate Loans is determined by reference to the higher of (1) the federal funds rate plus 0.50%, (2) the prime rate as announced by Bank of America, N.A. and (3) a LIBOR rate determined as provided in the Revolving Credit Facility plus 1.50%, in each case plus an applicable margin. The applicable margin for Base Rate Loans is initially 1.50% per annum but may decrease to 1.25% or increase to 1.75% based upon a leverage ratio of Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to Consolidated EBITDA (as each such term is defined in the Revolving Credit Facility). Eurodollar Rate Loans bear interest at the Eurodollar Rate defined in the Revolving Credit Facility, plus an applicable margin. The applicable margin for Eurodollar Rate Loans is initially 2.50% per annum but may decrease to 2.25% or increase to 2.75% based upon a leverage ratio of Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to Consolidated EBITDA.

In addition to paying interest on outstanding borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility, the Company is required to pay a quarterly commitment fee based on the applicable commitment fee rate multiplied by the actual daily amount by which the Maximum Commitment exceeds the aggregate outstanding amount of all loans and all letter of credit obligations under the Revolving Credit Facility. The commitment fee rate is initially 0.50% per annum but may decrease to 0.40% based upon a leverage ratio of Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to Consolidated EBITDA. The Company is also required to pay a quarterly letter of credit fee for each letter of credit based on the daily maximum amount available to be drawn under the letter of credit multiplied by the letter of credit fee rate. The letter of credit fee rate is initially 2.50% per annum but may decrease to 2.25% or increase to 2.75% based upon a leverage ratio of Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to Consolidated EBITDA.

The Revolving Credit Facility requires the Company to maintain: (1) a minimum leverage ratio of Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to Consolidated EBITDA of 2.00:1.00, (2) a minimum Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio (as defined in the Revolving Credit Facility) of not less than 3.00:1.00, and (3) a Consolidated Liquidity Ratio (as defined in the Revolving

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Credit Facility) of not less than 1.50:1.00. The Revolving Credit Facility also contains customary limitations on the Company's ability to incur liens or indebtedness, make investments or certain restricted payments, merge with or acquire other companies, liquidate or dissolve, dispose of assets, substantially change the nature of the Company's business, and engage in transactions with affiliates. Upon the occurrence of an event of default under the Revolving Credit Facility, the lender may cease making loans, terminate the Revolving Credit Facility, and declare all amounts outstanding to be immediately due and payable. The Revolving Credit Facility specifies a number of events of default (some of which are subject to applicable grace or cure periods), including, among other things, non-payment of principal and interest when due, failure to satisfy the covenants in the Revolving Credit Facility, including the financial covenants described above, default of certain other indebtedness, bankruptcy or insolvency and a change of control.

Item 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS OVERVIEW

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q includes current beliefs, expectations and other forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Our actual results could differ materially from the results contemplated by these forward-looking statements due to certain factors, including those discussed in Part II, Item 1A, "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in this Quarterly Report. This Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations ("MD&A") and the accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto must be read in conjunction with the MD&A and the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year-ended September 27, 2009.

We are a leading designer, manufacturer and marketer of high performance analog and mixed-signal integrated circuits and high-reliability semiconductors. Our semiconductors manage and control or regulate power, protect against transient voltage spikes and transmit, receive and amplify signals. Our products include individual components as well as integrated circuit ("IC") solutions that enhance customer designs by improving performance, reliability and battery optimization, reducing size or protecting circuits.

Our ICs products offer light, sound and power management for desktop and mobile computing platforms, LCD TVs and other power control applications. Power management generally refers to a class of standard linear integrated circuits ("SLICs") that perform voltage regulation and reference in most electronic systems. The definition of power management has broadened in recent years to encompass other devices and modules, often application-specific standard products ("ASSPs"), which address particular aspects of power management, such as audio or display related ICs. This business is composed of both a core platform of traditional SLICs, such as low dropout regulators ("LDOs") and pulse width modulators ("PWMs"), and differentiated ASSPs such as backlight inverters, audio amplification ICs and small computer standard interface terminators. Our IC products are used in notebook computers, data storage, wireless LAN, LCD backlighting, LCD TVs, LCD monitors, automobiles, telecommunications, test instruments, defense and aerospace equipment, high-quality sound reproduction and data transfer equipment.

Our individual component semiconductor products include silicon rectifiers, zener diodes, low leakage and high voltage diodes, temperature compensated zener diodes, transistors, subminiature high power transient suppressor diodes and pin diodes used in magnetic resonance imaging ("MRI") machines. We also manufacture semiconductors for commercial applications, such as automatic surge protectors, transient suppressor diodes used for telephone applications and switching diodes used in computer systems. A partial list of these products includes: implantable cardioverter defibrillator and heart pacer switching, charging and transient shock protector diodes, low leakage diodes, transistors used in jet aircraft engines and high performance test equipment, high temperature diodes used in oil drilling sensing elements operating at 200 degrees centigrade, temperature compensated zener or rectifier diodes used in missile systems and power transistors.

The principal end markets that we serve include:

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Defense and Security We offer a broad selection of products including mixed-signal analog integrated circuits, JAN, JANTX, JANTXV and JANS high-reliability discrete semiconductors and modules including diodes, zeners, diode arrays, transient voltage suppressors, bipolar transistors, metal-oxide-semiconductor field-effect-transistors (MOSFETs), insulated gate bipolar transistors (IGBTs), small signal analog integrated circuits, small signal transistors, relays, silicon-controlled rectifiers (SCRs) and RF transceivers and subsystems. These products are utilized in a variety of applications including radar and communications, defense electronics, homeland security, threat detection, targeting and fire control and other power conversion and related systems in military platforms.

Commercial Air/Satellite Our commercial air/satellite products include offerings such as JAN, JANTX, JANTXV and JANS high-reliability discrete semiconductors and modules and analog mixed-signal products including diodes, zeners, diode arrays, transient voltage suppressors, bipolar transistors, small signal analog

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integrated circuits, relays, small signal transistors, SCRs, MOSFETs and IGBTs. These products are utilized in a variety of applications including electronic applications for large aircraft and regional jets, commercial radar and communications, satellites, cockpit electronics, and other power conversion and related systems in space and aerospace platforms.

Industrial/Semicap Products in this category include MOSFETs, IGBTs, power modules, bridge rectifiers and high-voltage assemblies for use primarily in industrial equipment and semiconductor capital equipment.

Medical Our medical products, which include zener diodes, high-voltage diodes, MOSFETs, IGBTs, transient voltage suppressors and thyristor surge protection devices, are designed into implantable defibrillators, pacemakers and neurostimulators. We are also a supplier of PIN diode switches, dual diode modules and switched-most power supplies (SMPS) for use in MRI systems.

Mobile/Connectivity Our mobile and connectivity products include broadband power amplifiers and monolithic microwave integrated circuits (MMICs) targeted at 802.11 a/b/g/n/e, multiple-in multiple-out (MIMO), wi-max wireless LAN devices and related equipment. Products also include power-over-ethernet (PoE), a variety of DC-DC products, such as voltage regulators, PWM controllers, and LED drivers that are sold into the portable device set top box, and telecom applications.

Notebook/ LCD TV/ Display Products in this market are used in notebook computers, monitors, storage devices, and LCD televisions, and include cold cathode fluorescent lamp (CCFL) controllers, LED drivers, visible light sensors, PWM controllers, voltage regulators, EMI/RFI filters, transient voltage suppressors, sensors for auto-dimming rear view mirrors and class-D audio circuits.

RESTRUCTURING

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At September 27, 2009, we had recorded severance accruals of \$2.2 million from reductions in force at our various facilities other than Broomfield and Scottsdale. These restructuring activities covered approximately 300 individuals in manufacturing, engineering and sales. Substantially all accrued amounts are expected to be paid within twelve months. The following table reflects the restructuring activities and the accrued liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets at the dates below (amounts in thousands):

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RESULTS OF OPERATIONS FOR THE QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER 27, 2009 COMPARED TO THE QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER 28, 2008

Net sales decreased \$17.8 million or 13.6% to \$112.8 million for the first quarter of fiscal year 2010 (Q1 2010) from \$130.6 million for the first quarter of fiscal year 2009 (Q1 2009). Net sales by end markets are based on our understanding of end market uses of our products. An estimated breakout of net sales by end markets is approximately as follows (amounts in thousands):

	Quarter Ended	
	December 27, 2009	December 28, 2008
Commercial Air / Satellite	\$ 25,402	\$ 33,853
Defense and Security	43,969	44,984
Industrial / Semicap	7,647	11,041
Medical	9,953	20,440
Mobile / Connectivity	17,265	12,947
Notebook / LCD TV / Display	8,596	7,329
 Total	 \$ 112,832	 \$ 130,594

Net sales in the commercial air / satellite end market decreased \$8.5 million to \$25.4 million in Q1 2010 from \$33.9 million in Q1 2009. Net sales in recent quarters for aerospace applications, in both new aircraft and the refurbishment market, have been negatively impacted by the slowing global economy. Sales into satellite applications remain stable as generally these applications are in a less economically sensitive market. Financing conditions appear to have improved slightly and our sales into the refurbishment market have increased and we expect that they will continue to increase. As such, we expect that net sales in this end market will grow next quarter.

Net sales in the defense and security end market decreased \$1.0 million to \$44.0 million in Q1 2010 from \$45.0 million in Q1 2009. Net sales in both periods, as well as from the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2009, have maintained relative stability. We expect that appropriations in the United States and allied nations for defense electronics will increase, especially in security-related products, and that net sales in this end market will grow next quarter.

Net sales in the industrial / semicap market decreased \$3.4 million to \$7.6 million in Q1 2010 from \$11.0 million in Q1 2009. In response to adverse economic conditions, semiconductor companies substantially reduced their capital expenditures between Q1 2010 to Q1 2009. This end market appears to be recovering as capital spending has stabilized and we expect that sales of our products in solar and alternative energy systems will increase. Accordingly, we expect that net sales in this end market will grow next quarter.

Net sales in the medical end market decreased \$10.4 million to \$10.0 million in Q1 2010 from \$20.4 million in Q1 2009. Net sales in Q1 2009 benefited from our support of a product launch schedule of a principal implantable device customer. This end market was also impacted by the economic climate over the previous year, as capital purchases of MRI equipment have declined. Overall, we expect that sales into both

implantable medical and MRI applications will grow next quarter.

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Net sales in the mobile and connectivity end market increased \$4.4 million to \$17.3 million in Q1 2010 from \$12.9 million in Q1 2009. In fiscal year 2009, enterprise demand waned in a challenging economic environment, resulting in sequential net sales declines in the first half of fiscal year 2009. As economic conditions have improved, net sales increased sequentially in the most recent quarter, driven primarily by PoE products. We believe this end market has stabilized and that net sales in this end market will grow next quarter.

Net sales in the notebook / LCD TV / display end market increased \$1.3 million to \$8.6 million in Q1 2010 from \$7.3 million in Q1 2009. During fiscal year 2009, this end market was negatively impacted by the effects of the economic slowdown, with the main decreases in fiscal year 2009 occurring in parts for automotive navigation systems and notebook storage products. In recent quarters, net sales in this end market have improved. Our sales of CCFL backlight solutions increased, we experienced some normalization in the automotive display market and we had growing shipments of our LED backlight solutions. Overall, we expect sales in this end market will grow next quarter.

A breakout of net sales by originating geographic area is approximately as follows (amounts in thousands):

	Quarter Ended	
	December 27, 2009	December 28, 2008
Net Sales:		
United States	\$ 47,369	\$ 62,026
Europe	34,252	36,808
Asia	31,211	31,760
Total	\$ 112,832	\$ 130,594

On January 21, 2010, we announced that we expect that our net sales for the second quarter of fiscal year 2010 will increase between 2 to 4 percent, sequentially.

Gross profit decreased \$8.1 million to \$52.3 million (46.3% of sales) for Q1 2010 from \$60.4 million (46.3% of sales) for Q1 2009 due to a decline in net sales. Despite the decline in net sales, gross profit percentage remained unchanged primarily due to cost optimization programs, which included the closure of our facility in Colorado, transfer of manufacturing to lower cost and more efficient facilities and reductions in personnel.

Selling, general and administrative expenses were \$25.8 million for Q1 2010 compared to \$30.6 million for Q1 2009. The decrease was due primarily to the effects of restructuring and cost control measures.

Research and development expense increased \$1.0 million to \$11.8 million in Q1 2010 from \$10.8 million in Q1 2009. The increase was due to purchases of materials, masks and other supplies related to new product development for both high reliability and analog mixed signal products.

Amortization of intangible assets increased \$0.7 million to \$3.9 million for Q1 2010 from \$3.2 million in Q1 2009. The increase over the comparable prior year period was primarily a result of the additional identifiable intangible assets recorded from acquisitions that occurred subsequent to Q1 2009.

Restructuring charges were \$0.3 million in Q1 2010 compared to \$1.9 million in Q1 2009. The difference primarily reflects the timing of announcement or approval of restructuring actions and the resulting requirement to accrue for restructuring charges.

Interest income was \$91,000 in Q1 2010 and \$0.7 million in Q1 2009. The decrease was primarily attributable to the interest income we received from investment in auction rate securities in Q1 2009. Subsequent to Q1 2009, we monetized all auction rate securities at full par value via the no net cost auction rate securities credit facility, which resulted in an increase in the balance of our cash and cash equivalents and a corresponding increase in borrowing under our auction rate securities credit facility. While we still hold the investment in auction rate securities, any interest we earn on the investment is automatically allocated to pay interest on the auction rate securities credit facility. Currently, cash balances in excess of projected liquidity requirements are invested in money market funds which have yielded substantially lower interest.

We recorded an income tax provision of \$2.3 million or 23% of pre-tax income and \$1.4 million or 9% of pre-tax income for Q1 2010 and Q1 2009, respectively. Our effective income tax rate depends on various factors, such as tax legislation, the ratio of domestic and international pre-tax income, valuation allowances on both U.S. and foreign deferred tax assets and the effectiveness of our tax planning strategies. The

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effective tax rate increase from Q1 2010 compared to Q1 2009 was primarily due to additional valuation allowance on increases in U.S. deferred tax assets that would more likely than not be unrealized.

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We had gross unrecognized tax benefits including interest and penalties of approximately \$20.1 million and \$19.7 million related to various U.S. and foreign jurisdictions at December 27, 2009 and September 27, 2009, respectively. These amounts include \$3.6 million and \$3.3 million of interest and penalties at December 27, 2009 and September 27, 2009, respectively. Unrecognized tax benefits of \$12.2 million at both December 27, 2009 and September 27, 2009, would impact our effective tax rate in the period of recognition. We are unaware of any positions for which it is reasonably possible that the total amounts of unrecognized tax benefits will significantly increase or decrease within the next twelve months.

We file U.S. federal, state and foreign income tax returns in jurisdictions with varying statutes of limitation. The 2006 through 2008 tax years generally remain subject to examination by federal authority. The 2005 through 2008 tax years generally remain subject to examination by most state tax authorities and in significant foreign jurisdictions. Each quarter, we reassess our uncertain tax positions for any additions, deletions due to statute expiration, interest and penalties.

We establish liabilities for possible assessments by tax authorities resulting from known tax exposures including, but not limited to, international tax issues and certain tax credits. We do not believe the results of these audits will have a material impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flow.

CAPITAL RESOURCES AND LIQUIDITY

We had \$234.9 million and \$216.7 million in cash and cash equivalents at December 27, 2009 and September 27, 2009, respectively. In Q1 2010, we financed our operations with cash generated from operations.

Net cash provided by operating activities decreased \$1.7 million to \$20.1 million at December 27, 2009 from \$21.8 million at December 28, 2008. The decrease was due mainly to increased non-cash items included in net income and positive changes in working capital accounts offset by lower net income. A summary of net cash provided by operating activities in Q1 2010 and Q1 2009 are as follows (amounts in thousands):

	Q1 2010	Q1 2009
Net income	\$ 7,960	\$ 13,208
Depreciation and amortization	8,506	7,651
Provision for doubtful accounts	205	
Deferred income taxes	(494)	(824)
Stock-based compensation	6,736	7,915
Net change in working capital accounts	(2,828)	(6,259)
Net change in other long term liabilities	(8)	140
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 20,077	\$ 21,831

Accounts receivable increased \$9.2 million to \$71.7 million at December 27, 2009 from \$62.5 million at September 27, 2009. The increase in accounts receivable was primarily due to higher sales in first quarter of 2010 compared to the first quarter of fiscal year 2009 and the timing of sales within the two quarters.

Inventories decreased \$4.4 million to \$91.0 million at December 27, 2009 from \$95.4 million at September 27, 2009, with the decrease due to efforts to reduce inventory levels and improve inventory management.

Current liabilities decreased \$8.1 million to \$92.7 million at December 27, 2009 from \$100.8 million at September 27, 2009. The decrease was due to a reduction of \$10.0 million in our auction rate securities credit facility following a redemption by an issuer of an auction rate bond we held, payments of accrued severance, profit sharing and bonus and lower accrued payroll due to the timing of payroll periods, offset by higher accounts payable due primarily to the timing of payments.

We invest cash balances in excess of projected liquidity needs primarily in money market funds and auction rate securities. All of our investments to date have maintained triple-A ratings; however, current credit market disruptions, particularly related to auction rate securities, may adversely affect the ratings of our investments. At December 27, 2009, our investment in auction rate securities consisted of auction rate bonds whose principal and interest are federally guaranteed by the Family Federal Education Loan Program. We previously had a practice of investing in auction rate securities and selling the securities prior to our interim and year-end reporting periods. We purchased the auction rate securities held at December 27, 2009 in January 2008 and experienced auction failures in mid-February 2008 that have impacted the liquidity of

our investment in auction rate securities. Auction failures do not represent a default of the security.

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During the quarter ended March 29, 2009, we entered into a settlement agreement with the financial institution where we hold our investment in auction rate securities and, per the terms of the settlement agreement: a) on November 3, 2008, the financial institution repurchased our \$15.5 million investment in auction rate preferred shares at par plus accrued interest; b) we hold rights to sell our remaining investment in auction rate bonds back to the financial institution at par plus accrued interest beginning June 30, 2010 through July 2, 2012 (ARS Rights); and c) we are permitted to borrow at no net cost the full par value of our investment in auction rate bonds.

During the quarter ended March 29, 2009, we monetized all auction rate securities at full par value via the no net cost auction rate securities credit facility, which resulted in an increase in the balance of our cash and cash equivalents and a corresponding increase in borrowing under our auction rate securities credit facility. The credit facility, which is maintained by a subsidiary of the financial institution where we hold our investment in auction rate securities, is collateralized by any balances held in a collateral account at the subsidiary. The only balances held in the collateral account since the settlement date are the auction rate securities. The outstanding amounts under the credit facility may become due and payable upon demand, provided that the parent financial institution is required, either itself or through an affiliate, to provide alternative financing on substantially the same terms as soon as reasonably possible. While the financial institution may repurchase our investment in auction rate securities prior to June 30, 2010, we intend to put these auction rate securities back to the financial institution and use the proceeds to repay the credit facility when permitted by the ARS Rights. As such, at December 27, 2009, we have classified both the investment in auction rate securities and auction rate securities credit facility as current.

We classify assets and liabilities carried at fair value in one of the following three categories: Level 1 quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities that an entity has the ability to access at the measurement date; Level 2 observable market-based inputs or unobservable inputs that are corroborated by market data for the asset or liability at the measurement date; and Level 3 unobservable inputs that are not corroborated by market data used when there is minimal market activity for the asset or liability at the measurement date. Fair value measurements of assets and liabilities are assigned a level within the fair value hierarchy based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. We elected to measure the fair value of the auction rate securities settlement agreement at fair value.

Our cash and cash equivalents are classified as Level 1, and our investment in auction rate securities and the fair value of the settlement agreement are classified as Level 3. For our investment in auction rate securities, we evaluated counterparty risk with regard to the settlement agreement and concluded, as of December 27, 2009, that non-performance risk was nominal. At December 27, 2009, we concluded that any other-than-temporary impairment in the fair value of our auction rate securities would be offset substantially by the fair value recognized for the rights provided to us in the settlement agreement. As such, the investment in auction rate securities and the fair value of the auction rate securities settlement agreement are recorded at \$36.6 million, the par value of the auction rate bonds.

During the quarter ended December 27, 2009, an issuer called \$10.0 million in auction rate bonds at par plus accrued interest and as such, the par value of our investment in auction rate securities and the corresponding auction rate securities credit facility were each \$36.6 million at December 27, 2009. Subsequent to December 27, 2009 an issuer called \$1.7 million in auction rate bonds at par plus accrued interest. As such, the par value of our remaining investment in auction rate securities and the corresponding auction rate securities credit facility were each \$34.9 million.

However, given that there is currently no active secondary market for our investment in auction rate securities, the determination of fair market value in the future could be negatively impacted by many factors including but not limited to, failure of the financial institution to meet its obligations under the settlement agreement, continuing illiquidity in the market for auction rate securities for an extended period of time, a lack of action by the issuers to establish different forms of financing to replace or redeem these securities, changes in the credit quality of the underlying securities and changes in market interest rates above contractual maximum interest rates on the underlying auction rate securities. Should credit market disruptions continue or increase in magnitude or if our assessment of the counterparty risk indicates an increased potential for non-performance, we may be required to record an impairment on our investments or consider that an ultimate liquidity event may take longer than currently anticipated. We currently do not anticipate an impairment of our investments that would not be substantially offset by the fair value recognized for the rights provided to us in the settlement agreement; however, if we had to record any impairment, for every 1% decline in principal, a decrease in value of approximately \$0.3 million would occur.

Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities was \$6.5 million for Q1 2010 and (\$11.2) million for Q1 2009, respectively. Net cash provided by investing activities in Q1 2010 primarily consisted of \$10.0 million in proceeds from an issuer redemption of auction rate bonds offset by \$3.2 million in purchases of property and equipment. In Q1 2009, net cash used in investing activities primarily consisted of \$21.9 million related to the acquisition of Electro Module, Inc., and Babcock, Inc., its wholly-owned subsidiary, \$4.2 million in purchase of property and equipment, offset by a \$15.5 million repurchase of our investment in auction rate preferred shares.

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Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities was (\$8.4) million in Q1 2010 and \$0.4 million in Q1 2009. In Q1 2010, net cash used in financing activities primarily consisted of a \$10.0 million reduction in the auction rate securities credit facility offset by \$1.6 million related to proceeds from stock-awards. In Q1 2009, net cash provided by financing activities related to proceeds from stock awards.

On October 5, 2009, we entered into a Credit Agreement with Bank of America, N.A. (the Revolving Credit Facility). The Revolving Credit Facility is scheduled to mature on October 5, 2012. The Revolving Credit Facility provides for a revolving line of credit of up to \$50 million (the Maximum Commitment). The Revolving Credit Facility is available for direct borrowings and, subject to the Maximum Commitment, up to \$20 million of the Revolving Credit Facility is available for the issuance of letters of credit. Borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility may be used for working capital and other lawful corporate purposes. The Company has no direct borrowings and \$400,000 in letters of credit outstanding under the Revolving Credit Facility.

Interest accruing on the amount of direct borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility is determined based upon the Company's choice of either a Base Rate Loan or a Eurodollar Rate Loan. The interest rate per annum for Base Rate Loans is determined by reference to the higher of (1) the federal funds rate plus 0.50%, (2) the prime rate as announced by Bank of America, N.A. and (3) a LIBOR rate determined as provided in the Revolving Credit Facility plus 1.50%, in each case plus an applicable margin. The applicable margin for Base Rate Loans is initially 1.50% per annum but may decrease to 1.25% or increase to 1.75% based upon a leverage ratio of Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to Consolidated EBITDA (as each such term is defined in the Revolving Credit Facility). Eurodollar Rate Loans bear interest at the Eurodollar Rate defined in the Revolving Credit Facility, plus an applicable margin. The applicable margin for Eurodollar Rate Loans is initially 2.50% per annum but may decrease to 2.25% or increase to 2.75% based upon a leverage ratio of Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to Consolidated EBITDA.

In addition to paying interest on outstanding borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility, the Company is required to pay a quarterly commitment fee based on the applicable commitment fee rate multiplied by the actual daily amount by which the Maximum Commitment exceeds the aggregate outstanding amount of all loans and all letter of credit obligations under the Revolving Credit Facility. The commitment fee rate is initially 0.50% per annum but may decrease to 0.40% based upon a leverage ratio of Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to Consolidated EBITDA. The Company is also required to pay a quarterly letter of credit fee for each letter of credit based on the daily maximum amount available to be drawn under the letter of credit multiplied by the letter of credit fee rate. The letter of credit fee rate is initially 2.50% per annum but may decrease to 2.25% or increase to 2.75% based upon a leverage ratio of Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to Consolidated EBITDA.

The Revolving Credit Facility requires the Company to maintain: (1) a minimum leverage ratio of Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to Consolidated EBITDA of 2.00:1.00, (2) a minimum Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio (as defined in the Revolving Credit Facility) of not less than 3.00:1.00, and (3) a Consolidated Liquidity Ratio (as defined in the Revolving Credit Facility) of not less than 1.50:1.00. The Revolving Credit Facility also contains customary limitations on the Company's ability to incur liens or indebtedness, make investments or certain restricted payments, merge with or acquire other companies, liquidate or dissolve, dispose of assets, substantially change the nature of the Company's business, and engage in transactions with affiliates. Upon the occurrence of an event of default under the Revolving Credit Facility, the lender may cease making loans, terminate the Revolving Credit Facility, and declare all amounts outstanding to be immediately due and payable. The Revolving Credit Facility specifies a number of events of default (some of which are subject to applicable grace or cure periods), including, among other things, non-payment of principal and interest when due, failure to satisfy the covenants in the Revolving Credit Facility, including the financial covenants described above, default of certain other indebtedness, bankruptcy or insolvency and a change of control. As of December 27, 2009, the Company was in compliance with all covenants in the Revolving Credit Facility.

As of December 27, 2009, we had no material commitments for capital expenditures. Based upon information currently available to us, we believe that we can meet our cash requirements and capital commitments in the foreseeable future with cash balances, internally generated funds from ongoing operations and, if necessary, from the available line of credit.

RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

In September 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued authoritative guidance which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosures regarding fair value measurements.

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Additional authoritative guidance issued in February 2008 deferred the effective date of this authoritative guidance for all nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities, except those that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis (at least annually) to fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2008 and interim periods within those years (our fiscal year 2010). Additional authoritative guidance issued in October 2008 and April 2009 provided additional guidance on determining fair value in an inactive market and when volume and level of activity have significantly decreased. The adoption did not result in a material impact to our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In December 2007, the FASB issued authoritative guidance that requires the acquiring entity in a business combination to recognize all assets acquired and liabilities assumed in the transaction, establishes the acquisition date fair value as the measurement objective for all assets acquired and liabilities assumed, establishes principles and requirements for how an acquirer recognizes and measures any non-controlling interest in the acquiree and the goodwill acquired, and requires the acquirer to disclose the nature and financial effect of the business combination. Among other changes, this statement also requires that negative goodwill be recognized in earnings as a gain attributable to the acquisition and that acquisition related costs be recognized separately from the acquisition and expensed as incurred. In December 2007, the FASB also issued authoritative guidance related to non-controlling interests in consolidated financial statements. In the event an entity holds less than a full ownership interest, this guidance provides for the recognition, measurement and subsequent accounting for the non-controlling interest included in the entity's consolidated financial statements. This authoritative guidance is effective at the beginning of the first annual reporting period beginning on or after December 15, 2008 (our fiscal year 2010). The adoption did not result in a material impact to our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In June 2008, the FASB issued authoritative guidance that clarified that share-based payment awards that entitle their holders to receive non-forfeitable dividends before vesting should be considered participating securities. As participating securities, these instruments should be included in the calculation of basic earnings per share. This authoritative guidance became effective for our quarter ended December 27, 2009 and early adoption was not permitted. Once effective, all prior period earnings per share data are to be adjusted retrospectively. A reconciliation to amounts previously reported for the quarter ended December 28, 2008 is as follows (unaudited, in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Earnings per Share	Common and Equivalent Shares Outstanding
Basic, as previously reported	\$ 0.17	79,430
Effect of adoption	(0.01)	1,506
Basic, as adopted	\$ 0.16	80,936
Diluted, as previously reported	\$ 0.16	80,474
Effect of adoption		1,374
Diluted, as adopted	\$ 0.16	81,848

In November 2008, the Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF) of the FASB reached a final consensus on authoritative guidance that concluded that a defensive intangible asset should be considered a separate unit of accounting and not combined with an existing asset whose value it may enhance. In addition, a useful life should be assigned that reflects the acquiring entity's consumption of the defensive asset's expected benefits. This authoritative guidance will be applied prospectively for intangible assets acquired on or after the beginning of the first annual reporting period beginning on or after December 15, 2008 (our fiscal year 2010). Subsequent to the adoption of this guidance, we have not entered into a transaction that is impacted by this guidance and as such, the adoption has not had an impact on our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In August 2009, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2009-05, which provides clarification for measuring fair value when a quoted price in an active market for the identical liability is not available. ASU No. 2009-05 also clarifies that when estimating the fair value of a liability, a reporting entity is not required to include a separate input or adjustment to other inputs relating to the existence of a restriction that prevents the transfer of the liability. ASU No. 2009-05 was effective for us beginning after September 27, 2009. The adoption did not result in a material impact to our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

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In September 2009, the FASB issued ASU No. 2009-13, which eliminates the criterion for objective and reliable evidence of fair value for the undelivered products or services. Instead, revenue arrangements with multiple deliverables should be divided into separate units of accounting provided the deliverables meet certain criteria. ASU No. 2009-13 provides a hierarchy for estimating the selling price for each of the deliverables. ASU No. 2009-13 eliminates the use of the residual method of allocation and requires that arrangement consideration be allocated at the inception of the arrangement to all deliverables based on their relative selling price. ASU No. 2009-13 is effective prospectively for revenue arrangements entered into or materially modified in fiscal years beginning on or after June 15, 2010 (our fiscal year 2011). Early adoption is permitted. We are currently assessing the impact of this accounting standards update on our consolidated financial position and results of operation

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND ESTIMATES

The unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States that require us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the unaudited consolidated financial statements and revenues and expenses during the periods reported. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Information with respect to our critical accounting policies that we believe could have the most significant effect on our reported results and require subjective or complex judgments is contained in Item 7, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year-ended September 27, 2009.

Item 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Market risk is the potential loss arising from adverse changes in credit risk, foreign currency exchange rates, interest rates or the stock market. We are exposed to various market risks, which are related to credit risks, changes in certain foreign currency exchange rates and changes in certain interest rates.

We invest cash balances in excess of projected liquidity needs primarily in money market funds and auction rate securities. All of our investments to date have maintained triple-A ratings; however, current credit market disruptions, particularly related to auction rate securities, may adversely affect the ratings of our investments. At December 27, 2009, our investment in auction rate securities consisted of auction rate bonds whose principal and interest are federally guaranteed by the Family Federal Education Loan Program. We previously had a practice of investing in auction rate securities and selling the securities prior to our interim and year-end reporting periods. We purchased the auction rate securities held at December 27, 2009 in January 2008 and experienced auction failures in mid-February 2008 that have impacted the liquidity of our investment in auction rate securities. Auction failures do not represent a default of the security.

During the quarter ended March 29, 2009, we entered into a settlement agreement with the financial institution where we hold our investment in auction rate securities and, per the terms of the settlement agreement: a) on November 3, 2008, the financial institution repurchased our \$15.5 million investment in auction rate preferred shares at par plus accrued interest; b) we hold rights to sell our remaining investment in auction rate bonds back to the financial institution at par plus accrued interest beginning June 30, 2010 through July 2, 2012 (ARS Rights); and c) we are permitted to borrow at no net cost the full par value of our investment in auction rate bonds.

During the quarter ended March 29, 2009, we monetized all auction rate securities at full par value via the no net cost auction rate securities credit facility, which resulted in an increase in the balance of our cash and cash equivalents and a corresponding increase in borrowing under our auction rate securities credit facility. The credit facility, which is maintained by a subsidiary of the financial institution where we hold our investment in auction rate securities, is collateralized by any balances held in a collateral account at the subsidiary. The only balances held in the collateral account since the settlement date are the auction rate securities. The outstanding amounts under the credit facility may become due and payable upon demand, provided that the parent financial institution is required, either itself or through an affiliate, to provide alternative financing on substantially the same terms as soon as reasonably possible. While the financial institution may repurchase our investment in auction rate securities prior to June 30, 2010, we intend to put these auction rate securities back to the financial institution and use the proceeds to repay the credit facility when permitted by the ARS Rights. As such, at December 27, 2009, we have classified both the investment in auction rate securities and auction rate securities credit facility as current.

We classify assets and liabilities carried at fair value in one of the following three categories: Level 1 quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities that an entity has the ability to access at the measurement date; Level 2 observable market-based inputs or unobservable inputs that are corroborated by market data for the asset or liability at the measurement date; and Level 3 unobservable inputs that are not corroborated by market data used when there is minimal market activity for the asset or liability at the measurement date. Fair value measurements of assets and liabilities are assigned a level within the fair value hierarchy based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. We elected to measure the fair value of the auction rate securities settlement agreement at fair value.

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Our cash and cash equivalents are classified as Level 1, and our investment in auction rate securities and the fair value of the settlement agreement are classified as Level 3. For our investment in auction rate securities, we evaluated counterparty risk with regard to the settlement agreement and concluded, as of December 27, 2009, that non-performance risk was nominal. At December 27, 2009, we concluded that any other-than-temporary impairment in the fair value of our auction rate securities would be offset substantially by the fair value recognized for the rights provided to us in the settlement agreement. As such, the investment in auction rate securities and the fair value of the auction rate securities settlement agreement are recorded at \$36.6 million, the par value of the auction rate bonds.

During the quarter ended December 27, 2009, an issuer called \$10.0 million in auction rate bonds at par plus accrued interest and as such, the par value of our investment in auction rate securities and the corresponding auction rate securities credit facility were each \$36.6 million at December 27, 2009. Subsequent to December 27, 2009 an issuer called \$1.7 million in auction rate bonds at par plus accrued interest. As such, the par value of our remaining investment in auction rate securities and the corresponding auction rate securities credit facility were each \$34.9 million.

However, given that there is currently no active secondary market for our investment in auction rate securities, the determination of fair market value in the future could be negatively impacted by many factors including but not limited to, failure of the financial institution to meet its obligations under the settlement agreement, continuing illiquidity in the market for auction rate securities for an extended period of time, a lack of action by the issuers to establish different forms of financing to replace or redeem these securities, changes in the credit quality of the underlying securities and changes in market interest rates above contractual maximum interest rates on the underlying auction rate securities. Should credit market disruptions continue or increase in magnitude or if our assessment of the counterparty risk indicates an increased potential for non-performance, we may be required to record an impairment on our investments or consider that an ultimate liquidity event may take longer than currently anticipated. We currently do not anticipate an impairment of our investments that would not be substantially offset by the fair value recognized for the rights provided to us in the settlement agreement; however, if we had to record any impairment, for every 1% decline in principal, a decrease in value of approximately \$0.3 million would occur.

We conduct a relatively small portion of our business in a number of foreign currencies, principally the European Union Euro, British Pound, Israeli Shekel and Chinese RMB. We may receive some revenues in foreign currencies and purchase some inventory and services in foreign currencies. Accordingly, we are exposed to transaction gains and losses that could result from changes in exchange rates of foreign currencies relative to the U.S. dollar. Transactions in foreign currencies have represented a relatively small portion of our business. As a result, foreign currency fluctuations have not had a material impact historically on our revenues or results of operations. However, there can be no assurance that future fluctuations in the value of foreign currencies will not have material adverse effects on our results of operations, cash flows or financial condition. We have not conducted a foreign currency hedging program thus far. We have and may continue to consider the adoption of a foreign currency hedging program.

We did not enter into derivative financial instruments and did not enter into any other financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes or to hedge exposure to interest rate risks. Our other financial instruments consist primarily of cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable and long-term obligations. Our exposure to market risk for changes in interest rates relates primarily to our short-term investments and short-term obligations. As a result, we do not expect fluctuations in interest rates to have a material impact on the fair value of these instruments. Accordingly, we have not engaged in transactions intended to hedge our exposure to changes in interest rates.

On October 5, 2009, we entered into a Credit Agreement with Bank of America, N.A. (the "Revolving Credit Facility"). The Revolving Credit Facility is scheduled to mature on October 5, 2012. The Revolving Credit Facility provides for a revolving line of credit of up to \$50 million (the "Maximum Commitment"). The Revolving Credit Facility is available for direct borrowings and, subject to the Maximum Commitment, up to \$20 million of the Revolving Credit Facility is available for the issuance of letters of credit. Borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility may be used for working capital and other lawful corporate purposes. The Company has no direct borrowings and \$400,000 in letters of credit outstanding under the Revolving Credit Facility.

Interest accruing on the amount of direct borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility is determined based upon the Company's choice of either a Base Rate Loan or a Eurodollar Rate Loan. The interest rate per annum for Base Rate Loans is determined by reference to the higher of (1) the federal funds rate plus 0.50%, (2) the prime rate as announced by Bank of America, N.A. and (3) a LIBOR rate determined as provided in the Revolving Credit Facility plus 1.50%, in each case plus an applicable margin. The applicable margin for Base Rate Loans is initially 1.50% per annum but may decrease to 1.25% or

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increase to 1.75% based upon a leverage ratio of Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to Consolidated EBITDA (as each such term is defined in the Revolving Credit Facility). Eurodollar Rate Loans bear interest at the Eurodollar Rate defined in the Revolving Credit Facility, plus an applicable margin. The applicable margin for Eurodollar Rate Loans is initially 2.50% per annum but may decrease to 2.25% or increase to 2.75% based upon a leverage ratio of Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to Consolidated EBITDA.

In addition to paying interest on outstanding borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility, the Company is required to pay a quarterly commitment fee based on the applicable commitment fee rate multiplied by the actual daily amount by which the Maximum Commitment exceeds the aggregate outstanding amount of all loans and all letter of credit obligations under the Revolving Credit Facility. The commitment fee rate is initially 0.50% per annum but may decrease to 0.40% based upon a leverage ratio of Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to Consolidated EBITDA. The Company is also required to pay a quarterly letter of credit fee for each letter of credit based on the daily maximum amount available to be drawn under the letter of credit multiplied by the letter of credit fee rate. The letter of credit fee rate is initially 2.50% per annum but may decrease to 2.25% or increase to 2.75% based upon a leverage ratio of Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to Consolidated EBITDA.

The Revolving Credit Facility requires the Company to maintain: (1) a minimum leverage ratio of Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to Consolidated EBITDA of 2.00:1.00, (2) a minimum Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio (as defined in the Revolving Credit Facility) of not less than 3.00:1.00, and (3) a Consolidated Liquidity Ratio (as defined in the Revolving Credit Facility) of not less than 1.50:1.00. The Revolving Credit Facility also contains customary limitations on the Company's ability to incur liens or indebtedness, make investments or certain restricted payments, merge with or acquire other companies, liquidate or dissolve, dispose of assets, substantially change the nature of the Company's business, and engage in transactions with affiliates. Upon the occurrence of an event of default under the Revolving Credit Facility, the lender may cease making loans, terminate the Revolving Credit Facility, and declare all amounts outstanding to be immediately due and payable. The Revolving Credit Facility specifies a number of events of default (some of which are subject to applicable grace or cure periods), including, among other things, non-payment of principal and interest when due, failure to satisfy the covenants in the Revolving Credit Facility, including the financial covenants described above, default of certain other indebtedness, bankruptcy or insolvency and a change of control.

Item 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

(a) Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures.

Our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, with the assistance of other management, conducted an evaluation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report. Based on this evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of December 27, 2009.

(b) Changes in internal control over financial reporting.

During the first quarter of fiscal year 2010, there were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

In Part I, Item 3 of our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K as filed with the SEC on November 24, 2009 for our fiscal year-ended September 27, 2009, we previously reported litigation in which we are involved. During the fiscal period that is the subject of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, no material changes occurred in such litigation, and there have been no other legal proceedings requiring reporting in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q other than as follows.

In Broomfield, Colorado, the owner of a property located adjacent to a manufacturing facility owned by one of our subsidiaries, Microsemi Corp. Colorado had notified the subsidiary and other parties of a claim that contaminants migrated to his property, thereby diminishing its value. In August 1995, the subsidiary, together with Coors Porcelain Company, FMC Corporation and Siemens Microelectronics, Inc. (former

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owners of the manufacturing facility), agreed to settle the claim and to indemnify the owner of the adjacent property for remediation costs. Although TCE and other contaminants previously used by former owners at the facility are present in soil and groundwater on the subsidiary's property, we vigorously contest any assertion that the subsidiary caused the contamination. In November 1998, we signed an agreement with the three former owners of this facility whereby they have 1) reimbursed us for \$530,000 of past costs, 2) assumed responsibility for 90% of

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all future clean-up costs, and 3) promised to indemnify and protect us against any and all third-party claims relating to the contamination of the facility. An Integrated Corrective Action Plan was submitted to the State of Colorado. Sampling and management plans were prepared for the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment. State and local agencies in Colorado are reviewing current data and considering study and cleanup options. The most recent forecast estimated that the total project cost, up to the year 2020, would be approximately \$5,300,000; accordingly, we recorded a one-time charge of \$530,000 for this project in fiscal year 2003. There has not been any significant development since September 28, 2003.

We assumed legal exposures in connection with our acquisition of PowerDsine, Ltd. (PDL), including exposures related to a complaint filed against PDL and its subsidiary, PowerDsine, Inc. (together with PDL, the PD Companies), by ChriMar Systems, Inc. (ChriMar) in October 2001 (the Complaint). The Complaint, which was filed by ChriMar in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, Southern Division (the Court), alleges that products manufactured and sold by the PD Companies infringe United States Patent Number 5,406,260 assigned to ChriMar and requests, among other things, damages and injunctive relief. In February 2002, the PD Companies filed an answer denying all of the allegations stated in the Complaint and raising several affirmative defenses to the claims asserted. In May 2003, the Court stayed the proceeding between ChriMar and the PD Companies pending resolution of a lawsuit filed by ChriMar against Cisco Systems, Inc. (Cisco), alleging that Cisco products infringed the same patent asserted against the PD Companies. In August 2006, following settlement of the case against Cisco, the Court issued an order to commence discovery. The discovery order was stayed in 2006 after ChriMar filed separate patent infringement actions against both D-Link Systems and Foundry Networks. The Court subsequently combined these actions with the case against the PD Companies for partial joint administration. No trial date has been set. The Court has issued a construction of the applicable claims involved in the case, and discovery has been completed. Based on the application of industry statistics relating to outcome of patent litigation matters, we have provided for the estimated potential loss.

In January 2009, the International Trade Commission announced that it had voted to commence an investigation as to whether one of our products (as incorporated into one of our customer's products) infringes a patent owned by O2Micro International Limited. The principal remedy if infringement is found will be a bar on importation of the product involved. Microsemi is vigorously defending its position. An administrative law judge from the International Trade Commission conducted an evidentiary hearing in this matter and the parties are now in the process of submitting post-hearing briefs. Management cannot reasonably determine the scope or amount of possible liabilities, if any, that could result from an unfavorable settlement or resolution of these claims, and no reserves for these claims have been established as of December 27, 2009. However, it is possible that an unfavorable resolution of these claims could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations, and there can be no assurance that we will be able to achieve a favorable settlement or resolution of these claims.

Item 1A. RISK FACTORS

There have been no material updates to the risk factors set forth below that constitute material changes from the risk factors previously disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K as filed with the SEC on November 24, 2009. For the convenience of our readers, our updated risk factors are included below in this Item 1A, and we recommend that they be read in their entirety.

Continued negative worldwide economic conditions could prevent us from accurately forecasting demand for our products, which could adversely affect our operating results or market share.

Recent negative worldwide economic conditions and market instability have made it increasingly difficult for us, our customers and our suppliers to accurately forecast future product demand trends. If signs of improvement in the global economy do not progress as expected and the economic slowdown continues or worsens, our forecasts of product demand trends could prove to be incorrect and could cause us to produce excess products that can depress product prices, increase our inventory carrying costs and result in obsolete inventory. Alternatively, this forecasting difficulty could cause a shortage of products, or materials used in our products, that could result in an inability to satisfy demand for our products and a loss of market share.

Continued negative or uncertain worldwide economic conditions may adversely affect our business, financial condition, cash flow and results of operations.

Recent domestic and global economic conditions have presented unprecedented and challenging conditions reflecting continued concerns about the availability and cost of credit, the mortgage market, declining real estate values, increased energy costs, decreased consumer confidence and spending and added concerns fueled by the federal government's interventions in the financial and credit markets. These conditions have contributed to instability in both the domestic and international capital and credit markets and diminished expectations for the global economy. In addition, these conditions

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make it extremely difficult for our customers to accurately forecast and plan future business activities and could cause businesses to slow spending on our products, which could cause our sales to decrease or result in an extension of our sales cycles. If signs of improvement in the global economy do not progress as expected and recent unfavorable economic conditions continue or worsen, our customers may have difficulties obtaining capital at adequate or historical levels to finance their ongoing business and operations, which could impair their ability to make timely payments to us. If that were to occur, we may be required to increase our allowance for doubtful accounts and our days sales outstanding would be negatively impacted. We cannot predict the timing, strength or duration of any economic slowdown or subsequent economic recovery, worldwide or within our industry. If signs of improvement in the global economy do not progress as expected and recent unfavorable economic conditions continue or worsen, our business, financial condition, cash flows and results of operations will be adversely affected.

Our operating results may fluctuate in future periods, which could cause our stock price to decline.

We have experienced, and expect to experience in future periods, fluctuations in net sales and operating results from period to period. Our projections and results may be subject to significant fluctuations as a result of a number of factors including:

the timing of orders from and shipment of products to major customers;

our product mix;

changes in the prices of our products;

manufacturing delays or interruptions;

inventory obsolescence or write-downs;

restructuring charges;

variations in the cost of components for our products;

limited availability of components that we obtain from a single or a limited number of suppliers; and

seasonal and other fluctuations in demand for our products.

Unanticipated changes in our tax provisions or exposure to additional income tax liabilities could affect our financial results.

We are subject to income taxes in the United States and numerous foreign jurisdictions. Our tax liabilities are affected by the amounts we record in intercompany transactions for inventory, services, licenses, funding and other items. We are subject to ongoing tax audits in various jurisdictions. Tax authorities may disagree with our intercompany charges or other matters and assess additional taxes. We regularly assess the likely outcomes of these audits in order to determine the appropriateness of our tax provision. However, there can be no assurance that we will accurately predict the outcomes of these audits, and the actual outcomes of these audits could have a material impact on our financial condition. In addition, our effective tax rate in the future could be adversely affected by changes in the mix of earnings in countries with differing statutory tax rates, changes in the valuation of deferred tax assets and liabilities, changes in tax laws, especially tax laws related to foreign operations, and the discovery of new information in the course of our tax return preparation process. Any of these changes could affect our operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

We have closed, combined, sold or disposed of certain subsidiaries or divisions, which in the past has reduced our sales volume and resulted in restructuring costs.

In October 2003, we announced the consolidation of the manufacturing operations of Microsemi Corp. Santa Ana, of Santa Ana, California into some of our other facilities. The Santa Ana facility, whose manufacturing represented approximately 13% of our annual net sales in fiscal year 2004, had approximately 380 employees and occupied 123,000 square feet. In April 2005, we announced the consolidation of the high-reliability products operations of Microsemi Corp. Colorado of Broomfield, Colorado (Broomfield) into some of our other facilities. Broomfield represented approximately 5% of our annual net sales in fiscal year 2009, had approximately 50 employees and occupied a 130,000 square foot owned facility. In September 2009, we approved consolidation plans that will result in the closure of our manufacturing facility in Scottsdale, Arizona (Scottsdale) by April 2011. Scottsdale represented approximately 14% of our annual net sales in fiscal year 2009, currently has approximately 275 employees and operates in a 135,000 square foot leased facility.

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We may make further specific determinations to consolidate, close or sell additional facilities, which could be announced at any time. Possible adverse consequences resulting from or related to such announcements may include various accounting charges such as for workforce reduction, including severance and other termination benefits and for excess facilities, including lease termination fees, future contractual commitments to pay lease charges, facility remediation costs and moving costs to remove property and equipment from facilities. We may also be adversely impacted from inventory buildup in preparation for the transition of manufacturing, disposition costs, impairments of goodwill, a possible immediate loss of revenues, and other items in addition to normal or attendant risks and uncertainties. We may be unsuccessful in any of our current or future efforts to consolidate our business into a smaller number of facilities. Our plans to minimize or eliminate any loss of revenues during consolidation may not be achieved.

We face major technical challenges in regard to transferring component manufacturing between locations. Before a transfer of manufacturing, we must be finished qualifying the new facility appropriately with the U.S. government or certain customers. While we plan generally to retain all of the revenues and income of those operations by transferring the manufacturing elsewhere within Microsemi's subsidiaries, our plans may change at any time based on reassessment of the alternatives and consequences. While we hope to benefit overall from increased gross margins and increased capacity utilization rates at remaining operations, the remaining operations will need to bear the corporate administrative and overhead costs, which are charges to income that had been allocated to the discontinued business units. Moreover, delays in effecting our consolidations could result in greater than anticipated costs incurred to achieve the hoped for longer-range savings.

International operations and sales expose us to material risks and may increase the volatility of our operating results.

Net sales from foreign markets represent a significant portion of total net sales. Our net sales to foreign customers represented approximately 30% for fiscal year 2009, 40% for fiscal year 2008 and 33% of net sales for fiscal year 2007. These sales were principally to customers in Europe and Asia. Foreign sales are classified as shipments to foreign destinations. We maintain facilities or contracts with entities in several foreign countries, including Korea, Japan, China, Ireland, Thailand, the Philippines, Malaysia, France, Taiwan, Macau, Israel and India. There are risks inherent in doing business internationally, including:

legislative or regulatory requirements and potential changes in or interpretations of requirements in the United States and in the countries in which we manufacture or sell our products;

tax regulations and treaties and potential changes in regulations and treaties in the United States and in and between countries in which we manufacture or sell our products;

fluctuations in income tax expense and net income due to differing statutory tax rates in various domestic and international jurisdictions;

trade restrictions;

transportation delays;

communication interruptions;

work stoppages or disruption of local labor supply and/or transportation services;

economic and political instability, including the recent uncertainty in the global financial markets;

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acts of war or terrorism, or health issues (such as Sudden Acute Respiratory Syndrome, Avian Influenza or the H1N1 Virus), which could disrupt our manufacturing and logistical activities;

changes in import/export regulations, tariffs and freight rates;

difficulties in collecting receivables and enforcing contracts generally;

restrictions in the transfer or repatriation of funds; and

currency exchange rate fluctuations, devaluation of foreign currencies, hard currencies shortages and exchange rate fluctuations.

If political, military, transportation, health or other issues in foreign countries result in cancellations of customer orders or contribute to a general decrease in economic activity or corporate spending, or directly impact Microsemi's marketing, manufacturing, financial and logistics functions, our consolidated results of operations and financial condition could be materially adversely affected. In addition, the laws of certain foreign countries may not protect our products, assets or intellectual property rights to the same extent as do U.S. laws. Therefore, the risk of piracy of our technology and products, which could result in a material adverse effect on our financial condition, operating results and cash flows, may be greater in those foreign countries.

Table of Contents**Our investments in securities, including auction rate securities, subject us to principal, liquidity and counterparty risks that could adversely affect our financial results.**

We invest cash balances in excess of projected liquidity needs primarily in money market funds and auction rate securities. All of our investments to date have maintained triple-A ratings; however, current credit market disruptions, particularly related to auction rate securities, may adversely affect the ratings of our investments. At December 27, 2009, our investment in auction rate securities consisted of auction rate bonds whose principal and interest are federally guaranteed by the Family Federal Education Loan Program. We previously had a practice of investing in auction rate securities and selling the securities prior to our interim and year-end reporting periods. We purchased the auction rate securities held at December 27, 2009 in January 2008 and experienced auction failures in mid-February 2008 that have impacted the liquidity of our investment in auction rate securities. Auction failures do not represent a default of the security.

During the quarter ended March 29, 2009, we entered into a settlement agreement with the financial institution where we hold our investment in auction rate securities and, per the terms of the settlement agreement: a) on November 3, 2008, the financial institution repurchased our \$15.5 million investment in auction rate preferred shares at par plus accrued interest; b) we hold rights to sell our remaining investment in auction rate bonds back to the financial institution at par plus accrued interest beginning June 30, 2010 through July 2, 2012 (ARS Rights); and c) we are permitted to borrow at no net cost the full par value of our investment in auction rate bonds.

During the quarter ended March 29, 2009, we monetized all auction rate securities at full par value via the no net cost auction rate securities credit facility, which resulted in an increase in the balance of our cash and cash equivalents and a corresponding increase in borrowing under our auction rate securities credit facility. The credit facility, which is maintained by a subsidiary of the financial institution where we hold our investment in auction rate securities, is collateralized by any balances held in a collateral account at the subsidiary. The only balances held in the collateral account since the settlement date are the auction rate securities. The outstanding amounts under the credit facility may become due and payable upon demand, provided that the parent financial institution is required, either itself or through an affiliate, to provide alternative financing on substantially the same terms as soon as reasonably possible. While the financial institution may repurchase our investment in auction rate securities prior to June 30, 2010, we intend to put these auction rate securities back to the financial institution and use the proceeds to repay the credit facility when permitted by the ARS Rights. As such, at December 27, 2009, we have classified both the investment in auction rate securities and auction rate securities credit facility as current.

For our investment in auction rate securities, we evaluated counterparty risk with regard to the settlement agreement and concluded, as of December 27, 2009, that non-performance risk was nominal. At December 27, 2009, we concluded that any other-than-temporary impairment in the fair value of our auction rate securities would be offset substantially by the fair value recognized for the rights provided to us in the settlement agreement. As such, at December 27, 2009, the investment in auction rate securities and the fair value of the auction rate securities settlement agreement are recorded at \$36.6 million, the par value of the auction rate bonds.

During the quarter ended December 27, 2009, an issuer called \$10.0 million in auction rate bonds at par plus accrued interest and as such, the par value of our investment in auction rate securities and the corresponding auction rate securities credit facility were each \$36.6 million at December 27, 2009. Subsequent to December 27, 2009 an issuer called \$1.7 million in auction rate bonds at par plus accrued interest. As such, the par value of our remaining investment in auction rate securities and the corresponding auction rate securities credit facility were each \$34.9 million.

However, given that there is currently no active secondary market for our investment in auction rate securities, the determination of fair market value in the future could be negatively impacted by many factors including but not limited to, failure of the financial institution to meet its obligations under the settlement agreement, continuing illiquidity in the market for auction rate securities for an extended period of time, a lack of action by the issuers to establish different forms of financing to replace or redeem these securities, changes in the credit quality of the underlying securities and changes in market interest rates above contractual maximum interest rates on the underlying auction rate securities. Should credit market disruptions continue or increase in magnitude or if our assessment of the counterparty risk indicates an increased potential for non-performance, we may be required to record an impairment on our investments or consider that an ultimate liquidity event may take longer than currently anticipated. We currently do not anticipate an impairment of our investments that would not be substantially offset by the fair value recognized for the rights provided to us in the settlement agreement; however, if we had to record any impairment, for every 1% decline in principal, a decrease in value of approximately \$0.3 million would occur.

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There can be no assurance that the financial institution will have sufficient assets in the future to repurchase our auction rate bonds if and when we exercise our right to sell such bonds to the financial institution. Should this financial institution be unable to meet its obligation with regard to the settlement agreement, neither the credit ratings nor the guarantee of the Family Federal Education Loan Program would be directly affected; however, we may not be able to exercise our rights to sell our \$34.9 million investment in auction rate bonds back to the financial institution at par plus accrued interest, or at all.

Downturns in the highly cyclical semiconductor industry have in the past adversely affected our operating results, cash flows and the value of our business, and may continue to do so in the future.

The semiconductor industry is highly cyclical and is characterized by constant technological change, rapid product obsolescence and price erosion, short product life-cycles and fluctuations in product supply and demand. During recent years we, as well as many others in our industry, have experienced significant declines in the pricing of, as well as demand for, products during the down portions of these cycles, which have sometimes been severe and prolonged. In the future, these downturns may prove to be as, or possibly even more, severe than past ones. Our ability to sell our products depends, in part, on continued demand in a large number of markets, including the mobile/connectivity, automotive, telecommunications, computers/peripherals, defense and aerospace, space/satellite, industrial/commercial and medical markets. Each of these end markets has in the past experienced reductions in demand, and current and future downturns in any of these markets may continue to adversely affect our revenues, operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

The semiconductor business is subject to downward price pressure.

The market for our products has been characterized by declining selling prices, and we anticipate that our average selling prices will decrease in future periods, although the timing and amount of these decreases cannot be predicted with any certainty. The pricing pressure in the semiconductor industry in past years has been due to a large number of factors, many of which were not easily foreseeable, such as the Asian currency crisis, industry-wide excess manufacturing capacity, weak economic growth, the slowdown in capital spending that followed the dot-com collapse, the reduction in capital spending by telecom companies and satellite companies, and the effects of the tragic events of terrorism on September 11, 2001. Similar to past years, recent unfavorable economic conditions have resulted in a tightening of the credit markets. If signs of improvement in the global economy do not progress as expected and recent unfavorable economic conditions continue or worsen, we may experience a decline in our average selling prices. In addition, our competitors have in the past, and may again in the future, lower prices in order to increase their market share. Continued downward price pressure in the industry may reduce our operating results and harm our financial and competitive position.

The semiconductor industry is highly competitive.

The semiconductor industry, including most of the markets in which we do business, is highly competitive. We have numerous competitors in the various markets in which we sell products. Some of our current major competitors are Freescale Semiconductor, Inc., National Semiconductor Corp., Texas Instruments, Inc., Koninklijke Philips Electronics, ON Semiconductor Corp., Fairchild Semiconductor International, Inc., Micrel Incorporated, International Rectifier Corp., Semtech Corp., Linear Technology Corp., Maxim Integrated Products, Inc., Skyworks Solutions, Inc., Diodes, Inc., Vishay Intertechnology, Inc., O2Micro International, Ltd. and Monolithic Power Systems, Inc. Some of our competitors in developing markets are Triquint Semiconductor, Inc., RF Micro Devices, Inc., Anadigics, Inc. and Skyworks Solutions, Inc. Many of these companies are larger than we are and have greater resources than we have and may therefore be better able than we are to penetrate new markets, pursue acquisition candidates, and withstand adverse economic or market conditions. We expect intensified competition from both these existing competitors and new entrants into our markets. To the extent we are not able to compete successfully in the future, our financial condition, operating results or cash flows could be harmed.

We may not be able to develop new technologies and products to satisfy changes in customer demand, and our competitors could develop products that decrease the demand for our products.

Rapidly changing technologies and industry standards, along with frequent new product introductions, characterize the semiconductor industry. Our financial performance depends, in part, on our ability to design, develop, manufacture, assemble, test, market and support new products and enhancements on a timely and cost-effective basis. If we are unable to continue to reduce package sizes, improve manufacturing yields and expand sales, we may not remain competitive. The competitiveness of designs that we have introduced, including integrated circuits and subsystems such as class D audio subsystems for newly-introduced home theatre DVD players supporting surround sound, power-over-ethernet, PDA backlighting subsystems, backlight control and power management solutions for the automotive notebook computer, monitors and the LCD TV market, LED driver solutions and power amplifiers for certain wireless LAN components, are subject to various risks and uncertainties that we are not able to control, including changes in customer demand and the introduction of new or superior technologies by others. Moreover, any failure by us in the future to develop new technologies or timely react to changes in existing technologies could materially delay our development of new products, which could result in product obsolescence, decreased revenues and a loss of our market share to our competitors.

New technologies or

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products that we may develop may not lead to an incremental increase in revenues, and there is a risk that these new technologies or products will decrease the demand for our existing products and result in an offsetting reduction in revenues. In addition, products or technologies developed by others may render our products or technologies obsolete or non-competitive. A fundamental shift in technologies in our product markets could have a material adverse effect on our competitive position within the industry.

Compound semiconductor products may not successfully compete with silicon-based products.

Our choices of technologies for development and future implementation may not reflect future market demand. The production of gallium arsenide (GaAs), indium gallium phosphide (InGaP), silicon germanium (SiGe), indium gallium arsenide phosphide (InGaAsP) or silicon carbide (SiC) integrated circuits is more costly than the production of silicon circuits, and we believe it will continue to be more costly in the future. The costs differ because of higher costs of raw materials, lower production yields and higher unit costs associated with lower production volumes. Silicon semiconductor technologies are widely used in process technologies for integrated circuits, and these technologies continue to improve in performance. As a result, we must offer compound semiconductor products that provide vastly superior performance to that of silicon for specific applications in order for our products to be competitive with silicon products. If we do not offer compound semiconductor products that provide sufficiently superior performance to offset the cost differential and otherwise successfully compete with silicon-based products, our revenues and operating results may be materially and adversely affected.

Production delays related to new compound semiconductors could adversely affect our future results.

We utilize process technology to manufacture compound semiconductors such as GaAs, InGaP, SiGe, SiC and InGaAsP primarily to manufacture semiconductor components. We are pursuing this development effort internally as well as with third party foundries. Our efforts sometimes may not result in commercially successful products. Certain of our competitors offer this capability and our customers may purchase our competitors' products instead of ours for this reason. In addition, the third party foundries that we use may delay delivery of, or even completely fail to deliver, technology and products to us. Our business and financial prospects could be materially and adversely affected by any failure by us to timely produce these products.

We may be unable to retain our customers due in part to our inability to fulfill our customer demand and other factors.

Our ability to fulfill our customers' demand for our products is and will continue to be dependent in part on our order volumes and long lead times with regard to our manufacturing and testing of certain high-reliability products. The lead time for manufacture and testing of high-reliability products can be many months. In response to this current demand, we have recently increased our capital expenditures for production equipment as well as increased expenses for personnel at certain manufacturing locations. We may have delays or other difficulties in regard to increasing our production and in hiring and retaining qualified personnel. In addition, we have raised prices on certain products, primarily in our commercial air/satellite, defense and security and medical end markets. Manufacturing delays and price increases may result in our customers reducing their purchase levels with us and/or seeking alternative solutions to meet their demand. In addition, the current demand may not continue in the future. Decreased sales as a result of a loss of one or more significant customers could materially and adversely impact our business and results of operations.

Unfavorable or uncertain conditions in certain retail markets that our OEM customers address may cause fluctuations in our rate of revenue growth or financial results.

Some of the principal markets we serve include consumer markets, such as mobile/connectivity and notebooks, monitors and LCD televisions. If recent unfavorable domestic and global economic conditions continue or worsen, overall consumer spending may be reduced or shifted to products other than those made by our customers, which would adversely impact demand for products in these markets. Reduced sales by our customers in these end markets will adversely impact demand by our customers for our products and could also slow new product introductions by our customers and by us. Lower net sales of our products would have an adverse effect on our revenue, cash flow and results of operations.

Fluctuations in sales of high-reliability products for use in implantable defibrillators may adversely affect our financial results.

Although the market for implantable defibrillators is growing, customers in this market could reduce their reliance on outside suppliers. The implantable defibrillator market also fluctuates based on several other factors, such as product recalls and the need to secure regulatory approvals. Product recalls can from time to time accelerate sales to levels that cannot be sustained for long periods of time. The timing and qualification of new generations of products brought to market by OEMs can also result in fluctuations in order rates.

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We must commit resources to research and development, design, and production prior to receipt of purchase commitments and could lose some or all of the associated investment.

We sell products primarily pursuant to purchase orders for current delivery, rather than pursuant to long-term supply contracts. Many of these purchase orders may be revised or cancelled without penalty. As a result, we must commit resources to the research, design and production of products without any advance purchase commitments from customers. Any inability to sell a product after we devote significant resources to it could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

Variability of our manufacturing yields may affect our gross margins and profits.

Our manufacturing yields vary significantly among products, depending on the complexity of a particular product's design and our experience in manufacturing that type of product. We have in the past experienced difficulties in achieving planned yields, which have adversely affected our gross margins and profits.

The fabrication of semiconductor products is a highly complex and precise process. Problems in the fabrication process can cause a substantial percentage of wafers to be rejected or numerous circuits on each wafer to be non-functional, thereby reducing yields. These difficulties include:

defects in masks, which are used to transfer circuit patterns onto our wafers;

impurities in the materials used;

contamination of the manufacturing environment; and

equipment failure.

Because a large portion of our costs of manufacturing is relatively fixed and average selling prices for our products tend to decline over time, it is critical for us to improve the number of shippable circuits per wafer and increase the production volume of wafers in order to maintain and improve our results of operations. Yield decreases can result in substantially higher unit costs, which could materially and adversely affect our operating results and have done so in the past. Moreover, our process technologies have primarily utilized standard silicon semiconductor manufacturing equipment, and production yields of compound integrated circuits have been relatively low compared with silicon circuit devices. We may be unable to continue to improve yields in the future, and we may suffer periodic yield problems, particularly during the early production of new products or introduction of new process technologies. In either case, our results of operations could be materially and adversely affected.

The concentration of the factories that service the semiconductor industry makes us more susceptible to events or disasters affecting the areas in which they are most concentrated.

Relevant portions of the semiconductor industry, and the factories that serve or supply this industry, tend to be concentrated in certain areas of the world. Disruptive events, such as natural disasters, epidemics and health advisories like those related to Sudden Acute Respiratory Syndrome, Avian Influenza or the H1N1 Virus, power outages and infrastructure disruptions, and civil unrest and political instability in those areas, have from time to time in the past, and may again in the future, adversely affect the semiconductor industry. In particular, events such as these could adversely impact our ability to manufacture our products and result in a loss of sales and revenue. Similarly, a localized health risk affecting our employees or the staff of our suppliers could impair the total volume of products that we are able to manufacture, which could adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition.

Some of our facilities are located near major earthquake fault lines.

Our headquarters, our major operating facilities, and certain other critical business operations are located near known major earthquake fault lines. We presently do not have earthquake insurance. We could be materially and adversely affected in the event of a major earthquake.

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Microsemi's consolidated manufacturing efficiency will be an important factor in our future profitability, and we may be unsuccessful in our efforts to maintain or increase our manufacturing efficiency. Our manufacturing processes, and those utilized by our third-party subcontractors, are highly complex, require advanced and costly equipment and are sometimes modified in an effort to improve yields and product performance. We have from time to time experienced difficulty in transitions of manufacturing processes to different facilities or adopting new manufacturing processes. As a consequence, we have at times experienced delays in product deliveries and reduced yields. Every silicon wafer fabrication facility utilizes very precise processing, and processing difficulties and reduced yields commonly occur, often as a result of contamination of the material. Reduced manufacturing yields can often result in manufacturing and shipping delays due to capacity constraints. Therefore, manufacturing problems can result in additional operating expense and delayed or lost revenues. In one instance, which occurred in fiscal year 2005, Microsemi scrapped nonconforming inventory at a cost of approximately \$1 million and experienced a delay of approximately two months in realizing approximately \$1.5 million of net sales. In an additional instance, which occurred in fiscal year 2004, Microsemi encountered a manufacturing problem concerning contamination in a furnace that resulted in the quarantine of approximately one million units at a cost of approximately \$2 million. The identification and resolution of that manufacturing issue required four months of effort to investigate and resolve, which resulted in a concurrent delay in realizing approximately \$2 million of net sales. Microsemi may experience manufacturing problems in achieving acceptable yields or experience product delivery delays in the future as a result of, among other things, upgrading existing facilities, relocating processes to different facilities, or changing its process technologies, any of which could result in a loss of future revenues or an increase in manufacturing costs.

Interruptions, delays or cost increases affecting our materials, parts, equipment or subcontractors may impair our competitive position.

Our manufacturing operations, and the outside manufacturing operations that we use increasingly, in some instances depend upon obtaining a governmental qualification of the manufacturing process, and in all instances, adequate supplies of materials including wafers, parts and equipment (including silicon, mold compounds and lead frames) on a timely basis from third parties. Some of the outside manufacturing operations we use are based in foreign countries. Our results of operations could be adversely affected if we are unable to obtain adequate supplies of materials, parts and equipment in a timely manner or if the costs of materials, parts or equipment increase significantly. From time to time, suppliers may extend lead times, limit supplies or increase prices due to capacity constraints or other factors. Although we generally use materials, parts and equipment available from multiple suppliers, we have a limited number of suppliers for some materials, parts and equipment. In addition, if signs of improvement in the global economy do not progress as expected and recent unfavorable economic conditions continue or worsen, our suppliers may cease operations or be unable to obtain capital at adequate or historical levels to finance their ongoing business and operations, which could impair their ability to continue to supply us. If alternate suppliers for these materials, parts and equipment are not available, our operations could be interrupted, which would have a material adverse effect on our operating results, financial condition and cash flows.

Some of our products are manufactured, assembled and tested by third-party subcontractors, some of whom are based in foreign countries. We generally do not have any long-term agreements with these subcontractors. As a result, we may not have direct control over product delivery schedules or product quality. Outside manufacturers generally will have longer lead times for delivery of products as compared with our internal manufacturing, and therefore, when ordering from these suppliers, we will be required to make longer-term estimates of our customers' current demand for products, and these estimates are difficult to make accurately. Also, due to the amount of time typically required to qualify assemblers and testers, we could experience delays in the shipment of our products if we are forced to find alternate third parties to assemble or test our products. Any product delivery delays in the future could have a material adverse effect on our operating results, financial condition and cash flows. Our operations and ability to satisfy customer obligations could be adversely affected if our relationships with these subcontractors were disrupted or terminated. In addition, these subcontractors must be qualified by the U.S. government or customers for high-reliability processes. Historically the Defense Supply Center Columbus (DSCC) has rarely qualified any foreign manufacturing or assembly lines for reasons of national security; therefore, our ability to move certain manufacturing offshore may be limited or delayed.

We depend on third party subcontractors in Asia for wafer fabrication, assembly and packaging of an increasing portion of our products. On a unit basis, we currently utilize third-party subcontractors for approximately 79% of our assembly and packaging requirements and 22% of our wafer fabrication. We expect that these percentages may increase due, in part, to the manufacture of our next-generation products by third party subcontractors in Asia. The packaging of our products is performed by a limited group of subcontractors and some of the raw materials included in our products are

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obtained from a limited group of suppliers. Disruption or termination of any of these sources could occur and such disruptions or terminations could harm our business and operating results. In the event that any of our subcontractors were to experience financial, operational, production or quality assurance difficulties resulting in a reduction or interruption in supply to us, our operating results could suffer until alternate qualified subcontractors, if any, were to become available and active.

Fixed costs may reduce operating results if our sales fall below expectations.

Our expense levels are based, in part, on our expectations for future sales. Many of our expenses, particularly those relating to capital equipment and manufacturing overhead, are relatively fixed. We might be unable to reduce spending quickly enough to compensate for reductions in sales. Accordingly, shortfalls in sales could materially and adversely affect our operating results. This challenge could be made even more difficult if lead times between orders and shipments are shortening.

Reliance on government contracts for a portion of our sales could have a material adverse effect on results of operations.

Some of our sales are or may be derived from customers whose principal sales are to the United States government. These sales are or may be derived from direct and indirect business with the U.S. Department of Defense and other U.S. government agencies. Future sales are subject to the uncertainties of governmental appropriations and national defense policies and priorities and potential changes in these policies and priorities under a new administration. If we experience significant reductions or delays in procurements of our products by the U.S. government or terminations of government contracts or subcontracts, our operating results could be materially and adversely affected. Generally, the U.S. government and its contractors and subcontractors may terminate their contracts with us for cause or for convenience. We have in the past experienced one termination of a contract due to the termination of the underlying government contracts. All government contracts are also subject to price renegotiation in accordance with the U.S. Government Renegotiation Act. By reference to such contracts, all of the purchase orders we receive that are related to government contracts are subject to these possible events. There is no guarantee that we will not experience contract terminations or price renegotiations of government contracts in the future. Microsemi's aggregate net sales to defense and security markets represented approximately one-third of total net sales in fiscal years 2009, 2008 and 2007. From time to time, we have experienced declining defense-related sales, primarily as a result of contract award delays and reduced defense program funding. The timing and amount of an increase, if any, in defense-related business is uncertain. In the past, expected increases in defense-related spending have occurred at a rate that has been slower than expected. Our prospects for additional defense-related sales may be adversely affected in a material manner by numerous events or actions outside our control.

There may be unanticipated costs associated with adding to or supplementing our manufacturing capacity.

We anticipate that future growth of our business could require increased manufacturing capacity on our part and on the part of certain outside foundries, assembly shops, or testing facilities for some of our integrated circuit products or other products. Expansion activities are subject to a number of risks, including:

unavailability or late delivery of the advanced, and often customized, equipment used in the production of our specialized products;

delays in bringing new production equipment on-line;

delays in supplying satisfactory designs or products to our existing customers; and

unforeseen environmental, engineering or manufacturing qualification problems relating to existing or new facilities. These and other risks may affect the ultimate cost and timing of any expansion of our capacity.

Failure to manage consolidation of operations effectively could adversely affect our margins and earnings.

Our ability to successfully offer and sell our products requires effective planning and management processes. Our consolidations and realignments of operations, and expected future growth, may place a significant strain on our management systems and resources, including our financial and managerial controls, reporting systems, procedures and information technology. In addition, we will need to continue to train and

manage our workforce worldwide. Any unmet challenges in that regard could negatively affect our results of operations.

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We may be unable to successfully implement our acquisitions strategy or integrate acquired companies and personnel with existing operations.

We have in the past acquired a number of businesses or companies, additional product lines and assets, and we may continue to expand and diversify our operations with additional acquisitions. We may be unable to identify or complete prospective acquisitions for many reasons, including competition from other companies in the semiconductor industry and high valuations of business candidates. In addition, applicable antitrust laws and other regulations may limit our ability to acquire targets or force us to divest an acquired business, such as occurred with our recent attempt to acquire SEMICOA. If we are unable to identify suitable targets or complete acquisitions, our growth prospects may suffer, and we may not be able to realize sufficient scale advantages to compete effectively in all markets. To the extent that we are successful in making acquisitions, if we are unsuccessful in integrating acquired companies or product lines with existing operations, or if integration is more difficult or more costly than anticipated, we may experience disruptions that could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. In addition, the market price of our common stock could be adversely affected if the effect of any acquisitions on the Microsemi consolidated group's financial results is dilutive or is below the market's or financial analysts' expectations. Some of the risks that may affect our ability to integrate or realize any anticipated benefits from the acquired companies, businesses or assets include those associated with:

unexpected losses of key employees or customers of the acquired company;

conforming the acquired company's standards, processes, procedures and controls with our operations;

coordinating new product and process development;

hiring additional management and other critical personnel;

increasing the scope, geographic diversity and complexity of our operations;

difficulties in consolidating facilities and transferring processes and know-how;

other difficulties in the assimilation of acquired operations, technologies or products;

diversion of management's attention from other business concerns; and

adverse effects on existing business relationships with customers.

In connection with acquisitions, we may:

use a significant portion of our available cash;

issue equity securities, which would dilute current stockholders' percentage ownership;

incur substantial debt;

incur or assume contingent liabilities, known or unknown;

incur impairment charges related to goodwill or other intangibles;

incur large, immediate accounting write-offs;

face antitrust or other regulatory inquiries or actions.

There can be no assurance that the benefits of any acquisitions will outweigh the attendant costs, and if they do not, our results of operations and stock price may be adversely affected.

Any failure by us to protect our proprietary technologies or maintain the right to use certain technologies may negatively affect our ability to compete.

We rely heavily on our proprietary technologies. Our future success and competitive position depend in part upon our ability to obtain or maintain protection of certain proprietary technologies used in our principal products. We do not have significant patent protection on many aspects of our technology. The protection of some of our technology as trade secrets will not necessarily protect us from all uses by other persons of our technology, or their use of technology that is similar or superior to that which is embodied in our trade secrets. In addition, others may be able to independently duplicate or exceed our technology in whole or in part. In the instances in which we hold patents or patent licenses, such as with respect to some circuit components for notebook computers and LCD TVs, any patents held by us may be challenged, invalidated or

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circumvented, or the rights granted under any patents may not provide us with competitive advantages. Patents often provide only narrow protection and require public disclosure of information that may otherwise be subject to trade secret protection. In addition, patents eventually expire and are not renewable.

Obtaining or protecting our proprietary rights may require us to defend claims of intellectual property infringement by our competitors. We could also become subject to lawsuits in which it is alleged that we have infringed or are infringing upon the intellectual property rights of others with or without our prior awareness of the existence of those third-party rights, if any. Litigation in connection with our intellectual property, whether instituted by us or others, could be very costly and distract management and other resources from our business. We are currently involved in certain patent litigation to protect our patents and patent rights, which could cause legal costs to increase above normal levels over the next several years. It is not possible to estimate the exact amounts of these costs, but it is possible that these costs could have a negative effect on our future results.

Moreover, if any infringement, real or imagined, happens to exist, arise or is claimed in the future, we may be exposed to substantial liability for damages and may need to obtain licenses from the patent owners, discontinue or change our processes or products or expend significant resources to develop or acquire non-infringing technologies. We may not be successful in such efforts, or such licenses may not be available under reasonable terms. Any failure by us to develop or acquire non-infringing technologies or to obtain licenses on acceptable terms could have a material adverse effect on our operating results, financial condition and cash flows.

Our products may be found to be defective or hazardous and we may not have sufficient liability insurance.

There is at any time a risk that our products may be found to be defective or to contain, without the customer's knowledge, certain prohibited hazardous chemicals after we have already shipped the products in volume, perhaps requiring a product replacement or recall. We may be subject to product returns that could impose substantial costs and have a material and adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Our aerospace (including aircraft), defense, medical and satellite businesses in particular expose us to potential liability risks that are inherent in the manufacturing and marketing of high-reliability electronic components for critical applications. Production of many of these products is sensitive to minute impurities, which can be introduced inadvertently in manufacture. Any production mistake can result in large and unanticipated product returns, product liability and warranty liability. Environmental regulations have imposed on every major participant in the electronics industry a new burden of determining and tracking the presence and quantity of certain chemicals in the content of supplies we buy and add to our products for sale and to inform our customers about each of our finished goods' relevant chemical contents. The management and execution of this process is very challenging, and mistakes in this information gathering process could have a material adverse effect on our business.

We may be subject to product liability claims with respect to our products. Our product liability insurance coverage may be insufficient to pay all such claims. In addition, product liability insurance may become too costly for us to maintain or may become completely unavailable to us in the future. We may not have sufficient resources to satisfy any product liability claims not covered by insurance, which would materially and adversely affect our financial position.

Environmental liabilities could adversely impact our consolidated financial position.

Federal, state and local laws and regulations impose various restrictions and controls on the discharge of materials, chemicals and gases used in our semiconductor manufacturing processes or in our finished goods. Under recent environmental regulations, we are responsible for determining whether certain toxic metals or certain other toxic chemicals are present in any given component we purchase and in each given product we sell. These environmental regulations have required us to expend a portion of our resources and capital on relevant compliance programs. In addition, under other laws and regulations, we could be held financially responsible for remedial measures if our current or former properties are contaminated or if we send waste to a landfill or recycling facility that becomes contaminated, even if we did not cause the contamination. Also, we may be subject to additional common law claims if we release substances that damage or harm third parties. Further, future changes in environmental laws or regulations may require additional investments in capital equipment or the implementation of additional compliance programs in the future. Any failure to comply with existing or future environmental laws or regulations could subject us to significant liabilities and could have a material adverse effect on our operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

In the conduct of our manufacturing operations, we have handled and do handle materials that are considered hazardous, toxic or volatile under federal, state and local laws. The risk of accidental release of such materials cannot be completely eliminated. In addition, we operate or own facilities located on or near real property that was formerly owned and operated by others. These properties were used in ways that involved hazardous materials. Contaminants may migrate from, within or through any such property, which may give rise to claims against us. Third parties who are responsible for contamination may not have funds, or may not make funds available when needed, to pay remediation costs imposed upon us jointly with them under environmental laws and regulations.

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In Broomfield, Colorado, the owner of a property located adjacent to a manufacturing facility owned by one of our subsidiaries, Microsemi Corp. Colorado, had notified the subsidiary and other parties of a claim that contaminants migrated to his property, thereby diminishing its value. In August 1995, the subsidiary, together with Coors Porcelain Company, FMC Corporation and Siemens Microelectronics, Inc. (former owners of the manufacturing facility), agreed to settle the claim and to indemnify the owner of the adjacent property for remediation costs. Although TCE and other contaminants previously used by former owners at the facility are present in soil and groundwater on the subsidiary's property, we vigorously contest any assertion that the subsidiary caused the contamination. In November 1998, we signed an agreement with the three former owners of this facility whereby they have 1) reimbursed us for \$530,000 of past costs, 2) assumed responsibility for 90% of all future clean-up costs, and 3) promised to indemnify and protect us against any and all third-party claims relating to the contamination of the facility. An Integrated Corrective Action Plan was submitted to the State of Colorado. Sampling and management plans were prepared for the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment. State and local agencies in Colorado are reviewing current data and considering study and cleanup options. The most recent forecast estimated that the total project cost, up to the year 2020, would be approximately \$5,300,000; accordingly, we recorded a one-time charge of \$530,000 for this project in fiscal year 2003. There has not been any significant development since September 28, 2003.

Litigation could adversely impact our consolidated financial position.

We are and have been involved in various litigation matters, including from time to time, litigation relating to employment matters, commercial transactions, contracts, environmental matters and matters related to compliance with governmental regulations. Litigation is inherently uncertain and unpredictable. The potential risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, such factors as the costs and expenses of litigation and the time and attention required of management to attend to litigation. An unfavorable resolution of any particular legal claim or proceeding, and/or the costs and expenses incurred in connection with a legal claim or proceeding, could have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position or results of operations.

Our future success depends, in part, upon our ability to continue to attract and retain the services of our executive officers or other key management or technical personnel.

We could potentially lose the services of any of our senior management personnel at any time due to a variety of factors that could include, without limitation, death, incapacity, military service, personal issues, retirement, resignation or competing employers. Our ability to execute current plans could be adversely affected by such a loss. We may fail to attract and retain qualified technical, sales, marketing and managerial personnel required to continue to operate our business successfully. Personnel with the expertise necessary for our business are scarce and competition for personnel with proper skills is intense. Also, attrition in personnel can result from, among other things, changes related to acquisitions, retirement and disability. We may not be able to retain existing key technical, sales, marketing and managerial employees or be successful in attracting, assimilating or retaining other highly-qualified technical, sales, marketing and managerial personnel, particularly at such times in the future as we may need to fill a key position. If we are unable to continue to retain existing executive officers or other key employees or are unsuccessful in attracting new highly-qualified employees, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be materially and adversely affected.

The volatility of our stock price could affect the value of an investment in our stock and our future financial position.

The market price of our stock has fluctuated widely. Between October 1, 2007 and September 27, 2009, the market sale price of our common stock ranged between a low of \$7.06 and a high of \$30.00. The historic market price of our common stock may not be indicative of future market prices. We may not be able to sustain or increase the value of our common stock. The trading price of our common stock may be influenced by factors beyond our control, such as the recent unprecedented volatility of the financial markets and the current uncertainty surrounding domestic and foreign economies. Declines in the market price of our stock could adversely affect our ability to retain personnel with stock incentives, to acquire businesses or assets in exchange for stock and/or to conduct future financing activities with or involving our common stock.

We may not make the sales that are suggested by our order rates, backlog or book-to-bill ratio, and our book-to-bill ratio may be affected by product mix.

Prospective investors should not place undue reliance on our book-to-bill ratios or changes in book-to-bill ratios. We determine bookings substantially based on orders that are scheduled for delivery within 12 months. However, lead times for the release of purchase orders depend, in part, upon the scheduling practices of individual customers, and delivery times of new or non-standard products can be affected by scheduling factors and other manufacturing considerations. The rate of booking new orders can vary significantly from month to month. Customers frequently change their delivery schedules or cancel orders. We have in the past experienced long lead times for some of our products, which may have therefore resulted in orders in backlog being duplicative of other orders in backlog, which would increase backlog without resulting in

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additional revenues. Because of long lead times in certain products, our book-to-bill ratio may not be an indication of sales in subsequent periods. Recent negative worldwide economic conditions and market instability have also resulted in hesitance of our customers to place orders with long delivery schedules, which contributes to limited visibility into our markets.

At times, our inventory levels have risen, which adversely affects cash flow.

At times, our inventory levels have risen. An increased inventory level adversely affects cash flow. The primary factor contributing to the increase in our inventory levels is work in progress in our satellite products because our satellite products require very long lead times for testing. A second factor impacting our inventory build up is the planned consolidation of our manufacturing operations between facilities. We built inventory cushions during the transition of manufacturing between facilities in order to maintain an uninterrupted supply of product. Obsolescence of any inventory has recently and could in the future result in adverse effects on our future results of operations and future revenue. In fiscal year 2009, in addition to other inventory write-downs, we recorded inventory write-downs of \$10.3 million for product lines that did not meet gross margin targets, products that are being migrated to newer generations, and products that service the large capital spending end markets for which demand has declined and \$7.3 million for estimated inventory components that will not be used by the anticipated closure date of our Scottsdale facility and that cannot be used by other manufacturing facilities.

There may be some potential effects of system outages.

We face risks from electrical or telecommunications outages, computer hacking or other general system failure. We rely heavily on our internal information and communications systems and on systems or support services from third parties to manage our operations efficiently and effectively. Any of these are subject to failure. System-wide or local failures that affect our information processing could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. In addition, insurance coverage does not generally protect from normal wear and tear, which can affect system performance. Any applicable insurance coverage for an occurrence could prove to be inadequate. Coverage may be or become unavailable or inapplicable to any risks then prevalent. We are upgrading and integrating, and have plans to upgrade and integrate further our enterprise information systems, and these efforts may cause additional strains on personnel and system resources or may result in potential system outages.

We may have increasing difficulty attracting and retaining qualified outside Board members.

The directors and management of publicly traded corporations are increasingly concerned with the extent of their personal exposure to lawsuits and shareholder claims, as well as governmental and creditor claims that may be made against them in connection with their positions with publicly-held companies. Outside directors are becoming increasingly concerned with the availability of directors' and officers' liability insurance to pay on a timely basis the costs incurred in defending shareholder claims. Directors' and officers' liability insurance is expensive and difficult to obtain. The SEC and the NASDAQ Stock Market have also imposed higher independence standards and certain special requirements on directors of public companies. Accordingly, it may become increasingly difficult to attract and retain qualified outside directors to serve on our Board.

Delaware law and our charter documents contain provisions that could discourage or prevent a potential takeover of Microsemi that might otherwise result in our stockholders receiving a premium over the market price for their shares.

Provisions of Delaware law, our certificate of incorporation and bylaws, and our Shareholder Rights Plan could make more difficult an acquisition of Microsemi by means of a tender offer, a proxy contest, or otherwise, and the removal of incumbent officers and directors. These provisions include:

The Shareholder Rights Plan, which provides that an acquisition of 20% or more of the outstanding shares without our Board's approval or ratification results in the exercisability of the Right accompanying each share of our common stock, thereby entitling the holder to purchase 1/4,000th of a share of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock for \$100, resulting in dilution to the acquirer because each Right under some circumstances entitles the holder upon exercise to receive securities or assets valued at \$200 and under other circumstances entitles the holder to ten (10) times the amount of any dividends or distributions on our common stock;

Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, which prohibits a merger with a 15%-or-greater stockholder, such as a party that has completed a successful tender offer, without board approval until three years after that party became a 15%-or-greater stockholder;

The authorization in the certificate of incorporation of undesignated preferred stock, which could be issued without stockholder approval in a manner designed to prevent or discourage a takeover or in a way that may dilute an investment in our common stock; and

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Certain provisions of our charter documents, including provisions eliminating the ability of stockholders to take action by written consent or call special meetings and limiting the ability of stockholders to raise matters at a meeting of stockholders without giving advance notice, may have the effect of delaying or preventing changes in control or management of Microsemi. In addition, our charter documents do not permit cumulative voting, which may make it more difficult for a third party to gain control of our Board of Directors.

In connection with our Shareholder Rights Plan, each share of our common stock, par value \$0.20, also entitles the holder to one redeemable and cancellable Right (not presently exercisable), as adjusted from time to time, to a given fraction of a share of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock, at a given exercise price, as adjusted from time to time under the terms and conditions as set forth in a Shareholder Rights Agreement. The existence of the Rights may make it more difficult or impracticable for a hostile change of control of us, which therefore may affect the anticipated return on an investor's investment in our common stock.

Our accounting policies and estimates have a material effect on the financial results we report.

Critical accounting policies and estimates have a material effect on our calculations and estimations of amounts in our financial statements. Our operating results and balance sheets may be adversely affected either to the extent that actual results prove to be materially lower than previous accounting estimates or to the extent that accounting estimates are revised adversely. We base our critical accounting policies, including our policies regarding revenue recognition, reserves for returns, rebates, price protections, and bad debt and inventory valuation, on various estimates and subjective judgments that we may make from time to time. The judgments made can significantly affect net income and our balance sheets. We are required to make significant judgments concerning inventory, and whether it becomes obsolete or excess, and concerning impairments of long-lived assets and of goodwill. Our judgments, estimates and assumptions are subject to change at any time. In addition, our accounting policies may change at any time as a result of changes in generally accepted accounting principles as they apply to us or changes in other circumstances affecting us. Changes in accounting policy have affected and could further affect, in each case materially and adversely, our results of operations or financial position.

If, in the future, we conclude that our internal control over financial reporting is not effective, investors could lose confidence in the reliability of our financial statements, which could result in a decrease in the value of our common stock.

As directed by Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, the SEC adopted rules requiring public companies to include a report of management on the companies' internal control over financial reporting in their annual reports on Form 10-K, including an assessment by management of the effectiveness of the filing company's internal control over financial reporting. In addition, the independent registered public accounting firm auditing a public company's financial statements must attest to the effectiveness of the company's internal control over financial reporting. There is a risk that in the future we may identify internal control deficiencies that suggest that our controls are no longer effective. This could result in an adverse reaction in the financial markets due to a loss of confidence in the reliability of our financial statements, which could cause the market price of our common stock to decline and make it more difficult for us to finance our operations.

Item 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

Inapplicable

Item 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

Inapplicable

Item 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

Inapplicable

Item 5. OTHER INFORMATION

Inapplicable

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3.2	Certificate of Designation of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock(2)
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3.3	Amended and Restated Bylaws of Microsemi Corporation(4)*
10.1	Credit Agreement, dated as of October 5, 2009 between Microsemi Corporation and Bank of America, N.A.(5)
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32	Certification of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, dated January 29, 2010

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* Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement required to be filed as an exhibit pursuant to applicable rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

- (1) Incorporated by reference to the indicated Exhibit to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 0-08866) as filed with the Commission on August 29, 2001.
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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 thereunto duly authorized.

MICROSEMI CORPORATION

DATED: January 29, 2010

By: **/s/ JOHN W. HOHENER**
John W. Hohener
Vice President, Chief Financial Officer,
Secretary and Treasurer
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer and
duly authorized to sign on behalf of the Registrant)

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