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(Mark One)

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended April 3, 2010

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 Number: 000-01649

NEWPORT CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

94-0849175
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

1791 Deere Avenue, Irvine, California 92606
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(949) 863-3144
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable
(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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 12 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 Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§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).

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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.

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

As of May 1, 2010, 36,677,947 shares of the registrant's sole class of common stock were outstanding.

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PART I – FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NEWPORT CORPORATION
 Consolidated Statements of Operations
 (In thousands, except per share data)
 (Unaudited)

| | Three Months Ended | |
|--|--------------------|------------------|
| | April 3, 2010 | April 4, 2009 |
| Net sales | \$ 107,150 | \$ 89,536 |
| Cost of sales | 64,112 | 55,229 |
| Gross profit | 43,038 | 34,307 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | 26,098 | 27,487 |
| Research and development expense | 9,471 | 9,355 |
| Operating income (loss) | 7,469 | (2,535) |
| Interest and other expense, net | (1,837) | (2,119) |
| Income (loss) before income taxes | 5,632 | (4,654) |
| Income tax provision | 578 | 164 |
| Net income (loss) | \$ 5,054 | \$ (4,818) |
| Net income (loss) per share: | | |
| Basic | \$ 0.14 | \$ (0.13) |
| Diluted | \$ 0.14 | \$ (0.13) |
| Shares used in per share calculations: | | |
| Basic | 36,372 | 36,066 |
| Diluted | 37,261 | 36,066 |

See accompanying notes.

NEWPORT CORPORATION
Consolidated Balance Sheets
(In thousands, except share and per share data)
(Unaudited)

| | April 3, 2010 | January 2, 2010 |
|--|------------------|--------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Current assets: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 86,672 | \$ 87,727 |
| Marketable securities | 51,847 | 54,196 |
| Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$3,241 and \$3,111 as of April 3, 2010 and January 2, 2010, respectively | 72,634 | 72,553 |
| Notes receivable | 2,788 | 2,264 |
| Inventories | 88,405 | 89,908 |
| Deferred income taxes | 4,774 | 4,835 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 11,588 | 13,963 |
| Total current assets | 318,708 | 325,446 |
| Property and equipment, net | 51,212 | 52,901 |
| Goodwill | 69,932 | 69,932 |
| Deferred income taxes | 4,017 | 4,437 |
| Intangible assets, net | 27,334 | 28,166 |
| Other assets | 14,930 | 12,525 |
| | \$ 486,133 | \$ 493,407 |
| LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY | | |
| Current liabilities: | | |
| Short-term borrowings | \$ 8,758 | \$ 11,056 |
| Accounts payable | 25,814 | 24,312 |
| Accrued payroll and related expenses | 16,996 | 22,231 |
| Accrued expenses and other current liabilities | 29,180 | 31,337 |
| Total current liabilities | 80,748 | 88,936 |
| Long-term debt, net | 122,157 | 121,231 |
| Obligations under capital leases, less current portion | 1,124 | 1,231 |
| Accrued pension liabilities | 11,303 | 10,215 |
| Deferred income taxes and other liabilities | 16,244 | 17,158 |
| Commitments and contingencies | | |
| Stockholders' equity: | | |
| Common stock, par value \$0.1167 per share, 200,000,000 shares authorized; 36,673,130 and 36,315,834 shares issued and outstanding as of April 3, 2010 and January 2, 2010, respectively | 4,280 | 4,238 |
| Capital in excess of par value | 409,289 | 409,773 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income | 5,688 | 10,379 |
| Accumulated deficit | (164,700) | (169,754) |
| Total stockholders' equity | 254,557 | 254,636 |
| | \$ 486,133 | \$ 493,407 |

See accompanying notes.

NEWPORT CORPORATION
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
(In thousands)
(Unaudited)

| | Three Months Ended | |
|--|--------------------|------------------|
| | April 3, 2010 | April 4, 2009 |
| CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: | | |
| Net income (loss) | \$ 5,054 | \$ (4,818) |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities: | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 4,630 | 5,331 |
| Amortization of discount on convertible subordinated notes | 1,002 | 1,129 |
| Provision for losses on inventories | 1,164 | 1,833 |
| Stock-based compensation expense | 653 | 449 |
| Provision for doubtful accounts | 206 | 69 |
| Deferred income taxes | 7 | (568) |
| Increase (decrease) in cash due to changes in: | | |
| Accounts and notes receivable | (2,222) | 11,758 |
| Inventories | (1,406) | (7,462) |
| Prepaid expenses and other assets | (608) | 151 |
| Accounts payable | 3,351 | (1,062) |
| Accrued payroll and related expenses | (4,979) | (5,767) |
| Accrued expenses and other liabilities | 46 | (3,135) |
| Other long-term liabilities | (903) | 216 |
| Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities | 5,995 | (1,876) |
| CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES: | | |
| Purchase of property and equipment | (3,482) | (1,224) |
| Purchase of marketable securities | (6,806) | (5,082) |
| Proceeds from the sale of marketable securities | 7,763 | 12,826 |
| Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities | (2,525) | 6,520 |
| CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES: | | |
| Repayment of long-term debt and obligations under capital leases | (41) | (30) |
| Proceeds from short term borrowings | 2,221 | 9,336 |
| Repayment of short term borrowings | (4,348) | (12,515) |
| Proceeds from the issuance of common stock under employee plans | 248 | 212 |
| Tax withholding payment related to net share settlement of equity awards | (1,343) | - |
| Net cash used in financing activities | (3,263) | (2,997) |
| Impact of foreign exchange rate changes on cash balances | (1,262) | (589) |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | (1,055) | 1,058 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 87,727 | 74,874 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$ 86,672 | \$ 75,932 |
| Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information: | | |
| Cash paid (received) during the period for: | | |
| Interest | \$ 1,679 | \$ 1,937 |
| Income taxes (refunds), net | \$ (35) | \$ 1,056 |
| Property and equipment accrued in accounts payable | \$ 47 | \$ - |

See accompanying notes.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements
April 3, 2010

NOTE 1 BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Newport Corporation and its wholly owned subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the Company) and have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for interim financial information and with the instructions of Form 10-Q and Rule 10-01 of Regulation S-X. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of normal and recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. All intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation.

The accompanying consolidated financial statements do not include certain footnotes and financial presentations normally required under generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and, therefore, should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 2, 2010. The results for the interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results the Company will have for the full year ending January 1, 2011. The January 2, 2010 balances reported herein are derived from the audited consolidated financial statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 2, 2010.

NOTE 2 RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

In October 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2009-13, Multiple-Deliverable Revenue Arrangements—a consensus of the FASB Emerging Issues Task Force, which amends the guidance in Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 605, Revenue Recognition. ASU No. 2009-13 eliminates the residual method of accounting for revenue on undelivered products and instead, requires companies to allocate revenue to each of the deliverable products based on their relative selling price. In addition, this ASU expands the disclosure requirements regarding multiple-deliverable arrangements. ASU No. 2009-13 will be effective for revenue arrangements entered into for fiscal years beginning on or after June 15, 2010. The Company is currently evaluating the impact that ASU No. 2009-13 will have on its financial position and results of operations.

NOTE 3 MARKETABLE SECURITIES

All marketable securities of the Company were classified as available for sale and were recorded at market value using the specific identification method, and unrealized gains and losses are reflected in accumulated other comprehensive income in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. The aggregate fair value of available for sale securities and aggregate amount of unrealized gains and losses for available for sale securities at April 3, 2010 were as follows:

| (In thousands) | Aggregate Fair Value | Aggregate Amount of Unrealized | |
|--|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------|
| | | Gains | Losses |
| Equity securities | \$ 25,161 | \$ 114 | \$ - |
| U.S. government and agency debt securities | 12,214 | 285 | - |
| Certificates of deposit | 7,187 | - | - |
| Asset-backed securities | 5,133 | 121 | - |
| Corporate debt securities | 2,152 | 2 | - |
| | \$ 51,847 | \$ 522 | \$ - |

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The aggregate fair value of available for sale securities and aggregate amount of unrealized gains and losses for available for sale securities at January 2, 2010 were as follows:

| (In thousands) | Aggregate Fair Value | Aggregate Amount of Unrealized | |
|--|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------|
| | | Gains | Losses |
| Equity securities | \$ 20,859 | \$ 450 | \$ - |
| U.S. government and agency debt securities | 13,610 | 300 | - |
| Certificates of deposit | 7,722 | 2 | - |
| Asset-backed securities | 6,849 | 172 | (3) |
| Corporate debt securities | 5,156 | 4 | - |
| | \$ 54,196 | \$ 928 | \$ (3) |

| (In thousands) | Marketable Securities In Cumulative Unrealized Loss Positions | | | |
|-------------------------|--|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| | Less Than 12 Months | | More Than 12 Months | |
| | Aggregate Fair Value | Unrealized Loss | Aggregate Fair Value | Unrealized Loss |
| Asset-backed securities | - | - | 475 | (3) |

The contractual maturities of debt securities, asset-backed securities and certificates of deposit were as follows:

| (In thousands) | April 3, 2010 |
|--------------------|------------------|
| 0 – 1 Year | \$ 19,906 |
| 1 – 2 Years | 223 |
| 2 – 3 Years | 3,274 |
| 3 – 5 Years | 1,282 |
| 5 – 10 Years | - |
| More than 10 years | 2,001 |
| | \$ 26,686 |

The gross realized gains and losses on sales of available for sale securities were as follows:

| (In thousands) | Three Months Ended | |
|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| | April 3, 2010 | April 4, 2009 |
| Gross realized gains | \$ 14 | \$ 2 |
| Gross realized losses | - | - |
| | \$ 14 | \$ 2 |

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NOTE 4 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The Company's financial instruments include cash and cash equivalents, marketable securities, pension assets not owned by plan, short-term borrowings and long-term debt. The carrying amount of cash and cash equivalents and short-term borrowings approximates fair value due to the short-term maturities of these instruments. The fair values of marketable securities and pension assets not owned by plan were estimated based on quoted market prices. The fair value of the Company's long-term debt was estimated based on the current rates for similar issues or on the current rates offered to the Company for debt of similar remaining maturities.

The estimated fair values of the Company's financial instruments were as follows:

| (In thousands) | April 3, 2010 | | January 2, 2010 | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|
| | Carrying Amount | Fair Value | Carrying Amount | Fair Value |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 86,672 | \$ 86,672 | \$ 87,727 | \$ 87,727 |
| Marketable securities | \$ 51,847 | \$ 51,847 | \$ 54,196 | \$ 54,196 |
| Pension assets not owned by plan | \$ 8,688 | \$ 8,688 | \$ 8,990 | \$ 8,990 |
| Short-term borrowings | \$ 8,758 | \$ 8,758 | \$ 11,056 | \$ 11,056 |
| Long-term debt | \$ 122,157 | \$ 123,267 | \$ 121,231 | \$ 121,633 |

ASC 820-10, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures requires that for any assets and liabilities stated at fair value on a recurring basis in the Company's financial statements, the fair value of such assets and liabilities be measured based on the price that would be received from selling an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Level 1 asset and liability values are derived from quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities and Level 2 asset and liability values are derived from quoted prices in inactive markets. The Company's assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis are categorized in the table below based upon their level within the fair value hierarchy.

| (In thousands) | April 3, 2010 | Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using Quoted Prices in | | |
|----------------------------------|---------------|--|---|--|
| | | Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1) | Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2) | Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3) |
| Assets: | | | | |
| Cash: | | | | |
| Cash | \$ 30,237 | \$ 30,237 | \$ - | \$ - |
| Money market funds | 4,373 | 4,373 | - | - |
| Short-term investments | 52,062 | 34 | 52,028 | - |
| | 86,672 | 34,644 | 52,028 | - |
| Marketable securities: | | | | |
| Equity securities | \$ 25,161 | \$ 25,161 | \$ - | \$ - |
| U.S. government and agency | 12,214 | 12,214 | - | - |
| Certificates of deposit | 7,187 | - | 7,187 | - |
| Asset-backed securities | 5,133 | 5,133 | - | - |
| Corporate debt securities | 2,152 | 2,152 | - | - |
| | 51,847 | 44,660 | 7,187 | - |
| Pension assets not owned by plan | 8,688 | 8,688 | - | - |
| | \$ 147,207 | \$ 87,992 | \$ 59,215 | \$ - |

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NOTE 5 SUPPLEMENTAL BALANCE SHEET INFORMATION

Inventories

Inventories were as follows:

| (In thousands) | April 3, 2010 | January 2, 2010 |
|---|------------------|--------------------|
| Raw materials and purchased parts | \$ 73,868 | \$ 76,636 |
| Work in process | 9,944 | 8,346 |
| Finished goods | 34,176 | 34,581 |
| | 117,988 | 119,563 |
| Allowance for excess and obsolete inventory | (29,583) | (29,655) |
| | \$ 88,405 | \$ 89,908 |

Accrued Warranty Obligations

Unless otherwise stated in the Company's product literature or in its agreements with customers, products sold by the Company's Photonics and Precision Technologies (PPT) Division generally carry a one-year warranty from the original invoice date on all product materials and workmanship, other than filters, gratings and crystals products, which generally carry a 90 day warranty. Products of this division sold to original equipment manufacturer (OEM) customers generally carry longer warranties, typically 15 to 19 months. Products sold by the Company's Lasers Division carry warranties that vary by product and product component, but that generally range from 90 days to two years. In certain cases, such warranties for Lasers Division products are limited by either a set time period or a maximum amount of usage of the product, whichever occurs first. Defective products will be either repaired or replaced, generally at the Company's option, upon meeting certain criteria. The Company accrues a provision for the estimated costs that may be incurred for warranties relating to a product (based on historical experience) as a component of cost of sales at the time revenue for that product is recognized. Accrued warranty obligations are included in accrued expenses and other current liabilities in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets.

The activity in accrued warranty obligations was as follows:

| (In thousands) | Three Months Ended | |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| | April 3, 2010 | April 4, 2009 |
| Balance at beginning of year | \$ 3,898 | \$ 5,978 |
| Additions charged to cost of sales | 1,053 | 1,411 |
| Warranty claims | (1,254) | (1,951) |
| Balance at end of period | \$ 3,697 | \$ 5,438 |

Accrued Expenses and Other Current Liabilities

Accrued expenses and other current liabilities were as follows:

| (In thousands) | April 3, 2010 | January 2, 2010 |
|------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Deferred revenue | \$ 14,126 | \$ 15,188 |
| Accrued warranty obligations | 3,697 | 3,898 |
| Other | 11,357 | 12,251 |
| | \$ 29,180 | \$ 31,337 |

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Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income

Accumulated other comprehensive income consisted of the following:

| (In thousands) | April 3, 2010 | January 2, 2010 |
|---|------------------|--------------------|
| Cumulative foreign currency translation gains | \$ 4,650 | \$ 9,278 |
| Unrecognized net pension losses | (514) | (549) |
| Unrealized gains on marketable securities | 1,552 | 1,650 |
| | \$ 5,688 | \$ 10,379 |

NOTE 6 INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Intangible assets were as follows:

| (In thousands) | April 3, 2010 | January 2, 2010 |
|--|------------------|--------------------|
| Intangible assets subject to amortization: | | |
| Developed technology, net of accumulated amortization of \$4,305 and \$4,060 as of April 3, 2010 and January 2, 2010, respectively | \$ 5,495 | \$ 5,740 |
| Customer relationships, net of accumulated amortization of \$11,176 and \$10,674 as of April 3, 2010 and January 2, 2010, respectively | 8,924 | 9,426 |
| Other, net of accumulated amortization of \$255 and \$170 as of April 3, 2010 and January 2, 2010, respectively | 415 | 500 |
| | 14,834 | 15,666 |
| Intangible assets not subject to amortization: | | |
| Trademarks and trade names | 12,500 | 12,500 |
| Intangible assets, net | \$ 27,334 | \$ 28,166 |

Amortization expense related to intangible assets totaled \$0.8 million and \$0.7 million for the three months ended April 3, 2010 and April 4, 2009, respectively. Developed technology and customer relationships are amortized over 10 years. Other intangible assets include acquired backlog, which is amortized over one year, and in-process research and development, which will not be amortized until the technology is completed.

Estimated aggregate amortization expense for future fiscal years is as follows:

| (In thousands) | Estimated Aggregate Amortization Expense |
|------------------|---|
| 2010 (remaining) | \$ 2,328 |
| 2011 | 2,990 |
| 2012 | 2,990 |
| 2013 | 2,990 |
| 2014 | 1,766 |
| Thereafter | 1,440 |
| | \$ 14,504 |

The Company has excluded \$330,000 of amortization expense related to in-process research and development from the table above, as it is uncertain when the technology will be completed and when the amortization will begin.

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NOTE 7 INTEREST AND OTHER EXPENSE, NET

Interest and other expense, net, was as follows:

| (In thousands) | Three Months Ended | |
|--|--------------------|-------------------|
| | April 3, 2010 | April 4, 2009 |
| Interest and dividend income | \$ 273 | \$ 615 |
| Interest expense | (2,068) | (2,356) |
| Bank and portfolio asset management fees | (176) | (147) |
| Other income (expense), net | 134 | (231) |
| | <u>\$ (1,837)</u> | <u>\$ (2,119)</u> |

NOTE 8 STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

During the three months ended April 3, 2010, the Company granted 0.4 million restricted stock units and 0.3 million stock appreciation rights with weighted-average grant date fair values of \$12.47 and \$5.45, respectively.

The total stock-based compensation expense included in the Company's consolidated statements of operations was as follows:

| (In thousands) | Three Months Ended | |
|--|--------------------|------------------|
| | April 3, 2010 | April 4, 2009 |
| Cost of sales | \$ 37 | \$ 26 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | 521 | 378 |
| Research and development expense | 95 | 45 |
| | <u>\$ 653</u> | <u>\$ 449</u> |

At April 3, 2010, the total compensation cost related to unvested stock-based awards granted to employees, officers and directors under the Company's stock-based benefit plans that had not yet been recognized was \$8.1 million (net of estimated forfeitures of \$3.1 million). This amount excludes compensation expense associated with awards that are subject to performance conditions that the Company does not expect will be met. This future compensation expense will be amortized over a weighted-average period of 1.7 years using the straight-line attribution method. The actual compensation expense that the Company will recognize in the future related to stock-based awards will be adjusted for subsequent forfeitures and will be adjusted based on the Company's determination as to the extent to which performance conditions applicable to any stock-based awards have been or will be achieved. At April 3, 2010, there were 0.6 million performance-based restricted stock units outstanding with a weighted-average grant date fair value of \$9.85 per share that were not expected to vest.

At April 3, 2010, 2.2 million stock options with a weighted-average exercise price of \$21.67 per share, intrinsic value of \$0.8 million and remaining contractual term of 2.9 years were vested or expected to vest and were exercisable. At April 3, 2010, 1.0 million stock appreciation rights with a weighted-average base value of \$6.28 per share, intrinsic value of \$6.1 million and remaining contractual term of 6.2 years were vested or expected to vest, and 0.3 million stock appreciation rights with a weighted-average base value of \$4.18 per share, intrinsic value of \$2.5 million and remaining contractual term of 6.0 years were exercisable.

NOTE 9 DEBT AND LINES OF CREDIT

In February 2007, the Company issued \$175 million in convertible subordinated notes. The notes are subordinated to all of the Company's existing and future senior indebtedness, mature on February 15, 2012 and bear interest at a rate of 2.5% per year, payable in cash semiannually in arrears on February 15 and August 15 of each year. During the fourth quarter of 2008, the Company extinguished \$28.0 million of these notes and during the fourth quarter of 2009, the Company extinguished \$20.2 million of these notes.

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NEWPORT CORPORATION Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements April 3, 2010

Holders may convert their notes into shares of the Company's common stock based on a conversion rate of 41.5861 shares per \$1,000 principal amount of notes (equal to an initial conversion price of approximately \$24.05 per share) under certain circumstances. Upon conversion, in lieu of shares of the common stock, for each \$1,000 principal amount of notes, a holder will receive an amount in cash equal to the lesser of (i) \$1,000 or (ii) the conversion value, determined in the manner set forth in the indenture. If the conversion value exceeds \$1,000, the Company will also deliver, at its election, cash or common stock or a combination of cash and common stock with respect to the remaining common stock deliverable upon conversion. As of April 3, 2010, the conversion value was less than the principal amount of the notes.

At April 3, 2010, the Company had \$126.8 million in convertible subordinated notes outstanding with a carrying value of \$119.0 million, net of \$7.8 million in unamortized debt discount, which is included in long-term debt in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. At January 2, 2010, the Company had \$126.8 million in convertible subordinated notes outstanding with a carrying value of \$118.0 million, net of \$8.8 million in unamortized debt discount. At April 3, 2010 and January 2, 2010, the carrying value of the equity component was \$26.2 million, net of \$0.9 million of equity issuance costs. At April 3, 2010 and January 2, 2010, debt issuance costs of \$1.4 million and \$1.5 million, respectively, net of accumulated amortization, were included in long-term assets in other assets. The remaining debt issuance costs and unamortized debt discount are being amortized through February 15, 2012 using the effective interest method.

Interest cost on the convertible subordinated notes consisted of the following components:

| (In thousands) | Three Months Ended | |
|---|--------------------|------------------|
| | April 3, 2010 | April 4, 2009 |
| Contractual interest | \$ 792 | \$ 919 |
| Amortization of debt discount | 1,002 | 1,129 |
| Interest cost on convertible subordinated notes | \$ 1,794 | \$ 2,048 |

During June 2008, the Company issued 300 million yen (\$3.2 million at April 3, 2010) in private placement bonds through a Japanese bank. These bonds bear interest at a rate of 1.55% per year, payable in cash semiannually in arrears on June 30 and December 31 of each year. The bonds mature on June 30, 2011. The bonds are included in long-term debt in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets.

At April 3, 2010, the Company had a total of three lines of credit, including one domestic revolving line of credit and two revolving lines of credit with Japanese banks. Additionally, the Company has agreements with two Japanese banks under which it sells trade notes receivable with recourse.

The Company's domestic revolving line of credit has a total credit limit of \$3.0 million and expires December 1, 2010. Certain certificates of deposit held at this lending institution collateralize this line of credit, which bears interest at either the prevailing London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) (0.25% at April 3, 2010) plus 1.00% or the British Bankers Association LIBOR Daily Floating Rate (0.22% at April 3, 2010) plus 1.00%, at the Company's option, and carries an unused line fee of 0.25% per year. At April 3, 2010, there were no balances outstanding under this line of credit, with \$1.7 million available, after considering outstanding letters of credit totaling \$1.3 million.

The two revolving lines of credit with Japanese banks totaled 1.1 billion yen (\$11.6 million at April 3, 2010) and expire on May 31, 2010. The \$8.4 million line of credit bears interest at the prevailing bank rate and the \$3.2 million line of credit bears interest at LIBOR plus 1.75%. Certain certificates of deposit held by the lending institution's U.S. affiliate collateralize the \$3.2 million line of credit. At April 3, 2010, the Company had \$7.3 million outstanding and \$4.3 million available for borrowing under these lines of credit. Amounts outstanding are included in short-term borrowings in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets.

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The Company has agreements with two Japanese banks under which it sells trade notes receivable with recourse. These agreements allow the Company to sell receivables totaling up to 550 million yen (\$5.8 million at April 3, 2010), have no expiration dates and bear interest at the prevailing bank rate. At April 3, 2010, the Company had \$1.5 million outstanding and \$4.3 million available for the sale of notes receivable under these agreements. Amounts outstanding under these agreements are included in short-term borrowings in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets, as the sale of these receivables has not met the criteria for sale treatment in accordance with ASC 860-30, Transfers and Servicing - Secured Borrowing and Collateral.

As of April 3, 2010, the weighted-average effective interest rate on all of the Company's Japanese borrowings, including the private placement bonds, was 2.5%.

Total long-term debt was as follows:

| (In thousands) | April 3, 2010 | January 2, 2010 |
|---|------------------|--------------------|
| Japanese private placement bonds due June 2011, interest at 1.55% payable semi-annually | \$ 3,170 | \$ 3,246 |
| Convertible notes due February 2012, interest at 2.5% payable semi-annually | 118,987 | 117,985 |
| Total long-term debt | \$ 122,157 | \$ 121,231 |

NOTE 10 NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted net income (loss) per share:

| (In thousands) | Three Months Ended April 3, 2010 | April 4, 2009 |
|---|--|------------------|
| Net income (loss) | \$ 5,054 | \$ (4,818) |
| Shares: | | |
| Weighted average shares outstanding - basic | 36,372 | 36,066 |
| Dilutive potential common shares, using treasury stock method | 889 | - |
| Weighted average shares outstanding - diluted | 37,261 | 36,066 |
| Net income (loss) per share: | | |
| Basic | \$ 0.14 | \$ (0.13) |
| Diluted | \$ 0.14 | \$ (0.13) |

For the three months ended April 3, 2010 and April 4, 2009, 2.1 million and 2.6 million stock options, respectively, were excluded from the computations of diluted net income (loss) per share, as their exercise prices exceeded the average market price of the Company's common stock during such periods, and their inclusion would have been antidilutive. In addition, for the three months ended April 3, 2010 and April 4, 2009, 1.3 million and 4.1 million performance-based awards, respectively, were excluded from the computations of diluted net income (loss) per share, as the performance criteria for their vesting had not been met as of the end of such periods.

NOTE 11 INCOME TAXES

The Company has maintained a valuation allowance against substantially all of its gross deferred tax assets pursuant to ASC 740-10, Income Taxes, due to the uncertainty as to the timing and ultimate realization of those assets. As a result, until such valuation allowance is reversed, the U.S. tax provision relating to future earnings will be offset substantially by a reduction in the valuation allowance. Accordingly, current and future tax expense will consist of taxes in certain foreign jurisdictions, required state income taxes, the federal alternative minimum tax and the impact of discrete items.

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The Company will continue to monitor actual results, refine forecasted data and assess the need for retaining a valuation allowance against the U.S. and certain foreign gross deferred tax assets. In the event it is determined that a valuation allowance is no longer required, substantially all of the reversal will be recorded as a discrete item in the appropriate period. As of April 3, 2010, the Company's valuation allowance was \$61.3 million.

NOTE 12 COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

The components of comprehensive income (loss), net of related tax, were as follows:

| (In thousands) | Three Months Ended | |
|--|--------------------|-------------------|
| | April 3, 2010 | April 4, 2009 |
| Net income (loss) | \$ 5,054 | \$ (4,818) |
| Foreign currency translation losses | (4,628) | (2,348) |
| Unrecognized net pension gains (losses) | 35 | (8) |
| Unrealized gains (losses) on marketable securities | (98) | 707 |
| | \$ 363 | \$ (6,467) |

NOTE 13 STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY TRANSACTIONS

In May 2008, the Board of Directors of the Company approved a share repurchase program, authorizing the purchase of up to 4.0 million shares of the Company's common stock. Purchases may be made under this program from time to time in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions, and the timing and amount of the purchases will be based on factors including the Company's share price, cash balances, expected cash requirements and general business and market conditions. No purchases were made under this program during the first quarter of 2010. As of April 3, 2010, 3.9 million shares remained available for purchase under the program.

In March 2010, the Company cancelled 0.1 million restricted stock units in payment by employees of taxes owed upon the vesting of restricted stock units issued to them under the Company's stock incentive plans. The value of these restricted stock units totaled \$1.3 million at the time they were cancelled.

NOTE 14 DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

Several of the Company's non-U.S. subsidiaries have defined benefit pension plans covering substantially all full-time employees at those subsidiaries. Some of the plans are unfunded, as permitted under the plans and applicable laws. For financial reporting purposes, the calculation of net periodic pension costs is based upon a number of actuarial assumptions, including a discount rate for plan obligations, an assumed rate of return on pension plan assets and an assumed rate of compensation increase for employees covered by the plan. All of these assumptions are based upon management's judgment, considering all known trends and uncertainties. Actual results that differ from these assumptions would impact future expense recognition and the cash funding requirements of the Company's pension plans.

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Net periodic benefit costs for the plans in aggregate included the following components:

| (In thousands) | Three Months Ended | |
|---|--------------------|------------------|
| | April 3, 2010 | April 4, 2009 |
| Service cost | \$ 157 | \$ 145 |
| Interest cost on benefit obligations | 180 | 149 |
| Expected return on plan assets | (39) | (29) |
| Amortization of actuarial net gain (loss) | 2 | (7) |
| | <u>\$ 300</u> | <u>\$ 258</u> |

NOTE 15 BUSINESS SEGMENT INFORMATION

The operating segments reported below are the segments of the Company for which separate financial information is available and for which operating results are evaluated regularly by the Chief Executive Officer, who is the chief operating decision maker, in deciding how to allocate resources and in assessing performance. The Company develops, manufactures and markets its products within two distinct business segments, its PPT Division and its Lasers Division.

The Company measured income (loss) reported for each business segment, which included only those costs that were directly attributable to the operations of that segment, and excluded certain unallocated operating expenses, interest and other expense, net, and income taxes.

| (In thousands) | Photonics and Precision Technologies | | Lasers | Total |
|-----------------------------------|--|------------|--------|------------|
| Three months ended April 3, 2010: | | | | |
| Sales to external customers | \$ 63,170 | \$ 43,980 | | \$ 107,150 |
| Segment income | \$ 10,651 | \$ 2,020 | | \$ 12,671 |
| Three months ended April 4, 2009: | | | | |
| Sales to external customers | \$ 52,311 | \$ 37,225 | | \$ 89,536 |
| Segment income (loss) | \$ 6,977 | \$ (1,462) | | \$ 5,515 |

The following table reconciles segment income to consolidated income (loss) before income taxes:

| (In thousands) | Three Months Ended | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| | April 3, 2010 | April 4, 2009 |
| Segment income | \$ 12,671 | \$ 5,515 |
| Unallocated operating expenses | (5,202) | (8,050) |
| Interest and other expense, net | (1,837) | (2,119) |
| | <u>\$ 5,632</u> | <u>\$ (4,654)</u> |

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

This Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations should be read in conjunction with our unaudited consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and in conjunction with our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 2, 2010 previously filed with the SEC. This discussion contains descriptions of our expectations regarding future trends affecting our business. These forward-looking statements and other forward-looking statements made elsewhere in this report are made in reliance upon safe harbor provisions in Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Words such as "anticipate," "believe," "can," "continue," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "plan," "potential," "should," "will," "would," or the negative or other variations thereof or comparable terminology are intended to identify forward-looking statements. In addition, any statements that refer to projections of our future financial performance or condition, trends in our business, or other characterizations of future events or circumstances are forward-looking statements. Our actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of several factors, including, but not limited to those factors set forth and discussed elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and in Item 1 (Business) and Item 1A (Risk Factors) of Part I, and Item 7 (Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations) of Part II, of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 2, 2010. In light of the significant uncertainties inherent in the forward-looking information included in this report, the inclusion of this information should not be regarded as a representation by us or any other person that our objectives or plans will be achieved and readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such forward-looking information. We undertake no obligation to update or revise these forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

Overview

We are a global supplier of advanced technology products and systems, including lasers, photonics instrumentation, sub-micron positioning systems, vibration isolation products, optical components and subsystems and advanced automated manufacturing systems. Our products are used worldwide in industries including scientific research, microelectronics, aerospace and defense/security, life and health sciences and industrial manufacturing. We operate within two distinct business segments, our Lasers Division and our Photonics and Precision Technologies (PPT) Division. Both of our divisions offer a broad array of products and services to original equipment manufacturer (OEM) and end-user customers across a wide range of applications and markets.

The following is a discussion and analysis of certain factors that have affected our results of operations and financial condition during the periods included in the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

The preparation of our financial statements requires that we make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. We evaluate these estimates and assumptions on an ongoing basis. We base our estimates on our historical experience and on various other factors which we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities and the amounts of certain expenses that are not readily apparent from other sources. The accounting policies that involve the most significant judgments, assumptions and estimates used in the preparation of our financial statements are those related to revenue recognition, allowances for doubtful accounts, pension liabilities, inventory reserves, warranty obligations, asset impairment, income taxes and stock-based compensation. The judgments, assumptions and estimates used in these areas by their nature involve risks and uncertainties, and in the event that any of them prove to be inaccurate in any material respect, it could have a material adverse effect on our reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. A summary of these critical accounting policies is included in Item 7 (Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations) of Part II, of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 2, 2010. There have been no material changes to the critical accounting policies disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Stock-Based Compensation

During the three months ended April 3, 2010, we granted 0.4 million restricted stock units and 0.3 million stock appreciation rights with weighted-average grant date fair values of \$12.47 and \$5.45, respectively.

The total stock-based compensation expense included in our consolidated statements of operations was as follows:

| (In thousands) | Three Months Ended | |
|--|--------------------|------------------|
| | April 3, 2010 | April 4, 2009 |
| Cost of sales | \$ 37 | \$ 26 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | 521 | 378 |
| Research and development expense | 95 | 45 |
| | \$ 653 | \$ 449 |

Results of Operations for the Three Months Ended April 3, 2010 and April 4, 2009

The following table presents our results of operations for the periods indicated as a percentage of net sales:

| | Percentage of Net Sales | | | |
|--|--|---|------------------|---|
| | Three Months Ended April 3, 2010 | | April 4, 2009 | |
| Net sales | 100.0 | % | 100.0 | % |
| Cost of sales | 59.8 | | 61.7 | |
| Gross profit | 40.2 | | 38.3 | |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | 24.4 | | 30.7 | |
| Research and development expense | 8.8 | | 10.4 | |
| Operating income (loss) | 7.0 | | (2.8) | |
| Interest and other expense, net | (1.7) | | (2.4) | |
| Income (loss) before income taxes | 5.3 | | (5.2) | |
| Income tax provision | 0.6 | | 0.2 | |
| Net income (loss) | 4.7 | % | (5.4) | % |

In the following discussion regarding our net sales, certain prior period amounts have been reclassified between end markets to conform to the current period presentation.

Net Sales

Net sales for the three months ended April 3, 2010 increased by \$17.6 million, or 19.7%, compared with the corresponding period in 2009. For the three months ended April 3, 2010, net sales by our Lasers Division increased \$6.7 million, or 18.1%, and net sales by our PPT Division increased \$10.9 million, or 20.8%, compared with the prior year period. We experienced increases in net sales during the first quarter of 2010 compared with the first quarter of 2009 in all of our end markets, except for our life and health sciences market. These increases resulted primarily from improved worldwide macroeconomic conditions across our end markets, particularly a rebound in the semiconductor equipment industry, and the addition of the New Focus business, which we acquired at the end of the second quarter of 2009. These increases were offset in part by sales from our diode laser operations during the first quarter of 2009 that did not recur in the current year period, as we divested these operations at the end of the second quarter of 2009. Such sales were primarily associated with customers in our life and health sciences market.

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Net sales to the scientific research, aerospace and defense/security markets for the three months ended April 3, 2010 increased \$3.6 million, or 9.9%, compared with the same period in 2009. The increase in sales to these markets during the three months ended April 3, 2010 compared with the same period in 2009 was due primarily to the addition of the New Focus business, and an improvement in macroeconomic conditions in these markets. Generally, our net sales to these markets by each of our divisions may fluctuate from period to period due to changes in overall research and defense spending levels and the timing of large sales relating to major research and aerospace/defense programs and, in some cases, these fluctuations may be offsetting between our divisions or between such periods.

Net sales to the microelectronics market for the three months ended April 3, 2010 increased \$9.5 million, or 51.2%, compared with the same period in 2009. This increase was due primarily to a significant increase in sales to customers in the semiconductor equipment industry as a result of a rebound in that industry, which has historically been very cyclical, and to the addition of the New Focus business. This increase was offset in part by a decrease in sales of products and systems for photovoltaic applications.

Net sales to the life and health sciences market for the three months ended April 3, 2010 decreased \$0.1 million, or 0.4%, compared with the same period in 2009. The decrease in sales to this market for the three months ended April 3, 2010 compared with the same period in 2009 was due primarily to sales of products from our diode laser operations in the 2009 period that did not recur in the 2010 period, as we divested these operations at the end of the second quarter of 2009, offset in part by higher sales of products for bioimaging applications.

Net sales to our industrial manufacturing and other end markets for the three months ended April 3, 2010 increased \$4.5 million, or 34.4%, compared with the same period in 2009. The increase in sales to this market during the three months ended April 3, 2010 compared with the same period in 2009 was due primarily to improved macroeconomic conditions.

Geographically, net sales were as follows:

| (In thousands) | Three Months Ended | | Increase | Percentage Increase |
|----------------|--------------------|------------------|------------|---------------------|
| | April 3, 2010 | April 4, 2009 | (Decrease) | (Decrease) |
| United States | \$ 46,471 | \$ 36,990 | \$ 9,481 | 25.6 % |
| Europe | 24,055 | 23,433 | 622 | 2.7 |
| Pacific Rim | 31,615 | 23,035 | 8,580 | 37.2 |
| Other | 5,009 | 6,078 | (1,069) | (17.6) |
| | \$ 107,150 | \$ 89,536 | \$ 17,614 | 19.7 % |

The increase in sales to customers in the United States, Europe and Pacific Rim during the three months ended April 3, 2010 compared with the corresponding period in 2009 was due primarily to the recovery in the semiconductor equipment industry as well as the improved overall macroeconomic conditions. The decrease in sales to customers in the other areas of the world was due primarily to lower sales to customers in Canada, primarily in our research and life and health sciences end markets.

Gross Margin

Gross margin was 40.2% and 38.3% for the three months ended April 3, 2010 and April 4, 2009, respectively. The increase in gross margin in the current year period was due primarily to the positive impact of our asset exchange with Oclaro, Inc., which we completed at the end of the second quarter of 2009, improved absorption of manufacturing overhead resulting from our higher sales level and the positive impact of our cost reduction initiatives. These increases were offset in part by a higher proportion of sales of lower margin products by our Lasers Division during the first quarter of 2010 compared with the prior year period and the negative impact of the strengthening U.S. dollar versus the euro.

Selling, General and Administrative (SG&A) Expenses

SG&A expenses totaled \$26.1 million, or 24.4% of net sales, and \$27.5 million, or 30.7% of net sales, for the three months ended April 3, 2010 and April 4, 2009, respectively. The decrease in SG&A expenses in the current year period was due primarily to decreased rent and utilities expenses and salary costs, offset in part by increased incentive compensation costs and commissions.

In general, we expect that SG&A expense will vary as a percentage of net sales in the future based on our sales level in any given period. Because the majority of our SG&A expense is fixed in the short term, changes in SG&A expense will likely not be in proportion to changes in net sales.

Research and Development (R&D) Expense

R&D expense totaled \$9.5 million, or 8.8% of net sales, and \$9.4 million, or 10.4% of net sales, for the three months ended April 3, 2010 and April 4, 2009, respectively. The increase in R&D expense in absolute dollars in the current year period was due primarily to the addition of R&D expense related to the New Focus business, for which there was no corresponding expense in the prior year period, offset in part by the elimination of R&D expense related to our diode laser operations as a result of our divestiture of such operations, as well as other headcount reductions.

We believe that the continued development and advancement of our products and technologies is critical to our success, and we intend to continue to invest in R&D initiatives, while working to ensure that our efforts are focused and the resources are deployed efficiently. In general, we expect that R&D expense as a percentage of net sales will vary in the future based on our sales level in any given period. Because of our commitment to continued product development, and because the majority of our R&D expense is fixed in the short term, changes in R&D expense will likely not be in proportion to changes in net sales.

Interest and Other Expense, Net

Interest and other expense, net totaled \$1.8 million and \$2.1 million for the three months ended April 3, 2010 and April 4, 2009, respectively. The decrease in interest and other expense, net in the current year period compared with the 2009 period resulted primarily from a decrease in interest expense due to the extinguishment of \$20.2 million of our convertible subordinated notes in the fourth quarter of 2009 and to foreign currency gains, offset in part by a decrease in interest income earned due to lower interest rates during the current year period.

Income Taxes

Our effective tax rate for the three months ended April 3, 2010 and April 4, 2009 was 10.3% and (3.5)%, respectively. Under Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 740-270, Income Taxes – Interim Reporting, we are required to adjust our effective tax rate each quarter to be consistent with the estimated annual effective tax rate and interim period tax. We are also required to record the tax impact of certain unusual or infrequently occurring discrete items, including changes in judgment about valuation allowances and effects of changes in tax laws or rates, in the interim period in which they occur. In addition, jurisdictions for which we have projected losses for the year, or a year-to-date loss, where no tax benefit can be recognized, are excluded from the calculation of the estimated annual effective tax rate. The impact of such an exclusion could result in a higher or lower effective tax rate during a particular quarter, based upon the mix and timing of actual earnings compared with annual projections.

We have maintained a valuation allowance against substantially all of our gross deferred tax assets pursuant to ASC 740-10, Income Taxes, due to the uncertainty as to the timing and ultimate realization of those assets. As a result, until such valuation allowance is reversed, the U.S. tax provision relating to future earnings will be offset substantially by a reduction in the valuation allowance. Accordingly, current and future tax expense will consist of taxes in certain foreign jurisdictions, required state income taxes, the federal alternative minimum tax and the impact of discrete items.

As of April 3, 2010, our valuation allowance was \$61.3 million. We will continue to monitor our actual results, refine forecasted data and assess the need for retaining a valuation allowance against a portion of our gross deferred tax assets. In the event it is determined that a valuation allowance is no longer required, substantially all of the reversal will be recorded as a discrete item in the appropriate period.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities balances decreased to a total of \$138.5 million as of April 3, 2010 from \$141.9 million as of January 2, 2010. This decrease was attributable primarily to capital expenditures, net repayments of short-term borrowings, and payments made in connection with the cancellation of restricted stock units for taxes owed by employees upon vesting of restricted stock units issued under our stock incentive plans, offset in part by cash generated from our operations.

Net cash provided by our operating activities of \$6.0 million for the three months ended April 3, 2010 was attributable primarily to cash provided by our operations and \$3.4 million related to the timing of trade payables, offset in part by a decrease of \$5.0 million in accrued payroll and related expenses due to the payment of incentive compensation, an increase of \$2.2 million in accounts receivable due to increased balances in Japan and an increase in gross inventory of \$1.4 million. During the first quarter of 2010, while we used cash for gross inventory purchases, our net inventory actually decreased by \$1.5 million primarily as a result of \$1.2 million in charges related to excess and obsolete inventory, a \$1.2 million impact from foreign currency translation, and \$0.5 million in amortization of demonstration equipment.

Net cash used in investing activities of \$2.5 million for the three months ended April 3, 2010 was attributable to purchases of property and equipment of \$3.5 million, offset in part by net sales of marketable securities of \$1.0 million.

Net cash used in financing activities of \$3.3 million for the three months ended April 3, 2010 was attributable primarily to the net repayment of short-term borrowings of \$2.1 million and payments of \$1.3 million in connection with the cancellation of restricted stock units for taxes owed by employees upon the vesting of restricted stock units issued under our stock incentive plans.

During June 2008, we issued 300 million yen (\$3.2 million at April 3, 2010) in private placement bonds through a Japanese bank. These bonds bear interest at a rate of 1.55% per year, payable in cash semiannually in arrears on June 30 and December 31 of each year. The bonds mature on June 30, 2011. The bonds are included in long-term debt in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets.

At April 3, 2010, we had a total of three lines of credit, including one domestic revolving line of credit and two revolving lines of credit with Japanese banks. In addition, we had two other agreements with Japanese banks under which we sell trade notes receivable with recourse.

Our domestic revolving line of credit has a total credit limit of \$3.0 million and expires on December 1, 2010. Certain certificates of deposit held at this lending institution collateralize this line of credit, which bears interest at either the prevailing London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) (0.25% at April 3, 2010) plus 1.00% or the British Bankers Association LIBOR Daily Floating Rate (0.22% at April 3, 2010) plus 1.00%, at our option, and carries an unused line fee of 0.25% per year. At April 3, 2010, there were no balances outstanding under this line of credit, with \$1.7 million available, after considering outstanding letters of credit totaling \$1.3 million.

Our two revolving lines of credit with Japanese banks totaled 1.1 billion yen (\$11.6 million at April 3, 2010) and expire on May 31, 2010. The \$8.4 million line of credit bears interest at the prevailing bank rate and the \$3.2 million line of credit bears interest at LIBOR plus 1.75%. Certain certificates of deposit held by the lending institution's U.S. affiliate collateralize the \$3.2 million line of credit. At April 3, 2010, we had \$7.3 million outstanding and \$4.3 million available for borrowing under these lines of credit. Amounts outstanding under these revolving lines of credit are included in short-term borrowings in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. Our two other agreements with Japanese banks, under which we sell trade notes receivable with recourse, totaled 550 million yen (\$5.8 million at April 3, 2010), have no expiration dates and bear interest at the bank's prevailing rate. At April 3, 2010, we had \$1.5 million outstanding and \$4.3 million available for the sale of notes receivable under these agreements. Amounts outstanding under these agreements are included in short-term borrowings in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. As of April 3, 2010, the weighted-average effective interest rate on all of our Japanese borrowings, including the private placement bonds, was 2.5%.

In May 2008, our Board of Directors approved a share repurchase program, authorizing the purchase of up to 4.0 million shares of our common stock. Purchases may be made under this program from time to time in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions, and the timing and amount of the purchases will be based on factors including our share price, cash balances, expected cash requirements and general business and market conditions. No purchases were made under this program during 2010. As of April 3, 2010, 3.9 million shares remained available for purchase under the program.

During the remainder of 2010, we expect to use \$5 million to \$8 million of cash for capital expenditures.

We believe our current working capital position, together with our expected future cash flows from operations, will be adequate to fund our operations in the ordinary course of business, anticipated capital expenditures, debt payment requirements and other contractual obligations for at least the next twelve months. However, this belief is based upon many assumptions and is subject to numerous risks including those discussed in Item 1A (Risk Factors) of Part I of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 2, 2010, and there can be no assurance that we will not require additional funding in the future.

Except for the aforementioned capital expenditures, we have no present agreements or commitments with respect to any material acquisitions of other businesses, products, product rights or technologies or any other material capital expenditures. However, we will continue to evaluate acquisitions of and/or investments in products, technologies, capital equipment or improvements or companies that complement our business and may make such acquisitions and/or investments in the future. Accordingly, we may need to obtain additional sources of capital in the future to finance any such acquisitions and/or investments. We may not be able to obtain such financing on commercially reasonable terms, if at all. In the current uncertain global macroeconomic climate, we believe it may be difficult to obtain additional financing if needed. Even if we are able to obtain additional financing, it may contain undue restrictions on our operations, in the case of debt financing, or cause substantial dilution for our stockholders, in the case of equity financing.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In October 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2009-13, Multiple-Deliverable Revenue Arrangements—a consensus of the FASB Emerging Issues Task Force, which amends the guidance in ASC 605, Revenue Recognition. ASU No. 2009-13 eliminates the residual method of accounting for revenue on undelivered products and instead, requires companies to allocate revenue to each of the deliverable products based on their relative selling price. In addition, this ASU expands the disclosure requirements surrounding multiple-deliverable arrangements. ASU No. 2009-13 will be effective for revenue arrangements entered into for fiscal years beginning on or after June 15, 2010. We are currently evaluating the impact that ASU No. 2009-13 will have on our financial position and results of operations.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

The principal market risks (i.e., the risk of loss arising from adverse changes in market rates and prices) to which we are exposed are foreign currency exchange rates, which may generate translation and transaction gains and losses, and changes in interest rates.

Foreign Currency Risk

Operating in international markets sometimes involves exposure to volatile movements in currency exchange rates. The economic impact of currency exchange rate movements on our operating results is complex because such changes are often linked to variability in real growth, inflation, interest rates, governmental actions and other factors. These changes, if material, may cause us to adjust our financing and operating strategies. Consequently, isolating the effect of changes in currency does not incorporate these other important economic factors.

From time to time we use forward exchange contracts to mitigate the risks associated with certain foreign currency transactions entered into in the ordinary course of business, primarily foreign currency denominated receivables and payables. We do not engage in currency speculation. The forward exchange contracts generally require us to exchange U.S. dollars for foreign currencies at maturity, at rates agreed to at the inception of the contracts. If the counterparties to the exchange contracts (typically highly rated banks) do not fulfill their obligations to deliver the contracted currencies, we could be at risk for any currency related fluctuations. Such contracts are typically closed out prior to the end of each quarter. Transaction gains and losses are included in our current net income in our statements of operations. Net foreign exchange gains and losses were not material to our reported results of operations for the three months ended April 3, 2010. There were no forward exchange contracts outstanding at April 3, 2010.

As currency exchange rates change, translation of the statements of operations of international operations into U.S. dollars affects the year-over-year comparability of operating results. We do not generally hedge translation risks because cash flows from international operations are generally reinvested locally. We do not enter into hedges to minimize volatility of reported earnings because we do not believe it is justified by the exposure or the cost.

Changes in currency exchange rates that would have the largest impact on translating our future international operating income include the euro and Japanese yen. We estimate that a 10% change in foreign exchange rates would not have had a material effect on our reported net income for the three months ended April 3, 2010. We believe that this quantitative measure has inherent limitations because, as discussed in the first paragraph of this section, it does not take into account any governmental actions or changes in either customer purchasing patterns or our financing and operating strategies.

Interest Rate Risk

The interest rates we pay on certain of our debt instruments are subject to interest rate risk. Our collateralized line of credit bears interest at either the prevailing London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) plus 1.00% or the British Bankers Association LIBOR Daily Floating Rate plus 1.00%, at our option. Our \$3.2 million revolving line of credit with a Japanese bank bears interest at LIBOR plus 1.75%. Our other revolving line of credit and other credit agreements with Japanese banks bear interest at the lending bank's prevailing rate. Our convertible subordinated notes and private placement bonds bear interest at a fixed rate of 2.5% and 1.55% per year, respectively, and are not impacted by changes in interest rates. Our investments in cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities, which totaled \$138.5 million at April 3, 2010, are sensitive to changes in the general level of U.S. interest rates. In addition, certain assets related to our pension plans that are not owned by such plans, which totaled \$8.7 million at April 3, 2010, are sensitive to interest rates and economic conditions in Europe. We estimate that a 10% change in the interest rate earned on our investments or a 10% change in interest rates payable on our lines of credit would not have had a material effect on our net income for the three months ended April 3, 2010.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

(a) Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, after evaluating our "disclosure controls and procedures" (as defined in Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (the "Evaluation Date"), have concluded that as of the Evaluation Date, our disclosure controls and procedures are effective to ensure that information we are required to disclose in reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in Securities and Exchange Commission rules and forms, and to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in such reports is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our chief executive officer and chief financial officer where appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

(b) Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There was no change in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting. We continue to enhance our internal control over financial reporting, primarily by evaluating and enhancing our process and control documentation, in connection with our ongoing efforts to meet the requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. We discuss with and disclose these matters to the Audit Committee of our Board of Directors and our independent registered public accounting firm.

PART II – OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

Our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 2, 2010 contains a full discussion of the risks associated with our business. There have been no material changes to the risks described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K.

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

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| 31.2 | Certification pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or Rule 15d-14(a) of the Exchange Act. |
| 32.1 | Certification pursuant to Rule 13a-14(b) or Rule 15d-14(b) of the Exchange Act and 18 U.S.C. Section 1350. |
| 32.2 | Certification pursuant to Rule 13a-14(b) or Rule 15d-14(b) of the Exchange Act and 18 U.S.C. Section 1350. |

SIGNATURES

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

Dated: May 13, 2010

NEWPORT CORPORATION

By:

/s/ Charles F. Cargile
Charles F. Cargile,
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial
Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Duly
Authorized Officer)

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