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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM 10-K

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

For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2008

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. 0-31157

# **INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS AND SUPPORT, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Pennsylvania** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

23-2507402 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

19341

(Zip Code)

720 Pennsylvania Drive, Exton, Pennsylvania

(Address of principal executive offices)

(610) 646-9800

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

**Title of each class:** Common Stock par value \$.001 per share Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: **None**  Name of each exchange on which registered The NASDAQ Stock Market, LLC

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes o No ý

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The aggregate market value of the Registrant's common stock held by non-affiliates of the Registrant as of March 31, 2008 (the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second quarter) was approximately \$136.0 million. Shares of common stock held by each executive officer and director and by each person who owns 10% or more of our outstanding common stock have been excluded since such persons may be deemed affiliates. This determination of affiliate status is not necessarily a conclusive determination for other purposes.

As of December 5, 2008, there were 16,734,149 outstanding shares of the Registrant's Common Stock

#### **Documents Incorporated by Reference**

Portions of the Registrant's Proxy Statement for the 2009 Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be filed prior to January 28, 2009 are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Report. Such Proxy Statement, except for the parts therein which have been specifically incorporated by reference, shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of this Report on Form 10-K.

### INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS AND SUPPORT, INC.

### 2008 Annual Report on Form 10-K

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#### FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

This report contains forward looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. We have based these forward looking statements largely on our current expectations and projections about future events and trends affecting our business. In this report, the words "believe," "may," "will," "estimate," "continue," "anticipate," "intend," "forecast," "expect," "plan," "should," "is likely" and similar expressions, as they relate to our business or our management, are intended to identify forward looking statements, but they are not exclusive means of identifying them.

The forward looking statements in this report are only predictions and actual events or results may differ materially. In evaluating such statements, a number of risks, uncertainties and other factors could cause our actual results, performance, financial condition, cash flows, prospects and opportunities to differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, the forward-looking statements. These risks, uncertainties and other factors include those set forth in Item 1A (Risk Factors) of this Annual Report on Form 10-K and the following factors:

market acceptance of our flat panel display systems, or COCKPIT/IP system or other planned products for product enhancements;

difficulties in developing and producing our COCKPIT/IP system or other planned products for product enhancements;

continued market acceptance of our air data systems and products;

the availability of government funding and customer requirements;

our ability to gain regulatory approval of our products in a timely manner;

delays in receiving components from third party suppliers;

the competitive environment;

the impact of general economic trends on our business;

the bankruptcy or insolvency of one or more key customers;

the termination of programs or contracts for convenience by customers;

failure to retain key personnel;

new product offerings from competitors;

potential future acquisitions;

protection of intellectual property rights;

our ability to service the international market; and

other factors disclosed from time to time in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Except as expressly required by the federal securities laws, we undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise after the date of this report. Our results of operations in any past period should not be considered indicative of the results to be expected for future periods. Fluctuations in operating results may also result in fluctuations in the price of our common stock.

Investors should also be aware that while we do, from time to time, communicate with securities analysts, it is against our policy to disclose any material non-public information or other confidential commercial information. Accordingly, shareholders should not assume that we agree with any statement or report issued by any analyst irrespective of the content of the statement or report. Furthermore, we have a policy against issuing or confirming financial forecasts or projections issued by others. Thus, to the extent that reports issued by securities analysts contain any projections, forecasts or opinions, such reports are not the responsibility of Innovative Solutions and Support, Inc.

#### PART I

#### Item 1. Business

#### Overview

Innovative Solutions and Support, Inc. (the "Company," "IS&S" or "We") was founded in 1988. The Company designs, manufactures and sells Flat Panel Display Systems, Flight Information Computers and advanced monitoring systems to the Department of Defense (DoD), government agencies, defense contractors, commercial air transport carriers, original equipment manufacturers (OEMs), and the corporate/general aviation markets. The Company is increasingly positioning itself as a system integrator; this capability provides the Company with the potential to generate more substantive orders over a broader product base. The Company has demonstrated the ability to incorporate added functionality such as electronic flight bags, charting and mapping systems into its Flat Panel Display Systems' product line. Our strategy as both a manufacturer and integrator is to leverage the latest technologies developed for the personal computer and telecommunications industries into advanced, cost-effective solutions for both the aviation industry and DoD. We believe this approach, combined with our industry experience, enables us to develop high-quality products and systems, substantially reduce product time to market and achieve cost advantages over the products offered by our competitors.

For several years the Company has been working with advances in technology that have the potential to provide pilots increasing amounts of information that will enhance both the safety and efficiency of flying. These advances have come together in the Company's COCKPIT/IP (Cockpit Information Portal or CIP) or Flat Panel Display System product line that incorporates proprietary technology, low cost, reduced power consumption and weight as well as diverse functionality. The Company's Flat Panel Display System product line is suited to address market demand that we believe will be driven by regulatory mandates, new technologies and aging equipment on airplanes that have been in service for up to fifty years. We believe the transition to Flat Panel Display Systems as part of airplane retrofit requirements is underway.

In fiscal 2008 IS&S announced an addition to its Cockpit/IP product line: the IS&S Vantage, an open architecture flat panel cockpit display system capable of interfacing with most third party avionics. The Vantage system can be retrofitted into a variety of airframes. The Company launched a Wide Area Augmentation System (WAAS) program with Lateral and Vertical Precision Performance with a fully coupled auto-pilot for its PC-12 Flat Panel Display System. WAAS capability allows PC-12 operators to fly precision approaches at smaller airports. This capability is available on other aircraft platforms as well. IS&S received amended Supplemental Type Certificates (STC) for the Boeing 757, 767 platform from the FAA adding increased functionality to the Cockpit/IP Flat Panel Display System. The Company increased the work it is conducting for Homeland Security's Pilatus PC-12 and Lockheed Martin C-130 fleets.

Fiscal 2007 saw the COCKPIT/IP or Flat Panel Display System product line gain significant recognition and acceptance in the industry with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) issuing two additional Flat Panel Display System STC's; one for Boeing 757 aircraft and one for the Pilatus PC-12 with E-Chart Capability. Also in fiscal 2007 we entered into four strategic agreements with four different internationally recognized customers. Early in 2007 the Cessna Aircraft Company entered into an agreement with us to provide Flat Panel Display Systems on legacy Cessna Citation aircraft. Later in the year the Company announced that Eclipse Aviation entered into a five year OEM agreement to provide Flat Panel Display Systems for their Eclipse 500 VLJ (Very Light Jet) aircraft. Under this agreement the Company will be the exclusive provider of Flat Panel Display Systems to Eclipse. Eclipse Aviation filed a voluntary petition for relief under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code on November 25, 2008. The Company established inventory and accounts receivable reserves in September 30, 2008 as more fully discussed in Item 7 of this report. In the third quarter American

Airlines awarded the Company an order to retrofit its entire fleet of Boeing 757 and 767 aircraft with the Company's Flat Panel Display Systems. The Company's fourth major agreement was recorded in September as a premier international cargo carrier entered an agreement with the Company to retrofit their fleet of Boeing 757 aircraft with Flat Panel Display Systems.

In fiscal 2006 the Flat Panel Display System product line expanded in terms of both FAA certifications and additional customer orders. The FAA awarded the Company two new Technical Standard Orders (TSO) and two new STC's for 15" and 10" Flat Panel Display System installations on Pilatus PC-12 airplanes. The Company also received orders from two Pilatus distributors for 15" installations. Further, Kalitta Air placed an order with the Company for Flat Panel Engine Instrument Display Systems (FP/EIDS) for B-747 retrofit applications. FAA certification relating to this display application is in process. Also, Marshalls of Cambridge, who in fiscal 2005 chose us as their common core avionics upgrade, placed their first order with us in fiscal 2006. Their initial award was for C-130 retrofits.

#### **Our Industry**

A wide range of information, including airspeed and altitude, is critical for proper and safe operation of aircraft. With advances in technology, new types of information to assist pilots, such as satellite based weather and ground terrain maps, are becoming available for display in cockpits. We believe aircraft cockpits will increasingly become information centers, capable of delivering additional information that is either mandated by regulation or demanded by pilots to assist in safe and efficient operation of aircraft.

There are three general types of flight data: flight critical aircraft control data, aircraft heading and altitude data and navigation data. Flight critical aircraft control information such as air data includes aircraft speed, altitude and rates of ascent and descent. Aircraft heading and altitude information includes engine data such as fuel and oil quantity and other engine measurements, and navigation data includes radio position, flight management, Global Positioning System (GPS) and alternative source information, which is information not originating on the aircraft, including weather depiction maps, GPS navigation and surface terrain maps. Air data calculations are based primarily on air pressure measurements derived from sensors on the aircraft. Engine data are determined by measuring various indices such as temperature, volume, revolutions per minute (RPM) and pressure within an aircraft's engines and other mechanical equipment. Alternative source information is typically derived from satellites or equipment located on land and fed by satellite or radio signals to the aircraft. Pilots can then display this information in the cockpit for reference and enhanced position awareness.

Traditionally, flight data and other cockpit information were displayed on a series of separate analog dials. In the early 1980s, digital displays using cathode ray tubes began to replace some individual analog displays. The industry has now begun to develop color flat panel displays using active matrix liquid crystal displays (AMLCD) to replace traditional analog or digital displays. We expect that the ability to display more information in a space-efficient and customized platform will become increasingly important if additional information, such as weather depiction maps, traffic information and surface terrain maps, become mandated by regulation or demanded by pilots. Accordingly, we believe flat panel displays, which can integrate and display a "suite" of information, will increasingly replace individual displays as the method for delivering and ordering information displayed in cockpits.

Equipment data, such as engine and fuel related information, were traditionally displayed on conventional solid-state displays. Engine and fuel displays provide information on engine activity, including oil and hydraulic pressures and temperature. This instrumentation includes individual and multiple displays clustered throughout an aircraft's cockpit. Engine and fuel displays tend to be replaced more frequently than other displays due to increased obsolescence problems and normal wear-and-tear. As information displayed by this instrumentation is vital for safe and efficient flight,

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aircraft operators continue to purchase individual conventional engine and fuel displays to replace older or non-functioning displays. Increasingly, operators are beginning to replace their individual instruments with integrated Flat Panel Display Systems.

#### Strategy

Our objective is to become a leading supplier and integrator of cockpit information. We believe our industry experience and reputation, our technology and products and our business strategy provide a basis to achieve this objective. Key elements of our strategy include:

*Retrofit focus.* We believe offering cockpit avionics upgrades for existing aircraft is of great interest in today's economic environment. The cost of retrofitting an aircraft to the Flat Panel Display System is cost effective compared to the acquisition of a new aircraft and yet can provide the same functionality. When the economy returns to more robust levels, the lead time to acquire a new aircraft lengthens and demand for retrofits continues as operators update their existing fleet to provide the needed lift capacity.

*Establishing leadership in the flat panel display market.* We expect that over the next several years, many aircraft will be retrofitted with flat panel displays. Given the versatility, visual appeal and lower cost of displaying a series of instruments and other flight-relevant information on a single flat panel, we believe flat panel displays will increasingly replace individual analog and digital instruments. We also believe our COCKPIT/IP has significant benefits over flat panel displays currently offered by our competitors, including lower cost, larger size and enhanced viewing angles. Our patented and proprietary Integrity Checking Processor and Zooming features provide increased reliability, performance, and utility to the owner/operator. Accordingly, we believe these advantages will allow us to generate significant revenues from our COCKPIT/IP and increase market share. According to Avionics Magazine (January 2007 issue) cockpit electronics for both new (OEM) and used (Retrofit) aircraft will grow into a \$130 billion industry over the next ten years. Demand for new aircraft, FAA mandates to upgrade older aircraft and obsolescence issues on older aircraft will fuel this growth.

*Continuing our engineering and product development successes.* We developed innovative products by combining our avionics, engineering and design expertise with commercially available technologies, components and products from non-aviation applications, including the personal computer and telecommunications industries. Our COCKPIT/IP is an example of our ability to engineer a superior product through the selective application of non-avionic technology. Our research and development expenses were \$10.3 million, \$5.2 million and \$6.7 million for fiscal years ended September 30, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

*Maintaining our leadership in air data markets.* We believe we are one of the largest suppliers of air data products to the U.S. retrofit market. Significant demand remains in retrofitting aging aircraft with newer, more advanced and more supportable air data systems. Additionally upgrading business jets with higher performance engines is driving a need for more sophisticated air data products supplied by us.

Increasing our sales to the DoD, other government agencies, defense contractors, commercial air transport and corporate/general aviation markets. We strengthened efforts to diversify our sales to include all end user markets of the aviation industry, particularly legacy military aircraft programs and the commercial air transport market. This includes national and regional carriers and other fleet operators, the corporate/general aviation market, primarily through aircraft modification centers, and the OEM market. We continue to build a sales and marketing force dedicated to expanding our sales efforts to these markets while at the same time maintaining our position as a provider of avionics products for the DoD.

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*Expanding our international presence.* We plan to increase our international sales by adding sales and marketing personnel and foreign offices. As large flat panel displays become more prevalent, we believe European and other international aircraft operators and aircraft modification centers will accelerate retrofitting activities, thereby increasing the demand for large flat panel displays.

*Growth through acquisitions or joint ventures.* We may pursue strategic acquisitions or joint ventures as a means of growing our business with respect to technology, distribution, customers or products. We may seek to acquire developers or suppliers of complementary products, technology or information, or we may acquire suppliers of similar products as a means of increasing our product offerings and market share.

#### **Our Products**

Our current line of products includes:

#### Flat Panel Display Systems

In the last several years color flat panel displays have been introduced into aircraft cockpits. Flat panel displays are Liquid Crystal Display (LCD) screens that can replicate the display of one or a suite of analog or digital displays on one screen. Like other instrumentation, flat panel displays can be installed in new aircraft or used to replace existing displays in aircraft already in use. LCDs are also used for security monitoring on-board aircraft and as tactical workstations on military aircraft. The flat panel product line also presents numerous advantages for presentation of engine performance data. During fiscal 2008, 2007 and 2006 we derived 77%, 53% and 38% respectively, of our revenues from sales of Flat Panel Display Systems.

We developed a Flat Panel Display System that can replace conventional analog and digital displays currently used in a cockpit and can display additional information that is not now commonly displayed in the cockpit. Our Cockpit Information Portal is capable of displaying nearly all types of air data, engine and fuel data, altitude, heading and navigational data, and alternative source information. As technology and information delivery systems further develop, additional information, such as surface terrain maps and data link messaging, will be displayed in the cockpit. We designed our COCKPIT/IP to be capable of displaying information generated from a variety of sources, including our Reduced Vertical Separation Minimum (RVSM) air data system, engine and fuel instrumentation, and third-party data and information products.

From time to time customers may order one or more flat panel display systems customized to their particular requirements. Depending on the amount of non-recurring engineering effort needed to accommodate the customized request, the Company has and will continue to charge a fee for added development cost. This will result in revenue to the Company that is characterized as Engineering- modification and development on the income statement. Consistent with this approach, engineering cost incurred in the performance of customizing the flat panel display system will be allocated from Operating expenses (Research and development) to Cost of Sales (Engineering modification and development) and will be included in the Company's gross profit calculations.

#### Air Data Systems and Components

Our air data products calculate and display various measures such as aircraft speed, altitude and rate of ascent and descent. The functionality of our air data systems use advanced sensors to gather air pressure data and use customized algorithms to interpret data, thus allowing the system to more accurately calculate altitude. During fiscal 2008, 2007, and 2006 we derived 23%, 47%, and 62%, respectively, of our revenues from sales of air data systems and related products.

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We sell individual components as well as partial and complete air data systems. Our components and systems include:

digital air data computers, which calculate various air data parameters such as altitude, airspeed, vertical speed, angle of attack and other information derived from the measure of air pressure;

integrated air data computers and display units, which calculate and convey air data information;

altitude displays, which convey aircraft altitude measurements;

airspeed displays, which convey various types of airspeed measurements including vertical airspeed and rates of ascent and descent; and

altitude alerter, which allow the pilot to select a desired cruising altitude that the aircraft will reach and maintain, and also provide warnings to pilots when an unacceptable deviation occurs.

#### Engine and Fuel Displays

We develop, manufacture and market engine and fuel displays. Our solid-state multifunction displays convey information with respect to fuel and oil levels and engine activity, such as oil and hydraulic pressure and temperature. This instrumentation includes individual and multiple displays clustered throughout an aircraft's cockpit. Our displays can be used in conjunction with our own engine and fuel data equipment or that of other manufacturers.

Engine and fuel displays are found in all aircraft and are vital to safe and proper aircraft flight. In addition, accurate conveyance of engine and fuel information is critical for monitoring of engine stress and maintenance of engine parts. Engine and fuel displays tend to be replaced more frequently than other displays and have remained largely unchanged since their introduction due to their low cost, standard design and universal use.

We believe our engine and fuel displays are extremely reliable, and we have designed them to be programmable to adapt easily without major modification to most modern aircraft. Our products have been installed on C-130H, DC-9, DC-10, P3 and A-10 aircraft.

#### Customers

Our customers include, the United States government (including DoD and Homeland Security), ABX Air, American Airlines, The Boeing Company, Bombardier Aerospace, Cessna Aircraft Corporation, Federal Express Corporation, L-3 Spar Aerospace, Lockheed Martin Corporation, Northwest Airlines, Raytheon, Rockwell Collins, Marshalls of Cambridge, United Kingdom, and the Department of National Defense, Canada.

#### Retrofit Market

Historically, a majority of our sales have come from the retrofit market. Among other reasons, we have pursued the retrofit market specifically because of its continued rapid growth in response to the increasing need to support the world's aging fleet of aircraft. During fiscal year 2008 we derived 26% of our revenues from three retrofit customers, DoD, Federal Express and American Airlines. We derived 47% of our revenues during fiscal year 2007 from three retrofit customers, DoD, Eclipse and Western Aircraft.

Updating an individual aircraft's existing electronics equipment has become increasingly common as new technology makes existing instrumentation outdated while an aircraft is still structurally and mechanically sound. Retrofitting an aircraft is generally a substantially less expensive alternative to purchasing a new aircraft. We expect our main customers in the retrofit market to be:

the DoD and defense contractors;

aircraft operators; and

aircraft modification centers.

Department of Defense and Defense Contractors. We sell our products directly to the DoD as well as to domestic and international defense contractors for end use on military aircraft retrofit programs. DoD programs generally take one of two forms, a subcontract with a prime government contractor, such as Boeing or Rockwell Collins, or a direct contract with the appropriate government agency such as the U.S. Air Force to satisfy its requirement for replacing Central Air Data Computers on its fleet of A-10 aircraft. The government's desire for cost-effective retrofitting of aircraft has led it to purchase commercial off-the-shelf equipment rather than requiring the development of specially designed products, which are usually more costly and take longer to develop. These contracts tend to be on arms length commercial terms, although some termination and other provisions of government contracts described below are typically applicable to these contracts. Each government agency or general contractor retains the right to terminate a contract at any time at its convenience. Upon such alteration or termination, we would be entitled to an equitable adjustment to the contract price and receive the purchase price for already delivered items and reimbursement for allowable costs incurred.

*Aircraft Operators.* We also sell our products to aircraft operators, including commercial airlines, cargo carriers and business and general aviation. Our products are used mostly in retrofitting aircraft owned or operated by these customers, which generally retrofit and maintain their aircraft themselves. Our commercial fleet customers include, among others, American Airlines, Northwest Airlines, Air Canada, ABX Air and Federal Express. We sell these customers a range of products from flat panel display systems to air data systems.

*Aircraft Modification Centers.* The primary retrofit market for private and corporate jets is through aircraft modification centers, which repair and retrofit private aircraft in a manner similar to the way auto mechanics service a person's car. We have established relationships with a number of aircraft modification centers throughout the United States. These modification centers essentially act as distribution outlets for our products. We believe our air data systems and related components are being promoted by aircraft modification centers to update older or outdated equipment. Our large modification center customers include Bombardier Learjet, Garrett Aviation, Star Aviation, Duncan Aviation, Plain Avionics and Raytheon Aircraft Services.

#### **OEM Market**

In fiscal 2008 the Company suspended work on the Eclipse VLJ program in line with the suspension of requirements from the OEM. Eclipse Aviation filed for Chapter 11 Bankruptcy on November 25, 2008.

We also market our products to other original equipment manufacturers, particularly manufacturers of corporate and private jets as well as to contractors manufacturing military jets. Customers of our products have included Bombardier (the manufacturer of Learjet), Gulfstream, Boeing, Raytheon, Piaggio and Lockheed.

#### Backlog

As of September 30, 2008 and 2007, our backlog was \$57.3 million and \$70.4 million, respectively. The year over year decrease of \$13.1 million or 19% was the result of \$17.4 million in new business offset by \$30.5 million of recognized revenue. Air Data product backlog increased by \$3.3 million from September 2007, while Flat Panel Display Systems backlog as of September 30, 2008 decreased by \$16.3 from September 30, 2007.

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#### Sales and Marketing

We focus our sales efforts on passenger and cargo carrying aircraft operators, general aviation operators, aircraft modification centers, the DoD, DoD contractors and OEMs. We continually evaluate our sales and marketing efforts with respect to these focus areas and, where appropriate, have made use of third-party sales representatives who receive compensation through commissions based on performance.

We believe our ability to provide prompt and effective repair and upgrade service is critical to our marketing efforts. As part of our customer service program, we offer a 24-hour hotline that customers can call for product repair or upgrade concerns. We employ field service engineers to service our equipment and, depending on the service required, we may either dispatch a service crew to make necessary repairs or request the customer return the product to us for repairs or upgrades at our facility. In the event repairs or upgrades are required to be made at our facility, we provide spare products for use by our customers during the repair time. Our in-house turnaround repair times average 15 days and turnaround upgrade times average 30 days. Before returning our products to customers, all repaired or upgraded products are retested for airworthiness.

In connection with our customer service program, we typically provide customers with a two-year warranty on new products. We also offer customers extended warranties of varying terms for additional fees.

Almost all of the Company's sales, operating results and identifiable assets are in the United States. In fiscal year 2008, 2007, and 2006 net sales outside the United States amounted to \$1.7 million, \$1.1 million and \$2.8 million, respectively.

#### **Government Regulation**

The manufacture and installation of our products in aircraft owned and operated in the United States is governed by FAA regulations. We maintain an FAA certified production facility. The most significant of the product and installation regulations focus on Technical Standard Order and Supplemental Type Certificate certifications. These certifications set forth minimum general standards a certain type of equipment should meet. As required, we deliver our product in accordance with FAA regulations.

Sales of our products to European or other non-U.S. owners of aircraft also typically require approval of the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA), the European counterpart of the FAA, or another appropriate governmental agency. EASA certification requirements for manufacturing and installation of our products in European-owned aircraft mirror FAA regulations. Much like the FAA certification process, the EASA has established a process for granting European Certifications.

In addition to product-related regulations, we are also subject to U.S. Government procurement regulations with respect to sale of our products to government entities or government contractors. These regulations dictate the manner in which products may be sold to the government and set forth other requirements that must be met in order to do business with or on behalf of government entities. For example, the government agency or general contractor may alter the price, quantity or delivery schedule of our products. In addition, the government agency or general contractor retains the right to terminate the contract at any time at its convenience. Upon such alteration or termination, we would be entitled to an equitable adjustment to the contract price so that we would receive the purchase price for already delivered items and reimbursement for allowable costs incurred.

#### Manufacturing, Assembly and Materials Acquisition

Our manufacturing activities consist primarily of assembling and testing components and subassemblies and integrating them into a fully tested finished system. We believe this method allows us



to achieve relatively flexible manufacturing capacity while minimizing expenses. We typically purchase components for our products from third-party suppliers and assemble them in a clean room environment to reduce impurities and improve the performance of our products. Many of the components we purchase are standard products, although certain parts are made to our specifications.

When appropriate, we enter into long-term supply agreements and use our relationships with long-term suppliers to improve product quality and availability and to reduce delivery times and product costs. In addition, we continually identify alternative suppliers for important component parts. Using component parts from new suppliers in our products generally requires FAA certification of the entire finished product if the newly sourced component varies significantly from our original drawings and specifications. To date, we have not experienced any significant delays in delivery of our products caused by the inability to obtain either component parts or FAA approval of products incorporating new component parts.

#### **Quality Assurance**

Product quality is of vital importance to our customers, and we have taken steps to enhance the overall quality of our products. We are ISO 9001 and AS 9100 certified. ISO 9001 and AS 9100 standards are an international consensus on effective management practices with the goal of ensuring a company can consistently deliver its products and related services in a manner that meets or exceeds customer quality requirements. These standards allow us to represent to our customers that we maintain high quality industry standards in the education of our employees and the design and manufacture of our products. In addition, our products undergo extensive quality control testing prior to being delivered to customers. As part of our quality assurance procedures, we maintain detailed records of test results and our quality control processes.

#### **Our Competition**

The market for our products is highly competitive and characterized by several industry niches in which a number of manufacturers specialize. Our competitors vary in size and resources, and substantially all of our competitors are much larger and have substantially greater resources than us. With respect to air data systems and related products, our principal competitors include Honeywell International Inc., Kollsman Inc., Rockwell Collins, Inc., Thales, and GE Aviation. With respect to flat panel displays, our principal competitors currently include Honeywell, Rockwell Collins, Inc., L-3 Communications and GE Aviation. However, because the flat panel display industry is a new and evolving market, as the demand for flat panel displays increases we may face competition in this area from additional companies in the future.

We believe the principal competitive factors in markets we serve are cost, development cycle time, responsiveness to customer preferences, product quality, technology and reliability. We believe our significant and long-standing customer relationships reflect our ability to compete favorably with respect to these factors.

#### **Intellectual Property and Proprietary Rights**

We rely on patents to protect our proprietary technology. As of September 30, 2008 the Company holds 19 U.S. patents and has 6 U.S. patent applications pending relating to our technology. In addition, we hold 16 international patents and have 30 international patent applications pending. Certain of these patents and patent applications cover technology relating to air data measurement systems and calibration techniques while others cover technology relating to flat panel display systems and other aspects of our COCKPIT/IP solution. While we believe these patents have significant value in protecting our technology, we also believe the innovative skill, technical expertise and know-how of our personnel in applying the technology reflected in our patents would be difficult, costly and time

consuming to reproduce. The company recently settled litigation related to a trade secret misappropriation as more fully described in Legal Proceedings, Item 3 of this report.

While we are not aware of any pending lawsuits against us regarding patent infringement or other intellectual property rights, we cannot be certain such infringement claims will not be asserted against us in the future.

#### **Innovative Solutions and Support Website**

Our primary website is *http://www.innovative-ss.com*. We make available, free of charge, at our corporate website our annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with, or furnish it to, the SEC.

#### **Our Employees**

As of September 30, 2008, we had 165 employees, 52 were in engineering, research and development, 78 in manufacturing and assembly operations, 9 in quality and 26 in selling and general administrative positions.

Our future success depends on our ability to attract, train and retain highly qualified personnel. We plan to hire additional personnel, including, in particular, sales and marketing personnel, during the next twelve months. Competition for such qualified personnel is intense and we may not be able to attract, train and retain highly qualified personnel in the future. Our employees are not represented by a labor union.

#### **Executive Officers of the Registrant**

The following is a list of our executive officers, their ages and their positions:

Name	Age	Position
Geoffrey S.M. Hedrick	66	Chairman of the Board and Chief
		Executive Officer
Roman G. Ptakowski	60	President
John C. Long	43	Chief Financial Officer

*Geoffrey S. M. Hedrick* has been Chief Executive Officer since he founded IS&S in February 1988 through June 4, 2007 and was reappointed September 8, 2008. He has also been Chairman of the Board since 1997. Prior to founding IS&S, Mr. Hedrick served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Smiths Industries North American Aerospace Companies. He also founded Harowe Systems, Inc. in 1971, which was subsequently acquired by Smiths Industries. Mr. Hedrick has over 35 years of experience in the avionics industry, and he holds a number of patents in the electronics, optoelectric, electromagnetic, aerospace and contamination-control fields.

*Roman G. Ptakowski* has been President since March 2003. Prior to that, Mr. Ptakowski served as a Group Vice President and General Manager and, before that, as a Vice President of Sales and Marketing at B/E Aerospace, Inc. Previously, Mr. Ptakowski held a number of positions with increasing responsibility within ASEA Brown Boveri Power T&D Company, Inc. There, he was General Manager of the Protective Relay Division before leaving to join B/E Aerospace, Inc. Mr. Ptakowski received a B.S. in Electrical Engineering from New York University and a MBA from Duke University.

John C. Long has been Chief Financial Officer since January 2008. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Long served in a variety of positions with Arrow International, Inc., including as Vice President from January, 2003 to January, 2008 as Treasurer from January, 2003 to October, 2007, as Secretary

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from April, 2004 to October, 2007 and as Assistant Treasurer from 1995 to January 2003. Prior to joining Arrow International, Mr. Long served as Controller for the Jaindl Companies, a group of privately held companies involved in agribusiness and real estate development, from 1989 to 1995. From 1986 to 1989, Mr. Long was employed in the Allentown, Pennsylvania office of the accounting firm, Concannon, Gallagher, Miller & Co. Mr. Long also serves as a director and Audit Committee Chairman of D&E Communications, Inc., an integrated communications provider. Mr. Long received a B.S. in Accounting from Wilkes University and a MBA from Columbia University.

#### Other

The public may read and copy any materials filed by us with the SEC at the SEC's public reference room located at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. The public may obtain information about the operation of the SEC's public reference rooms by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. The SEC also maintains a website at *http://www.sec.gov* that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information about issuers such as that file electronically with the SEC.

Our primary website is *http://www.innovative-ss.com*. We make available, free of charge, at our corporate website our annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and amendments to those as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with, or furnish it to, the SEC. The information on our web site is not incorporated as part of this annual report.

#### Item 1A. Risk Factors

You should carefully consider the risks, uncertainties and other factors described below, in addition to the other information set forth in this report, because they could materially and adversely affect our business, operating results, financial condition, cash flows and prospects as well as adversely affect the value of an investment in our common stock.

#### **Risks Related to Our Business**

# Our sales principally relate to flat panel display systems and air data products, and we cannot be certain that the market will continue to accept these or other products.

During fiscal 2008, 2007, and 2006 we derived 77%, 53% and 38% of our revenues from the sale of flat panel display systems, respectively. We expect that revenues from our air data products will continue to decline as a percent of total sales as peak demand associated with the FAA's RVSM mandate has been accommodated. Our revenues and profitability will decrease if new products such as our Flat Panel Display Systems do not receive market acceptance or if our existing customers do not continue to incorporate our products in their retrofitting or manufacturing of aircraft. In seeking new customers, it may be difficult for our products to displace competing products. Accordingly, we cannot assure you that potential customers will accept our products or that existing customers will not abandon them.

#### A global recession and continued credit tightening could adversely affect us.

Concerns about a potential global recession and continued credit tightening, including failures of financial institutions has initiated unprecedented government intervention in the U.S., Europe and other regions of the world. If these concerns continue or worsen, risks to us include:

Declines in revenues and profitability from reduced orders, payment delays or other factors caused by the economic problems of customers;

reprioritization of government spending away from defense programs in which we participate;

adverse impacts on our access to credit sources; and

supply problems associated with any financial constraints faced by our vendors.

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A portion of our sales have been, and we expect will continue to be, to defense contractors or government agencies in connection with government aircraft retrofit or original manufacturing contracts. Sales to government contractors and government agencies could decline as a result of DoD spending cuts and general budgetary constraints which may become more frequent as tax revenues decline due to the continued weakening of general economic conditions.

# The loss of a key customer or a significant deterioration in the financial condition of a key customer could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

Our revenue is concentrated with a limited number of customers. During fiscal year 2008 we derived 68% of revenues from four customers, American Airlines, DoD, Eclipse, and Federal Express. We derived 47% of revenue during fiscal year 2007 from three customers, DoD, Eclipse and Western Aircraft. We derived 47% of our revenues during fiscal year 2006 from five customers, ABX Air, Boeing, DoD, Department of National Defense-Canada, and Star Aviation. We expect a relatively small number of customers to account for a majority of our revenues for the foreseeable future. As a result of our concentrated customer base, a loss of one or more of these customers could have a material adverse effect on our revenue and results of operations. In addition, we continually monitor and evaluate the credit status of our customers and attempt to adjust sales terms as appropriate. Despite these efforts, a significant deterioration in the financial condition or bankruptcy filing of a key customer could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

On November 25, 2008, Eclipse Aviation filed a voluntary petition for relief under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. Given the early stages if the bankruptcy proceedings, it is unclear at this time what the precise impact the Eclipse's bankruptcy will have. The Company may not receive any payment on its pre-petition claims. In addition, Eclipse may choose to reject its contract with the Company, which could result in a larger pre-petition claim.

# Growth of our customer base could be limited by delays or difficulties in completing development and introduction of our planned products or product enhancements. If we fail to enhance existing products or to develop and achieve market acceptance for flat panel displays and other new products that meet customer requirements, our business will be adversely affected.

Although historically a substantial majority of our revenues has come from sales of air data systems and related products, we currently spend a large portion of our research and development efforts in developing and marketing our flat panel display systems and complementary products. Our ability to grow and diversify our operations through introduction and sale of new products is dependent upon our success in continuing product development and engineering activities as well as our sales and marketing efforts and our ability to obtain requisite approvals to sell such products. Our sales growth will also depend in part on market acceptance of and demand for our CIP and future products. We cannot be certain we will be able to develop, introduce or market our CIP or other new products or product enhancements in a timely or cost-effective manner or that any new products will receive market acceptance or necessary regulatory approval.

# We rely on third party suppliers for components of our products, and any interruption in supply of these components could hinder our ability to deliver our products.

Our manufacturing process consists primarily of assembling components purchased from our supply chain. These suppliers may not continue to be available to us. If we are unable to maintain relationships with key third party suppliers, the development and distribution of our products could be delayed until equivalent components can be obtained and integrated into our products. In addition, substitution of certain components from other manufacturers may require FAA or other approval, which could delay our ability to ship products.



#### Government contracts can be terminated by the government at any time and therefore may not result in sales.

Our government retrofit projects are generally pursuant to either a direct contract with a government agency or a subcontract with a general contractor to a government agency. Each contract includes various federal regulations that impose certain requirements on us, including the ability of the government agency or general contractor to alter the price, quantity or delivery schedule of our products. In addition, the government agency or general contractor retains the right to terminate the contract at any time at its convenience. Upon alteration or termination of these contracts, we would be entitled to an equitable adjustment to the contract price so we may receive the purchase price for items we have delivered and reimbursement for allowable costs we have incurred. Accordingly, because these contracts can be terminated, we cannot assure you that our government retrofit backlog will result in sales.

# We depend on key personnel to manage our business effectively, and if we are unable to retain our key employees, our ability to compete could be harmed.

Our success depends on the efforts, abilities and expertise of our senior management and other key personnel. There can be no assurance we will be able to retain such employees, the loss of some of whom could hurt our ability to execute our business strategy. We intend to continue hiring key management and sales and marketing personnel. Competition for such personnel is intense, and we may not be able to attract or retain additional qualified personnel.

Our future success will depend in part on our ability to implement and improve our operational, administrative and financial systems and controls and to manage, train and expand our employee base. We cannot assure you that after giving effect to our recent cost containment initiatives that our current and planned personnel levels, systems, procedures and controls will be adequate to support our future operations. If inadequate, we may not be able to exploit existing and potential market opportunities. Any delays or difficulties we encounter could impair our ability to attract new customers or enhance our relationships with existing customers.

#### Our revenue and operating results may vary significantly from quarter to quarter, which may cause our stock price to decline.

Our revenue and operating results may vary significantly from quarter to quarter due to a number of factors, including:

demand for our products and or schedule delivery changes by our customers;

capital expenditure budgets of aircraft owners and operators and appropriation cycles of the U.S. government;

changes in the use of our products, including air data systems and flat panel displays;

delays in introducing or obtaining government approval for new products;

new product introductions by competitors;

changes in our pricing policies or pricing policies of our competitors, and

costs related to possible acquisition of technologies or businesses.

We plan to expand our sales and marketing operations and fund greater levels of product development. As a result, a delay in generating revenues could cause significant variations in our operating results from quarter to quarter.

# Our competition includes other manufacturers of air data systems and flight information displays against whom we may not be able to compete successfully.

The markets for our products are intensely competitive and subject to rapid technological change. Our competitors include Kollsman, Inc., Honeywell International Inc., Rockwell Collins Inc., GE Aviation and L-3 Communications. Substantially all of our competitors have significantly greater financial, technical and human resources than we do. In addition, our competitors have much greater experience in and resources for marketing their products. As a result, our competitors may be able to respond more quickly to new or emerging technologies and customer preferences or devote greater resources to development, promotion and sale of their products than we can. Our competitors may also have greater name recognition and more extensive customer bases that they can use to their benefit. This competition could result in price reductions, fewer customer orders, reduced gross margins and loss of market share.

# We may not be able to identify or complete acquisitions or we may consummate an acquisition that adversely affects our operating results.

One of our strategies is to acquire businesses or technologies that complement our existing operations. We have limited experience in acquiring businesses or technologies. There can be no assurance we will be able to acquire or profitably manage acquisitions or successfully integrate them into our operations. Furthermore, certain risks are inherent in pursuing acquisitions, such as the diversion of management's time and attention and combining disparate company cultures and facilities. Acquisitions may have an adverse effect on our operating results, particularly in quarters immediately following the consummation of such transactions, as we integrate operations of acquired businesses into our operations. Once integrated, acquisitions may not perform as expected.

# Our success depends on our ability to protect our proprietary rights, and there is a risk of infringement. If we are unable to protect and enforce our intellectual property rights, we may be unable to compete effectively.

Our success and ability to compete will depend in part on our ability to obtain and maintain patent or other protection for our technology and products, both in the United States and abroad. In addition, we must operate without infringing the proprietary rights of others.

We currently hold 19 U.S. patents and have 6 U.S. patent applications pending. In addition, we hold 16 international patents and have 30 international patent applications pending. We cannot be certain that patents will be issued on any of our present or future applications. In addition, our existing patents or any future patents may not adequately protect our technology if they are not broad enough, are successfully challenged or other entities are able to develop competing methods without violating our patents. If we are not successful in protecting our intellectual property, competitors could begin to offer products that incorporate our technology. Patent protection involves complex legal and factual questions and, therefore, is highly uncertain, and litigation relating to intellectual property is often very time consuming and expensive. If a successful claim of patent infringement were made against us or we are unable to develop non-infringing technology or license the infringed or similar technology on a timely and cost-effective basis, we might not be able to make some of our products. In addition, we have in the past and may continue in the future to incur significant legal and other costs in defense of our intellectual property.

# Potential lenders may have suffered losses related to the weakening economy and may not be able to provide us with needed financing.

Potential lenders may have suffered losses related to their lending and other financial relationships, especially because of the general weakening of the national economy and increased financial instability



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of many borrowers. As a result, lenders may become insolvent or tighten their lending standards, which could make it more difficult for us to borrow or to obtain new financing on favorable terms or at all. Our financial condition and results of operations would be adversely affected if we were unable to obtain cost-effective financing in the future.

#### **Risks Related to Our Industry**

#### If we are unable to respond to rapid technological change, our products could become obsolete and our reputation could suffer.

Future generations of air data systems, engine and fuel displays, and flat panel displays embodying new technologies or new industry standards could render our products obsolete. The market for aviation products is subject to rapid technological change, new product introductions, changes in customer preferences and evolving industry standards. Our future success will depend on our ability to:

adapt to rapidly changing technologies;

adapt our products to evolving industry standards; and

develop and introduce a variety of new products and product enhancements to address the increasingly sophisticated needs of our customers.

Our future success will also depend on our developing high quality, cost-effective products and enhancements to our products that satisfy needs of customers and on our introducing these new technologies to the marketplace in a timely manner. If we fail to modify or improve our products in response to evolving industry standards, our products could rapidly become obsolete.

Our products are currently subject to direct regulation by the FAA, its European counterpart, the European Aviation Safety Administration (EASA), and other comparable organizations. Our products, as they relate to aircraft applications, must be approved by the FAA, EASA or other comparable organizations before they can be used in an aircraft. To be certified, we must demonstrate that our products are accurate and able to maintain certain levels of repeatability over time. Although certification requirements of the FAA and the EASA are substantially similar, there is no formal reciprocity between the two systems. Accordingly, even though some of our products are FAA-approved, we may need to obtain approval from the EASA or other appropriate organizations to have them certified for installation outside the United States.

Significant delay in receiving certification for newly developed products or enhancements to our products or losing certification for our existing products could result in lost sales or delays in sales. Furthermore, adoption of additional regulations or product standards, as well as changes to existing product standards, could require us to change our products and underlying technology. We cannot assure you that we will receive regulatory approval on a timely basis or at all.

# Because our products utilize sophisticated technology and are deployed in complex aircraft cockpit environments, problems with these products may arise that could seriously harm our reputation for quality assurance and our business.

Our products use complex system designs and components that may contain errors, omissions or defects, particularly when we incorporate new technologies into our products or we release new versions or enhancements of our products. Despite our quality assurance process, errors, omissions or defects could occur in our current products, in new products or in new versions or enhancements of existing products after commercial shipment has begun. We may be required to redesign or recall those products or pay damages. Such an event could result in the following:

delay or loss of revenues;

cancellation of customer contracts;

diversion of development resources;

damage to our reputation;

increased service and warranty costs; or

litigation costs.

Although we currently carry product liability insurance, this insurance may not be adequate to cover our losses in the event of a product liability claim. Moreover, we may not be able to maintain such insurance in the future.

#### We have limited experience in marketing and distributing our products internationally.

We expect to derive an increasing amount of our revenues from sales outside the United States, particularly in Europe. There are certain risks inherent in doing business on an international basis, such as:

differing regulatory requirements for products being installed in aircraft;

legal uncertainty regarding liability;

tariffs, trade barriers, and other regulatory barriers;

political and economic instability;

changes in diplomatic and trade relationships;

potentially adverse tax consequences;

the impact of recessions in economies outside the United States; and

variance and unexpected changes in local laws and regulations.

Currently, all of our international sales are denominated in U.S. dollars. An increase in the dollar's value of the compared to other currencies could make our products less competitive in foreign markets. In the future, we may be required to conduct sales in local currencies, exposing us to change in exchange rates that could adversely affect our operating results.

#### Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments.

None

#### Item 2. Properties.

In fiscal 2001 we purchased 7.5 acres of land in the Eagleview Corporate Park in Exton, Pennsylvania. There we constructed a 44,800 square foot design, manufacturing and office facility. Land development approval allows for expansion of up to 20,400 additional square feet. This would provide for a 65,200 square foot facility. The construction was principally funded with a Chester County, Pennsylvania, Industrial Revenue Bond. The building serves as security for the Industrial Revenue Bond.

#### Item 3. Legal Proceedings.

In the ordinary course of business, we are at times subject to various legal proceedings. Except with respect to the fees incurred in connection with the matters described below, we do not believe any current legal proceedings will have a material adverse effect on our results of operations or financial position.

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On September 13, 2005 the Company filed a lawsuit in the United States District Court for the Western District of Tennessee against J2, Inc., a company founded and jointly owned by Joseph Cesar, a former employee of the Company, and James Zachary, a former sales consultant for the Company. The complaint alleged that the J2/Kollsman/Air Data Computer then being marketed by J2 and manufactured by Kollsman, Inc. infringed a patent assigned to IS&S.

On November 7, 2007 the Company received a favorable jury verdict in its trade secret misappropriation case against Kollsman, Inc. (a subsidiary of Elbit Systems Ltd.), J2 Inc., Joseph Caesar, James Zachary and Zachary Technologies, Inc. in the United States District Court for the Western District of Tennessee. The jury unanimously found that each of the defendants had misappropriated IS&S's air data computer technology. The jury found that IS&S had suffered damages of just over \$4.4 million in lost profits and \$1.6 million in defendants' net profits, for a total of over \$6 million. The jury also found in favor of IS&S's claims for breach of duty and contract, and unfair competition against J2 Inc., Joseph Caesar, James Zachary and Zachary Technologies, Inc.

On December 18, 2007, the court entered a temporary injunction aimed at preventing further use of the Company's trade secret and proprietary information. On March 14, 2008, the judge presiding over the case heard the Company's claims for a permanent injunction as well as punitive and exemplary damages and attorneys' fees against Kollsman and the other defendants.

On July 7, 2008, the court issued several rulings in the case. In the rulings, the court awarded damages, interest and fees in addition to the more than \$6 million in compensatory damages awarded by the jury when it rendered its verdict in the case in November 2007. The additional awards bring the damages assessed against Kollsman, Inc. to a total or more than \$23 million. The court also entered an order granting the Company's request for permanent injunctive relief.

On August 27, 2008, the Company entered into a Settlement Agreement (the Settlement Agreement) with Kollsman, Inc. On August 29, 2008, the settlement became effective with respect to all claims filed by the Company and Kollsman against each other in the United States District Court for the Western District of Tennessee and a Consent Order was entered. Under the Settlement Agreement, all claims between the Company and Kollsman have been dismissed with prejudice, a final agreed injunction has been entered and the matter has been fully and finally mutually settled without any admission of guilt by either party. In addition, an agreed settlement payment of \$17 million has been made by Kollsman to the Company.

On October 9, 2008, Zachary and ZTI consented to the entry of judgment against and to a permanent injunction, which resulted in the conclusion of all claims with respect to those parties. On November 17, 2008, the court granted the Company's motion to dismiss its patent infringement claims against Caesar and J2, and dismissed Caesar and J2's counterclaims for noninfringement, invalidity and unenforceability because there was no longer a justifiable claim or controversy with respect to those counterclaims.

On January 17, 2007 the Company filed suit in Pennsylvania state court against Strathman Associates, a former software consultant for IS&S, alleging that Strathman had improperly used IS&S trade secret and proprietary information in assisting J2 and Kollsman in developing the J2/Kollsman Air Data Computer. The case is ongoing.

Through September 30, 2008 and 2007 the Company has incurred approximately \$13.6 million and \$8.0 million, respectively, in legal fees in connection with the two matters discussed above.

#### Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

No matters were submitted to a vote of our shareholders during the three months ended September 30, 2008.



#### Part II

#### Item 5. Market for the Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Repurchases of Equity Securities.

Our common stock has been traded on the Nasdaq Stock Market, LLC under the symbol "ISSC" since our initial public offering on August 4, 2000. The following table lists the high and low per share sale prices for our common stock for the periods indicated:

	Fiscal	2008	Fiscal	2007
Period	High	Low	High	Low
First Quarter	\$22.20	\$9.00	\$18.19	\$14.14
Second Quarter	12.61	7.73	27.21	16.01
Third Quarter	12.00	6.39	29.42	21.74
Fourth Quarter	9.18	4.52	23.99	14.26

On December 5, 2008, there were 20 holders of record of the shares of outstanding common stock. This does not reflect beneficial shareholders who hold their stock in nominee or "street" name through brokerage firms.

We paid a special cash dividend of \$1.00 per share on September 29, 2008 on our common stock. The amounts necessary to pay the special dividend were funded in cash from the proceeds received in connection with the Company's settlement with Kollsman, Inc. We do not expect to declare or pay cash dividends on our common stock in the near future. We intend to retain any earnings to finance the growth of our business.

On February 21, 2008 the Company's Board of Directors approved a common stock repurchase program to acquire up to 1,000,000 shares of our outstanding common stock. Purchases of the stock were to be made from time to time, subject to market conditions and at prevailing market prices. The program will remain in effect until February 21, 2009, unless extended by the Board of Directors. During fiscal year 2008 we purchased 173,000 shares of common stock under the program at a cost of \$1.0 million, or an average market price of \$6.06 per share. We financed these purchases through our available cash. We did not make any common stock repurchases during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2007. The following table sets forth the purchases made each month of the three months ended September 30, 2008:

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	Maximum Number of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Program
July 2008				993,000
August 2008				993,000
September 2008	166,000	\$ 5.97	166,000	827,000
Total	166,000		166,000	
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#### **COMPARISON OF 5 YEAR CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURN\***

Among Innovative Solutions and Support, Inc., The NASDAQ Composite Index And The Russell 2000 Index

	9/03	9/04	9/05	9/06	9/07	9/08
Innovative Solutions and Support, Inc.	100.00	300.61	285.48	267.10	348.71	120.42
NASDAQ Composite	100.00	107.78	122.80	131.27	158.39	118.78
Russell 2000	100.00	118.77	140.09	154.00	173.00	147.94

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\$100 invested on 9/30/03 in stock or index including reinvestment of dividends. Fiscal year ending September 30.

The graph above shows the cumulative shareholder return on \$100 invested at the market close on September 30, 2003 through and including September 30, 2008, the last trading day before the end of our most recently completed fiscal year, with the cumulative total return over the same time period of the same amount invested in the Nasdaq Composite Index and the Russell 2000 Index.

#### Item 6. Selected Consolidated Financial Data.

The following tables present portions of our consolidated financial statements. You should read the following selected consolidated financial data set forth below together with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and our consolidated financial statements and related notes to our financial statements appearing elsewhere herein. The selected statement of operations data for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2008, 2007 and 2006 and the balance sheet data as of September 30, 2008 and 2007 are derived from our audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The selected statements

of operations data for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 and the balance sheet data as of September 30, 2006, 2005 and 2004 are derived from our audited consolidated financial statements that are not included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

	Fiscal year ended September 30,					
	2008		2007	2006	2005	2004
Statement of Operations Data:						
Net sales	\$ 30,533,	311 \$	18,348,128	\$16,721,967	\$63,264,359	\$46,099,777
Cost of sales	20,551,	857	14,154,425	8,631,761	20,888,729	15,663,108
Gross profit	9,981,	454	4,193,703	8,090,206	42,375,630	30,436,669
Research and development	10,304,	279	5,180,360	6,749,426	6,057,889	4,811,156
Selling, general and administrative	22,306,	016	15,840,255	9,863,758	8,898,622	7,567,959
Asset impairment	2,475,	000				
Total operating expenses	35,085,	295 2	21,020,615	16,613,184	14,956,511	12,379,115
Operating income (loss)	(25,103,	841) (	16,826,912)	(8,522,978)	27,419,119	18,057,554
Interest income, net	1,415,	732	2,886,602	3,091,986	1,764,246	404,727
Other income	17,300,	000				
Income (loss) before income taxes	(6,388,	109) (	13,940,310)	(5,430,992)	29,183,365	18,462,281
Income tax expense (benefit), net	1,509,	139	(5,095,022)	(2,548,600)	10,598,563	6,530,084
Net income (loss)	\$ (7,897,	248) \$	(8,845,288)	\$ (2,882,392)	\$18,584,802	\$11,932,197
Net income (loss) per common						
share:						
Basic	\$ ((	).47) \$	(0.52)	\$ (0.17)	\$ 1.04	\$ 0.69
Diluted	\$ ((	).47) \$	(0.52)	\$ (0.17)	\$ 1.02	\$ 0.67
Weighted average shares						
outstanding						
Basic	16,887,	049	16,865,028	17,388,524	17,873,780	17,400,380
Diluted	16,887.	049	16,865,028	17,388,524	18,259,856	17,928,180

As of September 30,					
2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	
\$35,031,932	\$49,151,078	\$62,984,829	\$ 83,172,582	\$65,867,167	
42,491,253	62,453,234	73,751,866	93,455,475	70,627,114	
59,896,714	84,585,785	87,232,880	107,034,878	87,468,627	
4,362,725	4,382,542	4,339,587	4,248,113	4,255,681	
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#### Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

The following discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with "Selected Consolidated Financial Data" and our financial statements and the related notes included in this report.

#### Overview

Innovative Solutions and Support was founded in 1988. The Company designs, develops, manufactures and sells flight information computers, large flat-panel displays and advanced monitoring systems that measure and display critical flight information, including data relative to aircraft separation, airspeed, altitude as well as engine and fuel data measurements.

Our sales are derived from the sale of our products to the retrofit market and, to a lesser extent, original equipment manufacturers. Our customers include the DoD and their commercial contractors, aircraft operators, aircraft modification centers and various OEMs. Although we occasionally sell our products directly to the DoD, we primarily have sold our products to commercial customers for end use in DoD programs. Sales to defense contractors are on commercial terms, although some of the termination and other provisions of government contracts are applicable to these contracts.

Our cost-of-sales related to product sales is comprised of material components purchased through our supplier base and direct in-house assembly labor and overhead costs. Many of the components we use in assembling our products are standard, although certain parts are manufactured to meet our specifications. The overhead portion of cost of sales is primarily comprised of salaries and benefits, building occupancy, supplies, and outside service costs related to our production, purchasing, material control and quality departments, and warranty costs.

Our cost of sales related to Engineering modification and development (EMD) is comprised of engineering labor, consulting services, and other cost associated with specific design and development projects.

We intend to continue investing in the development of new products that complement our current product offerings and will expense associated research and development costs as they are incurred.

Our selling, general and administrative expenses consist of sales, marketing, business development, professional services, and salaries and benefits for executive and administrative personnel as well as facility costs, recruiting, legal, accounting, and other general corporate expenses.

We sell our products to agencies of the United States and foreign governments, aircraft operators, aircraft modification centers and original equipment manufacturers. Our customers have been and may continue to be affected by the ongoing adverse economic conditions that currently exist both in the United States and abroad. Such conditions may cause our customers to curtail or delay their spending on both new and existing aircraft. Factors that can impact general economic conditions and the level of spending by our customers include but are not limited to general levels of consumer spending, increases in fuel and energy costs, conditions in the real estate and mortgage markets, labor and healthcare costs, access to credit, consumer confidence and other macroeconomic factors affecting spending behavior. In addition, spending by government agencies may in the future be further reduced due to declining tax revenues associated with this economic downturn. If our customers curtail or delay their spending or are forced to declare bankruptcy or liquidate their operations due to continuing adverse economic conditions, our revenues and results of operations will be adversely affected. However, we believe that in a declining economic environment customers that may have otherwise elected to purchase newly manufactured aircraft will instead be interested in retrofitting existing aircraft as a cost effective alternative, which will create a market opportunity for our products.

On November 25, 2008, Eclipse Aviation filed a voluntary petition for relief under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. Given the early stages if the bankruptcy proceedings, it is unclear at this



time what the precise impact the Eclipse's bankruptcy will have. During the fiscal year ended September 30, 2008, Eclipse accounted for approximately 42% of the Company's overall revenues.

During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008, the Company took steps to limit its overall exposure to Eclipse, including by increasing the allowance for doubtful accounts and inventory obsolescence specifically for Eclipse by \$4.1 million and \$1.9 million, respectively. In response to the lost future revenues from Eclipse and the overall downward turn in the economy, the Company reduced its overall headcount by 52 people. The reductions affect most of the departments in the Company with the majority of the reductions coming from the engineering department. The Company expects to see a significant reduction in its overall headcount costs in fiscal 2009 as a result of these actions.

#### **Results of Operations**

#### Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2008 Compared to Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2007

*Net sales*. Net sales increased \$12.2 million or 66% to \$30.5 million for fiscal 2008 from \$18.3 million for fiscal 2007. Flat panel display system sales for fiscal 2008 grew by \$13.9 million or 142% from fiscal 2007 while air data sales for fiscal 2008 declined by \$1.7 million or 20% from fiscal 2007. The increase in net sales was the result of a \$1.3 million increase in EMD flat panel display system sales associated with the Eclipse 500, Pilatus PC-12 and C-130 airplanes. The increase in product sales of \$10.9 million for fiscal 2008 was the result of increased shipments of flat panel display systems associated with the Eclipse 500, and the 757/767 product sold to American Airlines and Federal Express as these programs moved from development into production. The decline in air data product sales was a result of variability in customer demand that is not directly attributable to any particular customer or specific product.

*Cost of sales*. Cost of sales increased \$6.4 million or 45% to \$20.6 million, or 67% of net sales, for fiscal 2008 from \$14.2 million, or 77% of net sales, for fiscal 2007. The increase in the dollar amount was mainly due to increased volume and the establishment of an inventory reserve associated with the suspension of activity related to the Eclipse program (Eclipse Aviation filed under Chapter 11 of the US Bankruptcy Code on November 25, 2008), offset by a decrease in the direct costs associated with various EMD projects. The dollar amount of product cost of sales increased by \$8.6 million or 96% in fiscal 2008 from fiscal 2007. On a percent to product sales basis the increase amounted to eight percentage points from the prior fiscal year.

*Research and development.* Research and development expenses increased \$5.1 million, or 99% to \$10.3 million, or 34% of net sales for fiscal 2008 from \$5.2 million or 28% of net sales for fiscal 2007. The dollar increase was a result of a significant increase in staffing and other project costs in order to bring a variety of projects to completion in fiscal 2008. When you combine research and development expenses with EMD cost of sales, combined engineering research and development related expenses increased by \$2.9 million or 29% to \$13.3 million in fiscal 2008 from \$10.4 million in fiscal 2007. The combined increase was due to increased salaries and associated benefits tied to employee additions, consultants and supplies.

*Selling, general and administrative expenses.* Selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$6.5 million or 41% to \$22.3 million, or 73% of net sales, for fiscal 2008 from \$15.8 million, or 86% of net sales, for fiscal 2007. The increase in the dollar amount was principally due to the establishment of a bad debt reserve related to the Company's decision to suspend activity related to the Eclipse program (Eclipse Aviation filed under Chapter 11 of the US Bankruptcy Code on November 25, 2008) and expenses associated with the termination of the former CEO and the retirement of the former CFO.

*Interest (income) expense, net.* Net interest income decreased \$1.5 million or 51% to \$1.4 million for fiscal 2008 from \$2.9 million for fiscal 2007. The net interest income decline in fiscal 2008 was due to lower average cash balances during the year.

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*Other income.* Other income was \$17.3 million for fiscal 2008 primarily as a result of the receipt of \$17.0 million in proceeds related to the settlement of the Company's trade secret litigation and \$0.3 million related to short-swing profit disgorgement proceeds from a shareholder.

*Income tax.* The income tax expense for fiscal 2008 was \$1.5 million and the income tax benefit for fiscal 2007 was \$5.1 million. The effective tax rate for fiscal 2008 was an expense of 24% and for fiscal 2007 the effective tax rate was a benefit of 37%. For fiscal 2008 there was no tax benefit due to the inability of the Company, per the provisions of FAS 109, to recognize the tax benefits associated with the current year pretax loss and the need to establish a valuation allowance to eliminate the book value of all deferred tax assets based upon the negative evidence that exists. The effective tax rate for fiscal 2007 differs from the statutory rate due to state tax expense, partially offset by the utilization of research and development tax credits.

*Net income (loss).* As a result of the factors described above, our net loss for fiscal 2008 was \$7.9 million. The net loss for fiscal 2007 was \$8.8 million. On a fully diluted basis, the loss per share of \$0.47 for fiscal 2008 compares to a loss per share of \$0.52 for fiscal 2007.

#### Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2007 Compared to Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2006

*Net sales*. Net sales increased \$1.6 million or 10% to \$18.3 million for fiscal 2007 from \$16.7 million for fiscal 2006. Flat panel display system sales for fiscal 2007 grew by \$3.4 million or 53% while air data sales for fiscal year 2007 declined by \$1.8 million or 17% from fiscal 2006. The increase in net sales was the result of a \$2.5 million increase in EMD flat panel display system sales associated with the Eclipse 500 and Boeing KDC10 airplanes. The increase in EMD sales more than offset a \$0.9 million or 5% year over year decline in product sales that resulted because of a decline in demand for air data products as well as certification delays on hardware transitioning from development to production.

*Cost of sales.* Cost of sales increased \$5.6 million or 64% to \$14.1 million, or 77% of net sales, for fiscal 2007 from \$8.6 million, or 51% of net sales, for fiscal 2006. The increase in the dollar amount and percent to sales was mainly due to higher EMD sales in fiscal 2007 as well as incurring higher cost on the Eclipse program, over and above the amount Eclipse paid the Company for system development. The dollar amount of product cost of sales increased by \$1.0 million or 12% in fiscal 2007 from fiscal 2006. On a percent to product sales basis the increase amounted to nine percentage points from the prior fiscal year.

*Research and development.* Research and development expenses decreased \$1.5 million, or 24% to \$5.2 million, or 28% of net sales for fiscal 2007 from \$6.7 million or 40% of net sales for fiscal 2006. The dollar decrease was principally due to allocating \$5.2 million of research and development expense to EMD cost of sales. The allocation was necessary to match non recurring engineering cost with corresponding non recurring engineering sales in the year. When you combine research and development expenses with EMD cost of sales, combined engineering research and development related expenses have increased by \$3.1 million or 44% to \$10.4 million in fiscal 2007 from \$7.3 million in fiscal 2006. The combined increase was due to increased salaries and associated benefits tied to employee additions, consultants and supplies.

*Selling, general and administrative expenses.* Selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$5.9 million or 60% to \$15.8 million, or 86% of net sales, for fiscal 2007 from \$9.9 million, or 59% of net sales, for fiscal 2006. The increase in both the dollar amount and percent to sales was principally due to legal and other fees relating to defense of our intellectual property.

*Interest (income) expense, net.* Net interest income decreased \$0.2 million or 7% to \$2.9 million for fiscal 2007 from \$3.1 million for fiscal 2006. The net interest income decline in fiscal 2007 was due to lower average cash balances in the year.



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*Income tax.* The income tax benefit for fiscal 2007 was \$5.1 million. The income tax benefit for fiscal 2006 was \$2.5 million. The increase in the amount of tax benefit in fiscal 2007 was the result of a higher loss before income tax in fiscal 2007.

The effective tax rate for fiscal 2007 was a benefit of 37% and for fiscal 2006 the effective tax rate was a benefit of 47%. For fiscal 2007 the effective tax rate differs from the statutory rate due to state tax expense, partially offset by the utilization of research and development tax credits. For fiscal 2006 the effective tax rate differs from the statutory rate due to the benefit for state income taxes and an adjustment to the tax payable accounts, partially offset by the loss of benefit from the deduction for domestic production activities and the exclusion for extraterritorial income due to the taxable loss for the year.

*Net income (loss).* As a result of the factors described above, our net loss for fiscal 2007 was \$8.8 million. The net loss for fiscal 2006 was \$2.9 million. On a fully diluted basis, the loss per share of \$0.52 for fiscal 2007 compares to a loss per share of \$0.17 for fiscal 2006.

#### **Related-Party Transactions:**

The Company incurred legal fees of \$129,000, \$146,000 and \$357,000 with a law firm that is a shareholder of the Company for the years ended September 30, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively. The fees paid and services rendered were comparable with the fees paid and services rendered prior to the law firm's investment in the Company.

For the years ended September 30, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively, we incurred service fees of \$67,000, \$18,000 and \$25,000 with a commercial graphics firm controlled by an individual who is married to a shareholder and daughter of the Company's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer.

#### Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our primary source of liquidity was cash flow generated in prior fiscal years. We require cash principally to finance inventory, payroll and accounts payable.

Cash flow provided by operating activities was \$4.2 million in fiscal 2008 as compared to \$10.6 million used in operating activities in fiscal 2007. The \$14.8 million difference was attributable to a \$17.0 million legal settlement, a decrease in accounts receivable of \$0.9 million (principally the Eclipse reserve) and a decrease of \$6.9 million in the change in prepaid expenses and other assets partially offset by a \$5.4 million decrease in the change in accounts payable. The Company had negative operating cash flow of \$1.6 million in fiscal 2006 primarily as a result of the net operating loss realized.

Cash used in investing activities was \$0.6 million, \$3.9 million and \$0.7 million for fiscal year 2008, 2007, and 2006 and consisted of spending for licensing fees, production equipment and laboratory test equipment.

Cash used in financing activities was \$17.7 million for fiscal year 2008 and consisted primarily of the special dividend of \$16.7 million paid along with share repurchases of \$1.0 million. Cash provided by financing activities was \$0.6 million for fiscal year 2007 and consisted primarily of proceeds from stock option exercises. Cash used in financing activities was \$17.9 million for fiscal 2006. The primary use of cash for financing activities in fiscal year 2006 was attributable to share repurchases of \$18.1 million.

To accommodate future growth, in 2001 we purchased 7.5 acres of land in the Eagleview Corporate Park, Exton, Pennsylvania, where we built a 44,800 square foot facility that is expandable to 65,200 square feet. Both the land and building cost approximate \$6.5 million, \$4.3 million of which was funded through an Industrial Development Bond (IDB) and the remainder from cash from operations.

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The IDB previously required the Company to maintain certain financial covenants including a ratio of liabilities to earnings before interest, taxes and depreciation and amortization (EBITDA), fixed charge ratio and a minimum tangible net worth. As of June 30, 2006, the Company was in violation of certain of these financial covenants. The defaults were subsequently waived and an amendment to the agreement was entered into with the lender whereby the defaulted covenants were modified. Effective November 30, 2007 prior loan agreement covenants were changed to only require the Company to maintain at all times unencumbered cash and marketable securities having a market value of at least \$20.0 million and a minimum Tangible Net Worth of \$65.0 million. The lender, however, agreed on January 10, 2008 to discontinue the Tangible Net Worth covenant so that the only remaining requirement is that the Company maintain at all times unencumbered cash and marketable securities having a value of at least \$20.0 million. As of September 30, 2008, the Company was in compliance with this requirement.

Our future capital requirements depend on numerous factors, including market acceptance of our products (in particular flat panel display systems), the timing and rate of expansion of our business, acquisitions, joint ventures and other factors. We have experienced increases in our expenditures since our inception consistent with growth in our operations, personnel, and product line and we anticipate that our operations and expenditures will continue to increase in the foreseeable future. We believe that our cash and cash equivalents will provide sufficient capital to fund our operations for at least the next twelve months. However, we may need to raise additional funds through public or private financing or other arrangements in order to support more rapid expansion of our business than we currently anticipate. Potential lenders may have suffered losses related to their lending and other financial relationships, especially because of the general weakening of the national economy and increased financial instability of many borrowers. As a result, lenders may become insolvent or tighten their lending standards, which could make it more difficult for us to borrow or to obtain new financing on favorable terms or at all. Our financial condition and results of operations would be adversely affected if we were unable to obtain cost-effective financing in the future. Further, we may develop and introduce new or enhanced products, respond to competitive pressures, invest in or acquire businesses or technologies or respond to unanticipated requirements or developments.

Our contractual obligations of as of September 30, 2008 mature as follows:

	Payments Due by Period					
Contractual Obligations	Total	Less than 1 Year	1-3 Years	4-5 Years	After 5 Years	
Interest on loan from Chester County						
Industrial Dev. Auth.(1)	\$1,207,731	\$ 172,533	\$345,066	\$345,066	\$ 345,066	
Principal on Chester County Industrial						
Loan	4,335,000				4,335,000	
Operating Lease	39,065	39,065				
Capital Leases, including interest	55,152	13,788	27,576	13,788		
Puchase Obligations(2)	3,215,641	2,673,858	109,447	432,336		
	\$8,852,589	\$2,899,244	\$482,089	\$791,190	\$4,680,066	

(1)

The interest on the Industrial Development Bond assumes the current rate of 3.98%. The interest rate set by the remarketing agent is consistent with 30-day tax-exempt commercial paper.

(2)

A "purchase obligation" is defined as an agreement to purchase goods or services that is enforceable and legally binding on the company and that specifies all significant terms, including: fixed or minimum quantities to be purchased; fixed, minimum or variable price provisions; and the approximate timing of the transaction. These amounts are primarily comprised of open purchase order commitments entered in the ordinary course of business vendors and subcontractors pertaining to fulfillment of our current order backlog.

#### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

The Company has no off-balance sheet arrangements.

#### Inflation

We do not believe inflation had a material effect on our financial position or results of operations during the past three years, however, we cannot predict future effects of inflation.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. The Company's most critical accounting policies are revenue recognition, income taxes, inventory valuation, share-based compensation, and warranty reserves.

#### Revenue recognition

The Company recognizes revenue under the provisions of Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 104, "Revenue Recognition" (SAB 104).

The Company enters into certain sales arrangements that include multiple deliverables as defined in Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF) Issue No. 00-21, "Revenue Arrangements with Multiple Deliverables." The Company identifies all goods and/or services that are to be delivered separately under a sales arrangement and allocates revenue to each deliverable based on fair value. In general, revenues are separated between product sales and EMD sales. The allocated revenue for each deliverable is then recognized using appropriate revenue recognition methods.

The Company accounts for transactions with software that is more than incidental to the products under Statement of Position (SOP) 97-2. "Software Revenue Recognition" and EITF Issue 03-5, "Applicability of AICPA Statement of Position 97-2, Software Revenue Recognition, to Non-Software Deliverables in an Arrangement Containing More-Than-Incidental Software." For Software arrangements that include multiple elements, revenue is allocated to the various elements, including post contract customer support (PCS), if applicable, based on vendor-specific objective evidence of fair value. Revenue for each element other than PCS is recognized when all of the following criteria are met: 1) there is persuasive evidence that an arrangement exists; 2) delivery has occurred or services have been rendered; 3) the seller's price to the buyer is fixed or determinable; and 4) collectability is reasonably assured. The portion of revenue allocated to PCS should be recognized as revenue ratably over the term of the PCS arrangement because PCS services are assumed to be provided ratably.

Sales related to certain long-term contracts requiring development and delivery of products over several accounting periods are accounted for under the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) SOP 81-1, "Accounting for Performance of Construction-Type and Certain Production-Type Contracts." We consider the nature of these contracts as well as the types of products and services provided when determining appropriate accounting treatment for a particular contract. We recognize our construction-type contracts using either the percentage-of-completion method or completed contract method of accounting. We record sales relating to these contracts using the percentage-of-completion method when we determine that progress toward completion is reasonable and reliably estimable and the contract is long-term in nature; we use the competed contract method for all others.

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The Company offers its customers extended warranties for additional fees. These warranty sales are recorded as deferred revenue and recognized as sales on a straight-line basis over the warranty period.

#### Income taxes

Income taxes are recorded in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes" (SFAS 109). Provisions for federal and state income taxes are calculated on reported financial statement pre-tax income based on current tax law. The Company recognizes deferred tax assets and liabilities for temporary differences between the financial reporting basis and the tax basis of the Company's assets and liabilities and expected benefits of utilizing net operating loss carryforwards. The impact on deferred taxes of changes in tax rates and laws, if any, applied to the years during which temporary differences are expected to be settled, are reflected in the consolidated financial statements in the period of enactment.

As required by SFAS 109, we record a valuation allowance to reduce our deferred tax assets to the amount that is more likely than not to be realized. In evaluating our ability to recover our deferred tax assets we consider all available positive and negative evidence, including our operating results, ongoing tax planning, and forecasts of future taxable income on a jurisdiction by jurisdiction basis. In the event we were to determine that we would be able to realize our deferred tax assets in the future in excess of their net recorded amount, we would make an adjustment to the valuation allowance which would reduce the provision for income taxes.

Effective October 1, 2007 (the first day of fiscal 2008), we adopted Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Interpretation No. 48, "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes" (FIN 48). FIN 48 prescribes a comprehensive model for how a company should recognize, measure, present and disclose in its financial statements uncertain tax positions that the company has taken or expects to take on a tax return. FIN 48 states that a tax benefit from an uncertain tax position may be recognized only if it is "more likely than not" that the position is sustainable based on its technical merits. The tax benefit of a qualifying position is the largest amount of tax benefit that is greater than 50% likely of being realized upon settlement with a taxing authority having full knowledge of all relevant information. A tax benefit from an uncertain position was previously recognized if it was probable of being sustained. Under FIN 48, the liability for unrecognized tax benefits is classified as noncurrent unless the liability is expected to be settled in cash within 12 months of the reporting date. We have elected to record any interest or penalties from the uncertain tax position as income tax expense (see Note 9).

We prepare and file tax returns based on our interpretation of tax laws and regulations, and we record estimates based on these judgments and interpretations. In the normal course of business, our tax returns are subject to examination by various taxing authorities. Such examinations may result in future tax and interest assessments by these taxing authorities and we record a liability when we believe that it is probable that we will be assessed. We adjust our estimates periodically because of ongoing examinations by and settlements with the various taxing authorities, as well as changes in tax laws, regulations and precedent. The consolidated tax provision of any given year includes adjustments to prior year income tax accruals that are considered appropriate and any related estimated interest. We believe adequate accruals have been made for income taxes. Differences between estimated and actual amounts determined upon ultimate resolution, individually or in the aggregate, are not expected to have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position but could possibly be material to our consolidated results of operations or cash flow of any one period.

#### Inventories

We value our inventory at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out) or market through the establishment of inventory reserves. Inventories are written down for estimated obsolescence equal to the difference



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between inventory cost and estimated net realizable value based upon assumptions about future market conditions. Our reserve contains uncertainties because the calculation requires management to make assumptions and to apply judgment regarding inventory aging, forecasted future demand, market conditions and technological obsolescence. If actual future demand or market conditions are less favorable than those projected by management, additional inventory write-downs may be required.

#### Share-based compensation

Effective October 1, 2005 the Company adopted the provisions of SFAS No. 123R, "Share-Based Payment" (SFAS 123R), using the modified prospective approach and now accounts for share-based compensation applying the fair value method for expensing stock options. Accordingly, adoption of SFAS 123R's fair value method results in recording compensation costs under the Company's 1998 Stock Option Plan. We determine the fair value of our stock option awards at the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. Option-pricing models and generally accepted valuation techniques require management to make assumptions and to apply judgment to determine the fair value of our awards. These assumptions and judgments include estimating future volatility of our stock price, expected dividend yield, future employee turnover rates and future employee stock option exercise behaviors. Changes in these assumptions can materially affect fair value estimates. We do not believe there is a reasonable likelihood that there will be a material change in the future estimates or assumptions we use to determine stock-based compensation expense. However, if actual results are not consistent with our estimates or assumptions, we may be exposed to changes in stock-based compensation expense that could be material.

#### Warranty reserves

We offer warranties on some products of various lengths. At the time of shipment, we establish a reserve for estimated costs of warranties based on our best estimate of the amounts necessary to settle future and existing claims using historical data on products sold as of the balance sheet date. The length of the warranty period, the product's failure rates and the customer's usage affects warranty cost. If actual costs of warranties differs from our estimated amounts, future results of operations could be adversely affected.

#### **New Accounting Pronouncements**

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 141R, "Business Combinations" (SFAS 141R), which replaces SFAS No. 141, "Business Combinations." SFAS 141R, among other things, establishes principles and requirements for how an acquirer entity recognizes and measures in its financial statements the identifiable assets acquired, the liabilities assumed and any controlling interests in the acquired entity; recognizes and measures the goodwill acquired in the business combination or a gain from a bargain purchase; and determines what information to disclose to enable users of the financial statements to evaluate the nature and financial effects of the business combination. Costs of the acquisition will be recognized separately from the business combination. SFAS 141R applies prospectively, except for taxes, to business combinations for which the acquisition date is on or after the beginning of the first annual reporting period on or after December 15, 2008.

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements* ("SFAS 157"). SFAS 157 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in generally accepted accounting principles, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. This statement does not require any new fair value measurements; however, application of this Statement may change current practice for some entities. SFAS 157 is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of this pronouncement.

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## **Business Segments**

The Company operates in one principal business segment which designs, manufactures and sells flight information computers, large flat-panel displays and advanced monitoring systems to the DoD, government agencies, defense contractors, commercial air transport carriers and corporate/general aviation markets. The Company currently derives virtually all of its revenues from the sale of this equipment. Almost all of the Company's sales, operating results and identifiable assets are in the United States. Net sales, operating results, and identifiable assets outside the U.S. are not significant.

In fiscal year 2008, 2007, and 2006 net sales outside the United States amounted to \$1.7 million, \$1.1 million and \$2.8 million respectively.

#### Item 7A. Quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risk.

The Company's operations are exposed to market risks primarily as a result of changes in interest rates. The Company does not use derivative financial instruments for speculative or trading purposes. The Company's exposure to market risk for changes in interest rates relates to its cash equivalents and an industrial revenue bond. The Company's cash equivalents consist of funds invested in money market accounts, which bear interest at a variable rate, while the industrial revenue bond carries an interest rate that is consistent with 30-day tax-exempt commercial paper. As the interest rates are variable, a change in interest rates earned on the cash equivalents or paid on the industrial revenue bond would impact interest income and expense along with cash flows, but would not impact the fair market value of the related underlying instruments.

## Item 8. Financial statements and supplementary data.

The financial statements of Innovative Solutions and Support, Inc. listed in the index appearing under Item 8 herein are filed as part of this Report.

# Innovative Solutions and Support, Inc.

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# REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of Innovative Solutions and Support, Inc. Exton, Pennsylvania

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Innovative Solutions and Support, Inc. and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of September 30, 2008 and 2007, and the related consolidated statements of operations, cash flows, and shareholders' equity for each of the three years in the period ended September 30, 2008. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of September 30, 2008 and 2007, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended September 30, 2008, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As discussed in Note 9 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company adopted Financial Accounting Standards Board Interpretation No. 48, *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes*, effective October 1, 2007.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2008, based on the criteria established in *Internal Control Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated December 9, 2008 expressed an unqualified opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania December 9, 2008

# INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS AND SUPPORT, INC.

# CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	Se	As of eptember 30, 2008	Se	As of eptember 30, 2007
ASSETS				
Current Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	35,031,932	\$	49,151,078
Accounts receivable, net		4,218,443		6,248,606
Inventories		9,361,257		9,363,795
Deferred income taxes		414,636		899,895
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		1,406,260		6,208,804
Total current assets		50,432,528		71,872,178
Property and Equipment:				
Computers and test equipment		5,879,362		5,444,737
Corporate airplane		3,076,400		3,058,627
Furniture and office equipment		1,074,029		1,016,954
Manufacturing facility		5,576,536		5,557,048
Land		1,021,245		1,021,245
		1,021,210		1,021,210
		16,627,572		16,098,611
Less-Accumulated depreciation and amortization		(7,669,226)		(6,721,274)
Net property and equipment		8,958,346		9,377,337
Deferred income taxes				328,060
Other assets		505,840		3,008,210
Total assets	\$	59,896,714	\$	84,585,785
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY Current Liabilities				
Current portion of capitalized lease obligations	\$	9,908	\$	9,908
Accounts payable		2,349,981		4,077,789
Accrued expenses		5,130,463		4,670,832
Deferred revenue		450,923		660,415
Total current liabilities		7,941,275		9,418,944
Note payable		4,335,000		4,335,000
Long-term portion of capitalized lease obligations		37,633		47,542
Deferred revenue		114,075		50,520
Deferred income taxes		414,636		
Other liabilities		249,969		
Commitments and contingencies				

Shareholders' Equity:				
Preferred stock, 10,000,000 shares authorized, \$.001 par				
value, of which 200,000 shares are authorized as Class A				
Convertible stock. No shares issued and outstanding at				
September 30, 2008 and 2007				
Common stock, \$.001 par value: 75,000,000 shares				
authorized, 18,177,024 and 18,161,172 shares issued at				
September 30, 2008 and 2007		18,177		18,161
Additional paid-in capital		45,767,960		44,607,993
Retained earnings		20,152,615		44,194,053
Treasury stock, at cost, 1,445,510 and 1,272,510, shares at				
September 30, 2008 and 2007		(19,134,626)		(18,086,428)
Total shareholders' equity		46,804,126		70,733,779
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	59,896,714	\$	84.585.785
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

# **INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS & SUPPORT, INC.**

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

	For the Fisc:	al Year Ended Sep	tember 30,
	2008	2007	2006
Net sales:			
Product	\$ 25,946,917	\$ 15,083,465	\$15,940,721
Engineering modification and development	4,586,394	3,264,663	781,246
Total net sales	30,533,311	18,348,128	16,721,967
Cost of sales			
Product	17,584,314	8,968,939	8,006,406
Engineering modification and development	2,967,543	5,185,486	625,355
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Total cost of sales	20,551,857	14,154,425	8,631,761
Gross profit	9,981,454	4,193,703	8,090,206
Operating expenses:			
Research and development	10,304,279	5,180,360	6,749,426
Selling, general and administrative	22,306,016	15,840,255	9,863,758
Asset impairment	2,475,000		
Total operating expenses	35,085,295	21,020,615	16,613,184
Operating loss	(25,103,841)	(16,826,912)	(8,522,978)
Interest income	1,576,599	3,090,919	3,280,179
Interest expense	(160,867)	(204,317)	(188,193)
Other income	17,300,000		
Loss before income taxes	(6,388,109)	(13,940,310)	(5,430,992)
Income taxes expense (benefit)	1,509,139	(5,095,022)	(2,548,600)
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Net loss	\$ (7,897,248)	\$ (8,845,288)	\$ (2,882,392)
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Net loss per common share:			
Basic	\$ (0.47)	\$ (0.52)	\$ (0.17)
Duble	φ (0.17)	¢ (0.52)	φ (0.17)
Diluted	\$ (0.47)	\$ (0.52)	\$ (0.17)
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Weighted average shares outstanding:			
Basic	16,887,049	16,865,028	17,388,524
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Diluted	16,887,049	16,865,028	17,388,524

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

# INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS AND SUPPORT, INC.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

	Common Stock	Additional Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Treasury Stock	Total
Balance, September 30, 2005	\$ 18,047	\$41,926,318	\$ 55,921,733	\$	\$ 97,866,098
Exercise of options to purchase	φ10,017	φ 11,9 20,9 10	φ <i>33,721,733</i>	Ψ	¢ 77,000,070
common stock	25	408,779			408,804
Share-based compensation		655,351			655,351
Issuance of stock to directors	16	239,904			239,920
Purchase of treasury stock				(18,086,428)	(18,086,428)
Net loss			(2,882,392)		(2,882,392)
Balance, September 30, 2006	18,088	43,230,352	53,039,341	(18,086,428)	78,201,353
Exercise of options to purchase	-,	-, -,	) )-	( -)	, . ,
common stock	58	652,060			652,118
Share-based compensation		505,652			505,652
Issuance of stock to directors	15	219,929			219,944
Net loss		,	(8,845,288)		(8,845,288)
Balance, September 30, 2007	18,161	44,607,993	44,194,053	(18,086,428)	70,733,779
Exercise of options to purchase	- , -	, ,	, - ,	( - / / - /	, ,
common stock	5	22,055			22,060
Share-based compensation		938,013			938,013
Issuance of stock to directors	11	199,899			199,910
Purchase of treasury stock		,		(1,048,198)	(1,048,198)
Cumulative effect of adoption					
of FIN 48			587,324		587,324
Dividends			(16,731,514)		(16,731,514)
Net loss			(7,897,248)		(7,897,248)
Balance, September 30, 2008	\$18,177	\$45,767,960	\$ 20 152 615	\$(19.134.626)	\$ 46 804 126

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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

# INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS AND SUPPORT, INC.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30,           2008         2007         2006           CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:             Net loss         \$ 1,509,139         \$ (8,845,288)         \$ (2,882,392)           Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:              Depreciation and amortization         1,048,267         946,215         858,641           Share-based compensation expense:              Stock options         938,013         505,652         655,351           Nonvested stock awards         199,910         219,944         239,920           Tax benefit (expense) from share-based arrangements:           227,965           Nonvested stock awards         (21,655)         (3,588)         (8,456)           Provision for losses on accounts receivable         4,077,319          22,066           Excess tax benefits from share-based payments           22,066           Excess and obsolet inventory expense         1,856,827         100,000         38,861           Asset impairment         2,475,000          22,066           Excess and obsolete inventory expense <td< th=""></td<>
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Increase (decrease) in:
Accounts payable (1,727,808) 3,718,971 53,302
Accrued expenses 1,046,955 1,548,291 (381,272)
Deferred revenue (145,937) (1,682) 344,504
Other non current liabilities 249,969
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities 13,602,577 (10,575,859) (1,630,704)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:
Purchases of property and equipment (573,357) (1,276,508) (456,528)
Purchases of other assets (2,616,500) (240,000)
Proceeds on sale of fixed assets 3,000
Net cash used in investing activities (570,357) (3,893,008) (696,528)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:
Proceeds from exercise of stock options 33,218 492,721 189,295
Purchase of treasury stock         (1,048,198)         (18,086,428)
Dividend paid (16,731,514)
Repayment of capitalized lease obligations (9,909) (12,478) (7,892)
Excess tax benefits from share-based payments
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Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities (17,744,979) 635,116 (17,860,521)
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Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 4	14,438,319	\$ 49,151,078	\$ 62,984,829
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION				
Cash paid for interest	\$	120,650	\$ 164,091	\$ 147,332
Cash paid for income taxes	\$	9,073	\$	\$ 457,672
Cash received from income tax refund	\$ (	(5,107,269)	\$ (2,424,704)	\$ (3,278,844)
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

#### 1. Background:

Innovative Solutions and Support, Inc., (the "Company"), was incorporated in Pennsylvania on February 12, 1988. The Company's primary business is the design, manufacture and sale of flight information computers, large flat panel displays and advanced monitoring systems to the Department of Defense (DoD), defense contractors, commercial air transport and corporate/general aviation markets.

#### 2. Concentrations:

#### Major Customers and Products

In fiscal 2008, 2007, and 2006 the Company derived 72%, 58%, and 47% of net sales from five customers, although not all the same customers in each year. Accounts receivable related to those top five customers was \$2.3 million, \$4.7 million, and \$1.8 million for fiscal 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively.

The Company recorded sales with two customers that individually accounted for 42% and 10% of total sales for fiscal year 2008, three customers that individually accounted for 20%, 16% and 11% of net sales for fiscal year 2007 and one customer that accounted for 17% of net sales for fiscal year 2006.

Sales of air data systems and components were 23%, 47%, and 62% of total sales for the years ended September 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006 respectively. Flat Panel sales were 77%, 53%, and 38% of net sales in the years ended September 30, 2008, 2007. and 2006 respectively. Sales to government contractors and agencies accounted for approximately 23%, 36%, and 51% of total sales during fiscal years 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively.

#### Major Suppliers

The Company currently buys several of its components from sole source suppliers. Although there are a limited number of manufacturers of particular components, management believes other suppliers could provide similar components on comparable terms.

#### Concentration of Credit Risk

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Company to concentration of credit risk consist principally of cash balances and accounts receivable. The Company invests its excess cash where preservation of principal is the major consideration. The Company's customer base principally consists of companies within the aviation industry. The Company routinely requests advance payments and/or letters of credit from new customers.

The Company has maintained a reserve for doubtful accounts in the amount of \$4.1 million, \$0 and \$0.1 million for fiscal year 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively. The large increase in the reserve for doubtful accounts in fiscal year 2008 was directly related to accounts receivable from Eclipse Aviation, a customer that filed for bankruptcy under Chapter 11 subsequent to the Company's year end. There were no accounts receivable write-offs in fiscal 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively.

## 3. Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies:

#### Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries. All material inter-company balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.



## 3. Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies: (Continued)

# Use of Estimates

Preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts of assets and liabilities, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, as of the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ materially from those estimates.

# Cash and Cash Equivalents

Highly liquid investments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less are classified as cash equivalents. Cash equivalents at September 30, 2008 and 2007 consist of funds invested in money market accounts with financial institutions.

#### Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out) or market and consist of the following:

	Septem	ber 30,
	2008	2007
Raw materials	\$4,705,134	\$6,420,184
Work-in-process	3,046,451	2,216,111
Finished goods	1,609,672	727,500
	\$9,361,257	\$9,363,795

The growth in Finished goods is a result of contractual requirements to hold inventory prior to scheduled delivery.

## Property and Equipment

Property and equipment is stated at cost. Depreciation is provided using an accelerated method over estimated useful lives of the assets (the lesser of three to seven years or over the lease term), except for the airplane and manufacturing facility, which are depreciated over a straight-line method. Major additions and improvements are capitalized, while maintenance and repairs that do not improve or extend the life of assets are charged to expense as incurred. Depreciation expense was \$1.0 million, \$0.9 million and \$0.8 million for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006.

## Long-Lived Assets

The Company assesses the impairment of long-lived assets in accordance with SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets". This statement requires that long-lived assets be reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Also, in general, long-lived assets to be disposed of should be reported at the lower of the carrying amount or fair value less cost to sell. The Company considers historical performance and future estimated results in its evaluation of potential impairment and then compares the carrying amount of the asset to estimated future cash flows expected to result from use of the asset. If the carrying amount of the asset exceeds the estimated expected undiscounted future cash flows, the Company measures the amount of the impairment by comparing the carrying amount of the asset to its fair value. The estimation of fair value is generally measured by discounting

## 3. Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies: (Continued)

expected future cash flows. The Company recorded an asset impairment of \$2.5 million, the full carrying value of previously acquired engineering software which is no longer part of the Company's product offering and will generate no future cash flows. No impairment charges were recorded in fiscal years 2007 and 2006.

#### Revenue Recognition

The Company recognizes revenue under the provisions of Staff Accounting Bulletin (SAB) No. 104, "Revenue Recognition" (SAB 104).

The Company enters into certain sales arrangements that include multiple deliverables as defined in EITF Issue No. 00-21, "Revenue Arrangements with Multiple Deliverables." The Company identifies all goods and/or services that are to be delivered separately under a sales arrangement and allocates revenue to each deliverable based on fair value. In general, revenues are separated between product sales and EMD sales. The allocated revenue for each deliverable is then recognized using appropriate revenue recognition methods.

The Company accounts for transactions with software that is more than incidental to products under SOP 97-2 "Software Revenue Recognition" and EITF Issue 03-5, "Applicability of AICPA Statement of Position 97-2, Software Revenue Recognition, to Non-Software Deliverables in an Arrangement Containing More-Than-Incidental Software." For Software arrangements that include multiple elements revenue is allocated to the various elements, including the post contract customer support (PCS), if applicable, based on vendor-specific objective evidence of fair value. Revenue for each element other than PCS is recognized when all of the following criteria are met: 1) there is persuasive evidence that an arrangement exists; 2) delivery has occurred or services have been rendered; 3) the seller's price to the buyer is fixed or determinable; and 4) collectability is reasonably assured. The portion of the revenue allocated to PCS should be recognized as revenue ratably over the term of the PCS arrangement, because the PCS services are assumed to be provided ratably.

Sales related to certain long-term contracts requiring development and delivery of products over several accounting periods are accounted for under the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) Statement of Position (SOP) 81-1, "Accounting for Performance of Construction-Type and Certain Production-Type Contracts." The Company considers the nature of these contracts as well as the types of products and services provided when determining the appropriate accounting treatment for a particular contract. The Company recognizes its construction-type contracts using either the percentage-of-completion method or completed contract method of accounting. The Company records sales relating to these contracts using the percentage-of-completion method when the Company determines that progress toward completion is reasonable and reliably estimable and the contract is long-term in nature; the Company uses the competed contract method for all others. Sales related to these types of contracts were \$1.4 million, \$3.3 million and \$.8 million for fiscal years ended September 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006 respectively.

The Company offers its customers extended warranties for additional fees. These warranty sales are recorded as deferred revenue and recognized as sales on a straight-line basis over the warranty period.

#### Warranty

Estimated cost to repair or replace products under warranty is provided when sales of product are recorded.



#### 3. Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies: (Continued)

#### Income Taxes

Income taxes are recorded in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes" (SFAS 109), which principally utilizes a balance sheet approach to provide for income taxes. Under this method, the Company recognizes deferred tax assets and liabilities for temporary differences between the financial reporting basis and the tax basis of the Company's assets and liabilities and expected benefits of utilizing net operating loss carryforwards. The impact on deferred taxes of changes in tax rates and laws, if any, applied to the years during which temporary differences are expected to be settled, are reflected in the consolidated financial statements in the period of enactment. The Company files a consolidated United States federal income tax return (see Note 9).

Effective October 1, 2007 (the first day of fiscal 2008), the Company adopted Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Interpretation No. 48, "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes" (FIN 48). FIN 48 prescribes a comprehensive model for how a company should recognize, measure, present and disclose in its financial statements uncertain tax positions that the company has taken or expects to take on a tax return. The Company has elected to record any interest or penalties from the uncertain tax position as income tax expense (see Note 9).

#### Research and Development

Research and development charges incurred for product enhancements and future product development are recorded as expense as incurred.

#### Comprehensive Income

Pursuant to SFAS No. 130, "Reporting Comprehensive Income," the Company would be required to classify items of other comprehensive income by their nature in a financial statement and display the accumulated balance of other comprehensive income separately from retained earnings and additional paid-in capital in the equity section of a statement of financial position. Comprehensive income consists of net income and there were no items of other comprehensive income for any of the periods presented.

#### Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The estimated fair value amounts presented in these consolidated financial statements were determined by the Company using available market information and appropriate methodologies. The Company's financial instruments consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable, accrued liabilities and debt instruments. The carrying values of these assets and liabilities are considered to be representative of respective fair values based on pertinent information available to management as of September 30, 2008 and 2007.

#### Stock-Based Compensation

We account for stock-based compensation under SFAS No. 123 (revised 2004), *Share-Based Payment* (SFAS 123(R)). SFAS 123(R) requires us to measure the cost of employee services received in exchange for an award of equity instruments based on the grant-date fair value of the award using an option pricing model. That cost is recognized over the period during which an employee is required to provide service in exchange for the award.



#### 3. Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies: (Continued)

#### New Accounting Pronouncements

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 141R, "Business Combinations" (SFAS 141R), which replaces SFAS No. 141, "Business Combinations." SFAS 141R, among other things, establishes principles and requirements for how an acquirer entity recognizes and measures in its financial statements the identifiable assets acquired, the liabilities assumed and any controlling interests in the acquired entity; recognizes and measures the goodwill acquired in the business combination or a gain from a bargain purchase; and determines what information to disclose to enable users of the financial statements to evaluate the nature and financial effects of the business combination. Costs of the acquisition will be recognized separately from the business combination. SFAS 141R applies prospectively, except for taxes, to business combinations for which the acquisition date is on or after the beginning of the first annual reporting period on or after December 15, 2008.

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 157, "Fair Value Measurements" ("SFAS 157"). SFAS 157 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in generally accepted accounting principles, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. This statement does not require any new fair value measurements; however, the application of this Statement may change current practice for some entities. SFAS 157 is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of this pronouncement.

#### 4. Net Income (Loss) Per Share:

Net income (loss) per share is calculated pursuant to SFAS No. 128, "Earnings per Share" (SFAS 128). Basic earnings per share EPS excludes potentially dilutive securities and is computed by dividing net income by the weighted-average number of Common shares outstanding for the period. Diluted EPS is computed assuming the conversion or exercise of all dilutive securities such as preferred stock, options and warrants.

There is no difference between basic weighted average shares outstanding and diluted weighted-average shares outstanding used to compute diluted EPS for fiscal years 2008, 2007 and 2006 because the Company is in a net loss position.

The number of incremental shares from the assumed exercise of stock options is calculated by using the treasury stock method. For the fiscal years ended September 30, 2008, 2007 and 2006, there were 750,608, 572,959 and 701,854 options to purchase common stock outstanding, respectively, that were excluded from the computation of diluted earnings per share as the effect would be anti-dilutive.

## 5. Prepaid Expenses and Other Current Assets:

Prepaid expenses consist of the following:

	September 30,		
	2008	2007	
Prepaid income taxes	\$	\$5,017,794	
Other	1,406,260	1,191,010	
	\$1,406,260	\$6,208,804	

# 6. Other Assets:

Other assets consist of the following:

	September 30,		
	2008	2007	
Intangible assets, net of accumulated amortization of			
\$89,950 and \$36,000 at September 30, 2008 and 2007	\$289,050	\$2,820,500	
Other	216,790	187,710	
	\$505.840	\$3.008.210	

Intangible assets consist of licensing and certification rights which are amortized over a defined number of units. During the fiscal year ended September 30, 2008, the Company recorded an asset impairment of \$2.5 million, the full carrying value of previously acquired engineering software which is no longer part of the Company's product offering and will generate no future cash flows. No impairment charge was recorded in fiscal year 2007. Total amortization expense was \$68,450 and \$14,400 for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2008 and 2007, respectively. Because the intangible assets are being amortized over a defined number of units, the future amortization expense over the next five years cannot be determined at this time.

## 7. Accrued Expenses:

Accrued expenses consist of the following:

	September 30,		
		2008	2007
Salary, benefits and payroll taxes	\$	904,904	\$ 603,565
Warranty		736,815	592,524
Income taxes payable		798,801	959,227
Professional fees		474,730	1,515,630
Reduction in workforce / Severance		904,163	
Materials on order		467,759	137,245
Other		843,291	862,641
	\$5	5,130,463	\$4,670,832

During the fiscal year ended September 30, 2008, the Company incurred \$904,163 in severance and other costs associated with the reduction in workforce and the September termination of its Chief Executive Officer.

#### 8. Warranty:

The Company provides for estimated cost of product warranties at the time revenue is recognized. Warranty cost is recorded as cost of sales in the financial statements. While the Company engages in extensive product quality programs and processes, the Company's warranty obligation is affected by product failure rates and the related material, labor and delivery costs incurred in correcting a product failure. Should actual product failure rates, material or labor costs differ from Company estimates, revisions to estimated warranty liability would be required.

# 8. Warranty: (Continued)

Warranty cost and accrual information for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2008 and 2007:

	2008	2007
Warranty accrual at October 1,	\$ 592,524	\$ 617,116
Accrued expense for the fiscal year ended September 30	317,968	210,555
Warranty costs for the fiscal year ended September 30	(173,677)	(235,147)
Warranty accrual at September 30	\$ 736,815	\$ 592,524

#### 9. Income Taxes:

The Company accounts for income taxes under SFAS No. 109, which generally provides that deferred tax assets and liabilities be recognized for temporary differences between financial reporting and tax basis of the Company's assets and liabilities and expected benefits of utilizing net operating loss (NOL) carry forwards. The impact on deferred taxes of changes in tax rates and laws, if any, applied to the years during which temporary differences are expected to be settled are reflected in the financial statements in the period of enactment.

Components of income taxes are as follows:

	I	For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30,			
		2008	2007	2006	
Current provision (benefit):					
Federal	\$	236,170	\$(4,463,302)	\$(1,943,991)	
State		(30,708)	3,377		
		205,462	(4,459,925)	(1,943,991)	
Deferred provision (benefit):					
Federal		883,439	(639,263)	(158,789)	
State		420,238	4,166	(445,820)	
	1	,303,677	(635,097)	(604,609)	
	\$1	,509,139	\$(5,095,022)	\$(2,548,600)	

Following is a reconciliation of the statutory federal rate to the Company's effective income tax rate:

	For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30,			
	2008	2007	2006	
Federal statutory tax rate	34.0%	34.0%	35.0%	
State income taxes, net of federal benefit	7.3%	0.0%	5.3%	
Research and development tax credits	1.8%	5.1%	0.5%	
Increase in valuation allowance	(74.5)%			
Additional benefit from federal amended and carryback	6.3%			
Other	1.5%	(2.6)%	6.1%	
	(23.6)%	36.5%	46.9%	

In October of 2008, an extension of the Research and Experimentation ("R&E") tax credit was enacted into law. This retroactive extension is for amounts paid or incurred after December 31, 2007.

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