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

## FORM 10-Q

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

For the quarterly period ended: March 31, 2009

Commission File Number: 0-22175

EMCORE Corporation (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

New Jersey (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

22-2746503 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

10420 Research Road SE, Albuquerque, NM 87123 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(505) 332-5000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Securities Exchange Act of 1934 dur	ing the preceding 12 months	orts required to be filed by Section 13 (or for such shorter period that the reading requirements for the past 90 days.	gistrant was
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Smaller reporting company			

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange

Act). Yes [ ] No [X]

The number of shares outstanding of the registrant's no par value common stock as of May 4, 2009 was 79,838,237.

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## PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## **EMCORE CORPORATION**

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss
For the three and six months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008

(in thousands, except loss per share)

(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended			Six Months Ended				
	March 31,			March 31,				
	2	2009		2008		2009		2008
Product revenue	\$ 4	41,160	\$	54,236	\$	91,886	\$	98,737
Service revenue		2,124		2,043		5,454		4,429
Total revenue	4	43,284		56,279		97,340		103,166
Cost of product revenue	4	48,572		49,556		98,786		86,167
Cost of service revenue		1,717		75		3,970		248
Total cost of revenue	:	50,289		49,631		102,756		86,415
Gross (loss) profit		(7,005)		6,648		(5,416)		16,751
Operating expenses:								
Selling, general, and administrative		11,966		10,263		24,124		22,126
Research and development		6,891		9,330		15,001		16,750
Impairment of goodwill and intangible								
assets		-		-		33,781		-
Total operating expenses		18,857		19,593		72,906		38,876
Operating loss	(2	25,862)		(12,945)		(78,322)		(22,125)
Other (income) expense:								
Interest income		(30)		(227)		(80)		(654)
Interest expense		143		375		338		1,580
Impairment of investment		-		-		367		-
Loss from conversion of subordinated								
notes		-		4,658		-		4,658
Stock-based expense from tolled options		-		(58)		-		4,316
Gain from sale of investments		(3,144)		-		(3,144)		-
Loss on disposal of equipment		-		-		-		86
Foreign exchange loss (gain)		908		(186)		1,380		(198)
Total other (income) expense		(2,123)		4,562		(1,139)		9,788
Net loss	\$ (2	23,739)	\$	(17,507)	\$	(77,183)	\$	(31,913)
Foreign exchange translation adjustment		376		(84)		484		(77)
Comprehensive loss	\$ (2	23,363)	\$	(17,591)	\$	(76,699)	\$	(31,990)

Per share data:

Basic and diluted per share data:

Net loss	\$ (0.30)	\$ (0.27)	\$ (0.99)	\$ (0.55)
Weighted-average number of basic and				
diluted shares outstanding	78,384	64,560	78,097	57,975

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

## **EMCORE CORPORATION**

## Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets As of March 31, 2009 and September 30, 2008 (In thousands) (unaudited)

		March 31, 2009		September 30, 2008
ASSETS				
Current assets:	Φ.	10.611	Φ.	10.00
1	\$	10,614	\$	18,227
Restricted cash Available-for-sale securities		773		1,854
Accounts receivable, net of allowance of \$5,039 and \$2,377,		-		2,679
respectively		49,066		60,313
Inventory, net		47,359		64,617
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		3,620		7,100
Total current assets		111,432		154,790
Property, plant, and equipment, net		77,932		83,278
Goodwill		20,384		52,227
Other intangible assets, net		24,290		28,033
Investments in unconsolidated affiliates		-		8,240
Available-for-sale securities, non-current		1,400		1,400
Long-term restricted cash		163		569
Other non-current assets, net		804		741
Total assets	\$	236,405	\$	329,278
LIABILITIES and SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
	\$	6,202	\$	-
Accounts payable		27,860		52,266
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		19,839		23,290
Total current liabilities		53,901		75,556
Long-term debt		888		-
Total liabilities		54,789		75,556
Commitments and contingencies				
Shareholders' equity: Preferred stock, \$0.0001 par, 5,882 shares authorized, no shares outstanding		-		-
Common stock, no par value, 200,000 shares authorized, 78,697 shares issued and 78,538 outstanding at March 31, 2009; 77,920 shares issued and 77,761 shares outstanding at September 30, 2008		684,613		680,020

Accumulated deficit Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(501,947) 1,033	(424,764) 549
Treasury stock, at cost; 159 shares as of March 31, 2009 and September 30, 2008	(2,083)	(2,083)
Total shareholders' equity	181,616	253,722
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 236,405 \$	329,278

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## **EMCORE CORPORATION**

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows For the six months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008 (in thousands) (unaudited)

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		2009		2008
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Net loss	\$	(77,183)	\$	(31,913)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used for				
operating activities:				
Impairment of goodwill and intangible assets		33,781		-
Stock-based compensation expense		3,636		6,964
Depreciation and amortization expense		8,509		4,842
Inventory reserve adjustments		6,262		(832)
Provision for doubtful accounts		2,662		101
Impairment of investment		367		-
Loss on disposal of equipment		167		86
Compensatory stock issuances		267		545
Gain from sale of investments		(3,144)		-
Reduction of note receivable due for services received		-		260
Loss from convertible subordinated notes		-		1,210
Total non-cash adjustments		52,507		13,176
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effect of				
acquisitions:				
Accounts receivable		7,885		(14,714)
Inventory		10,993		4,456
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		3,331		(590)
Other assets		(455)		(678)
Accounts payable		(24,398)		5,258
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		(3,293)		(4,004)
Total change in operating assets and liabilities		(5,937)		(10,272)
Net cash used in operating activities		(30,613)		(29,009)
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Purchase of plant and equipment		(1,133)		(9,624)
Proceeds from insurance recovery		-		1,189
Sale of (investment in) unconsolidated affiliates		11,017		(45)
Purchase of business, net of cash acquired		-		(75,546)
Proceeds from (funding of) restricted cash		1,487		(1,153)
Purchase of available-for-sale securities		-		(7,000)
Sale of available-for-sale securities		2,679		30,800
Net cash provided by (used for) investing activities		14,050		(61,379)

Cash flows from financing activities:

Proceeds from borrowings from credit facility	44,142	-
Payments on borrowings from credit facility	(37,940)	-
Proceeds from borrowing - long-term debt	910	-
Payments on borrowings - long-term debt	(22)	-
Proceeds from private placement of common stock and		
warrants,		
net of issuance costs	-	93,773
Payments on capital lease obligations	-	(10)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	32	6,800
Proceeds from employee stock purchase plan	613	485
Net cash provided by financing activities	7,735	101,048

## **EMCORE CORPORATION**

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows - continued For the six months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008 (in thousands) (unaudited)

		d 2008		
		2009		2000
Effect of foreign currency	\$	1,215	\$	(77)
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents		(7,613)		10,583
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period		18,227		12,151
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$	10,614	\$	22,734
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION Cash paid during the period for interest	\$	393	\$	3,314
Cash paid for income taxes	\$	-	\$	-
NON-CASH DISCLOSURE Issuance of common stock for purchase of business		-		10,000
Issuance of common stock for conversion of subordinated notes		_		85,428

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

EMCORE Corporation Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited)

#### NOTE 1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of EMCORE Corporation and its subsidiaries (the "Company" or "EMCORE"). All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

These statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP") for interim information, and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Rule 10-01 of Regulation S-X of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by U.S. GAAP for annual financial statements. In the opinion of management, all information considered necessary for a fair presentation of the financial statements has been included. Operating results for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of results that may be expected for an entire fiscal year. The condensed consolidated balance sheet as of September 30, 2008 has been derived from the audited consolidated financial statements as of such date. For a more complete understanding of the Company's financial position, operating results, risk factors and other matters, please refer to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2008.

### Use of Estimates

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management of the Company to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reported period. Management develops estimates based on historical experience and on various assumptions about the future that are believed to be reasonable based on the best information available. The Company's reported financial position or results of operations may be materially different under changed conditions or when using different estimates and assumptions, particularly with respect to significant accounting policies. In the event that estimates or assumptions prove to differ from actual results, adjustments are made in subsequent periods to reflect more current information.

### Earnings Per Share

Earnings per share ("EPS") are calculated by dividing net earnings (loss) applicable to common stock by the weighted average number of common stock shares outstanding for the period. For the three and six months ended March 31, 2009, stock options representing 8,067,089 and 8,024,395 shares of common stock, respectively, and 1,400,003 warrants for both periods were excluded from the computation of diluted earnings per share since the Company incurred a net loss for these periods and any effect would have been anti-dilutive. For the three and six months ended March 31, 2008, stock options representing 4,674,401 and 4,632,759 shares of common stock, respectively, and 1,400,003 warrants for both periods were excluded from the computation of diluted earnings per share since the Company incurred a net loss for these periods and any effect would have been anti-dilutive.

### Liquidity Matters

The Company incurred a net loss of \$77.2 million for the six months ended March 31, 2009, which included a non-cash impairment charge of \$33.8 million related to the write-down of goodwill and intangible assets. Our operating results for future periods are subject to numerous uncertainties and we cannot assure you that we will not continue to experience net losses for the foreseeable future. Although our revenue has increased sequentially over the past several years, in fiscal 2009, we have not been able to sustain historical revenue growth rates due to adverse changes in market and economic conditions. If we are not able to increase revenue and/or reduce our operating costs, we may not be able to achieve profitability.

As of March 31, 2009, cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash totaled approximately \$11.6 million and working capital totaled \$57.5 million. Historically, the Company has consumed cash from operations. During the six months ended March 31, 2009, we consumed approximately \$30.1 million in cash from operations. Historically, we have addressed our liquidity requirements through a series of cost reduction initiatives, capital markets transactions and the sale of assets. We anticipate that the recession in the United States and the global slowdown in economic growth may continue to impose challenges for our business in the near term.

These matters raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

#### Management Actions and Plans

Recently, the Company amended the terms of its Loan and Security Agreement with Bank of America that waived the default of certain financial covenants, adjusted certain covenants for future periods, increased the amount of eligible accounts receivable available under the borrowing base formula, increased certain interest rates and fees on loans and letters of credit, and decreased the maximum total loan availability to \$14 million. The adjustments to the borrowing base formula and the calculation of eligible accounts receivable are intended to provide the Company with additional borrowing capacity.

As a result of the continuation of very unfavorable macroeconomic conditions, in combination with adverse credit market conditions, the Company has continued to take steps to lower costs and conserve and generate cash. Over the last two fiscal quarters, we have implemented a series of measures intended to align our cost structure with lower revenues including several reductions in the workforce, the temporary furloughing of employees, salary reductions, the elimination of executive and employee merit increases, and the elimination or reduction in certain discretionary expenses.

With respect to measures taken to conserve and generate cash, we have sold our minority ownership positions in Entech Solar, Inc. and Lightron Corp., have significantly lowered our quarterly capital expenditures and improved the management of our working capital. During the second fiscal quarter, on a consolidated basis, we generated \$7.8 million in cash from improved working capital management and, for the quarter, our satellite business generated positive cash flow from operations. In addition, the Company's Fiber Optics segment generated positive cash flow from operations for the last two months the second quarter.

In addition, the Company continues to pursue and evaluate a number of capital raising alternatives including debt or equity financing, product joint-venture opportunities and the potential sale of certain assets.

#### Conclusion

These initiatives are intended to conserve or generate cash in response to the deterioration in the global economy so that we can preserve adequate liquidity through the next twelve months. However, the full effect of many of these actions will not be realized until mid to late 2009, even if they are successfully implemented. We are committed to exploring all of the initiatives discussed above but there is no assurance that capital markets conditions will improve within that time frame. Our ability to continue as a going concern is substantially dependent on the successful execution of many of the actions referred to above.

Since cash generated from operations and cash on hand are not sufficient to satisfy the Company's liquidity requirements, we will seek to raise additional cash through an equity financing, additional debt, asset sales or a combination thereof. Due to the unpredictable nature of the capital markets, additional funding may not be available when needed, or on terms acceptable to us. If adequate funds are not available or not available on acceptable terms, our ability to continue to fund expansion, develop and enhance products and services, or otherwise respond to competitive pressures may be severely limited. Such a limitation could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition, results of operations, and cash flow.

#### NOTE 2. Recent Accounting Pronouncements

SFAS 141(R) - In December 2007, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standard ("SFAS") 141(R), Business Combinations. This statement replaces SFAS 141, Business Combinations, and requires an acquirer to recognize the assets acquired, the liabilities assumed, including those

arising from contractual contingencies, any contingent consideration, and any noncontrolling interest in the acquiree at the acquisition date, measured at their fair values as of that date, with limited exceptions specified in the statement. SFAS 141(R) also requires the acquirer in a business combination achieved in stages (sometimes referred to as a step acquisition) to recognize the identifiable assets and liabilities, as well as the noncontrolling interest in the acquiree, at the full amounts of their fair values (or other amounts determined in accordance with SFAS 141(R)). In addition, SFAS 141(R)'s requirement to measure the noncontrolling interest in the acquiree at fair value will result in recognizing the goodwill attributable to the noncontrolling interest in addition to that attributable to the acquirer. SFAS 141(R) amends SFAS No. 109, Accounting for Income Taxes, to require the acquirer to recognize changes in the amount of its deferred tax benefits that are recognizable because of a business combination either in income from continuing operations in the period of the combination or directly in contributed capital, depending on the circumstances. It also amends SFAS 142, Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets, to, among other things, provide guidance on the impairment testing of acquired research and development intangible assets and assets that the acquirer intends not to use. SFAS 141(R) applies prospectively to business combinations for which the acquisition date is on or after the beginning of the first annual reporting period beginning on or after December 15, 2008. Management is currently assessing the potential impact that the adoption of SFAS 141(R) could have on the Company's financial statements in fiscal 2010.

SFAS 160 - In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS 160, Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements. SFAS 160 amends Accounting Research Bulletin 51, Consolidated Financial Statements, to establish accounting and reporting standards for the noncontrolling interest in a subsidiary and for the deconsolidation of a subsidiary. It also clarifies that a noncontrolling interest in a subsidiary is an ownership interest in the consolidated entity that should be reported as equity in the consolidated financial statements. SFAS 160 also changes the way the consolidated income statement is presented by requiring consolidated net income to be reported at amounts that include the amounts attributable to both the parent and the noncontrolling interest. It also requires disclosure, on the face of the consolidated statement of income, of the amounts of consolidated net income attributable to the parent and to the noncontrolling interest. SFAS 160 requires that a parent recognize a gain or loss in net income when a subsidiary is deconsolidated and requires expanded disclosures in the consolidated financial statements that clearly identify and distinguish between the interests of the parent owners and the interests of the noncontrolling owners of a subsidiary. SFAS 160 is effective for fiscal periods, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning on or after December 15, 2008. Management is currently assessing the potential impact that the adoption of SFAS 160 could have on the Company's financial statements in fiscal 2010.

FSP 142-3 - In April 2008, the FASB issued FSP No. 142-3, Determination of the Useful Life of Intangible Assets. FSP 142-3 amends the factors an entity should consider in developing renewal or extension assumptions used in determining the useful life of recognized intangible assets under FASB Statement No. 142, Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets and the period of expected cash flows used to measure the fair value of under FASB Statement No. 141, Business Combinations. FSP 142-3 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Management is currently assessing the potential impact that the adoption of FSP 142-3 could have on the Company's financial statements in fiscal 2010.

FSP APB 14-1 - In May 2008, the FASB issued FSP APB 14-1, Accounting for Convertible Debt Instruments That May Be Settled in Cash upon Conversion (Including Partial Cash Settlement). FSP APB 14-1 requires the proceeds from the issuance of such convertible debt instruments to be allocated between a liability component (issued at a discount) and an equity component. The resulting debt discount is amortized over the period the convertible debt is expected to be outstanding as additional non-cash interest expense. The change in accounting treatment is effective for the Company beginning in fiscal 2010, and will be applied retrospectively to prior periods. Management is currently assessing the potential impact that the adoption of FSP APB 14-1 could have on the Company's financial statements in fiscal 2010.

FSP SFAS No. 107-1 - In April 2009, the FASB issued Staff Position SFAS No. 107-1 and Accounting Principles Board ("APB") Opinion No. 28-1, Interim Disclosures about Fair Value of Financial Instruments. SFAS No. 107-1 and APB No. 28-1 amend FASB Statement No. 107, Disclosures about Fair Values of Financial Instruments, to require disclosures about fair value of financial instruments in interim financial statements as well as in annual financial statements. SFAS No. 107-1 and APB No. 28-1 also amend APB Opinion No. 28, Interim Financial Reporting, to require those disclosures in all interim financial statements. SFAS No. 107-1 and APB No. 28-1 are effective for interim periods ending after June 15, 2009, but early adoption is permitted for interim periods ending after March 15, 2009. The Company plans to adopt SFAS No. 107-1 and APB No. 28-1, but does not believe this guidance will have a significant impact on the Company's disclosures.

NOTE 3. Equity

**Stock Options** 

The Company has stock option plans to provide long-term incentives to eligible officers, directors, and employees in the form of stock options. Most of the stock options vest and become exercisable over four to five years and have a

contractual life of ten years. The Company maintains two stock option plans: the 1995 Incentive and Non-Statutory Stock Option Plan ("1995 Plan") and the 2000 Incentive Stock Option Plan ("2000 Plan" and, together with the 1995 Plan, the "Option Plans"). The 1995 Plan authorizes the grant of options to purchase up to 2,744,118 shares of the Company's common stock. As of March 31, 2009, the 2000 Plan authorized the grant of options to purchase up to 12,850,000 shares of the Company's common stock. As of March 31, 2009, no options were available for issuance under the 1995 Plan and 1,070,136 options were available for issuance under the 2000 Plan. On April 30, 2009, the Company's shareholders approved an increase in the number of shares reserved for issuance under the 2000 Plan to 15,850,000 shares of the Company's common stock. Certain options under the Option Plans are intended to qualify as incentive stock options pursuant to Section 422A of the Internal Revenue Code. The Company issues new shares of common stock to satisfy the issuance of shares under this stock-based compensation plan.

The following table summarizes the activity under the Option Plans for the six months ended March 31, 2009:

				Weighted Average
		W	eighted	Remaining
		Averag	ge Exercise	Contractual Life
	Number of Shares	]	Price	(in years)
Outstanding as of September 30, 2008	8,929,453	\$	6.57	8.22
Granted	321,439		1.12	
Exercised	(10,675)		3.02	
Forfeited	(635,088)		7.49	
Cancelled	(469,484)		4.26	
Outstanding as of March 31, 2009	8,135,645	\$	6.46	7.49
Exercisable as of March 31, 2009	3,130,063	\$	5.36	5.94

As of March 31, 2009 there was approximately \$10.3 million of total unrecognized compensation expense related to non-vested stock-based compensation arrangements granted under the Option Plans. This expense is expected to be recognized over an estimated weighted average life of 3.1 years.

Intrinsic value for stock options represents the "in-the-money" portion or the positive variance between a stock option's exercise price and the underlying stock price. There were no stock options exercised during the three months ended March 31, 2009. The total intrinsic value related to stock options exercised during the six months ended March 31, 2009 was approximately \$10,000. The total intrinsic value related to stock options exercised during the three and six months ended March 31, 2008 was approximately \$3.2 million and \$11.3, respectively. There was no intrinsic value related to fully vested and expected to vest stock options as of March 31, 2009 and no intrinsic value related to exercisable stock options as of March 31, 2009.

	Number of Sto	ock Options Out	Options Exercisable		
		Weighted			
		Average			
		Remaining	Weighted-		Weighted-
		Contractual	Average		Average
Exercise Price of	Number	Life	Exercise	Number	Exercise
Stock Options	Outstanding	(years)	Price	Exercisable	Price
>=\$1.00 to <\$5.00	2,134,924	5.71	\$ 3.13	1,619,198	\$ 2.,95
> = \$ 5.00 to					
<\$10.00	5,865,401	8.22	7.42	1,416,445	7.10
>\$10.00	135,320	3.95	17.72	94,420	20.45
TOTAL	8,135,645	7.49	\$ 6.46	3,130,063	\$ 5.36

Stock-based compensation expense is measured at the stock option grant date, based on the fair value of the award, over the requisite service period. As required by SFAS 123(R), Share-Based Payment (revised 2004), management has made an estimate of expected forfeitures and is recognizing compensation expense only for those equity awards expected to vest.

The effect of recording stock-based compensation expense during the three and six months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008 was as follows:

(in thousands, except per share data)	Three Months Ended March 31,				Six Months Ended March 31,			
		2009		2008	2009		2008	
Stock-based compensation expense by award type:								
Employee stock options Employee stock purchase plan Former employee stock options	\$	1,346 140	\$	1,405 \$ 168	3,341 295	\$	2,480 168	
tolled Total stock-based compensation		-		(58)	-		4,316	
expense	\$	1,486	\$	1,515 \$	3,636	\$	6,964	
Net effect on net loss per basic and diluted share	\$	(0.02)	\$	(0.02) \$	(0.12)	\$	(0.12)	

## **Tolled Stock Options**

Under the terms of the Company's stock option agreements issued under the Option Plans, employees that have vested and exercisable stock options have 90 days subsequent to the date of their termination to exercise their stock options. In November 2006, the Company announced that it was suspending its reliance on previously issued financial statements, which in turn caused the Company's Form S-8 registration statements for shares of common stock issuable under the Option Plans not to be available. Therefore, employees and terminated employees were precluded from exercising stock options until the Company became compliant with its SEC filings and the registration of the stock option shares was once again effective (the "Blackout Period"). In April 2007, the Company's Board of Directors approved a stock option grant "modification" for terminated employees by extending the normal 90-day exercise period after date of termination to a date after which the Blackout Period was lifted. The Company communicated the terms of the stock option grant modification with its terminated employees in November 2007. The Company's Board of Directors approved an extension of the stock option expiration date equal to the number of calendar days during the Blackout Period before such stock option would have otherwise expired (the "Tolling Period"). Terminated employees were able to exercise their vested stock options beginning on the first day after the lifting of the Blackout Period for a period equal to the Tolling Period. Approximately 50 terminated employees were impacted by this modification. All tolled stock options were either exercised or expired by January 29, 2008.

To account for a stock option grant modification, when the rights conveyed by a stock-based compensation award are no longer dependent on the holder being an employee, the award ceases to be accounted for under SFAS 123(R) and becomes subject to the recognition and measurement requirements of EITF 00-19, Accounting for Derivative Financial Instruments Indexed to, and Potentially Settled in, a Company's Own Stock, which results in liability classification and measurement of the award. On the date of modification, stock options that receive extended exercise terms are initially measured at fair value and expensed as if the stock options awards were new grants. Subsequent changes in fair value are reported in earnings and disclosed in the financial statements as long as the stock options remain classified as liabilities.

During the three months ended December 31, 2007, the Company incurred a non-cash expense of \$4.4 million associated with the modification of stock options issued to terminated employees which was calculated using the Black-Scholes option valuation model. The modified stock options were 100% vested at the time of grant with an estimated life of no greater than 90 days. When the stock options classified as liabilities were ultimately settled in stock, any gains or losses on those stock options were included in additional paid-in capital. For unexercised stock options that ultimately expired, the liability was relieved with an offset to income included in current earnings, which totaled approximately \$58,000 in January 2008.

Since these modified stock options were issued to terminated employees of the Company, and therefore no services were required to receive this grant and no contractual obligation existed at the Company to issue these modified stock options, the Company concluded it was more appropriate to classify this non-cash expense within "other income and expense" in the Company's statement of operations.

#### Tender Offer

As a result of the Company's previously announced voluntary inquiry into its historical stock option granting practices, which was concluded in 2007, the Company determined that an incorrect grant date was used in the granting of certain stock options. As a result, certain stock options were determined to be granted at an exercise price below the fair market value of the Company's common stock as of the correct measurement grant date. Consequently, employees holding these stock options faced a potential tax liability under Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code and similar sections of certain state tax codes, unless remedial action was taken to adjust the exercise price of these stock options prior to March 31, 2009.

In November 2008, the Company announced that it had commenced a tender offer for 164,088 stock options outstanding under its 2000 Plan which was held by 91 of its then current non-officer employees. Under the terms of the tender offer, employees holding such stock options were given the opportunity to amend these options to increase the exercise price to a higher price that is equal to the fair market value on the date which has been determined to be the correct date of issuance for these stock options in return for a cash payment for each tendered stock option equal to the difference between the original exercise price and the new exercise price. The tender offer remained open until 11:59 p.m. Mountain Time on December 17, 2008. As a result of the tender offer, a total of 163,838 stock options were tendered, approximately \$44,000 in cash payments were paid in January 2009, and the non-cash stock-based SFAS 123(R) expense due to the modification of stock options was determined to be immaterial. Further details regarding the tender can be obtained from the filing on Schedule TO which the Company filed on December 18, 2008 with the SEC.

## **Valuation Assumptions**

The fair value of each stock option grant is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option valuation model and the straight-line attribution approach using the following weighted-average assumptions. The option-pricing model requires the input of highly subjective assumptions, including the option's expected life and the price volatility of the underlying stock. The weighted-average grant date fair value of stock options granted during the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008 was \$2.95 and \$6.29, respectively.

Black-Scholes Weighted-Average					
Assumptions	Three Months 1 March 31		Six Months Ended March 31,		
	2009	2008	2009	2008	
Expected dividend yield	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Expected stock price volatility	115.0%	81.3%	115.0%	78.5%	
Risk-free interest rate	3.0%	3.5%	2.6%	2.6%	
Expected term (in years)	7.8	5.5	7.8	5.4	
Estimated pre-vesting forfeitures	25.8%	23.3%	25.8%	23.3%	

Expected Dividend Yield: The Black-Scholes valuation model calls for a single expected dividend yield as an input. The Company has not issued any dividends.

Expected Stock Price Volatility: The fair values of stock-based payments were valued using the Black-Scholes valuation method with a volatility factor based on the Company's historical stock price.

Risk-Free Interest Rate: The Company bases the risk-free interest rate used in the Black-Scholes valuation method on the implied yield that was currently available on U.S. Treasury zero-coupon notes with an equivalent remaining term. Where the expected term of stock-based awards do not correspond with the terms for which interest rates are quoted, the Company performed a straight-line interpolation to determine the rate from the available maturities.

Expected Term: Expected term represents the period that the Company's stock-based awards are expected to be outstanding and was determined based on historical experience of similar awards, giving consideration to the contractual terms of the stock-based awards, vesting schedules and expectations of future employee behavior as influenced by changes to the terms of its stock-based awards.

Estimated Pre-vesting Forfeitures: When estimating forfeitures, the Company considers voluntary termination behavior as well as workforce reduction programs.

#### Preferred Stock

The Company's Restated Certificate of Incorporation authorizes the Board of Directors to issue up to 5,882,352 shares of preferred stock upon such terms and conditions having such rights, privileges, and preferences as the Board of Directors may determine. As of March 31, 2009 and September 30, 2008, no shares of preferred stock were issued or outstanding.

#### Warrants

As of March 31, 2009 and September 30, 2008, the Company had 1,400,003 warrants outstanding from the private placement transaction that closed on February 15, 2008. The warrants grant the holder the right to purchase one share of the Company's common stock at a price of \$15.06 per share. The warrants are immediately exercisable and remain exercisable for a period of 5 years from the closing date.

### Employee Stock Purchase Plan

In fiscal 2000, the Company adopted an Employee Stock Purchase Plan ("ESPP"). The ESPP provides employees of the Company an opportunity to purchase common stock through payroll deductions. The ESPP is a 6-month duration plan with new participation periods beginning the first business day of January and July of each year. The purchase price is set at 85% of the average high and low market price of the Company's common stock on either the first or last day of the participation period, whichever is lower, and contributions are limited to the lower of 10% of an employee's compensation or \$25,000. In November 2006 through December 2007, the Company suspended the ESPP due to its review of historical stock option granting practices. The Company reinstated the ESPP on January 1, 2008. As of March 31, 2009, the number of shares of common stock reserved for issuance under the ESPP was 2,000,000 shares. On April 30, 2009, the Company's shareholders approved an increase in the number of shares reserved for issuance under the ESPP to 4,500,000 shares. The Company issues new shares of common stock to satisfy the issuance of shares under this stock-based compensation plan. The amounts of shares issued for the ESPP are as follows:

	Number of Common Stock Shares	Purchase Price per Share of Common Stock
Amount of shares reserved for the ESPP	2,000,000	
		\$1.87 -
Number of shares issued in calendar years 2000 through 2006	(1,000,000)	\$40.93
Number of shares issued in June 2007 for the first half of calendar		
year 2007	(123,857)	\$6.32
Number of shares issued in June 2008 for the first half of calendar		
year 2008	(120,791)	\$5.62
Number of shares issued in December 2008 for the second half of		
calendar year 2008	(468,080)	\$0.88
Remaining shares reserved for the ESPP as of March 31, 2009	287,272	

#### **Future Issuances**

As of March 31, 2009, the Company had reserved a total of 12.2 million shares of its common stock for future issuances as follows:

	Number of Common Stock Shares Available
For exercise of outstanding common stock options	8,135,645
For future issuances to employees under the ESPP	287,272
For future common stock option awards	1,070,136
For future exercise of warrants	1,400,003
For future issuance in relation to purchase of business	1,300,000
Total reserved	12,193,056

On April 17, 2009, the Company issued 1.3 million shares of unrestricted common stock to Intel Corporation as consideration for the final purchase price adjustment related to an asset acquisition that was completed in April 2008.

#### NOTE 4. Investments

#### **Auction Rate Securities**

Historically, the Company has invested in securities with an auction reset feature ("auction rate securities"). In February 2008, the auction market failed for the Company's auction rate securities, which resulted in the Company being unable to sell its investments in auction rate securities. As of September 30, 2008, the Company had approximately \$3.1 million invested in auction rate securities.

During the three months ended December 31, 2008, the Company entered into agreements with its investment brokers for the settlement of auction rate securities at 100% par value, of which \$1.7 million was settled at 100% par value in November 2008. The remaining \$1.4 million of auction rate securities is expected to be settled by June 2010 and it is classified as a long-term asset based on its expected settlement date. In December 2008, the Company borrowed \$0.9 million from its investment broker, using its remaining \$1.4 million in auction rate securities as collateral, which is classified as long-term debt. Since the Company believes that it will receive full value of its remaining \$1.4 million securities, we have not recorded any impairment on these investments as of March 31, 2009.

### **Lightron Equity Securities**

In April 2008, the Company invested approximately \$1.5 million in Lightron Corporation, a Korean company that is publicly traded on the Korean Stock Market. The Company initially accounted for this investment as an available-for-sale security. Due to the decline in the market value of this investment and the expectation of non-recovery of this investment beyond its current market value, the Company recorded a \$0.5 million "other than temporary" impairment loss on this investment as of September 30, 2008 and another \$0.4 million "other than temporary" impairment loss on this investment as of December 31, 2008. During the quarter ended March 31, 2009, the Company sold its interest in Lightron Corporation, via several transactions, for a total of \$0.5 million in cash. The Company recorded a gain on the sale of this investment of approximately \$21,000, after consideration of impairment charges recorded in previous periods, and the Company also recorded a foreign exchange loss of \$0.1 million due to the conversion from Korean Won to U.S. dollars.

#### WorldWater & Solar Technologies Corporation

In January 2009, the Company announced that it completed the closing of a two step transaction involving the sale of its remaining interests in the company formerly named WorldWater & Solar Technologies Corporation, now named Entech Solar, Inc. The Company sold its remaining shares of WorldWater Series D Convertible Preferred Stock and warrants to a significant shareholder of both the Company and WorldWater, for approximately \$11.6 million, which included additional consideration of \$0.2 million as a result of the termination of certain operating agreements between the Company and WorldWater. During the three months ended March 31, 2009, the Company recognized a gain on the sale of this investment of approximately \$3.1 million.

#### NOTE 5. Accounts Receivable

The components of accounts receivable consisted of the following:

(in thousands) March 31, September 2009 30, 2008

Accounts receivable Accounts receivable – unbilled	\$ 49,105 \$ 5,000	57,703 4,987
Accounts receivable, gross	54,105	62,690
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(5,039)	(2,377)
Total accounts receivable, net	\$ 49,066 \$	60,313

The Company regularly evaluates the collectibility of its accounts receivable and accordingly maintains allowances for doubtful accounts for estimated losses resulting from the inability of our customers to meet their financial obligations to us. The allowance is based on the age of receivables and a specific identification of receivables considered at risk. The Company classifies charges associated with the allowance for doubtful accounts as SG&A expense. If the financial condition of our customers were to deteriorate impacting their ability to pay us, additional allowances may be required.

- During the three months ended December 31, 2008, the Company recorded \$0.9 million in bad debt expense, of which \$0.1 million related to the Fiber Optics segment and \$0.8 million related to the Photovoltaics segment.
- During the three months ended March 31, 2009, the Company recorded \$1.7 million in bad debt expense, of which \$0.5 million related to the Fiber Optics segment and \$1.2 million related to the Photovoltaics segment.

## NOTE 6. Inventory

Inventory is stated at the lower of cost or market, with cost being determined using the standard cost method that includes material, labor, and manufacturing overhead costs. The components of inventory consisted of the following:

(in thousands)	Marc	September 30, 2008			
Raw materials Work-in-process Finished goods	\$	33,758 7,601 25,252	\$	38,304 7,293 32,010	
Inventory, gross		66,611		77,607	
Less: allowance for excess and obsolescence		(19,252)		(12,990)	
Total inventory, net	\$	47,359	\$	64,617	

Reserves are adjusted to reflect inventory values in excess of forecasted sales, as well as overall inventory risk assessed by management. We have incurred, and may in the future incur, charges to write-down our inventory.

- During the three months ended December 31, 2008, the Company recorded \$5.6 million in inventory write-downs, of which \$4.8 million related to the Fiber Optics segment and \$0.8 million related to the Photovoltaics segment.
- During the three months ended March 31, 2009, the Company recorded \$7.8 million in inventory write-downs, of which \$2.2 million related to the Fiber Optics segment and \$5.6 million related to the Photovoltaics segment.

NOTE 7. Property, Plant, and Equipment

The components of property, plant, and equipment consisted of the following:

(in thousands)	March 31, 2009			September 30, 2008	
Land	\$	1,502	\$	1,502	
Building and improvements		44,317		44,607	
Equipment		107,134		106,947	
Furniture and fixtures		5,483		5,403	
Leasehold improvements		1,201		478	
Construction in progress		3,335		4,395	
Property, plant and equipment, gross		162,972		163,332	
Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization		(85,040)		(80,054)	
Total property, plant and equipment, net	\$	77,932	\$	83,278	

As of March 31, 2009 and September 30, 2008, the Company did not have any significant capital lease agreements.

During the six months ended March 31, 2009, the Company wrote-off approximately \$1.2 million of fully amortized fixed assets, related to the Company's Photovoltaics segment, that were no longer in use.

Depreciation expense was \$3.1 million and \$6.3 million for the three and six months ended March 31, 2009, respectively. Depreciation expense was \$2.0 million and \$3.8 million for the three and six months ended March 31, 2008, respectively.

#### NOTE 8. Goodwill and Intangible Assets

#### Goodwill

The following table sets forth changes in the carrying value of goodwill by reporting segment:

(in	thousands	)

Balance at September 30, 2008	Fibe	r Optics 31,843	Pho	tovoltaics 20,384	Total 52,227
Goodwill impairment		(31,843)		-	(31,843)
Balance at March 31, 2009	\$	-	\$	20,384	\$ 20,384

Valuation of Goodwill. Goodwill represents the excess of the purchase price of an acquired business over the fair value of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed. As required by SFAS 142, Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets, the Company evaluates its goodwill for impairment on an annual basis, or whenever events or

changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of a reporting unit may exceed its fair value. Management has elected December 31st as the annual assessment date. Circumstances that could trigger an interim impairment test include but are not limited to: a significant adverse change in the market value of the Company's common stock, the business climate or legal factors; an adverse action or assessment by a regulator; unanticipated competition; loss of key personnel; the likelihood that a reporting unit or significant portion of a reporting unit will be sold or otherwise disposed; results of testing for recoverability of a significant asset group within a reporting unit; and recognition of a goodwill impairment loss in the financial statements of a subsidiary that is a component of a reporting unit.

In performing goodwill impairment testing, the Company determines the fair value of each reporting unit using a weighted combination of a market-based approach and a discounted cash flow ("DCF") approach. The market-based approach relies on values based on market multiples derived from comparable public companies. In applying the DCF approach, management forecasts cash flows over a five year period using assumptions of current economic conditions and future expectations of earnings. This analysis requires the exercise of significant judgment, including judgments about appropriate discount rates based on the assessment of risks inherent in the amount and timing of projected future cash flows. The derived discount rate may fluctuate from period to period as it is based on external market conditions.

All of these assumptions are critical to the estimate and can change from period to period. Updates to these assumptions in future periods, particularly changes in discount rates, could result in different results of goodwill impairment tests.

- As disclosed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, as a result of the unfavorable macroeconomic environment and a significant reduction in our market capitalization since the completion of the asset acquisitions from Intel Corporation (the "Intel Acquisitions"), the Company reduced its internal revenue forecasts and revised its operating plans to reflect a general decline in demand and average selling prices, especially for the Company's recently acquired telecom-related fiber optics component products. The Company also performed an interim test as of September 30, 2008 to determine whether there was impairment of its goodwill. The fair value of each of the Company's reporting units was determined by using a weighted average of the Guideline Public Company, Guideline Merged and Acquired Company, and the DCF methods. Due to uncertainty from the ongoing financial liquidity crisis and the current economic recession, management believed the most appropriate approach would be an equally weighted approach, amongst the three methods, to arrive at an indicated value for each of the reporting units. The indicated fair value of each of the reporting units was then compared with the reporting unit's carrying value to determine whether there was an indication of impairment of goodwill under SFAS 142. As a result, the Company determined that the goodwill related to one of its Fiber Optics reporting units may be impaired. Since the second step of the Company's goodwill impairment test was not completed before the fiscal year-end financial statements were issued and a goodwill impairment loss was probable and could be reasonably estimated, management recorded a non-cash goodwill impairment charge of \$22.0 million, as a best estimate, during the three months ended September 30, 2008.
- During the three months ended December 31, 2008, there was further deterioration of the Company's market capitalization, significant adverse changes in the business climate primarily related to product pricing and profit margins, and an increase in the discount rate. The Company performed its annual goodwill impairment test as of December 31, 2008 and management weighted the market-based approach heavier against the DCF method using information which was available at the time.
- o Based on this analysis, the Company determined that goodwill related to its Fiber Optics reporting units was fully impaired. As a result, the Company recorded a non-cash impairment charge of \$31.8 million and the Company's balance sheet no longer reflects any goodwill associated with its Fiber Optics reporting units.
- o The Company's annual impairment test as of December 31, 2008, indicated that there was no impairment of goodwill for the Photovoltaics reporting unit. Based upon revised operational and cash flow forecasts, the Photovoltaics reporting unit's fair value exceeded carrying value by over 15%.
- The Company continues to report goodwill related to its Photovoltaics reporting unit and the Company believes the remaining carrying amount of goodwill is recoverable. However, if there is further erosion of the Company's market capitalization or the Photovoltaics reporting unit is unable to achieve its projected cash flows, management may be required to perform additional impairment tests of its remaining goodwill. The outcome of these additional tests may result in the Company recording additional goodwill impairment charges.

Intangible Assets

The following table sets forth changes in the carrying value of intangible assets by reporting segment:

(in thousands)	March 31, 2009									
		Gross Assets		Accumulated Amortization		Net Assets	Gross Assets	Accumulated Amortization		Net Assets
Fiber Optics Photovoltaics	\$	36,074 1,246	\$	(12,514) (516)	\$	23,560 \$ 730	35,991 956	\$ (8,502) (412)	\$	27,489 544
Total	\$	37,320	\$	(13,030)	\$	24,290 \$	36,947	\$ (8,914)	\$	28,033

Valuation of Long-lived Assets and Other Intangible Assets. Long-lived assets consist primarily of our property, plant, and equipment. Our intangible assets consist primarily of intellectual property that has been internally developed or purchased. Purchased intangible assets include existing and core technology, trademarks and trade names, and customer contracts. Intangible assets are amortized using the straight-line method over estimated useful lives ranging from one to fifteen years. Because all of the Company's intangible assets are subject to amortization, the Company reviews these intangible assets for impairment in accordance with the provisions of FASB Statement No. 144, Accounting for the Impairment of Long-Lived Assets and Long-Lived Assets to be Disposed Of. As part of internal control procedures, the Company reviews long-lived assets and other intangible assets for impairment on an annual basis or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that its carrying amount may not be recoverable. Our impairment testing of intangible assets consists of determining whether the carrying amount of the long-lived asset (asset group) is recoverable. That is, whether the sum of the future undiscounted cash flows expected to result from the use and eventual disposition of the asset (asset group) exceeds its carrying amount. In making this determination, the Company uses certain assumptions, including estimates of future cash flows expected to be generated by these assets, which are based on additional assumptions such as asset utilization, the length of service that assets will be used in our operations, and estimated salvage values.

- As disclosed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, as a result of reductions to our internal revenue forecasts, changes to our internal operating forecasts and a significant reduction in our market capitalization since the completion of the Intel Acquisitions, the Company tested for impairment of its long-lived assets and other intangible assets. The sum of future undiscounted cash flows exceeded the carrying value for each of the reporting units' long-lived and other intangible assets. Accordingly, no impairment existed under SFAS 144 at September 30, 2008. As the long-lived asset (asset group) met the recoverability test, no further testing was required or performed under SFAS 144.
- During the three months ended December 31, 2008, the Company recorded a non-cash impairment charge totaling \$1.9 million related to certain intangible assets that were acquired from the Intel Acquisitions. Subsequent to the acquisition, the Company abandoned certain areas of technology development.

As of December 31, 2008, due to further changes in estimates of future operating performance and cash flows that occurred during the quarter, the Company tested for impairment of its long-lived assets and other intangible assets and based on that analysis, determined that no impairment existed. Based upon revised operational and cash flow forecasts, total future undiscounted cash flows exceeded carrying value by over 50%, therefore the Company believes the carrying amount of its intangible assets is recoverable. However, if there is further erosion of the Company's market capitalization or the Company is unable to achieve its projected cash flows, management may be required to perform additional impairment tests of its remaining intangible assets. The outcome of these additional tests may result in the Company recording additional impairment charges.

Amortization expense related to intangible assets is generally included in SG&A on the statements of operations. Amortization expense was \$1.1 million and \$2.2 million for the three and six months ended March 31, 2009, respectively. Amortization expense was \$0.4 million and \$1.0 million for the three and six months ended March 31, 2008, respectively.

Based on the carrying amount of the intangible assets as of March 31, 2009, the estimated future amortization expense is as follows:

(in thousands)	Estimated Futur Amortization Expe				
Nine-months ended September 30, 2009 Fiscal year ended September 30, 2010 Fiscal year ended September 30, 2011 Fiscal year ended September 30, 2012 Fiscal year ended September 30, 2013 Thereafter	\$	2,171 4,240 3,853 3,568 3,143 7,315			
Total future amortization expense	\$	24,290			

NOTE 9. Accrued Expenses and Other Current Liabilities

The components of accrued expenses and other current liabilities consisted of the following:

#### (in thousands)

	March 31, 2009	Sep	tember 30, 2008
Compensation-related	\$ 5,900	\$	6,640
Warranty	5,128		4,640
Professional fees	2,444		2,099
Royalty	1,701		1,414
Self insurance	1,195		1,044
Deferred revenue and customer deposits	1,429		1,422
Taxes	654		3,555
Inventory obligation	-		982
Accrued program loss	233		843
Restructuring accrual	141		331
Other	1,014		320
Total accrued expenses and other current liabilities	\$ 19,839	\$	23,290

### NOTE 10. Restructuring Charges

In accordance with SFAS 146, Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities, SG&A expenses recognized as restructuring charges include costs associated with the integration of business acquisitions and overall cost-reduction efforts.

The Company has undertaken several cost cutting initiatives intended to conserve cash including recent reductions in force, employee furloughs, temporary reduction of salaries, the elimination of fiscal 2009 merit increases, a significant reduction in discretionary expenses and capital expenditures and a greater emphasis on improving its working capital management. These initiatives are intended to conserve or generate cash in response to the uncertainties associated with the recent deterioration in the global economy. Restructuring charges consisted of the following:

(in thousands)	Three Months Ended March 31,				Six Months Ended March 31,			
		2009		2008		2009		2008
Employee severance-related expense Other restructuring-related expense	\$	294 -	\$	52	\$	911	\$	309 93
Total restructuring charges	\$	294	\$	52	\$	911	\$	402

The following table sets forth changes in the severance and restructuring-related accrual accounts as of March 31, 2009:

(in thousands)	Sev	erance-related Accrual	Restructuring-related Accrual			Total
Balance as of September 30, 2008	\$	152	\$	331	\$	483
Additional accruals Cash payments or otherwise settled		911 (1,063)		- (190)		911 (1,253)
Balance as of March 31, 2009	\$	-	\$	141	\$	141

The severance-related and restructuring –related accruals are recorded as accrued expenses within current liabilities since they are expected to be settled with the next twelve months. We may incur additional restructuring charges in the future for employee severance, facility-related or other exit activities.

#### NOTE 11. Debt

#### Line of Credit

In September 2008, the Company closed a \$25 million asset-backed revolving credit facility with Bank of America which can be used for working capital, letters of credit and other general corporate purposes. The credit facility matures in September 2011 and is secured by virtually all of the Company's assets. The credit facility is subject to a borrowing base formula based on eligible accounts receivable and provides for prime-based borrowings.

As of March 31, 2009, under the borrowing base formula, the Company had the ability to borrow up to \$9.1 million against this credit facility and had a \$6.2 million prime rate loan outstanding, with an interest rate of 5.25%, and approximately \$1.1 million in standby letters of credit outstanding.

The facility is also subject to certain financial covenants. For the three months ended December 31, 2008, the Company did not meet the requirements under the EBITDA financial covenant and for the three months ended March 31, 2009, the Company did not meet the requirements under the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio and EBITDA financial covenants. Over the last several months, the Company has entered into multiple amendments to the credit facility with Bank of America which has, among other things: (i) increased the amount of eligible accounts receivable under the borrowing base formula, (ii) waived certain events of default of financial covenants by the Company, (iii) decreased the total maximum loan availability amount to \$14 million, (iv) increased applicable interest rates with respect to loans and letters of credit, and (v) adjusted certain financial covenants. The adjustments to the borrowing base formula and the calculation of eligible accounts receivable are intended to provide the Company with access to more liquidity for working capital purposes.

## Long-term Debt

In December 2008, the Company borrowed \$0.9 million from UBS that is collateralized with \$1.4 million of auction rate securities. The average interest rate on the loan is approximately 1.3% and the term of the loan is dependant upon

the timing of the settlement of the auction rate securities with UBS which is expected to occur by June 2010 at 100% par value.

# NOTE 12. Commitments and Contingencies

The Company leases certain land, facilities, and equipment under non-cancelable operating leases. The leases typically provide for rental adjustments for increases in base rent (up to specific limits), property taxes, insurance and general property maintenance that would be recorded as rent expense. Net facility and equipment rent expense under such leases totaled approximately \$0.7 million and \$1.3 million for the three and six months ended March 31, 2009, respectively and approximately \$0.4 million and \$0.7 million for the three and six months ended March 31, 2008, respectively.

Estimated future minimum rental payments under the Company's non-cancelable operating leases with an initial or remaining term of one year or more as of March 31, 2009 are as follows:

	<b>Estimated Future</b>
(in thousands)	Minimum Lease
	Payments
Six months ended September 30, 2009	\$ 1,007
Fiscal year ended September 30, 2010	1,953
Fiscal year ended September 30, 2011	1,809
Fiscal year ended September 30, 2012	1,063
Fiscal year ended September 30, 2013	791
Thereafter	2,774
Total minimum lease payments	\$ 9,397

As of March 31, 2009, the Company had eight standby letters of credit issued and outstanding which totaled approximately \$2.0 million, of which \$1.1 million was issued against the Company's credit facility. The remaining balance of \$0.9 million is collateralized with financial institutions and listed on the Company's balance sheet as restricted cash.

#### **Credit Market Conditions**

Recently, the U.S. and global capital markets have been experiencing unprecedented conditions, particularly in the credit markets, as evidenced by tightening of lending standards, reduced availability of credit, and reductions in certain asset values. This could impact the Company's ability to raise additional cash through debt or equity financing or asset sales.

#### **Legal Proceedings**

The Company is subject to various legal proceedings and claims that are discussed below. The Company is also subject to certain other legal proceedings and claims that have arisen in the ordinary course of business and which have not been fully adjudicated. The Company does not believe it has a potential liability related to current legal proceedings and claims that could individually, or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, liquidity or results of operations. However, the results of legal proceedings cannot be predicted with certainty. Should the Company fail to prevail in any legal matters or should several legal matters be resolved against the Company in the same reporting period, the operating results of a particular reporting period could be materially adversely affected. During fiscal 2008, the Company settled certain matters that did not individually, or in the aggregate, have a material impact on the Company's results of operations.

#### a) Shareholder Derivative Litigation Relating to Historical Stock Option Practices

On February 1, 2007, Plaintiff Lewis Edelstein filed a purported stockholder derivative action (the "Federal Court Action") on behalf of the Company against certain of its present and former directors and officers (the "Individual Defendants"), as well as the Company as nominal defendant, in the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey, Edelstein v. Brodie, et. al., Case No. 3:07-cv-00596-FLW-JJH (D.N.J.). On May 22, 2007, Plaintiffs Kathryn Gabaldon and Michael Sackrison each filed a purported stockholder derivative action against the Individual

Defendants, and the Company as nominal defendant, in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Somerset County, Gabaldon v. Brodie, et. al., Case No. 3:07-cv-03185-FLW-JJH (D.N.J.) and Sackrison v. Brodie, et. al., Case No. 3:07-cv-00596-FLW-JJH (D.N.J.) (collectively, the "State Court Actions").

A motion to approve an agreement among the parties to settle the matter, reflected in a stipulation of compromise and settlement, was filed with the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey on December 3, 2007. The Court granted the motion for preliminary approval of the settlement on January 3, 2008, and, at a hearing held on March 28, 2008, the Court issued an order giving final approval to the settlement. The settlement has become final and effective upon the expiration of the appeal period on April 30, 2008. Thus, the settlement is now binding on all parties and represents a final settlement of both the Federal Court Action and the State Court Actions. For additional information regarding this matter, please see EMCORE's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2008.

#### b) Intellectual Property Lawsuits

We protect our proprietary technology by applying for patents where appropriate and, in other cases, by preserving the technology, related know-how and information as trade secrets. The success and competitive position of our product lines are significantly impacted by our ability to obtain intellectual property protection for our R&D efforts.

We have, from time to time, exchanged correspondence with third parties regarding the assertion of patent or other intellectual property rights in connection with certain of our products and processes. Additionally, on September 11, 2006, we filed a lawsuit against Optium Corporation, currently part of Finisar Corporation (Optium) in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania for patent infringement. In the suit, the Company and JDS Uniphase Corporation (JDSU) allege that Optium is infringing on U.S. patents 6,282,003 and 6,490,071 with its Prisma II 1550nm transmitters. On March 14, 2007, following denial of a motion to add additional claims to its existing lawsuit, the Company and JDSU filed a second patent suit in the same court against Optium alleging infringement of JDSU's patent 6,519,374 ("the '374 patent"). On March 15, 2007, Optium filed a declaratory judgment action against the Company and JDSU. Optium sought in this litigation a declaration that certain products of Optium do not infringe the '374 patent and that the patent is invalid, but the District Court dismissed the action on January 3, 2008 without addressing the merits. The '374 patent is assigned to JDSU and licensed to the Company.

On December 20, 2007, the Company was served with a complaint in another declaratory relief action which Optium had filed in the Federal District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania. This action seeks to have U.S. patents 6,282,003 and 6,490,071 declared invalid or unenforceable because of certain conduct alleged to have occurred in connection with the grant of these patents. These allegations are substantially the same as those brought by Optium by motion in the Company's own case against Optium, which motion had been denied by the Court. On August 11, 2008, both actions pending in the Western District of Pennsylvania were consolidated before a single judge, and a trial date of October 19, 2009 was set. On February 18, 2009, the Company's motion for a summary judgment dismissing Optium's declaratory relief action was granted, and on March 11, 2009, the Company was notified that Optium intended to file an appeal of this order.

#### c) Avago-related Litigation

On July 15, 2008 the Company was served with a complaint filed by Avago Technologies and what appear to be affiliates thereof in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, San Jose Division (Avago Technologies U.S., Inc., et al., Emcore Corporation, et al., Case No.: C08-3248 JW). In this complaint, Avago asserts claims for breach of contract and breach of express warranty against Venture Corporation Limited (one of the Company's customers) and asserts a tort claim for negligent interference with prospective economic advantage against the Company

On December 5, 2008, EMCORE was also served with a complaint by Avago Technologies filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, San Jose Division alleging infringement of two patents by the Company's VCSEL products. (Avago Technologies Singapore et al., Emcore Corporation, et al., Case No.: C08-5394 EMC)

On March 5, 2009, the Company was notified that, based on a complaint filed by Avago alleging the same patent infringement that formed the basis of the complaint previously filed in the Northern District of California, the U.S. International Trade Commission had determined to begin an investigation titled "In the Matter of Certain Optoelectronic Devices, Components Thereof and Products Containing the Same", Inv. No. 337-TA-669.

The Company intends to vigorously defend against the allegations of all of the Avago complaints.

# d) Green and Gold related litigation

On December 23, 2008, Plaintiffs Maurice Prissert and Claude Prissert filed a purported stockholder class action (the "Prissert Class Action") pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 allegedly on behalf of a class of Company shareholders against the Company and certain of its present and former directors and officers (the "Individual Defendants") in the United States District Court for the District of New Mexico captioned, Maurice Prissert and Claude Prissert v. EMCORE Corporation, Adam Gushard, Hong Q. Hou, Reuben F. Richards, Jr., David Danzilio and Thomas Werthan, Case No. 1:08cv1190 (D.N.M.). The Complaint alleges that Company and the Individual Defendants violated certain provisions of the federal securities laws, including Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, arising out of the Company's disclosure regarding its customer Green and Gold Energy ("GGE") and the associated backlog of GGE orders with the Company's Photovoltaics business segment. The Complaint in the Class Action seeks, among other things, an unspecified amount of compensatory damages and other costs and expenses associated with the maintenance of the Action.

On February 12, 2009, the Company became aware of a second stockholder class action filed in the United States District Court for the District of New Mexico against the same defendants named in the Prissert Class Action, based on the substantially the same facts and circumstances, containing substantially the same allegations and seeking substantially the same relief.

On January 23, 2009, Plaintiff James E. Stearns filed a purported stockholder derivative action (the "Stearns Derivative Action) on behalf of the Company against certain of its present and former directors and officers (the "Individual Defendants"), as well as the Company as nominal defendant in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Atlantic County, Chancery Division (James E. Stearns, derivatively on behalf of EMCORE Corporation v. Thomas J. Russell, Robert Bogomolny, Charles Scott, John Gillen, Reuben F. Richards, Jr., Hong Q. Hou, Adam Gushard, David Danzilio and Thomas Werthan, Case No. Atl-C-10-09). This action is based on essentially the same factual contentions as the Class Action, and alleges that the Individual Defendants engaged in improprieties and violations of law in connection with the reporting of the GGE backlog. The Derivative Action seeks several forms of relief, allegedly on behalf of the Company, including, among other things, damages, equitable relief, corporate governance reforms, an accounting of,

rescission of, restitution of, and costs and disbursements of the lawsuit.

On March 11, 2009, Plaintiff Gary Thomas filed a second purported shareholder derivative action (the "Thomas Derivative Action"; together with the Stearns Derivative Action, the "Derivative Actions") in the US. District Court for the District of New Mexico against the Company and certain of the Individual Defendants (Gary Thomas, derivatively on behalf of EMCORE Corporation v. Thomas J. Russell, Robert Bogomolny, Charles Scott, John Gillen, Reuben F. Richards, Jr., Hong Q. Hou, and EMCORE Corporation, Case No. 1.09-cv-00236, D.N.M.). The Thomas Derivative Action makes the same allegations as the Stearns Derivative Action and seeks essentially the same relief.

The Company intends to vigorously defend against the allegations of both the Class Actions and the Derivative Action.

#### e) Securities Matters

- SEC Communications. On or about August 15, 2008, the Company received a letter from the Denver office of the Enforcement Division of the Securities and Exchange Commission wherein it sought EMCORE's voluntary production of documents relating to, among other things, the Company's business relationship with Green and Gold Energy, Inc., its licensees, and the photovoltaic backlog the Company reported to the public. Since that time, the Company has provided documents to the staff of the SEC and met with the staff on December 12, 2008 to address this matter.
- NASDAQ Communication. On or about November 13, 2008, the Company received a letter from the NASDAQ Listings Qualifications group ("NASDAQ") concerning the Company's removal of \$79 million in backlog attributable to GGE which the Company announced on August 8, 2008 and the remaining backlog exclusive of GGE. The Company advised NASDAQ that it would cooperate with its inquiry, and has complied with the NASDAQ request for information. On February 11, 2009, the Company received a letter requesting additional information, with which the Company has complied, and on April 28, 2009, the Company received a third letter requesting further additional information, with which the Company intends to comply.

#### NOTE 13. Income Taxes

On October 1, 2007, the Company adopted Interpretation No. 48 (FIN 48), Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes, an interpretation of SFAS 109. As a result of the adoption of FIN 48, the Company recorded an increase in accumulated deficit and an increase in the liability for unrecognized state tax benefits of approximately \$326,000 (net of the federal benefit for state tax liabilities). All of this amount, if recognized, would reduce future income tax provisions and favorably impact effective tax rates. During the three and six months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, there were no material increases or decreases in unrecognized tax benefits. Management expects that over the next twelve months the liability for unrecognized state tax benefits will substantially decrease and does not anticipate any material increases over the next twelve months. As of March 31, 2009, the Company had approximately \$0.6 million of interest and penalties accrued as tax liabilities on the balance sheet.

The Company files income tax returns in the U.S. federal, state and local jurisdictions. No federal, state and local income tax returns are currently under examination. Certain income tax returns for fiscal years 2006 through 2008 remain open to examination by U.S. federal, state and local tax authorities.

#### NOTE 14. Segment Data and Related Information

The Company has two reporting segments: Fiber Optics and Photovoltaics. Our Fiber Optics segment offers optical components, subsystems and systems that enable the transmission of video, voice and data over high-capacity fiber optic cables for high-speed data and telecommunications, cable television ("CATV") and fiber-to-the-premises ("FTTP") networks. Our Photovoltaics segment provides solar products for satellite and terrestrial applications. For satellite applications, we offer high-efficiency compound semiconductor-based multi-junction solar cells, covered interconnect cells ("CICs") and fully integrated solar panels. For terrestrial applications, we offer concentrating photovoltaic ("CPV") systems for utility scale solar applications as well as high-efficiency multi-junction solar cells and CPV components for use in solar power concentrator systems. We periodically evaluate our reportable segments in accordance with SFAS 131, Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information. The Company's Chief Executive Officer is the Chief Operating Decision Maker pursuant to SFAS 131, and he allocates resources to segments based on their business prospects, competitive factors, revenue, operating results and other non-GAAP financial ratios.

The following table sets forth the revenue and percentage of total revenue attributable to each of the Company's reporting segments.

Segment Revenue (in thousands)	Three Months Ended March 31, 2009 2008						
		Revenue	% of Revenue		Revenue	% of Revenue	
Fiber Optics Photovoltaics	\$	28,414 14,870	66% 34	\$	37,630 18,649	67% 33	
Total revenue	\$	43,284	100%	\$	56,279	100%	
Segment Revenue (in thousands)			Six Months E 2009	nde	d March 3	1, 2008	
		Revenue	% of Revenue		Revenue	% of Revenue	
Fiber Optics Photovoltaics	\$	67,579 29,761	69% 31	\$	71,590 31,576	69% 31	
Total revenue	\$	97,340	100%	\$	103,166	100%	

The following table sets forth the Company's consolidated revenue by geographic region with revenue assigned to geographic regions based on our customers' or contract manufacturers' billing address.

Geographic Revenue (in thousands)		Three Months Er	nded March 31.	
(	2	2009		2008
	Revenue	% of Revenue	Revenue	% of Revenue

\$ 25,382	59%	\$ 40,246	72%
12,837	30	8,123	14
2,376	5	7,732	14
2,689	6	178	
\$ 43.284	100%	\$ 56.279	100%
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Geographic Revenue

(in thousands) Six Months Ended March 31, 2009 2008

	Revenue	% of Revenue	Revenue	% of Revenue
United States	\$ 57,096	59%	\$ 67,069	65%
Asia	32,046	33	23,464	23
Europe	5,173	5	12,318	12
Other	3,025	3	315	
Total revenue	\$ 97,340	100%	\$ 103,166	100%

The following table sets forth significant customers, defined as customers that represented greater than 10% of total consolidated revenue, by reporting segment.

Significant Customers	Three Mont		Six Months Ended			
As a percentage of total consolidated	March	31,	Ma	rch 31,		
revenue	2009	2008	2000	2000		
Fiber Optics-related customer:	2009	2008	2009	2008		
Jabil Circuit	-	-	11%	-		
Photovoltaics – related customer: Space Systems / Loral	15%	-	15%	-		

The following table sets forth operating losses attributable to each of the Company's reporting segments.

Operating Loss by Segment (in thousands)	Three Mor	nded	Six Mont Marc	led	
	2009	2008	2009		2008
Fiber Optics Photovoltaics Corporate	\$ (16,775) (9,087)	\$ (3,974) \$ (9,787) 816	(65,197) (13,123) (2)	\$	(7,501) (13,338) (1,286)
Operating loss	\$ (25,862)	\$ (12,945) \$	(78,322)	\$	(22,125)

The following table sets forth the depreciation and amortization attributable to each of the Company's reporting segments.

Segment Depreciation and Amortizatio (in thousands)	n	Three Mor	nths Ench 31,	ded	Six Mont Marc	ths End th 31,	ed
		2009		2008	2009		2008
Fiber Optics Photovoltaics	\$	2,764	\$	-,	\$ 5,616	\$	2,997
Corporate		1,453		990 19	2,893		1,768 77
Total depreciation and amortization	\$	4,217	\$	2,418	\$ 8,509	\$	4,842

The following table sets forth long-lived assets (consisting of property, plant and equipment, goodwill and intangible assets) for each of the Company's reporting segments.

ong-lived Assets n thousands)		As of March 31, 2009	As of September 30, 2008
Fiber Optics Photovoltaics Corporate	\$	68,076 53,708 822	\$ 107,684 55,232 622
Total long-lived assets	\$	122,606	\$ 163,538

#### NOTE 15. Fair Value Accounting

#### **Accounting Pronouncements**

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS 157, Fair Value Measurements, which defines fair value, providing a framework for measuring fair value, and expands the disclosures required for fair value measurements. SFAS 157 applies to accounting pronouncements that require fair value measurements and it does not require any new fair value measurements. The statement provides that a fair value measurement assumes that the transaction to sell an asset or transfer a liability occurs in the principal market for the asset or liability or, in the absence of a principal market, the most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. SFAS 157 defines fair value based upon an exit price model and it is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007 and for interim periods within those years. Management adopted SFAS 157 on October 1, 2008 and it did not have a material impact on the Company's financial statements.

In February 2007, the FASB issued SFAS 159, The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities – Including an Amendment of FASB Statement No. 115. The fair value option permits entities to choose to measure eligible financial instruments at fair value at specified election dates and provides that unrealized gains and losses on the items on which it has elected the fair value option will be reported in its earnings. SFAS 159 is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. The Company adopted SFAS 159 on October 1, 2008. The Company evaluated its existing financial instruments and elected not to adopt the fair value option to account for its financial instruments. As a result, SFAS 159 did not have any impact on the Company's financial condition or results of operations. However, because the SFAS 159 election is based on an instrument-by-instrument election at the time the Company first recognizes an eligible item or enters into an eligible firm commitment, the Company may decide to elect the fair value option on new items should business reasons support doing so in the future.

In February 2008, the FASB issued FASB Staff Positions ("FSP") No. 157-1 and 157-2. FSP 157-1 amends SFAS 157 to exclude SFAS No. 13, Accounting for Leases, and its related interpretive accounting pronouncements that address leasing transactions, while FSP 157-2 delays the effective date of the application of SFAS 157 to fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2008 for all non-financial assets and non-financial liabilities that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a nonrecurring basis. Non-recurring non-financial assets and non-financial liabilities for which the Company has not applied the provisions of SFAS 157 include those measured at fair value in goodwill impairment testing, intangible assets measured at fair value for impairment testing, asset retirement obligations initially measured at fair value, and those initially measured at fair value in a business combination.

In October 2008, the FASB issued FSP SFAS No. 157-3, "Determining the Fair Value of a Financial Asset When The Market for That Asset Is Not Active" (FSP 157-3), to clarify the application of the provisions of SFAS 157 in an inactive market and how an entity would determine fair value in an inactive market. FSP 157-3 was effective immediately and the application of the provisions of FSP 157-3 did not materially affect our results of operations or financial condition.

#### Fair Value Disclosure

SFAS 157 establishes a valuation hierarchy for disclosure of the inputs to valuation used to measure fair value. Valuation techniques used to measure fair value under SFAS 157 must maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. The standard describes a fair value hierarchy based on three levels of inputs, of which the first two are considered observable and the last unobservable, that may be used to measure fair value which are the following:

- Level 1 inputs are unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 inputs are quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets or inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly through market corroboration, for substantially the full term of the financial instrument.
- Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs based on our own assumptions used to measure assets and liabilities at fair value. A financial asset or liability's classification within the hierarchy is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The following table provides the Company's financial assets and liabilities, consisting of the following types of instruments, measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of March 31, 2009:

(in thousands) March 31, 2009

	Act for	oted Prices in ive Markets ntical Assets [Level 1]	Oth Ob Ren Inp	servable maining outs	Unol I	nificant bservable nputs evel 3]	Total
			Į	Level 2]			
Assets							
Money market fund deposits	\$	10,614	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 10,614
Restricted fund deposits		936		-		-	936
Asset-backed auction rate securities		-		1,400		-	1,400
Total assets measured at fair value	\$	11,550	\$	1,400	\$	-	\$ 12,950

The following table provides the Company's financial assets and liabilities, measured and recorded at fair value on a recurring basis, as presented on our condensed consolidated balance sheet as of March 31, 2009:

(in thousands) March 31, 2009

Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets	Significant Other Observable Remaining	Significant Unobservable Inputs	Total
	Inputs	[Level 3]	
[Level 1]			

			[	[Level 2]		
Assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	10,614	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 10,614
Restricted cash		773		-	-	773
Available-for-sale securities, non curre	nt			1,400	-	1,400
Long-term restricted cash		163		-	-	163
Total assets measured at fair value	\$	11,550	\$	1,400	\$ _	\$ 12,950

The Company classifies investments within Level 1 if quoted prices are available in active markets. Level 1 assets include instruments valued based on quoted market prices in active markets which generally could include money market funds, corporate publicly traded equity securities on major exchanges and U.S. Treasury notes with quoted prices on active markets.

The Company classifies items in Level 2 if the investments are valued using observable inputs to quoted market prices, benchmark yields, reported trades, broker/dealer quotes or alternative pricing sources with reasonable levels of price transparency. These investments could include: government agencies, corporate bonds and commercial paper.

The Company did not hold financial assets and liabilities which were valued using unobservable inputs as of March 31, 2009.

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

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, and Section 21E of the Exchange Act of 1934. These forward-looking statements are based largely on our current expectations and projections about future events and financial trends affecting the financial condition of our business. Such forward-looking statements include, in particular, projections about our future results included in our Exchange Act reports, statements about our plans, strategies, business prospects, changes and trends in our business and the markets in which we operate. These forward-looking statements may be identified by the use of terms and phrases such as "expects", "anticipates", "intends", "plans", believes", "estimates", "targets", "can", "may", "coulvariations of these terms and similar phrases. Management cautions that these forward-looking statements relate to future events or our future financial performance and are subject to business, economic, and other risks and uncertainties, both known and unknown, that may cause actual results, levels of activity, performance or achievements of our business or our industry to be materially different from those expressed or implied by any forward-looking statements. The cautionary statements should be read as being applicable to all forward-looking statements wherever they appear in this Quarterly Report. This discussion should also be read in conjunction with the condensed consolidated financial statements, including the related notes.

These forward-looking statements include, without limitation, any and all statements or implications regarding:

- The ability of EMCORE Corporation (the "Company", "we", "our", or "EMCORE") to obtain financing or sell assets and achieve levels of revenue and cost reductions that are adequate to support our capital and operating requirements in order to continue as a going concern.
- Our ability to remain competitive and a leader in our industry and the future growth of the Company, and our industry, and the recovery of financial markets, the markets for our products, and economic conditions in general;
- Our ability to achieve structural and material cost reductions without impacting product development or manufacturing execution;
  - Expected improvements in our product and technology development programs;
- Our ability to successfully develop, introduce, market and qualify new products, including our terrestrial solar products;
- Our ability to identify and acquire suitable acquisition targets and difficulties in integrating recent or future acquisitions into our operations; and,
- Other risks and uncertainties described in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), including our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2008, such as: cancellations, rescheduling or delays in product shipments; manufacturing capacity constraints; lengthy sales and qualification cycles; difficulties in the production process; changes in semiconductor industry growth; increased competition; delays in developing and commercializing new products; and other factors.

Neither management nor any other person assumes responsibility for the accuracy and completeness of the forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements in this Quarterly Report are made as of the date hereof, based on information available to us as of the date hereof, and subsequent facts or circumstances may contradict, obviate, undermine, or otherwise fail to support or substantiate such statements. We caution you not to rely on these statements without also considering the risks and uncertainties associated with these statements and our business that

are addressed in this Quarterly Report. Certain information included in this Quarterly Report may supersede or supplement forward-looking statements in our other Exchange Act reports filed with the SEC. We assume no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to conform such statements to actual results or to changes in our expectations, except as required by applicable law or regulation.

#### **Business Overview**

EMCORE Corporation (the "Company", "we", "our", or "EMCORE") is a provider of compound semiconductor-based components and subsystems for the fiber optic and solar power markets. We were established in 1984 as a New Jersey corporation and have two reporting segments: Fiber Optics and Photovoltaics. Our Fiber Optics segment offers optical components, subsystems and systems that enable the transmission of video, voice and data over high-capacity fiber optic cables for high-speed data and telecommunications, cable television ("CATV") and fiber-to-the-premises ("FTTP") networks. Our Photovoltaics segment provides solar products for satellite and terrestrial applications. For satellite applications, we offer high-efficiency compound semiconductor-based multi-junction solar cells, covered interconnect cells ("CICs") and fully integrated solar panels. For terrestrial applications, we offer concentrating photovoltaic ("CPV") power systems for utility scale solar applications as well as high-efficiency multi-junction solar cells and integrated CPV components for use in other solar power concentrator systems. Our headquarters and principal executive offices are located at 10420 Research Road, SE, Albuquerque, New Mexico, 87123, and our main telephone number is (505) 332-5000. For specific information about our Company, our products or the markets we serve, please visit our website at http://www.emcore.com. The information on our website is not incorporated into this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

#### Strategy

The Company's management has believed for some time that, due to many dissimilarities between the businesses of the Company's Fiber Optics and Photovoltaics businesses, they would provide the greatest value to shareholders if they were operated as two separate business entities. Over the past two years, the Company entered into several acquisitions to strengthen one or both of these businesses with a view toward their eventual separation. On April 4, 2008, the Company announced that its Board of Directors had formally authorized management to prepare a comprehensive operational and strategic plan for the separation of these businesses into separate corporations. Management began assessing alternative methods for achieving this goal; however, the subsequent onset of the world-wide economic and financial crisis has had a significant adverse impact on these plans. A drastic reduction in customer demand for many of the Company's Fiber Optics products has greatly decreased revenue and cash flow in that business unit, while a shortage of debt and equity capital, a drop in the price of conventional energy sources, and a generally cautious and conservative attitude in all segments of the government and business sectors has delayed the opportunities for expanded deployment of the Company's terrestrial photovoltaic products and systems.

As a result, the Company has instituted a series of initiatives aimed at conserving and generating cash over the next twelve months, as described above under "Liquidity Matters - Management Actions and Plans". The Company's strategy over the short term will be focused on the successful implementation of these initiatives. The Company also continues to investigate a wide variety of strategic options for the purpose of maximizing shareholder value. No determination has yet been made regarding which options will be pursued.

Pending implementation of any such strategic option, the Company will continue to pursue its existing strategy of leveraging our expertise in advanced compound semiconductor technologies to be a leading provider of high-performance, cost-effective product solutions in each of the markets that we serve. Key elements of our strategy include:

Drive Business Growth, Reduce Cost, and Deliver Profitability.

We believe that as compound semiconductor production costs continue to be reduced, existing and new customers will be compelled to increase their use of these products because of their attractive performance characteristics and

superior value. With our enhanced product portfolio, expanded customer base, and established vertically-integrated, low-cost manufacturing infrastructure in our fiber optics business, we are better positioned to leverage our resources and infrastructure to grow our revenue through new product introductions and gain market share. We expect several initiatives for cost reduction to come to fruition in fiscal 2009, which we believe will improve our gross profit and margins. We are committed to achieving profitability by increasing revenue through the introduction of new products, reducing our cost structure and lowering the breakeven points of our product lines. We have significantly streamlined our manufacturing operations by focusing on core competencies to identify cost efficiencies. Where appropriate, we transferred the manufacturing of certain product lines to low-cost contract manufacturers when we can lower costs while maintaining quality and reliability. Our restructuring programs are designed to further reduce the number of headcount, manufacturing facilities, in addition to the divesture or exit from selected businesses and product lines that are not strategic and/or are not capable of achieving desired revenue or profitability goals. Our results of operations and financial condition have and will continue to be significantly affected by severance, restructuring charges, impairment of long-lived assets and idle facility expenses incurred. We have also significantly reduced capital expenditures and have placed a greater emphasis on improving our working capital management.

While we enjoy the moderate growth and greater visibility in our satellite photovoltaics business, we recognize the need for further investment in our CPV business to develop a more cost competitive design. Management is committed to achieving overall profitability once we deploy our Gen-III CPV system solution.

Focus Our R&D Effort on Cost Reduction and Market Share Gain.

We have invested substantially in research and development and product engineering over the past years. We have developed a clear path towards business growth and are recognized as a technology leader in both our Fiber Optics and Photovoltaics segments. In the rest of fiscal 2009, we will continue to be focusing our R&D and product engineering efforts on product cost reduction and market share gain through more complete product solutions for our customers. In this challenging economic environment, we have to be very selective in allocating our R&D resources to develop disruptive technology and products to leapfrog the competition.

Grow Our Terrestrial Solar Power Business by Focused Effort and Strategic Partnership.

For our CPV component business, we intend to continue to secure and expand our leadership position by providing high-performance, reliable, and cost-effective products and excellent customer service. Our business development focus will be in the U.S. market primarily due to the extension of the investment tax credit (ITC) and other favorable policies for renewable energy in the U.S. We expect our Gen-III CPV system solution to provide a competitive levelized cost of energy for utility scale projects in certain regions. We will continue to develop and expand strategic partnerships with major international companies to drive our business penetration and expansion into the international markets.

Pursue Strategic Acquisitions and Partnership Opportunities.

We are committed to the ongoing evaluation of strategic opportunities that can expand our addressable markets and strengthen our competitive position. Where appropriate, we will acquire additional products, technologies, or businesses that are complementary to, or that broaden the markets in which we operate. We plan to pursue strategic acquisitions and partnerships to increase revenue which will allow for higher overhead absorption and improved gross margins.

On April 4, 2008, the Company announced that its Board of Directors had authorized management to prepare a comprehensive operational and strategic plan for the separation of the Company's Fiber Optics and Photovoltaic businesses into separate corporations. Management is currently assessing alternative opportunities associated with the potential separation of the Company's businesses. The purpose of the review is to determine whether there exists the potential for unlocking additional stockholder value with respect to these strategic assets through some type of separation transaction. A separation may take the form of a spin-off transaction or a public offering of securities, and we may have discussions from time-to-time with third parties involving these possibilities. There can be no assurances that our strategic review will lead to the completion of any separation transactions or as to the impact of these transactions on stockholder value or on us.

#### Quarter Highlights

#### WorldWater & Solar Technologies Corporation

In January 2009, the Company announced that it completed the closing of a two step transaction involving the sale of its remaining interests in the company formerly named WorldWater & Solar Technologies Corporation, now named Entech Solar, Inc. The Company sold its remaining shares of WorldWater Series D Convertible Preferred Stock and warrants to a significant shareholder of both the Company and WorldWater, for approximately \$11.6 million, which included additional consideration of \$0.2 million as a result of the termination of certain operating agreements between the Company and WorldWater. During the three months ended March 31, 2009, the Company recognized a gain on the sale of this investment of approximately \$3.1 million.

# Line of Credit

In September 2008, the Company closed a \$25 million asset-backed revolving credit facility with Bank of America which can be used for working capital, letters of credit and other general corporate purposes. The credit facility matures in September 2011 and is secured by virtually all of the Company's assets. The credit facility is subject to a borrowing base formula based on eligible accounts receivable and provides for prime-based borrowings.

As of March 31, 2009, under the borrowing base formula, the Company had the ability to borrow up to \$9.1 million against this credit facility and had a \$6.2 million prime rate loan outstanding, with an interest rate of 5.25%, and approximately \$1.1 million in standby letters of credit outstanding.

The facility is also subject to certain financial covenants. For the three months ended December 31, 2008, the Company did not meet the requirements under the EBITDA financial covenant and for the three months ended March 31, 2009, the Company did not meet the requirements under the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio and EBITDA financial covenants. Over the last several months, the Company has entered into multiple amendments to the credit facility with Bank of America which has, among other things: (i) increased the amount of eligible accounts receivable under the borrowing base formula, (ii) waived certain events of default of financial covenants by the Company, (iii) decreased the total maximum loan availability amount to \$14 million, (iv) increased applicable interest rates with respect to loans and letters of credit, and (v) adjusted certain financial covenants. The adjustments to the borrowing base formula and the calculation of eligible accounts receivable are intended to provide the Company with access to more liquidity for working capital purposes.

#### Patent Award

On March 18, 2009, the Company announced that it has received a patent award for its Active Optical Cable technology. The new patent (US Patent No. 7,494,287 B2) with broad claims covers all fiber optic active cable applications and is believed to be fundamental to current and future market segments and platforms related to data communications links between information systems.

#### **New Product Introductions**

On March 20, 2009, the Company announced plans to release a new full-band tunable XFP product line. The EMCORE tunable XFP (TXFP) product line is capable of replacing fixed-wavelength dense wavelength division multiplexing (DWDM) XFPs as well as high-performance tunable 300-pin multi-source agreed (MSA) transponders. Empowered by EMCORE's field proven tunable External Cavity Laser (ECL) technology, the TXFP provides excellent optical performance while tuning across more than 90 channels on the 50GHz ITU grid. The TXFP can be optimized for low power consumption to comply with existing XFP designs or for high optical performance to meet the requirements of existing 300-pin designs.

On March 24, 2009, the Company announced plans to release a new full-band tunable TOSA (transmit optical sub-assembly) product line. The Tunable TOSA product line combines EMCORE's field proven tunable External Cavity Laser technology with a co-packaged Mach-Zehnder modulator, empowering the next generation of ultra-high-density 10 Gb/s tunable interfaces. The Tunable TOSA provides excellent optical performance while tuning across more than 90 channels on the 50GHz ITU grid. With its low power consumption, the EMCORE Tunable TOSA is compatible with existing XFP module and line-card requirements. The Tunable TOSA also boasts optical performance similar to existing solutions using discrete tunable laser and external lithium-niobate modulator.

#### Order Backlog:

As of March 31, 2009, the Company had a consolidated order backlog of approximately \$30.7 million comprised of \$19.8 million in order backlog related to our Photovoltaics segment and \$10.9 million in order backlog related to our Fiber Optics segment. Order backlog is defined as purchase orders or supply agreements accepted by the Company with expected product delivery and / or services to be performed within the next twelve months.

Due to unfavorable credit market conditions and other factors adversely affecting the CPV business in our Photovoltaics segment, a number of agreements and other arrangements previously announced by the Company in press releases have not resulted in the level of sales that were earlier anticipated, nor does the Company believe that

they are likely to do so in the near future. These include several memoranda of understanding regarding the supply of solar power systems and several purchase orders for CPV components.

#### Our Markets

Collectively, our products serve the telecommunications, datacom, cable television, fiber-to-the-premises, high-performance computing, defense and homeland security, and satellite and terrestrial solar power markets.

# Fiber Optics

Our fiber optics products enable information that is encoded on light signals to be transmitted, routed (switched) and received in communication systems and networks. Our Fiber Optics segment primarily offers the following product lines:

- Telecom Optical Products We believe we are a leading supplier of 10 gigabit per second (Gb/s) fully C-band and L-band tunable dense wavelength division multiplexed (DWDM) transponders for telecommunications transport systems. We are one of the few suppliers who offer vertically-integrated products, including external-cavity laser modules, integrated tunable laser assemblies (ITLAs) and 300-pin transponders. Our internally developed laser technology is highly suited for applications of 10, 40, and 100 Gb/s due to the superior narrow linewidth and low noise characteristics. All DWDM products are fully Telcordia® qualified and comply with industry multi-source agreements (MSAs). New technologies are under development which will leverage our laser expertise to deliver miniaturized cost effective solutions, for instance the recently announced tunable XFP transceivers, to enable our customers to continue to meet the cost and density requirements of the next generation products. We supply to most major telecom equipment companies worldwide.
- Enterprise Products We believe we provide leading-edge optical components and transceiver modules for data applications that enable switch-to-switch, router-to-router and server-to-server backbone connections at aggregate speeds of 10 Gb/s and above. We offer the broadest range of products with XENPAK form factor which comply with 10 Gb/s Ethernet (10-GE) IEEE802.3ae standard. Our 10-GE products include short-reach (SR), long-reach (LR), extended-reach (ER), coarse WDM LX4 optical transceivers to connect between the photonic physical layer and the electrical section layer and CX4 transceivers. In addition to the 10-GE products, we offer traditional MSA Gigabit Ethernet (GE) 1310-nm small form factor (SFF) and small form factor pluggable (SFP) optical transceivers. These transceivers also provide integrated duplex data links for bi-directional communication over single mode optical fiber providing high-speed Gigabit Ethernet data links operating at 1.25Gbps.
- Laser/photodetector Component Products We believe we are a leading provider of optical components including lasers, photodetectors and various forms of packaged subassemblies. Products include chip, TO, and TOSA forms of high-speed 850nm vertical cavity VCSELs, distributed feedback Bragg (DFB) lasers, positive-intrinsic-negative (pin) and avalanche photodiode (APD) components for 2G, 8G and 10G Fibre Channel, Ethernet and 10 GE, FTTP, and Telecom applications. While we provide the component products to the entire industry, we also enjoy the benefits of vertically-integrated infrastructure through a low-cost and early availability of new product introduction.
- Parallel Optical Transceiver and Cable Products We have been the technology and product leader of optical transmitter and receiver products utilizing arrays of optical emitting or detection devices, e.g., vertical-cavity surface-emitting lasers (VCSELs) and photodetectors (PDs). These optical transmitter, receiver, and transceiver products are used for back-plane interconnects, switching/routing between telecom racks and high-performance computing clusters. Our products include 12-lane SNAP-12 MSA transmitter and receivers with single and double data rates. Based on the core competency of 4-lane parallel optical transceivers, we offer optical fiber ribbon cables with embedded parallel-optical transceivers within the connectors, EMCORE Connects Cables (ECC). These products, with aggregated bandwidth between 10-40 Gb/s, are ideally suited for high-performance computing clusters. Our products provide our customers with increased network capacity; increased data transmission distance and speeds; increased bandwidth; lower power consumption; improved cable management over copper interconnects; and lower cost optical interconnections for massively parallel multi-processors.

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Fiber Channel Transceiver Products – We offer tri-rate SFF and SFP optical transceivers for storage area networks. The MSA transceiver module is designed for high-speed Fibre Channel data links supporting up to 4.25 Gb/s (4X Fibre Channel rate). The products provide integrated duplex data links for bi-directional communication over Multimode optical fiber.

- Cable Television (CATV) Products We are a market leader in providing radio frequency (RF) over fiber products for the CATV industry. Our products are used in hybrid fiber coaxial (HFC) networks that enable cable service operators to offer multiple advanced services to meet the expanding demand for high-speed Internet, on-demand and interactive video and other advanced services, such as high-definition television (HDTV) and voice over IP (VoIP). Our CATV products include forward and return-path analog and digital lasers, photodetectors and subassembly components, broadcast analog and digital fiber-optic transmitters and quadrature amplitude modulation (QAM) transmitters and receivers. Our products provide our customers with increased capacity to offer more cable services; increased data transmission distance, speed and bandwidth; lower noise video receive; and lower power consumption.
- Fiber-To-The-Premises (FTTP) Products Telecommunications companies are increasingly extending their optical infrastructure to their customers' location in order to deliver higher bandwidth services. We have developed customer qualified FTTP components and subsystem products to support plans by telephone companies to offer voice, video and data services through the deployment of new fiber optics-based access networks. Our FTTP products include passive optical network (PON) transceivers, analog fiber optic transmitters for video overlay and high-power erbium-doped fiber amplifiers (EDFA), analog and digital lasers, photodetectors and subassembly components, analog video receivers and multi-dwelling unit (MDU) video receivers. Our products provide our customers with higher performance for analog and digital characteristics; integrated infrastructure to support competitive costs; and additional support for multiple standards.
- Satellite Communications (Satcom) Products We believe we are a leading provider of optical components and systems for use in equipment that provides high-performance optical data links for the terrestrial portion of satellite communications networks. Our products include transmitters, receivers, subsystems and systems that transport wideband radio frequency and microwave signals between satellite hub equipment and antenna dishes. Our products provide our customers with increased bandwidth and lower power consumption.
- Video Transport Our video transport product line offers solutions for broadcasting, transportation, IP television (IPTV), mobile video and security & surveillance applications over private and public networks. Our video, audio, data and RF transmission systems serve both analog and digital requirements, providing cost-effective, flexible solutions geared for network reconstruction and expansion.
- Defense and Homeland Security Leveraging our expertise in RF module design and high-speed parallel optics, we provide a suite of ruggedized products that meet the reliability and durability requirements of the U.S. government and defense markets. Our specialty defense products include fiber optic gyro components used in precision guided munitions, ruggedized parallel optic transmitters and receivers, high-frequency RF fiber optic link components for towed decoy systems, optical delay lines for radar systems, EDFAs, terahertz spectroscopy systems and other products. Our products provide our customers with high frequency and dynamic range; compact form-factor; and extreme temperature, shock and vibration tolerance.

Major customers for our Fiber Optics segment include: Alcatel-Lucent, Aurora Networks, BUPT-GUOAN Broadband, Arris/C-Cor Electronics, Ciena, Cisco, Fujitsu, Hewlett-Packard, Huawei, IBM, Intel, Jabil, JDSU, Merge Optics, Motorola, Network Appliance, Sycamore Networks, Inc., Tellabs, and ZTE.

#### **Photovoltaics**

We believe our high-efficiency compound semiconductor-based multi-junction solar cell products provide our customers with compelling cost and performance advantages over traditional silicon-based solutions. These advantages include higher solar cell efficiency allowing for greater conversion of light into electricity as well as a superior ability to withstand extreme heat and radiation environments. These advantages enable a reduction in a customer's solar product footprint by providing more power output with less solar cells, which is an enhanced benefit when our product is used in concentrating photovoltaic (CPV) systems. Our Photovoltaics segment primarily targets the following markets:

Satellite Solar Power Generation - We believe we are a leader in providing solar power generation solutions to the global communications satellite industry and U.S. government space programs. A satellite's operational success depends on its available power and its capacity to transmit data. We provide advanced compound semiconductor-based solar cells and solar panel products, which are more resistant to radiation levels in space and generate substantially more power from sunlight than silicon-based solutions. Space power systems using our multi-junction solar cells weigh less per unit of power than traditional silicon-based solar cells. Our products provide our customers with higher conversion efficiency for reduced solar array size and launch costs, higher radiation tolerance, and longer lifetime in harsh space environments.

We design and manufacture multi-junction compound semiconductor-based solar cells for both commercial and military satellite applications. We currently manufacture and sell one of the most efficient and reliable, radiation resistant advanced triple-junction solar cells in the world, with an average "beginning of life" efficiency of 28.5%. We are in the final stages of qualifying the next generation high efficiency multi-junction solar cell platform for space applications which will have an average conversion efficiency of 30%, providing our customers with expanded capability.

Additionally, we are developing an entirely new class of advanced multi-junction solar cells with even higher conversion efficiency. This new architecture, called inverted metamorphic (IMM), is being developed in conjunction with the National Renewable Energy Laboratory and the US Air Force Research Laboratory and to date has demonstrated conversion efficiency exceeding 33% on an R&D scale. We believe we are the only manufacturer to supply true monolithic bypass diodes for shadow protection by utilizing several EMCORE patented methods.

We also provide covered interconnect cells (CICs) and solar panel lay-down services, providing us the capability to manufacture fully integrated solar panels for space applications. We can provide satellite manufacturers with proven integrated satellite power solutions that significantly improve satellite economics. Satellite manufacturers and solar array integrators rely on us to meet their satellite power needs with our proven flight heritage.

Terrestrial Solar Power Generation - Solar power generation systems utilize photovoltaic cells to convert sunlight to electricity and have been used in space programs and, to a lesser extent, in terrestrial applications for several decades. The market for terrestrial solar power generation solutions has grown significantly as solar power generation technologies improve in efficiency, as global prices for non-renewable energy sources (i.e., fossil fuels) continue to rise, and as concern has increased regarding the effect of fossil fuel-based carbon emissions on global warming. Terrestrial solar power generation has emerged as one of the most rapidly expanding renewable energy sources due to certain advantages solar power has when compared to other energy sources, including reduced environmental impact, elimination of fuel price risk, installation flexibility, scalability, distributed power generation (i.e., electric power is generated at the point of use rather than transmitted from a central station to the user), and reliability. The rapid increase in demand for solar power has created a growing need for highly efficient, reliable and

cost-effective concentrating solar power systems.

We have adapted our high-efficiency compound semiconductor-based multi-junction solar cell products for terrestrial applications, which are intended for use with CPV power systems in utility-scale installations. We have attained 39% peak conversion efficiency under 1000x illumination with our terrestrial concentrating solar cell products in volume production. This compares favorably to average efficiency of 15-21% of silicon-based solar cells and approximately 35% for competing multi-junction cells. We believe that solar concentrator systems assembled using our compound semiconductor-based solar cells will be competitive with silicon-based solar power generation systems, in certain geographic regions, because they are more efficient and, when combined with the advantages of concentration, we believe will result in a lower cost of power generated. Our multi-junction solar cell technology is not subject to silicon shortages, which, in the past, have led to increasing prices in the raw materials required for silicon-based solar cells. We currently serve the terrestrial solar market with two levels of CPV products: components (including solar cells and solar cell receivers) and CPV power systems.

While the terrestrial power generation market is still developing, we have shipped production orders of CPV components to several solar concentrator companies, and have provided samples to others, including major system manufacturers in the United States, Europe, and Asia. We have finished installations of a total of approximately 1 megawatt (MW) of CPV systems in Spain, China, and the US with our own Gen-II CPV power system design. We have recently responded to several RFPs from public utility companies in the US that total of several hundred MWs using our Gen-III design. The Gen-III product, with enhanced performance (including a module efficiency of approximately 30%) and much improved cost structure, is scheduled to be in volume production in the second half of calendar 2009.

Major customers for the Photovoltaics segment include ATK, Indian Space Research Organization ("ISRO"), NASA JPL, Lockheed Martin, Menova Energy, Northrop Grumman, Space Systems/Loral, Maxima Energies Renovables Ibahernando, and ISFOC.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP") requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reported period. Management develops estimates based on historical experience and on various assumptions about the future that are believed to be reasonable based on the best information available. The Company's reported financial position or results of operations may be materially different under changed conditions or when using different estimates and assumptions, particularly with respect to significant accounting policies, which are discussed below. In the event that estimates or assumptions prove to differ from actual results, adjustments are made in subsequent periods to reflect more current information. The Company's most significant estimates relate to accounts receivable, inventory, goodwill, intangibles, other long-lived assets, warranty accruals, revenue recognition, and valuation of stock-based compensation.

Valuation of Accounts Receivable. The Company regularly evaluates the collectibility of its accounts receivable and accordingly maintains allowances for doubtful accounts for estimated losses resulting from the inability of our customers to meet their financial obligations to us. The allowance is based on the age of receivables and a specific identification of receivables considered at risk. The Company classifies charges associated with the allowance for doubtful accounts as SG&A expense. If the financial condition of our customers were to deteriorate impacting their ability to pay us, additional allowances may be required.

- During the three months ended December 31, 2008, the Company recorded \$0.9 million in bad debt expense, of which \$0.1 million related to the Fiber Optics segment and \$0.8 million related to the Photovoltaics segment.
- During the three months ended March 31, 2009, the Company recorded \$1.7 million in bad debt expense, of which \$0.5 million related to the Fiber Optics segment and \$1.2 million related to the Photovoltaics segment.

Valuation of Inventory. Inventory is stated at the lower of cost or market, with cost being determined using the standard cost method. The Company reserves against inventory once it has been determined that: (i) conditions exist that may not allow the inventory to be sold for its intended purpose, (ii) the inventory's value is determined to be less than cost, or (iii) the inventory is determined to be obsolete. The charge related to inventory reserves is recorded as a cost of revenue. The majority of the inventory write-downs are related to estimated allowances for inventory whose carrying value is in excess of net realizable value and on excess raw material components resulting from finished product obsolescence. In most cases where the Company sells previously written down inventory, it is typically sold as a component part of a finished product. The finished product is sold at market price at the time resulting in higher average gross margin on such revenue. The Company does not track the selling price of individual raw material components that have been previously written down or written off, since such raw material components usually are only a portion of the resultant finished products and related sales price. The Company evaluates inventory levels at least quarterly against sales forecasts on a significant part-by-part basis, in addition to determining its overall inventory risk. Reserves are adjusted to reflect inventory values in excess of forecasted sales, as well as overall inventory risk assessed by management. We have incurred, and may in the future incur, charges to write-down our inventory.

- During the three months ended December 31, 2008, the Company recorded \$5.6 million in inventory write-downs, of which \$4.8 million related to the Fiber Optics segment and \$0.8 million related to the Photovoltaics segment.

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During the three months ended March 31, 2009, the Company recorded \$7.8 million in inventory write-downs, of which \$2.2 million related to the Fiber Optics segment and \$5.6 million related to the Photovoltaics segment.

While we believe, based on current information, that the amount recorded for inventory is properly reflected on our balance sheet, if market conditions are less favorable than our forecasts, our future sales mix differs from our forecasted sales mix, or actual demand from our customers is lower than our estimates, we may be required to record additional inventory write-downs.

Valuation of Goodwill. Goodwill represents the excess of the purchase price of an acquired business over the fair value of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed. As required by SFAS 142, Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets, the Company evaluates its goodwill for impairment on an annual basis, or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of a reporting unit may exceed its fair value. Management has elected December 31st as the annual assessment date. Circumstances that could trigger an interim impairment test include but are not limited to: a significant adverse change in the market value of the Company's common stock, the business climate or legal factors; an adverse action or assessment by a regulator; unanticipated competition; loss of key personnel; the likelihood that a reporting unit or significant portion of a reporting unit will be sold or otherwise disposed; results of testing for recoverability of a significant asset group within a reporting unit; and recognition of a goodwill impairment loss in the financial statements of a subsidiary that is a component of a reporting unit.

In performing goodwill impairment testing, the Company determines the fair value of each reporting unit using a weighted combination of a market-based approach and a discounted cash flow ("DCF") approach. The market-based approach relies on values based on market multiples derived from comparable public companies. In applying the DCF approach, management forecasts cash flows over a five year period using assumptions of current economic conditions and future expectations of earnings. This analysis requires the exercise of significant judgment, including judgments about appropriate discount rates based on the assessment of risks inherent in the amount and timing of projected future cash flows. The derived discount rate may fluctuate from period to period as it is based on external market conditions.

All of these assumptions are critical to the estimate and can change from period to period. Updates to these assumptions in future periods, particularly changes in discount rates, could result in different results of goodwill impairment tests.

- As disclosed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, as a result of the unfavorable macroeconomic environment and a significant reduction in our market capitalization since the completion of the asset acquisitions from Intel Corporation (the "Intel Acquisitions"), the Company reduced its internal revenue forecasts and revised its operating plans to reflect a general decline in demand and average selling prices, especially for the Company's recently acquired telecom-related fiber optics component products. The Company also performed an interim test as of September 30, 2008 to determine whether there was impairment of its goodwill. The fair value of each of the Company's reporting units was determined by using a weighted average of the Guideline Public Company, Guideline Merged and Acquired Company, and the DCF methods. Due to uncertainty from the ongoing financial liquidity crisis and the current economic recession, management believed the most appropriate approach would be an equally weighted approach, amongst the three methods, to arrive at an indicated value for each of the reporting units. The indicated fair value of each of the reporting units was then compared with the reporting unit's carrying value to determine whether there was an indication of impairment of goodwill under SFAS 142. As a result, the Company determined that the goodwill related to one of its Fiber Optics reporting units may be impaired. Since the second step of the Company's goodwill impairment test was not completed before the fiscal year-end financial statements were issued and a goodwill impairment loss was probable and could be reasonably estimated, management recorded a non-cash goodwill impairment charge of \$22.0 million, as a best estimate, during the three months ended September 30, 2008.
- During the three months ended December 31, 2008, there was further deterioration of the Company's market capitalization, significant adverse changes in the business climate primarily related to product pricing and profit margins, and an increase in the discount rate. The Company performed its annual goodwill impairment test as of December 31, 2008 and management weighted the market-based approach heavier against the DCF method using information which was available at the time.
- Based on this analysis, the Company determined that goodwill related to its Fiber Optics reporting units was fully impaired. As a result, the Company recorded a non-cash impairment charge of \$31.8 million and the Company's

balance sheet no longer reflects any goodwill associated with its Fiber Optics reporting units.

- The Company's annual impairment test as of December 31, 2008, indicated that there was no impairment of goodwill for the Photovoltaics reporting unit. Based upon revised operational and cash flow forecasts, the Photovoltaics' reporting unit's fair value exceeded carrying value by over 15%.
- The Company continues to report goodwill related to its Photovoltaics reporting unit and the Company's believes the remaining carrying amount of goodwill is recoverable. However, if there is further erosion of the Company's market capitalization or the Photovoltaics reporting unit is unable to achieve its projected cash flows, management may be required to perform additional impairment tests of its remaining goodwill. The outcome of these additional tests may result in the Company recording additional goodwill impairment charges.

Valuation of Long-lived Assets and Other Intangible Assets. Long-lived assets consist primarily of our property, plant, and equipment. Our intangible assets consist primarily of intellectual property that has been internally developed or purchased. Purchased intangible assets include existing and core technology, trademarks and trade names, and customer contracts. Intangible assets are amortized using the straight-line method over estimated useful lives ranging from one to fifteen years. Because all of the Company's intangible assets are subject to amortization, the Company reviews these intangible assets for impairment in accordance with the provisions of FASB Statement No. 144, Accounting for the Impairment of Long-Lived Assets and Long-Lived Assets to be Disposed Of. As part of internal control procedures, the Company reviews long-lived assets and other intangible assets for impairment on an annual basis or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that its carrying amount may not be recoverable. Our impairment testing of intangible assets consists of determining whether the carrying amount of the long-lived asset (asset group) is recoverable. That is, whether the sum of the future undiscounted cash flows expected to result from the use and eventual disposition of the asset (asset group) exceeds its carrying amount. In making this determination, the Company uses certain assumptions, including estimates of future cash flows expected to be generated by these assets, which are based on additional assumptions such as asset utilization, the length of service that assets will be used in our operations, and estimated salvage values.

- As disclosed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, as a result of reductions to our internal revenue forecasts, changes to our internal operating forecasts and a significant reduction in our market capitalization since the completion of the Intel Acquisitions, the Company tested for impairment of its long-lived assets and other intangible assets. The sum of future undiscounted cash flows exceeded the carrying value for each of the reporting units' long-lived and other intangible assets. Accordingly, no impairment existed under SFAS 144 at September 30, 2008. As the long-lived asset (asset group) met the recoverability test, no further testing was required or performed under SFAS 144.
- During the three months ended December 31, 2008, the Company recorded a non-cash impairment charge totaling \$1.9 million related to certain intangible assets that were acquired from the Intel Acquisitions. Subsequent to the acquisition, the Company abandoned certain areas of technology development.

As of December 31, 2008, due to further changes in estimates of future operating performance and cash flows that occurred during the quarter, the Company tested for impairment of its long-lived assets and other intangible assets and based on that analysis, determined that no impairment existed. Based upon revised operational and cash flow forecasts, total future undiscounted cash flows exceeded carrying value by over 50%, therefore the Company believes the carrying amount of its intangible assets is recoverable. However, if there is further erosion of the Company's market capitalization or the Company is unable to achieve its projected cash flows, management may be required to perform additional impairment tests of its remaining intangible assets. The outcome of these additional tests may result in the Company recording additional impairment charges.

Product Warranty Reserves. The Company provides its customers with limited rights of return for non-conforming shipments and warranty claims for certain products. In accordance with SFAS 5, Accounting for Contingencies, the Company makes estimates of product warranty expense using historical experience rates as a percentage of revenue and accrues estimated warranty expense as a cost of revenue. We estimate the costs of our warranty obligations based on our historical experience of known product failure rates, use of materials to repair or replace defective products and service delivery costs incurred in correcting product issues. In addition, from time to time, specific warranty accruals may be made if unforeseen technical problems arise. Should our actual experience relative to these factors differ from our estimates, we may be required to record additional warranty reserves. Alternatively, if we provide more reserves than we need, we may reverse a portion of such provisions in future periods.

- During the three months ended March 31, 2009, the Company recorded \$1.1 million in product warranty reserves in its Photovoltaics segment, which was primarily related to new CPV-related product launches.

Revenue Recognition. Revenue is recognized upon shipment provided persuasive evidence of a contract exists, (such as when a purchase order or contract is received from a customer), the price is fixed, the product meets its specifications, title and ownership have transferred to the customer, and there is reasonable assurance of collection of the sales proceeds. In those few instances where a given sale involves post shipment obligations, formal customer acceptance documents, or subjective rights of return, revenue is not recognized until all post-shipment conditions have been satisfied and there is reasonable assurance of collection of the sales proceeds. The majority of our products have shipping terms that are free on board ("FOB") or free carrier alongside ("FCA") shipping point, which means that the Company fulfills its delivery obligation when the goods are handed over to the freight carrier at our shipping dock. This means the buyer bears all costs and risks of loss or damage to the goods from that point. In certain cases, the Company ships its products cost insurance and freight ("CIF"). Under this arrangement, revenue is recognized under FCA shipping point terms, but the Company pays (and bills the customer) for the cost of shipping and insurance to the customer's designated location. The Company accounts for shipping and related transportation costs by recording the charges that are invoiced to customers as revenue, with the corresponding cost recorded as cost of revenue. In those instances where inventory is maintained at a consigned location, revenue is recognized only when our customer pulls product for its use and title and ownership have transferred to the customer. Revenue from time and material contracts is recognized at the contractual rates as labor hours and direct expenses are incurred. The Company also generates service revenue from hardware repairs and calibrations that is recognized as revenue upon completion of the service. Any cost of warranties and remaining obligations that are inconsequential or perfunctory are accrued when the corresponding revenue is recognized.

- Distributors The Company uses a number of distributors around the world. In accordance with Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 104, Revenue Recognition, the Company recognizes revenue upon shipment of product to these distributors. Title and risk of loss pass to the distributors upon shipment, and our distributors are contractually obligated to pay the Company on standard commercial terms, just like our other direct customers. The Company does not sell to its distributors on consignment and, except in the event of product discontinuance, does not give distributors a right of return.
- Solar Panel and Solar Power Systems Contracts The Company records revenues from certain solar panel and solar power systems contracts using the percentage-of-completion method in accordance with AICPA Statement of Position 81-1 ("SOP 81-1"), Accounting for Performance of Construction-Type and Certain Production-Type Contracts. Revenue is recognized in proportion to actual costs incurred compared to total anticipated costs expected to be incurred for each contract. If estimates of costs to complete long-term contracts indicate a loss, a provision is made for the total loss anticipated. As of March 31, 2009, the Company had accrued \$0.2 million related to estimated contract losses on certain CPV system-related orders. Such contracts require estimates to determine the appropriate cost and revenue recognition. The Company uses all available information in determining dependable

estimates of the extent of progress towards completion, contract revenues, and contract costs. Estimates are revised as additional information becomes available. Due to the fact that the Company accounts for these contracts under the percentage-of-completion method, unbilled accounts receivable represent revenue recognized but not yet billed pursuant to contract terms or accounts billed after the period end.

— Government R&D Contracts - R&D contract revenue represents reimbursement by various U.S. government entities, or their contractors, to aid in the development of new technology. The applicable contracts generally provide that the Company may elect to retain ownership of inventions made in performing the work, subject to a non-exclusive license retained by the U.S. government to practice the inventions for governmental purposes. The R&D contract funding may be based on a cost-plus, cost reimbursement, or a firm fixed price arrangement. The amount of funding under each R&D contract is determined based on cost estimates that include both direct and indirect costs. Cost-plus funding is determined based on actual costs plus a set margin. As we incur costs under cost reimbursement type contracts, we record revenue. Contract costs include material, labor, special tooling and test equipment, subcontracting costs, as well as an allocation of indirect costs. An R&D contract is considered complete when all significant costs have been incurred, milestones have been reached, and any reporting obligations to the customer have been met. Government contract revenue is primarily recognized as service revenue.

The Company also has certain cost-sharing R&D arrangements. Under such arrangements in which the actual costs of performance are divided between the U.S. government and the Company on a best efforts basis, no revenue is recorded and the Company's R&D expense is reduced for the amount of the cost-sharing receipts.

The U.S. government may terminate any of our government contracts at their convenience as well as for default based on our failure to meet specified performance measurements. If any of our government contracts were to be terminated for convenience, we generally would be entitled to receive payment for work completed and allowable termination or cancellation costs. If any of our government contracts were to be terminated for default, generally the U.S. government would pay only for the work that has been accepted and can require us to pay the difference between the original contract price and the cost to re-procure the contract items, net of the work accepted from the original contract. The U.S. government can also hold us liable for damages resulting from the default.

Stock-Based Compensation. The Company uses the Black-Scholes option-pricing model and the straight-line attribution approach to determine the fair-value of stock-based awards under SFAS 123(R), Share-Based Payment (revised 2004). The Company elected to use the modified prospective transition method as permitted by SFAS 123(R) and accordingly prior periods were not restated to reflect the impact of SFAS 123(R). The modified prospective transition method requires that stock-based compensation expense be recorded for all new and unvested stock options and employee stock purchase plan shares that are ultimately expected to vest as the requisite service is rendered beginning on October 1, 2005, the first day of the Company's fiscal year 2006. The option-pricing model requires the input of highly subjective assumptions, including the option's expected life and the price volatility of the underlying stock. The Company's expected term represents the period that stock-based awards are expected to be outstanding and is determined based on historical experience of similar awards, giving consideration to the contractual terms of the stock-based awards, vesting schedules and expectations of future employee behavior as influenced by changes to the terms of its stock-based awards. The expected stock price volatility is based on the Company's historical stock prices.

The above listing is not intended to be a comprehensive list of all of our accounting policies. In many cases, the accounting treatment of a particular transaction is specifically dictated by U.S. GAAP. There also are areas in which management's judgment in selecting any available alternative would not produce a materially different result. For a complete discussion of our accounting policies, recently adopted accounting pronouncements, and other required U.S. GAAP disclosures, we refer you to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2008.

#### **Results of Operations**

The following table sets forth the Company's condensed consolidated statements of operations data expressed as a percentage of total revenue.

Statement of Operations Data		Three Months Ended March 31,		Six Months Ended March 31,	
	2009	2008	2009	2008	
Product revenue	95.1%	96.4%	94.4%	95.7%	
Service revenue	4.9	3.6	5.6	4.3	
Total revenue	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
Cost of product revenue	112.2	88.1	101.5	83.5	
Cost of service revenue	4.0	0.1	4.1	0.3	
Total cost of revenue	116.2	88.2	105.6	83.8	
Gross (loss) profit	(16.2)	11.8	(5.6)	16.2	
Operating expenses:					
Selling, general, and administrative	27.6	18.2	24.8	21.4	
Research and development	15.9	16.6	15.4	16.2	
Impairment of goodwill and intangible					
assets	-	-	34.7	-	
Total operating expenses	43.5	34.8	74.9	37.6	
Operating loss	(59.7)	(23.0)	(80.5)	(21.4)	
Other (income) expense:					
Interest income	(0.1)	(0.4)	(0.1)	(0.6)	

Interest expense	0.3	0.7	0.3	1.5
Impairment of investment	-	-	0.4	-
Loss from conversion of subordinated				
notes	-	8.3	-	4.5
Stock-based expense from tolled options	-	(0.1)	-	4.2
Gain from sale of investment	(7.2)	-	(3.2)	-
Loss on disposal of equipment	-	-	-	0.1
Foreign exchange gain	2.1	(0.3)	1.4	(0.2)
Total other (income) expense	(4.9)	8.1	1.2	9.5
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Net loss	(54.8)%	(31.1)%	(79.3)%	(30.9%

#### Quarterly Results:

#### Revenue:

Revenue for the second quarter of fiscal 2009 was \$43.3 million, a decrease of \$13.0 million, or 23%, from \$56.3 million reported in the same period last year and a decrease of \$10.8 million, or 20%, from \$54.1 million reported in the immediately preceding quarter.

On a segment basis, revenue for the Fiber Optics segment for the second quarter of fiscal 2009 was \$28.4 million, a \$9.2 million, or 24%, decrease from \$37.6 million reported in the same period last year and a decrease of \$10.8 million, or 28%, from \$39.2 million reported in the preceding quarter. The decrease in Fiber Optics revenue was primarily due to the impact that the very unfavorable macroeconomic environment has had on our customers. The Fiber Optics segment represented 66% of the Company's consolidated revenue for the second quarter compared to 67% in the same period last year.

Revenue for the Photovoltaics segment for the second quarter of fiscal 2009 was \$14.9 million, a \$3.7 million, or 20%, decrease from \$18.6 million reported in the same period last year and flat when compared to the preceding quarter. On a year-over-year basis, and when compared to the preceding quarter, our satellite solar power product lines experienced an increase in revenue while our concentrator photovoltaics ("CPV") product lines and government service contracts experienced a decrease in revenue. The Photovoltaics segment represented 34% of the Company's consolidated revenue for the second quarter compared to 33% in the same period last year.

#### Gross Profit/(Loss):

The consolidated gross loss for the second quarter of fiscal 2009 was \$7.0 million, a decrease of \$13.6 million from a \$6.6 million gross profit reported in the same period last year and a decrease of \$8.6 million from a \$1.6 million gross profit reported in the preceding quarter. The consolidated gross margin for the second quarter was negative 16.2% compared to a gross margin of 11.8% reported in the same period last year and 2.9% reported in the preceding quarter.

Fiber Optics gross margin for the second quarter was negative 11.7%, a decrease from a 24.0% gross margin reported in the same period last year and from a negative 1.1% gross margin reported in the preceding quarter. The decrease in Fiber Optics gross margin was primarily due to unabsorbed overhead expenses due to declining revenues and inventory valuation write-downs that totaled approximately \$2.2 million. The loss was magnified by our efforts to monetize older-generation product inventory as we transition to newer lower cost and more competitive design platforms.

Photovoltaics gross margin for the second quarter of fiscal 2009 was negative 24.7%, a decrease from a negative 12.8% gross margin reported in the same period last year and from 13.6% gross margin reported in the preceding quarter. The decrease in Photovoltaics gross margin was primarily due to inventory valuation write-downs of approximately \$5.6 million associated with earlier versions of our CPV components and systems that have become obsolete due to the introduction of new product platforms. In addition, gross margins were adversely affected by product warranty accruals associated with our CPV-related business that totaled approximately \$1.1 million.

#### Operating Expenses:

Sales, general, and administrative expenses for the second quarter of fiscal 2009 totaled \$12.0 million, a \$1.7 million increase from \$10.3 million reported in the same period last year and a slight decrease from \$12.2 million reported in the preceding quarter. As a percentage of revenue, quarterly SG&A expenses were 27.6%, an increase from 18.2% in the same period last year and an increase from 22.5% in the preceding quarter. The increase in SG&A expenses was primarily due to additional amortization expense related to intangible assets acquired from Intel Corporation and an increase in legal and professional fees.

Research and development expenses for the second quarter of fiscal 2009 totaled \$6.9 million, a decrease of \$2.4 million from \$9.3 million reported in the same period last year and a decrease of \$1.2 million from \$8.1 million reported in the preceding quarter. As a percentage of revenue, quarterly R&D expenses were 15.9%, a decrease from 16.6% in the same period last year and an increase from 15.0% in the preceding quarter.

Second quarter operating expenses totaled \$18.9 million, a decrease of \$0.7 million from \$19.6 million reported in the same period last year and a decrease of \$35.1 million from \$54.0 million incurred in the preceding quarter that included non-cash charges related to impairment of goodwill and intangible assets totaling \$33.8 million.

#### Loss:

The consolidated operating loss for the second quarter was \$25.9 million, an increase of \$12.9 million from an operating loss of \$13.0 million reported in the same period last year and a decrease of \$26.6 million from an operating loss of \$52.5 million reported in the preceding quarter.

Te consolidated net loss for the second quarter was \$23.7 million, an increase of \$6.2 million from \$17.5 million reported in the same period last year and a decrease of \$29.7 million from \$53.4 million reported in the preceding quarter. The second quarter net loss per share was \$0.30, an increase of \$0.03 per share from a net loss of \$0.27 per share reported in the same period last year and a decrease of \$0.39 per share from a net loss of \$0.69 per share reported in the preceding quarter.

#### First Half Results:

#### Revenue:

Revenue for the six months ended March 31, 2009 was \$97.3 million, a decrease of \$5.9 million, or 6%, from \$103.2 million reported in the same period last year.

On a segment basis, revenue for the Fiber Optics segment for the six months ended March 31, 2009 was \$67.6 million, a \$4.0 million, or 6%, decrease from \$71.6 million reported in the same period last year. The decrease in Fiber Optics revenue was primarily due to a significant drop in demand from our customers due to the very unfavorable macroeconomic environment as well as continued pressure on selling prices as we compete to maintain or increase our market share positions. The Fiber Optics segment represented 69% of the Company's consolidated revenue for both the six months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008.

Revenue for the Photovoltaics segment for the six months ended March 31, 2009 was \$29.8 million, a \$1.8 million, or 6%, decrease from \$31.6 million reported in the same period last year. On a year-over-year basis, our satellite solar power product lines experienced an increase in revenue while our CPV product lines and government service contracts experienced a decrease in revenue. The Photovoltaics segment represented 31% of the Company's consolidated revenue for the six months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008.

# Gross Profit/(Loss):

The consolidated gross loss for the six months ended March 31, 2009 was \$5.4 million, a \$22.2 million decrease from \$16.8 million in gross profit reported in the same period last year. The consolidated gross margin for the six months ended March 31, 2009 was negative 5.6% compared to a positive 16.2% gross margin reported in the same period last year.

Fiber Optics gross margin for the six months ended March 31, 2009 was negative 5.6%, a decrease from a 23.8% gross margin reported in the same period last year. The decrease in Fiber Optics gross margin was primarily due to a general decline in average selling prices, especially for the telecom component products, unabsorbed overhead expenses due to inventory valuation write-downs that totaled approximately \$7.0 million and declining revenues.

Photovoltaics gross margin for the six months ended March 31, 2009 was negative 5.5%, a decrease from a negative 0.9% gross margin reported in the same period last year. The decrease in Photovoltaics gross margin was primarily due to inventory valuation write-downs of approximately \$6.4 million associated with CPV component and systems product transitions, product warranty accruals associated with the CPV-related business of approximately \$1.1 million, lower CPV-related project margins, and unabsorbed overhead expenses associated with the CPV-related business.

# Operating Expenses:

Sales, general, and administrative expenses for the six months ended March 31, 2009 totaled \$24.1 million, a \$2.0 million increase from \$22.1 million reported in the same period last year. As a percentage of revenue, SG&A expenses for the six months ended March 31, 2009 were 24.8%, an increase from 21.4% in the same period last year. The increase in SG&A expenses was primarily due to additional amortization expense related to intangible assets acquired from Intel Corporation and an increase in legal and professional fees.

Research and development expenses for the six months ended March 31, 2009 totaled \$15.0 million, a decrease of \$1.7 million from \$16.7 million reported in the same period last year. As a percentage of revenue, R&D expenses for the six months ended March 31, 2009 were 15.4%, a decrease from 16.2% in the same period last year.

As discussed last quarter, the Company performed its annual goodwill impairment test at December 31, 2008 and, based on that analysis, determined that goodwill related to its Fiber Optics segment was fully impaired. As a result,

the Company recorded a non-cash impairment charge of \$31.8 million in the first quarter of 2009 and the Company's balance sheet no longer reflects any goodwill associated with its Fiber Optics segment. During the fist fiscal quarter, the Company also recorded a \$2.0 million non-cash impairment charge related to certain intangible assets acquired from Intel Corporation that were subsequently abandoned.

Operating expenses for the six months ended March 31, 2009 totaled \$72.9 million, an increase of \$34.0 million from \$38.9 million reported in the same period last year.

#### Loss:

The consolidated operating loss for the six months ended March 31, 2009 was \$78.3 million, an increase of \$56.2 million from an operating loss of \$22.1 million reported in the same period last year.

The consolidated net loss for the six months ended March 31, 2009 was \$77.2 million, an increase of \$45.3 million from \$31.9 million reported in the same period last year. The net loss per share for the six months ended March 31, 2009 was \$0.99, an increase of \$0.44 per share, from a net loss of \$0.55 per share reported in the same period last year.

### Other Income & Expenses

Impairment of investment. In April 2008, the Company invested approximately \$1.5 million in Lightron Corporation, a Korean company that is publicly traded on the Korean Stock Market. The Company initially accounted for this investment as an available-for-sale security. Due to the decline in the market value of this investment and the expectation of non-recovery of this investment beyond its current market value, the Company recorded a \$0.5 million "other than temporary" impairment loss on this investment as of September 30, 2008 and another \$0.4 million "other than temporary" impairment loss on this investment as of December 31, 2008. During the quarter ended March 31, 2009, the Company sold its interest in Lightron Corporation, via several transactions, for a total of \$0.5 million in cash. The Company recorded a gain on the sale of this investment of approximately \$21,000, after consideration of impairment charges recorded in previous periods, and the Company also recorded a foreign exchange loss of \$0.1 million due to the conversion to Korean Won to U.S. dollars.

Loss from Conversion of Subordinated Notes. In January 2008, the Company entered into agreements with holders of approximately 97.5%, or approximately \$83.3 million of its outstanding 5.50% convertible subordinated notes due 2011 (the "Notes") pursuant to which the holders converted their Notes into the Company's common stock. In addition, the Company called for redemption of all of its remaining outstanding Notes. Upon conversion of the Notes, the Company issued shares of its common stock, based on a conversion price of \$7.01 per share, in accordance with the terms of the Notes. To incentivize certain holders to convert their Notes, the Company made cash payments to such holders equal to 4% of the principal amount of the Notes converted (the "Incentive Payment"), plus accrued interest. By February 20, 2008, all Notes were redeemed and converted into the Company common stock. As a result of these transactions, 12.2 million shares of the Company common stock were issued. The Company recognized a loss totaling \$4.7 million on the conversion of Notes to equity of which \$3.5 million was related to the Incentive Payment and \$1.2 million related to the accelerated write-off of capitalized finance charges associated with the convertible notes.

### Stock-based expense from tolled options.

Under the terms of the Company's stock option agreements issued under the Option Plans, employees that have vested and exercisable stock options have 90 days subsequent to the date of their termination to exercise their stock options. In November 2006, the Company announced that it was suspending its reliance on previously issued financial statements, which in turn caused the Company's Form S-8 registration statements for shares of common stock issuable under the Option Plans not to be available. Therefore, employees and terminated employees were precluded from exercising stock options until the Company became compliant with its SEC filings and the registration of the stock option shares was once again effective (the "Blackout Period"). In April 2007, the Company's Board of Directors approved a stock option grant "modification" for terminated employees by extending the normal 90-day exercise period after date of termination to a date after which the Blackout Period was lifted. The Company communicated the terms of the stock option grant modification with its terminated employees in November 2007. The Company's Board of Directors approved an extension of the stock option expiration date equal to the number of calendar days during the Blackout Period before such stock option would have otherwise expired (the "Tolling Period"). Terminated employees were able to exercise their vested stock options beginning on the first day after the lifting of the Blackout Period for a period equal to the Tolling Period. Approximately 50 terminated employees were impacted by this modification. All tolled stock options were either exercised or expired by January 29, 2008.

To account for a stock option grant modification, when the rights conveyed by a stock-based compensation award are no longer dependent on the holder being an employee, the award ceases to be accounted for under SFAS 123(R) and becomes subject to the recognition and measurement requirements of EITF 00-19, Accounting for Derivative Financial Instruments Indexed to, and Potentially Settled in, a Company's Own Stock, which results in liability classification and measurement of the award. On the date of modification, stock options that receive extended exercise terms are initially measured at fair value and expensed as if the stock options awards were new

grants. Subsequent changes in fair value are reported in earnings and disclosed in the financial statements as long as the stock options remain classified as liabilities.

During the three months ended December 31, 2007, the Company incurred a non-cash expense of \$4.4 million associated with the modification of stock options issued to terminated employees which was calculated using the Black-Scholes option valuation model. The modified stock options were 100% vested at the time of grant with an estimated life of no greater than 90 days. When the stock options classified as liabilities were ultimately settled in stock, any gains or losses on those stock options were included in additional paid-in capital. For unexercised stock options that ultimately expired, the liability was relieved with an offset to income included in current earnings, which totaled approximately \$58,000 in January 2008.

Since these modified stock options were issued to terminated employees of the Company, and therefore no services were required to receive this grant and no contractual obligation existed at the Company to issue these modified stock options, the Company concluded it was more appropriate to classify this non-cash expense within "other income and expense" in the Company's statement of operations.

Gain from sale of investment. In January 2009, the Company announced that it completed the closing of a two step transaction involving the sale of its remaining interests in the company formerly named WorldWater & Solar Technologies Corporation, now named Entech Solar, Inc. The Company sold its remaining shares of WorldWater Series D Convertible Preferred Stock and warrants to a significant shareholder of both the Company and WorldWater, for approximately \$11.6 million, which included additional consideration of \$0.2 million as a result of the termination of certain operating agreements with WorldWater. During the three months ended March 31, 2009, the Company recognized a gain on the sale of this investment of approximately \$3.1 million.

Foreign exchange. The Company recognized a loss on foreign currency exchange of \$0.9 million and \$1.4 million during the three and six months ended March 31, 2009 primarily due to the Company's operations in Spain, the Netherlands and China.

# **Balance Sheet Highlights**

During the quarter, the Company made significant progress in strengthening its balance sheet including:

- a \$9.2 million, or 60%, reduction in the amount of bank debt outstanding;
- a \$15.3 million, or 19%, reduction in consolidated gross inventory levels that included declines in both Fiber Optic and Photovoltaic gross inventory levels;
  - a \$17.6 million, or 39%, reduction in the amount of accounts payable outstanding.

### Liquidity and Capital Resources

The Company incurred a net loss of \$77.2 million for the six months ended March 31, 2009, which included a non-cash impairment charge of \$33.8 million related to the write-down of goodwill and intangible assets. Our operating results for future periods are subject to numerous uncertainties and we cannot assure you that we will not continue to experience net losses for the foreseeable future. Although our revenue has increased sequentially over the past several years, in fiscal 2009, we have not been able to sustain historical revenue growth rates due to adverse changes in market and economic conditions. If we are not able to increase revenue and/or reduce our operating costs, we may not be able to achieve profitability.

As of March 31, 2009, cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash totaled approximately \$11.6 million and working capital totaled \$57.5 million. Historically, the Company has consumed cash from operations. During the six months ended March 31, 2009, we consumed approximately \$30.1 million in cash from operations. Historically, we have addressed our liquidity requirements through a series of cost reduction initiatives, capital markets transactions and the sale of assets. Although we expect our operating performance to improve in future periods, we anticipate that the recession in the United States and the global slowdown in economic growth may continue to impose challenges for our business in the near term.

These matters raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

### Management Actions and Plans

Recently, the Company amended the terms of its Loan and Security Agreement with Bank of America that waived the default of certain financial covenants, adjusted certain covenants for future periods, increased the amount of eligible accounts receivable available under the borrowing base formula, increased certain interest rates and fees on loans and letters of credit, and decreased the maximum total loan availability to \$14 million. The adjustments to the borrowing base formula and the calculation of eligible accounts receivable are intended to provide the Company with additional borrowing capacity.

As a result of the continuation of very unfavorable macroeconomic conditions, in combination with adverse credit market conditions, the Company has continued to take steps to lower costs and conserve and generate cash. Over the last two fiscal quarters, we have implemented a series of measures intended to align our cost structure with lower revenues including several reductions in the workforce, the temporary furloughing of employees, salary reductions, the elimination of executive and employee merit increases, and the elimination or reduction in certain discretionary expenses.

With respect to measures taken to conserve and generate cash, we have sold our minority ownership positions in Entech Solar, Inc. and Lightron Corp., have significantly lowered our quarterly capital expenditures and improved the management of our working capital. During the second fiscal quarter, on a consolidated basis, we generated \$7.8 million in cash from improved working capital management and, for the quarter, our satellite business generated positive cash flow from operations. In addition, the Company's Fiber Optics segment generated positive cash flow from operations for the last two months the second quarter.

In addition, the Company continues to pursue and evaluate a number of capital raising alternatives including debt or equity financing, product joint-venture opportunities and the potential sale of certain assets.

### Conclusion

These initiatives are intended to conserve or generate cash in response to the deterioration in the global economy so that we can preserve adequate liquidity through the next twelve months. However, the full effect of many of these actions will not be realized until mid to late 2009, even if they are successfully implemented. We are committed to exploring all of the initiatives discussed above but there is no assurance that capital markets conditions will improve within that time frame. Our ability to continue as a going concern is substantially dependent on the successful execution of many of the actions referred to above.

Since cash generated from operations and cash on hand are not sufficient to satisfy the Company's liquidity requirements, we will seek to raise additional cash through an equity financing, additional debt, asset sales or a combination thereof. Due to the unpredictable nature of the capital markets, additional funding may not be available when needed, or on terms acceptable to us. If adequate funds are not available or not available on acceptable terms, our ability to continue to fund expansion, develop and enhance products and services, or otherwise respond to competitive pressures may be severely limited. Such a limitation could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition, results of operations, and cash flow.

Cash Flow

### Cash Used for Operations

For the six months ended March 31, 2009, net cash used by operating activities totaled approximately \$30.6 million, which represents an increase of \$1.6 million from \$29.0 million in cash used by operating activities for the six months ended March 31, 2008.

For the six months ended March 31, 2009, cash usage was primarily due the Company's net loss of \$77.2 million and an increase in working capital of approximately \$5.9 million. The net increase in working capital was primarily due to a decrease in accounts receivable of \$7.9 million, a decrease in inventory of \$11.0 million, a decrease in other assets of \$2.9 million, and a net decrease in accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities of \$27.7 million. Non-cash adjustments used to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities included impairment of goodwill and intangible assets of \$33.8 million, \$8.5 million related to depreciation and amortization expense, \$6.3 million related to inventory reserve adjustments, \$3.6 million related to stock-based expense, \$2.7 million related to an increase in the provision for doubtful accounts, and \$3.1 million related to gain on the sale of investments.

For the six months ended March 31, 2008, cash usage was primarily due the Company's net loss of \$31.9 million and an increase in working capital of approximately \$10.3 million. The increase in working capital was primarily due to an increase in accounts receivable of approximately \$14.7 million, a decrease in inventory of approximately \$4.5 million, an increase in other assets of \$1.3 million, and a net increase in accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities of \$1.2 million. Non-cash adjustments used to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities included \$7.0 million related to stock-based expense, \$4.8 million related to depreciation and amortization expense, and \$1.2 million related to a loss from convertible subordinated notes.

### Net Cash Used for Investing Activities

For the six months ended March 31, 2009, net cash provided by investing activities totaled \$14.0 million, which represents an increase of \$75.4 million from \$61.4 million in cash used for investing activities for the six months ended March 31, 2008. Changes in cash flow from investing activities consisted primarily of:

- The Company decreased spending on capital expenditures. For the six months ended March 31, 2009, capital expenditures totaled \$1.1 million, which represents a decrease of \$8.5 million from \$9.6 million of capital expenditures for the six months ended March 31, 2008.
- During the six months ended March 31, 2008, the Company received \$1.2 million from an insurance recovery.
  - During the six months ended March 31, 2009, the Company received \$11.0 million from the sale of the Company's investment in Entech Solar, Inc.
- During the six months ended March 31, 2008, the Company paid \$75.5 million related to the purchase of assets from Intel Corporation.
- Proceeds from the net sale of securities deceased \$21.1 million year-over-year. For the six months ended March 31, 2009, net sales of available-for-sale securities totaled \$2.7 million. For the six months ended March 31, 2008, net sales of available-for-sale securities totaled \$23.8 million.

## Net Cash Provided by Financing Activities

For the six months ended March 31, 2009, net cash provided by financing activities totaled \$7.7 million, which represents a decrease of \$93.3 million from \$101.0 million in cash provided by financing activities for the six months ended March 31, 2008. Changes in cash flow from financing activities consisted primarily of:

- During the six months ended March 31, 2009, net borrowings on line of credit totaled \$6.2 million and net proceeds from long-term debt totaled \$0.9 million.
- For the six months ended March 31, 2009, net proceeds from a private placement of common stock and warrants totaled \$93.8 million.
- For the six months ended March 31, 2008, the Company received approximately \$6.8 million from the exercise of stock options.

#### **Contractual Obligations and Commitments**

The Company's contractual obligations and commitments over the next five years are summarized in the table below:

Fiscal Years

As of March 31, 2009					
(in thousands)			2010 to	2012 to	2014
	Total	2009	2011	2013	and later

Operating lease obligations	\$ 9,397	\$ 1,007	\$ 3,762	\$ 1,854	\$ 2,774
Line of credit	6,202	6,202	-	-	-
Long-term debt	888	-	888	-	-
Firm commitments	41,054	35,517	441	5,096	-
Total control and abligations					
Total contractual cash obligations					
and commitments	\$ 57,541	\$ 42,726	\$ 5,091	\$ 6,950	\$ 2,774

Operating leases - Operating leases include non-cancelable terms and exclude renewal option periods, property taxes, insurance and maintenance expenses on leased properties.

Line of Credit - In September 2008, the Company closed a \$25 million asset-backed revolving credit facility with Bank of America which can be used for working capital, letters of credit and other general corporate purposes. The credit facility matures in September 2011 and is secured by virtually all of the Company's assets. The credit facility, which incorporates a prime-based borrowing mechanism, is subject to a borrowing base formula based on eligible accounts receivable.

As of March 31, 2009, under the borrowing base formula, the Company had the ability to borrow up to \$9.1 million against this credit facility and had a \$6.2 million prime rate loan outstanding, with an interest rate of 5.25%, and approximately \$1.1 million in standby letters of credit outstanding.

The facility is also subject to certain financial covenants. For the three months ended December 31, 2008, the Company did not meet the requirements under the EBITDA financial covenant and for the three months ended March 31, 2009, the Company did not meet the requirements under the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio and EBITDA financial covenants. Over the last several months, the Company has entered into multiple amendments to the credit facility with Bank of America which has, among other things: (i) increased the amount of eligible accounts receivable under the borrowing base formula, (ii) waived certain events of default of financial covenants by the Company, (iii) decreased the total maximum loan availability amount to \$14 million, (iv) increased applicable interest rates with respect to loans and letters of credit, and (v) adjusted certain financial covenants. The adjustments to the borrowing base formula and the calculation of eligible accounts receivable are intended to provide the Company with access to more liquidity for working capital purposes.

Long-term Debt - In December 2008, the Company borrowed \$0.9 million from UBS that is collateralized with \$1.4 million of auction rate securities. The average interest rate on the loan is approximately 1.3% and the term of the loan is dependant upon the timing of the settlement of the auction rate securities with UBS which is expected to occur by June 2010 at 100% par value.

As of March 31, 2009, the Company had eight standby letters of credit issued and outstanding which totaled approximately \$2.0 million, of which \$1.1 million was issued against the Company's credit facility. The remaining balance of \$0.9 million is collateralized with financial institutions and listed on the Company's balance sheet as restricted cash.

### ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

We are exposed to financial market risks, including changes in currency exchange rates and interest rates. We do not use derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes.

Currency Exchange Rates. The United States dollar is the functional currency for the Company's consolidated financials. The functional currency of the Company's Spanish subsidiary is the Euro and for the China subsidiary it is the Yuan Renminbi. The financial statements of these entities are translated to United States dollars using period end rates for assets and liabilities, and the weighted average rate for the period for all revenue and expenses. During the normal course of business, the Company is exposed to market risks associated with fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates, primarily the Euro. To reduce the impact of these risks on the Company's earnings and to increase the predictability of cash flows, the Company uses natural offsets in receipts and disbursements within the applicable currency as the primary means of reducing the risk. Some of our foreign suppliers may adjust their prices (in \$US) from time to time to reflect currency exchange fluctuations, and such price changes could impact our future financial condition or results of operations. The Company does not currently hedge its foreign currency exposure.

Interest Rates. We maintain an investment portfolio in a variety of high-grade, short-term debt and money market instruments that includes auction-rate securities. As a result, our future investment income may be less than expected because of changes in interest rates, or we may suffer losses in principal if forced to sell securities that have experienced a decline in market value because of changes in interest rates. The Company does not currently hedge its interest rate exposure.

#### **Credit Market Conditions**

Recently, the U.S. and global capital markets have been experiencing unprecedented conditions, particularly in the credit markets, as evidenced by tightening of lending standards, reduced availability of credit, and reductions in certain asset values. This could impact the Company's ability to raise additional cash through debt or equity financing or asset sales.

### **Auction Rate Securities**

Historically, the Company has invested in securities with an auction reset feature ("auction rate securities"). In February 2008, the auction market failed for the Company's auction rate securities, which resulted in the Company being unable to sell its investments in auction rate securities. As of September 30, 2008, the Company had approximately \$3.1 million invested in auction rate securities.

During the three months ended December 31, 2008, the Company entered into agreements with its investment brokers for the settlement of auction rate securities at 100% par value, of which \$1.7 million was settled at 100% par value in November 2008. The remaining \$1.4 million of auction rate securities is expected to be settled by June 2010 and it is classified as a long-term asset based on its expected settlement date. In December 2008, the Company borrowed \$0.9 million from its investment broker, using its remaining \$1.4 million in auction rate securities as collateral, which is classified as long-term debt. Since the Company believes that it will receive full value of its remaining \$1.4 million securities, we have not recorded any impairment on these investments as of March 31, 2009.

#### ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

#### Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

The Company maintains disclosure controls and procedures designed to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed in reports filed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act") is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the specified time periods and accumulated and communicated to management, including its Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer) and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Accounting Officer), as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Management, under the supervision and with the participation of its Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer) and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Accounting Officer), evaluated the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) or 15d-15(e) promulgated under the Act), as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on that evaluation, management concluded that, as of that date, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective at the reasonable assurance level.

Attached as exhibits to this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q are certifications of the Company's Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer) and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer), which are required in accordance with Rule 13a-14 of the Act. This Disclosure Controls and Procedures section includes information concerning management's evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures referred to in those certifications and, as such, should be read in conjunction with the certifications of the Company's Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer) and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer).

### Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting during the three months ended March 31, 2009 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

### Limitations on the Effectiveness of Controls

Our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, does not expect that our disclosure controls or our internal controls will prevent or detect all errors and all fraud. A control system, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the control system's objectives will be met. Further, the design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints, and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, within the Company have been detected. These inherent limitations include the realities that judgments in decision-making can be faulty, and that breakdowns can occur because of simple error or mistake. Controls can also be circumvented by the individual acts of some persons, by collusion of two or more people, or by management override of the controls. The design of any system of controls is based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and there can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions. Over time, controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or deterioration in the degree of compliance with associated policies or procedures. Because of the inherent limitations

in a cost-effective control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected.									

#### PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

#### ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The Company is subject to various legal proceedings and claims that are discussed below. The Company is also subject to certain other legal proceedings and claims that have arisen in the ordinary course of business and which have not been fully adjudicated. The Company does not believe it has a potential liability related to current legal proceedings and claims that could individually, or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, liquidity or results of operations. However, the results of legal proceedings cannot be predicted with certainty. Should the Company fail to prevail in any legal matters or should several legal matters be resolved against the Company in the same reporting period, the operating results of a particular reporting period could be materially adversely affected. During fiscal 2008, the Company settled certain matters that did not individually, or in the aggregate, have a material impact on the Company's results of operations.

### a) Shareholder Derivative Litigation Relating to Historical Stock Option Practices

On February 1, 2007, Plaintiff Lewis Edelstein filed a purported stockholder derivative action (the "Federal Court Action") on behalf of the Company against certain of its present and former directors and officers (the "Individual Defendants"), as well as the Company as nominal defendant, in the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey, Edelstein v. Brodie, et. al., Case No. 3:07-cv-00596-FLW-JJH (D.N.J.). On May 22, 2007, Plaintiffs Kathryn Gabaldon and Michael Sackrison each filed a purported stockholder derivative action against the Individual Defendants, and the Company as nominal defendant, in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Somerset County, Gabaldon v. Brodie, et. al., Case No. 3:07-cv-03185-FLW-JJH (D.N.J.) and Sackrison v. Brodie, et. al., Case No. 3:07-cv-00596-FLW-JJH (D.N.J.) (collectively, the "State Court Actions").

A motion to approve an agreement among the parties to settle the matter, reflected in a stipulation of compromise and settlement, was filed with the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey on December 3, 2007. The Court granted the motion for preliminary approval of the settlement on January 3, 2008, and, at a hearing held on March 28, 2008, the Court issued an order giving final approval to the settlement. The settlement has become final and effective upon the expiration of the appeal period on April 30, 2008. Thus, the settlement is now binding on all parties and represents a final settlement of both the Federal Court Action and the State Court Actions. For additional information regarding this matter, please see EMCORE's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2008.

### b) Intellectual Property Lawsuits

We protect our proprietary technology by applying for patents where appropriate and, in other cases, by preserving the technology, related know-how and information as trade secrets. The success and competitive position of our product lines are significantly impacted by our ability to obtain intellectual property protection for our R&D efforts.

We have, from time to time, exchanged correspondence with third parties regarding the assertion of patent or other intellectual property rights in connection with certain of our products and processes. Additionally, on September 11, 2006, we filed a lawsuit against Optium Corporation, currently part of Finisar Corporation (Optium) in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania for patent infringement. In the suit, the Company and JDS Uniphase Corporation (JDSU) allege that Optium is infringing on U.S. patents 6,282,003 and 6,490,071 with its Prisma II 1550nm transmitters. On March 14, 2007, following denial of a motion to add additional claims to its existing lawsuit, the Company and JDSU filed a second patent suit in the same court against Optium alleging

infringement of JDSU's patent 6,519,374 ("the '374 patent"). On March 15, 2007, Optium filed a declaratory judgment action against the Company and JDSU. Optium sought in this litigation a declaration that certain products of Optium do not infringe the '374 patent and that the patent is invalid, but the District Court dismissed the action on January 3, 2008 without addressing the merits. The '374 patent is assigned to JDSU and licensed to the Company.

On December 20, 2007, the Company was served with a complaint in another declaratory relief action which Optium had filed in the Federal District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania. This action seeks to have U.S. patents 6,282,003 and 6,490,071 declared invalid or unenforceable because of certain conduct alleged to have occurred in connection with the grant of these patents. These allegations are substantially the same as those brought by Optium by motion in the Company's own case against Optium, which motion had been denied by the Court. On August 11, 2008, both actions pending in the Western District of Pennsylvania were consolidated before a single judge, and a trial date of October 19, 2009 was set. On February 18, 2009, the Company's motion for a summary judgment dismissing Optium's declaratory relief action was granted, and on March 11, 2009, the Company was notified that Optium intended to file an appeal of this order.

### c) Avago-related Litigation

On July 15, 2008 the Company was served with a complaint filed by Avago Technologies and what appear to be affiliates thereof in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, San Jose Division (Avago Technologies U.S., Inc., et al., Emcore Corporation, et al., Case No.: C08-3248 JW). In this complaint, Avago asserts claims for breach of contract and breach of express warranty against Venture Corporation Limited (one of the Company's customers) and asserts a tort claim for negligent interference with prospective economic advantage against the Company

On December 5, 2008, EMCORE was also served with a complaint by Avago Technologies filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, San Jose Division alleging infringement of two patents by the Company's VCSEL products. (Avago Technologies Singapore et al., Emcore Corporation, et al., Case No.: C08-5394 EMC)

On March 5, 2009, the Company was notified that, based on a complaint filed by Avago alleging the same patent infringement that formed the basis of the complaint previously filed in the Northern District of California, the U.S. International Trade Commission had determined to begin an investigation titled "In the Matter of Certain Optoelectronic Devices, Components Thereof and Products Containing the Same", Inv. No. 337-TA-669.

The Company intends to vigorously defend against the allegations of all of the Avago complaints.

## d) Green and Gold related litigation

On December 23, 2008, Plaintiffs Maurice Prissert and Claude Prissert filed a purported stockholder class action (the "Prissert Class Action") pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 allegedly on behalf of a class of Company shareholders against the Company and certain of its present and former directors and officers (the "Individual Defendants") in the United States District Court for the District of New Mexico captioned, Maurice Prissert and Claude Prissert v. EMCORE Corporation, Adam Gushard, Hong Q. Hou, Reuben F. Richards, Jr., David Danzilio and Thomas Werthan, Case No. 1:08cv1190 (D.N.M.). The Complaint alleges that Company and the Individual Defendants violated certain provisions of the federal securities laws, including Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, arising out of the Company's disclosure regarding its customer Green and Gold Energy ("GGE") and the associated backlog of GGE orders with the Company's Photovoltaics business segment. The Complaint in the Class Action seeks, among other things, an unspecified amount of compensatory damages and other costs and expenses associated with the maintenance of the Action.

On February 12, 2009, the Company became aware of a second stockholder class action filed in the United States District Court for the District of New Mexico against the same defendants named in the Prissert Class Action, based on the substantially the same facts and circumstances, containing substantially the same allegations and seeking substantially the same relief.

On January 23, 2009, Plaintiff James E. Stearns filed a purported stockholder derivative action (the "Stearns Derivative Action) on behalf of the Company against certain of its present and former directors and officers (the "Individual Defendants"), as well as the Company as nominal defendant in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Atlantic County, Chancery Division (James E. Stearns, derivatively on behalf of EMCORE Corporation v. Thomas J. Russell, Robert Bogomolny, Charles Scott, John Gillen, Reuben F. Richards, Jr., Hong Q. Hou, Adam Gushard, David Danzilio and Thomas Werthan, Case No. Atl-C-10-09). This action is based on essentially the same factual contentions as the Class Action, and alleges that the Individual Defendants engaged in improprieties and violations of law in connection with the reporting of the GGE backlog. The Derivative Action seeks several forms of relief, allegedly on behalf of the Company, including, among other things, damages, equitable relief, corporate governance reforms, an accounting of, rescission of, restitution of, and costs and disbursements of the lawsuit.

On March 11, 2009, Plaintiff Gary Thomas filed a second purported shareholder derivative action (the "Thomas Derivative Action"; together with the Stearns Derivative Action, the "Derivative Actions") in the US. District Court for the District of New Mexico against the Company and certain of the Individual Defendants (Gary Thomas, derivatively on behalf of EMCORE Corporation v. Thomas J. Russell, Robert Bogomolny, Charles Scott, John Gillen, Reuben F. Richards, Jr., Hong Q. Hou, and EMCORE Corporation, Case No. 1.09-cv-00236, D.N.M.). The Thomas Derivative Action makes the same allegations as the Stearns Derivative Action and seeks essentially the same relief.

The Company intends to vigorously defend against the allegations of both the Class Actions and the Derivative Action.

### e) Securities Matters

• SEC Communications. On or about August 15, 2008, the Company received a letter from the Denver office of the Enforcement Division of the Securities and Exchange Commission wherein it sought EMCORE's voluntary production of documents relating to, among other things, the Company's business relationship with Green and Gold Energy, Inc., its licensees, and the photovoltaic backlog the Company reported to the public. Since that time, the Company has provided documents to the staff of the SEC and met with the staff on December 12, 2008 to address this matter.

• NASDAQ Communication. On or about November 13, 2008, the Company received a letter from the NASDAQ Listings Qualifications group ("NASDAQ") concerning the Company's removal of \$79 million in backlog attributable to GGE which the Company announced on August 8, 2008 and the remaining backlog exclusive of GGE. The Company advised NASDAQ that it would cooperate with its inquiry, and has complied with the NASDAQ request for information. On February 11, 2009, the Company received a letter requesting additional information, with which the Company has complied, and on April 28, 2009, the Company received a third letter requesting further additional information, with which the Company intends to comply.

#### ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

In addition to the other information set forth in this report, you should carefully consider the risk factors discussed in Part I, Item 1A. "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2008, which could materially affect our business, financial condition or future results. The risks described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K are not the only risks facing our Company. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us also may materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and/or operating results.

# ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

(a) Not Applicable

- (b) Not Applicable
- (c) Not Applicable

#### ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

Not Applicable

# ITEM 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

The Company held its 2009 Annual Meeting of Shareholders on April 30, 2009.

- The Company's shareholders reelected Mr. John Gillen to the Board of Directors for a term of three years (expiring in 2012). The total shares voted for the election of Mr. Gillen was 52,060,308 and the total shares withheld totaled 4,288,285.
- The Company's shareholders ratified the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm of the Company as follows:

For: 55,157,675 shares
Against: 958,617 shares
Abstain: 232,301 shares

- The Company's shareholders approved an increase in the number of shares reserved for issuance under the Company's 2000 Employee Stock Purchase Plan

For: 31,991,930 shares Against: 1,232,162 shares Abstain: 141,037 shares

Broker non-votes totaled 22,983,464 shares.

- The Company's shareholders approved an increase in the number of shares reserved for issuance under the Company's 2000 Stock Option Plan

For: 28,263,264 shares Against: 4,954,685 shares Abstain: 147,179 shares

Broker non-votes totaled 22,983,465 shares.

#### ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

On April 30, 2009, the Company entered into an amendment with Bank of America that provided a waiver of events of default through March 31, 2009. This amendment was included as an exhibit to a Current Report on Form 8-K that was filed with the SEC on May 6, 2009.

#### ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

Exhibit No. Description

10.1 EMCORE Corporation 2000 Stock Option Plan, as amended and restated on April 30, 2009 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 6, 2009).

- 10.2 EMCORE Corporation 2000 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as amended and restated on April 30, 2009 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 6, 2009).
- 10.3 Third Amendment to the Loan and Security Agreement with Bank of America, N.A., dated April 30, 2009 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 6, 2009).
- 31.1\* Certification by Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 31.2\* Certification by Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32.1\* Certification by Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32.2\* Certification by Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

<sup>\*</sup> Filed herewith

#### **SIGNATURES**

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

# **EMCORE CORPORATION**

Date: May 11, 2009 By: /s/ Hong Q. Hou

Hong Q. Hou, Ph.D.

Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

Date: May 11, 2009 By: /s/ John M, Markovich

John M. Markovich

Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)