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FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

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

FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD ENDED March 31, 2012

OR

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

FOR THE TRANSITION PERIOD FROM \_\_\_\_\_ TO \_\_\_\_\_

Commission file number 000-18032

LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

State of Delaware

93-0835214

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or  
organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

5555 N.E. Moore Court, Hillsboro, Oregon

97124-6421

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

(503) 268-8000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period as the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes  No

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

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

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

Number of shares of common stock outstanding as of May 7, 2012

117,968,992

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Forward-Looking Statements

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Any statements about our expectations, beliefs, plans, objectives, assumptions or future events or performance are not historical facts and may be forward-looking. We use words or phrases such as “anticipates,” “believes,” “could,” “estimates,” “expects,” “intends,” “plans,” “predicts,” “projects,” “may,” “will,” “should,” “continue,” “ongoing,” “future,” “potential” and phrases to identify forward-looking statements. Examples of forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements about: programmable logic products being expected to simplify board management design and reduce development costs; customers using both PLD and FPGA architectures; our plan to introduce new FPGA, PLD and associated software design tool products and to reduce the manufacturing cost of our products; the increase of seasonal trends in our product revenue; our existing facilities being suitable and adequate for our future needs; the majority of our revenue being through our sell-through distributors; the impact of our global tax structure and expectations regarding taxes and tax adjustments; our expectations that a significant portion of our revenue will continue to be dependent on the communications end market and the growth of our revenue from this end market; the Asia Pacific market being the primary source of our revenue; our ability to continue to serve our customers after the termination of our relationship with Avnet; the costs and benefits of our purchase of APAC IC and SiliconBlue; our plans to sell our auction rate securities; our plans to replace our legacy systems with new ERP system functionality; the costs and benefits of our restructuring plans; the impact of new accounting pronouncements; our making significant future investments in research and development and the increase of mask and engineering wafer costs; and our beliefs concerning the adequacy of our liquidity and ability to meet our operating and capital requirements and obligations.

Forward-looking statements involve estimates, assumptions, risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in the forward-looking statements. The key factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements include global economic conditions and uncertainty, the concentration and growth of our sales in the communications equipment end market, particularly as it relates to the concentration of our sales in the Asia Pacific region, market acceptance and demand for our new products, any disruption of our distribution channels, unexpected charges relating to our restructuring plans, the effect of the downturn in the economy on capital markets and credit markets, the impact of competitive products and pricing, unanticipated taxation requirements, or positions of the U.S. Internal Revenue Service, unexpected impacts of recent accounting guidance and the other risks that are described herein and that are otherwise described from time to time in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including, but not limited to, the items discussed in “Risk Factors” in Item 1A of Part II of this Report. You should not unduly rely on forward-looking statements because our actual results could differ materially from those expressed in any forward-looking statements made by us. In addition, any forward-looking statement applies only as of the date on which it is made. We do not plan to, and undertake no obligation to, update any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances that occur after the date on which such statements are made or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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## PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME

(In thousands, except per share data)

(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2012	April 2, 2011
Revenue	\$71,700	\$82,615
Costs and expenses:		
Cost of products sold	32,215	33,006
Research and development	19,146	20,140
Selling, general and administrative	17,923	17,170
Acquisition related charges	1,707	—
Restructuring charges	556	1,835
	71,547	72,151
Income from operations	153	10,464
Other income, net	64	663
Income before income taxes	217	11,127
Provision for income taxes	7,931	208
Net (loss) income	\$(7,714)	) \$10,919
Net (loss) income per share:		
Basic	\$(0.07)	) \$0.09
Diluted	\$(0.07)	) \$0.09
Shares used in per share calculations:		
Basic	118,174	117,996
Diluted	118,174	121,864
Comprehensive (loss) income		
Net (loss) income	\$(7,714)	) \$10,919
Other comprehensive income:		
Unrealized (loss) gain related to marketable securities, net	(65)	) 9
Reclassification adjustment for gains on the sale of marketable securities included	—	(133)
in net income		)
Translation adjustment	155	75
Comprehensive (loss) income	\$(7,624)	) \$10,870

See Accompanying Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.



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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands, except share and par value data)

(unaudited)

	March 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$136,507	\$141,423
Short-term marketable securities	59,652	68,711
Accounts receivable, net	52,813	36,993
Inventories	36,845	37,278
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	19,915	16,200
Total current assets	305,732	300,605
Property and equipment, less accumulated depreciation	40,724	40,430
Long-term marketable securities	6,946	6,946
Other long-term assets	9,923	11,628
Intangible assets, net of amortization	17,641	18,377
Goodwill	44,808	44,808
Deferred income taxes	38,230	45,130
Total assets	\$464,004	\$467,924
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$33,221	\$31,842
Accrued payroll obligations	7,374	9,373
Deferred income and allowances on sales to sell-through distributors	13,981	10,761
Total current liabilities	54,576	51,976
Long-term liabilities	21,310	22,387
Total liabilities	75,886	74,363
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, \$.01 par value, 10,000,000 shares authorized, none issued and outstanding	—	—
Common stock, \$.01 par value, 300,000,000 shares authorized, 118,213,000 and 117,675,000 shares issued and outstanding, excluding 194,000 shares of treasury stock at March 31, 2012	1,182	1,177
Paid-in capital	629,813	627,637
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(255	) (345
Accumulated deficit	(242,622	) (234,908
Total stockholders' equity	388,118	393,561
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$464,004	\$467,924
See Accompanying Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.		

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(In thousands)

(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2012	April 2, 2011
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net (loss) income	\$(7,714 )	\$10,919
Adjustments to reconcile net (loss) income to net cash (used in) provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	5,027	4,083
Change in deferred income tax provision	7,520	—
Gain on sale or maturity of marketable securities, net	—	(590 )
Stock-based compensation	1,624	1,344
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable, net	(15,820 )	(8,716 )
Inventories	433	(736 )
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(3,367 )	(487 )
Accounts payable and accrued expenses (includes restructuring)	978	598
Accrued payroll obligations	(1,999 )	(3,394 )
Deferred income and allowances on sales to sell-through distributors	3,220	233
Other liabilities	155	71
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities	(9,943 )	3,325
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Proceeds from sales or maturities of marketable securities	15,018	27,910
Purchase of marketable securities	(6,024 )	(13,984 )
Capital expenditures	(3,442 )	(4,065 )
Other investing activities, primarily time based software licenses	(1,082 )	(2,303 )
Net cash provided by investing activities	4,470	7,558
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Net share settlement upon issuance of RSUs	(376 )	(223 )
Purchase of treasury stock	(1,558 )	(4,330 )
Net proceeds from issuance of common stock	2,491	1,736
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	557	(2,817 )
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(4,916 )	8,066
Beginning cash and cash equivalents	141,423	174,384
Ending cash and cash equivalents	\$136,507	\$182,450
Supplemental disclosures of non-cash investing and financing activities:		
Unrealized (loss) gain related to marketable securities, net, included in Accumulated other comprehensive income	\$(65 )	\$9
Income taxes paid, net of refunds	\$329	\$438
Distribution of deferred compensation from trust assets	\$65	\$108
See Accompanying Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.		

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LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION  
NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
(Unaudited)

Note 1 - Basis of Presentation and Significant Accounting Policies:

The accompanying Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements are unaudited and have been prepared by Lattice Semiconductor Corporation ("Lattice", the "Company", "we", "us" or "our") pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and in our opinion include all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring adjustments, necessary for the fair statement of results for the interim periods. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations. These Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with our audited financial statements and notes thereto included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and classification of assets, such as marketable securities, accounts receivable, inventory, auction rate securities, goodwill (including the assessment of reporting unit), intangible assets, deferred income taxes and liabilities, such as accrued liabilities (including restructuring charges and bonus arrangements), income taxes and deferred income and allowances on sales to sell-through distributors, forward exchange contracts, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the fiscal periods presented. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

We report based on a 52 or 53-week fiscal year ending on the Saturday closest to December 31. Our first quarter of fiscal 2012 and first quarter of fiscal 2011 ended on March 31, 2012 and April 2, 2011, respectively. All references to quarterly or three months ended financial results are references to the results for the relevant fiscal period.

Principles of Consolidation

The accompanying Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements include the accounts of Lattice and its subsidiaries, all of which are wholly owned, after the elimination of all intercompany balances and transactions. Certain balances in prior fiscal years have been reclassified to conform to the presentation adopted in the current year.

Cash Equivalents and Marketable Securities

We consider all investments that are readily convertible into cash and have original maturities of three months or less, to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents consist primarily of highly liquid investments in time deposits or money market accounts and are carried at cost. We account for marketable securities as available for sale with unrealized gains or losses recorded to Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), unless losses are considered other-than-temporary, in which case, losses are charged to the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Derivative Financial Instruments

At March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, we had open foreign exchange contracts of 160,000,000 JPY and 140,000,000 JPY, respectively. The contracts outstanding at March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011 were settled in April 2012 and January 2012, respectively. Although such hedges mitigate our foreign currency exchange rate exposure from an economic perspective they were not designated as "effective" hedges for accounting purposes and are adjusted to fair value through earnings, and less than \$0.1 million for the periods reported. We do not hold or issue



derivative financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes.

#### Concentration Risk

Potential exposure to concentration risk consists primarily of cash and cash equivalents, marketable securities and trade receivables and supply of wafers for our new products. We place our investments primarily through three financial institutions and mitigate the concentration of credit risk by placing percentage limits on the maximum portion of the investment portfolio which may be invested in any one investment instrument. The Company's investment policy defines approved credit ratings for investment securities. Investments on-hand consisted primarily of money market instruments, "AA" or better corporate notes and bonds, "AA" or better rated U. S. municipal notes, and U.S. government agency obligations. See Note 3 for a discussion of

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the liquidity attributes of our marketable securities.

Concentration of credit risk with respect to trade receivables are mitigated by a geographically diverse customer base and our credit and collection process. Accounts receivable are recorded at the invoice amount, do not bear interest, and are shown net of allowances for doubtful accounts of \$0.9 million at both March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011. We perform credit evaluations for essentially all customers and secure transactions with letters of credit or advance payments where appropriate. We regularly review our allowance for doubtful accounts and the aging of our accounts receivable. Write-offs for uncollected trade receivables have not been significant to date.

We expect that the majority of our revenue in fiscal 2012 will be reported resale by our sell-through distributors. For the first three months of fiscal 2012 Arrow Electronics, Inc. including Nu Horizons Electronics Corp., (a wholly owned subsidiary of Arrow Electronics, Inc. USA), and Weikeng (International and Industrial) Co. LTD made up approximately 44% of total revenue.

We rely on Fujitsu Limited (“Fujitsu”) for essentially all wafer purchases for our new products.

#### Revenue Recognition and Deferred Income

Revenue from sales to customers is recognized upon shipment, or in the case of sales by our sell-through distributors, at the time of reported resale, provided that persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, the price is fixed or determinable, title has transferred, collection of resulting receivables is reasonably assured, there are no customer remaining acceptance requirements and no remaining significant obligations. We sell our products directly to end customers or through a network of independent manufacturers' representatives and indirectly through a network of independent sell-in and sell-through distributors. Distributors provide us periodic data regarding the product, price, quantity, and end customer when products are resold as well as the quantities of our products they still have in stock. We must use estimates and apply judgment to reconcile sell-through distributors' reported inventories to their activities. Any error in our judgment could lead to inaccurate reporting of our Revenue, Cost of products sold, Deferred income and allowances on sales to sell-through distributors, and Net (loss) income.

At the time of shipment to a sell-through distributor we invoice at published list price. The final price is set at the time of resale and is determined in accordance with a distributor price agreement. Invoices are recorded in Accounts receivable, net with a corresponding credit to Deferred income and allowances on sales to sell-through distributors and inventory is transferred from Inventories to Deferred income and allowances on sales to sell-through distributors. Revenue and cost of products sold to sell-through distributors are deferred until either the product is resold by the distributor or, in certain cases, return privileges terminate, at which time Revenue and Cost of products sold are reflected in Net (loss) income.

The components of Deferred income and allowances on sales to sell-through distributors are presented in the following table (in thousands):

	March 31, 2012		December 31, 2011
Inventory valued at published list price and held by sell-through distributors with right of return	\$43,931		\$40,147
Allowance for distributor advances	(23,260	)	(23,300 )
Deferred cost of sales related to inventory held by sell-through distributors	(6,690	)	(6,086 )
Total Deferred income and allowances on sales to sell-through distributors	\$13,981		\$10,761

We expect the majority of our revenue in fiscal 2012 will be from sell-through distributors. Resale of product by sell-through distributors as a percentage of our total revenue was 53% for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 62% for the three months ended April 2, 2011, respectively.

Revenue from software licensing was not material for the periods presented.

Note 2 - Net (loss) income Per Share:

We compute basic income (loss) per share by dividing net income (loss) available to common stockholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. To determine diluted share count, we apply the treasury stock method to determine the dilutive effect of outstanding stock option shares, restricted stock units (RSUs"), and

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ESPP shares. Our application of the treasury stock method includes as assumed proceeds the average unamortized stock-based compensation expense for the period and the impact of the pro forma deferred tax benefit or cost associated with stock-based compensation expense.

A reconciliation of basic and diluted Net (loss) income per share is presented below (in thousands, except per share data):

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2012	April 2, 2011
Basic and diluted Net (loss) income	\$(7,714	) \$10,919
Shares used in basic Net (loss) income per share	118,174	117,996
Dilutive effect of stock options, RSUs and ESPP shares	—	3,868
Shares used in diluted Net (loss) income per share	118,174	121,864
Basic Net (loss) income per share	\$(0.07	) \$0.09
Diluted Net (loss) income per share	\$(0.07	) \$0.09

The computation of diluted Net (loss) income per share for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and three months ended April 2, 2011 excludes the effects of stock options, RSUs and ESPP shares aggregating 12.3 million shares and 2.0 million shares, respectively, as they are antidilutive. Stock options, RSUs and ESPP shares are considered antidilutive when the aggregate of exercise price, unrecognized stock-based compensation expense and excess tax benefit are greater than the average market price for our common stock during the period or when the Company is in a net loss position. Stock options and RSUs that are antidilutive in the first quarter of fiscal 2012 could become dilutive in the future.

## Note 3 - Marketable Securities:

The following table summarizes the contractual maturities of our marketable securities (at fair value and in thousands):

	March 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
Short-term marketable securities:		
Maturities of less than five years	\$59,652	\$68,711
Long-term marketable securities:		
Maturities of more than ten years	6,946	6,946
Total marketable securities	\$66,598	\$75,657

The following table summarizes the composition of our marketable securities (at fair value and in thousands):

	March 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
Short-term marketable securities:		
Corporate and government bonds and notes and commercial paper	\$59,652	\$68,711
Long-term marketable securities:		
Federally-insured or FFELP guaranteed student loans	6,946	6,946
Total marketable securities	\$66,598	\$75,657

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The following table summarizes the composition of our auction rate securities (in thousands):

	March 31, 2012			December 31, 2011		
	Par Value	Fair Value	S&P Credit rating	Par Value	Fair Value	S&P Credit rating
Long-term marketable securities:						
Federally-insured or FFELP guaranteed student loans	\$8,300	\$6,946	AA+	\$8,300	\$6,946	AAA
Total auction rate securities	\$8,300	\$6,946		\$8,300	\$6,946	

On March 29, 2011, the Company sold student loan auction rate securities, with a par value of \$3.3 million and an estimated fair value of \$2.8 million, for \$3.3 million, reported a gain of \$0.6 million and relieved \$0.1 million of previously unrecognized gain in Accumulated other comprehensive income, in the first quarter of fiscal 2011. At March 31, 2012, due to continued multiple failed auctions and a determination of illiquidity, the auction rate securities held by the Company are classified as Long-term marketable securities. These auction rate securities are exposed to risks associated with student loan asset-backed notes. Such loans are insured by the federal government or guaranteed by the Federal Family Educational Loan Program ("FFELP"). The Company intends to sell its auction rate securities as markets for these securities resume or reasonable offers become available.

Note 4 - Fair Value of Financial Instruments (in thousands):

	Fair value measurements as of March 31, 2012				Fair value measurements as of December 31, 2011			
	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Short-term marketable securities	\$59,652	\$59,652	\$—	\$—	\$68,711	\$68,711	\$—	\$—
Long-term marketable securities	6,946	—	—	6,946	6,946	—	—	6,946
Foreign currency forward exchange contracts	—	—	—	—	18	—	18	—
Total fair value of financial instruments	\$66,598	\$59,652	\$—	\$6,946	\$75,675	\$68,711	\$18	\$6,946

We invest in various financial instruments including corporate and government bonds and notes, commercial paper and auction rate securities. In addition, we enter into foreign currency forward exchange contracts to mitigate our foreign currency exchange rate exposure. The Company carries these instruments at their fair value in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 820, "Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures" ("ASC 820"). The framework under the provisions of ASC 820 establishes three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value. Each level of input has different levels of subjectivity and difficulty involved in determining fair value.

Level 1 instruments generally represent quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets. Therefore, determining fair value for Level 1 instruments generally does not require significant management judgment, and the estimation is not difficult. Our Level 1 instruments consist of federal agency, municipal or corporate notes and bonds, and commercial paper that are traded in active markets and are classified as Short-term marketable securities on our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet.

Level 2 instruments include inputs other than Level 1 that are observable, either directly or indirectly, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices for identical instruments in markets that are not active; or other

inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities.

Level 3 instruments include unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities. Our auction rate securities are classified as Level 3 instruments. Management uses a combination of the market and income approach to derive the fair value of auction rate securities, which include third party valuation results, investment broker provided market information and available information on the credit quality of the underlying collateral. As a result, the determination of fair value for Level 3 instruments requires significant management judgment and subjectivity. Our Level 3 instruments are classified as Long-term marketable securities on our Condensed

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Consolidated Balance Sheet and are entirely made up of auction rate securities that consist of student loan asset-backed notes. Such loans are insured by the federal government or guaranteed by the Federal Family Educational Loan Program ("FFELP"). Fair value measurement may be sensitive to various unobservable inputs such as the ability of students to repay their loans, or change in the provision of government guarantees policy toward guaranteeing loan repayment. If students are unable to pay back their loans or the government changes their policy our investments may be further impaired.

There were no transfers between Levels 1 and 2 during the first three months ended fiscal 2012 or 2011. There were no transfers into or out of Level 3 during the first three months ended fiscal 2012 or 2011.

During the three months ended March 31, 2012 and April 2, 2011, the following changes occurred in our Level 3 instruments (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2012	April 2, 2011
Beginning fair value of Long-term marketable securities	\$6,946	\$10,232
Fair value of securities sold or redeemed	—	(2,843 )
Ending fair value of Long-term marketable securities	\$6,946	\$7,389

In accordance with ASC 320, "Investments-Debt and Equity Securities," the Company recorded an unrealized loss of \$0.1 million during the three months ended March 31, 2012 on certain Short-term marketable securities (Level 1 instruments), which has been recorded in Accumulated other comprehensive income. Future fluctuations in fair value related to these instruments that the Company deems to be temporary, including any recoveries of previous write-downs, would be recorded to Accumulated other comprehensive income. During the three months ended April 2, 2011, the Company realized a gain of \$0.6 million related to the sale of a portion of its Long-term marketable securities portfolio. If the Company were to determine in the future that any further decline in fair value is other-than-temporary, we would record an impairment charge, which could have a materially detrimental impact on our operating results. If we were to liquidate our position in these securities, it is likely that the amount of any future realized gain or loss would be different from the unrealized gain or loss reported in Accumulated other comprehensive income or the previously reported other-than-temporary impairment charge.

Note 5 - Inventories (in thousands):

	March 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
Work in progress	\$25,650	\$24,260
Finished goods	11,195	13,018
Total inventories	\$36,845	\$37,278

Note 6 - Business Combinations and Goodwill:

On July 15, 2011 the Company acquired substantially all of the assets of Rise Technology Development Limited ("Rise"), a Hong Kong company, and its subsidiary, APAC IC Layout Consultants, Inc. ("APAC IC"), a Manila, Philippines based company engaged in engineering layout and design services for \$1.0 million. The acquisition of Rise and APAC IC, which was for cash, is part of the Company's effort to improve its research and development and operations activities, reduce costs and streamline its supply chain for improved predictability and flexibility. The Company allocated the purchase price of the acquisition in accordance with the guidance of ASC 820, "Business Combinations", which resulted in recording the majority of the purchase price, or \$0.9 million, to Goodwill. The

Company has not disclosed the purchase price allocation or pro forma information as the acquisition was immaterial to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

On December 9, 2011, we acquired SiliconBlue Technologies Ltd., a Cayman Islands exempted company ("SiliconBlue"), which put us in a unique position in the mobile consumer segment of the programmable logic market. The purchase price, totaling \$63.2 million was paid in cash.

The Company allocated the purchase price of the acquisition in accordance with the guidance of ASC 820, "Business Combinations". Of the total purchase price, \$43.9 million was allocated to goodwill, which represents the excess of the purchase price of an acquired business over the fair value of the underlying net tangible and intangible assets. The goodwill balance is primarily attributed to assembled workforce, expected synergies and expanded opportunities when integrating



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SiliconBlue's technology with our current product offering. SiliconBlue will expand our product offering in the mobile consumer and handheld market. These are among the factors that contributed to a purchase price for SiliconBlue that resulted in the recognition of goodwill. The goodwill and identifiable intangible assets are not deductible for tax purposes.

The company is in the process of finalizing the purchase price accounting, as it relates to taxes, for the December 16, 2011 acquisition of SiliconBlue.

The following table presents the estimated fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed, including those items that are still preliminary, for the acquisition of SiliconBlue (in thousands):

	Useful lives (in years)	Estimated Fair Values
Net tangible assets acquired		\$837
Acquired intangible assets:		
Developed technology	7	10,700
Customer relationships	5.5	7,800
Goodwill		43,911
Total purchase price allocation		\$63,248

Inventories were recorded at their estimated fair value ("step-up"), which represented an amount equivalent to estimated selling prices less fulfillment costs and a normative selling profit. The step-up of \$0.3 million will be charged to Acquisition related costs in the following six months, approximating the estimated inventory turn-over for this particular product.

SiliconBlue was consolidated into our financial statements beginning on December 16, 2011.

No impairment charges relating to goodwill and intangible assets were recorded for the first three months of fiscal 2012.

#### Note 7 - Intangible Assets and Acquisition Related Charges:

In connection with our acquisition of SiliconBlue in December 2011, we recorded identifiable intangible assets related to customer relationships and developed technology based on guidance for determining fair value under the provisions of ASC 820. We did not have any identifiable intangible assets recorded as of April 2, 2011. The following table summarizes the details of the Company's total purchased intangible assets (in thousands):

	Weighted Average Amortization Period (in years)	Gross	Accumulated Amortization	Intangible assets, net of amortization March 31, 2012
Developed technology	7.0	\$10,700	\$(446)	) \$10,254
Customer relationships	5.5	7,800	(413)	) 7,387
Total	6.3	\$18,500	\$(859)	) \$17,641

Acquisition related charges include severance and professional fees related to acquisition, as well as the amortization of the stepped up value of inventory and amortization of identifiable intangible assets with finite useful lives.

Acquisition related charges in connection with the acquisition of SiliconBlue from the date of acquisition, December 16, 2011 to March 31, 2012 were as follows (in thousands):



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	Three months ended March 31, 2012	From December 16, 2011 to December 31, 2011
Severance related to integration of employees	\$566	\$—
Professional fees related to acquisition	472	397
Amortization of developed technology	382	64
Amortization of customer relationships	355	59
Adjustment to \$0.3 million step-up in inventory fair value at date of acquisition	124	16
Net all other, including reversal of bad debt reserve	(192	) —
Total	\$1,707	\$536

Estimated acquisition related charges in connection with the acquisition of SiliconBlue for future years are as follows (in thousands):

Fiscal year	Estimated Acquisition related charges
2012	\$4,472
2013	2,947
2014	2,947
2015	2,947
2016	2,947
2017	2,179
2018	1,463
Total	\$19,902

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Note 8 - Changes in Stockholders' Equity and Accumulated other Comprehensive Income (in thousands):

	Common stock	Paid-in capital	Treasury stock	Accumu- lated deficit	Accumu- lated other compre- hensive income	Total
Balances, December 31, 2011	1,177	\$627,637	\$—	\$(234,908 )	\$(345 )	\$393,561
Net income for the three months ended March 31, 2012	—	—	—	(7,714 )	—	(7,714 )
Unrealized loss related to marketable securities, net	—	—	—	—	(65 )	(65 )
Translation adjustments	—	—	—	—	155	155
Common stock issued in connection with the exercise of stock options, ESPP and vested RSUs (net of taxes)	7	2,108	—	—	—	2,115
Stock repurchase	—	—	(1,558 )	—	—	(1,558 )
Retirement of treasury stock	(2 )	(1,556 )	1,558	—	—	—
Stock-based compensation expense related to stock options, ESPP and RSUs	—	1,624	—	—	—	1,624
Balances, March 31, 2012	\$1,182	\$629,813	\$—	\$(242,622 )	\$(255 )	\$388,118

On February 24, 2012, the Company's Board of Directors approved a stock repurchase program pursuant to which up to \$20.0 million of outstanding common stock may be repurchased from time to time. The duration of the repurchase program is twelve months. During the first quarter of fiscal 2012, approximately 0.2 million shares were repurchased for \$1.6 million. All repurchases will be open market transactions and funded from available working capital.

Note 9 - Income Taxes:

We are subject to federal income tax as well as income tax of multiple state and foreign jurisdictions. We are no longer subject to federal, state and local, or foreign income tax examinations for years before 2008, 2007 and 2005, respectively.

We have federal net operating loss carryforwards that expire at various dates between 2023 and 2029. We have state net operating loss carryforwards that expire at various dates from 2012 through 2030. We also have federal and state credit carryforwards, some of which do not expire, with the remainder expiring at various dates from 2012 through 2031.

During the fourth quarter of 2011, we concluded it was more likely than not that we would be able to realize the benefit of a portion of our remaining deferred tax assets. We based this conclusion on improved operating results over the past two years and our expectations about generating taxable income in the foreseeable future including the implementation of a global tax structure. We exercised significant judgment and considered estimates about our ability to generate revenues, gross profits, operating income and taxable income in future periods under our new tax structure in reaching this decision.

As part of our global tax structure implementation, an intercompany sale of inventory and fixed assets occurred during the first quarter of 2012. The inventory portion of this intercompany sale is expected to be sold to end customers in the normal course of business. As the inventory sells to our end customers, taxes are applied to the gain based on U.S. statutory tax rates, primarily offset by deferred tax assets. This resulted in an increase to the effective tax rate and a net tax provision of \$7.9 million in the first three months of fiscal 2012. A similar net tax provision amount is expected in the next quarter as the inventory is sold to end customers.

We are not currently under examination in any tax jurisdictions.

We believe that it is reasonably possible that \$0.4 million of unrecognized tax benefits and \$0.1 million of associated interest and penalties could significantly change during the next twelve months. The \$0.5 million potential change would represent a decrease in unrecognized tax benefits, comprised of items related to federal research and development credits and uncertain income tax positions related to foreign tax filings for years that will no longer be subject to examination under

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expiring statutes of limitations.

We are paying foreign income taxes, which are reflected in the provision for income taxes in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive (loss) income and are primarily related to the cost of operating an offshore research and development, marketing and sales subsidiaries. We are not currently paying federal income taxes and do not expect to pay such taxes until the benefits of our tax net operating losses are fully utilized. We expect to pay a nominal amount of state income tax. We accrue interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions in the provision for income taxes.

## Note 10 - Restructuring:

During 2011, the Company's Board of Directors adopted a restructuring plan to more efficiently implement the Company's product development strategy and to better align the Company's corporate strategy with the Company's sales resources (the "2011 restructuring plan"). In connection with the 2011 restructuring plan, the Company reduced and refocused its headcount at certain of its research and development facilities, including Pennsylvania and Shanghai, China, and streamlined its supply chain activities at its headquarters for reduced operational costs, improved predictability and flexibility. Part of the 2011 restructuring plan includes extending silicon development capabilities, product and test engineering, planning and logistics activities by locating personnel in Manila, Philippines. The 2011 restructuring plan was substantially complete at the end of fiscal 2011. Approximately \$0.6 million and \$2.7 million was incurred in the first three months of fiscal 2012 and 2011, respectively. Approximately \$0.3 million is expected to be incurred in the second quarter of fiscal 2012.

During fiscal 2009, we initiated a restructuring plan ("2009 restructuring plan") to lower operating expenses primarily by reducing headcount, reducing occupancy in certain leased facilities and to transfer inventory management, order fulfillment, and direct sales logistics from our headquarters in Oregon to a third party contractor in Singapore. In addition, the Company established an operations center in Singapore to transfer some of its supply chain activities from the Company's headquarters in Oregon. As part of the 2011 restructuring plan, we updated our estimate of the remaining severance and lease loss reserve for the 2009 restructuring plan. This resulted in a credit to Restructuring charges in the first quarter of fiscal 2011 of \$0.8 million, primarily for re-occupying certain leased facilities.

At March 31, 2012, our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet included an accrual of \$0.4 million related to severance and related expenses under the provisions of the 2011 restructuring plan.

The following table displays the activity related to all restructuring plans described above (in thousands):

	Balance at December 31, 2011	Charged to expense during three months ended March 31, 2012	Paid or settled	Adjustments to reserve	Balance at March 31, 2012
Severance and related costs	\$1,543	\$276	\$(1,356)	\$(80)	\$383
Lease loss reserve	26	—	(12)	(14)	—
Other	—	374	(374)	—	—
Total restructuring plans	\$1,569	\$650	\$(1,742)	\$(94)	\$383

Total Restructuring charges included in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations were as follows (in thousands):

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	March 31, 2012	April 2, 2011
Severance and related costs	\$196	\$2,319
Lease loss reserve	(14 )	(628 )
Other	374	144
Total restructuring charges	\$556	\$1,835

We cannot be certain as to the actual amount of any remaining restructuring charges, changes in original estimates or the timing of their recognition for financial reporting purposes.

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## Note 11 - Stock-Based Compensation:

Total stock-based compensation expense included in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive (loss) income was as follows (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2012	April 2, 2011
Line item:		
Cost of products sold	\$ 107	\$58
Research and development	622	600
Selling, general and administrative	895	634
Restructuring charges	—	52
Total stock-based compensation	\$1,624	\$1,344

## Note 12 - Legal Matters:

On June 11, 2007, a patent infringement lawsuit was filed by Lizy K. John (“John”) against Lattice Semiconductor Corporation in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas, Marshall Division. John seeks an injunction, unspecified damages, and attorneys' fees and expenses. The Company filed a request for re-examination of the patent by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (“PTO”), which was granted by the PTO, and the re-examination has concluded. The litigation was stayed pending the results of the re-examination. The stay was lifted on January 1, 2012 but the court has not yet conducted a scheduling conference or set a trial date. At this stage of the proceedings, we do not have an estimate of the likelihood or the amount of any potential exposure to us. The Company believes it possesses defenses to these claims and intends to vigorously defend this litigation.

On December 8, 2010, Intellectual Ventures I LLC and Intellectual Ventures II LLC (“Intellectual Ventures”) filed a patent infringement lawsuit against the Company, Altera Corporation and Microsemi Corporation in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware, seeking unspecified damages. At this stage of the proceedings, we do not have an estimate of the likelihood or the amount of any potential exposure to us. The Company believes it possesses defenses to these claims and intends to vigorously defend this litigation.

We are also exposed to certain other asserted and unasserted potential claims. There can be no assurance that, with respect to potential claims made against us, we could resolve such claims under terms and conditions that would not have a material adverse effect on our business, our liquidity or our financial results. Periodically, we review the status of each significant matter and assess its potential financial exposure. If the potential loss from any claim or legal proceeding is considered probable and a range of possible losses can be estimated, we then accrue a liability for the estimated loss based on the provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) 450, “Contingencies” (“ASC 450”). Legal proceedings are subject to uncertainties, and the outcomes are difficult to predict. Because of such uncertainties, accruals are based only on the best information available at the time. As additional information becomes available, we reassess the potential liability related to pending claims and litigation and may revise estimates. Presently, no accrual has been estimated under ASC 450 for potential losses that may or may not arise from the current lawsuits in which we are involved.



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## Note 13 - Segment and Geographic Information:

We operate in one industry segment comprising the design, development, manufacture and marketing of high performance programmable logic devices. Our revenue by major geographic area based on ship-to location was as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		April 2, 2011		
	March 31, 2012				
United States:	\$10,712	15	% \$13,685	17	%
Asia Pacific (primarily China and Taiwan)	36,367	51	43,652	53	
Europe	13,226	19	17,581	21	
Japan	9,779	13	6,437	8	
Other Americas	1,616	2	1,260	1	
Total foreign revenue	60,988	85	68,930	83	
Total revenue	\$71,700	100	% \$82,615	100	%

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## Overview

Lattice Semiconductor Corporation ("Lattice", the "Company", "we", "us", or "our") designs, develops and markets high performance programmable logic products and related software. Programmable logic products are widely used semiconductor components that can be configured by end customers as specific logic circuits, enabling shorter design cycle times and reduced development costs. Our end customers are primarily original equipment manufacturers ("OEMs") in the communications, computing, consumer, industrial, military, automotive, and medical end markets. Within the programmable logic market there are two groups of products - programmable logic devices ("PLD") and field programmable gate arrays ("FPGA") - each representing a distinct silicon architectural approach. Products based on the two alternative programmable logic architectures are generally optimal for different types of logic functions, although many logic functions can be implemented using either architecture. We believe that a substantial portion of programmable logic customers utilize both PLD and FPGA architectures.

## Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Critical accounting policies are those that are both most important to the portrayal of a company's financial condition and results and require management's most difficult, subjective and complex judgments, often as a result of the need to make estimates about the effect of matters that are inherently uncertain. Management believes that there have been no significant changes during the three months ended March 31, 2012 to the items that we disclosed as our critical accounting policies and estimates in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and classification of assets, such as marketable securities, accounts receivable, inventory, auction rate securities, goodwill, deferred income taxes and liabilities, accrued liabilities (including restructuring charges and accrual for bonus arrangements), income taxes, deferred income and allowances on sales to certain sell-through distributors, forward exchange contracts, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the fiscal periods presented. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## Results of Operations

## Revenue

Key elements of our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations were as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended					
	March 31, 2012			April 2, 2011		
Revenue	\$71,700	100.0	%	\$82,615	100.0	%
Gross margin	39,485	55.1		49,609	60.0	
Research and development	19,146	26.7		20,140	24.4	
Selling, general and administrative	17,923	25.0		17,170	20.8	
Acquisition related charges	1,707	2.4		—	—	
Restructuring charges	556	0.8		1,835	2.2	
Income from operations	\$153	0.2	%	\$10,464	12.7	%

Revenue for the first three months of fiscal 2012 decreased to \$71.7 million compared to \$82.6 million for the first three months of fiscal 2011. Revenue decreased primarily related to a decrease of revenue from our Mainstream and Mature products and from the Communications and the Industrial and other end markets.

#### Revenue by Product Line

FPGA and PLD revenue decreased in the first three months of fiscal 2012, when compared to the first three months of fiscal 2011. There was a 15% decrease in FPGA units sold and a 25% decrease in revenue in the first three months of fiscal 2012, when

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compared to the first three months of fiscal 2011. There was a 7% increase in PLD units sold and a 6% decrease in revenue in the first three months of fiscal 2012, when compared to the first three months of fiscal 2011. The increase or decrease in units sold and reported revenue for each period presented is related to changes in product mix.

The composition of our revenue by product line for the first three months of fiscal 2012 and 2011 was as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended					
	March 31, 2012		April 2, 2011			
FPGA	\$23,337	33	%	\$31,179	38	%
PLD	48,363	67		51,436	62	
Total revenue	\$71,700	100	%	\$82,615	100	%

## Revenue by End Market

Revenue from the Industrial and other end market decreased 21% the first three months of fiscal 2012, when compared to the first three months of fiscal 2011. Revenue from the Consumer end market increased 14% for the first three months of fiscal 2012, when compared to the first three months of fiscal 2011. Revenue in the Communications end market, historically our largest end market, decreased 16% for the first three months of fiscal 2012, when compared to the same period in the prior year and accounted for approximately 43% and 44% of our total revenue for the first three months of fiscal 2012 and 2011, respectively. We expect that a significant portion of our revenue will continue to be dependent on the health of the Communications end market, which is in the midst of a cyclical downtrend.

The composition of our revenue by end market for the first three months of fiscal 2012 and 2011 was as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended					
	March 31, 2012		April 2, 2011			
Communications	\$30,511	43	%	\$36,331	44	%
Industrial and other	20,303	28		25,778	31	
Consumer	11,300	16		9,895	12	
Computing	9,586	13		10,611	13	
Total revenue	\$71,700	100	%	\$82,615	100	%

## Revenue by Product Classification

Revenue for New products increased 42% for the first three months of fiscal 2012, compared to the first three months of fiscal 2011. New product revenue increased primarily due to an increase in unit sales offset by a decrease in average selling price. The decrease in average selling price for New products resulted from changes in product mix and end customer mix. Revenue for Mainstream products decreased 20% for the first three months of fiscal 2012 when compared to the first three months of fiscal 2011. Mainstream product revenue decreased due to a decrease in both average selling price and in unit sales. Mature product revenue decreased 17% for the first three months of fiscal 2012 compared to the first three months of fiscal 2011. Mature product revenue decreased due to a decrease in average selling price partially offset by an increase in units sold. The decrease in average selling price for Mature products resulted from changes in product mix and end customer mix, primarily associated with the decline in revenue from our Industrial and Other end market.

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The composition of our revenue by product classification for the first three months of fiscal 2012 and 2011 was as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended					
	March 31, 2012			April 2, 2011		
New *	\$11,389	16	%	\$8,030	10	%
Mainstream *	38,343	53		48,083	58	
Mature *	21,968	31		26,501	32	
Total revenue	\$71,700	100	%	\$82,615	100	%

## \* Product Classifications:

New:	LatticeECP4, LatticeECP3, MachXO2, Power Manager II, and iCE40
Mainstream:	ispMACH 4000ZE, ispMACH 4000/Z, LatticeSC, LatticeECP2/M, LatticeECP, LatticeXP2, LatticeXP, MachXO, ispClock A/D/S, Software and IP
Mature:	ispXPLD, ispXPGA, FPSC, ORCA 2, ORCA 3, ORCA 4, ispPAC, isplsi 8000V, ispMACH 5000B, ispMACH 2LV, ispMACH 5LV, ispLSI 2000V, ispLSI 5000V, ispMACH 5000VG, all 5-volt CPLDs, ispGDX2, GDX/V, ispMACH 4/LV, iCE65, ispClock, Power Manager I, all SPLDs

\* Product categories are modified as appropriate relative to our portfolio of products and the generation within each major product family. New products consist of our latest generation of products, while Mainstream and Mature are older or based on unique late stage customer-based production needs. Generally, product categories are adjusted every two to three years, at which time prior periods are reclassified to conform to the new categorization. In the first fiscal quarter of 2012 we reclassified our New, Mainstream and Mature product categories to better reflect our current product portfolio.

## Revenue by Geography

The composition of our revenue by geography, based on ship-to location, is as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended					
	March 31, 2012			April 2, 2011		
United States:	\$10,712	15	%	\$13,685	17	%
Asia Pacific (primarily China and Taiwan)	36,367	51		43,652	53	
Europe	13,226	19		17,581	21	
Japan	9,779	13		6,437	8	
Other Americas	1,616	2		1,260	1	
Total foreign revenue	60,988	85		68,930	83	
Total revenue	\$71,700	100	%	\$82,615	100	%

We assign revenue to geographies based on customer ship-to address at the point where revenue is recognized. In the case of sell-in distributors and OEM customers, revenue is typically recognized, and geography is assigned, when products are shipped to our distributor or customer. In the case of sell-through distributors, revenue is recognized when resale occurs and geography is assigned based on the customer location on the resale reports provided by the

distributor.

Revenue from foreign sales as a percentage of total revenue was 85% for the first three months of fiscal 2012, compared to 83% for the first three months of fiscal 2011. We believe the foreign market to the Asia Pacific region will remain the primary source of our revenue due to relatively more favorable business conditions in Asia and a continuing trend towards outsourcing of manufacturing by North American and European customers to the Asia Pacific region.

Termination of Avnet Inc. ("Avnet") global franchise agreement

On August 28, 2011, our global franchise agreement with Avnet terminated, however, we had mutually agreed to terms for

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the transition of inventory through December 31, 2011. Revenue from Avnet made up approximately 22% of our total revenue for the first three months of fiscal 2011. We do not expect a significant disruption in our ability to service customers as a result of this change. We continue to serve our end customers with a network that includes a global distributor, regional distributors, manufacturer's representatives, and our direct sales team.

Gross Margin and Operating Expenses

Our gross margin percentage was 55.1% in the first three months of fiscal 2012, compared to 60.0% in the first three months of fiscal 2011. The decrease in gross margin percentage for the first three months of 2012, as compared to the first three months of 2011, was attributed to product mix as New products accounted for 16% of revenue in the first three months of 2012 compared to 10% in the first three months of 2011, and a decrease in revenue of our Mature products sold to the Industrial and Other end customer market, partially offset by a change in estimate to the lower of cost or market inventory reserve. New products typically have lower gross margins than products in other product classifications, and products sold to customers in the Industrial and Other end markets typically have higher gross margins than the Company average.

Research and development expense was \$19.1 million in the first three months of fiscal 2012, compared to \$20.1 million in the first three months of fiscal 2011, respectively. Research and development expenses consist primarily of personnel, masks, engineering wafers, third-party design automation software, test equipment and tooling depreciation, and qualification expenses. The decrease in the first three months of fiscal 2012, compared to the first three months of fiscal 2011 was primarily a result of a decrease in engineering mask and wafer costs offset by an increase in labor costs, purchased outside services, depreciation costs, and time based license costs. We believe that a continued commitment to research and development is essential to maintain product leadership and provide innovative new product offerings, and therefore we expect to continue to make significant future investments in research and development. As we continue to move to more advanced process technologies such as 65nm and 40nm, mask and engineering wafer costs become increasingly more expensive and will therefore represent a greater proportion of total research and development expenses.

Selling, general and administrative expense was \$17.9 million for the first three months of fiscal 2012, compared to \$17.2 million in the first three months of fiscal 2011. This increase in the first three months of fiscal 2012 compared to the first three months of fiscal 2011 was a result of an increase in labor related costs, legal costs and marketing related costs.

Acquisition related charges were \$1.7 million for the first three months of fiscal 2012. The charges include \$0.7 million in amortization of intangibles assets, \$0.6 million in severance related costs, and \$0.4 million other costs related to our December 16, 2011 acquisition of SiliconBlue. We estimate similar acquisition related charges will be approximately \$1.0 million for the second quarter of fiscal 2012.

The Company implemented restructuring plans during the fiscal years 2005, 2009 and 2011. Included in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive (loss) and income and reported as Restructuring charges for the first three months of fiscal 2012 and the first three months of fiscal 2011, are charges of \$0.6 million and \$1.8 million, respectively, primarily resulting from severance and related costs under these restructuring plans.

Other income, net

The following table summarizes the activity in Other income, net (in thousands):

Three Months Ended

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	March 31, 2012		April 2, 2011	
Interest income	\$227		\$299	
Gain primarily related to sale of marketable securities, net	—		480	
Loss on foreign exchange transactions and other, net	(163	)	(116	)
Total other income, net	\$64		\$663	

The decrease in Other income, net, in the first three months of fiscal 2012 as compared to the first three months of fiscal 2011 resulted from a gain on the sale of auction rate securities that was recorded in the first three months of fiscal 2011 while no comparable transaction occurred in the first three months of fiscal 2012.



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## Provision for income taxes

On December 31, 2011, we began to implement a global tax structure to more effectively align the Company's corporate structure and transaction flows with the Company's geographic business operations including responsibility for sales and purchasing activities. We have numerous sales offices in foreign locations, operational centers in the Philippines and Singapore, and research and development sites in China, India and the Philippines. Revenues from non-Domestic regions account for over 80% of all revenue. In addition, the large majority of our suppliers are located in the Asia Pacific region. Based on these factors we have created new and realigned existing legal entities, intercompany sales of rights to intellectual property, inventory and fixed assets across different tax jurisdictions, and implemented cost-sharing and intellectual property licensing and royalty agreements between our U.S. and low cost tax jurisdictions. These actions created a gain for tax purposes, for which we recorded a \$76.8 million tax provision in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011. This provision was fully offset by the release of valuation allowance on deferred tax assets of \$76.8 million recorded as a tax benefit during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011. The global tax structure was completed during the first quarter of 2012 upon the intercompany sale of inventory and fixed assets. The inventory portion of this intercompany sale is expected to be sold to end customers in the normal course of business. As the inventory sells to our end customers, taxes are applied to the gain based on U.S. statutory tax rates, primarily offset by deferred tax assets. This resulted in an increase to the effective tax rate and a net tax provision of \$7.9 million in the first three months of fiscal 2012. A similar net tax provision amount is expected in the next quarter as the inventory is sold to end customers.

During the fourth quarter of 2011, we also concluded that it was more likely than not that we would be able to realize the benefit of a portion of our remaining deferred tax assets. We based this conclusion on improved operating results over the past two years and our expectations about generating taxable income in the foreseeable future including the implementation of a global tax structure discussed above. We exercised significant judgment and considered estimates about our ability to generate revenues, gross profits, operating income and taxable income in future periods under our new tax structure in reaching this decision.

We are not currently paying federal income taxes and do not expect to pay such taxes until the benefits of our tax net operating losses and credits are fully utilized. We expect to pay a nominal amount of state income tax. We accrue interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions in the Provision for income taxes.

We are paying foreign income taxes which are primarily related to the cost of operating offshore research and development, marketing and sales subsidiaries.

The inherent uncertainties related to the geographical distribution, and relative levels of profits among various high and low tax jurisdictions make it difficult to quantify the impact of the global tax structure on our future effective tax rate.

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

## Financial Condition Sources and Uses of Cash (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2012	April 2, 2011
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities	\$ (9,943 )	\$ 3,325
Net cash provided by investing activities	4,470	7,558
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	557	(2,817 )
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	\$ (4,916 )	\$ 8,066

## Operating Activities

Net cash used in operating activities was \$9.9 million in the first three months of fiscal 2012, compared to net cash provided by operating activities of \$3.3 million in the first three months of fiscal 2011. The decrease in comparable periods is primarily the result of the decrease in Net income from operations from \$10.9 million in first three months of fiscal 2011 to a Net loss from operations of \$7.7 million in first three months of fiscal 2012. In addition, other significant items of operating activities include:

- Net cash was provided by operations as a result of a decrease in Deferred income taxes of \$7.5 million in the first three months of fiscal 2012 compared to \$0.0 million in the first three months of fiscal 2011.

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- Net cash was used in operations as a result of an increase in Accounts receivable, net of \$15.8 million in the first three months of fiscal 2012 compared to an increase of \$8.7 million in the first three months of fiscal 2011. Days sales outstanding increased from 54 days as of April 2, 2011 to 66 days as of March 31, 2012.
- Net cash was used in operations as a result of an increase in Prepaid expense and other assets of \$3.4 million in the first three months of fiscal 2012 compared to an increase of \$0.5 million in the first three months of fiscal 2011.
- Net cash was provided by operations as a result of an increase in Deferred income and allowances on sales to sell-through distributors of \$3.2 million in the first three months of fiscal 2012 compared to \$0.2 million in the first three months of fiscal 2011. This increase was the result of building up inventory at our distributors to offset the decline in inventory related to the termination of our distribution agreement with Avnet at December 31, 2011.

## Investing Activities

Net cash provided by investing activities was \$4.5 million in the first three months of fiscal 2012, compared to \$7.6 million in the first three months of fiscal 2011. Net cash was provided by investing activities for net proceeds on sales greater than purchases of marketable securities of \$9.0 million in the first three months of fiscal 2012, compared to \$13.9 million for the first three months of fiscal 2011. Capital expenditures was \$3.4 million in the first three months of fiscal 2012 a decrease from \$4.1 million in the first three months of fiscal 2011.

## Financing Activities

Net cash provided by financing activities increased by \$3.4 million for the first three months of fiscal 2012 compared to the first three months of fiscal 2011 due to the purchase of Treasury stock in the amount of \$1.6 million in the first three months of fiscal 2012 while no such purchases took place in the first three months of fiscal 2011.

## Liquidity

As of March 31, 2012, our principal source of liquidity was \$196.2 million of Cash and cash equivalents and Short-term marketable securities, which were approximately \$13.9 million less than the balance of \$210.1 million at December 31, 2011. Working capital increased to \$251.2 million at March 31, 2012 from \$248.6 million at December 31, 2011.

We believe that our existing liquid resources and cash expected to be generated from future operations will be adequate to meet our operating, capital requirements and obligations for at least the next twelve months.

At both March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, the Company held auction rate securities with a par value of \$8.3 million. On March 29, 2011, the Company sold student loan auction rate securities, with a par value of \$3.3 million and an estimated fair value of \$2.8 million for \$3.3 million, reported a gain of \$0.6 million and relieved \$0.1 million of previously unrecognized gain in Accumulated other comprehensive loss. The Company intends to sell its auction rate securities as markets for these securities resume or reasonable offers become available. At March 31, 2012, due to continued multiple failed auctions and a determination of illiquidity, the fair value of auction rate securities held by the Company and classified as Long-term marketable securities was \$6.9 million. These auction rate securities are exposed to risks associated with student loan asset-backed notes. Such loans are insured by the federal government or guaranteed by the Federal Family Educational Loan Program. If we were to liquidate our position in these securities, the amount realized could be materially different than the estimated fair value amounts at which we are carrying these securities and there could be a materially detrimental effect on our financial results.

In accordance with ASC 320, "Investments-Debt and Equity Securities," the Company recorded an unrealized loss of \$0.1 million during the three months ended March 31, 2012 on certain Short-term marketable securities (Level 1 instruments), which has been recorded in Accumulated other comprehensive loss. Future fluctuations in fair value related to these instruments that the Company deems to be temporary, including any recoveries of previous write-downs, would be recorded to Accumulated other comprehensive loss. During the three months ended April 2, 2011, the Company realized a gain of \$0.6 million related to the sale of a portion of its Long-term marketable securities portfolio.

If the Company were to determine in the future that any further decline in fair value is other-than-temporary, we would record an impairment charge, which could have a materially detrimental impact on our operating results. If we were to liquidate our position in these securities, it is likely that the amount of any future realized gain or loss would be different from the unrealized gain or loss reported in Accumulated other comprehensive income.

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On February 24, 2012, the Company's Board of Directors approved a stock repurchase program pursuant to which up to \$20.0 million of outstanding common stock may be repurchased from time to time. The duration of the repurchase program is twelve months. During the first three months of fiscal 2012, approximately 0.2 million shares were repurchased for \$1.6 million. All repurchases were and will be open market transactions and funded from available working capital.

On October 21, 2010, the Company's Board of Directors approved a stock repurchase program pursuant to which up to \$20.0 million of outstanding common stock could have been repurchased. The duration of the repurchase program was twelve months from adoption. In connection with this stock repurchase program, the Company entered into a 10b5-1 plan. During the repurchase program, approximately 2.8 million shares were repurchased for \$16.4 million. All shares repurchased under this program were retired by December 31, 2011. All repurchases were open market transactions and were funded from available working capital. The program ended by its terms in October 2011.

We may in the future seek new or additional sources of funding. In addition, in order to secure additional wafer supply, we may from time to time consider various financial arrangements including equity investments, advance purchase payments, loans, or similar arrangements with independent wafer manufacturers in exchange for committed wafer capacity. To the extent that we pursue any such additional financing arrangements, additional debt or equity financing may be required. There can be no assurance that such additional financing will be available when needed or, if available, will be on favorable terms. Any future equity financing will decrease existing stockholders' equity percentage ownership and may, depending on the price at which the equity is sold, result in dilution.

Contractual Obligations

There have been no significant changes to the Company's contractual obligations outside of the ordinary course of business in the first three months of fiscal 2012 as summarized in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

As of March 31, 2012, we did not have any off-balance sheet arrangements, as defined in Item 303(a)(4)(ii) of SEC Regulation S-K.

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ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Credit Market Risks

At both March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, we held auction rate securities with a par value of \$8.3 million. At both March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, the auction rate securities held by us had an estimated fair value of \$6.9 million. Our investments in auction rate securities are subject to interest rate and market risk. A hypothetical 10% movement in interest rates would not have a material impact on the fair value of the portfolio. If the market for our investment portfolio declines, our consolidated operating results may be negatively impacted.

Foreign Currency Exchange Rate Risk

We have international subsidiary and branch operations. In addition, a portion of our silicon wafer and other purchases are denominated in Japanese yen and we bill our Japanese customers in yen. We mitigate the resulting foreign currency exchange rate exposure by entering into foreign currency forward exchange contracts for Japanese yen. Although such hedges mitigate our foreign currency exchange rate exposure from an economic perspective they were not designated as "effective" hedges for accounting purposes and are adjusted to fair value through earnings. We do not hold or issue derivative financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes.

As a result of the use of derivative financial instruments, Lattice is exposed to the risk that counter-parties to derivative contracts will fail to meet their contractual obligations. To mitigate the counter-party credit risk, Lattice enters into contracts with carefully selected major financial institutions based upon their credit ratings and other factors.

On March 31, 2012, the Company had a forward contract to deliver 160 million Japanese yen in April 2012. The contracts were settled by that date.

Except for the above, there have been no material changes to the quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risk reported in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Conclusion Regarding the Effectiveness of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our principal executive officer and our principal financial officer, we conducted an evaluation of our disclosure controls and procedures, as such term is defined under Rule 13a-15(e) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Based on this evaluation, our principal executive officer and our principal financial officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There has been no change in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting. In 2010 and most of 2011 we implemented a new ERP system including new modules related to our general ledger, accounts payable and elements of our cost accounting systems. Legacy operating and financial information was migrated to the new ERP system, which resulted in the modification of certain controls, procedures and processes. We follow a system implementation life cycle process that requires significant pre-implementation planning, design and testing. We plan to continue to replace our legacy systems with

the new ERP system functionality over the next several years.

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PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The information set forth above under Note 12 contained in the "Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements" is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

The risk factors included herein include any material changes to and supersede the description of the risk factors associated with our business previously disclosed in Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011. The following risk factors and other information included in this Quarterly Report should be carefully considered. The risks and uncertainties described below are not the only ones we face. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial also may impair our business operations. If any of the following risks occur, our business, financial condition, operating results and cash flows could be materially adversely affected.

Currently, Fujitsu Semiconductor Limited ("Fujitsu") is our sole source supplier of wafers for our newest FPGA and PLD products.

As a semiconductor company, we operate in a dynamic environment marked by rapid product obsolescence. The programmable logic market is characterized by rapid technology and product evolution followed by a slow ramp process to volume production. Our success depends on our ability to develop and introduce new products that compete effectively on the basis of price and performance and which address the markets we serve. We work closely with foundries in our development of products meeting these market demands, and rely on the foundry to timely produce high quality products.

We have entered into agreements with Fujitsu pursuant to which Fujitsu manufactures most of our new products on its 130 nanometer, 90 nanometer and 65 nanometer technologies. Fujitsu is our sole source supplier of wafers for our newest FPGA and PLD products. The success of certain of our next generation products is dependent on our ability to successfully partner with Fujitsu or new foundry partners. If for any reason Fujitsu does not provide their facilities and support for our process technology development, we may have difficulty timely and effectively developing new products until we can find a replacement supplier. Similarly, if for any reason Fujitsu discontinues manufacturing our new products (e.g. stop production on certain process technologies) we will have to switch to a new foundry. We may be unsuccessful in establishing new foundry relationships for our next generation products, or may incur substantial cost and manufacturing delays until we form a new relationship, each of which could adversely affect our operating results.

In order to secure new or additional wafer supply, we may from time to time consider various financial arrangements including equity investments, advance purchase payments, loans, or similar arrangements with independent wafer manufacturers in exchange for committed wafer capacity. To the extent that we pursue any such additional financing arrangements, additional debt or equity financing may be required. There can be no assurance that such additional financing will be available when needed or, if available, will be on favorable terms. Any future equity financing will decrease existing stockholders' equity percentage ownership and may, depending on the price at which the equity is sold, result in dilution.

Additionally, a disruption of Fujitsu's foundry operations as a result of a fire, earthquake, act of terrorism, political or labor unrest, governmental uncertainty, war, disease or other natural disaster or catastrophic event, or any other reason, could disrupt our wafer supply and could adversely affect our operating results.



Our future revenue is dependent on programmable logic solutions. Customer design-in activity, and thus, future revenue growth is dependent on market acceptance of our new silicon and software design tool products and the continued market acceptance of our current products. Future revenue is inherently uncertain and could impact our ability to manage production or our ability to forecast sales.

We face uncertainties relating to the potential impact of customer design-in activity because it is unknown whether any particular customer design-in will ultimately result in sales of significant volume. After a specific customer design-in is obtained, many factors can impact the timing and amount of sales that we ultimately realize. Changes in the competitive position of our technology, the customer's product competitiveness or product strategy, the financial position of the customer, and other factors can impact the timing and amount of sales ultimately realized from any specific customer design-in.

We are presently shipping our latest generation FPGA, PLD and Programmable Mixed Signal product families that are critical to our ability to grow our overall revenue. We also plan to continue upgrading our customer design tool products and

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increase our offerings of intellectual property cores. Our future revenue growth is dependent on customer design-in activity, market acceptance of our new silicon and software design tool products and the continued market acceptance of our current products. The success of these products is dependent on a variety of specific technical factors including:

- successful product definition;
- timely and efficient completion of product design;
- timely and efficient implementation of wafer manufacturing and assembly processes;
- product performance;
- product cost;
- the quality and reliability of the product; and
- ease of use.

If, due to these or other factors, our new silicon and software products do not achieve market acceptance, or our current products do not maintain market acceptance, we may not be able to manage production levels or accurately forecast the future revenue and operating results may be adversely affected.

We depend on distributors, primarily those that use the sell-through distribution model, to generate a majority of our sales and complete order fulfillment. The failure of our distributors to sell our products and otherwise perform as expected could materially reduce our future sales.

We depend on our distribution partners to sell our products to end customers, generate a majority of our sales, complete order fulfillment and stock our products. Our distributors also help us provide technical support and other value-added services to end customers. Our sales could be adversely affected if our distribution partners do not continue to effectively sell our products and provide related services.

We expect that the majority of our revenue in fiscal 2012 will be reported resale by our sell-through distributors. Our primary sell-through distributors, Arrow Electronics, Inc. including Nu Horizons Electronics Corp., (a wholly owned subsidiary of Arrow Electronics, Inc. USA), Avnet, Inc. ("Avnet"), and Weikeng (International and Industrial) Co. LTD made up approximately 53%, 49% and 34% of total revenue for fiscal years 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively. For the first three months of fiscal 2012 Arrow Electronics, Inc. including Nu Horizons Electronics Corp., (a wholly owned subsidiary of Arrow Electronics, Inc. USA), and Weikeng (International and Industrial) Co. LTD made up approximately 44% of total revenue. We depend on the timeliness and accuracy of these resale reports from our distributors; late or inaccurate resale reports could have a detrimental effect on our ability to properly recognize revenue and our ability to predict future sales.

In addition, our distribution channels recently have experienced consolidation due to merger and acquisition activity in that business sector. Consolidation may result in our distributors allocating fewer resources to the distribution and sale of our products, which could adversely affect our financial results.

On December 31, 2011 our global franchise agreement with Avnet terminated. Revenue from Avnet made up approximately 17% of our total revenue for both years ended December 31, 2011, and January 1, 2011. We intend to serve the Avnet end customers through a network that includes a global distributor, regional distributors, manufacturer's representatives, and our direct sales team. If our end customers experience disruption in the supply of our products, or if our distributors and representatives are unable to provide technical support and other value-added services at least at historical levels, we may lose future sales and our financial results could be adversely affected.

At times, our sales are concentrated in a small number of distributors, which are in various international locations and of various financial strengths. Financial difficulties, inability to access capital markets, or other reasons may affect our distributors' performance, which could materially harm our business and our operating results.

Our success depends on our ability to rapidly develop and introduce new products. Failure to do so would have a material adverse effect on our business and negatively impact our financial condition and results of operations.

The programmable logic market is characterized by rapid technology and product evolution on some of the most advanced technologies. Our success depends on our ability to develop and introduce new products which compete effectively on the basis of price and performance and which address the markets we serve. We continually design next generation products that enable us to offer our customers lower power, lower cost, and more innovative products to maintain our competitive position. These new products typically are more technologically complex than their predecessors, and thus have increased potential for delays in their introduction.

The success of new product introductions is dependent upon several factors, including timely completion and

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introduction of new product designs, achievement of acceptable prices for wafer, package, assemble and test costs, yields and market acceptance. Our development of new products and our customers' decisions to design them into their systems can take as long as three years, depending upon the complexity of the device and the application.

Accordingly, new product development requires a long-term forecast of market trends and customer needs, and the successful introduction of our products may be adversely affected by competing products or by technologies serving the markets addressed by our products. If we experience delays in the introduction of new products, our operating results could be adversely affected.

In addition, new product introductions frequently depend on our development and implementation of new process technologies, and our growth will depend in part upon the successful development and market acceptance of these process technologies. Our products require technically sophisticated sales and marketing personnel to market these products successfully to customers. We are developing new products with lower power consumption, with smaller feature sizes, the fabrication of which will be substantially more complex than our current products. If we are unable to design, develop, manufacture, market and sell new products successfully, our operating results will be harmed. Our new product development, process development or execution to design and bring to market products that offer lower power, lower cost with more innovation marketing and sales efforts may not be successful. Furthermore, our new products may not achieve market acceptance and price expectations for our new products may not be achieved which could significantly harm our business and may have an adverse effect on our financial condition or operating results. We may be unable to assimilate and integrate the operations, personnel, technologies, products, and information systems of SiliconBlue Technologies Ltd., APAC IC Layout Consultants, Inc., or future acquisitions, which may harm our business, financial condition or operating results.

One element of our business strategy includes expansion through the acquisition of businesses, assets, products or technologies that allow us to complement our existing product offerings, expand our market coverage, increase our skilled engineering workforce or enhance our technological capabilities.

On December 9, 2011, we acquired SiliconBlue Technologies Ltd., a Cayman Islands exempted company ("SiliconBlue"), which put us in a unique position in the mobile consumer segment of the programmable logic market. The purchase price, totaling \$63.2 million was paid in cash. In addition, the Company recorded Goodwill of \$43.9 million in connection with the purchase of SiliconBlue.

The acquisition of SiliconBlue may result in revenue and gross margin fluctuations due to seasonality, increased operating expenses, inventory valuation volatility and a more competitive pricing environment.

On July 15, 2011, we completed the purchase of Rise Technology Development Limited ("Rise"), a Hong Kong company, and its subsidiary, APAC IC Layout Consultants, Inc. ("APAC IC"), a Manila, Philippines based company engaged in engineering layout and design services, for approximately \$1.0 million, which includes all assets and liabilities of the entity. This acquisition of Rise and APAC IC is part of our effort to improve our research and development and operations activities, reduce costs and streamline our supply chain for improved predictability and flexibility. In addition, the Company recorded Goodwill of \$0.9 million in connection with the purchase of Rise and APAC IC.

Acquisitions similar to SiliconBlue and APAC, or future acquisitions typically entail many risks and we may encounter difficulties in assimilating and integrating the operations, personnel, technologies, products and information systems of the acquired companies or businesses. We may experience delays in the timing and successful integration of an acquired company's technologies and product development as a result of:

- volume production;
- unanticipated costs and expenditures;
- changing relationships with customers;
- suppliers and strategic partners; or,
- contractual, intellectual property or employment issues.

In addition, key personnel of an acquired company may decide not to work for us. The acquisition of another company or its products and technologies may also require us to enter into a geographic or business market in which we have little or no prior experience. These challenges could disrupt our ongoing business, distract our management and employees, harm our reputation and increase our expenses. These challenges are magnified as the size of the acquisition increases.

Acquisitions typically require large one-time charges and can result in increased debt or contingent liabilities, adverse tax consequences, and the recording and later amortization of amounts related to certain purchased intangible assets, any of which

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items could negatively impact our results of operations. In addition, we have or may record goodwill in connection with an acquisition and incur goodwill impairment charges in the future. Any of these charges could cause the price of our common stock to decline.

Acquisitions or asset purchases made entirely or partially for cash may reduce our cash reserves. We may seek to obtain additional cash to fund an acquisition by selling equity or debt securities. Any issuance of equity or convertible debt securities may be dilutive to our existing stockholders.

We cannot assure you that we will be able to consummate any future acquisitions or that we will realize any anticipated benefits from any of our historic or future acquisitions. We may not be able to find suitable acquisition opportunities that are available at attractive valuations, if at all. Even if we do find suitable acquisition opportunities, we may not be able to consummate the acquisitions on commercially acceptable terms, and any decline in the price of our common stock may make it significantly more difficult and expensive to initiate or consummate additional acquisitions.

We are required under U.S. GAAP to test goodwill for possible impairment on an annual basis and at any other time that circumstances arise indicating the carrying value may not be recoverable. At December 31, 2011, we had \$44.8 million of goodwill. We completed our annual test of goodwill impairment in the fourth quarter of 2011 and concluded that we did not have any impairment at that time. There is no assurance that future impairment tests will indicate that Goodwill will be deemed recoverable. The success of any acquisition, including Rise and APAC IC and SiliconBlue, requires the integration of products, technologies, personnel and administrative resources, and could result in departures of key personnel, loss of key customers, distributors or vendors, equity dilution or acquisition of unknown liabilities. Furthermore, our ability to predict seasonality, end customer demand, and our customers' end customer demand for SiliconBlue products is limited. As a result, an acquisition similar to SiliconBlue and APAC, or future acquisitions could disrupt our operations and may have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition or operating results.

A downturn in the communications equipment end market could cause a reduction in demand for our products and limit our ability to maintain revenue levels and operating results.

Historically the largest percentage of our revenue (approximately 43% for the first three months of fiscal 2012 and 44% for the first three months of fiscal 2011 revenue) has been derived from customers participating in the communications equipment end market. In addition, during fiscal year 2009, the Company participated in the China 3G telecommunications network build-out by selling products used by two large telecommunication equipment providers, which accounted for a combined 19% of our aggregate revenue. This is primarily due to strength in the wireless portion of the communications end market. For the first three months of fiscal 2012 and for the 2011 full fiscal year, the same two large telecommunication equipment providers accounted for a combined 11% and 12%, respectively, of revenue. In the past, a general weakening in demand for programmable logic products from customers in the communications end market has adversely affected our revenue. In addition, telecommunication equipment providers are building networks for 4G networks in which we compete. Any deterioration in the communication end market, our ability to compete in future telecommunications solutions (e.g. 4G networks) or our end customers' reduction in capital spending to support this end market could lead to a reduction in demand for our products which could adversely affect our revenue and results of operations.

The consumer end market is characterized by rapid product obsolescence and requires that we have the right products at the right time for our customers to fulfill demand for products in the consumer end market. If we are unable to forecast demand for our products, or we don't have products to ship at the right time, our financial condition and results may be adversely affected.

Our revenue from the consumer end market consists primarily of revenue from our products designed and used in a broad range of products including flat panel displays, DVD players and recorders, digital cameras and camcorders, gaming consoles, set-top boxes, and smart handheld devices is characterized by rapidly changing market requirements

and products. Our success in this market will depend principally on our ability to:

- meet the market windows for consumer products;
- to predict technology and market trends;
- to develop products on a timely basis;
- avoid cancellations or delay of products;

Any of the foregoing problems could materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

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Global economic conditions and uncertainty, as well as the highly cyclical nature of the semiconductor industry, could adversely affect our revenue, gross margin and expenses, collectability of accounts receivable, supplier relationships, and ability to access capital markets.

Our revenue and gross margin can fluctuate significantly due to downturns in the general economy or the semiconductor industry. These downturns are often severe and prolonged and can result in significant reductions in the demand for PLD and FPGA products in markets in which we compete. Global economic weakness or cyclical downturns have previously resulted from periods of economic recession, reduced access to credit markets, weakening or strengthening of the U.S. dollar relative to other currencies, weak end-user demand, excess industry capacity, political instability, government fiscal policy, sovereign debt, terrorist activity, military actions, or general reductions in inventory levels by customers, and may cause a decrease in revenue, gross margin, earnings or growth rates and problems with our ability to manage inventory levels and collect customer receivables. In addition, our relationships with our suppliers and our ability to access capital markets could be adversely affected. In addition, customer financial difficulties have previously resulted and could in the future result in, increases in bad debt write-offs and additions to reserves in our accounts receivable. Global economic and cyclical downturns also may lead to restructuring actions and associated expenses. Uncertainty about future economic conditions makes it difficult for us to forecast operating results and to make decisions about future investments. Any or all of these factors could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations in the future.

Because of our international business and operations, we are vulnerable to the economic conditions and tax policies of various jurisdictions and other business risks associated with conducting operations outside of the U.S. which could have a material adverse effect on our business and negatively impact our financial condition and results of operations.

In addition to our U.S. operations, we have significant international operations, including foreign sales offices to support our international customers and distributors, our operational centers in the Philippines and Singapore, and our research and development sites in China, India and the Philippines. In connection with the restructuring we announced in 2011 our international operations grew as we relocated certain operational, design, and administrative functions outside the U.S. All of these activities are subject to the uncertainties associated with international business operations, including tax laws and regulations, trade barriers, economic sanctions, import and export regulations, duties and tariffs and other trade restrictions, changes in trade policies, foreign governmental regulations, potential vulnerability of and reduced protection for IP, longer receivable collection periods and disruptions or delays in production or shipments, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and/or operating results. Moreover, our financial condition and results of operations could be affected in the event of political conflicts or economic crises in countries where our main wafer providers, end customers and contract manufacturers who provide assembly and test services worldwide, are located. Adverse change to the circumstances or conditions of our international business operations could have a material adverse effect on our business.

We may not be able to compete successfully in the highly competitive semiconductor industry.

The semiconductor industry is intensely competitive and many of our direct and indirect competitors have substantially greater financial, technological, manufacturing, marketing and sales resources. The current level of competition in the programmable logic market is high and may increase in the future. We currently compete directly with companies that have licensed our technology or have developed similar products, including Altera Corporation, and Xilinx, Inc. We also compete indirectly with numerous semiconductor companies that offer products based on alternative solutions such as ASIC, ASSP, microcontroller, analog, and digital signal processing (DSP) technologies. These direct and indirect competitors are established, multinational semiconductor companies as well as emerging companies. If we are unable to compete successfully in this environment, our future results will be adversely affected.



Our revenue and gross margin are subject to fluctuations, including quarter over quarter, due to many factors, which make our future financial results difficult to predict.

Our operating results have fluctuated in the past and may continue to fluctuate, including quarter over quarter fluctuations. Consequently, our operating results may fail to meet the expectations of analysts and investors. Our revenue and gross margin may fluctuate due to product mix, seasonality, inventory fluctuations at our distributor end customers, market acceptance of new products, competitive pricing dynamics, geographical and market-segment pricing strategies, wafer, package and assembly prices and yields, overhead absorption, as well as provisions for warranty and excess and obsolete inventory.

We have limited ability to foresee changes or the pace of change in sales by product classification. In the past we have also experienced periods of decline in sales of our mainstream and mature products. If, in any period, sales of our mature and mainstream products decline and sales of new products do not increase at a rate that is sufficient to counteract this decline, then

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our total revenue would decline. In addition, as mature products typically generate a higher gross margin than mainstream or new products, a faster than normal decline in sales of mature products could adversely impact our gross margins.

We also have experienced, and may experience in the future, gross margin declines in certain products or end markets, reflecting the effect of competitive pricing pressures, inventory write-downs, charges associated with the cancellation of planned production lines, costs associated with our customers' unplanned demand to build inventory, and increases in component and manufacturing costs resulting from higher labor and material costs borne by our manufacturers and suppliers that, as a result of competitive pricing pressures or other factors, we are unable to pass on to our customers.

Further, our ability to predict seasonality, end customer demand, our customers' end customer demand, and resale of our products by our sell-through distributors is limited. Typically, a significant amount of our revenue comes from "turns orders," which are orders placed and filled within the same period. By definition, turns orders are not captured in a backlog measurement at the beginning of a quarter. Accordingly, we cannot use backlog as a reliable measure for predicting revenue.

Foreign sales, primarily in the Asia Pacific region, account for the majority of our revenue and may decline in the future due to economic and governmental uncertainties.

We derive the majority of our revenue from sales outside of the United States. Accordingly, if we experience a decline in foreign sales, our operating results could be adversely affected. Our foreign sales are subject to numerous risks, including:

- changes in local economic conditions;
- exchange rate volatility;
- governmental stimulus packages, controls and trade restrictions;
- export license requirements and restrictions on the use of technology;
- political instability, war, terrorism or pandemic disease;
- changes in tax rates, tariffs or freight rates;
- reduced protection for intellectual property rights in some countries;
- longer receivable collection periods;
- natural or man-made disasters in the countries where we sell our products;
- interruptions in transportation;
- different labor regulations; and
- difficulties in staffing and managing foreign sales offices.

Product quality problems could lead to reduced revenue, gross margins and net income.

We generally warrant our products for varying lengths of time against non-conformance to our specifications and certain other defects. Because our products, including hardware, software and intellectual property cores, are highly complex and increasingly incorporate advanced technology, our quality assurance programs may not detect all defects, whether manufacturing defects in individual products or systematic defects that could affect numerous shipments. Inability to detect a defect could result in increased engineering expenses necessary to remediate the defect and also result in increased costs due to inventory impairment charges. On occasion we have also repaired or replaced certain components or made software fixes or refunded the purchase price or license fee paid by our customers due to product or software defects. If there are material increases in product defects, the costs to remediate such defects, net of reimbursed amounts from our vendors, if any, or to resolve warranty claims compared with our historical experience, may adversely affect our revenue, gross margins and net income.

We may experience a disruption of our business activities related to the successful execution of the 2011 restructuring plan.

During 2011, our Board of Directors adopted a restructuring plan (the “2011 restructuring plan”) to more efficiently implement our product development strategy and to better align our corporate strategy with the our sales resources to reduce development and operational costs and to streamline our supply chain for improved predictability and flexibility. Part of the 2011 restructuring plan includes extending silicon development capabilities, product and test engineering, planning and logistics activities by locating personnel in Manila, Philippines. These activities initially increased certain supply chain and research and development costs. During the third and fourth quarters of 2011 and the first quarter of fiscal 2012, we incurred restructuring costs related to executing the 2011 restructuring plan. We may experience disruption in our business activities as we finish the execution of our 2011 restructuring plan, and our relationships with employees, customers and suppliers could be adversely affected by these disruptions. The 2011 restructuring plan was substantially completed by the end of the fourth quarter of 2011. If we are unable to realize the benefits of the 2011 restructuring plan, our future results will be adversely

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affected.

If we are unable to adequately protect our intellectual property rights, our financial results and competitive position may suffer.

Our success depends in part on our proprietary technology. We intend to continue to protect our proprietary technology through patents, copyrights and trade secrets. Despite this intention, we may not be successful in achieving adequate protection. Claims allowed on any of our patents may not be sufficiently broad to protect our technology. Patents issued to us also may be challenged, invalidated or circumvented. Finally, our competitors may develop competing technologies. If any of these events occur, our competitive position could be adversely affected.

Companies in the semiconductor industry vigorously pursue and defend their intellectual property rights. We may be forced to pursue legal action to protect or enforce our intellectual property rights. If we become involved in protracted intellectual property disputes or litigation, we may be forced to use substantial financial and management resources, which could have an adverse effect on our operating results.

We face a number of patent infringement claims and may be subject to other intellectual property disputes, which could require us to spend a significant sum to defend and could cause losses.

Our industry is characterized by increasingly frequent claims regarding patents and other intellectual property rights of others. We have been, and from time to time expect to be, notified of claims that we are infringing upon the intellectual property rights of others. For instance, we are exposed to certain asserted and unasserted potential claims, including the pending patent litigation brought against us by Lizy K. John, and Intellectual Ventures I LLC and Intellectual Ventures II LLC as described in Item 3. Legal Proceedings, below. If any third party makes a valid claim against us, we could face significant liability and could be required to make material changes to our products and processes. In response to claims of infringement, we have incurred legal costs and committed management resources, and there can be no assurance that we would be successful in our defense against the claims. Any such litigation could result in a substantial diversion of management and financial resources, including legal costs incurred to defend claims, which by itself could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and operating results. We may seek licenses under patents that we are alleged to be infringing; however, we may not be able to obtain a license on favorable terms, or at all, which could have an adverse effect on our operating results.

If our foundry partners and assembly and test contractors experience quality or yield problems, we may face a shortage of products available for sale and our revenue or gross margin could be adversely affected.

We depend on our foundry partners to deliver high quality silicon wafers with acceptable yields in a timely manner consistent with our safety stock inventory level and production plan. In addition, we rely on assembly and test contractors to assemble and test our devices with acceptable quality and yield levels. As is common in our industry, we have experienced wafer and device yield problems, quality or delivery delays in the past.

The reliable manufacture of silicon wafers and the assembly and test of high performance programmable logic devices are complicated and technically demanding process requiring:

- a high degree of technical skill;
- state-of-the-art equipment;
- the availability of certain basic materials and supplies, such as chemicals, gases, polysilicon, silicon wafers, ultra-pure metals, gold and copper;
- our ability to successfully replace gold with copper for assembled devices beginning in the second half of 2012;
- the absence of defects in production wafers and assembly and packaging manufacturing;

the elimination of minute impurities and errors in each step of the fabrication, assembly and test process; and effective cooperation between the foundry partners, and assembly and test contractors and us.

As a result, our foundry partners and or assembly and test contractors may periodically experience difficulties in achieving acceptable quality and yield levels in manufacturing, assembling and testing our products. If we experience prolonged quality or yield problems in the future and we do not have adequate levels of safety stock inventory on-hand, our operating results could be adversely affected.

Our wafer supply, which is sourced entirely from the Asia Pacific region, could be interrupted or reduced or, could experience increased costs, which may result in a shortage of products available for sale or increased costs.

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We do not internally manufacture finished silicon wafers and most of our products, including all of our newest products, are manufactured by a sole source. Currently, our silicon wafers are manufactured by Fujitsu in Japan, Seiko Epson Corporation in Japan, United Microelectronics Corporation in Taiwan, Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Ltd. in Taiwan, and GLOBALFOUNDRIES in Singapore. If any of our current or future foundry partners significantly interrupts or reduces our wafer supply, increases wafer costs, or if any of our relationships with our partner suppliers is terminated, our operating results could be adversely affected.

At present, we believe that our supply commitments are adequate. However, these existing supply commitments may not be sufficient for us to satisfy customer demand in future periods. Additionally, notwithstanding our supply commitments, we may still have difficulty in obtaining wafer deliveries consistent with the supply commitments. We negotiate wafer prices and supply commitments from our suppliers on at least an annual basis. If any of our foundry partners were to reduce its supply commitment or increase its wafer prices, and we cannot find alternative sources of wafer supply, our operating results could be adversely affected.

Many other factors that could disrupt our wafer supply are beyond our control. Since worldwide manufacturing capacity for silicon wafers is limited and inelastic, we could be harmed by significant industry-wide increases in overall wafer demand or interruptions in wafer supply, or periods of increased wafer prices. During periods of economic uncertainty, our foundry partners may reduce or restructure their operations which may also affect the availability and price of wafers, and adversely affect our operating results. Additionally, a future disruption of any of our foundry partners' foundry operations as a result of a fire, earthquake, act of terrorism, political unrest, governmental uncertainty, war, disease or other natural disaster or catastrophic event could disrupt our wafer supply and could adversely affect our operating results.

Our supply of assembled and tested products, all from the Asia Pacific region, could be interrupted, could experience increased costs or could be reduced, which may result in a shortage of products available for sale or increased costs.

We do not assemble our finished products or perform all testing of our products. Our finished silicon wafers are assembled and tested by independent contractors located in Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and South Korea. Economic, financial, social and political conditions in Asia have historically been volatile. Financial difficulties, the effects of currency fluctuation, governmental actions or restrictions, prolonged work stoppages, political unrest, war, natural disaster, cost of converting to more copper content, cost of assembly materials such as gold and copper, disease or any other difficulties experienced by our suppliers may disrupt our supply and could adversely affect our operating results. In addition, certain provisions of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act may soon require us to report on "conflict materials" used in our products and the due diligence plan we put in place to track whether such minerals originate from the Democratic Republic of Congo and adjoining countries. The implementation of these requirements could affect the sourcing and availability of minerals used in certain of our products.

In the past, we have experienced delays in obtaining assembled and tested products and in securing assembly and test capacity commitments from our suppliers. At present, we anticipate that our assembly and test capacity commitments are adequate; however, these existing commitments may not be sufficient for us to satisfy customer demand in future periods. Additionally, notwithstanding our assembly and test capacity commitments, we may still have difficulty in obtaining deliveries of finished products consistent with the capacity commitments. We negotiate assembly and test prices and capacity commitments from our contractors on a periodic basis. If any of our assembly or test contractors were to reduce its capacity commitment or increase its prices, and we cannot find alternative sources, our operating results could be adversely affected.

Many other factors that could disrupt our supply of finished products are beyond our control. Because worldwide capacity for assembly and testing of semiconductor products is limited and inelastic, we could be harmed by significant industry-wide increases in overall demand or interruptions in supply. The assembly of complex packages requires a consistent supply of a variety of raw materials such as substrates, lead frames, gold, copper and mold compound. A significant industry-wide increase in demand, or interruptions in the supply of these materials to our assembly or test contractors, could adversely affect our operating results. Additionally, a future disruption of any of our assembly or test contractors' operations as a result of a fire, earthquake, flooding, act of terrorism, political unrest, governmental uncertainty, war, disease or other natural disaster or catastrophic event could disrupt our supply of assembled and tested devices and could adversely affect our operating results.

In addition, our quarterly revenue levels may be affected to a significant extent by our ability to match inventory and current production mix with the product mix required to fulfill orders. The large number of individual parts we sell and the large number of customers for our products, combined with limitations on our and our customers' ability to forecast orders accurately and our relatively lengthy manufacturing cycles, may make it difficult to achieve a match of inventory on hand, production units, and shippable orders sufficient to realize quarterly or annual revenue projections.

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We rely on information technology systems to manage our business. Failure of these systems to function properly or our failure to control unauthorized access to our systems may cause operating or reporting disruptions. The failure of these systems to function properly could result in business disruption.

We rely in part on various information technology ("IT") systems to manage our operations, including financial reporting, and we regularly make changes to improve them as necessary. Consequently, we periodically implement new, or enhance existing, operational and IT systems, procedures and controls. Any delay in the implementation of, or disruption in the transition to, new or enhanced systems, procedures or controls, could harm our ability to record and report financial and management information on a timely and accurate basis. These systems are also subject to power and telecommunication outages or other general system failures. Failure of our IT systems or difficulties in managing them could result in business disruption. While we have not yet experienced any significant disruptions to our business, we may encounter some unexpected aspects of the conversion, outsourcing, or new systems implementations that cause difficulty in the new reporting system which could adversely affect our business, results of operations and cash flows.

Our legal organizational structure is complex, which could result in unanticipated unfavorable tax or other consequences including our ability to maintain or forecast a competitive corporate tax rate, which could have an adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

On December 31, 2011, we began to implement a global tax structure to more effectively align our corporate structure and transaction flows with our geographic business operations including responsibility for sales and purchasing activities. We have numerous sales offices in foreign locations, operational centers in the Philippines and Singapore, and research and development sites in China, India and the Philippines. Revenues from foreign regions account for over 80% of all revenue. In addition, the large majority of our suppliers are located in the Asia Pacific region. Based on these factors we have created new and realigned existing legal entities, intercompany sales of rights to intellectual property, inventory and fixed assets across different tax jurisdictions, and implemented cost-sharing and intellectual property licensing and royalty agreements between our U.S. and low cost tax jurisdictions. We currently operate legal entities in countries where we conduct manufacturing, design, and sales operations around the world. In some countries, we maintain multiple entities for tax or other purposes. Changes in tax laws, regulations, and related interpretations in the countries in which we operate may impact the taxes we pay or tax provision we record, which could adversely affect our results of operations.

We cannot give any assurance as to what taxes we pay or the ability to estimate our future effective tax rate because of, among other things, uncertainty regarding the tax policies of the jurisdictions where we operate. As a result, our actual effective tax rate, or taxes paid may vary materially from our expectations. Changes in tax laws, regulations, and related interpretations in the countries in which we operate may have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition or operating results.

If our independent software and hardware developers and suppliers are unable or unwilling to meet our contractual requirements, we may face a delay in the introduction of new products, a shortage of new or existing products, or a lack of support for new or existing products.

We rely on independent software and hardware developers for the design, development, supply and support of intellectual property cores, design and development software, and certain elements of evaluation boards. As a result, failure or significant delay to complete software or hardware under contract to deliver could disrupt the release of or introduction of new or existing products, which might be detrimental to the capability of our new products to win designs. Any of these delays or inability to complete the design or development could have an adverse effect on our



business, financial condition, or operating results.

We depend upon a third party to provide inventory management, order fulfillment, and direct sales logistics.

We rely on a third party vendor located in Singapore to provide cost-effective and efficient supply chain services. Among other activities, these outsourced services relate to direct sales logistics, including order fulfillment, inventory management and warehousing, and distribution of inventory to third party distributors. If our third party supply chain partner were to discontinue services for us or its operations are disrupted as a result of a fire, earthquake, act of terrorism, political unrest, governmental uncertainty, war, disease or other natural disaster or catastrophic event, our ability to fulfill direct sales orders and distribute inventory timely, cost effectively, or at all, would be hindered, which could adversely affect our business.

Uncertainties involving the ordering and shipment of our products could materially adversely affect us. We typically sell our products pursuant to individual purchase orders. We generally do not have long-term supply

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arrangements with our customers or minimum purchase requirements except that orders generally must be for standard pack quantities. Generally, our customers may cancel orders more than 30 days prior to shipment without incurring significant fees. We base our inventory levels on customers' estimates of demand for their products, which may not accurately predict the quantity or type of our products that our customers will want in the future or ultimately end up purchasing. Our ability to forecast demand is even further complicated when we sell indirectly through distributors, as our forecasts for demand are then based on estimates provided by multiple parties. Moreover, consumer end-markets are characterized by short product life cycles, which can lead to rapid obsolescence and price erosion. In addition, our customers may change their inventory practices on short notice for any reason. We may build inventories during periods of anticipated growth, and the cancellation or deferral of product orders or overproduction due to failure of anticipated orders to materialize, could result in excess or obsolete inventory, which could result in write-downs of inventory and an adverse effect on gross margins. Factors that may result in excess or obsolete inventory, which could result in write-downs of the value of our inventory, a reduction in the average selling price, and/or a reduction in our gross margin include:

- sudden and significant decrease in demand for our products;
  - higher incidence of inventory obsolescence because of rapidly changing technology and customer requirements;
  - failure to accurately estimate customer demand for our older products as our new products are introduced.
- Because market conditions are uncertain, these and other factors could materially adversely affect our business.

We may have failed to adequately insure against certain risks, and, as a result, our financial condition and results may be adversely affected.

We carry insurance customary for companies in our industry, including, but not limited to, liability, property and casualty, worker's compensation and business interruption insurance. We also insure our employees for basic medical expenses. In addition, we have insurance contracts that provide director and officer liability coverage for our directors and officers. Other than the specific areas mentioned above, we are self-insured with respect to most other risks and exposures, and the insurance we carry in many cases is subject to a significant policy deductible or other limitation before coverage applies. Based on management's assessment and judgment, we have determined that it is more cost effective to self-insure against certain risks than to incur the insurance premium costs. The risks and exposures for which we self-insure include, but are not limited to, natural disasters, product defects, political risk, theft, patent infringement and some employment practice matters. Should there be a catastrophic loss due to an uninsured event such as an earthquake or a loss due to adverse occurrences in any area in which we are self-insured, our financial condition or operating results could be adversely affected.

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

On February 24, 2012, the Company's Board of Directors approved a stock repurchase program pursuant to which up to \$20.0 million of outstanding common stock may be repurchased from time to time. The duration of the repurchase program is twelve months. During the first quarter of fiscal 2012, approximately 0.2 million shares were repurchased for \$1.6 million. All repurchases will be open market transactions and funded from available working capital.

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price paid Per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced	Maximum Dollar Value of Shares That May Yet Be Purchased
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			Program	Under the Program
March 2, 2012 through March 31, 2012	246	\$6.31	246	\$18,447
Total	246	\$6.31	246	

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ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

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ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

Exhibit Number	Description
3.1	The Company's Restated Certificate of Incorporation filed February 24, 2004 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 3, 2004).
3.2	The Company's Bylaws, as amended and restated as of January 31, 2006 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed February 3, 2006).
10.23	Advance Production Payment Agreement dated March 17, 1997 among Lattice Semiconductor Corporation and Seiko Epson Corporation and S MOS Systems, Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.23 filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 1, 2005)(1).
10.24*	Lattice Semiconductor Corporation 1996 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended, and Related Form of Option Agreement (Incorporated by reference to Exhibits (d)(1) and (d)(2) to the Company's Schedule TO filed on February 13, 2003).
10.33*	2001 Outside Directors' Stock Option Plan, as amended and restated effective May 1, 2007 (Incorporated by reference to the Appendix A filed with the Company's 2007 Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed on April 5, 2007).
10.34*	2001 Stock Plan, as amended, and related Form of Option Agreement (Incorporated by reference to Exhibits (d)(3) and (d)(4) to the Company's Schedule TO filed on February 13, 2003).
10.35	Intellectual Property Agreement by and between Agere Systems Inc. and Agere Systems Guardian Corporation and Lattice Semiconductor Corporation as Buyer, dated January 18, 2002 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.35 filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 29, 2001).
10.37*	Lattice Semiconductor Corporation Executive Deferred Compensation Plan, as amended and restated effective as of August 11, 1997 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.3 filed with the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-3, as amended, dated October 17, 2002).
10.38*	Amendment No. 1, to the Lattice Semiconductor Corporation Executive Deferred Compensation Plan, as amended, dated November 19, 1999 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.4 filed with the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-3, as amended, dated October 17, 2002).
10.39	Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of June 20, 2003, between the Company and the initial purchaser named therein (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.3 filed with the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-3 on August 13, 2003).
10.41*	Form of Indemnification Agreement executed by each director and executive officer of the Company and certain other officers and employees of the Company and its subsidiaries (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.41 filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 3, 2004).

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- 10.42 Amendment dated March 25, 2004 to Advance Production Payment Agreement dated March 17, 1997, as amended, among Lattice Semiconductor Corporation and Seiko Epson Corporation and S MOS Systems, Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.42 filed with the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended April 3, 2004)(1).
- 10.43 Advance Payment and Purchase Agreement dated September 10, 2004 between Lattice Semiconductor Corporation and Fujitsu Limited (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 filed with the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended October 2, 2004)(1).
- 10.44\* Employment Agreement between Lattice Semiconductor Corporation and Stephen A. Skaggs dated August 9, 2005 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 12, 2005).
- 10.45\* Compensation Arrangement between Lattice Semiconductor Corporation and Patrick S. Jones, Chairman of the Board of Directors (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.2 filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 12, 2005).
- 10.46\* Employment Agreement between Lattice Semiconductor Corporation and Jan Johannessen dated November 1, 2005 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 filed with the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on November 4, 2005).

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Exhibit Number	Description
10.47*	Employment Agreement between Lattice Semiconductor Corporation and Martin R. Baker dated November 1, 2005 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 filed with the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on November 4, 2005).
10.48*	Employment Agreement between Lattice Semiconductor Corporation and Stephen M. Donovan dated November 1, 2005 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 filed with the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on November 4, 2005).
10.50*	Compensation Arrangement between Lattice Semiconductor Corporation and Chairpersons for Committees of the Board of Directors (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 12, 2005).
10.51*	Form of Amendment to Stock Option Agreements for 1996 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended, and 2001 Stock Plan, as amended (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.3 filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 12, 2005).
10.52*	2006 Executive Bonus Plan (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.4 filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 12, 2005).
10.53	Addendum dated March 22, 2006 to the Advance Payment and Purchase Agreement dated September 10, 2004 between Lattice Semiconductor Corporation and Fujitsu Limited (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.53 filed with the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on November 7, 2006).
10.54	Addendum No. 2 dated effective October 1, 2006 to the Advance Payment and Purchase Agreement dated September 10, 2004 between Lattice Semiconductor Corporation and Fujitsu Limited (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.54 filed with the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on November 7, 2006)(1).
10.55*	2007 Executive Variable Compensation Plan, as amended (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 7, 2006, as amended as described in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 8, 2007).
10.56*	Form of Notice of Grant of Restricted Stock Units to Executive Officer (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 8, 2007).
10.57*	2008 Executive Variable Compensation Plan, as amended (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 7, 2007).
10.58*	Letter Agreement between Lattice Semiconductor Corporation and Stephen A. Skaggs dated January 31, 2008 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.58 filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on March 13, 2008).
10.59*	Employment Agreement between Lattice Semiconductor Corporation and Bruno Guilmart dated May 14, 2008 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 16, 2008).

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- 10.61\* Form of Inducement Stock Option Agreement (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.61 filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 10-Q filed on November 5, 2008).
- 10.62\* Employment Agreement between Lattice Semiconductor Corporation and Michael G. Potter dated February 4, 2009 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.2 filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 4, 2009).
- 10.63\* 2009 Bonus Plan of Lattice Semiconductor Corporation (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.63 filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on March 13, 2009).
- 10.64 Addendum #4 dated effective December 18, 2009 to the Advanced Payment and Purchase Agreement dated September 10, 2004 between Lattice Semiconductor Corporation and Fujitsu Limited (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.64 filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on March 13, 2009).
- 10.65 Letter Agreement effective December 18, 2008 re Repayment of Advance Payment between Lattice Semiconductor Corporation and Fujitsu Microelectronics Limited and Fujitsu Microelectronics America, Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.65 filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on March 13, 2009).



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10.66*	Employment Agreement between Lattice Semiconductor Corporation and Byron Milstead effective as of December 30, 2008 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.66 filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on March 13, 2009).
10.67*	Employment Agreement between Lattice Semiconductor Corporation and Sean Riley dated September 22, 2008 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.67 filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 10-Q filed on May 8, 2009).
10.68*	Employment Agreement between Lattice Semiconductor Corporation and Christopher M. Fanning amended and restated as of December 15, 2008 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.68 filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 10-Q filed on May 8, 2009).
10.69*	Lattice Semiconductor Corporation 2010 Cash Incentive Compensation Plan (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.69 filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on March 10, 2010).
10.70*	Employment Agreement between Lattice Semiconductor Corporation and Darin G. Billerbeck dated as of November 8, 2010.
10.71*	Employment Agreement between Lattice Semiconductor Corporation and Joe Bedewi dated as of April 11, 2011.
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
32.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Labels Linkbase Document
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document
(1)	Pursuant to Rule 24b-2 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, confidential treatment has been granted to portions of this exhibit, which portions have been deleted and filed separately with the Securities and Exchange

Commission.

- \* Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement required to be filed as an Exhibit to our Annual Report on Form 10-K pursuant to Item 15(b) thereof.

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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.

LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION  
(Registrant)

/s/ JOE BEDEWI  
JOE BEDEWI  
Corporate Vice President and Chief Financial Officer  
(Duly Authorized Officer and Principal Financial  
and Accounting Officer)

Date: May 9, 2012