

Photronics Reports Second Quarter Fiscal 2021 Results

May 26, 2021

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- Cash provided by operating activities was \$31.9 million, capex was \$56.0 million, share repurchases were \$10.0 million, and ending cash balance was \$256.0 million
- Third quarter 2021 guidance: revenue between \$162 and \$172 million with diluted EPS between \$0.19 and \$0.25

BROOKFIELD, Conn., May 26, 2021 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Photronics. Inc. (NASDAQ:PLAB), a worldwide leader in photomask technologies and solutions, today reported financial results for its fiscal 2021 second quarter ended May 2, 2021.

Second quarter revenue was \$159.8 million, up 5% compared with the previous quarter and 12% compared with the same quarter last year. Integrated circuit (IC) revenue was \$112.0 million, up 7% sequentially and 16% compared with the second quarter of last year. Flat panel display (FPD) revenue was \$47.8 million, up 1% compared with last quarter and 4% compared with the same period last year.

Net income attributable to Photronics, Inc. shareholders was \$10.5 million, or \$0.17 per diluted share, compared with \$8.0 million, or \$0.13 per diluted share, for the first quarter of 2021 and \$6.3 million, or \$0.10 per diluted share, for the second quarter of 2020.

"We achieved record revenue in the quarter, with growth in both IC and FPD, demonstrating the strength and resiliency of our design-driven demand model, supported by world-class capabilities and unmatched global presence," said Peter Kirlin, chief executive officer. "Our customers are responding to growing demand for their products, as they innovate to meet more advanced specifications. This creates an environment with strong design activity, driving mask demand across our business. As the largest merchant photomask manufacturer, we are well positioned to benefit from these trends. This ongoing market strength gives us confidence in meeting our long-term financial objectives as well as support for continued investment to expand capacity in our operations. Gross and operating margins expanded to 24.6% and 13.0%, respectively; and we are solidly executing our 2021 plan to outperform our market and increase operating profit by 23%."

Third Quarter 2021 Guidance

For the third quarter of 2021, Photronics expects revenue to be between \$162 million and \$172 million, and net income attributable to Photronics, Inc. shareholders to be between \$0.19 and \$0.25 per diluted share.

Conference Call

A conference call to discuss these results is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. Eastern time on Wednesday, May 26, 2021. The call can be accessed by logging onto Photronics' website at www.photronics.com. The live dial-in number is (877) 377-7095 or (408) 774-4601 outside of the United States and Canada. The call will be archived on Photronics' website.

About Photronics

Photronics is a leading worldwide manufacturer of integrated circuit (IC) and flat panel display (FPD) photomasks. High precision quartz plates that contain microscopic images of electronic circuits, photomasks are a key element in the IC and FPD manufacturing process. Founded in 1969, Photronics has been a trusted photomask supplier for over 50 years. As of October 31, 2020, the company had 1,728 employees. The company operates 11 strategically located manufacturing facilities in Asia, Europe, and North America. Additional information on the company can be accessed at www.photronics.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements in this press release constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 provides a "safe harbor" for forward-looking statements made by or on behalf of the company and its subsidiaries. Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause actual results, performance or achievements of Photronics to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Statements preceded by, followed by or that otherwise include the words "believes," "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "projects," "estimates," "plans," "may increase," "may fluctuate," "will," "should," "would," "may" and "could" or similar words or expressions are generally forward-looking in nature and not historical facts. Any statements that refer to outlook, expectations or other characterizations of future events, circumstances or results are also forward-looking statements. Important risks, assumptions and other important factors that could cause future results to differ materially from those expressed in the forward-looking statements are specified in Photronics' Annual and Quarterly filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission under headings such as "Forward-Looking Statements", "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and in other filings and furnishings made by Photronics with the Securities and Exchange Commission from time to time. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, the current pandemic

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income

(in thousands, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended				Six Months Ended				
	May 2, 2021	J	January 31, 2021		May 3, 2020		May 2, 2021		May 3, 2020
Revenue	\$ 159,763	\$	152,067	\$	142,774	\$	311,830	\$	302,510
Cost of goods sold	 120,514		121,538		112,341		242,052		237,475
Gross profit	39,249		30,529		30,433		69,778		65,035
Operating Expenses:									
Selling, general and administrative	14,067		14,053		13,267		28,120		27,486
Research and development	 4,375	_	4,710		4,462		9,085		8,541
Total Operating Expenses	 18,442		18,763	_	17,729		37,205		36,027
Operating income	20,807		11,766		12,704		32,573		29,008
Other income (expense), net	 (772)		680	_	(951)		(92)		2,745
Income before income tax provision	20,035		12,446		11,753		32,481		31,753
Income tax provision	 3,714	_	2,937		3,781		6,651		12,853
Net income	16,321		9,509		7,972		25,830		18,900
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	 5,795	_	1,473	_	1,688		7,268	_	2,316
Net income attributable to Photronics, Inc. shareholders	\$ 10,526	\$	8,036	\$	6,284	\$	18,562	\$	16,584
Earnings per share:									
Basic	\$ 0.17	\$	0.13	\$	0.10	\$	0.30	\$	0.25
Diluted	\$ 0.17	\$	0.13	\$	0.10	\$	0.30	\$	0.25
Weighted-average number of common shares outstanding:									
Basic	62,054		62,475		64,937		62,265		65,246
Diluted	62,568		63,005		65,417		62,786		65,933

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

(in thousands) (Unaudited)

		May 2, 2021	October 31, 2020			
Assets						
Current assets:						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	255,965 \$	278,665			
Accounts receivable		143,923	134,470			
Inventories		56,384	57,269			
Other current assets		39,336	29,735			
Total current assets		495,608	500,139			
Property, plant and equipment, net		717,426	631,475			
Intangible assets, net		1,356	3,437			
Other assets		51,599	53,131			
Total assets	\$	1,265,989 \$	1,188,182			
Liabilities and Equity						
Current liabilities:						
Debt	\$	25,658 \$				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		133,629	129,261			
Total current liabilities		159,287	142,939			
Long-term debt		88,444	54,980			
Other liabilities		27,441	27,997			
Photronics, Inc. shareholders' equity		821,392	804,962			
Noncontrolling interests	_	169,425	157,304			
Total equity		990,817	962,266			
Total liabilities and equity	\$	1,265,989 \$	1,188,182			

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(in thousands) (Unaudited)

		Six Months Ended				
	May 2, 2021			May 3, 2020		
Cash flows from operating activities:						
Net income	\$	25,830	\$	18,900		
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash						
provided by operating activities:						
Depreciation and amortization		47,121		47,896		
Share-based compensation		2,723		2,576		
Changes in operating assets, liabilities and other		(17,455)		(8,049)		

Net cash provided by operating activities	 58,219	 61,323
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(73,516)	(30,127)
Government incentives	5,775	5,260
Other	 (157)	 (139)
Net cash used in investing activities	 (67,898)	 (25,006)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from long-term debt	12,439	1,140
Contribution from noncontrolling interest	-	7,600
Purchase of treasury stock	(23,250)	(16,894)
Repayments of debt	(8,636)	(389)
Proceeds from share-based arrangements	1,180	3,423
Other	 (371)	 (251)
Net cash used in financing activities	 (18,638)	 (5,371)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash	 5,686	 475
Net (decrease) increase in cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash	(22,631)	31,421
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash, beginning of period	 281,602	 209,291
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash, end of period	\$ 258,971	\$ 240,712

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