

Photronics Reports Third Quarter Fiscal 2021 Results

August 25, 2021

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- Cash provided by operating activities was \$54.9 million, capex was \$18.8 million, share repurchases were \$12.5 million, and ending cash balance was \$283.2 million
- Fourth quarter 2021 guidance: revenue between \$171 and \$179 million with diluted EPS between \$0.21 and \$0.29

BROOKFIELD, Conn., Aug. 25, 2021 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Photronics, Inc. (NASDAQ:PLAB), a worldwide leader in photomask technologies and solutions, today reported financial results for its fiscal 2021 third quarter ended August 1, 2021.

Third quarter revenue was \$170.6 million, up 7% compared with the previous quarter and 8% compared with the same quarter last year. Integrated circuit (IC) revenue was \$117.8 million, up 5% sequentially and 8% compared with the third quarter of last year. Flat panel display (FPD) revenue was \$52.9 million, up 11% compared with last quarter and 7% compared with the same period last year.

Net income attributable to Photronics, Inc. shareholders was \$17.1 million, or \$0.28 per diluted share, compared with \$10.5 million, or \$0.17 per diluted share, for the second guarter of 2021 and \$10.8 million, or \$0.17 per diluted share, for the third guarter of 2020.

"Demand trends that we observed over the first two quarters of 2021 continued into the third quarter as we achieved record revenue on a consolidated basis as well as for both IC and FPD," said Peter Kirlin, chief executive officer. "Design activity was strong, and we were able to expand our global manufacturing presence by adding new tools to our operations. Third quarter margin expansion was in line with our demonstrated ability to keep cost under control even as production increases. Most importantly, we maintained a strong balance sheet, enabling us to invest in organic growth and return cash to shareholders through our share repurchase activity. As the leading merchant photomask manufacturer, we expect our business to continue to grow throughout the balance of this year, and remain on track to deliver on our long-term target model objectives."

Fourth Quarter 2021 Guidance

For the fourth quarter of 2021, Photronics expects revenue to be between \$171 million and \$179 million, and net income attributable to Photronics, Inc. shareholders to be between \$0.21 and \$0.29 per diluted share.

Conference Call

A conference call to discuss these results is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. Eastern time on Wednesday, August 25, 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

and future recurrences and other developments with respect thereto, governmental responses to the pandemic and related matters, changes in end markets resulting therefrom, changes in investment, tax, trade, exchange and other laws and regulations, compliance with local, State and Federal laws, rules and regulations including, but not limited to, import and export controls, tariffs and penalties, fines and violations related thereto, as well as economic, competitive, legal, governmental, political, monetary and fiscal policy, and technological factors and decisions we may make in the future regarding our business, capital structure and other matters. Photronics undertakes no obligation to release publicly any revisions to any forward-looking statements or, except as required to be disclosed in filings or furnishings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, to report events or to report the occurrence of unanticipated events. There is no assurance that Photronics' expectations will be realized.

PHOTRONICS, INC. Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income

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

	-	Three	Months Ende	ed		Nine Mor	iths E	inded
	 August 1, 2021		May 2, 2021		August 2, 2020	August 1, 2021		August 2, 2020
Revenue	\$ 170,643	\$	159,763	\$	157,895	\$ 482,473	\$	460,405
Cost of goods sold	 125,318		120,514		120,161	 367,370		357,636
Gross Profit	45,325		39,249		37,734	115,103		102,769
Operating Expenses:								
Selling, general and administrative	15,083		14,067		13,306	43,203		40,792
Research and development	 5,305		4,375		4,492	 14,390		13,034
Total Operating Expenses	20,388		18,442		17,798	57,593		53,826
Other operating income, net	 3,525		-		-	 3,525		
Operating Income	28,462		20,807		19,936	61,035		48,943
Other non-operating income (expense), net	 3,735		(772)		(2,135)	 3,643		610
Income Before Income Tax Provision	32,197		20,035		17,801	64,678		49,553
Income tax provision	 7,842		3,714		4,937	 14,493		17,789
Net Income	24,355		16,321		12,864	50,185		31,764
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	 7,279		5,795		2,088	 14,547		4,404
Net income attributable to Photronics, Inc. shareholders	\$ 17,076	\$	10,526	\$	10,776	\$ 35,638	\$	27,360
Earnings per share:								
Basic	\$ 0.28	\$	0.17	\$	0.17	\$ 0.58	\$	0.42
Diluted	\$ 0.28	\$	0.17	\$	0.17	\$ 0.57	\$	0.42
Weighted-average number of common shares outstanding:								
Basic	60,884		62,054		64,780	61,804		65,090

PHOTRONICS, INC. Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

(in thousands) (Unaudited)

		October 31, 2020			
Assets					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	283,249	\$	278,665	
Accounts receivable		151,190		134,470	
Inventories		53,165		57,269	
Other current assets		42,860		29,735	
Total current assets		530,464		500,139	
Property, plant and equipment, net		699,609		631,475	
Intangible assets, net		904		3,437	
Other assets		50,780		53,131	
Total assets	\$	1,281,757	\$	1,188,182	
Liabilities and Equity					
Current liabilities:					
Debt	\$	25,163	\$	13,678	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		142,454		129,261	
Total current liabilities		167,617		142,939	
Long-term debt		92,740		54,980	
Other liabilities		26,939		27,997	
Photronics, Inc. shareholders' equity		817,892		804,962	
Noncontrolling interests		176,569		157,304	
Total equity		994,461		962,266	
Total liabilities and equity	\$	1,281,757	\$	1,188,182	

PHOTRONICS, INC. Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(in thousands) (Unaudited)

August 1, August 2, 2021 2020 Cash flows from operating activities: Net income \$ 50.185 31,764 Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: Depreciation and amortization 69,305 71,120 Share-based compensation 4,034 3,773 Changes in operating assets, liabilities and other (10,428)(28,393)Net cash provided by operating activities 113,096 78,264 Cash flows from investing activities: Purchases of property, plant and equipment (92,301)(36,693)Government incentives 5,775 5,263 Purchases of intangible assets (170)(139)(86,696)Net cash used in investing activities (31,569)Cash flows from financing activities: Proceeds from long-term debt 20,858 5,699 Purchases of treasury stock (35,750)(16,894)Repayments of debt (13,311)(5,929)Contribution from noncontrolling interest 17,596 Proceeds from share-based arrangements 2,251 3,869 Net settlements of restricted stock awards (248)(403)4,093 Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities (26,355)4,602 3,486 Effect of exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash 4,647 54,274 Net increase in cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash 281,602 209,291 Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash, beginning of period

Nine Months Ended

286,249

263,565

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Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash, end of period



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