

Photronics Reports First Quarter Fiscal 2022 Results and Updates Long-Term Target Model

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BROOKFIELD, Conn., Feb. 23, 2022 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Photronics, Inc. (NASDAQ:PLAB), a worldwide leader in photomask technologies and solutions, today reported financial results for its fiscal 2022 first quarter ended January 30, 2022.

"Strong end-market demand trends have continued into 2022, helping us achieve our fourth consecutive quarter of record revenue," said Peter Kirlin, chief executive officer. "Our investment strategy is producing the intended results as demonstrated by growth in excess of market rates. We've aligned our operations and technology to serve the strongest sectors of the market, such as AMOLED for mobile displays, high-end logic devices for advanced electronics and mainstream IC to support the proliferation of chips needed for the enablement of the internet of things."

First Quarter 2022 Results

- Revenue was \$189.8 million, up 5% sequentially and 25% year-over-year
- Net income attributable to Photronics, Inc. shareholders was \$23.1 million (\$0.38 per diluted share), compared with fourth quarter 2021 net income of \$19.8 million (\$0.33 per diluted share) a 15% sequential increase in EPS, and first quarter 2021 net income of \$8.0 million (\$0.13 per diluted share) nearly 300% year-over-year increase
- Integrated circuit (IC) revenue in the first quarter was \$129.8 million, up 3% sequentially and 24% compared with the first quarter of last year
- Flat panel display (FPD) revenue was \$60.1 million, up 8% over last quarter and 27% over the same period last year

"Market dynamics and Photronics' execution have driven profitability levels that propelled the Company well beyond the projections in the target model we provided in December 2020," concluded Kirlin. "Significant indicators from the market and other market participants are that these conditions will continue well into the future. We have therefore included an updated target model in the supplemental information issued in connection with our conference call later today."

Second Quarter 2022 Guidance

For the second quarter of 2022, Photronics expects revenue to be between \$188 million and \$196 million, and net income attributable to Photronics, Inc. shareholders to be between \$0.32 and \$0.38 per diluted share.

Conference Call

A conference call to discuss these results is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. Eastern time on Wednesday, February 23, 2022. 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, 2021, 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" regarding our industry, our strategic position, and our financial and operating results. These forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results, performance or achievements to differ materially. Please refer to the documents we file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These documents contain and identify important factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those contained in these forward-looking statements. These certain factors can be found at www.photronics.com/riskfactors. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance, or achievements. We are under no duty to update any of the forward-looking statements after the date of this release to conform these statements to actual results.

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

		Three Months Ended				
	January 30, 2022		October 31, 2021		January 31, 2021	
Revenue	\$	189,827	\$	181,288	\$	152,067
Cost of goods sold		129,964		129,347		121,538
Gross Profit		59,863		51,941		30,529
Operating Expenses:						
Selling, general and administrative		15,727		14,322		14,053
Research and development		5,939		4,100		4,710
Total Operating Expenses		21,666		18,422		18,763
Operating Income		38,197		33,519		11,766
Non-operating income, net		4,707		3,809		680
Income Before Income Tax Provision		42,904		37,328		12,446
Income tax provision		11,178		8,697		2,937
Net Income		31,726		28,631		9,509
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		8,662		8,820		1,473
Net income attributable to Photronics, Inc. shareholders	\$	23,064	\$	19,811	\$	8,036
Earnings per share:						
Basic	\$	0.38	\$	0.33	\$	0.13
Diluted	\$	0.38	\$	0.33	\$	0.13
Weighted-average number of common shares outstanding:						
Basic		60,158		60,216		62,475
Diluted		60,936		60,908		63,005

PHOTRONICS, INC. Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

(in thousands) (Unaudited)

January 30,	October 31,
2022	2021

Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 314,195	\$ 276,670
Accounts receivable	170,673	174,447
Inventories	61,971	55,249
Other current assets	 50,940	 44,250
Total current assets	597,779	550,616
Property, plant and equipment, net	692,289	696,553
Other assets	 45,180	 47,033
Total assets	\$ 1,335,248	\$ 1,294,202
Liabilities and Equity		
Current liabilities:		
Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 18,307	\$ 22,248
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	 172,787	 153,900
Total current liabilities	191,094	176,148
Long-term debt	78,540	89,446
Other liabilities	26,448	28,046
Photronics, Inc. shareholders' equity	838,425	823,692
Noncontrolling interests	 200,741	 176,870
Total equity	 1,039,166	 1,000,562
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 1,335,248	\$ 1,294,202

PHOTRONICS, INC. Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(in thousands) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended			
	January 30, 2022		January 31, 2021	
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Net income	\$	31,726	\$	9,509
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash				
provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization		20,810		23,724
Share-based compensation		1,457		1,301
Changes in operating assets, liabilities and other		5,137		(8,247)
Net cash provided by operating activities		59,130		26,287
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		(19,175)		(17,532)
Government incentives		-		397
Other		(43)		(61)
Net cash used in investing activities		(19,218)		(17,196)

Cash flows from financing activities:			
Repayments of debt	(15,192)		(7,796)
Purchases of treasury stock	(2,522)		(13,209)
Contribution from noncontrolling interest	14,997		-
Proceeds from long-term debt	-		6,205
Proceeds from share-based arrangements	3,840		765
Net settlements of restricted stock awards	 (1,458)	·	(315)
Net cash used in financing activities	 (335)		(14,350)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash	 (2,057)		5,195
Net increase (decrease) in cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash	37,520		(64)
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash, beginning of period	 279,680		281,602
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash, end of period	\$ 317,200	\$	281,538



Source: Photronics, Inc.