UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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FORM 10-Q

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■ QUARTERLY R	EPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SEC	CURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934	
	For the quarterly period e	nded December 31, 2021	
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For the transition period from	nto		
	Commission File	Number: <u>0-21184</u>	
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	MICROCHIP TECHNOI (Exact Name of Registrant	OGY INCORPORATED as Specified in Its Charter)	
	Delaware	86-0629024	
(State or Othe	er Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)	
	2355 W. Chandler Blvd.,		
	(480) 7: (Address, Including Zip Co Including Area Co Principal Exec	de, and Telephone Number, de, of Registrant's	
	her the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Segistrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject	ction 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 to the filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes \boxtimes No \square	months (or for
	her the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Day 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was requ	ta File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.40 red to submit such files). Yes \boxtimes No \square	5 of this
	her the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a ted filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company" and "en	non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company or an emerging growth companerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act:	ny. See the
Large accelerated filer		Accelerated filer	
Non-accelerated filer		Smaller reporting company	

Shares Outstanding of Registrant's Common Stock

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. \Box

<u>Title of Each Class</u> Common Stock, \$0.001 par value

Yes □ No ⊠

Trading Symbol MCHP

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

NASDAQ Stock Market LLC
(Nasdaq Global Select Market)

January 27, 2022 555,990,729 shares Emerging growth company

MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES

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MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES $\textbf{Defined Terms}^{(1)}$

Term	Definition
3.922% 2021 Notes	2021 Senior Secured Notes, matured on June 1, 2021
4.333% 2023 Notes	2023 Senior Unsecured Notes, maturing June 1, 2023
2.670% 2023 Notes	2023 Senior Unsecured Notes, maturing September 1, 2023
0.972% 2024 Notes	2024 Senior Unsecured Notes, maturing February 15, 2024
0.983% 2024 Notes	2024 Senior Unsecured Notes, maturing September 1, 2024
4.250% 2025 Notes	2025 Senior Unsecured Notes, maturing September 1, 2025
2015 Senior Convertible Debt	2015 Senior Convertible Debt, maturing February 15, 2025
2017 Senior Convertible Debt	2017 Senior Convertible Debt, maturing February 15, 2027
2020 Senior Convertible Debt	2020 Senior Convertible Debt, maturing November 15, 2024
2017 Junior Convertible Debt	2017 Junior Convertible Debt, maturing February 15, 2037
ASU	Accounting Standards Update
Bridge Loan Facility	364-Day Senior Secured bridge credit agreement which provides for a term loan facility
CEMs	Client engagement managers
Convertible Debt	2015 Senior Convertible Debt, 2017 Senior Convertible Debt, 2020 Senior Convertible Debt, and 2017 Junior Convertible Debt
Credit Agreement	Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of December 16, 2021, among the Company, as borrower, the lenders from time to time party thereto, and J.P.Morgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent
EAR	Export Administration Regulation
ESEs	Embedded solutions engineers
EURIBOR	Euro Interbank Offered Rate
Exchange Act	Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended
FASB	Financial Accounting Standards Board
FPGA	Field-programmable gate array
OEMs	Original equipment manufacturers
R&D	Research and development
Revolving Credit Facility	\$2.75 billion revolving credit facility created pursuant to the Credit Agreement
RSUs	Restricted stock units
SARs	Stock appreciation rights
SEC	U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission
Senior Indebtedness	Revolving Credit Facility, Term Loan Facility, Bridge Loan Facility, 3.922% 2021 Notes, 4.333% 2023 Notes, 2.670% 2023 Notes, 0.972% 2024 Notes, 0.983% 2024 Notes, and 4.250% 2025 Notes
Senior Notes	3.922% 2021 Notes, 4.333% 2023 Notes, 2.670% 2023 Notes, 0.972% 2024 Notes, 0.983% 2024 Notes, and 4.250% 2025 Notes
SOFR	Secured Overnight Financing Rate
SONIA	Sterling Overnight Index Average
TCJA	Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017
Term Loan Facility	\$3.00 billion term loan facility available under the Credit Agreement prior to the December 16, 2021 amendment to such agreement
U.S. GAAP	U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

 $^{^{(1)}}$ Certain terms used within this Form 10-Q are defined in the above table.

PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(in millions, except share and per share amounts)

ASSETS

	December 31, 2021	March 31, 2021
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 313.5	\$ 280.0
Short-term investments	2.0	2.0
Accounts receivable, net	930.1	997.7
Inventories	768.2	665.0
Other current assets	186.7	200.5
Total current assets	2,200.5	2,145.2
Property, plant and equipment, net	929.9	854.7
Goodwill	6,673.6	6,670.6
Intangible assets, net	4,256.3	4,794.8
Long-term deferred tax assets	1,721.5	1,749.2
Other assets	265.4	264.3
Total assets	\$ 16,047.2	\$ 16,478.8
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Accounts payable	\$ 301.3	\$ 292.4
Accrued liabilities	917.4	794.3
Current portion of long-term debt	_	1,322.9
Total current liabilities	1,218.7	2,409.6
Long-term debt	7,868.5	7,581.2
Long-term income tax payable	673.5	689.9
Long-term deferred tax liability	41.4	43.9
Other long-term liabilities	441.8	417.1
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, \$0.001 par value; authorized 5,000,000 shares; no shares issued or outstanding	_	_
Common stock, \$0.001 par value; authorized 900,000,000 shares; 576,756,917 shares issued and 555,988,669 shares outstanding at December 31, 2021; 568,958,158 shares issued and 547,057,188 shares outstanding at March 31, 2021	0.6	0.5
Additional paid-in capital	2,500.6	2,403.1
Common stock held in treasury: 20,768,248 shares at December 31, 2021; 21,900,970 shares at March 31, 2021	(552.7)	(433.8)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(23.3)	(26.2)
Retained earnings	3,878.1	3,393.5
Total stockholders' equity	5,803.3	5,337.1
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 16,047.2	\$ 16,478.8

MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(in millions, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Er	ided December 31,	Nine Months Ended December 31,		
	2021	2020	2021	2020	
Net sales	\$ 1,757.5	\$ 1,352.1	\$ 4,976.7	\$ 3,971.3	
Cost of sales	604.2	506.3	1,747.5	1,519.3	
Gross profit	1,153.3	845.8	3,229.2	2,452.0	
Research and development	245.4	210.1	730.0	607.9	
Selling, general and administrative	177.5	154.2	531.7	445.2	
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	215.7	231.6	647.0	699.9	
Special (income) charges and other, net	(0.3)	4.3	20.4	8.9	
Operating expenses	638.3	600.2	1,929.1	1,761.9	
Operating income	515.0	245.6	1,300.1	690.1	
Other income (expense):					
Interest income	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.8	
Interest expense	(62.1)	(86.5)	(199.2)	(278.9)	
Loss on settlement of debt	(16.1)	(142.1)	(101.6)	(214.0)	
Other income (loss), net	4.6	(0.4)	3.5	(2.9)	
Income before income taxes	441.5	16.8	1,003.3	195.1	
Income tax provision (benefit)	88.7	(19.4)	155.7	(38.3)	
Net income	\$ 352.8	\$ 36.2	\$ 847.6	\$ 233.4	
Basic net income per common share	\$ 0.64	\$ 0.07	\$ 1.54	\$ 0.46	
Diluted net income per common share	\$ 0.62	\$ 0.07	\$ 1.50	\$ 0.44	
Dividends declared per common share	\$ 0.2320	\$ 0.1843	\$ 0.6570	\$ 0.5521	
Basic common shares outstanding	554.9	526.8	551.2	511.4	
Diluted common shares outstanding	567.3	550.8	566.1	533.9	

MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(in millions)

	Three Months Ended December 31,				Nine Months Ended December 31,			
		2021		2020		2021		2020
Net income	\$	352.8	\$	36.2	\$	847.6	\$	233.4
Components of other comprehensive income (loss):								
Defined benefit plans:								
Actuarial gains (losses) related to defined benefit pension plans, net of tax effect		2.1		(3.5)		2.8		(6.9)
Reclassification of realized transactions, net of tax effect		0.6		0.3		1.8		0.9
Change in net foreign currency translation adjustment		(1.6)		1.8		(1.7)		5.3
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax effect		1.1		(1.4)		2.9		(0.7)
Comprehensive income	\$	353.9	\$	34.8	\$	850.5	\$	232.7

MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (in millions)

	 Nine Months Ended Dec	
	 2021	2020
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 847.6 \$	233.
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	850.3	865.:
Deferred income taxes	6.1	(82.9
Share-based compensation expense related to equity incentive plans	163.2	143.3
Loss on settlement of debt	101.6	214.
Amortization of debt discount	34.9	57
Amortization of debt issuance costs	9.2	13.2
Other non-cash adjustment	(9.5)	(0.2
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, excluding impact of acquisitions:		
Decrease in accounts receivable	67.6	40.2
(Increase) decrease in inventories	(105.0)	17.5
Increase in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	73.8	6.6
Change in other assets and liabilities	30.3	(23.3
Change in income tax payable	 24.9	(17.5
Net cash provided by operating activities	2,095.0	1,467.3
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Proceeds from sales of assets	12.2	0.2
Investments in other assets	(91.7)	(73.1
Capital expenditures	(255.5)	(37.2
Net cash used in investing activities	 (335.0)	(110.1
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from borrowings on Revolving Credit Facility	2,947.0	3,073.0
Repayments of Revolving Credit Facility	(3,753.5)	(3,104.9
Proceeds from issuance of senior notes	997.0	3,577.8
Repayment of senior notes	(1,000.0)	_
Repayment of Bridge Loan Facility		(615.0
Repayments of Term Loan Facility	_	(1,723.5
Payments on settlement of convertible debt	(359.8)	(2,252.2
Deferred financing costs	(7.8)	(18.3
Purchase of capped call options		(35.8
Proceeds from sale of common stock	47.1	40.2
Tax payments related to shares withheld for vested RSUs	(66.9)	(46.5
Repurchase of common stock	(166.0)	` _
Payment of cash dividends	(363.0)	(281.7
Capital lease payments	(0.6)	(0.6
Net cash used in financing activities	 (1,726.5)	(1,387.5
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	33.5	(30.3
Cash and cash equivalents, and restricted cash at beginning of period	280.0	401.0
Cash and cash equivalents, and restricted cash at ord of period	\$ 313.5 \$	370.7

MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

(in millions)

		and Additional -Capital		tock Held in asury			
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Retained Earnings	Total Equity
Balance at March 31, 2020	516.8	\$ 2,675.3	26.1	\$ (500.6)	\$ (21.6)	\$ 3,432.4	\$ 5,585.5
Net income	_	_	_	_	_	123.6	123.6
Other comprehensive income	_	_	_	_	0.5	_	0.5
Proceeds from sales of common stock through employee equity incentive plans	1.2	11.0	_	_	_	_	11.0
RSU and SAR withholdings	(0.3)	(11.0)	_	_	_	_	(11.0)
Treasury stock used for new issuances	(0.9)	(14.8)	(0.9)	14.8	_	_	_
Shares issued to settle convertible debt	13.3	651.5	_	_	_	_	651.5
Settlement of convertible debt	_	(810.7)	_	_	_	_	(810.7)
Share-based compensation	_	41.3	_	_	_	_	41.3
Cash dividend	_	_	_	_	_	(90.4)	(90.4)
Balance at June 30, 2020	530.1	2,542.6	25.2	(485.8)	(21.1)	3,465.6	5,501.3
Net Income	_	_	_	_	_	73.6	73.6
Other comprehensive income	_	_	_	_	0.2	_	0.2
Proceeds from sales of common stock through employee equity incentive plans	1.5	18.6	_	_	_	_	18.6
RSU and SAR withholdings	(0.3)	(14.4)	_	_	_	_	(14.4)
Treasury stock used for new issuances	(1.2)	(18.8)	(1.2)	18.8	_	_	_
Shares issued to settle convertible debt	14.4	768.7		_	_	_	768.7
Settlement of convertible debt	_	(859.4)	_	_	_	_	(859.4)
Share-based compensation	_	50.4	_	_	_	_	50.4
Cash dividend	_	_	_	_	_	(95.3)	(95.3)
Balance at September 30, 2020	544.5	2,487.7	24.0	(467.0)	(20.9)	3,443.9	5,443.7
Net income	_	_	_		` <u> </u>	36.2	36.2
Other comprehensive loss	_	_	_	_	(1.4)	_	(1.4)
Proceeds from sales of common stock							
through employee equity incentive plans	1.4	10.6	_	_	_	_	10.6
RSU and SAR withholdings	(0.3)	(21.1)	_	_	_	_	(21.1)
Treasury stock used for new issuances	(1.1)	(16.8)	(1.1)	16.8	_	_	_
Shares issued to settle convertible debt	16.9	1,160.1	_	_	_	_	1,160.1
Settlement of convertible debt	_	(1,339.0)		_	_	_	(1,339.0)
Purchase of capped call options	_	(35.8)	_	_	_	_	(35.8)
Issuance of 2020 Senior Convertible Debt	_	87.7	_	_	_	_	87.7
Share-based compensation	_	52.0	_	_	_	_	52.0
Cash dividend						(96.0)	(96.0)
Balance at December 31, 2020	561.4	\$ 2,385.4	22.9	\$ (450.2)	\$ (22.3)	\$ 3,384.1	\$ 5,297.0
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Balance at March 31, 2021	569.0	\$ 2,403.6	21.9	\$ (433.8)	\$ (26.2)		\$ 5,337.1
Net income		_	_	_	_	252.8	252.8
Other comprehensive income	_	_	_	_	_	_	_

	Common Stock a Paid-in-C		Common Sto Treas				
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Retained Earnings	Total Equity
Proceeds from sales of common stock through employee equity incentive plans	1.4	12.2	_	_	_	_	12.2
RSU and SAR withholdings	(0.4)	(25.3)	_	_	_	_	(25.3)
Treasury stock used for new issuances	(1.0)	(16.3)	(1.0)	16.3	_	_	_
Share-based compensation	_	56.2	_	_	_	_	56.2
Cash dividend	_	_	_	_	_	(113.1)	(113.1)
Balance at June 30, 2021	569.0	2,430.4	20.9	(417.5)	(26.2)	3,533.2	5,519.9
Net Income	_	´ —	_		_	242.0	242.0
Other comprehensive income	_	_	_	_	1.8	_	1.8
Proceeds from sales of common stock through employee equity incentive plans	1.6	21.2	_	_	_	_	21.2
RSU and SAR withholdings	(0.3)	(23.8)	_	_	_	_	(23.8)
Treasury stock used for new issuances	(1.3)	(19.6)	(1.3)	19.6	_	_	_
Shares issued to settle convertible debt	5.4	399.2	_	_	_	_	399.2
Settlement of convertible debt	_	(391.1)	_	_	_	_	(391.1)
Share-based compensation	_	54.9	_	_	_	_	54.9
Cash dividend	_	_	_	_	_	(121.2)	(121.2)
Balance at September 30, 2021	574.4	2,471.2	19.6	(397.9)	(24.4)	3,654.0	5,702.9
Net income	_	_	_	_	_	352.8	352.8
Other comprehensive income	_	_	_	_	1.1	_	1.1
Proceeds from sales of common stock through employee equity incentive plans	1.0	13.7	_	_	_	_	13.7
RSU and SAR withholdings	(0.2)	(17.8)	_	_	_	_	(17.8)
Treasury stock used for new issuances	(0.8)	(11.2)	(0.8)	11.2	_	_	_
Repurchase of common stock	<u>`</u>		2.0	(166.0)	_	_	(166.0)
Shares issued to settle convertible debt	2.4	196.9	_		_	_	196.9
Settlement of convertible debt	_	(201.9)	_	_	_	_	(201.9)
Share-based compensation	_	50.3	_	_	_	_	50.3
Cash dividend	_	_	_	_	_	(128.7)	(128.7)
Balance at December 31, 2021	576.8	\$ 2,501.2	20.8	\$ (552.7)	\$ (23.3)	\$ 3,878.1	\$ 5,803.3

MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

Note 1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Microchip Technology Incorporated and its majority-owned and controlled subsidiaries (the Company). All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. All dollar amounts in the financial statements and tables in these notes, except per share amounts, are stated in millions of U.S. dollars unless otherwise noted.

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP, pursuant to the rules and regulations of the SEC. The information furnished herein reflects all adjustments which are, in the opinion of management, of a normal recurring nature and necessary for a fair statement of the results for the interim periods reported. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in audited consolidated financial statements have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such SEC rules and regulations. It is suggested that these condensed consolidated financial statements be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021. The results of operations for the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2022 or for any other period.

On August 24, 2021, at our Annual Meeting of Stockholders, our stockholders approved a two-for-one forward stock split and the amendment and restatement of the Company's Certificate of Incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of common stock from 450.0 million shares to 900.0 million shares. As a result, each stockholder of record at the close of market on October 4, 2021 received one additional share of common stock for every share held. Such shares were distributed after the close of trading on October 12, 2021. All share, equity award, and per share amounts and related shareholders' equity balances presented herein have been adjusted to reflect the stock split.

Note 2. Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

On April 1, 2021, the Company adopted ASU 2019-12-Income Taxes (Topic 740): Simplifying the Accounting for Income Taxes. This guidance enhances and simplifies various aspects of income tax accounting, including requirements related to hybrid tax regimes, the tax basis step-up in goodwill obtained in a transaction that is not a business combination, separate financial statements of entities not subject to tax, the intraperiod tax allocation exception to the incremental approach, ownership changes in investments, interim-period accounting for enacted changes in tax law, and the year-to-date loss limitation in interim-period tax accounting. The adoption of this standard did not have a material impact on the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements.

Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements Not Yet Adopted

In August 2020, the FASB issued ASU 2020-06-Debt with Conversion and Other Options (Subtopic 470-20) and Derivatives and Hedging - Contracts in Entity's Own Equity, which simplifies the guidance for certain convertible debt instruments by removing the separation models for convertible debt with a cash conversion feature or convertible instruments with a beneficial conversion feature. As a result, convertible debt instruments will be reported as a single liability instrument with no separate accounting for embedded conversion features. Additionally, ASU 2020-06 requires the application of the if-converted method for calculating diluted earnings per share and the treasury stock method will be no longer available. The provisions of ASU 2020-06 are applicable for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2021, with early adoption permitted no earlier than fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2020. The Company expects the primary impacts of this new standard will be to increase the carrying value of its Convertible Debt and reduce its reported interest expense. In addition, the Company will be required to use the if-converted method for calculating diluted earnings per share. The Company is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of this standard will have on its condensed consolidated financial statements.

Note 3. Segment Information

The Company's reportable segments are semiconductor products and technology licensing. The Company does not allocate operating expenses, interest income, interest expense, other income or expense, or provision for or benefit from income taxes to these segments for internal reporting purposes, as the Company does not believe that allocating these expenses is beneficial in evaluating segment performance. Additionally, the Company does not allocate assets to segments for internal reporting purposes as it does not manage its segments by such metrics.

The following tables represent net sales and gross profit for each segment for the periods presented (in millions):

	Three Months Ended December 31, 2					Nine Months Ended	l Dece	mber 31, 2021
		Net Sales				Net Sales	Gross Profit	
Semiconductor products	\$	1,725.5	\$	1,121.3	\$	4,884.5	\$	3,137.0
Technology licensing		32.0		32.0		92.2		92.2
Total	\$	1,757.5	\$	1,153.3	\$	4,976.7	\$	3,229.2
		Three Months Ende	d Decemb	per 31, 2020		Nine Months Ended	d Dece	mber 31, 2020
		Net Sales		Gross Profit		Net Sales	Dece	Gross Profit
Semiconductor products	\$	1,319.9	\$	813.6	\$	3,893.9	\$	2,374.6
Technology licensing		32.2		32.2		77.4		77.4
Total								

Note 4. Net Sales

The following table represents the Company's net sales by product line (in millions):

	Three Months Ended December 31,					Nine Months Ended December 31,			
	2021			2020		2021		2020	
Microcontrollers	\$	972.2	\$	726.3	\$	2,768.7	\$	2,145.8	
Analog		500.5		372.8		1,423.5		1,104.7	
Other		284.8		253.0		784.5		720.8	
Total net sales	\$	1,757.5	\$	1,352.1	\$	4,976.7	\$	3,971.3	

The product lines listed above are included entirely in the Company's semiconductor product segment with the exception of the other product line, which includes products from both the semiconductor product and technology licensing segments.

The following table represents the Company's net sales by contract type (in millions):

	Three Months Ended December 31,					Nine Months Ended December 31,			
	2021		2020		2021		2020		
Distributors	\$	787.1	\$	681.6	\$	2,387.2	\$	2,003.7	
Direct customers		938.4		638.3		2,497.3		1,890.2	
Licensees		32.0		32.2		92.2		77.4	
Total net sales	\$	1,757.5	\$	1,352.1	\$	4,976.7	\$	3,971.3	

Distributors are customers that buy products with the intention of reselling them. Distributors generally have a distributor agreement with the Company to govern the terms of the relationship. Direct customers are non-distributor customers, which generally do not have a master sales agreement with the Company. The Company's direct customers primarily consist of OEMs and, to a lesser extent, contract manufacturers. Licensees are customers of the Company's technology licensing segment, which include purchasers of intellectual property and customers that have licensing agreements to use the Company's SuperFlash® embedded flash and Smartbits® one time programmable NVM technologies. All of the contract types listed in the table above are included in the Company's semiconductor product segment with the exception of licenses, which is included in the technology licensing segment.

Note 5. Net Income Per Common Share

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted net income per common share (in millions, except per share amounts):

	Three Months Er	ided December 31,	Nine Months Ended December 31,				
	2021	2020	2021	2020			
Net income	\$ 352.8	\$ 36.2	\$ 847.6	\$ 233.4			
Basic weighted average common shares outstanding	554.9	526.8	551.2	511.4			
Dilutive effect of stock options and RSUs	7.0	7.3	7.4	6.6			
Dilutive effect of 2015 Senior Convertible Debt	2.0	7.0	3.1	10.8			
Dilutive effect of 2017 Senior Convertible Debt	3.0	5.7	3.4	3.0			
Dilutive effect of 2017 Junior Convertible Debt	0.4	4.0	1.0	2.1			
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding	567.3	550.8	566.1	533.9			
Basic net income per common share	\$ 0.64	\$ 0.07	\$ 1.54	\$ 0.46			
Diluted net income per common share	\$ 0.62	\$ 0.07	\$ 1.50	\$ 0.44			

The Company computed basic net income per common share based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. The Company computed diluted net income per common share based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding plus potentially dilutive common shares outstanding during the period.

Potentially dilutive common shares from employee equity incentive plans are determined by applying the treasury stock method to the assumed exercise of outstanding stock options and the assumed vesting of outstanding RSUs. Weighted average common shares exclude the effect of option shares which are not dilutive. There were no anti-dilutive option shares for each of the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021 and 2020.

The Company's Convertible Debt has no impact on diluted net income per common share unless the average price of the Company's common stock exceeds the conversion price because the Company intends to settle the principal amount of the Convertible Debt in cash upon conversion. Prior to conversion, the Company will include, in the diluted net income per common share calculation, the effect of the additional shares that may be issued when the Company's common stock price exceeds the conversion price using the treasury stock method. The following is the weighted average conversion price per share used in calculating the dilutive effect (see Note 6 for details on the Convertible Debt):

	Three Months En	ded D	December 31,	Nine Months Ended December 31,					
	 2021		2020		2021		2020		
2015 Senior Convertible Debt	\$ 30.05	\$	30.39	\$	30.14	\$	30.49		
2017 Senior Convertible Debt	\$ 46.86	\$	47.39	\$	47.00	\$	47.55		
2020 Senior Convertible Debt	\$ 93.32	\$	93.44	\$	93.37	\$	93.44		
2017 Junior Convertible Debt	\$ 46.04	\$	46.56	\$	46.17	\$	46.72		

Note 6. Debt

Debt obligations included in the condensed consolidated balance sheets consisted of the following (in millions):

	Coupon Interest Rate	Effective Interest Rate	Fair Value of Liability Componer at Issuance ⁽¹⁾		per 31, 2021	M	arch 31, 2021
Revolving Credit Facility				\$	1,540.1	\$	2,346.6
3.922% 2021 Notes	3.922%	4.5%			_		1,000.0
4.333% 2023 Notes	4.333%	4.7%			1,000.0		1,000.0
2.670% 2023 Notes	2.670%	2.8%			1,000.0		1,000.0
0.972% 2024 Notes	0.972%	1.1%			1,400.0		1,400.0
0.983% 2024 Notes(2)	0.983%	1.1%			1,000.0		_
4.250% 2025 Notes	4.250%	4.6%			1,200.0		1,200.0
Total Senior Indebtedness ⁽³⁾					7,140.1		7,946.6
Senior Subordinated Convertible Debt - Principal Outstanding							
2015 Senior Convertible Debt	1.625%	5.9%	\$ 30.4	ļ	34.4		141.4
2017 Senior Convertible Debt	1.625%	6.0%	\$ 155.9)	193.0		333.3
2020 Senior Convertible Debt	0.125%	5.1%	\$ 555.5	;	665.5		665.5
Junior Subordinated Convertible Debt - Principal Outstanding							
2017 Junior Convertible Debt	2.250%	7.4%	\$ 5.4	! <u></u>	10.1		122.6
Total Convertible Debt					903.0		1,262.8
Gross long-term debt including current maturities					8,043.1		9,209.4
Less: Debt discount ⁽⁴⁾					(146.9)		(273.0)
Less: Debt issuance costs ⁽⁵⁾					(27.7)		(32.3)
Net long-term debt including current maturities					7,868.5		8,904.1
Less: Current maturities ⁽⁶⁾					_		(1,322.9)
Net long-term debt				\$	7,868.5	\$	7,581.2

⁽¹⁾ As each of the convertible debt instruments may be settled in cash upon conversion, for accounting purposes, they were bifurcated into a liability component and an equity component. The amount allocated to the equity component is the difference between the principal value of the instrument and the fair value of the liability component at issuance. The resulting debt discount is being amortized to interest expense at the respective effective interest rate over the contractual term of the debt. (2) The 0.983% 2024 Notes mature on September 1, 2024, and interest is payable semi-annually in arrears on March 1 and September 1 of each year.

⁽³⁾ The 4.333% 2023 Notes, the 2.670% 2023 Notes, the 0.972% 2024 Notes, the 0.983% 2024 Notes, the 4.250% 2025 Notes, and the Revolving Credit Facility are senior unsecured debt. Prior to the December 16, 2021 amendment, the 4.333% 2023 Notes, the 2.670% 2023 Notes, the 0.972% 2024 Notes, the 0.983% 2024 Notes, and the Revolving Credit Facility were senior secured debt.

(4) The unamortized discount consists of the following (in millions):

	Ι	December 31, 2021	March 3 2021	31,
3.922% 2021 Notes	\$		\$	(0.3)
4.333% 2023 Notes		(1.6)		(2.4)
2.670% 2023 Notes		(1.6)		(2.3)
0.972% 2024 Notes		(2.8)		(3.8)
0.983% 2024 Notes		(2.5)		_
4.250% 2025 Notes		(10.8)		(12.8)
2015 Senior Convertible Debt		(4.0)		(20.1)
2017 Senior Convertible Debt		(36.9)		(71.3)
2020 Senior Convertible Debt		(82.0)		(101.6)
2017 Junior Convertible Debt		(4.7)		(58.4)
Total unamortized discount	\$	(146.9)	\$	(273.0)

(5) Debt issuance costs consist of the following (in millions):

	I	December 31, 2021	March 31, 2021
Revolving Credit Facility	\$	(11.2)	(10.0)
3.922% 2021 Notes		_	(0.7)
4.333% 2023 Notes		(3.5)	(5.3)
2.670% 2023 Notes		(0.9)	(1.3)
0.972% 2024 Notes		(1.5)	(2.0)
0.983% 2024 Notes		(1.5)	_
4.250% 2025 Notes		(1.4)	(1.7)
2015 Senior Convertible Debt		(0.1)	(0.7)
2017 Senior Convertible Debt		(0.9)	(1.8)
2020 Senior Convertible Debt		(6.7)	(8.3)
2017 Junior Convertible Debt		_	(0.5)
Total debt issuance costs	\$	(27.7)	(32.3)

⁽⁶⁾ As of March 31, 2021, current maturities consisted of the liability component of the 2017 Senior Convertible Debt and the 2017 Junior Convertible Debt, and the 3.922% 2021 Notes which were due June 1, 2021.

Expected maturities relating to the Company's debt obligations as of December 31, 2021 are as follows (in millions):

Fiscal year ending March 31,	Expec	ted Maturities
2022	\$	_
2023		_
2024		3,400.0
2025		1,700.0
2026		1,200.0
Thereafter		1,743.1
Total	\$	8,043.1

Ranking of Convertible Debt - Each series of Convertible Debt is an unsecured obligation which is subordinated in right of payment to the amounts outstanding under the Company's Senior Indebtedness. The 2017 Junior Convertible Debt is expressly subordinated in right of payment to any existing and future senior debt of the Company (including the Senior Indebtedness and the Senior Subordinated Convertible Debt) and is structurally subordinated in right of payment to the liabilities of the Company's subsidiaries. The Senior Subordinated Convertible Debt is subordinated to the Senior Indebtedness; ranks senior to the Company's indebtedness that is expressly subordinated in right of payment to it, including the 2017 Junior Convertible Debt; ranks equal in right of payment to any of the Company's unsubordinated indebtedness that does not provide that it is senior to the Senior Subordinated Convertible Debt; ranks junior in right of payment to any of the Company's secured and

unsecured unsubordinated indebtedness to the extent of the value of the assets securing such indebtedness; and is structurally subordinated to all indebtedness and other liabilities of the Company's subsidiaries.

Summary of Conversion Features - Each series of Convertible Debt is convertible, subject to certain conditions, into cash, shares of the Company's common stock or a combination thereof, at the Company's election, at specified conversion rates (see table below), adjusted for certain events including the declaration of cash dividends. Except during the three-month period immediately preceding the maturity date of the applicable series of Convertible Debt, each series of Convertible Debt is convertible only upon the occurrence of (i) such time as the closing price of the Company's common stock exceeds the applicable conversion price (see table below) by 130% for 20 days (whether or not consecutive) during a period of 30 consecutive trading days ending on the last trading day of the immediately preceding fiscal quarter or (ii) during the 5 business day period after any 10 consecutive trading day period, or the measurement period, in which the trading price per \$1,000 principal amount of notes of a given series for each trading day of the measurement period was less than 98% of the product of the last reported sale price of the Company's common stock and the applicable conversion rate on each such trading day or (iii) upon the occurrence of certain corporate events specified in the indenture of such series of Convertible Debt. In addition, for each series, with the exception of the 2020 Senior Convertible Debt, if at the time of conversion the applicable price of the Company's common stock exceeds the applicable conversion price at such time, the applicable series of Convertible Debt, and as adjusted for cash dividends paid since the issuance of such series of Convertible Debt. However, in no event will the applicable conversion rate exceed the applicable maximum conversion rate specified in the indenture for the applicable series of Convertible Debt (see table below).

The following table sets forth the applicable conversion rates adjusted for dividends declared since issuance of such series of Convertible Debt and the applicable incremental share factors and maximum conversion rates as adjusted for dividends paid since the applicable issuance date:

		Dividend adjusted rates as of December 31, 2021											
	Conversion Rate	Approximate Conversion Price	Incremental Share Factor	Maximum Conversion Rate									
2015 Senior Convertible Debt ⁽¹⁾	33.3270	\$ 30.01	16.6635	46.6576									
2017 Senior Convertible Debt ⁽¹⁾	21.3712	\$ 46.79	10.6856	30.4540									
2020 Senior Convertible Debt(1)	10.7188	\$ 93.29	_	15.0062									
2017 Junior Convertible Debt ⁽¹⁾	21.7529	\$ 45.97	10.8766	30.4540									

(1) As of December 31, 2021, the 2020 Senior Convertible Debt was not convertible. As of December 31, 2021, the holders of each of the 2015 Senior Convertible Debt, 2017 Senior Convertible Debt, and 2017 Junior Convertible Debt have the right to convert their notes between January 1, 2022 and March 31, 2022 because the Company's common stock price has exceeded the applicable conversion price for such series by 130% for the specified period of time during the quarter ended December 31, 2021. As of December 31, 2021, the adjusted conversion rate for the 2015 Senior Convertible Debt, 2017 Senior Convertible Debt, and 2017 Junior Convertible Debt would be increased to 44.2473 shares of common stock, 26.3137 shares of common stock, and 26.8863 shares of common stock, respectively, per \$1,000 principal amount of notes based on the closing price of \$87.06 per share of common stock to include an additional maximum incremental share rate per the terms of the applicable indenture. As of December 31, 2021, each of the 2015 Senior Convertible Debt, 2017 Senior Convertible Debt, and 2017 Junior Convertible Debt had a conversion value in excess of par of \$98.2 million, \$249.2 million, and \$13.6 million, respectively.

With the exception of the 2020 Senior Convertible Debt, which may be redeemed by the Company on or after November 20, 2022, the Company may not redeem any series of Convertible Debt prior to the relevant maturity date and no sinking fund is provided for any series of Convertible Debt. Under the terms of the applicable indenture, the Company may repurchase any series of Convertible Debt in the open market through privately negotiated exchange offers. Upon the occurrence of a fundamental change, as defined in the applicable indenture of such series of Convertible Debt, holders of such series may require the Company to purchase all or a portion of their Convertible Debt for cash at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount plus any accrued and unpaid interest.

Interest expense consists of the following (in millions):

	Three Months En	ded December 31,	Nine Months Ended December 31,				
	2021	2020	2021	2020			
Debt issuance cost amortization	\$ 2.2	\$ 3.7	\$ 7.4	\$ 11.5			
Debt discount amortization	1.7	1.6	5.3	4.7			
Interest expense	45.3	59.2	144.9	171.3			
Total interest expense on Senior Indebtedness	49.2	64.5	157.6	187.5			
Debt issuance cost amortization	0.6	0.5	1.8	1.7			
Debt discount amortization	9.0	12.8	29.6	52.8			
Coupon interest expense	1.5	7.8	6.5	33.9			
Total interest expense on Convertible Debt	11.1	21.1	37.9	88.4			
Other interest expense	1.8	0.9	3.7	3.0			
Total interest expense	\$ 62.1	\$ 86.5	\$ 199.2	\$ 278.9			

The remaining period over which the unamortized debt discount will be recognized as non-cash interest expense is 3.1 years, 5.1 years, 2.9 years, and 15.1 years for the 2015 Senior Convertible Debt, 2017 Senior Convertible Debt, 2020 Senior Convertible Debt, and 2017 Junior Convertible Debt, respectively.

The Company's settlement transactions in the nine months ended December 31, 2021 consist of the following (in millions)(1):

				C	onsideration					
	Principal Amount Sets	led	Cash Paid	V	alue of Shares Issued	Total	 Fair Value Settled ⁽²⁾	Equity Component ⁽²⁾	I	Net Loss on nducements and Settlements
December 2021										
2015 Senior Convertible Debt ⁽³⁾	\$ 30	5.6	\$ 36.6	\$	103.9	\$ 140.5	\$ 36.2	\$ 104.2	\$	4.1
2017 Senior Convertible Debt(3)	\$ 39	9 .7	\$ 39.7	\$	61.4	\$ 101.1	\$ 37.4	\$ 63.0	\$	6.3
2017 Junior Convertible Debt ⁽³⁾	\$ 19	9.9	\$ 19.9	\$	31.6	\$ 51.5	\$ 15.7	\$ 35.9	\$	5.1
Revolving Credit Facility ⁽⁴⁾	\$	_	s —	\$	_	\$ _	\$ _	\$ _	\$	0.6
August 2021 ⁽⁵⁾										
2015 Senior Convertible Debt	\$ 70).4	\$ 70.4	\$	159.9	\$ 230.3	\$ 71.0	\$ 158.9	\$	10.6
2017 Senior Convertible Debt	\$ 100).7	\$ 100.7	\$	123.5	\$ 224.2	\$ 100.0	\$ 113.0	\$	31.5
2017 Junior Convertible Debt	\$ 92	2.5	\$ 92.5	\$	115.8	\$ 208.3	\$ 87.7	\$ 116.6	\$	43.1
June 2021 ⁽⁶⁾										
3.922% 2021 Notes	\$ 1,000	0.0	\$ 1,000.0	\$	_	\$ 1,000.0	\$ _	\$ _	\$	0.3

⁽¹⁾ The Company settled portions of its convertible debt in privately negotiated transactions that are accounted for as induced conversions.

0.983% 2024 Notes

The Company may, at its option, redeem some or all of the 0.983% 2024 Notes in the manner set forth in the 0.983% 2024 Notes indenture. If the Company experiences a specified change of control triggering event set forth in the 0.983% 2024 Notes indenture the Company must offer to repurchase the 0.983% 2024 Notes at a price equal to 101% of the principal amount of the note repurchased, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to, but excluding, the redemption date.

⁽²⁾ The total consideration for the convertible debt settlements was allocated to the liability and equity components using the equivalent rate that reflected the borrowing rate for a similar non-convertible debt instrument prior to the settlement.

⁽³⁾ The Company used cash generated from operations to finance a portion of such settlement.

⁽⁴⁾ In connection with the amendment and restatement of its Credit Agreement, the Company recognized a loss on settlement of debt of \$0.6 million.

⁽⁵⁾ The Company used borrowings under its Revolving Credit Facility to finance a portion of such settlement.

⁽⁶⁾ The Company used proceeds from the issuance of the 0.983% 2024 Notes to finance a portion of such settlement.

The 0.983% 2024 Notes indenture contains certain customary affirmative and negative covenants, including covenants that limit or restrict the Company and its subsidiaries' ability to, among other things, create or incur certain liens, and enter into sale and leaseback transactions, sell or otherwise dispose of any assets constituting collateral securing the 0.983% 2024 Notes, and consolidate with or merge with or into, or convey, transfer or lease all or substantially all of its assets, to another person. These covenants are subject to a number of limitations and exceptions set forth in the 0.983% 2024 Notes indenture.

The 0.983% 2024 Notes are guaranteed by certain of the Company's subsidiaries that have also guaranteed the obligations under the Credit Agreement and under the Company's existing Senior Indebtedness. In the future, certain subsidiaries of the Company that are guarantors or other obligors of the Credit Agreement are required to guarantee the 0.983% 2024 Notes.

Senior Credit Facilities

In December 2021, the Company amended and restated the Company's Credit Agreement in its entirety. In connection therewith, the collateral securing the Credit Agreement prior to such amendment and restatement was released. The amended and restated Credit Agreement provides for an unsecured revolving loan facility up to \$2.75 billion that terminates on December 16, 2026. The Credit Agreement also permits the Company, subject to certain conditions, to add one or more incremental term loan facilities or increase the revolving loan commitments up to \$750.0 million.

The revolving loans bear interest, at the Company's option, at the base rate plus a spread of 0.125% to 0.50%, an adjusted daily simple SOFR rate (or SONIA rate in the case of loans denominated in pounds sterling) plus a spread of 1.125% to 1.50%, or an adjusted term SOFR or adjusted EURIBOR rate (based on one, three or six-month interest periods) plus a spread of 1.125% to 1.50%, in each case, with such spread being determined based on the credit ratings for certain of the Company's senior, unsecured debt. The base rate means the highest of the prime rate, the federal funds rate plus a margin equal to 0.50% and the adjusted term SOFR rate for a 1-month interest period plus a margin equal to 1.00%. Interest is due and payable in arrears quarterly for loans bearing interest at the base rate and at the end of an interest period (or at each three-month interval in the case of loans with interest periods greater than three months) in the case of loans bearing interest at the adjusted term SOFR or adjusted EURIBOR rates.

The Company's obligations under the Credit Agreement are guaranteed by certain of its subsidiaries meeting materiality thresholds. The Credit Agreement contains customary affirmative and negative covenants, including covenants that limit or restrict the Company and its subsidiaries' ability to, among other things, incur subsidiary indebtedness, grant liens, merge or consolidate, dispose of substantially all assets, make investments, make acquisitions, enter into certain transactions with affiliates, pay dividends or make distributions, repurchase stock, enter into restrictive agreements, in each case subject to customary exceptions for a credit facility of this size and type. The Company is also required to maintain compliance with a total leverage ratio and an interest coverage ratio, all measured quarterly and calculated on a consolidated basis. As of December 31, 2021, the Company was in compliance with these financial covenants.

Note 7. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Fair value is an exit price, representing the amount that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants. As such, fair value is a market-based measurement that should be determined based on assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability. As a basis for considering such assumptions, the Company utilizes a three-tier fair value hierarchy, which prioritizes the inputs used in measuring fair value as follows:

- Level 1- Observable inputs such as quoted prices in active markets;
- Level 2- Inputs, other than the quoted prices in active markets, that are observable either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3- Unobservable inputs in which there is little or no market data, which require the reporting entity to develop its own assumptions.

The carrying amount of cash equivalents approximates fair value because their maturity is less than three months. Management believes the carrying amount of the equity and cost-method investments materially approximated fair value at December 31, 2021 based upon unobservable inputs. The fair values of these investments have been determined as Level 3 fair value measurements. The carrying amount of accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximates fair value due to the short-term maturity of the amounts and are considered Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy.

The fair value of the Company's Revolving Credit Facility is estimated using discounted cash flow analysis, based on the Company's current incremental borrowing rates for similar types of borrowing arrangements. Based on the borrowing rates currently available to the Company for bank loans with similar terms and average maturities, the fair value of the Company's

Revolving Credit Facility at December 31, 2021 approximated the carrying value excluding debt discounts and debt issuance costs and are considered Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy. The Company measures the fair value of its Convertible Debt and Senior Notes for disclosure purposes. These fair values are based on observable market prices for this debt, which is traded in less active markets and are therefore classified as a Level 2 fair value measurement.

The following table shows the carrying amounts and fair values of the Company's debt obligations (in millions):

	Decembe	er 31, 2021	March 31, 2021				
	Carrying Amount ⁽¹⁾	Fair Value	Carrying Amount ⁽¹⁾	Fair Value			
Revolving Credit Facility	\$ 1,528.9	\$ 1,540.1	\$ 2,336.6	\$ 2,346.6			
3.922% 2021 Notes	_	_	999.0	1,004.3			
4.333% 2023 Notes	994.9	1,041.8	992.3	1,022.4			
2.670% 2023 Notes	997.5	1,022.5	996.4	1,040.8			
0.972% 2024 Notes	1,395.7	1,389.5	1,394.2	1,394.0			
0.983% 2024 Notes	996.0	985.1	_	_			
4.250% 2025 Notes	1,187.8	1,245.0	1,185.5	1,252.6			
2015 Senior Convertible Debt	30.3	132.7	120.6	485.4			
2017 Senior Convertible Debt	155.2	495.7	260.2	731.4			
2020 Senior Convertible Debt	576.8	841.9	555.6	778.3			
2017 Junior Convertible Debt	5.4	24.9	63.7	272.9			
Total	\$ 7,868.5	\$ 8,719.2	\$ 8,904.1	\$ 10,328.7			

⁽¹⁾ The carrying amounts presented are net of debt discounts and debt issuance costs (see Note 6 for further information).

Note 8. Intangible Assets and Goodwill

Intangible assets consist of the following (in millions):

	December 31, 2021								
		Gross Amount	A	ccumulated Amortization		Net Amount			
Core and developed technology	\$	7,387.6	\$	(3,374.4)	\$	4,013.2			
Customer-related		835.2		(736.2)		99.0			
In-process research and development		6.4		_		6.4			
Distribution rights and other		193.6		(55.9)		137.7			
Total	\$	8,422.8	\$	(4,166.5)	\$	4,256.3			

	March 31, 2021								
		Gross Amount	Accumulated Amortization		Net Amount				
Core and developed technology	\$	7,371.3	\$ (2,771.0)	\$	4,600.3				
Customer-related		835.2	(702.6)		132.6				
In-process research and development		7.7	_		7.7				
Distribution rights and other		130.2	(76.0)		54.2				
Total	\$	8,344.4	\$ (3,549.6)	\$	4,794.8				

The following is an expected amortization schedule for the intangible assets for the remainder of fiscal 2022 through fiscal 2026, absent any future acquisitions or impairment charges (in millions):

Fiscal Year Ending March 31,	Projected Amortiz Expense	zation
2022	\$	233.1
2023	\$	743.2
2024	\$	666.0
2025	\$	531.0
2026	\$	459.8

The Company amortizes intangible assets over their expected useful lives, which range between 1 and 15 years. Amortization expense attributed to intangible assets are assigned to cost of sales and operating expenses as follows (in millions):

	Three Months Ended December 31,					Nine Months Ended December 31,			
	2021 2020			2020		2021		2020	
Amortization expense charged to cost of sales	\$	3.2	\$	2.4	\$	9.1	\$	6.9	
Amortization expense charged to operating expense		232.5		244.2		691.4		738.2	
Total amortization expense	\$ 235.7			246.6	\$	700.5	\$	745.1	

There were no impairment charges in the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020.

Goodwill activity for the nine months ended December 31, 2021 by segment was as follows (in millions):

	Semiconductor Products Reporting Unit			Fechnology Licensing Reporting Unit
Balance at March 31, 2021	\$	6,651.4	\$	19.2
Additions		3.0		_
Balance at December 31, 2021	\$	6,654.4	\$	19.2

At March 31, 2021, the Company applied a qualitative goodwill impairment test to its two reporting units, concluding it was not more likely than not that goodwill was impaired. Through December 31, 2021, the Company has never recorded an impairment charge.

Note 9. Other Financial Statement Details

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable consists of the following (in millions):

	De	ecember 31, 2021	March 31, 2021
Trade accounts receivable	\$	922.3	\$ 991.6
Other		13.8	11.3
Total accounts receivable, gross		936.1	 1,002.9
Less: allowance for expected credit losses		6.0	5.2
Total accounts receivable, net	\$	930.1	\$ 997.7

Inventories

The components of inventories consist of the following (in millions):

	Ι	December 31,	N	Iarch 31,
		2021		2021
Raw materials	\$	150.5	\$	115.7
Work in process		429.9		412.8
Finished goods		187.8		136.5
Total inventories	\$	768.2	\$	665.0

Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment consists of the following (in millions):

	December 31, 2021			March 31, 2021
Land	\$	82.5	\$	83.2
Building and building improvements		666.7		659.7
Machinery and equipment		2,442.8		2,251.1
Projects in process		117.4		102.7
Total property, plant and equipment, gross		3,309.4		3,096.7
Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization		2,379.5		2,242.0
Total property, plant and equipment, net	\$	929.9	\$	854.7

Depreciation expense attributed to property, plant and equipment was \$64.9 million and \$149.8 million for the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021, respectively, compared to \$40.3 million and \$120.4 million for the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020, respectively. The increase in depreciation expense during the three months ended December 31, 2021 includes the impact of current production levels, manufacturing expansion activities and moving and repurposing floor space and equipment.

The Company reviews and evaluates its long-lived assets for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the related carrying amount of such assets may not be recoverable. For each of the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Company's evaluation of its property, plant and equipment did not result in any material impairments.

Accrued Liabilities

Accrued liabilities consists of the following (in millions):

	December 31, 2021				
Accrued compensation and benefits	\$	203.7	\$	166.7	
Income taxes payable		80.1		43.4	
Sales related reserves		339.1		350.7	
Current portion of lease liabilities		35.0		39.8	
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		259.5		193.7	
Total accrued liabilities	\$	917.4	\$	794.3	

Note 10. Commitments and Contingencies

Indemnification Contingencies

The Company's technology license agreements generally include an indemnification clause that indemnifies the licensee against liability and damages (including legal defense costs) arising from any claims of patent, copyright, trademark or trade secret infringement by the Company's proprietary technology. The terms of these indemnification provisions approximate the terms of the outgoing technology license agreements, which are typically perpetual unless terminated by either party for breach. The possible amount of future payments the Company could be required to make based on agreements that specify indemnification limits, if such indemnifications were required on all of these agreements, is approximately \$178.4 million. There are some licensing agreements in place that do not specify indemnification limits. As of December 31, 2021, the Company had not recorded any liabilities related to these indemnification obligations and the Company believes that any amounts that it may be required to pay under these agreements in the future will not have a material adverse effect on its financial position, cash flows or results of operations.

Warranty Costs and Product Liabilities

The Company accrues for known product-related claims if a loss is probable and can be reasonably estimated. During the periods presented, there have been no material accruals or payments regarding product warranty or product liability. Historically, the Company has experienced a low rate of payments on product claims. Although the Company cannot predict the likelihood or amount of any future claims, the Company does not believe these claims will have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, results of operations or liquidity.

Legal Matters

In the ordinary course of the Company's business, it is exposed to various liabilities as a result of contracts, product liability, customer claims, governmental investigations and other matters. Additionally, the Company is involved in a limited number of legal actions, both as plaintiff and defendant. Consequently, the Company could incur uninsured liability in any of those actions. The Company also periodically receives notifications from various third parties alleging infringement of patents or other intellectual property rights, or from customers requesting reimbursement for various costs. With respect to pending legal actions to which the Company is a party and other claims, although the outcomes are generally not determinable, the Company believes that the ultimate resolution of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on its financial position, cash flows or results of operations. Litigation, governmental investigations and disputes relating to the semiconductor industry are not uncommon, and the Company is, from time to time, subject to such litigation, governmental investigations and disputes. As a result, no assurances can be given with respect to the extent or outcome of any such litigation, governmental investigations or disputes in the future.

In connection with its acquisition of Microsemi, which closed on May 29, 2018, the Company became involved with the following legal matters:

Federal Shareholder Class Action Litigation. Beginning on September 14, 2018, the Company and certain of its officers were named in two putative shareholder class action lawsuits filed in the United States District Court for the District of Arizona, captioned Jackson v. Microchip Technology Inc., et al., Case No. 2:18-cv-02914-ROS and Maknissian v. Microchip Technology Inc., et al., Case No. 2:18-cv-02924-JJT. On November 13, 2018, the Maknissian complaint was voluntarily dismissed. On December 11, 2018, the Court issued an order appointing the lead plaintiff in the Jackson matter. An amended complaint was filed on February 22, 2019. The complaint is allegedly brought on behalf of a putative class of purchasers of Microchip common stock between March 2, 2018 and August 9, 2018. The complaint asserts claims for alleged violations of the federal securities laws and alleges that the defendants issued materially false and misleading statements and failed to disclose material adverse facts about the Company's business, operations, and prospects during the putative class period. The complaint seeks, among other things, compensatory damages and attorneys' fees and costs on behalf of the putative class. Defendants filed a motion to dismiss the amended complaint on April 1, 2019, which motion was granted in part and denied in part on March 11, 2020. Plaintiff filed a motion for class certification, which was granted by the Court. Discovery is ongoing. The Company and its officers have reached an agreement in principle to settle this litigation and are working on documenting that agreement for submission to the Court for its consideration.

Derivative Litigation. On January 22, 2019, a shareholder derivative lawsuit was filed against certain of the Company's officers and directors in the Superior Court of Arizona for Maricopa County, captioned Reid v. Sanghi, et al., Case No. CV2019-002389. The Company is named as a nominal defendant. The complaint generally alleges that defendants breached their fiduciary duties by, among other things, purportedly failing to conduct adequate due diligence regarding Microsemi prior to its acquisition, misrepresenting the Company's business prospects and health, and engaging in improper practices, and further alleges that certain defendants engaged in insider trading. The complaint asserts causes of action for breach of fiduciary duty, waste, and unjust enrichment and seeks unspecified monetary damages, corporate governance reforms, equitable and/or injunctive relief, restitution, and attorneys' fees and costs. An amended complaint was filed on February 28, 2020, and a second amended complaint was filed on July 27, 2020. The Company's Audit Committee has filed a motion to dismiss. On August 5, 2021, a second shareholder derivative lawsuit was filed against certain of the Company's officers and directors in the Superior Court of Arizona for Maricopa County, captioned Dutrisac v. Sanghi, et al., Case No. CV2021-012459. The Company is named as a nominal defendant. The complaint asserts substantially the same allegations as those in the Reid case. The complaint asserts causes of action for breaches of fiduciary duty, insider selling, unjust enrichment, waste of corporate assets, indemnification, and contribution and seeks unspecified monetary damages, equitable and/or injunctive relief, disgorgement, corporate governance reforms, and attorneys' fees and costs. The Company's Audit Committee has filed a motion to dismiss.

Governmental Investigations. The SEC informed the Company in October 2018 that it was investigating matters relating to the Company's acquisition of Microsemi. The Company believes that the investigation relates to distribution channel issues and business practices at Microsemi and the allegations made by the plaintiffs in the Peterson v. Sanghi lawsuit which was described in the Company's prior filings on Form 10-Q and Form 10-K and which lawsuit has been settled and dismissed. The Department of Justice, which was also investigating those matters, informed the Company in February 2021 that its investigation is closed and that no further action will be taken.

As a result of its acquisition of Atmel, which closed April 4, 2016, the Company became involved with the following legal matters:

Continental Claim ICC Arbitration. On December 29, 2016, Continental Automotive GmbH ("Continental") filed a Request for Arbitration with the ICC, naming as respondents the Company's subsidiaries Atmel Corporation, Atmel SARL, Atmel Global Sales Ltd., and Atmel Automotive GmbH (collectively, "Atmel"). The Request alleges that a quality issue affecting Continental airbag control units in certain recalled vehicles stems from allegedly defective Atmel application specific integrated circuits ("ASICs"). Continental seeks to recover from Atmel all current and future costs and damages incurred as a result of the vehicle manufacturers' airbag control unit-related recalls, with current costs and damages alleged to be about \$89 million to date. The Company's Atmel subsidiaries intend to defend this action vigorously.

Southern District of New York Action by LFoundry Rousset ("LFR") and LFR Employees. On March 4, 2014, LFR and Jean-Yves Guerrini, individually and on behalf of a putative class of LFR employees, filed an action in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (the "District Court") against the Company's Atmel subsidiary, French subsidiary, Atmel Rousset S.A.S. ("Atmel Rousset"), and LFoundry GmbH ("LF"), LFR's German parent. The case purports to relate to Atmel Rousset's June 2010 sale of its wafer manufacturing facility in Rousset, France to LF, and LFR's subsequent insolvency, and later liquidation, more than three years later. The District Court dismissed the case on August 21, 2015, and the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit affirmed the dismissal on June 27, 2016. On July 25, 2016, the plaintiffs filed a notice of appeal from the District Court's June 27, 2016 denial of their motion for relief from the dismissal judgment. On May 19, 2017, the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit affirmed the June 27, 2016 order dismissing the case.

Individual Labor Actions by former LFR Employees. In June 2010, Atmel Rousset sold its wafer manufacturing business in Rousset, France to LFoundry GmbH ("LF"), the German parent of LFoundry Rousset ("LFR"). LFR then leased the Atmel Rousset facility to conduct the manufacture of wafers. More than three years later, LFR became insolvent and later liquidated. In the wake of LFR's insolvency and liquidation, over 500 former employees of LFR filed individual labor actions against Atmel Rousset in a French labor court, and in 2019 a French labor court dismissed all of the employees' claims against Atmel Rousset. Plaintiffs have filed appeals requesting reconsideration of the earlier dismissals. Furthermore, these same claims have been filed by this same group of employees in a regional court in France against Microchip Technology Incorporated and Atmel Corporation. The Company, and the other defendant entities, believe that each of these actions is entirely devoid of merit, and, further, that any assertion by any of the Claimants of a co-employment relationship with any of these entities is based substantially on the same specious arguments that the Paris Commercial Court summarily rejected in 2014 in related proceedings. The defendant entities therefore intend to defend vigorously against each of these claims. Additionally, complaints have been filed in a regional court in France on behalf of the same group of employees against Microchip

Technology Rousset, Atmel Switzerland Sarl, Atmel Corporation and Microchip Technology Incorporated alleging that the sale of the Atmel Rousset production unit to LF was fraudulent and should be voided. These claims are specious and the defendant entities therefore intend to defend vigorously against these claims.

The Company accrues for claims and contingencies when losses become probable and reasonably estimable. As of the end of each applicable reporting period, the Company reviews each of its matters and, where it is probable that a liability has been or will be incurred, the Company accrues for all probable and reasonably estimable losses. Where the Company can reasonably estimate a range of losses it may incur regarding such a matter, the Company records an accrual for the amount within the range that constitutes its best estimate. If the Company can reasonably estimate a range but no amount within the range appears to be a better estimate than any other, the Company uses the amount that is the low end of such range. As of December 31, 2021, the Company's estimate of the aggregate potential liability that is possible but not probable is approximately \$100 million in excess of amounts accrued.

Note 11. Income Taxes

The Company accounts for income taxes in accordance with ASC 740. The provision or benefit for income taxes is attributable to U.S. federal, state, and foreign income taxes. The Company's effective tax rate used for interim periods is based on an estimated annual effective tax rate including the tax effect of items required to be recorded discretely in the interim periods in which those items occur. A comparison of the Company's effective tax rates for the nine months ended December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020 is not meaningful due to the amount of pre-tax income, and income tax benefits recorded during the prior period.

The Company's effective tax rate is different than the statutory rates in the U.S. due to foreign income taxed at different rates than the U.S., changes in uncertain tax benefit positions, changes to valuation allowances, generation of tax credits, and the impact of Global Intangible Low-Taxed Income (GILTI) in the United States. In addition, the Company has numerous tax holidays it receives related to its Thailand manufacturing operations based on its investment in property, plant and equipment in Thailand. The Company's tax holiday periods in Thailand expire at various times in the future, however, the Company actively seeks to obtain new tax holidays. The material components of foreign income taxed at a rate lower than the U.S. are earnings accrued in Thailand and Ireland.

The Company files U.S. federal, U.S. state, and foreign income tax returns. For U.S. federal, and in general for U.S. state tax returns, the fiscal 2007 and later tax years remain open for examination by tax authorities. For foreign tax returns, the Company is generally no longer subject to income tax examinations for years prior to fiscal 2007. The Company estimates that it is reasonably possible unrecognized tax benefits as of December 31, 2021 could decrease by approximately \$10.0 million to \$60.0 million in the next 12 months. Positions that may be resolved include various U.S. and non-U.S. matters.

Note 12. Share-Based Compensation

The following table presents the details of the Company's share-based compensation expense (in millions):

	Three Months Ended December 31,					Nine Months Ended December 31,			
		2021		2020		2021		2020	
Cost of sales(1)	\$	8.4	\$	6.4	\$	26.3	\$	18.8	
Research and development		23.4		25.0		76.1		70.0	
Selling, general and administrative		19.1		19.8		60.8		54.5	
Pre-tax effect of share-based compensation		50.9		51.2		163.2		143.3	
Income tax benefit		10.8		10.7		34.6		30.5	
Net income effect of share-based compensation	\$	40.1	\$	40.5	\$	128.6	\$	112.8	

⁽¹⁾ During the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021, \$5.3 million and \$16.4 million, respectively, of share-based compensation expense was capitalized to inventory and \$8.4 million and \$26.3 million, respectively, of previously capitalized share-based compensation expense in inventory was sold. During the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020, \$4.5 million and \$11.9 million, respectively, of share-based compensation expense was capitalized to inventory and \$6.4 million and \$18.8 million, respectively, of previously capitalized share-based compensation expense was capitalized to inventory and \$6.4 million and

Note 13. Stock Repurchase Activity

In November 2021, the Company's Board of Directors approved a new stock repurchase program to repurchase up to \$4.00 billion of the Company's common stock in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions. There is no expiration date associated with the repurchase program. During the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021, the Company purchased approximately 2.0 million shares of its common stock for a total of \$166.0 million under the new authorization. As of December 31, 2021, approximately \$3.83 billion remained available for repurchases under the program. Shares repurchased are recorded as treasury shares and are used to fund share issuance requirements under the Company's equity incentive plans. As of December 31, 2021, the Company had approximately 20.8 million treasury shares.

Note 14. Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss

The following table presents the changes in the components of accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax, (AOCI) (in millions):

	Mınımum Pension Liability	Foreign Currency	Total	
Balance at March 31, 2021	\$ (13.4)	\$ (12.8)	\$ (26.2)	
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	2.8	(1.7)	1.1	
Reclassification of realized transactions	1.8	_	1.8	
Net other comprehensive income (loss)	4.6	(1.7)	2.9	
Balance at December 31, 2021	\$ (8.8)	\$ (14.5)	\$ (23.3)	

The table below details where reclassifications of realized transactions out of accumulated other comprehensive loss are recorded on the consolidated statements of income (in millions):

	Tl	nree Months En	ded December 3	81,	Nine Months Ended December 31,					
Description of AOCI Component		2021	2020)	2	2021		2020		Related Statement of Income Line
Amortization of actuarial loss	\$	(0.6)	\$	(0.3)	\$	(1.8)	\$		(0.9)	Other income (loss), net

Note 15. Dividends

A quarterly cash dividend of \$0.232 per share was paid on December 3, 2021 in the aggregate amount of \$128.7 million. A quarterly cash dividend of \$0.253 per share was declared on February 3, 2022 and will be paid on March 8, 2022 to stockholders of record as of February 22, 2022. The Company expects the March 2022 payment of its quarterly cash dividend to be approximately \$141.0 million.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

Note Regarding Forward-looking Statements

This report, including "Part I – Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and "Part II - Item 1A. Risk Factors" contains certain forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties, including statements regarding our strategy, financial performance and revenue sources. We use words such as "anticipate," "believe," "plan," "expect," "future," "continue," "intend" and similar expressions to identify forward-looking statements. Our actual results could differ materially from the results anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of certain factors including those set forth under "Risk Factors," beginning at page 39 and elsewhere in this Form 10-Q. 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. You should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. We disclaim any obligation to update information contained in any forward-looking statement. These forward-looking statements include, without limitation, statements regarding the following:

- · Our expectation that certain supply chain constraints will continue through calendar 2022 and possibly beyond;
- That if the impact of COVID-19 worsens, the pandemic could adversely impact our business in future periods;
- That local governments could require us or our suppliers to temporarily reduce production further, cease operations, or implement mandatory vaccine requirements, and we could experience constraints in fulfilling customer orders;
- The impact that local restrictions could have on our manufacturing operations, or the manufacturing operations of our subcontractors, in the future;
- That we hope to see more of our team members return to our offices in the coming months, contingent on local conditions;
- Our belief that our actions to combat the spread of COVID-19 will help preserve the health of our team members, customers, suppliers, visitors to our facilities, people with whom we conduct business and our communities, and allow us to safely continue operations;
- Our inability to predict how the COVID-19 pandemic, and actions taken by others in response to it, will affect our business;
- The effects that uncertain global economic conditions and fluctuations in the global credit and equity markets may have on our financial condition and results of operations;
- The effects and amount of competitive pricing pressure on our product lines and modest pricing declines in certain of our more mature proprietary product lines;
- Our ability to moderate future average selling price declines;
- The effect of product mix, capacity utilization, yields, fixed cost absorption, competition and economic conditions on gross margin;
- The amount of, and changes in, demand for our products and those of our customers;
- The impact of national security protections, trade restrictions and changes in tariffs, including those impacting China;
- · Our expectation that in the future we will acquire additional businesses that we believe will complement our existing businesses;
- · Our expectation that in the future we will enter into joint development agreements or other strategic relationships with other companies;
- The level of orders that will be received and shipped within a quarter, including the impact of our product lead times;
- Our expectation that our days of inventory at March 31, 2022 will be 120 to 125 days;
- · Our belief that customers recognize our products and brand name and use distributors as an effective supply channel;
- · The accuracy of our estimates of the useful life and values of our property, assets and other liabilities;
- Our ability to increase the proprietary portion of our analog product line and the effect of such an increase;
- The impact of any supply disruption we may experience;
- Our ability to effectively utilize our facilities at appropriate capacity levels and anticipated costs;
- That we adjust capacity utilization to respond to actual and anticipated business and industry-related conditions;
- That manufacturing costs will be reduced by transition to advanced process technologies;
- Our ability to maintain manufacturing yields;
- Continuing our investments in new and enhanced products;
- The cost effectiveness of using our own assembly and test operations;
- Our expectation that foundry capacity will continue to be tight due to strong demand for wafers across the industry;

- Our expectation that we will continue to operate our manufacturing facilities at or above normal capacity if the current supply constraints relative to demand continue:
- · Our anticipated level of capital expenditures;
- Continuation and amount of quarterly cash dividends;
- The sufficiency of our existing sources of liquidity to finance anticipated capital expenditures and otherwise meet our anticipated cash requirements, and the effects that our contractual obligations are expected to have on them;
- · The impact of seasonality on our business;
- Our belief that our IT system compromise has not had a material adverse effect on our business or resulted in any material damage to us;
- Our expectation that we will continue to be the target of cyber-attacks, computer viruses, unauthorized access and other attempts to breach or otherwise compromise the security of our IT systems and data;
- The accuracy of our estimates used in valuing employee equity awards;
- That the resolution of legal actions will not have a material effect on our business, and the accuracy of our assessment of the probability of loss and range of potential loss;
- The accuracy of our estimated tax rate;
- Our expectation regarding the treatment of our unrecognized tax benefits in calendar year 2022;
- Our belief that the expiration of any tax holidays will not have a material impact on our effective tax rate;
- The impact of the geographical dispersion of our earnings and losses on our effective tax rate;
- Our belief that the estimates used in preparing our condensed consolidated financial statements are reasonable;
- Our actions to vigorously and aggressively defend and protect our intellectual property on a worldwide basis;
- Our ability to obtain patents and intellectual property licenses and minimize the effects of litigation;
- The level of risk we are exposed to for product liability claims or indemnification claims;
- The effect of fluctuations in market interest rates on our income and/or cash flows;
- The effect of fluctuations in currency rates;
- That we could increase our borrowings or seek additional equity or debt financing to maintain or expand our facilities, or to fund cash dividends, share
 repurchases, acquisitions or other corporate activities, and that the timing and amount of such financing requirements will depend on a number of factors;
- · Our expectations regarding the amounts and timing of repurchases under our stock repurchase program;
- · Our intention to satisfy the lesser of the principal amount or the conversion value of our Convertible Debt in cash;
- Our intention to invest substantially all of our foreign subsidiary earnings, as well as our capital in our foreign subsidiaries, indefinitely outside of the U.S. in those jurisdictions in which we would incur significant, additional costs upon repatriation of such amounts;
- · Our expectation that our reliance on third party contractors may increase over time as our business grows;
- · Our ability to collect accounts receivable; and
- The impact of the legislative and policy changes implemented or which may be implemented by the current administration, on our business and the trading price of our stock.

Our actual results could differ materially from the results anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of certain factors including those set forth in "Item 1A. Risk Factors," and elsewhere in this Form 10-Q. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in our forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements. You should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. We disclaim any obligation to update the information contained in any forward-looking statement.

Introduction

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the condensed consolidated financial statements and the related notes that appear elsewhere in this document.

We begin our Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations with a summary of COVID-19 developments followed by a summary of our overall business strategy to give the reader an overview of the goals and overall direction of our business. This is followed by a discussion of the Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates that we believe are important to understanding the assumptions and judgments incorporated in our reported financial results. We then discuss our Results of Operations for the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021 compared to the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020, followed by an analysis of changes in our balance sheet and cash flows, and discuss our financial commitments in the section titled "Liquidity and Capital Resources."

COVID-19 Developments

In the first half of fiscal 2021, the COVID-19 pandemic resulted in a global disruption in economic activity by adversely affecting production, creating supply chain and market disruption, and adversely impacting businesses and individuals. In the second half of fiscal 2021, business conditions were unexpectedly strong as businesses and individuals adapted to the effects of the pandemic. Business conditions have continued to be exceptionally strong through the first nine months of fiscal 2022.

At this time, our global manufacturing sites and our logistics channels are operational; however, local restrictions have adversely impacted certain subcontractors' manufacturing operations and could adversely impact either our subcontractors or our own manufacturing operations in the future. Starting in December 2021, we began to experience some increased absenteeism due to the rise in Omicron variant cases of COVID-19 that has adversely impacted our operations as well as that of certain of our subcontractors and suppliers. If the impact of COVID-19 worsens, the pandemic could adversely impact our business in future periods.

In response to the early indications of the COVID-19 pandemic, we took proactive measures to safeguard the health of our employees, contractors, customers, suppliers, visitors to our facilities, other business partners, and our communities. We strategically implemented plans intended to ensure business continuity in the event severe outbreaks or government requirements were to impact our operations. We monitor governmental policies and Center for Disease Control and Prevention recommendations and take appropriate actions which are designed to prevent and control the spread of COVID-19.

We continuously assess our efforts to combat the COVID-19 pandemic which have included the following:

- We previously suspended attendance at conferences and other gatherings but recently began to allow limited business travel. We continue to evolve our work model in response to the ongoing effects of the pandemic. Any on-site team members are requested to stay home if they do not feel well, stay home if they have been exposed to someone with COVID-19 or its symptoms, maintain a safe distance from others, wash their hands frequently, and wear a mask in common areas at on-site locations. We clean high touch surfaces at least daily.
- In partnership with our suppliers, we have evaluated our supply chain to identify gaps or weak points. In order to ensure continuity, in some cases, we have qualified alternative suppliers and increased our inventory of raw materials.
- We have added and continue to add assembly and test capacity to increase our manufacturing capability.
- We initially implemented measures to help prepare for economic uncertainty, such as employee salary cuts, limiting hiring, reducing business travel costs, reducing discretionary spending, and limiting capital expenditures. However, in December 2020, we restored previous reductions in compensation, resumed hiring, and increased spending for capital expenditures to help meet business demands. We have continued to increase hiring and capital expenditures in response to strong business conditions.
- We are working with government authorities in the areas where we have a significant footprint. We continue to update ourselves on government requirements, relevant regulations, industry standards, and best practices to help safeguard our team members across the globe.

We believe these actions are important and will help preserve the health of our team members, customers, suppliers, visitors to our facilities, people with whom we conduct business and our communities, and allow us to safely continue operations. However, we cannot predict how these actions, or the actions taken by government entities, suppliers, or customers in response to the COVID-19 pandemic will impact our business, revenues, or results of operations.

Strategy

We develop, manufacture and sell smart, connected and secure embedded control solutions used by our customers for a wide variety of applications. Our strategic focus includes general purpose and specialized 8-bit, 16-bit, and 32-bit microcontrollers, microprocessors, analog, FPGA, and memory products. With over 30 years of technology leadership, our broad product portfolio is a Total System Solution (TSS) for our customers that provides a large portion of the silicon requirements in their applications. TSS is a combination of hardware, software and services which help our customers increase their revenue, reduce their costs and manage their risks compared to other solutions. Our synergistic product portfolio empowers disruptive growth trends, including 5G, artificial intelligence and machine learning, Internet of Things (IoT), advanced driver assist systems (ADAS) and autonomous driving, and electric vehicles, in key end markets such as automotive, aerospace and defense, communications, consumer, data centers and computing, and industrial.

Our manufacturing operations include wafer fabrication, wafer probe, assembly and test. The ownership of a substantial portion of our manufacturing resources is an important component of our business strategy, enabling us to maintain a high level of manufacturing control, resulting in us being one of the lowest cost producers in the embedded control industry. By owning wafer fabrication facilities and our assembly and test operations, and by employing statistical techniques (statistical process control, designed experiments and wafer level monitoring), we have been able to achieve and maintain high production yields. Direct control over manufacturing resources allows us to shorten our design and production cycles. This control also allows us to capture a portion of the wafer manufacturing and assembly and testing profit margin. We do outsource a significant portion of our manufacturing requirements to third parties and the amount of our outsourced manufacturing has increased in recent years due to our acquisitions of Microsemi and other companies that outsourced all or substantial portions of their manufacturing.

We employ proprietary design and manufacturing processes in developing our embedded control products. We believe our processes afford us both cost-effective designs in existing and derivative products and greater functionality in new product designs. While many of our competitors develop and optimize separate processes for their logic and memory product lines, we use a common process technology for both microcontroller and non-volatile memory products. This allows us to more fully leverage our process research and development costs and to deliver new products to market more rapidly. Our engineers utilize advanced computer-aided design tools and software to perform circuit design, simulation and layout, and our in-house photomask and wafer fabrication facilities enable us to rapidly verify design techniques by processing test wafers quickly and efficiently.

We are committed to continuing our investment in new and enhanced products, including development systems, and in our design and manufacturing process technologies. We believe these investments are significant factors in maintaining our competitive position. Our current research and development activities focus on the design of new microcontrollers, digital signal controllers, memory, analog and mixed-signal products, FPGAs, timing systems, Flash-IP, development systems, software and application-specific software libraries. We are also developing new design and process technologies to achieve further cost reductions and performance improvements in our products.

We market and sell our products worldwide primarily through a network of direct sales personnel and distributors. Our direct sales force focuses on a wide variety of strategic accounts in three geographical markets: the Americas, Europe and Asia. We currently maintain sales and technical support centers in major metropolitan areas in all three geographic markets. We believe that a strong technical service presence is essential to the continued development of the embedded control market. Many of our CEMs, ESEs, and sales management have technical degrees or backgrounds and have been previously employed in high technology environments. We believe that the technical and business knowledge of our sales force is a key competitive advantage in the sale of our products. The primary mission of our ESE team is to provide technical assistance to customers and to conduct periodic training sessions for the balance of our sales team. ESEs also frequently conduct technical seminars and workshops in major cities around the world or through online webcasts. Our licensing division has dedicated sales, technology, design, product, test and reliability personnel that support the requirements of our licensees.

In the fourth quarter of fiscal 2021, we launched our Preferred Supply Program, which provides our customers with prioritized capacity beginning 6 months after their order of 12 months of continuous, non-cancellable and non-reschedulable backlog. Demand outpaced capacity improvements that we implemented in the first nine months of fiscal 2022 and we continued to experience constraints in our internal and external factories and their related manufacturing supply chains. In the third quarter of fiscal 2022, we continued to ramp our internal factories and we worked closely with our wafer fabrication, assembly and test subcontractors to secure additional capacity wherever possible. We expect that certain wafer fabrication, assembly and test constraints will persist through calendar 2022 and possibly beyond.

See "Our operating results are impacted by seasonality and wide fluctuations of supply and demand in the industry" on

page 45 for discussion of the impact of seasonality on our business.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Except for the changes discussed in "Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements" in Note 2 to our condensed consolidated financial statements in this Form 10-Q, there were no changes to our critical accounting policies and estimates during the first nine months of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2022 compared to our "Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates" as previously described in Part II, Item 7 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021.

Results of Operations

The following table sets forth certain operational data as a percentage of net sales for the periods covered by this report:

	Three Months Ended December 31,		Nine Months Ended De	ecember 31,
	2021	2020	2021	2020
Net sales	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %
Cost of sales	34.4	37.4	35.1	38.3
Gross profit	65.6	62.6	64.9	61.7
Research and development	14.0	15.5	14.7	15.3
Selling, general and administrative	10.1	11.4	10.7	11.2
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	12.2	17.2	13.0	17.6
Special (income) charges and other, net	_	0.3	0.4	0.2
Operating income	29.3 %	18.2 %	26.1 %	17.4 %

Net Sales

We operate in two industry segments and engage primarily in the design, development, manufacture and sale of semiconductor products as well as the licensing of our SuperFlash and other technologies. We sell our products to distributors and OEMs in a broad range of markets, perform ongoing credit evaluations of our customers and generally require no collateral. In certain circumstances, a customer's financial condition may require collateral, and, in such cases, the collateral would be typically provided in the form of letters of credit.

The following table summarizes our net sales for the periods covered by this report (dollars in millions):

	Thre	e Months Ended Decen	nber 31,	Nine	e Months Ended Decem	ber 31,
	 2021	2020	Change	2021	2020	Change
Net sales	\$ 1,757.5	\$ 1,352.1	30.0 %	\$ 4,976.7	\$ 3,971.3	25.3 %

The increases in net sales in the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021 compared to the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020 were primarily due to strong business conditions that began in the second half of fiscal 2021 as businesses and individuals adapted to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. Business conditions have continued to be exceptionally strong in the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021. Additionally, semiconductor industry conditions have resulted in increased costs throughout our supply chain, which we have been passing on to our customers in the form of price increases. These price increases also contributed to the increases in net sales during the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021 compared to the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020.

The net sales value of inventory at our distributor customers increased \$11.9 million during the three months ended December 31, 2021 compared to a decrease of \$26.1 million during the three months ended December 31, 2020. Excluding the impact of changes in distributor inventory levels on net sales, net sales increased by 26.7% in the three months ended December 31, 2021 compared to the three months ended December 31, 2020. Our price increases positively impacted net sales during the three months ended December 31, 2021. Additionally, demand for our products was positively impacted by strength in our microcontroller and analog product lines. Due to the size, complexity and diversity of our customer base, we are not able to quantify any material factor contributing to the change other than net demand fluctuations in the end markets that we serve.

The net sales value of inventory at our distributor customers decreased \$11.8 million during the nine months ended December 31, 2021 compared to an increase of \$12.4 million during the nine months ended December 31, 2020. Excluding the

impact of changes in distributor inventory levels on net sales, net sales increased by 26.0% in the nine months ended December 31, 2021 compared to the nine months ended December 31, 2020. Our price increases positively impacted net sales during the nine months ended December 31, 2021. Additionally, demand for our products was positively impacted by strength in our microcontroller and analog product lines. Due to the size, complexity and diversity of our customer base, we are not able to quantify any material factor contributing to the change other than net demand fluctuations in the end markets that we serve.

Other factors that we believe contributed to changes in our reported net sales for the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021 compared to the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020 and which are drivers of long-term trends in our net sales but which factors we are not able to quantify include:

- semiconductor industry conditions;
- our various new product offerings that have increased our served available market;
- · customers' increasing needs for the flexibility offered by our programmable solutions; and
- · increasing semiconductor content in our customers' products through our Total Systems Solutions.

We sell a large number of products to a large and diverse customer base and there was not any single product or customer that accounted for a material portion of the change in our net sales in the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021 or December 31, 2020.

Net sales by product line for the periods covered by this report were as follows (dollars in millions):

	Three	e Months En	ded	December 31,		Nine Months Ended December 31,					
	2021	%		2020	%	2021	%		2020	%	
Microcontrollers	\$ 972.2	55.3	\$	726.3	53.7	\$ 2,768.7	55.6	\$	2,145.8	54.0	
Analog	500.5	28.5		372.8	27.6	1,423.5	28.6		1,104.7	27.8	
Other	 284.8	16.2		253.0	18.7	 784.5	15.8		720.8	18.2	
Total net sales	\$ 1,757.5	100.0	\$	1,352.1	100.0	\$ 4,976.7	100.0	\$	3,971.3	100.0	

Microcontrollers

Our microcontroller product line represents the largest component of our total net sales. Microcontrollers and associated application development systems accounted for approximately 55.3% and 55.6% of our net sales for the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021, respectively, compared to approximately 53.7% and 54.0% of our net sales for the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020, respectively.

Net sales of our microcontroller products increased 33.9% and 29.0% in the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021, respectively, compared to the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020. These sales increases were due primarily to strength in demand for our microcontroller products in end markets that we serve and our price increases.

Historically, average selling prices in the semiconductor industry decrease over the life of any particular product. However, the overall average selling prices of our microcontroller products have increased in recent periods and have remained relatively stable over time due to the proprietary nature of these products. We have in the past been able to, and expect in the future to be able to, moderate average selling price declines in our microcontroller product lines by introducing new products with more features and higher prices.

<u>Analog</u>

Our analog product line includes analog, interface, mixed signal and timing products. Our analog product line accounted for approximately 28.5% and 28.6% of our net sales for the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021, respectively, compared to approximately 27.6% and 27.8% of our net sales for the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020, respectively.

Net sales from our analog product line increased 34.3% and 28.9% in the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021, respectively, compared to the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020, primarily due to strength in demand for our analog products in end markets that we serve.

We consider a majority of the products in our analog product line to be proprietary in nature, where prices are relatively stable, similar to the pricing stability experienced in our microcontroller products. The non-proprietary portion of our analog product line will experience price fluctuations, driven primarily by the current supply and demand for those products.

Other

Our other product line includes FPGA products, royalties associated with licenses for the use of our SuperFlash and other technologies, sales of our intellectual property, fees for engineering services, memory products, timing systems, manufacturing services (wafer foundry and assembly and test subcontracting), legacy application specific integrated circuits, and certain products for aerospace applications. Revenue from these services and products accounted for approximately 16.2% and 15.8% of our net sales for the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021, respectively, compared to approximately 18.7% and 18.2% of our net sales for the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020, respectively.

Net sales related to these services and products increased 12.6% and 8.8% in the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021, respectively, compared to the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020. These sales increases were primarily due to strength in demand for our products in end markets that we serve and our price increases. Net sales of our other product line can fluctuate over time based on general economic and semiconductor industry conditions as well as changes in demand for our FPGA products, licenses, engineering services, memory products, and manufacturing services (wafer foundry and assembly and test subcontracting).

Distribution

Distributors accounted for approximately 45% and 48% of our net sales in the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021, respectively, and approximately 50% and 51% of our net sales in the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020, respectively. The decrease in the distribution percentage of our total net sales is due to lower Preferred Supply Program participation among our distributors as priority of supply under the Preferred Supply Program is more prevalent with direct customers. No distributor or end customer accounted for more than 10% of our net sales in the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021 or December 31, 2020. Our distributors focus primarily on servicing the product requirements of a broad base of diverse customers. We believe that distributors provide an effective means of reaching this broad and diverse customer base. We believe that customers recognize Microchip for its products and brand name and use distributors as an effective supply channel.

Generally, we do not have long-term agreements with our distributors and we, or our distributors, may terminate our relationships with each other with little or no advance notice, with the exception of orders placed under our Preferred Supply Program. The loss of, or the disruption in the operations of, one or more of our distributors could reduce our future net sales in a given quarter and could result in an increase in inventory returns.

At December 31, 2021, our distributors maintained 19 days of inventory of our products compared to 22 days at March 31, 2021. Over the past ten fiscal years, the days of inventory maintained by our distributors have fluctuated between approximately 19 days and 40 days. Inventory holding patterns at our distributors may have a material impact on our net sales. Our distributor inventory days are at historic lows due to the imbalance between the supply of and the demand for our products in the current supply-constrained environment.

Sales by Geography

Sales by geography for the periods covered by this report were as follows (dollars in millions):

	 Three	e Months En	ded I	December 31,	Nine Months Ended December 31,						
	2021	%		2020	%		2021	%		2020	%
Americas	\$ 439.3	25.0	\$	348.9	25.8	\$	1,232.2	24.8	\$	1,037.3	26.1
Europe	360.4	20.5		243.0	18.0		994.7	20.0		725.9	18.3
Asia	957.8	54.5		760.2	56.2		2,749.8	55.2		2,208.1	55.6
Total net sales	\$ 1,757.5	100.0	\$	1,352.1	100.0	\$	4,976.7	100.0	\$	3,971.3	100.0

Americas sales include sales to customers in the U.S., Canada, Central America and South America. Sales to foreign customers accounted for approximately 78% of our total net sales in each of the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021 compared to approximately 77% and 76% of our total net sales in the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020, respectively. Substantially all of our foreign sales are U.S. dollar denominated. Sales to customers in Europe as a percentage of total net sales increased in the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021 compared to the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020 primarily due to strength in demand in our microcontroller and analog product lines and our price increases. Our sales force in the Americas and Europe supports a significant portion of the design activity for products which are ultimately shipped to Asia.

Gross Profit

Our gross profit in the three months ended December 31, 2021 was \$1.15 billion, or 65.6% of net sales, compared to \$845.8 million, or 62.6% of net sales, in the three months ended December 31, 2020. Our gross profit in the nine months ended December 31, 2021 was \$3.23 billion, or 64.9% of net sales, compared to \$2.45 billion, or 61.7% of net sales, in the nine months ended December 31, 2020. The following table summarizes the material and primary drivers of our change in gross profit as a percentage of net sales, with the material factors discussed in more detail below the table (dollars in millions):

Gross Profit	% of Net Sales	Gross Profit	% of Net Sales	
\$ 845.8	62.6	\$ 2,452.0	61.7	Three and nine months ended December 31, 2020
249.6	_	611.3	_	Increase in semiconductor net sales at prior year gross margins and excluding the impact of other factors quantified in this table
3.7	0.2	29.8	0.6	Impact of unabsorbed capacity charges
54.7	2.8	99.3	1.9	Net impact of product mix and average gross profit per unit
(0.2)	_	14.8	0.3	(Decrease) increase in net sales to licensing customers, which has no associated cost of sales
(0.3)		22.0	0.4	Net impact of excess and obsolete inventories
\$ 1,153.3	65.6	\$ 3,229.2	64.9	Three and nine months ended December 31, 2021

Unabsorbed capacity charges - When production levels are below normal capacity, which we measure as a percentage of the capacity of the installed equipment, we charge cost of sales for the unabsorbed capacity. We consider normal capacity at Fab 2 and Fab 4 to be 90% to 95%. We consider normal capacity at Fab 5 to be 70% to 75%. During the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021, we operated at above normal capacity levels and we expect this to continue if the current supply constraints relative to demand continue. During the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020, we operated at below normal capacity levels primarily due to general economic conditions and uncertainty from the COVID-19 pandemic resulting in unabsorbed capacity charges of \$3.7 million and \$29.8 million, respectively. We adjust our wafer fabrication and assembly and test capacity utilization as required to respond to actual and anticipated business and industry-related conditions.

Net impact of product mix and average gross profit per unit - The net impact of product mix and average gross profit per unit may fluctuate over time due to sales volumes of lower or higher margin products, changes in selling prices, and fluctuations in product costs. During the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021, product mix resulted in a decrease of \$54.7 million and \$99.3 million, respectively, in cost of goods sold and an increase in gross profit compared to the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020.

Our overall inventory levels were \$768.2 million at December 31, 2021, compared to \$665.0 million at March 31, 2021. We maintained 116 days of inventory on our balance sheet at December 31, 2021 compared to 112 days of inventory at March 31, 2021. We expect our days of inventory levels at March 31, 2022 to be 120 to 125 days.

We anticipate that our gross margins will fluctuate over time, driven primarily by capacity utilization levels, the overall product mix of microcontroller, analog, FPGA products, memory products, and technology licensing revenue and the percentage of net sales of each of these products in a particular quarter, as well as manufacturing yields, fixed cost absorption, and competitive and economic conditions in the markets we serve. We continue to transition products to more advanced process technologies to reduce future manufacturing costs.

We operate assembly and test facilities in Thailand, the Philippines, and other locations throughout the world. During each of the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021, approximately 59% of our assembly requirements were performed in our internal assembly facilities, compared to approximately 55% and 50% during the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020, respectively. During the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021, approximately 63% and 64%, respectively, of our test requirements were performed in our internal test facilities, compared to approximately 57% and 56% during the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020, respectively. The increases in the percentage of assembly and test operations that were performed internally in the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021 compared to the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020 are primarily due to our investments in assembly and test equipment, which increased our internal capacity capabilities. Third-party contractors located primarily in Asia perform the balance of our assembly and test operations. The percentage of our assembly and test operations that are performed internally fluctuates over time based on supply and demand conditions in the semiconductor industry, our internal capacity capabilities and our acquisition activities.

We believe that the assembly and test operations performed at our internal facilities provide us with significant cost savings compared to contractor assembly and test costs, as well as increased control over these portions of the manufacturing process. We plan to continue to transition certain outsourced assembly and test capacity to our internal facilities

We rely on outside wafer foundries for a significant portion of our wafer fabrication requirements. Approximately 61% and 60% of our net sales came from products that were produced at outside wafer foundries in the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021, respectively, compared to 61% in each of the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020.

Our use of third parties involves some reduction in our level of control over the portions of our business that we subcontract. While we review the quality, delivery and cost performance of our third-party contractors, our future operating results could suffer if any third-party contractor is unable to maintain manufacturing yields, assembly and test yields and costs at approximately their current levels.

Research and Development

R&D expenses for the three months ended December 31, 2021 were \$245.4 million, or 14.0% of net sales, compared to \$210.1 million, or 15.5% of net sales, for the three months ended December 31, 2020. R&D expenses for the nine months ended December 31, 2021 were \$730.0 million, or 14.7% of net sales, compared to \$607.9 million, or 15.3% of net sales, for the nine months ended December 31, 2020. We are committed to investing in new and enhanced products, including development systems software, and in our design and manufacturing process technologies. We believe these investments are significant factors in maintaining our competitive position. R&D costs are expensed as incurred. Assets purchased to support our ongoing research and development activities are capitalized when related to products which have achieved technological feasibility or that have alternative future uses and are amortized over their expected useful lives. R&D expenses include labor, depreciation, masks, prototype wafers, and expenses for the development of process technologies, new packages, and software to support new products and design environments.

R&D expenses increased \$35.3 million, or 16.8%, for the three months ended December 31, 2021 over the same period last year. R&D expenses increased \$122.1 million, or 20.1%, for the nine months ended December 31, 2021 over the same period last year. The primary reason for the increases in R&D costs was higher compensation costs. In the first half of fiscal 2021, we initially implemented measures to help prepare for economic uncertainty, such as employee salary cuts, limiting hiring, reducing business travel costs and discretionary spending. However, in the three months ended December 31, 2020, we restored previous reductions in compensation and resumed hiring.

R&D expenses fluctuate over time, primarily due to revenue and operating expense investment levels.

Selling, General and Administrative

Selling, general and administrative expenses for the three months ended December 31, 2021 were \$177.5 million, or 10.1% of net sales, compared to \$154.2 million, or 11.4% of net sales, for the three months ended December 31, 2020. Selling, general and administrative expenses for the nine months ended December 31, 2021 were \$531.7 million, or 10.7% of net sales, compared to \$445.2 million, or 11.2% of net sales, for the nine months ended December 31, 2020. Our goal is to continue to be more efficient with our selling, general and administrative expenses. Selling, general and administrative expenses include salary expenses related to field sales, marketing and administrative personnel, advertising and promotional expenditures and legal expenses as well as costs related to our direct sales force, CEMs and ESEs who work remotely from sales offices worldwide to stimulate demand by assisting customers in the selection and use of our products.

Selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$23.3 million, or 15.1%, for the three months ended December 31, 2021 over the same period last year. Selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$86.5 million, or 19.4%, for the nine months ended December 31, 2021 over the same period last year. The primary reason for the increases in selling, general and administrative expenses was higher compensation costs. In the first half of fiscal 2021, we initially implemented measures to help prepare for economic uncertainty, such as employee salary cuts, limiting hiring, reducing business travel costs and discretionary spending. However, in the three months ended December 31, 2020, we restored previous reductions in compensation and resumed hiring.

Selling, general and administrative expenses fluctuate over time, primarily due to revenue and operating expense investment levels.

Amortization of Acquired Intangible Assets

Amortization of acquired intangible assets for the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021 was \$215.7 million and \$647.0 million, respectively, compared to \$231.6 million and \$699.9 million for the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020, respectively. The primary reason for the decreases in acquired intangible asset amortization was due to the use of accelerated amortization methods.

Special (Income) Charges and Other, Net

During the three months ended December 31, 2021, we earned special income and other, net of \$0.3 million. During the nine months ended December 31, 2021, we incurred special charges and other, net of \$20.4 million. During the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020, we incurred special charges and other, net of \$4.3 million and \$8.9 million, respectively. The costs incurred during these periods were primarily related to restructuring of acquired and existing wafer fabrication operations to increase operational efficiency, and individually insignificant one-time costs associated with litigation matters and exiting non-manufacturing facilities including contract termination costs, employee severance, and the disposal of assets.

Other Income (Expense)

Interest income in the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021 was \$0.1 million and \$0.5 million, respectively, compared to \$0.2 million and \$0.8 million, respectively, for the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020.

Interest expense in the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021 was \$62.1 million and \$199.2 million, respectively, compared to \$86.5 million and \$278.9 million, respectively, for the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020. The primary reason for the decreases in interest expense relates to the cumulative pay down of our debt and lower interest rates on our outstanding variable rate debt.

During the three and nine months ended December 31, 2021, we recognized losses of \$16.1 million and \$101.6 million, respectively, related to the settlement of a portion of our outstanding 2015 Senior Convertible Debt, our 2017 Senior Convertible Debt, and our 2017 Junior Convertible Debt as well as the amendment and restatement of our Credit Agreement and the repayment of \$1.00 billion aggregate principal amount outstanding of our 3.922% 2021 Notes. The net losses recognized on the settlement of our Convertible Debt are comprised of two components (i) the inducement loss, which is the excess of the fair value of the consideration provided to the holder over the fair value of the debt and (ii) the extinguishment loss or gain, which is the difference between the fair value of the debt component and the carrying value on the settlement date. During the three and nine months ended December 31, 2020, we recognized losses of \$142.1 million and \$214.0 million, respectively, related to the settlement of a portion of our outstanding 2015 Senior Convertible Debt, our 2017 Senior Convertible Debt, and our 2017 Junior Convertible Debt as well as the payment of all amounts outstanding under our Bridge Loan Facility, and our Term Loan Facility.

Other income, net in the three months ended December 31, 2021 was \$4.6 million compared to other loss, net of \$0.4 million for the three months ended December 31, 2020. Other income, net in the nine months ended December 31, 2021 was \$3.5 million compared to other loss, net of \$2.9 million for the nine months ended December 31, 2020. The primary reasons for these changes relate to foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations and gains on equity investments.

Provision for Income Taxes

Our provision or benefit for income taxes is attributable to U.S. federal, state, and foreign income taxes. A comparison of our effective tax rates for the nine months ended December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020 is not meaningful due to the amount of pre-tax income, and income tax benefits recorded during the prior period.

We are subject to taxation in many jurisdictions in which we have operations. The effective tax rates that we pay in these jurisdictions vary widely, but they are generally lower than our combined U.S. federal and state effective tax rate. Our domestic blended statutory tax rate in each of the nine months ended December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020 was approximately 22%. Our non-U.S. blended statutory tax rates in the nine months ended December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020 were lower than this amount. The difference in rates applicable in foreign jurisdictions results from a number of factors, including lower statutory rates, tax holidays, financing arrangements and other factors. Our effective tax rate has been and will continue to be impacted by the geographical dispersion of our earnings and losses.

Our foreign tax rate differential benefit primarily relates to our operations and assets in Thailand and Ireland. Our Thailand manufacturing operations are currently subject to numerous tax holidays granted to us based on our investment in property,

plant and equipment in Thailand. Our tax holiday periods in Thailand expire at various times in the future; however, we actively seek to obtain new tax holidays, otherwise we will be subject to tax at the statutory tax rate of 20%. We do not expect the future expiration of any of our tax holiday periods in Thailand to have a material impact on our effective tax rate. The remaining material components of foreign income taxed at a rate lower than the U.S. are earnings accrued in Ireland at a 12.5% statutory tax rate.

In September 2021, we received a Statutory Notice of Deficiency (Notice) from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) for fiscal 2007 through fiscal 2012. The disputed amounts largely relate to transfer pricing matters. We firmly believe that the assessments are without merit and plan to pursue all available administrative and judicial remedies necessary to resolve this matter. In December 2021, we filed a petition in the United States Tax Court challenging the Notice. We intend to vigorously defend our position and we are confident in our ability to prevail on the merits. We regularly assess the likelihood of adverse outcomes resulting from examinations such as this to determine the adequacy of our tax reserves. We believe that the final adjudication of this matter will not have a material impact on our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows and that we have adequate tax reserves for all tax matters. However, the ultimate outcome of disputes of this nature is uncertain, and if the IRS were to prevail on all of its assertions, the assessed tax, penalties, and deficiency interest could have a material adverse impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Various taxing authorities in the U.S. and other countries in which we do business are increasing their scrutiny of the tax structures employed by businesses. Companies of our size and complexity are regularly audited by the taxing authorities in the jurisdictions in which they conduct significant operations. For U.S. federal, and in general for U.S. state tax returns, our fiscal 2007 and later tax returns remain effectively open for examination by the taxing authorities. We are currently being audited by the tax authorities in the U.S. and in various foreign jurisdictions. At this time, we do not know what the outcome of these audits will be. We record benefits for uncertain tax positions based on an assessment of whether it is more likely than not that the tax positions will be sustained based on their technical merits under currently enacted law. If this threshold is not met, no tax benefit of the uncertain tax position is recognized. If the threshold is met, we recognize the largest amount of the tax benefit that is more than 50% likely to be realized upon ultimate settlement.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

We had \$315.5 million in cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments at December 31, 2021, an increase of \$33.5 million from the March 31, 2021 balance.

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$2.10 billion in the nine months ended December 31, 2021 compared to \$1.47 billion in the nine months ended December 31, 2020. The increase in net cash provided by operating activities was primarily due to higher net sales compared to the prior year period, which was unfavorably impacted by uncertainty surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, offset by efforts focused on working capital and discretionary spending management.

Net cash used in investing activities was \$335.0 million in the nine months ended December 31, 2021 compared to \$110.1 million in the nine months ended December 31, 2020. During the nine months ended December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020, net investing activities primarily related to capital purchases and investments in other assets.

Our level of capital expenditures varies from time to time as a result of actual and anticipated business conditions. Capital expenditures in the nine months ended December 31, 2021 were \$255.5 million compared to \$37.2 million in the nine months ended December 31, 2020. Capital expenditures were primarily for the expansion of production capacity and the addition of research and development equipment. Towards the second half of fiscal 2021, we started to invest more significantly to expand our manufacturing capacity in response to supply constraints relative to current demand levels and we expect this to continue through calendar 2022. We currently expect to invest between \$400.0 million and \$500.0 million in equipment and facilities during the next twelve months. We believe that the capital expenditures anticipated to be incurred over the next twelve months will provide sufficient manufacturing capacity to support the growth of our production capabilities for our new products and technologies and to bring in-house more of the assembly and test operations that are currently outsourced. We expect to finance our capital expenditures through our existing cash balances and cash flows from operations.

Net cash used in financing activities was \$1.73 billion in the nine months ended December 31, 2021 compared to \$1.39 billion in the nine months ended December 31, 2020. Significant transactions affecting our net financing cash flows include:

- in the first nine months of fiscal 2022, \$1.17 billion of cash used to pay down certain principal of our debt, including the cash portion of the settlement of our 2015 Senior Convertible Debt, our 2017 Senior Convertible Debt and our 2017 Junior Convertible Debt, our Revolving Credit Facility and our 3.922% 2021 Notes, partially funded by the issuance of our senior notes, and
- in the first nine months of fiscal 2021, \$1.04 billion of cash used to pay down certain principal of our debt, including the Term Loan Facility and the cash portion of the settlement of our 2015 Senior Convertible Debt and our 2017 Senior Convertible Debt, and our 2017 Junior Convertible Debt, partially funded by the issuance of our senior notes, and
- in the first nine months of fiscal 2022 and fiscal 2021, we paid cash dividends to our stockholders of \$363.0 million and \$281.7 million, respectively.

In December 2021, we amended and restated our Credit Agreement in its entirety. The amended and restated Credit Agreement provides for an unsecured revolving loan facility up to \$2.75 billion that terminates on December 16, 2026. The Credit Agreement also permits us, subject to certain conditions, to add one or more incremental term loan facilities or increase the revolving loan commitments up to \$750.0 million. The revolving loans bear interest, at our option, at the base rate plus a spread of 0.125% to 0.50%, an adjusted daily simple SOFR rate (or SONIA rate in the case of loans denominated in pounds sterling) plus a spread of 1.125% to 1.50%, or an adjusted term SOFR or adjusted EURIBOR rate (based on one, three or six-month interest periods) plus a spread of 1.125% to 1.50%, in each case, with such spread being determined based on the credit ratings for certain of our senior, unsecured debt. The base rate means the highest of the prime rate, the federal funds rate plus a margin equal to 0.50% and the adjusted term SOFR rate for a 1-month interest period plus a margin equal to 1.00%. Interest is due and payable in arrears quarterly for loans bearing interest at the base rate and at the end of an interest period (or at each three-month interval in the case of loans with interest periods greater than three months) in the case of loans bearing interest at the adjusted term SOFR or adjusted EURIBOR rates.

As of December 31, 2021, the principal amount of our outstanding indebtedness was \$8.04 billion. At December 31, 2021, we had \$1.54 billion of outstanding borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility compared to \$2.35 billion at March 31, 2021. During fiscal 2021, we used borrowings under our Revolving Credit Facility and proceeds from the issuance of our 0.972% 2024 Notes to repay all amounts outstanding under our Term Loan Facility. See Note 6 of the notes to our condensed consolidated financial statements for more information regarding our contractual obligations related to our long-term debt.

The enactment of the TCJA imposed a tax on all previously untaxed earnings of non-U.S. subsidiaries of U.S. corporations. Due to this change, the jurisdiction in which our cash is at any given point in time no longer has a significant impact on our

liquidity. Future distributions of a significant portion of our non-U.S. assets to the U.S. will no longer be subject to U.S. federal taxation. We intend to invest substantially all of our foreign subsidiary earnings, as well as our capital in our foreign subsidiaries, indefinitely outside of the U.S. in those jurisdictions in which we would incur significant, additional costs upon repatriation of such amounts. During fiscal 2018, we recognized a one-time transition tax on accumulated unrepatriated foreign earnings, of which we expected cash payments of approximately \$290.3 million. This tax is payable over a period of eight years, with 8% of the transition tax payable each year for fiscal 2019 through fiscal 2023, and 15%, 20%, and 25%, respectively, payable during fiscal 2024, fiscal 2025, and fiscal 2026. As of December 31, 2021, our transition tax payable was \$197.4 million, of which \$23.2 million is payable within the next 12 months.

We enter into derivative transactions from time to time in an attempt to reduce our exposure to currency rate fluctuations. Although none of the countries in which we conduct significant foreign operations has had a highly inflationary economy in the last five years, there is no assurance that inflation rates or fluctuations in foreign currency rates in countries where we conduct operations will not adversely affect our operating results in the future. At December 31, 2021, we had no foreign currency forward contracts outstanding.

In November 2021, our Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to \$4.00 billion of our common stock in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions. In the first nine months of fiscal 2022, we repurchased approximately 2.0 million shares of our common stock for \$166.0 million under this authorization. We did not repurchase any shares of our common stock in the first nine months of fiscal 2021. As of December 31, 2021, we held approximately 20.8 million shares as treasury shares. Our current intent is to regularly repurchase shares of our common stock over time based on our cash generation, leverage metrics, and market conditions.

On October 28, 2002, we announced that our Board of Directors had approved and instituted a quarterly cash dividend on our common stock. A quarterly cash dividend of \$0.2320 per share was paid on December 3, 2021 in the aggregate amount of \$128.7 million. A quarterly dividend of \$0.253 per share was declared on February 3, 2022 and will be paid on March 8, 2022 to stockholders of record as of February 22, 2022. We expect the aggregate cash dividend for the quarter ended March 31, 2022 to be approximately \$141.0 million. Our Board is free to change our dividend practices at any time and to increase or decrease the dividend paid, or not to pay a dividend on our common stock on the basis of our results of operations, financial condition, cash requirements and future prospects, and other factors deemed relevant by our Board. Our current intent is to increase our quarterly cash dividends depending upon market conditions, our results of operations, and potential changes in tax laws.

We believe that our existing sources of liquidity combined with cash generated from operations and borrowings under our Revolving Credit Facility will be sufficient to meet our currently anticipated cash requirements for at least the next 12 months. However, the semiconductor industry is capital intensive. In order to remain competitive, we must constantly evaluate the need to make significant investments in capital equipment for both production and research and development. We may increase our borrowings under our Revolving Credit Facility or seek additional equity or debt financing from time to time to maintain or expand our wafer fabrication and product assembly and test facilities, for cash dividends, for share repurchases or for acquisitions or other purposes. The timing and amount of any such financing requirements will depend on a number of factors, including our level of dividend payments, changes in tax laws and regulations regarding the repatriation of offshore cash, demand for our products, changes in industry conditions, product mix, competitive factors and our ability to identify suitable acquisition candidates. We may from time to time seek to refinance certain of our outstanding notes or Convertible Debt through issuances of new notes or convertible debt, tender offers, exchange transactions or open market repurchases. Such issuances, tender offers or exchanges or purchases, if any, will depend on prevailing market conditions, our ability to negotiate acceptable terms, our liquidity position and other factors. There can be no assurance that any financing will be available on acceptable terms due to uncertainties resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic or other factors, and any additional equity financing would result in incremental ownership dilution to our existing stockholders.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

As of December 31, 2021, our long-term debt totaled \$8.04 billion. We have no interest rate exposure to rate changes on our fixed rate debt, which totaled \$6.50 billion as of December 31, 2021. We do have interest rate exposure with respect to the \$1.54 billion of our variable interest rate debt outstanding as of December 31, 2021. A 50 basis point increase in interest rates would impact our expected annual interest expense for the next 12 months by approximately \$7.7 million.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

As of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, as required by paragraph (b) of Rule 13a-15 or Rule 15d-15 under the Exchange Act, we evaluated under the supervision of our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) or 15d-15(e) of the Exchange Act). Based on this evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that information we are required to disclose in reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act (i) is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in Securities and Exchange Commission rules and forms, and (ii) is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Our disclosure controls and procedures are designed to provide reasonable assurance that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management. Our disclosure controls and procedures include components of our internal control over financial reporting. Management's assessment of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting is expressed at the level of reasonable assurance because a control system, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that the control system's objectives will be met.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

During the three months ended December 31, 2021, there was no change in our internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with the evaluation required by paragraph (d) of Rule 13a-15 or Rule 15d-15 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

Refer to Note 10 to our condensed consolidated financial statements for information regarding legal proceedings.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

When evaluating Microchip and its business, you should give careful consideration to the factors below, as well as the information provided elsewhere in this Form 10-Q and in other filings we make with the SEC.

Risk Factor Summary

Risks Related to Our Business, Operations, and Industry

- impact of global economic conditions on our operating results, net sales and profitability;
- · impact of economic conditions on the financial viability of our licensees, customers, distributors, or suppliers;
- impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, increased tariffs or other factors affecting our suppliers;
- · dependency on wafer foundries and other contractors by our licensees and ourselves;
- dependence on foreign sales and operations, which exposes us to foreign political and economic risks;
- limited visibility to product shipments;
- intense competition in the markets we serve, leading to pricing pressures, reduced sales or market share;
- ineffective utilization of our manufacturing capacity or failure to maintain manufacturing yields;
- impact of seasonality and wide fluctuations of supply and demand in the industry;
- dependency on distributors;
- ability to introduce new products on a timely basis;
- · business interruptions, including natural disasters, affecting our operations or that of key vendors, licensees or customers;
- technology licensing business exposes us to various risks;
- reliance on sales into governmental projects, and compliance with associated regulations;
- · risks related to grants from governments, agencies and research organizations;
- · future acquisitions or divestitures;
- future impairments to goodwill or intangible assets;
- our failure to maintain proper and effective internal control and remediate future control deficiencies;
- customer demands to implement business practices that are more stringent than legal requirements;
- · ability to attract and retain qualified personnel; and
- · the occurrence of events for which we are self-insured, or which exceed our insurance limits.

Risks Related to Cybersecurity, Privacy, Intellectual Property, and Litigation

- attacks on our IT systems and data, interruptions in our IT systems, or improper handling of data;
- risks related to compliance with privacy and data protection laws and regulations;
- · risks related to legal proceedings, investigations or claims;
- risks related to contractual relationships with our customers; and
- protecting and enforcing our intellectual property rights.

Risks Related to Taxation, Laws and Regulations

- impact of new accounting pronouncements or changes in existing accounting standards and practices;
- fines, restrictions or delay in our ability to export products, or increase costs associated with the manufacture or transfer of products;
- outcome of future examinations of our income tax returns;
- exposure to greater than anticipated income tax liabilities, changes in or the interpretation of tax rules and regulations including the TCJA, the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA), or unfavorable assessments from tax audits;
- impact of the legislative and policy changes implemented globally by the current or future administrations;
- · impact of stringent environmental, climate change, conflict-free minerals and other regulations or customer demands; and
- requirement to fund our foreign pension plans.

Risks Related to Capitalization and Financial Markets

• impact of various factors on our future trading price of our common stock;

- fluctuations in the amount and timing of our common stock repurchases; our ability to effectively manage current or future debt; our ability to generate sufficient cash flows or obtain access to external financing; impact of conversion of our convertible debt on the ownership interest of our existing stockholders; and
- fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates.

Risks Related to Our Business, Operations, and Industry

Our operating results are impacted by global economic conditions and may fluctuate in the future due to a number of factors that could reduce our net sales and profitability.

Our operating results are affected by a wide variety of factors that could reduce our net sales and profitability, many of which are beyond our control. Some of the factors that may affect our operating results include:

- general economic, industry, public health or political conditions in the U.S. or internationally, including ongoing uncertainty surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic and its implications;
- disruptions in our business, our supply chain or our customers' businesses due to public health concerns (including viral outbreaks such as COVID-19),
 cybersecurity incidents, terrorist activity, armed conflict, war, worldwide oil prices and supply, fires, natural disasters or disruptions in the transportation system;
- availability of raw materials, supplies and equipment due to supply chain constraints or other factors;
- constrained availability from other electronic suppliers impacting our customers' ability to ship their products, which in turn may adversely impact our sales to
 those customers:
- · our ability to continue to increase our factory capacity to respond to changes in customer demand;
- our ability to secure sufficient wafer foundry, assembly and testing capacity;
- · increased costs and availability of raw materials, supplies, equipment, utilities, labor, and/or subcontracted services for wafers, assembly and test;
- changes in demand or market acceptance of our products and products of our customers, and market fluctuations in the industries into which such products are sold:
- the level of order cancellations or push-outs due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic or other factors;
- trade restrictions and increase in tariffs, including those on business in China, or focused on specific companies;
- the mix of inventory we hold and our ability to satisfy orders from our inventory;
- changes in utilization of our manufacturing capacity and fluctuations in manufacturing yields;
- changes or fluctuations in customer order patterns and seasonality;
- changes in tax regulations in countries in which we do business;
- new accounting pronouncements or changes in existing accounting standards and practices;
- levels of inventories held by our customers;
- · risk of excess and obsolete inventories;
- · competitive developments including pricing pressures;
- unauthorized copying of our products resulting in pricing pressure and loss of sales;
- · our ability to successfully transition to more advanced process technologies to reduce manufacturing costs;
- the level of orders that are received and can be shipped in a quarter, including the impact of product lead times;
- the level of sell-through of our products through distribution;
- our ability to continue to realize the expected benefits of our past or future acquisitions;
- fluctuations in our mix of product sales;
- announcements of other significant acquisitions by us or our competitors;
- costs and outcomes of any current or future tax audits or any litigation, investigation or claims involving intellectual property, our Microsemi acquisition, customers or other issues; and
- · property damage or other losses, whether or not covered by insurance.

Period-to-period comparisons of our operating results are not necessarily meaningful and you should not rely upon any such comparisons as indications of our future performance. In future periods, our operating results may fall below our public guidance or the expectations of public market analysts and investors, which would likely have a negative effect on the price of our common stock. Uncertain global economic and public health conditions, such as the COVID-19 pandemic, have caused and may in the future cause our operating results to fluctuate significantly and make comparisons between periods less meaningful.

Our operating results may be adversely impacted if economic conditions impact the financial viability of our licensees, customers, distributors, or suppliers.

We regularly review the financial performance of our licensees, customers, distributors and suppliers. Any downturn in global or regional economic conditions, as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, or the enactment of broad sanctions by the U.S. against Russia, or otherwise, may adversely impact their financial viability. The financial failure of a large licensee, customer or distributor, an important supplier, or a group thereof, could have an adverse impact on our operating results and could result in our inability to collect our accounts receivable balances, higher allowances for credit losses, and higher operating costs as a percentage of net sales.

We may lose sales if suppliers of raw materials, components or equipment fail to meet our or our customers' needs, increase prices or are impacted by increases in tariffs.

Our manufacturing operations require raw and processed materials and equipment that must meet exacting standards. We generally have multiple sources for these supplies, but there may be a limited number of suppliers capable of meeting our standards. We have experienced supply shortages from time to time in the past, and on occasion our suppliers have told us they need more time to fill our orders, that they cannot fill certain orders, that they will no longer support certain equipment with updates or parts, or that they are increasing prices. In particular, in the first nine months of fiscal 2022, we experienced increased prices at certain suppliers, and longer lead times for some assembly raw materials required for production purposes. Such conditions are expected to continue. An interruption of any materials or equipment sources, or the lack of supplier support for a particular piece of equipment, could harm our business. The supplies necessary for our business could become more difficult to obtain as worldwide use of semiconductors increases. Additionally, consolidation in our supply chain due to mergers and acquisitions may reduce the number of suppliers or change our relationships with them. Also, the reduced availability of necessary labor, the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, or the application of trade restrictions or tariffs by the U.S. or other countries may adversely impact the industry supply chain. For example, in 2019, the U.S. government increased tariffs on U.S. imports with China as their country of origin. We have taken steps to attempt to mitigate the costs of these tariffs on our business. Although these increases in tariffs did not significantly increase the operating costs of our business, they did, however, adversely impact demand for our products during fiscal 2020 and fiscal 2019. The additional tariffs imposed on components or equipment that we or our suppliers source from China will increase our costs and could have an adverse impact on our operating results in future periods. We may

Our customers may also be adversely affected by these same issues. The labor, supplies and equipment necessary for their businesses could become more difficult to obtain for various reasons not limited to business interruptions of suppliers, reduced availability of labor, consolidation in their supply chain, the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, or trade restrictions or tariffs that impair sourcing flexibility or increase costs. If our customers are not able to produce their products, then their need for our products will decrease. Such interruptions of our customers' businesses could harm our business.

We are dependent on wafer foundries and other contractors, as are our SuperFlash and other licensees.

We rely on outside wafer foundries for a significant portion of our wafer fabrication needs. Specifically, during the first nine months of fiscal 2022, approximately 60% of our net sales came from products that were produced at outside wafer foundries compared to 61% of our net sales in fiscal 2021. We also use several contractors for a portion of the assembly and testing of our products. Specifically, during the first nine months of fiscal 2022, approximately 41% of our assembly requirements and 36% of our test requirements were performed by third party contractors, compared to approximately 47% and 43%, respectively, during fiscal 2021. Due to increased demand for our products, we have recently taken actions to increase our capacity allocation from our wafer fabrication, assembly and test subcontractors. However, we expect foundry capacity to continue to be tight due to strong demand for wafers across the industry and there can be no assurance that we will be able to secure the necessary allocation of capacity from our wafer foundries and other contractors, further additional capacity with the ability to manufacture the process technologies that we need, or that such capacity will be available on acceptable terms. As our manufacturing subcontractors move to more advanced process technologies over time, we may find that they do not invest in some of the trailing edge process technologies on which a large portion of our products are manufactured. If this occurs, it may limit the amounts of net sales that we can achieve or require us to make significant investments to be able to manufacture these products in our own facilities or at other foundries and assembly and testing contractors. We expect that our reliance on third party contractors may increase over time as our business grows, and any inability to secure necessary external capacity could adversely affect our operating results.

Our use of third parties reduces our control over the subcontracted portions of our business. Our future operating results could suffer if a significant contractor were to experience production difficulties, insufficient capacity, decreased manufacturing, reduced availability of labor, assembly and test yields, or increased costs due to disruptions from the COVID-19 pandemic, political upheaval or infrastructure disruption. Additionally, our future operating results could suffer if our wafer foundries and other contractors increase the prices of the products and services that they provide to us. One of our smaller subcontractors did experience production difficulties due to COVID-19 related disruptions in July 2021, but this did not have a significant impact on our operating results. If third parties do not timely deliver products or services in accordance with our quality standards, we may be unable to qualify alternate manufacturing sources in a timely manner or on favorable terms, or at all. Additionally, these subcontractors could abandon processes that we need, or fail to adopt technologies that we desire to control costs. In such event, we could experience an interruption in production, an increase in manufacturing costs or a decline in product reliability, and our business and operating results could be adversely affected. Further, use of subcontractors

increases the risks of misappropriation of our intellectual property.

Certain of our SuperFlash and other technology licensees rely on wafer foundries. If our licensees experienced disruption in supply at such foundries, this would reduce the revenue from our technology licensing business and would harm our operating results.

We are highly dependent on foreign sales and operations, which exposes us to foreign political and economic risks.

Sales to foreign customers account for a substantial portion of our net sales. During the first nine months of fiscal 2022, approximately 78% of our net sales were made to foreign customers, including 22% in China and 15% in Taiwan. During fiscal 2021, approximately 77% of our net sales were made to foreign customers, including 22% in China and 16% in Taiwan.

A strong position in the Chinese market is a key component of our global growth strategy. Although our sales in the Chinese market have been strong in recent quarters, competition in China is intense. In the past, economic weakness in the Chinese market adversely impacted our sales volumes in China. As discussed in the risk factor above, the trade relationship between the U.S. and China remains challenging, economic conditions in China remain uncertain, and we are unable to predict whether such uncertainty will continue or worsen in future periods. Weakening of foreign markets could result in lower demand for our products, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations or financial conditions.

We purchase a substantial portion of our raw materials and equipment from foreign suppliers. In addition, we own product assembly and testing facilities, and finished goods warehouses near Bangkok, Thailand, which has experienced periods of political instability and severe flooding in the past. There can be no assurance that any future flooding or political instability in Thailand would not have a material adverse impact on our operations. We have a test facility in Calamba, Philippines. We use foundries and other foreign contractors for a significant portion of our assembly and testing and wafer fabrication requirements.

Our reliance on foreign operations, foreign suppliers, maintenance of substantially all of our finished goods inventory at foreign locations and significant foreign sales exposes us to foreign political and economic risks, including, but not limited to:

- political, social and economic instability due to the COVID-19 pandemic or other factors;
- trade restrictions and changes in tariffs;
- · supply chain disruptions or delays;
- · potentially adverse tax consequences;
- economic uncertainty in the worldwide markets served by us;
- import and export license requirements and restrictions;
- changes in laws related to taxes, environmental, health and safety, technical standards and consumer protection;
- currency fluctuations and foreign exchange regulations;
- · difficulties in staffing and managing international operations;
- · employment regulations;
- disruptions due to cybersecurity incidents;
- · disruptions in international transport or delivery;
- public health conditions (including viral outbreaks such as COVID-19); and
- difficulties in collecting receivables and longer payment cycles.

If any of these risks occur or are worse than we anticipate, our sales could decrease and our operating results could suffer, we could face an increase in the cost of components, production delays, business interruptions, delays in obtaining export licenses, tariffs and other restrictions, longer payment cycles, increased taxes, restrictions on the repatriation of funds and the burdens of complying with a variety of foreign laws, any of which could ultimately have a material adverse effect on our business. Further changes in trade policy, tariffs, additional taxes, or restrictions on supplies, equipment, and raw materials including rare earth minerals, may limit our ability to produce products, increase our selling and/or manufacturing costs, decrease margins, reduce the competitiveness of our products, or inhibit our ability to sell products or purchase necessary equipment and supplies, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, or financial conditions.

We depend on orders that are received and shipped in the same quarter and have limited visibility to product shipments other than orders placed under our Preferred Supply Program.

Our net sales in any given quarter depend upon a combination of shipments from backlog, and orders that are both received and shipped in the same quarter, which we call turns orders. We measure turns orders at the beginning of a quarter based on the orders needed to meet the shipment targets that we set entering the quarter. Historically, our ability to respond quickly to

customer orders has been part of our competitive strategy, resulting in customers placing orders with relatively short delivery schedules. Shorter lead times generally mean that turns orders as a percentage of our business are relatively high in any particular quarter and reduce our visibility on future shipments. Turns orders correlate to overall semiconductor industry conditions and product lead times. Although our backlog has been very strong in recent periods due to favorable industry conditions and the impact of our Preferred Supply Program, turns orders remain important to our ability to meet our business objectives. Because turns orders can be difficult to predict, especially in times of economic volatility where customers may change order levels within the quarter, varying levels of turns orders make it more difficult to forecast net sales. The level of turns orders may also decrease in periods where customers are holding excess inventory of our products. Our customers may have increased their order levels in previous periods to help ensure they have sufficient inventory of our products to meet their needs, or they may have been unable to sell their products at their forecasted levels. As a significant portion of our products are manufactured at foundries, foundry lead times may affect our ability to satisfy certain turns orders. If we do not achieve a sufficient level of turns orders in a particular quarter relative to our revenue targets or effectively manage our production based on changes in order forecasts, our revenue and operating results will likely suffer.

In February 2021, we announced our Preferred Supply Program which offers our customers the ability to receive prioritized capacity in the second half of calendar 2021 and the first half of calendar 2022. To participate in the program, customers have to place 12 months of orders, which cannot be cancelled or rescheduled except in the event of price increases. The capacity priority began for shipments in July 2021. The program is not a guarantee of supply; however, it will provide the highest priority for those orders which are under this program, and the capacity priority will be on a first-come, first-served basis until the available capacity is booked. A significant portion of our capacity is booked under this new program. We believe this program will enable us to be in a stronger position to make capacity and raw material commitments to our suppliers, buy capital equipment with confidence, hire employees and ramp up manufacturing and manufacture products more efficiently. Since this is a new program, there can be no assurance that the program will be successful or that it will benefit our business. In the event that customers under this program attempt to cancel or reschedule orders, we may have to take legal or other action to enforce the terms of the program, and any such actions could result in damage to our customer relationships or cause us to incur significant costs. Additionally, as orders under this program cannot be cancelled or returned except in the event of price increases, this may result in customers holding excess inventory of our products and thus decrease their need to place new orders in later periods.

Intense competition in the markets we serve may lead to pricing pressures, reduced sales or reduced market share.

The semiconductor industry is intensely competitive and faces price erosion and rapid technological change. We compete with major domestic and international semiconductor companies, many of which have greater market recognition and substantially greater financial, technical, marketing, distribution and other resources than we do. The semiconductor industry has experienced significant consolidation in recent years which has resulted in several of our competitors becoming much larger in terms of revenue, product offerings and scale. We may be unable to compete successfully in the future, which could harm our business. Our ability to compete successfully depends on a number of factors, including, but not limited to:

- the relative impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on us relative to our competitors;
- changes in demand in the markets that we serve and the overall rate of growth or contraction of such markets, including but not limited to the automotive, personal
 computing and consumer electronics markets;
- · our ability to obtain adequate foundry and assembly and test capacity and supplies at acceptable prices;
- our ability to ramp production and increase capacity, at our wafer fabrication and assembly and test facilities;
- the quality, performance, reliability, features, ease of use, pricing and diversity of our products;
- our success in designing and manufacturing new products including those implementing new technologies;
- the rate at which customers incorporate our products into their applications and the success of such applications;
- the rate at which the markets that we serve redesign and change their own products;
- product introductions by our competitors;
- the number, nature and success of our competitors in a given market;
- · our ability to protect our products and processes by effective utilization of intellectual property rights;
- our ability to address the needs of our customers; and
- · general market and economic conditions.

Historically, average selling prices in the semiconductor industry decrease over the life of a product. The average selling prices of our microcontroller, FPGA products, and proprietary products in our analog product line have remained relatively constant over time, while average selling prices of our memory and non-proprietary products in our analog product line have declined over time. The overall average selling price of our products is affected by these trends; however, variations in our product and geographic mix of sales can cause wider fluctuations in our overall average selling price in any given period.

We have experienced, and may experience in the future, modest pricing declines in certain of our more mature proprietary

product lines, primarily due to competitive conditions. At this time, we are not experiencing these types of pricing declines due to favorable industry conditions and demand. In the past, we have moderated average selling price declines in many of our proprietary product lines by introducing new products with more features and higher prices. However, we may not be able to do so in the future. We have experienced in the past, and may experience in the future, competitive pricing pressures in our memory and non-proprietary products in our analog product line. At this time, we are not experiencing these types of pricing declines due to favorable industry conditions and demand. In the first nine months of fiscal 2022, we experienced cost increases which we were able to pass on to our customers. However, in the future, we may be unable to maintain average selling prices due to increased pricing pressure, which could adversely impact our operating results.

Our operating results will suffer if we ineffectively utilize our manufacturing capacity or fail to maintain manufacturing yields.

Integrated circuits manufacturing processes are complex and sensitive to many factors, including contaminants in the manufacturing environment or materials used, the performance of our personnel and equipment, and other quality issues. As is typical in the industry, we have from time to time experienced lower than anticipated manufacturing yields. Our operating results will suffer if we are unable to maintain yields at or above approximately the current levels. This could include delays in the recognition of revenue, loss of revenue, and penalties for failure to meet shipment deadlines. Our operating results are adversely affected when we operate below normal capacity. In the first nine months of fiscal 2022, we operated at above normal capacity levels and we expect this to continue if the current supply constraints relative to demand continue. In fiscal 2021, we operated at below normal capacity levels resulting in unabsorbed capacity charges of \$29.6 million.

Our operating results are impacted by seasonality and wide fluctuations of supply and demand in the industry.

The semiconductor industry is characterized by seasonality and wide fluctuations of supply and demand. Historically, since a significant portion of our revenue is from consumer markets and international sales, our business generates stronger revenues in the first half and comparatively weaker revenues in the second half of our fiscal year. However, broad fluctuations in our business, changes in semiconductor industry and global economic conditions (including the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic or trade tensions) and our acquisition activity (including our acquisition of Microsemi) have had and can have a more significant impact on our results than seasonality. In periods when broad fluctuations, changes in business conditions or acquisitions occur, it is difficult to assess the impact of seasonality on our business. The semiconductor industry has had significant economic downturns, characterized by diminished product demand and production over-capacity. We have sought to reduce our exposure to this industry cyclicality by selling proprietary products, that cannot be quickly replaced, to a geographically diverse customer base across a broad range of market segments. However, we have experienced substantial period-to-period fluctuations in operating results due to general industry or economic conditions.

Our business is dependent on distributors to service our end customers.

Sales to distributors accounted for approximately 48% of our net sales in the first nine months of fiscal 2022 and approximately 50% of our net sales in fiscal 2021. With the exception of orders placed under our Preferred Supply Program, we do not have long-term purchase agreements with our distributors, and we and our distributors may each terminate our relationship with little or no advance notice.

Future adverse conditions in the U.S. or global economies and labor markets (including the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic) or credit markets could materially impact distributor operations. Any deterioration in the financial condition, or disruption in the operations of our distributors, could adversely impact the flow of our products to our end customers and adversely impact our results of operation. In addition, during an industry or economic downturn, there may be an oversupply and decrease in demand for our products, which could reduce our net sales in a given period and increase inventory returns. Violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, or similar laws, by our distributors could have a material adverse impact on our business.

Our success depends on our ability to introduce new products on a timely basis.

Our future operating results depend on our ability to develop and timely introduce new products that compete effectively on the basis of price and performance and which address customer requirements. The success of our new product introductions depends on various factors, including, but not limited to:

- effective new product selection;
- · timely completion and introduction of new product designs;
- · availability of skilled employees;

- procurement of licenses for intellectual property rights from third parties under commercially reasonable terms;
- timely filing and protection of intellectual property rights for new product designs;
- · availability of development and support tools and collateral literature that make complex new products easy for engineers to understand and use; and
- market acceptance of our customers' end products.

Because our products are complex, we have experienced delays from time to time in completing new product development. New products may not receive or maintain substantial market acceptance. We may be unable to timely design, develop and introduce competitive products, which could adversely impact our future operating results.

Our success also depends upon our ability to develop and implement new design and process technologies. Semiconductor design and process technologies are subject to rapid technological change and require significant R&D expenditures. We and others in the industry have, from time to time, experienced difficulties in transitioning to advanced process technologies and have suffered reduced manufacturing yields or delays in product deliveries. Our future operating results could be adversely affected if any transition to future process technologies is substantially delayed or inefficiently implemented.

Business interruptions to our operations or those of our key vendors, licensees or customers could harm our business.

Operations at any of our facilities, at the facilities of any of our wafer fabrication or assembly and test subcontractors, or at any of our significant vendors, licensees or customers may be disrupted due to public health concerns (including outbreaks such as COVID-19), work stoppages or reduction in available labor, power loss, insufficient water, cyber attacks, computer network compromises, incidents of terrorism or security risk, political instability, telecommunications, transportation or other infrastructure failure, radioactive contamination, or fire, earthquake, floods, droughts, volcanic eruptions or other natural disasters. We have taken steps to mitigate the impact of some of these events should they occur; however, we cannot be certain that we will avoid a significant impact on our business in the event of a business interruption. For example, in the first nine months of fiscal 2022, COVID-19 related restrictions adversely impacted our manufacturing operations in the Philippines and our subcontractors' manufacturing operations in Malaysia and China. Similar challenges arose for our logistics service providers, which adversely impacted their ability to ship product to our customers. The pandemic could adversely impact our business in future periods if the impact of COVID-19 increases. In the future, local governments could require us to temporarily reduce production further, cease operations at any of our facilities, or implement mandatory vaccine requirements, and we could experience constraints in fulfilling customer orders.

Additionally, operations at our customers and licensees may be disrupted for a number of reasons. In April and May 2020, we received a greater number of order cancellations and requests by our customers to reschedule deliveries to future dates. Some customers requested order cancellations within our firm order window and claimed applicability of force majeure clauses. Likewise, if our licensees are unable to manufacture and ship products incorporating our technology, or if there is a decrease in product demand due to a business disruption, our royalty revenue may decline.

Also, Thailand has experienced periods of severe flooding in recent years. While our facilities in Thailand have continued to operate normally, there can be no assurance that future flooding in Thailand would not have a material adverse impact on our operations. If operations at any of our facilities, or our subcontractors' facilities are interrupted, we may not be able to timely shift production to other facilities, and we may need to spend significant amounts to repair or replace our facilities and equipment. Business interruptions would likely cause delays in shipments of products to our customers, and alternate sources for production may be unavailable on acceptable terms. This could result in reduced revenues, cancellation of orders, or loss of customers. Although we maintain business interruption insurance, such insurance will likely not compensate us for any losses or damages, and business interruptions could significantly harm our business.

Our technology licensing business exposes us to various risks.

Our technology licensing business is based on our SuperFlash and other technologies. The success of our licensing business depends on the continued market acceptance of these technologies and on our ability to further develop such technologies and to introduce new technologies. To be successful, any such technology must be able to be repeatably implemented by licensees, provide satisfactory yield rates, address licensee and customer requirements, and perform competitively. The success of our technology licensing business depends on various other factors, including, but not limited to:

- proper identification of licensee requirements;
- timely development and introduction of new or enhanced technology;
- our ability to protect and enforce our intellectual property rights for our licensed technology;
- our ability to limit our liability and indemnification obligations to licensees;
- availability of development and support services to assist licensees in their design and manufacture of products;

- availability of foundry licensees with sufficient capacity to support OEM production; and
- · market acceptance of our customers' end products.

Because our licensed technologies are complex, there may be delays from time to time in developing and enhancing such technologies. There can be no assurance that our existing or any enhanced or new technology will achieve or maintain substantial market acceptance. Our licensees may experience disruptions in production or reduced production levels which would adversely affect the revenue that we receive. Our technology license agreements generally include a clause that indemnifies the licensee against liability and damages (including legal defense costs) arising from certain intellectual property matters. We could be exposed to substantial liability for claims or damages related to intellectual property matters or indemnification claims. Any claim could result in significant legal fees and require significant attention from our management. These issues may adversely impact the success of our licensing business and adversely affect our future operating results.

Reliance on sales into governmental projects could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

A significant portion of the sales of Microsemi, which we acquired in May 2018, are from or are derived from government agencies or customers who sell to U.S. government agencies. Such sales are subject to uncertainties regarding governmental spending levels, spending priorities, regulatory and policy changes. Future sales into U.S. government projects are subject to uncertain government appropriations and national defense policies and priorities, including the budgetary process, changes in the timing and spending priorities, the impact of any past or future government shutdowns, contract terminations or renegotiations, future sequestrations, changes in regulations that we must comply with to be eligible to accept new contracts, such as the Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification requirements and mandatory vaccine requirements, or the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. For example, as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, we have experienced suspensions and stop work orders for some of our subcontracts. Although such actions have not yet had a material adverse impact on our business, there can be no assurance as to the future costs or implications of such actions. Sales into government projects are also subject to uncertainties related to monetary, regulatory, tax and trade policies implemented by current or future administrations or by the U.S. Congress.

In the past, Microsemi has experienced delays and reductions in appropriations on programs that included its products. For example, in 2018 there were two federal government shutdowns. Further delays, reductions in or terminations of government contracts or subcontracts, including those caused by any past or future shutdown of the U.S. federal government, could materially and adversely affect our operating results. If the U.S. government fails to complete its annual budget process or to provide for a continuing resolution to fund government operations, another federal government shutdown may occur, during which we may experience further delays, reductions in or terminations of government contracts or subcontracts, which could materially and adversely affect our operating results. While we generally function as a subcontractor in these type of transactions, further changes in U.S. government procurement regulations and practices, particularly surrounding initiatives to reduce costs or increase compliance obligations (such as the Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification and mandatory vaccine requirements), may adversely impact the contracting environment, our ability to hire and retain employees, and our operating results.

The U.S. government and its contractors may terminate their contracts with us at any time. For example, in 2014, the U.S. government terminated a \$75 million contract with Microsemi. Uncertainty in government spending and termination of contracts for government related projects could have a material adverse impact on the revenue from our Microsemi acquisition. Our contracts with U.S. governmental agencies or prime customers require us to comply with the contract terms, and governmental regulations, particularly for our facilities, systems and personnel that service such customers. To be awarded new contracts, we may be required to meet certain levels of the Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification which we may not meet, or choose to meet. Complying with these regulations, including audit requirements, requires that we devote significant resources to such matters in terms of training, personnel, information technology and facilities. Any failure to comply with these requirements may result in fines and penalties, or loss of current or future business, that may materially and adversely affect our operating results.

From time to time we receive grants from governments, agencies and research organizations. If we are unable to comply with the terms of those grants, we may not be able to receive or recognize grant benefits or we may be required to repay grant benefits and recognize related charges, which would adversely affect our operating results and financial position.

From time to time, we receive economic incentive grants and allowances from European governments, agencies and research organizations targeted at increasing employment at specific locations. The subsidy grant agreements typically contain economic incentive, headcount, capital and research and development expenditures and other covenants that must be met to receive and retain grant benefits, and these programs can be subjected to periodic review by the relevant governments. Noncompliance with the conditions of the grants could result in our forfeiture of all or a portion of any future amounts to be received, as well as the repayment of all or a portion of amounts received to date.

We may not fully realize the anticipated benefits of our completed or future acquisitions or divestitures.

We have acquired, and expect in the future to acquire, additional businesses that we believe will complement or augment our existing businesses. In May 2018, we acquired Microsemi, which was our largest and most complex acquisition ever. Integration of our acquisitions is complex and may be costly and time consuming and include unanticipated issues, expenses and liabilities. We may not successfully or profitably integrate, operate, maintain and manage any newly acquired operations or employees. We may not be able to maintain uniform standards, procedures and policies. We may not realize the expected synergies and cost savings from the integration. There may be increased risk due to integrating financial reporting and internal control systems. It may be difficult to develop, manufacture and market the products of a newly acquired company, or grow the business at the rate we anticipate. Following an acquisition, we may not achieve the revenue or net income levels that justify the acquisition. We may suffer loss of key employees, customers and strategic partners of acquired companies and it may be difficult to implement our corporate culture at acquired companies. We have been and may in the future be subject to claims from terminated employees, shareholders of Microchip or the acquired companies and other third parties related to the transaction. In particular, in connection with our Microsemi and Atmel acquisitions, we became involved with third-party claims, litigation, governmental investigations and disputes related to such businesses and transactions. See Note 10 to our condensed consolidated financial statements for information regarding such matters. Acquisitions may also result in charges (such as acquisition-related expenses, write-offs, restructuring charges, or future impairment of goodwill), contingent liabilities, adverse tax consequences, additional share-based compensation expense and other charges that adversely affect our operating results. To fund our acquisition of Microsemi, we used a signific

Further, if we decide to divest assets or a business, it may be difficult to find or complete divestiture opportunities or alternative exit strategies, which may include site closures, timely or on acceptable terms. These circumstances could delay the achievement of our strategic objectives or cause us to incur additional expenses with respect to the desired divestiture, or the price or terms of the divestiture may be less favorable than we had anticipated. Even following a divestiture or other exit strategy, we may have certain continuing obligations to former employees, customers, vendors, landlords or other third parties. We may also have continuing liabilities related to former employees, assets or businesses. Such obligations may have a material adverse impact on our results of operations and financial condition.

In addition to acquisitions, we have in the past, and expect in the future, to enter into joint development agreements or other strategic relationships with other companies. These transactions are subject to a number of risks similar to those we face with our acquisitions including our ability to realize the expected benefits of any such transaction, to successfully market and sell products resulting from such transactions or to successfully integrate any technology developed through such transactions.

As a result of our acquisition activity, our goodwill and intangible assets have increased significantly in recent years and we may in the future incur impairments to goodwill or intangible assets.

When we acquire a business, a substantial portion of the purchase price of the acquisition is allocated to goodwill and other identifiable intangible assets. The amount of the purchase price which is allocated to goodwill is determined by the excess of the purchase price over the net identifiable assets acquired. As of December 31, 2021, we had goodwill of \$6.67 billion and net intangible assets of \$4.26 billion. In connection with the completion of our acquisition of Microsemi in May 2018, our goodwill and intangible assets increased significantly. We review our indefinite-lived intangible assets, including goodwill, for impairment annually in the fourth fiscal quarter or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of those assets is more likely than not impaired. Factors that may be considered in assessing whether goodwill or intangible assets may be impaired include a decline in our stock price or market capitalization, reduced estimates of future cash flows and slower growth rates in our industry. Our valuation methodology for assessing impairment requires management to make judgments and assumptions based on experience and to rely heavily on projections of future operating performance.

Because we operate in highly competitive environments, projections of our future operating results and cash flows may vary significantly from our actual results. No goodwill impairment charges were recorded in the first nine months of fiscal 2022 or fiscal 2021. No intangible asset impairment charges were recorded in the first nine months of fiscal 2022 or fiscal 2021. If in future periods, we determine that our goodwill or intangible assets are impaired, we will be required to write down these assets which would have a negative effect on our condensed consolidated financial statements.

If we fail to maintain proper and effective internal control and remediate any future control deficiencies, our ability to produce accurate and timely financial statements could be impaired, which could harm our operating results, our ability to operate our business and our reputation with investors.

As discussed in Item 9A "Controls and Procedures" in our annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2019, we identified a material weakness in our internal controls related to accounting for income taxes and we also identified a material weakness in our internal controls related to IT system access. Although such material weaknesses were remediated in fiscal 2020, there can be no assurance that similar control issues will not be identified in the future. If we cannot remediate future material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in a timely manner, or if we identify additional control deficiencies that individually or together constitute significant deficiencies or material weaknesses, our ability to accurately record, process, and report financial information and our ability to prepare financial statements within required time periods, could be adversely affected. Failure to maintain effective internal controls could result in violations of applicable securities laws, stock exchange listing requirements, and the covenants under our debt agreements, subject us to litigation and investigations, negatively affect investor confidence in our financial statements, and adversely impact our stock price and our ability to access capital markets.

Ensuring that we have adequate internal financial and accounting controls and procedures so that we can produce accurate financial statements on a timely basis is a costly and time-consuming effort that needs to be re-evaluated frequently. Our internal control over financial reporting is designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP. We are required to comply with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 which requires an annual management assessment of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting and a report by our independent auditors. In addition to the identified material weaknesses related to accounting for income taxes and to IT system access, which were remediated as of March 31, 2020, we have from time to time identified other significant deficiencies. If we fail to remediate any future material weaknesses or significant deficiencies or to maintain proper and effective internal control over financial reporting in the future, our ability to produce accurate and timely financial statements could be impaired, which could harm our operating results, harm our ability to operate our business and reduce the trading price of our stock.

Customer demands for us to implement business practices that are more stringent than legal requirements may reduce our revenue opportunities or cause us to incur higher costs.

Some of our customers require that we implement practices that are more stringent than those required by applicable laws with respect to labor requirements, the materials contained in our products, energy efficiency, environmental matters or other items. To comply with such requirements, we also require our suppliers to adopt such practices. Our suppliers may in the future refuse to implement these practices, or may charge us more for complying with them. If certain of our suppliers refuse to implement the practices, we may be forced to source from alternate suppliers. The cost to implement such practices may cause us to incur higher costs and reduce our profitability, and if we do not implement such practices, such customers may disqualify us as a supplier, resulting in decreased revenue opportunities. Developing, enforcing, and auditing customer-requested practices at our own sites and in our supply chain will increase our costs and may require more personnel.

We must attract and retain qualified personnel to be successful, and competition for qualified personnel has intensified.

We must attract and retain qualified personnel to be successful, and competition for qualified personnel has intensified in recent periods in our industry. Availability of labor is currently constrained in certain geographic markets in which we operate due to various factors such as higher levels of absenteeism due to COVID-19. Competition for available labor has intensified for a variety of reasons including the increase in work-from home arrangements brought about by COVID-19, and the wage inflation in our industry.

Our ability to attract and retain skilled employees such as management, technical, marketing, sales, research and development, manufacturing, and operational personnel is critical to our business. We rely on a direct labor force at our manufacturing facilities. Any inability to maintain our labor force at our facilities may disrupt our operations, delay production, shipments and revenue and result in us being unable to timely satisfy customer demand, and ultimately could materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. Our inability to attract and retain hardware and software engineers and sales and marketing personnel, could delay the development and introduction of, and harm our ability to

sell, our products. We have no employment agreements with any member of our senior management team, and it is possible that they could leave with little or no notice which could make it more difficult for us to execute our planned business strategy. Our inability to retain, attract or motivate personnel could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

The occurrence of events for which we are self-insured, or which exceed our insurance limits, may adversely affect our profitability and liquidity.

We have insurance coverage related to many different types of risk; however, we self-insure for some potentially significant risks and obligations, because we believe that it is more cost effective for us to self-insure than to pay the high premium costs. The risks and exposures that we self-insure include, but are not limited to, employee health matters, certain property matters, product defects, cybersecurity matters, employment risks, environmental matters, political risks, and intellectual property matters. Should there be a loss or adverse judgment in an area for which we are self-insured, then our financial condition, results of operations and liquidity may be materially adversely affected.

Risks Related to Cybersecurity, Privacy, Intellectual Property, and Litigation

We continue to be the target of attacks on our IT systems and data and interruptions in our IT systems, unauthorized access to our IT systems, or improper handling of data, could adversely affect our business.

We rely on the uninterrupted operation of complex IT systems and networks to operate our business. Any significant disruption to our systems or networks, including, but not limited to, new system implementations, computer viruses, security breaches, facility issues, natural disasters, terrorism, war, telecommunication failures or energy blackouts could have a material adverse impact on our business, operations, supply chain, sales and operating results. Such disruption could result in an unauthorized release of our, our suppliers' or our customers' intellectual property or confidential, proprietary or sensitive information, or the release of personal data. Any release of such information or data could harm our business or competitive position, result in a loss of customer confidence, and cause us to incur significant costs to remedy the damages. In addition, any release of such information or data or the failure to properly manage the collection, handling, transfer or disposal of such information may result in regulatory inquiries or penalties, enforcement actions, remediation obligations, claims for damages, litigation, and other sanctions.

From time to time, we have experienced verifiable attacks on our IT systems and data, including network compromises, attempts to breach our security measures and attempts to introduce malicious software into our IT systems. For example, in fiscal 2019, we learned of an ongoing compromise of our computer networks by what is believed to be sophisticated hackers. We engaged experienced legal counsel and a leading forensic investigatory firm with experience in such matters. We took various steps to identify malicious activity on our network including a compromise of our network and, in May 2019, we began implementing a containment plan. We routinely evaluate the effectiveness of the containment mechanisms that were implemented and continue to implement additional measures from time to time. We have analyzed the information that was compromised. We do not believe that this IT system compromise has had a material adverse effect on our business or resulted in any material damage to us. As a result of the IT system compromise, our management, including our chief executive officer and our chief financial officer, concluded that our internal controls related to IT system access were not effective resulting in a material weakness in our internal controls for fiscal 2019. Although this material weakness in our internal control was remediated in fiscal 2020, there can be no assurance that similar control issues will not be identified in future periods.

Due to the types of products we sell and the significant amount of sales we make to government agencies or customers whose principal sales are to U.S. government agencies, we have experienced and expect to continue to experience in the future, attacks on our IT systems and data, including attempts to breach our security, network compromises and attempts to introduce malicious software into our IT systems. Were any future attacks to be successful, we may be unaware of the incident, its magnitude, or its effects until significant harm is done. In recent years, we have regularly implemented improvements to our protective measures which include, but are not limited to, implementation of the following: firewalls, endpoint intrusion detection and response software, monthly patches, log monitors, event correlation tools, routine backups with offsite retention of storage media, system audits, dual factor identification, data partitioning, routine password modifications, and an enhanced information security program including training classes and phishing exercises for employees and contractors with system access, along with tabletop exercises conducted by information security personnel. As a result of the material weakness in our internal controls resulting from the IT systems compromise in 2019, we have taken remediation actions and implemented additional controls and we are continuing to take actions to attempt to address evolving threats. However, recent system improvements have not been fully effective in preventing attacks on our IT systems and data, including breaches of our security measures, and there can be no assurance that any future system improvements will be effective in preventing future cyber-attacks or disruptions or limiting the damage from any future cyber-attacks or disruptions. Such system improvements have

resulted in increased costs to us and any future improvements, attacks or disruptions could result in additional costs related to rebuilding our internal systems, defending litigation, complaints or other claims, providing notices to regulatory agencies or other third parties, responding to regulatory actions, or paying damages. Such attacks or disruptions could have a material adverse impact on our business, operations and financial results.

Third-party service providers, such as wafer foundries, assembly and test contractors, distributors, credit card processors and other vendors have access to portions of our and our customers' data. In the event that these service providers do not properly safeguard the data that they hold, security breaches and loss of data could result. Any such breach or loss of data by our third-party service providers could negatively impact our business, operations and financial results, as well as our relationship with our customers.

Our failure to comply with federal, state, or international privacy and data protection laws and regulations may materially adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition.

We are subject to numerous laws and regulations in the U.S. and internationally regarding privacy and data protection such as the European Union's (EU) General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), the U.K. equivalent to the GDPR, the California Consumer Privacy Act, and the California Privacy Rights Act. The scope of these laws and regulations is rapidly evolving, subject to differing interpretations, and may be inconsistent among jurisdictions. Some of these laws create a broad definition of personal information, establish data privacy rights, impose data breach notification requirements, and create potentially severe statutory damages frameworks and private rights of action for certain data breaches. Some of the laws and regulations also place restrictions on our ability to collect, store, use, transmit and process personal information and other data across our business. For example, the GDPR restricts the ability of companies to transfer personal data from the European Economic Area (EEA) to the U.S. and other countries. Further, such laws and regulations have resulted and will continue to result in significantly greater compliance burdens and costs for companies such as us that have employees, customers, and operations in the EEA.

In order to comply with the GDPR, we have relied mainly on the European Commission's Standard Contractual Clauses (SCCs), for transfers of personal information from the EEA to the U.S. or other countries. However, the Court of Justice of the EU in a July 2020 decision (Schrems II) invalidated the EU-U.S. Privacy Shield Framework, and also called for stricter conditions in the use of the SCCs. Following the Schrems II decision, certain data protection authorities in the EU have issued statements advising companies within their jurisdiction not to transfer personal data to the U.S. under the SCCs. At present, there are few, if any, viable alternatives to the SCCs. If we are unable to implement sufficient safeguards to ensure that our transfers of personal information from the EEA are lawful, we may face increased exposure to regulatory actions and substantial fines and injunctions against processing personal information from the EEA. The loss of our ability to lawfully transfer personal data out of the EEA may cause reluctance or refusal by European customers to communicate with us as they are currently, and we may be required to increase our data processing capabilities in the EEA at significant expense. Additionally, other countries outside of the EEA have passed or are considering passing laws requiring local data residency which could increase the cost and complexity of providing our products in those jurisdictions.

Furthermore, the GDPR and the U.K. equivalent of the GDPR expose us to two parallel data protection regimes in Europe, each of which potentially authorizes fines and enforcement actions for certain violations. Substantial fines may be imposed for breaches of data protection requirements, which can be up to 4% of a company's worldwide revenue or 20 million Euros, whichever is greater. Although the U.K. data protection regime currently permits data transfers from the U.K. to the EEA and other third countries, covered by a European Commission 'adequacy decision' through the continued use of SCCs and binding corporate rules, these laws and regulations are subject to change, and any such changes could have adverse implications for our transfer of personal data from the U.K. to the EEA and other third countries.

While we plan to continue to undertake efforts to conform to current regulatory obligations and evolving best practices, such efforts may be unsuccessful or result in significant costs. We may also experience reluctance, or refusal by European or multi-national customers to continue to provide us with personal data due to the potential risk exposure of personal data transfers and the current data protection obligations imposed on them by applicable data protection laws or by certain data protection authorities. These and any other data privacy laws and their interpretations continue to develop and their uncertainty and inconsistency may increase the cost of compliance, cause compliance challenges, restrict our ability to offer products in certain locations in the same way that we have been, potentially adversely affect certain third-party service providers, or subject us to sanctions by data protection regulators, all of which could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We are exposed to various risks related to legal proceedings, investigations or claims.

We are currently, and in the future may be, involved in legal proceedings, investigations or claims regarding intellectual property rights, product failures, our Microsemi acquisition, contracts and other matters. As is typical in the semiconductor industry, we receive notifications from third parties from time to time who believe that we owe them indemnification or other obligations related to claims made against us, our direct or indirect customers, or our licensees. These legal proceedings and claims, even if meritless, have in the past and could in the future result in substantial costs to us. If we are unable to resolve or settle a matter, obtain necessary licenses on reasonable terms, reengineer products or processes to avoid infringement, provide a cost-effective remedy, or successfully prosecute or defend our position, we could incur uninsured liability in any of them, be required to take a charge to operations, be enjoined from selling a material portion of our products or using certain processes, suffer a reduction or elimination in the value of our inventories, and our business, financial condition or results of operations could be harmed.

It is also possible that from time to time we may be subject to claims related to the manufacture, performance, or use of our products. These claims may be due to injuries, economic damage or environmental exposures related to manufacturing, a product's nonconformance to our or our customer's specifications, changes in our manufacturing processes, or unexpected customer system issues due to the integration of our products or insufficient design or testing by our customers. We could incur significant expenses related to such matters, including, but not limited to:

- costs related to writing off the value of our inventory of nonconforming products;
- recalling nonconforming products;
- providing support services, product replacements, or modifications to products and the defense of such claims;
- · diversion of resources from other projects;
- lost revenue or a delay in the recognition of revenue due to cancellation of orders or unpaid receivables;
- · customer imposed fines or penalties for failure to meet contractual requirements; and
- · a requirement to pay damages or penalties.

Because the systems into which our products are integrated have a higher cost of goods than the products we sell, the expenses and damages we are asked to pay may be significantly higher than the revenue and profits we received. While we exclude consequential damages in our standard terms and conditions, certain of our contracts may not exclude such liabilities. Further, our ability to avoid such liabilities may be limited by law. We have liability insurance which covers certain damages arising out of product defects, but we do not expect that insurance will fully protect against such claims. Payments we may make in connection with these customer claims may adversely affect the results of our operations.

Further, we sell to customers in industries such as automotive, aerospace, defense, safety, security, and medical, where failure of the application could cause damage to property or persons. We may be subject to claims if our products, or the integration of our products, cause system failures. We will face increased exposure to claims if there are substantial increases in either the volume of our sales into these applications or the frequency of system failures integrating our products.

Our contractual relationships with our customers expose us to risks and liabilities.

With the exception of orders placed under our Preferred Supply Program, we do not typically enter into long-term contracts with our non-distributor customers, and therefore we cannot be certain about future order levels from our customers. When we do enter into customer contracts (other than under our Preferred Supply Program), the contract is generally cancelable based on standard terms and conditions. Under our Preferred Supply Program, customers may cancel contracts in the event of price increases. While we had approximately 122,000 customers, and our ten largest direct customers accounted for approximately 11% of our total revenue in the first nine months of fiscal 2022, and four of our top ten direct customers are contract manufacturers that perform manufacturing services for many customers, cancellation of customer contracts could have an adverse impact on our revenue and profits. For example, due to uncertainty related to the COVID-19 pandemic, we experienced an increase in order cancellations and requests to reschedule deliveries to future dates in the first quarter of fiscal 2021.

Certain customer contracts differ from our standard terms of sale. For some of the markets that we sell into, such as the automotive and personal computer markets, our customers may have negotiating leverage over us as a result of their market size. For example, under certain contracts we may commit to supply products on scheduled delivery dates, or extend our obligations for liabilities such as warranties or indemnification for quality issues or intellectual property infringement. If we are unable to supply the customer as contractually required, the customer may incur additional production costs, lost revenues due to delays in their manufacturing schedule, or quality-related issues. We may be liable for costs and damages associated with customer claims, and we may be obligated to defend the customer against claims of intellectual property infringement and pay associated legal fees. While we try to minimize the number of contracts which contain such provisions, manage the risks of

such liabilities, and set caps on our liability exposure, sometimes we are unable to do so. In order to win important designs, avoid losing business to competitors, maintain existing business, or be permitted to bid on new business, we have, and may in the future, have to agree to uncapped liability for such items as intellectual property infringement or product failure. This exposes us to risk of liability far exceeding the purchase price of the products sold under such contracts, the lifetime revenues we receive under such contracts, or potential consequential damages. Further, where we do not have negotiated customer contracts, our customer's order terms may govern the transaction and contain terms unfavorable to us. These risks could result in a material adverse impact on our results of operations and financial condition.

Failure to adequately protect our intellectual property could result in lost revenue or market opportunities.

Our ability to obtain patents, licenses and other intellectual property rights covering our products and manufacturing processes is important for our success. To that end, we have acquired certain patents and licenses and intend to continue to seek patents on our technology and manufacturing processes. The process of seeking patent protection can be expensive, and patents may not be issued from currently pending or future applications. In addition, our existing and new patents, trademarks and copyrights that are issued may not have sufficient scope or strength to provide meaningful protection or commercial advantage to us. We may be subject to, or may initiate, interference proceedings in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, patent offices of a foreign country or U.S. or foreign courts, which can require significant financial resources. In addition, the laws of certain foreign countries do not protect our intellectual property rights to the same extent as the laws of the U.S. Infringement of our intellectual property rights by a third party could result in uncompensated lost market and revenue opportunities for us. Although we continue to aggressively defend and protect our intellectual property on a worldwide basis, there can be no assurance that we will be successful.

Risks Related to Taxation, Laws and Regulations

Our reported financial results may be adversely affected by new accounting pronouncements or changes in existing accounting standards and practices.

We prepare our financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP. These accounting principles are subject to interpretation or changes by the FASB and the SEC. New accounting pronouncements and interpretations of accounting standards and practices have occurred in the past and are expected to occur in the future. New accounting pronouncements or a change in the interpretation of accounting standards or practices may have a significant effect on our reported financial results and may affect our reporting of transactions completed before the change is effective.

Regulatory authorities in jurisdictions into or from which we ship our products could levy fines, restrict or delay our ability to export products, or increase costs associated with the manufacture or transfer of products.

A significant portion of our sales require export and import activities. Our U.S.-manufactured products or products based on U.S. technology are subject to laws and regulations on international trade, including but not limited to the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act. EARs. International Traffic in Arms Regulations and trade sanctions against embargoed countries and denied entities, including those administered by the U.S. Department of the Treasury, Office of Foreign Assets Control. Licenses or license exceptions are required for the shipment of our products to certain countries. Our inability to timely obtain a license, for any reason, including a delay in license processing due to a federal government shutdown like that which occurred in 2018, could cause a delay in scheduled shipments which could have a material adverse impact on our revenue within the quarter of a shutdown, and in following quarters depending on the extent that license processing is delayed. Further, determination by a government that we have failed to comply with trade regulations or anti-bribery regulations can result in penalties which may include denial of export privileges, fines, penalties, and seizure of products, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our business, sales and earnings. A change in laws and regulations could restrict our ability to transfer product to previously permitted countries, customers, distributors or others. For example, in January 2022, the U.S. President announced possible widescale sanctions against Russia which could adversely impact our ability to sell products into Russia, and may adversely affect our customers that have significant sales into the Russian markets. An additional example occurred in fiscal 2019, when the U.S. Commerce Department banned U.S. companies from selling products or transferring technology to ZTE, a Chinese company, and certain subsidiaries. This ban was lifted in July 2018. In fiscal 2020, the U.S. Commerce Department banned U.S. companies from selling products or transferring technology to certain Chinese companies, including Huawei and certain subsidiaries. In fiscal 2020, the U.S. Federal Acquisition Regulation prohibited U.S. governmental agencies from buying equipment using covered telecommunications equipment as a substantial component or critical technology where the technology came from certain Chinese companies. On July 14, 2020, this was expanded to prohibit U.S. governmental agencies from entering into a contract with any company that uses covered telecommunications equipment whether or not the Chinese technology is related to the procurement. Effective June 2020, amendments to the EAR regarding prohibitions of sales of items with a "military end use" into China, Russia, and Venezuela, and Belarus effective March 2021, and elimination of an

EAR License Exception, apply to more of our products than the previous regulations. Any of the foregoing changes could adversely impact our operational costs due to the administrative impacts of complying with these regulations, and may limit those with whom we conduct business. Any one or more of these sanctions, future sanctions, a change in laws or regulations, or a prohibition on shipment of our products or transfer of our technology to significant customers could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

The U.S. and other countries have levied tariffs and taxes on certain goods, implemented trade restrictions, and introduced national security protection policies. Trade tensions between the U.S. and China, which escalated in 2018, have continued and include the U.S. increasing tariffs on Chinese origin goods and China increasing tariffs on U.S. origin goods. We took steps to mitigate the costs of these tariffs on our business by making adjustments in operations and supply. Although these tariff increases did not result in a material adverse impact on our operating costs in fiscal 2019 or fiscal 2020, they did reduce demand for our products during fiscal 2019 and fiscal 2020. Increased tariffs on our customers' products could adversely impact their sales, and increased tariffs on our products in comparison to those of our competitors could each result in lower demand for our products.

Further changes in trade or national security protection policy, tariffs, additional taxes, restrictions on exports or other trade barriers, may limit our ability to produce products, increase our selling and/or manufacturing costs, decrease margins, reduce the competitiveness of our products, or reduce our ability to sell products, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations or financial conditions.

The outcome of future examinations of our income tax returns could have an adverse effect on our results of operations.

We are subject to examination of our U.S. and certain foreign income tax returns for fiscal 2007 and later. We regularly assess the likelihood of adverse outcomes of these examinations to determine the adequacy of our provision for income taxes and have reserved for potential adjustments that may result from current or future examinations. There can be no assurance that the final determination of any of these or any future examinations will not have an adverse effect on our effective tax rates, financial position and results of operations.

Exposure to greater than anticipated income tax liabilities, changes in tax rules and regulations, changes in the interpretation of tax rules and regulations, or unfavorable assessments from tax audits could affect our effective tax rates, financial condition and results of operations.

We are a U.S.-based multinational company subject to tax in many U.S. and foreign jurisdictions. Our income tax obligations could be affected by many factors, including changes to our operating structure, intercompany arrangements and tax planning strategies.

Our income tax expense is computed based on tax rates at the time of the respective financial period. Our future effective tax rates, financial condition and results from operations could be unfavorably affected by changes in the tax rates in jurisdictions where our income is earned, by changes in the tax rules and regulations or the interpretation of tax rules and regulations in the jurisdictions in which we do business or by changes in the valuation of our deferred tax assets.

The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development has been working on a Base Erosion and Profit Shifting Project, and issued a report in 2015, an interim report in 2018, and is expected to continue to issue guidelines and proposals that may change aspects of the existing framework under which our tax obligations are determined in many of the countries where we do business. Similarly, the European Commission and several countries have issued proposals that would change aspects of the current tax framework under which we are taxed. These proposals include changes to the existing income tax framework, possibilities of a global minimum tax, and proposals to change or impose new types of non-income taxes, including taxes based on a percentage of revenue.

Our business, financial condition and operating results may be adversely impacted by policies implemented globally by the current or future administrations.

The current administration in the U.S. and administrations in other global jurisdictions in which we operate, have indicated support for significant legislative and policy changes in areas including but not limited to tax, trade, labor, and the environment. If implemented, these changes could increase our effective tax rate, and increase our selling and/or manufacturing costs, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations or financial conditions. Changes in tax policy, trade regulations or other matters, and any uncertainty surrounding the scope or timing of such changes, could negatively impact the stock market, and reduce the trading price of our stock. For example, in January 2022, the U.S. President announced possible widescale sanctions against Russia in the event that Russia invades Ukraine. If such sanctions were imposed, we could become

unable to sell products into Russia, the demand for our products by customers that sell into the Russian market may be negatively impacted and stock markets and the global financial system may experience disruption. Retaliatory acts by Russia in response to the sanctions could include cyber attacks, sanctions, or other actions that could disrupt the economy. As a result of the foregoing risks or similar risks, the imposition of sanctions could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations or financial condition.

We are subject to stringent environmental and other regulations, which may force us to incur significant expenses.

We must comply with federal, state, local and foreign governmental regulations related to the use, storage, discharge and disposal of hazardous substances used in our products and manufacturing processes. Our failure to comply, or the failure of entities that we have acquired over time to have complied, with regulations could result in significant fines, liability for clean-up, suspension of production, cessation of operations or future liabilities. Such regulations have required us in the past, and could require us in the future, to incur significant expenses to comply with such regulations. Our failure to control the use of, or adequately restrict the discharge of, hazardous substances could impact the health of our employees and others and could impact our ability to operate. Such failure could also restrict our ability to ship certain products to certain countries, require us to modify our logistics, or require us to incur other significant costs and expenses. Environmental laws continue to expand with a focus on reducing or eliminating hazardous substances in electronic products and shipping materials. Future environmental regulations could require us to reengineer certain of our existing products and may make it more expensive for us to manufacture, sell and ship our products. In addition, the number and complexity of laws focused on the energy efficiency of electronic products, the recycling of electronic products, and the reduction in the amount and the recycling of packing materials have expanded significantly. It may be difficult for us to timely comply with these laws and we may have insufficient quantities of compliant products to meet customers' needs, thereby adversely impacting our sales and profitability. We may have to write off inventory if we hold unsaleable inventory as a result of changes to regulations. We expect these risks to continue. These requirements may increase our own costs, as well as those passed on to us by our supply chain.

Climate change regulations and sustained adverse climate change pose risks that could harm our results of operations.

Climate change regulations or voluntary actions we may have taken as part of our Environmental, Social, and Governance initiatives could require us to limit emissions, change manufacturing processes, substitute materials which may cost more or be less available, fund offset projects, obtain new permits or undertake other costly activities. Failure to obtain required permits could result in fines, suspension or cessation of production. Restrictions on emissions could result in significant costs such as higher energy costs, carbon taxes, and emission cap and trade programs. The cost of compliance with such regulations could restrict our manufacturing operations, and have an adverse effect on our operating results.

Further, sustained adverse change in climate could have a direct adverse economic impact on us, such as utility shortages, and higher costs of utilities. Certain of our operations are located in arid or tropical regions, which some experts believe may become vulnerable to fires, storms, severe floods and droughts. While our business recovery plans are intended to allow us to recover from natural disasters or other disruptive events, our plans may not protect us from all events.

Customer demands and regulations related to conflict-free minerals may force us to incur additional expenses.

Under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, in August 2012, the SEC released investigation, and disclosure requirements regarding the use of "conflict" minerals mined from the Democratic Republic of Congo and adjoining countries. We filed a Form SD with the SEC regarding such matters on May 28, 2021. Other countries are considering similar regulations. If we cannot certify that our supply chain is free from the risk of irresponsible sourcing, customers may demand that we change the sourcing of materials used in the manufacture of our products, even if the costs for compliant materials significantly increases or availability is limited. If we change materials or suppliers, there will likely be costs associated with qualifying new suppliers and production capacity and quality could be negatively impacted. Our relationships with customers and suppliers may be adversely affected if we are unable to certify that our products are free from the risk of irresponsible sourcing. We have incurred, and expect in the future to incur, additional costs associated with complying with these disclosure requirements, such as costs related to determining the source of any conflict minerals used in our products. We may be unable to satisfy customers who require that all of the components of our products be certified as conflict free in a materially different manner than advocated by the Responsible Minerals Initiative or the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. If we are unable to meet customer requirements, customers may disqualify us as a supplier and we may have to write off inventory if it cannot be sold.

In addition to concerns over "conflict" minerals mined from the Democratic Republic of Congo, our customers may require that other minerals and substances used within our supply chain be evaluated and reported on. An increase in reporting obligations will increase associated operating costs. This could have negative effects on our overall operating profits.

A requirement to fund our foreign pension plans could negatively affect our cash position and operating capital.

In connection with our acquisitions of Microsemi and Atmel, we assumed pension plans that cover certain French and German employees. Most of these plans are unfunded in compliance with statutory requirements, and we have no immediate intention of funding these plans. The projected benefit obligation totaled \$83.0 million at March 31, 2021. Benefits are paid when amounts become due. We expect to pay approximately \$1.6 million in fiscal 2022 for benefits earned. Should regulations require funding of these plans in the future, it could negatively affect our cash position and operating capital.

Risks Related to Capitalization and Financial Markets

The future trading price of our common stock could be subject to wide fluctuations in response to a variety of factors.

The market price of our common stock has fluctuated significantly in the recent past and is likely to fluctuate in the future. The future trading price of our common stock could be subject to wide fluctuations in response to a variety of factors, many of which are beyond our control, including, but not limited to:

- global economic and financial uncertainty due to the COVID-19 pandemic or other factors;
- · quarterly variations in our operating results or the operating results of other technology companies;
- changes in our financial guidance or our failure to meet such guidance;
- changes in analysts' estimates of our financial performance or buy/sell recommendations;
- · general conditions in the semiconductor industry;
- the amount and timing of repurchases of shares of our common stock;
- our ability to realize the expected benefits of our completed or future acquisitions; and
- · actual or anticipated announcements of technical innovations or new products by us or our competitors.

In addition, the stock market has recently and in the past experienced significant price and volume fluctuations that have affected the market prices for many companies and that often have been unrelated to their operating performance. These broad market fluctuations and other factors have harmed and may harm the market price of our common stock. The foregoing factors could also cause the market price of our Convertible Debt to decline or fluctuate substantially.

The amount and timing of our share repurchases may fluctuate in response to a variety of factors.

The amount, timing, and execution of repurchases of shares of our common stock may fluctuate based on the share price of our common stock, general business and market conditions, tax regulations impacting share repurchases and other factors including operating results, capital expenditure and dividend payments. Although our Board of Directors has authorized share repurchases of up to \$4.00 billion, the authorization does not obligate us to acquire any particular amount of shares. We cannot guarantee that our share repurchase authorization will be fully consummated or that it will enhance long-term shareholder value. The repurchase authorization may be suspended or discontinued at any time at our discretion and may affect the trading price of our common stock and increase volatility.

Our financial condition and results of operations could be adversely impacted if we do not effectively manage current or future debt.

As of December 31, 2021, the principal amount of our outstanding indebtedness was \$8.04 billion. As a result of our acquisition of Microsemi, we have substantially more debt than we had prior to May 2018. At December 31, 2021, we had \$1.54 billion in outstanding borrowings under our Revolving Credit Facility which provides up to \$2.75 billion of revolving loan commitments that terminate in 2026. At December 31, 2021, we had \$5.60 billion in aggregate principal amount of Senior Notes and \$903.0 million in aggregate principal of Convertible Debt outstanding.

Our maintenance of substantial levels of debt could adversely affect our ability to take advantage of opportunities and could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations. We may need or desire to refinance our current or future debt and there can be no assurance that we will be able to do so on reasonable terms, if at all.

Servicing our debt requires a significant amount of cash, we may not have sufficient cash to fund payments and adverse changes in our credit ratings could increase our borrowing costs and adversely affect our ability to access the debt markets.

Our ability to make scheduled payments of principal, interest, or to refinance our indebtedness, including our outstanding Convertible Debt and Senior Notes, depends on our future performance, which is subject to economic, competitive and other factors including those related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Our business may not continue to generate sufficient cash flow to service our debt and to fund capital expenditures, dividend payments, share repurchases or acquisitions. If we are unable to generate such cash flow, we may be required to undertake alternatives, such as selling assets, restructuring debt or obtaining additional equity capital on onerous or highly dilutive terms. Our ability to refinance our indebtedness will depend on the capital markets and our financial condition at such time. Our senior secured notes are rated by certain major credit rating agencies. These credit ratings impact our cost of borrowing and our ability to access the capital markets and are based on our financial performance and financial metrics including debt levels. There is no assurance that we will maintain our current credit ratings. A downgrade of our credit rating by a major credit rating agency could result in increased borrowing costs and could adversely affect our ability to access the debt markets to refinance our existing debt or finance future debt.

Conversion of our Convertible Debt will dilute the ownership interest of our existing stockholders.

The conversion of some or all of our outstanding Convertible Debt will dilute the ownership interest of our existing stockholders to the extent we deliver common stock upon conversion of such debt. Upon conversion, we may satisfy our conversion obligation by delivering cash, shares of common stock or any combination, at our option. If upon conversion we elect to deliver cash for the lesser of the conversion value and principal amount of the Convertible Debt, we would pay the holder the cash value of the applicable number of shares of our common stock. Upon conversion, we intend to satisfy the lesser of the principal amount or the conversion value in cash. If the conversion value of the Convertible Debt exceeds the principal amount, we may also elect to deliver cash in lieu of common stock for the conversion value in excess of the one thousand dollars principal amount (i.e., the conversion spread). There would be no adjustment to the numerator in the net income per common share computation for the cash settled portion of the Convertible Debt as that portion of the debt instrument will always be settled in cash. The conversion spread will be included in the denominator for the computation of diluted net income per common share. Any sales in the public market of any common stock issuable upon conversion of our Convertible Debt could adversely affect prevailing market prices of our common stock. In addition, the existence of the Convertible Debt may encourage short selling by market participants because the conversion of the Convertible Debt could be used to satisfy short positions, or anticipated conversion of the Convertible Debt into shares of our common stock could depress the price of our common stock.

Fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates could adversely impact our operating results.

We use forward currency exchange contracts in an attempt to reduce the adverse earnings impact from the effect of exchange rate fluctuations on our non-U.S. dollar net balance sheet exposures. Nevertheless, in periods when the U.S. dollar significantly fluctuates in relation to the non-U.S. currencies in which we transact business, the value of our non-U.S. dollar transactions can have an adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition. In particular, in periods when the value of a non-U.S. currency significantly declines relative to the U.S. dollar, customers transacting in that currency may be unable to fulfill their contractual obligations or to undertake new obligations to make payments or purchase products. In periods when the U.S. dollar declines significantly relative to the British pound, Euro, Thai baht and Taiwan dollar, the operational costs in our European and Thailand subsidiaries are adversely affected. Although our business has not been materially adversely impacted by recent changes in the value of the U.S. dollar, there can be no assurance as to the future impact that any weakness or strength in the U.S. dollar will have on our business or results of operations.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

The following table sets forth our purchases of our common stock in the three months ended December 31, 2021:

Period	Total number of shares purchased Average price paid per share			Total number of shares purchased as part of publicly announced program	Approximate dollar value of shares that may yet be purchased under the program ⁽¹⁾ (in millions)	
October 1, 2021 - October 31, 2021	_	\$	_	_		
November 1, 2021 - November 30, 2021	1,226,326	\$	83.15	1,226,326		
December 1, 2021 - December 31, 2021	750,165	\$	85.36	750,165		
	1,976,491			1,976,491	\$ 3,834.0	

⁽¹⁾ In November 2021, our Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to \$4.00 billion of our common stock in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions. There is no expiration date associated with this authorization.

Item 6. Exhibits

			Incorporated by Reference			
Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description	Form	File Number	Exhibit	Filing Date	Included Herewith
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Microchip Technology Incorporated.	8-K	000-21184	3.1	August 26, 2021	
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws of Registrant, as amended effective May 25, 2021.	8-K	000-21184	3.1	May 28, 2021	
10.1	2004 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended and restated on October 12, 2021	10-Q	000-21184	10.1	November 4, 2021	
10.2	2001 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as amended through October 12, 2021.	10-Q	000-21184	10.2	November 4, 2021	
10.3	1994 International Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as amended through October 12, 2021.	10-Q	000-21184	10.3	November 4, 2021	
10.4	Form of Notice of Grant of Restricted Stock Units (Performance) for 2004 Equity Incentive Plan (including Exhibit A Performance Matrix)	10-Q	000-21184	10.4	November 4, 2021	
10.5	Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of December 16, 2021, by and among Microchip Technology Incorporated, the lenders from time to time party thereto and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent	8-K	000-21184	10.1	December 16, 2021	
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act)					X
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act)					X
32*	Certifications Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002					X
101.INS	Inline XBRL Instance Document - the instance document does not appear in the Interactive File because its XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document					X
101.SCH	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document					X
101.CAL	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document					X
101.DEF	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document					X
101.LAB	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document					X
101.PRE	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document					X

		Incorporated by Reference				
Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description	Form	File Number	Exhibit	Filing Date	Included Herewith
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File - the cover page XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document					X

^{*} Furnished herewith.

Date: February 3, 2022

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.

MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED

By: /s/ J. Eric Bjornholt

J. Eric Bjornholt

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

(Duly Authorized Officer, and Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

CERTIFICATION

I, Ganesh Moorthy, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Form 10-Q of Microchip Technology Incorporated;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's Board of Directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

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CERTIFICATION

- I, J. Eric Bjornholt, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this Form 10-Q of Microchip Technology Incorporated;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's Board of Directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: February 3, 2022

/s/ J. Eric Bjornholt

J. Eric Bjornholt

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO

18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Ganesh Moorthy, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that the Quarterly Report of Microchip Technology Incorporated on Form 10-Q for the period ended December 31, 2021 fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and that information contained in such Form 10-Q fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of Microchip Technology Incorporated.

By: /s/ Ganesh Moorthy

Name: Ganesh Moorthy

Title: President, Chief Executive Officer, and Director

Date: February 3, 2022

I, J. Eric Bjornholt, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that the Quarterly Report of Microchip Technology Incorporated on Form 10-Q for the period ended December 31, 2021 fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and that information contained in such Form 10-Q fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of Microchip Technology Incorporated.

By: /s/ J. Eric Bjornholt

Name: J. Eric Bjornholt

Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: February 3, 2022