Silicon Labs Announces Third Quarter Results

Revenue and Earnings Exceed Guidance

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AUSTIN, Texas--(<u>BUSINESS WIRE</u>)--<u>Silicon Labs</u> (NASDAQ: SLAB), a leading provider of silicon, software and system solutions for a smarter, more connected world, today reported financial results for its third quarter ended October 3, 2015. Revenue in the third quarter was just above the high end of guidance at \$156.2 million, down from \$164.9 million in the second quarter. Non-GAAP earnings per share for the third quarter were \$0.51 versus the Company's third quarter guidance range of \$0.39 to \$0.45.

Third Quarter Financial Highlights

On a GAAP basis:

- Gross margin was 59.8 percent
- R&D expenses were \$46.5 million
- SG&A expenses were \$35.7 million
- Operating income as a percentage of revenue was 7.2 percent
- Diluted earnings per share were \$0.23

On a non-GAAP basis (results exclude the impact of stock compensation, amortization of acquired intangible assets and certain other items as set forth in the reconciliation tables below):

- Gross margin was 60.2 percent
- R&D expenses were \$36.6 million
- SG&A expenses were \$31.4 million
- Operating income as a percentage of revenue was 16.7 percent
- Diluted earnings per share were \$0.51

Business Highlights

- IoT product revenue declined slightly to \$65.3 million, delivering 25% year-on-year growth
- Infrastructure product revenue established a new record at \$31.1 million
- Broadcast revenue declined less than expected to \$36.5 million
- Access revenue declined to \$23.3 million, as expected

Product Highlights

- Announced the <u>BGM111 Blue Gecko module</u> with our pre-installed Bluetooth Smart software stack and BGScript™ scripting language, providing a plug-and-play wireless connectivity solution with a seamless SoC migration path.
- Released our <u>sixth-generation iWRAP™ software</u> supported by our simple-to-use scripting language, easing the complexity of adding Bluetooth 3.0 connectivity to audio accessories.
- Introduced a new voice-enabled <u>remote control reference design</u> to address the growing demand for voice control in the connected home.
- Released a new version of the <u>Simplicity Studio™ development platform</u> featuring a new real-time Energy Profiler tool to help developers optimize their designs for low energy.
- Delivered our highly anticipated <u>Thread wireless software</u> stack built on our many years of expertise and the industry's most advanced mesh networking software development tools.
- Launched the <u>Si8920 isolated amplifier</u>, providing the industry's fastest current sensing capability for power control systems including industrial motor drives and inverters.
- Introduced the <u>Si5348 network synchronizer clock</u>, providing the industry's lowest jitter timing solution to drive pervasive adoption of SyncE and IEEE 1588 network synchronization.
- Received a favorable, final determination on the <u>International Trade Commission investigation initiated by Cresta Technology</u>.

Business Outlook

The company expects revenue in the fourth quarter to be in the range of \$156 million to \$161 million. Fourth quarter diluted earnings per share are expected to be between \$0.05 and \$0.11 on a GAAP basis and between \$0.45 and

\$0.51 on a non-GAAP basis.

"Strong top line performance combined with favorable opex drove a solid beat in third quarter EPS," said Tyson Tuttle, CEO of Silicon Labs. "We delivered another record revenue quarter in Infrastructure, with continued strength in IoT and Broadcast automotive, and a less than expected decline in Broadcast consumer.

"Despite the challenging macro environment, we are confident in our strategy and proud of our accomplishments. We have a rich product pipeline and see strong demand for our silicon and software. We are engaging with top industry leaders who are rapidly adopting our IoT solutions and propelling our design win activity to record levels. We are executing on our vision and strategy and excited about what lies ahead."

Webcast and Conference Call

A conference call discussing the quarterly results will follow this press release at 7:30 a.m. Central time. An audio webcast will be available on Silicon Labs' website under Investor Relations (www.silabs.com). A replay will be available after the call at the same website listed above or by calling 1 (855) 859-2056 or (404) 537-3406 (international) and entering conference ID 39717394. The replay will be available through November 26, 2015.

About Silicon Labs

Silicon Labs (NASDAQ: SLAB) is a leading provider of silicon, software and system solutions for the Internet of Things, Infrastructure, industrial automation, consumer and automotive markets. We solve the electronics industry's toughest problems, providing customers with significant advantages in performance, energy savings, connectivity and design simplicity. Backed by our world-class engineering teams with strong software and mixed-signal design expertise, Silicon Labs empowers developers with the tools and technologies they need to advance quickly and easily from initial idea to final product. www.silabs.com

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements based on Silicon Labs' current expectations. The words "believe," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "anticipate," "plan," "project," "will" and similar phrases as they relate to Silicon Labs are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements reflect the current views and assumptions of Silicon Labs and are subject to various risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from expectations. Among the factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements are the following: risks that Silicon Labs may not be able to maintain its historical growth; quarterly fluctuations in revenues and operating results; difficulties developing new products that achieve market acceptance; dependence on a limited number of products and customers; intellectual property litigation risks; risks associated with acquisitions and divestitures; product liability risks; difficulties managing our distributors, manufacturers and subcontractors; inventory-related risks; difficulties managing international activities; risks that Silicon Labs may not be able to manage strains associated with its growth; credit risks associated with our accounts receivable; dependence on key personnel; stock price volatility; geographic concentration of manufacturers, assemblers, test service providers and customers in Asia that subjects Silicon Labs' business and results of operations to risks of natural disasters, epidemics, war and political unrest; debt-related risks; capital-raising risks; the competitive and cyclical nature of the semiconductor industry; average selling prices of products may decrease significantly and rapidly; information technology risks; conflict mineral risks and other factors that are detailed in the SEC filings of Silicon Laboratories Inc. Silicon Labs disclaims any intention or obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. References in this press release to Silicon Labs shall mean Silicon Laboratories Inc.

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Silicon Laboratories Inc.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income
(In thousands, except per share data)
(Unaudited)

Three Months Ended

Nine Months Ended

September October 3,

September

October 3,

	2015		2015	27,	
	2015	2014	2025	2014	
Revenues Cost of revenues Gross margin Operating expenses: Research and development Selling, general and	\$156,194 62,759 93,435 46,483 35,729	\$158,144 62,033 96,111 42,517 43,990	\$484,755 197,523 287,232 140,805 118,989	\$458,753 176,874 281,879 126,846 114,618	
administrative Operating expenses Operating income Other income (expense):	82,212 11,223	86,507 9,604	259,794 27,438	241,464 40,415	
Interest income Interest expense Other income (expense), net Income before income taxes Provision for income taxes	186 (687) (280) 10,442 467	,	544 (2,160) 218 26,040 2,112	733 (2,346) 103 38,905 10,908	
Net income	\$9,975	\$5,608	\$23,928	\$27,997	
Earnings per share: Basic Diluted	\$0.24 \$0.23	\$0.13 \$0.13	\$0.56 \$0.55	\$0.65 \$0.64	
Weighted-average common shares outstanding: Basic Diluted	42,331 42,795	43,112 43,815	42,522 43,135	43,218 44,030	

Unaudited Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Financial Measures (In thousands, except per share data)

Items

Non-GAAP Three Months Ended **Statement** October 3, 2015

	GAAP Measure	GAAP Percent of Revenu	e	Stock Compensation Expense	Intangible Asset Amortization	Acquisition Related Items	Termination Costs	Non- GAAP Measure	Non- GAAP Percent of Revenue
Revenues	\$156,194								
Gross margin	93,435	59.8	%	\$ 249	\$ 390	\$	\$	\$94,074	60.2 %
Research and development	46,483	29.8	%	4,623	5,250			36,610	23.4 %
Selling, general and administrative	35,729	22.8	%	4,350	1,219	(1,351)	118	31,393	20.1 %

Operating income	11,223	7.2 %	9,222	6,859	(1,351)	118	26,071 16.7
Non-GAAP Earnings Per Share	Three Mon October 3,						
	GAAP Measure	Stock Compensation Expense*	Intangible Asset Amortization*	Acquisition Related Items*	Termination Costs*	Tax Impact of Adjustments	Non- GAAP Measure
Net income	\$9,975	\$ 9,222	\$ 6,859	\$ (1,351)	\$ 118	\$ (2,996)	\$21,827
Diluted shares outstanding	42,795						42,795
Diluted							

\$0.51

earnings per \$0.23

share

Unaudited Forward-Looking Statements Regarding Business Outlook

	Three Months Ending			
Business Outlook	January 2, 2016			
Estimated GAAP diluted earnings per share	High \$ 0.11	Low \$ 0.05		
Estimated non-GAAP charges	0.40	0.40		
Estimated non-GAAP diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.51	\$ 0.45		

Silicon Laboratories Inc. Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (In thousands, except per share data) (Unaudited)

	October 3,	January 3,
	2015	2015
Assets Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents Short-term investments	\$135,640 112,670	\$141,706 193,489
Accounts receivable, net of allowances for doubtful accounts of \$695 at October 3, 2015 and \$786 at January 3, 2015	61,030	70,367
Inventories Deferred income taxes Prepaid expenses and other current assets Total current assets	51,957 19,155 48,903 429,355	52,631 21,173 49,171 528,537

^{*} Represents pre-tax amounts

Long-term investments Property and equipment, net Goodwill Other intangible assets, net Other assets, net Total assets	7,240 130,283 263,925 121,208 26,040 \$978,051	7,419 132,820 228,781 115,021 29,983 \$1,042,561
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable Current portion of long-term debt Accrued expenses	\$30,306 10,000 50,080	\$38,922 10,000 73,646
Deferred income on shipments to distributors Income taxes Total current liabilities	37,881 1,074 129,341	38,662 2,084 163,314
Long-term debt Other non-current liabilities	70,000 37,234	77,500 43,691
Total liabilities Commitments and contingencies Stockholders' equity:	236,575	284,505
Preferred stock - \$0.0001 par value; 10,000 shares authorized; no shares issued and outstanding		
Common stock - \$0.0001 par value; 250,000 shares		
authorized; 41,570 and 42,225 shares issued and outstanding at October 3, 2015 and January 3, 2015,	4	4
respectively		
Additional paid-in capital Retained earnings Accumulated other comprehensive loss Total stockholders' equity	 742,091 (619) 741,476	29,501 728,633 (82) 758,056
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$978,051	\$1,042,561

Silicon Laboratories Inc. Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (In thousands) (Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended		
	October 3, 2015	September 27, 2014	
Operating Activities Net income Adjustments to reconcile net income to cash provided by operating activities:	\$23,928	\$27,997	
Depreciation of property and equipment Amortization of other intangible assets and other assets	9,293 21,686	9,512 13,090	
Stock-based compensation expense Income tax benefit from stock-based awards Excess income tax benefit from stock-based awards Deferred income taxes	30,798 1,727 (2,118) 1,571	28,173 413 (654) 3,894	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities: Accounts receivable Inventories	12,097 2,259	769 (1,591)	

Prepaid expenses and other assets Accounts payable Accrued expenses Deferred income on shipments to distributors Income taxes Other non-current liabilities Net cash provided by operating activities	8,409 (5,686) (280) (2,825) (3,413) (10,031) 87,415	12,627 5,074 28,756 6,215 (4,898) (21,790) 107,587
Investing Activities		
Purchases of available-for-sale investments	(55,433)	(137,373)
Proceeds from sales and maturities of available-for- sale investments	136,262	100,009
Purchases of property and equipment	(7,281)	(5,500)
Purchases of other assets	(5,291)	(3,339)
Acquisition of business, net of cash acquired	(76,899)	
Net cash used in investing activities	(8,642)	(46,203)
Financing Activities		
Proceeds from issuance of common stock, net of cash paid for withheld taxes	(77)	8,559
Excess income tax benefit from stock-based awards	2,118	654
Repurchases of common stock	(71,448)	(50,942)
Payment of acquisition-related contingent consideration	(4,464)	
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt, net	81,238	
Payments on debt	(92,206)	(3,750)
Net cash used in financing activities	(84,839)	(45,479)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(6,066)	15,905
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	141,706	95,800
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$135,640	\$111,705

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