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QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECT ACT OF 1934	TION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE
For the quarterly period ended July 2, 2011	
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o TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECT ACT OF 1934	TION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE
For the transition period fromto	
Commission file number 1-12696	
Plantronics, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)	
Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or	77-0207692 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)
organization)  345 Encinal Street Santa Cruz, California 95060 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)	
(831) 426-5858 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)	
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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes S No £

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes  $\pounds$  No S

As of July 30, 2011, 46,698,969 shares of common stock were outstanding.

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# Part I -- FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements.

# PLANTRONICS, INC.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(in thousands) (Unaudited)

	June 30, 2011	March 31, 2011
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$202,747	\$284,375
Short-term investments	127,058	145,581
Accounts receivable, net	108,516	103,289
Inventory, net	57,697	56,473
Deferred income taxes	11,753	11,349
Other current assets	15,073	16,653
Total current assets	522,844	617,720
Long-term investments	56,462	39,332
Property, plant and equipment, net	71,542	70,622
Goodwill and purchased intangibles, net	14,665	14,861
Other assets	2,056	2,112
Total assets	\$667,569	\$744,647
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$27,311	\$33,995
Accrued liabilities	53,769	59,607
Total current liabilities	81,080	93,602
Deferred tax liability	3,550	3,526
Long-term income taxes payable	13,036	11,524
Other long-term liabilities	1,112	1,143
Total liabilities	98,778	109,795
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Stockholders' equity: Common stock	720	720
	729	720
Additional paid-in capital	498,056	499,027
Accumulated other comprehensive income	3,443	1,473
Retained earnings	216,772	192,468
Total stockholders' equity before treasury stock	719,000	693,688
Less: Treasury stock, at cost		(58,836 )
Total stockholders' equity	568,791	634,852
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$667,569	\$744,647

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these unaudited Condensed consolidated financial statements.

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# PLANTRONICS, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (in thousands, except per share data)

(Unaudited)

	Three Month	s Ended	
	June 30,		
	2011	2010	
Net revenues	\$175,600	\$170,685	
Cost of revenues	81,542	81,237	
Gross profit	94,058	89,448	
Operating expenses:			
Research, development and engineering	16,906	14,901	
Selling, general and administrative	42,116	38,686	
Total operating expenses	59,022	53,587	
Operating income	35,036	35,861	
Interest and other income (expense), net	641	(382	)
Income before income taxes	35,677	35,479	
Income tax expense	8,946	9,533	
Net income	\$26,731	\$25,946	
Earnings per common share:			
Basic	\$0.57	\$0.54	
Diluted	\$0.56	\$0.52	
Shares used in computing earnings per common share:			
Basic	46,688	48,128	
Diluted	48,060	49,714	
Cash dividends declared per common share	\$0.05	\$0.05	

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# PLANTRONICS, INC.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(in thousands) (Unaudited)

(Chaudice)	Three Month June 30,	s Ended	
	2011	2010	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Net income	\$26,731	\$25,946	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating acti	ivities:		
Depreciation and amortization	3,462	3,992	
Stock-based compensation	4,179	3,777	
Provision for (benefit from) sales allowances and doubtful accounts	(41	) 115	
Provision for (benefit from) excess and obsolete inventories	322	(273	)
Benefit from deferred income taxes	(2,144	) (1,249	)
Income tax benefit associated with stock option exercises	1,381	797	
Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation	(2,570	) (648	)
Amortization of premium on investments, net	431		
Other operating activities	172	41	
Changes in assets and liabilities:			
Accounts receivable, net	(5,607	) (7,264	)
Inventory, net	(1,453	) (7,509	)
Current and other assets	(2,420	) (928	)
Accounts payable	(6,684	) 6,728	,
Accrued liabilities	(5,067	) 102	
Income taxes	8,531	8,420	
Cash provided by operating activities	19,223	32,047	
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CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(2.0(0	22.250	
Proceeds from sales of short-term investments	62,968	23,250	
Proceeds from maturities of short-term investments	31,300		
Purchase of short-term investments	(63,061	) —	
Proceeds from sales of long-term investments	4,936	_	
Purchase of long-term investments  Conital expanditures and other assets	(35,145	) —	`
Capital expenditures and other assets	(3,935	) (3,007	)
Cash (used for) provided by investing activities	(2,937	) 20,243	
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Repurchase of common stock	(90,668	) (43,706	)
Equity forward contract related to accelerated share repurchase program	(18,872	) —	
Proceeds from sale of treasury stock	_	13	
Proceeds from issuance of common stock	11,515	7,666	
Payment of cash dividends	(2,427	) (2,456	)
Employees' tax withheld and paid for restricted stock and restricted stock u		) —	
Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation	2,570	648	
Cash used for financing activities	(98,587	) (37,835	)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	673	(1,386	)
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(81,628	) 13,069	

Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	284,375	349,961
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$202,747	\$363,030

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PLANTRONICS, INC.
NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

#### 1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying unaudited Condensed consolidated financial statements ("financial statements") of Plantronics, Inc. ("Plantronics" or the "Company") have been prepared pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") applicable to interim financial information. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in the financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations. In the opinion of management, the financial statements have been prepared on a basis consistent with the March 31, 2011 audited consolidated financial statements and include all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring adjustments, necessary to fairly state the information set forth herein. The financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2011, which was filed with the SEC on May 31, 2011. The results of operations for the interim period ended June 30, 2011 are not indicative of the results to be expected for the entire fiscal year or any future period.

The financial statements include the accounts of Plantronics and its wholly owned subsidiaries. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated.

The Company's fiscal year ends on the Saturday closest to the last day of March. The Company's current fiscal year ends on March 31, 2012 and consists of 52 weeks and the prior fiscal year ended on April 2, 2011 and also consisted of 52 weeks. The Company's results of operations for the three months ended July 2, 2011 and July 3, 2010 each contain 13 weeks. For purposes of presentation, the Company has indicated its accounting year as ending on March 31 and its interim quarterly periods as ending on the applicable month end.

Certain financial statement reclassifications have been made to previously reported amounts to conform to the current year presentation.

## 2. RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

## Recently Adopted Pronouncements

There are no recently adopted accounting pronouncements other than as described in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2011.

#### Recently Issued Pronouncements

In June 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2011-05, Presentation of Comprehensive Income. This ASU is intended to increase the prominence of other comprehensive income in financial statements by presenting the components of net income and other comprehensive income in one continuous statement, referred to as the statement of comprehensive income, or in two separate, but consecutive statements. The new guidance eliminates the current option to report other comprehensive income and its components in the statement of changes in stockholders' equity. While the new guidance changes the presentation of comprehensive income, there are no changes to the components that are recognized in net income or other comprehensive income under current accounting guidance. This new guidance is effective for fiscal years and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2011; therefore, the Company will adopt ASU 2011-05 in its fourth quarter of

fiscal 2012. The Company does not expect the adoption of ASU 2011-05 to have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In May 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-04, Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRSs ("ASU 2011-04"), which amends ASC 820, Fair Value Measurement. ASU 2011-04 does not extend the use of fair value accounting, but provides guidance on how it should be applied where its use is already required or permitted by other standards within U.S. GAAP or International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRSs"). ASU 2011-14 changes the wording used to describe many requirements in U.S. GAAP for measuring fair value and for disclosing information about fair value measurements. Additionally, ASU 2011-14 clarifies the FASB's intent about the application of existing fair value measurements. ASU 2011-04 is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011 and is applied prospectively; therefore, the Company will adopt ASU 2011-04 in its fourth quarter of fiscal 2012. The Company does not expect the adoption of ASU 2011-04 to have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

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# 3. DETAILS OF CERTAIN BALANCE SHEET ACCOUNTS

Accounts	receivable,	net:
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(in thousands) Accounts receivable Provisions for returns Provisions for promotions, rebates and other Provision for doubtful accounts and sales allowances Accounts receivable, net	* * *	March 31, 2011 \$125,137 (10,437 ) (10,460 ) (951 ) \$103,289
Inventory, net:		
(in thousands) Raw materials Work in process Finished goods Inventory, net	June 30, 2011 \$16,659 2,871 38,167 \$57,697	March 31, 2011 \$15,315 2,558 38,600 \$56,473
Accrued Liabilities:		
(in thousands) Employee compensation and benefits Warranty obligation accrual Accrued advertising and sales and marketing Accrued other Accrued liabilities	June 30, 2011 \$22,687 12,936 2,669 15,477 \$53,769	March 31, 2011 \$27,478 11,016 2,873 18,240 \$59,607

Changes during the three months ended June 30, 2011 in the warranty obligation accrual, which is included as a component of Accrued liabilities in the Condensed consolidated balance sheets, are as follows:

(in thousands)	Ended June 30, 2011
Warranty obligation accrual at March 31, 2011	\$11,016
Warranty provision relating to products shipped	4,720
Deductions for warranty claims processed	(2,800 )
Warranty obligation accrual at June 30, 2011	\$12,936
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# 4. CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

The following table represents the Company's cash, cash equivalents and investments as of June 30, 2011 and March 31, 2011:

(in thousands)	June 30, 20	)11				March 31,	2011			
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross l Unrealize Losses	ed	Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross d Unrealiz Losses	zec	Fair Value
Cash and cash equivalents:										
Cash	\$121,226	\$—	<b>\$</b> —		\$121,226	\$136,804	<b>\$</b> —	<b>\$</b> —		\$136,804
Cash equivalents	81,521	_	_		81,521	147,573	1	(3	)	147,571
Total Cash and cash equivalents	\$202,747	<b>\$</b> —	<b>\$</b> —		\$202,747	\$284,377	\$1	\$(3	)	\$284,375
Short-term investments: U.S. Treasury Bills and										
Government Agency Securities	\$61,770	\$27	\$(4	)	\$61,793	\$98,845	\$17	\$(1	)	\$98,861
Commercial Paper	45,768	10			45,778	30,071	5	(1	)	30,075
Corporate Bonds	16,969	6	(4	)	16,971	11,212	4	_		11,216
Certificates of Deposit ("CDs")	2,513	3	_		2,516	5,420	9	_		5,429
Total Short-term investments	\$127,020	\$46	\$(8	)	\$127,058	\$145,548	\$35	\$(2	)	\$145,581
Long-term investments:										
U.S. Treasury Bills and Government Agency	\$13,533	\$4	\$(2	)	\$13,535	\$17,387	\$4	<b>\$</b> —		\$17,391
Securities Securities	ψ15,555	ψт	Ψ(2	,	Ψ13,333	Ψ17,507	ΨΤ	Ψ		Ψ17,371
Corporate Bonds	38,005	56	(17	)	38,044	19,086	8	(35	)	19,059
CDs	4,881	3	(1	)	4,883	2,879	3			2,882
Total Long-term investments	\$56,419	\$63	\$(20	)	\$56,462	\$39,352	\$15	\$(35	)	\$39,332
Total cash, cash equivalents and investments	\$386,186	\$109	\$(28	)	\$386,267	\$469,277	\$51	\$(40	)	\$469,288

As of June 30, 2011 and March 31, 2011, all of the Company's investments are classified as available-for-sale securities.

The following table summarizes the amortized cost and fair value of the Company's cash equivalents, short-term investments and long-term investments, classified by stated maturity as of June 30, 2011 and March 31, 2011:

(in thousands)	June 30, 2011		March 31, 2011		
	Amortized	Fair Value	Amortized	Fair Value	
	Cost	raii value	Cost	raii vaiue	
Due in 1 year or less	\$208,541	\$208,579	\$293,121	\$293,152	

Due in 1 to 3 years	56,419	56,462	39,352	39,332
Total	\$264,960	\$265,041	\$332,473	\$332,484

The Company did not incur any material realized or unrealized net gains or losses in the three months ended June 30, 2011 or 2010.

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#### 5. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The following tables represent the Company's fair value hierarchy for its financial assets and liabilities:

Fair Values as of June 30, 2011:				
(in thousands)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Cash	\$121,226	\$—	<b>\$</b> —	\$121,226
Money Market Accounts	41,500			41,500
U.S. Treasury Bills and Government Agency	61,688	43,662		105,350
Securities	01,000	13,002		105,550
Commercial Paper	_	55,776	_	55,776
Corporate Bonds	_	55,016		55,016
CDs	_	7,399		7,399
Derivative assets		777		777
Total assets measured at fair value	\$224,414	\$162,630	<b>\$</b> —	\$387,044
Derivative liabilities	\$37	\$3,279	<b>\$</b> —	\$3,316
Fair Values as of March 31, 2011:				
(in thousands)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Cash	\$136,804	<b>\$</b> —	<b>\$</b> —	\$136,804
Money Market Accounts	38,000			38,000
U.S. Treasury Bills and Government Agency	154,703	43,543		198,246
Securities	154,705			
Commercial Paper	_	52,568		52,568
Corporate Bonds	_	33,358	_	33,358
CDs	_	10,312		10,312
Derivative assets	_	360		360
Total assets measured at fair value	\$329,507	\$140,141	<b>\$</b> —	\$469,648
Derivative liabilities	\$27	\$4,174	<b>\$</b> —	\$4,201

Level 1 financial assets consist of cash, money market funds and U.S. Treasury Bills. Level 1 financial liabilities consist of foreign exchange forward contracts not designated as hedges. The fair value of Level 1 financial instruments is measured based on the quoted market price of identical securities.

Level 2 financial assets and liabilities consist of Government Agency Securities, Commercial Paper, Corporate Bonds, CDs and derivative foreign currency call and put option contracts. Fair value is determined using inputs that are observable, either directly or indirectly, such as quoted market prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets with insufficient volume or infrequent transactions (less active markets); or model-derived valuations, such as the Black Scholes valuation model, in which all significant inputs are observable or can be derived principally from or corroborated with observable market data covering substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities. During the three months ended June 30, 2011 or March 31, 2011, the Company did not have any transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 fair value instruments.

The Company had no Level 3 financial assets or liabilities as of June 30, 2011 or March 31, 2011.

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#### 6. GOODWILL AND PURCHASED INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Goodwill as of June 30, 2011 and March 31, 2011 was \$14.0 million.

The following tables present the carrying value of acquired intangible assets with remaining net book values as of each period:

	June 30, 20	011		March 31,	2011			
	Gross	Accumulate	d Net	Gross	Accumula	ted Net		
(in thousands)	Amount	Amortization	n Amount	Amount	Amortizat	ion Amount	Use	ful Life
Technology	\$3,000	\$ (2,938)	\$62	\$3,000	\$(2,812	) \$188	6	years
Customer relationships	1,705	(1,113)	592	1,705	(1,044	) 661	8	years
OEM relationships	27	(21)	) 6	27	(20	) 7	7	years
Total	\$4,732	\$ (4,072	\$660	\$4,732	\$(3,876	) \$856		

The aggregate amortization expense relating to purchased intangible assets was immaterial for the three months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010.

#### 7. STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

The following table summarizes the amount of stock-based compensation expense included in the Condensed consolidated statements of operations:

	Three Months	Ended	
	June 30,		
(in thousands)	2011	2010	
Cost of revenues	\$546	\$533	
Research, development and engineering	947	937	
Selling, general and administrative	2,686	2,307	
Stock-based compensation expense included in operating expenses	3,633	3,244	
Total stock-based compensation	4,179	3,777	
Income tax benefit	(1,282	(1,041)	
Total stock-based compensation, net of tax	\$2,897	\$2,736	

## **Stock Options**

The following is a summary of the Company's stock option activity during the three months ended June 30, 2011:

	Options Outst	anding		
	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
	(in thousands)	)	(in years)	(in thousands)
Outstanding at March 31, 2011	5,360	\$25.58		
Options granted	327	\$36.51		
Options exercised	(552	) \$20.87		
Options forfeited or expired	(52	) \$36.87		
Outstanding at June 30, 2011	5,083	\$26.68	3.2	\$55,305
Vested and expected to vest at June 30, 2011	4,968	\$26.56	3.2	\$54,715

Exercisable at June 30, 2011 3,778 \$25.89 2.3 \$44,704

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The total intrinsic value of options exercised during the three months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010 was \$9.1 million and \$3.7 million, respectively. Intrinsic value is defined as the amount by which the fair value of the underlying stock exceeds the exercise price at the time of option exercise. The total cash received as a result of stock option exercises during the three months ended June 30, 2011 was \$11.5 million.

As of June 30, 2011, total unrecognized compensation cost related to unvested stock options was \$11.0 million which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.9 years.

#### Restricted Stock

The following is a summary of the Company's restricted stock activity during the three months ended June 30, 2011:

Number of Shares	
(in thousands)	
688	\$29.52
366	\$36.60
(46)	\$29.02
(3)	\$33.01
1,005	\$32.23
	Shares (in thousands) 688 366 (46 ) (3

The weighted average grant-date fair value of awards of restricted stock and restricted stock units is based on the quoted market price of the Company's common stock on the date of grant. The weighted average grant-date fair value of restricted stock awards granted during the three months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010 was \$36.60 and \$30.20, respectively. The total fair value of restricted stock awards that vested during the three months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010 was \$1.3 million and \$0.3 million, respectively.

As of June 30, 2011, total unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested restricted stock awards was \$22.5 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 3.1 years.

#### **Valuation Assumptions**

The Company estimates the fair value of stock options and Employee Stock Purchase Plan ("ESPP") shares using a Black-Scholes option valuation model. The fair value of stock option and ESPP shares granted during the respective periods is estimated on the date of grant using the following weighted average assumptions:

Three Months Ended	
June 30,	
2011 2010	
44.4 % 46.1	%
1.4 % 1.9	%
0.6 % 0.7	%
4.0 4.2	
r value \$12.58 \$11.26	
1.4 % 1.9 0.6 % 0.7 4.0 4.2	

The Company recognizes the grant-date fair value of stock-based compensation as compensation expense in the Condensed consolidated statements of operations using the straight-line attribution approach over the service period for which the stock-based compensation is expected to vest.

No purchase rights were granted under the ESPP during the three months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010.

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#### 8. COMMON STOCK REPURCHASES

From time to time, the Board of Directors authorizes plans under which the Company may repurchase shares of its common stock in the open market, depending on market conditions. During the quarter ended June 30, 2011, the Company repurchased in the open market 270,000 shares of its common stock which was under a repurchase plan authorized by the Board of Directors on March 1, 2011 for 1,000,000 shares. The total cost of these repurchases was \$9.5 million with an average price of \$35.34 per share. As of June 30, 2011, there were 390,900 remaining shares authorized for repurchase under this authorized plan. In addition, the Company withheld shares worth \$0.7 million in satisfaction of employee tax withholding obligations upon the vesting of restricted stock granted under the Company's stock plans. The amounts withheld were equivalent to the employees' minimum statutory tax withholding requirements and are reflected as a financing activity within the Company's Condensed consolidated statements of cash flows. These share withholdings had the effect of share repurchases by the Company as they reduced the number of shares that would have otherwise been issued as a result of the vesting and did not represent an expense to the Company.

On May 3, 2011, the Company's Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to 7,000,000 shares of the Company's outstanding common stock through open market or privately negotiated transactions. In connection with this stock repurchase authorization and pursuant to an accelerated share repurchase program (the "ASR Program"), the Company entered into two separate Master Confirmation and Supplemental Confirmations (the "ASR Agreements") with Goldman, Sachs & Co. ("Goldman") consisting of a Collared ASR and an Uncollared ASR. Under the ASR Agreements, the Company will repurchase shares of its common stock for an aggregate purchase price of \$100 million. Goldman borrowed the shares that were delivered to the Company as described below, and is obligated to purchase sufficient shares of the Company's common stock in the open market to return to lenders over the terms of the agreements. The ASR Program is expected to conclude no later than January 9, 2012, although in certain circumstances the termination date may be accelerated at Goldman's option. The actual number of shares repurchased will be determined at the completion of the ASR Program. As discussed in greater detail below, the Company received a total of 2,183,014 shares under the ASR Program during the three months ended June 30, 2011. As of June 30, 2011, there were 4,816,986 remaining shares authorized for repurchase under the May 3, 2011 authorization. Repurchased shares are held as treasury stock.

In accordance with the Equity topic of the FASB Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC"), the Company accounted for the ASR Agreements as two separate transactions: (a) as shares of common stock acquired in a treasury stock transaction recorded on the acquisition date and (b) as a forward contract indexed to the Company's own common stock. As such, the Company accounted for the shares that it received under the ASR Program as a repurchase of its common stock for the purpose of calculating earnings per common share. The Company has determined that the forward contract indexed to the Company's common stock met all of the applicable criteria for equity classification in accordance with the Derivatives and Hedging topic of the FASB ASC, and, therefore, the ASR Agreements were not accounted for as derivative instruments.

#### Collared ASR Agreement

Under the first agreement (the "Collared ASR Agreement"), the number of shares to ultimately be repurchased by the Company is based generally on the volume-weighted average price ("VWAP") of the Company's common stock during the term of the Collared ASR Agreement, subject to collar provisions that established minimum and maximum numbers of shares based on the average VWAP over an initial hedge period. On May 12, 2011, the Company paid Goldman \$50 million in exchange for an initial delivery to the Company of 867,690 shares on May 23, 2011, valued at the closing price of the Company's common stock of \$37.56 on May 9, 2011, which was the date the major terms of the agreement to purchase the shares was reached.

Pursuant to the terms of the Collared ASR Agreement, the hedge period for determining the minimum and maximum number of shares to be purchased ended on May 23, 2011. The minimum has been set at 1,228,555 shares and the maximum has been set at 1,501,567 shares. Goldman delivered an additional 360,865 shares to the Company on May 26, 2011, valued at the closing price of the Company's common stock of \$35.16 on May 23, 2011, which was the date the initial hedge period ended. Accordingly, the Company has received a total of 1,228,555 shares from Goldman as of June 30, 2011, equivalent to the minimum number of shares to be delivered under the terms of the Collared ASR Agreement. At the conclusion of the Collared ASR Agreement, the Company may receive additional shares based on the VWAP of the Company's common stock during the term of the agreement, up to the maximum of 1,501,567 shares. Based on the minimum number of shares delivered and the value of the Company's common stock on the relevant dates described above, the total consideration allocated to stock repurchases under the Collared ASR Agreement was \$45.3 million. The remaining \$4.7 million was recorded as an equity forward contract and was included in Additional paid-in capital in the Condensed consolidated balance sheet as of June 30, 2011.

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#### Uncollared ASR Agreement

Under the second agreement, (the "Uncollared ASR Agreement"), the number of shares to be repurchased by the Company is based generally on the VWAP of the Company's common stock during the term of the ASR Agreement. On May 12, 2011, the Company paid Goldman \$50 million in exchange for an initial delivery to the Company of 954,459 shares on May 23, 2011, representing approximately 72% of the shares expected to be repurchased based on the closing price of the Company's common stock of \$37.56 on May 9, 2011, which was the date the major terms of the agreement to purchase the shares was reached. At the conclusion of the ASR Agreement, the Company may receive additional shares, or may be required to pay additional cash or shares (at the Company's election), based on the VWAP of the Company's common stock during the term of the agreement. Based on the number of shares delivered and the Company's stock price on the date at which the major terms of the agreement to purchase the shares were reached, the total consideration allocated to stock repurchases under the Uncollared ASR Agreement was \$35.8 million. The remaining \$14.2 million was recorded as an equity forward contract and was included in Additional paid-in capital in the Condensed consolidated balance sheet as of June 30, 2011.

#### 9. CREDIT AGREEMENT

In May 2011, the Company entered into a credit agreement (the "Credit Agreement") with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association ("the Bank"). The Credit Agreement provides for a \$100 million unsecured revolving credit facility. If requested by the Company and agreed to by the Bank, the Bank may increase its commitment thereunder by up to \$100 million, for a total facility size of up to \$200 million. The Company has not yet drawn any funds under the facility.

Loans will bear interest at the election of the Company (1) at the Bank's announced prime rate less 1.50% per annum, (2) at a daily one month LIBOR rate plus 1.10% per annum or (3) at an adjusted LIBOR rate, for a term of one, three or six months, plus 1.10% per annum. Interest on the loans is payable quarterly in arrears. In addition, the Company agreed to pay a fee equal to 0.20% per annum on the average daily unused amount of the line of credit, which is payable quarterly in arrears.

Principal, together with accrued and unpaid interest, is due on the maturity date, May 9, 2014. The Company may prepay the loans and terminate the commitments in whole at any time, without premium or penalty, subject to reimbursement of certain costs in the case of LIBOR loans.

The Company's obligations under the Credit Agreement are required to be guaranteed by the Company's domestic subsidiaries, subject to certain exceptions.

The credit facility requires the Company to comply with a maximum ratio of funded debt to earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ("EBITDA") and a minimum EBITDA coverage ratio, in each case at each fiscal quarter end and determined on a rolling four-quarter basis. In addition, the Company and its subsidiaries are required to maintain unrestricted cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities plus availability under the Credit Agreement at the end of each fiscal quarter of at least \$200 million.

The credit facility contains affirmative covenants, including covenants regarding the payment of taxes and other liabilities, maintenance of insurance, reporting requirements and compliance with applicable laws and regulations. The credit facility contains negative covenants, among other things, limiting, subject to certain monetary thresholds, the ability of the Company to incur debt, make capital expenditures, grant liens, make acquisitions and make investments. The events of default under the credit facility include payment defaults, cross defaults with certain other indebtedness, breaches of covenants, judgment defaults and bankruptcy and insolvency events involving the Company or any of its subsidiaries. The Company was in compliance with all covenants at June 30, 2011.

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#### 10. COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

The components of comprehensive income for the three months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010 are as follows:

	Three Months June 30,	Ended	
(in thousands)	2011	2010	
Net income	\$26,731	\$25,946	
Unrealized gain on cash flow hedges, net of tax	1,265	932	
Foreign currency translation gain (loss), net of tax	652	(302	)
Unrealized gain on investments, net of tax	53		
Comprehensive income	\$28,701	\$26,576	

#### 11. FOREIGN CURRENCY DERIVATIVES

#### Non-Designated Hedges

The Company enters into foreign exchange forward contracts to reduce the impact of foreign currency fluctuations on assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than the functional currency of the reporting entity. These foreign exchange forward contracts are not subject to the hedge accounting provisions of the Derivatives and Hedging Topic of the FASB ASC, but are carried at fair value with changes in the fair value recorded within Interest and other income, net, on the Condensed consolidated statement of operations in accordance with the Foreign Currency Matters Topic of the FASB ASC. Gains and losses on these contracts are intended to offset the impact of foreign exchange rate changes on the underlying foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities, and therefore, do not subject the Company to material balance sheet risk. The Company does not enter into foreign currency forward contracts for trading purposes.

As of June 30, 2011, the Company had foreign currency forward contracts denominated in Euros ("EUR"), Great Britain Pounds ("GBP"), and Australian Dollars ("AUD"). These forward contracts hedge against a portion of the Company's foreign currency-denominated cash balances, receivables and payables. The following table summarizes the notional value of the Company's outstanding foreign exchange currency contracts and approximate U.S. dollar equivalent ("USD Equivalent") at June 30, 2011:

	Local Currency	USD Equivalent	Position	Maturity
	(in thousands)	(in thousands)		
EUR	15,000	\$21,744	Sell EUR	1 month
GBP	4,700	\$7,548	Sell GBP	1 month
AUD	4,700	\$5,038	Sell AUD	1 month

Foreign currency transactions, net of the effect of forward contract hedging activity, resulted in immaterial net gains in the three months ended June 30, 2011 and immaterial net losses in the three months ended June 30, 2010, which are included in Interest and other income, net, in the Condensed consolidated statement of operations.

#### Cash Flow Hedges

The Company's hedging activities include a hedging program to hedge the economic exposure from anticipated EUR and GBP denominated sales. The Company hedges a portion of these forecasted foreign denominated sales with put and call currency option contracts used as collars. These transactions are designated as cash flow hedges and are accounted for under the hedge accounting provisions of the Derivatives and Hedging Topic of the FASB ASC. The effective portion of the hedge gain or loss is initially reported as a component of Accumulated other comprehensive income and subsequently reclassified into Net revenues when the hedged exposure affects earnings. Any ineffective

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In the three months ended June 30, 2011, realized losses on cash flow hedges of \$2.0 million were recognized in Net revenues in the Condensed consolidated statements of operations compared to realized gains of \$1.0 million for the same period in the prior year. The Company expects to reclassify the entire loss of \$3.1 million, net of tax, in Accumulated other comprehensive income to Net revenues during the next 12 months due to the recognition of the hedged forecasted sales.

The Company hedges expenditures denominated in Mexican Peso ("MX\$"), which are designated as cash flow hedges and are accounted for under the hedge accounting provisions of the Derivatives and Hedging Topic of the FASB ASC. The Company hedges a portion of the forecasted MX\$ denominated expenditures with a cross-currency swap. The effective portion of the hedge gain or loss is initially reported as a component of Accumulated other comprehensive income and subsequently reclassified into Cost of revenues when the hedged exposure affects operations. Any ineffective portion of related gains or losses is recorded in the Condensed consolidated statements of operations immediately. As of June 30, 2011 and March 31, 2011, the Company had foreign currency swap contracts of approximately MX\$268.9 million and MX\$343.9 million, respectively.

In the three months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, there were no material realized gains on MX\$ cash flow hedges recognized in Cost of revenues in the Condensed consolidated statements of operations. The Company expects to reclassify the entire gain of \$0.6 million, net of tax, in Accumulated other comprehensive income to Cost of revenues during the next 12 months due to the recognition of the hedged forecasted expenditures.

The following table summarizes the notional value of the Company's outstanding MX\$ currency swaps and approximate USD Equivalent at June 30, 2011:

	Local Currency (in thousands)	USD Equivalent (in thousands)	Position	Maturity
MX\$	268,850	\$21,858	Buy MX\$	Monthly over 9 months

The amounts in the tables below include fair value adjustments related to the Company's own credit risk and counterparty credit risk.

Fair Value of Derivative Contracts

Fair value of derivative contracts under the Derivatives and Hedging Topic of the FASB ASC were as follows:

	Derivative Asset	S	Derivative Liabilities		
	Reported in Other Current Assets		Reported in Accru	ed Liabilities	
	June 30,	March 31,	June 30,	March 31,	
(in thousands)	2011	2011	2011	2011	
Foreign exchange contracts designated as cash flow hedges	\$777	\$360	\$3,316	\$4,201	
Foreign exchange contracts not designated	_	_	_		
Total derivatives	\$777	\$360	\$3,316	\$4,201	

Effect of Designated Derivative Contracts on Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income

The following table represents only the balance of designated derivative contracts under the Derivatives and Hedging Topic of the FASB ASC as of June 30, 2011 and March 31, 2011, and the impact of designated derivative contracts before tax on Accumulated other comprehensive income for the three months ended June 30, 2011:

(in thousands) March 31, 2011 Amount of gain (loss) June 30, 2011 (loss) reclassified from OCI

		recognized in OC (effective portion		to income (loss) (effective portion)		
Foreign exchange contracts designated as cash flow hedges	\$(3,841	) \$(312	)	\$(1,614	) \$(2,539	)

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Effect of Designated Derivative Contracts on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations

The effect of designated derivative contracts under the Derivatives and Hedging Topic of the FASB ASC on results of operations recognized in gross profit in the Condensed consolidated statements of operations was as follows:

Three Months Ended

	inree Months Ended		
	June 30,		
(in thousands)	2011	2010	
Gain (loss) on foreign exchange contracts designated as cash flow hedges	\$(1,614	) \$1,092	

Effect of Non-Designated Derivative Contracts on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations

The effect of non-designated derivative contracts under the Derivatives and Hedging Topic of the FASB ASC on results of operations recognized in Interest and other income (expense), net in the Condensed consolidated statement of operations was as follows:

	Three Month	Three Months Ended		
	June 30,			
(in thousands)	2011	2010		
Gain (loss) on foreign exchange contracts	\$(797	) \$2,046		

#### 12. INCOME TAXES

The effective tax rate for the three months ended June 30, 2011 was 25.1%, compared to 26.9% for the same period a year ago. The lower effective tax rate for the three months ended June 30, 2011 compared to the same period a year ago is due primarily to a larger proportion of income earned in foreign jurisdictions during the quarter which is taxed at lower rates, as well as the reinstatement of the United States ("U.S.") federal research tax credit in December 2010 which was extended through December 2011 and was not available in the same period a year ago. The effective tax rate differs from the statutory rate due to the impact of foreign operations taxed at different statutory rates, tax credits, state taxes and other factors. The future tax rate could be impacted by a shift in the mix of domestic and foreign income, tax treaties with foreign jurisdictions, changes in tax laws in the U.S. or internationally, or a change in estimates of future taxable income which could result in a valuation allowance being required.

As of June 30, 2011, the Company had \$11.2 million of unrecognized tax benefits, compared to \$10.5 million at March 31, 2011, recorded in Long-term income taxes payable on the Condensed consolidated balance sheet, all of which would favorably impact the effective tax rate in future periods if recognized.

The Company's continuing practice is to recognize interest and/or penalties related to income tax matters in Income tax expense. The accrued interest related to unrecognized tax benefits is \$1.8 million as of June 30, 2011 as compared to \$1.7 million as of March 31, 2011. No penalties have been accrued.

The Company believes that an adequate provision has been made for any adjustments that may result from tax examinations; however, the outcome of such examinations cannot be predicted with certainty. If any issues addressed in the tax examinations are resolved in a manner inconsistent with the Company's expectations, the Company could be required to adjust its provision for income tax in the period such resolution occurs. Although timing of the resolution and/or closure of tax examinations is not certain, the Company does not believe it is reasonably possible that its unrecognized tax benefits would materially change in the next twelve months.

The Company and its subsidiaries are subject to taxation in various foreign and state jurisdictions as well as in the U.S. The Company is no longer subject to U.S. federal tax examinations by tax authorities for tax years prior to 2008. The Company is under examination by the California Franchise Tax Board for its 2007 and 2008 tax

years. Foreign income tax matters for material tax jurisdictions have been concluded for tax years prior to fiscal 2006, except for the United Kingdom which has been concluded for tax years prior to fiscal 2009.

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#### 13. COMPUTATION OF EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted earnings per common share:

		Three Months Ended June 30,		
(in thousands, except per share data)	2011	2010		
Numerator:				
Net income	\$26,731	\$25,946		
Denominator:				
Weighted average common shares-basic	46,688	48,128		
Dilutive effect of employee equity incentive plans	1,372	1,586		
Weighted average common shares-diluted	48,060	49,714		
Earnings per common share-basic	\$0.57	\$0.54		
Earnings per common share-diluted	\$0.56	\$0.52		
Potentially dilutive securities excluded from earnings per common share-diluted because their effect is anti-dilutive	1,489	2,334		

#### 14. REVENUE AND MAJOR CUSTOMERS

The Company designs, manufactures, markets and sells headsets for business and consumer applications, and other specialty products for the hearing impaired. With respect to headsets, it makes products for use in offices and contact centers, with mobile and cordless phones, and with computers and gaming consoles. Major product categories include "Office and Contact Center", which includes corded and cordless communication headsets, audio processors and telephone systems; "Mobile", which includes Bluetooth and corded products for mobile phone applications; "Gaming and Computer Audio", which includes PC and gaming headsets; and "Clarity", which includes specialty telephone products marketed for hearing impaired individuals.

The following table presents net revenues by product group:

	Three Month	Three Months Ended		
	June 30,			
(in thousands)	2011	2010		
Net revenues from unaffiliated customers:				
Office and Contact Center	\$130,999	\$117,580		
Mobile	32,164	38,657		
Gaming and Computer Audio	7,395	9,325		
Clarity	5,042	5,123		
Total net revenues	\$175,600	\$170,685		

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The following table presents net revenues by geography:

Three Months Ended			
June 30,			
2011	2010		
\$100,291	\$103,992		
43,162	38,782		
19,237	16,263		
12,910	11,648		
75,309	66,693		
\$175,600	\$170,685		
	June 30, 2011 \$100,291 43,162 19,237 12,910 75,309		

No customer accounted for 10% or more of total net revenues for the three months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, nor did any one customer account for 10% or more of accounts receivable, net, at June 30, 2011 and March 31, 2011.

# 15. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On August 1, 2011, the Company's Board of Directors declared a cash dividend of \$0.05 per share of the Company's common stock, payable on September 9, 2011 to stockholders of record at the close of business on August 19, 2011.

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

#### CERTAIN FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION:

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act") and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"). Forward-looking statements may generally be identified by the use of such words as "expect," "anticipate," "believe," "intend," "plan," "will," or "shall" and similar expressions, or the negative of these terms. Specific forward-looking statements contained within this Form 10-Q include statements containing our expectations regarding (i) the launch of additional Unified Communications ("UC") products and new Mobile products, (ii) our long-term strategy to invest for UC, (iii) the future of UC technologies, including the effect on headset adoption and use, the effects on enterprises that adopt UC and our expectation concerning our revenue opportunity from UC, (iv) our expenses, including research and development expenses and sales, general and administrative expenses, (v) our future tax rate, (vi) our anticipated capital expenditures for the remainder of fiscal 2012, (vii) the sufficiency of our cash, cash equivalents and cash from operations, (viii) our ability to draw funds on our credit facility as needed, and (ix) the outcome and effect of legal proceedings, as well as other statements regarding our future operations, financial condition and prospects and business strategies. Such forward-looking statements are based on current expectations and assumptions and are subject to risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause actual results and events to differ materially from such forward-looking statements are included, but not limited to, those discussed in the section entitled "Risk Factors" herein and other documents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") including our annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2011. We undertake no obligation to update or revise publicly any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise. Given these risks and uncertainties, readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such forward-looking statements.

#### **OVERVIEW**

We are a leading worldwide designer, manufacturer, and marketer of lightweight communications headsets, telephone headset systems, and accessories for the business and consumer markets under the Plantronics brand. In addition, we manufacture and market, under our Clarity brand, specialty telephone products, such as telephones for the hearing impaired, and other related products for people with special communication needs.

We ship a broad range of products to approximately 60 countries through a worldwide network of distributors, retailers, wireless carriers, original equipment manufacturers ("OEMs"), and telephony service providers. We have well-developed distribution channels in North America, Europe, Australia and New Zealand, where use of our products is widespread. Our distribution channels in other regions of the world are less mature, and, while we primarily serve the contact center markets in those regions, we continued to expand into the office, mobile and entertainment, digital audio and specialty telephone markets in those regions and additional international locations.

Unified Communications ("UC") is widely expected to increase the adoption and use of headsets in enterprise applications. Headsets help to enable voice to be delivered naturally in the UC environment. As UC is adopted by enterprises to reduce costs and improve collaboration, headsets are expected to be an important part of the UC environment. In fiscal 2012, we remain focused on our long-term strategy to invest in UC as a key long-term driver of revenue and profit growth. We continue to focus on innovative product development, including the use of software and services as part of our products.

Consolidated net revenues increased to \$175.6 million in the first quarter of fiscal 2012 from \$170.7 million in the first quarter of fiscal 2011 driven by higher sales of our Office and Contact Center ("OCC") products which increased \$13.4 million or 11% from the same quarter a year ago. The increase in net revenues from these products in the

current quarter was primarily from increased demand for headsets designed for UC and our participation in the UC market. This increase was offset in part by lower Mobile revenues which decreased by \$6.5 million or 17% over the same quarter a year ago due to declines in the U.S. as a result of some market share loss in the U.S. and overall weakness in the product category offset in part by revenue growth in Asia Pacific ("APAC") and Europe, Middle East and Africa ("EMEA").

Our gross profit as a percentage of net revenue increased to 53.6% in the first quarter of fiscal 2012 from 52.4% in the first quarter of fiscal 2011 due to a shift in revenue mix to our higher margin OCC products which represented 75% of our net revenues in the first quarter of fiscal 2012 compared to 69% in the same quarter a year ago. In the Mobile market, particularly for consumer applications, margins are typically lower than for our enterprise applications due to the level of competition and pricing pressures.

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#### **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

The following tables set forth, for the periods indicated, the Condensed consolidated statements of operations data, which is derived from the accompanying unaudited Condensed consolidated financial statements. The financial information and ensuing discussion should be read in conjunction with the accompanying unaudited Condensed consolidated financial statements and notes thereto.

Three Months Ended June 30.

Tiffee Month's Ended Jule 30,				
2011		2010		
\$175,600	100.0	% \$170,685	100.0	%
81,542	46.4	% 81,237	47.6	%
94,058	53.6	% 89,448	52.4	%
16,906	9.6	% 14,901	8.7	%
42,116	24.0	% 38,686	22.7	%
59,022	33.6	% 53,587	31.4	%
35,036	20.0	% 35,861	21.0	%
641	0.4	% (382	) (0.2	)%
35,677	20.4	% 35,479	20.8	%
8,946	5.1	% 9,533	5.6	%
26,731	15.3	% 25,946	15.2	%
Three Months Ended				
June 30,		Increase		
2011	2010	(Decrease	e)	
\$130,999	\$117,580	\$13,419	11.4	%
32,164	38,657	(6,493	) (16.8	)%
7,395	9,325	(1,930	) (20.7	)%
5,042	5,123	(81	) (1.6	)%
\$175,600	\$170,685	\$4,915	2.9	%
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OCC products represent our largest source of revenues, while Mobile products represent large unit volume opportunities. Revenues may vary due to seasonality, the timing of new product introductions, discounts and other incentives and channel mix.

Net revenues increased to \$175.6 million in the first quarter of fiscal 2012 from \$170.7 million in the first quarter of fiscal 2011 as a result of higher OCC revenues, growth in emerging markets and the benefit of a weaker U.S. dollar ("USD") primarily against the Euro, offset in part by a decline in the Mobile market. The growth in OCC revenues was due primarily to continued growth in UC revenues.

Fluctuations in net revenues for the three months ended June 30, 2011 compared to the same quarter a year ago resulted primarily from the following:

OCC net revenues increased by \$13.4 million due primarily to growth in UC revenues and growth in emerging markets.

Mobile net revenues decreased \$6.5 million due to declines in the U.S. as a result of some market share loss and overall weakness in the product category, offset in part by international growth driven by market share gains in the APAC and EMEA regions.

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#### Geographical Information

	s Ended	Tu ana ana		
June 30,				
2011	2010	(Decrease)		
\$100,291	\$103,992	\$(3,701)	(3.6	)%
57.1 %	60.9 %	(3.8)	ppt.	
43,162	38,782	4,380	11.3	%
19,237	16,263	2,974	18.3	%
12,910	11,648	1,262	10.8	%
75,309	66,693	8,616	12.9	%
42.9 %	39.1 %	3.8	ppt.	
\$175,600	\$170,685	\$4,915	2.9	%
	June 30, 2011 \$100,291 57.1 % 43,162 19,237 12,910 75,309 42.9 %	2011       2010         \$100,291       \$103,992         57.1       % 60.9       %         43,162       38,782         19,237       16,263         12,910       11,648         75,309       66,693         42.9       % 39.1       %	June 30, 2010 Increase (Decrease)  \$100,291 \$103,992 \$(3,701)  57.1 % 60.9 % (3.8)  43,162 38,782 4,380  19,237 16,263 2,974  12,910 11,648 1,262  75,309 66,693 8,616  42.9 % 39.1 % 3.8	June 30, 2010 (Decrease)  \$100,291 \$103,992 \$(3,701 ) (3.6 57.1 % 60.9 % (3.8 ) ppt. 43,162 38,782 4,380 11.3 19,237 16,263 2,974 18.3 12,910 11,648 1,262 10.8 75,309 66,693 8,616 12.9 42.9 % 39.1 % 3.8 ppt.

Consolidated U.S. net revenues as a percentage of total net revenues were 57% in the first quarter of fiscal 2012 and 61% in the same quarter of the prior year. U.S. net revenues decreased 3.6% in the three months ended June 30, 2011, due primarily to a decline in revenues for Mobile products due to some market share loss and overall weakness in the product category, partially offset by growth in OCC products due primarily to growth in UC revenues. International net revenues increased to 43% of total net revenues in the first quarter of fiscal 2012, as compared to 39% in the same prior year quarter. International net revenues increased by 12.9% for the quarter ended June 30, 2011 compared to the same prior year quarter. The EMEA region increased due to improved demand for OCC products and increased product placements in the Mobile market. APAC region revenues increased mostly from higher Mobile revenues due to increased product placements, and growth in OCC product revenues as a result of growth in emerging markets and increased channel resources.

#### COST OF REVENUES AND GROSS PROFIT

Cost of revenues consists primarily of direct manufacturing and contract manufacturer costs, warranty expense, and reserves for excess and obsolete inventory. These costs include material and direct labor, our operations management team and indirect labor such as supervisors and warehouse workers, freight expense, depreciation, royalties, and an allocation of overhead expenses including IT, facilities, human resources, and legal costs.

, ,	Three Mo	Three Months Ended		
	June 30,		Increase	
(in thousands except percentages)	2011	2010	(Decrease)	
Net revenues	\$175,600	\$170,685	\$4,915	2.9 %
Cost of revenues	81,542	81,237	305	0.4 %
Consolidated gross profit	\$94,058	\$89,448	\$4,610	5.2 %
Consolidated gross profit %	53.6	% 52.4 %	1.2	ppt.

As a percentage of net revenues, the increase in gross profit in the quarter ended June 30, 2011 as compared to the same quarter a year ago was due primarily to the following:

- a 1.2 percentage point benefit from higher product margins driven mostly by a favorable product mix consisting of a higher portion of OCC revenues which generally have a higher gross margin than other product categories;
- a 0.7 percentage point benefit from a weaker USD; and
- a 0.4 percentage point benefit from lower freight costs.

These benefits were partially offset by the following:

- ${\bf e}$  0.9 percentage point decrease from higher commodity and sourcing costs; and
- a 0.5 percentage point decrease from higher requirements for warranty provisions.

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Product mix has a significant impact on gross profit as there can be significant variances between our higher and our lower margin products. Therefore, small variations in product mix, which can be difficult to predict, can have a significant impact on gross profit. In addition, if we do not properly anticipate changes in demand, we have in the past, and may in the future, incur significant costs associated with writing off excess and obsolete inventory or incur charges for adverse purchase commitments. Gross profit may also vary based on distribution channel, return rates, the amount of product sold for which royalties are required to be paid, the rate at which royalties are calculated, and other factors.

### RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND ENGINEERING

Research, development and engineering costs are expensed as incurred and consist primarily of compensation costs, outside services, including legal fees associated with protecting our intellectual property, expensed materials, depreciation, and an allocation of overhead expenses, including facilities, IT, human resources, and legal costs.

	Three Mon	ilis Eliaea			
	June 30,		Increase		
(in thousands except percentages)	2011	2010	(Decrease)		
Research, development and engineering	\$16,906	\$14,901	\$2,005	13.5	%
% of total net revenues	9.6	% 8.7	% 0.9	ppt.	

For the three months ended June 30, 2011, research, development and engineering expenses increased as compared to the same period a year ago due primarily to \$1.0 million in higher compensation expenses mostly as a result of increased headcount to support development of UC products, along with increased outsourced project costs to support our UC and other product portfolios.

We anticipate that our research, development and engineering expenses will increase in the remaining quarters of fiscal 2012 due to increased UC and software investments.

## SELLING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE

Selling, general and administrative expenses consist primarily of compensation costs, marketing costs, travel expenses, litigation and professional service fees, and allocations of overhead expenses, including IT costs, facilities, human resources, and bad debt expense.

	Three Months				
	June 30,		Increase		
(in thousands except percentages)	2011	2010	(Decrease)		
Selling, general and administrative	\$42,116	\$38,686	\$3,430	8.9	%
% of total net revenues	24.0 %	22.7 %	1.3	ppt.	

In the three months ended June 30, 2011, compared to the same year ago quarter, selling, general and administrative expenses increased due mostly to higher compensation expenses of \$2.0 million primarily as a result of increased headcount and \$1.0 million due to higher travel expense, as well as marketing promotional costs related primarily to our integrated marketing programs which promote our brand and capabilities for the UC market and our global sales training and communication events.

We anticipate our selling, general and administrative expenses will remain relatively stable in the remaining quarters of fiscal 2012.

## OPERATING INCOME

Three Months Ended	
June 30,	Increase

(in thousands except percentages)	2011	2010	(Decreas	e)	
Operating income	\$35,036	\$35,861	\$(825	) (2.3	)%
% of total net revenues	20.0 %	21.0	% (1.0	) ppt.	

In the three months ended June 30, 2011, compared to the same prior year period, consolidated operating income decreased slightly primarily as a result of higher operating expenses to support future expected growth.

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#### INTEREST AND OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE), NET

	Three Months Ended					
	June 30,			Increase		
(in thousands except percentages)	2011	2010		(Decrease)		
Interest and other income (expense), net	\$641	\$(382	)	\$1,023	(267.8	)%
% of total net revenues	0.4 %	(0.2	)%	0.6	ppt.	

In the three months ended June 30, 2011, compared to the same prior year period, interest and other income (expense), net increased due primarily to greater foreign currency exchange gains and increased interest income from our investment portfolio.

#### INCOME TAX EXPENSE

	Three Mont				
	June 30,		Increase	•	
(in thousands except percentages)	2011	2010	(Decrease)		
Income before income taxes	\$35,677	\$35,479	\$198	0.6	%
Income tax expense	8,946	9,533	(587	) (6.2	)%
Net income	\$26,731	\$25,946	\$785	3.0	%
Effective tax rate	25.1	% 26.9	% (1.8	) ppt.	

Our effective tax rate for the three months ended June 30, 2011 was 25.1%, compared to 26.9% for the same period a year ago. The lower effective tax rate for the three months ended June 30, 2011 compared to the same period a year ago is due primarily to a larger proportion of income earned in foreign jurisdictions during the quarter which is taxed at lower rates, as well as the reinstatement of the United States ("U.S.") federal research tax credit in December 2010 which was extended through December 2011 and was not available in the same period a year ago. The effective tax rate differs from the statutory rate due to the impact of foreign operations taxed at different statutory rates, tax credits, state taxes and other factors. The future tax rate could be impacted by a shift in the mix of domestic and foreign income, tax treaties with foreign jurisdictions, changes in tax laws in the U.S. or internationally, or a change in estimates of future taxable income which could result in a valuation allowance being required.

As of June 30, 2011, we had \$11.2 million of unrecognized tax benefits, compared to \$10.5 million at March 31, 2011, recorded in Long-term income taxes payable on the Condensed consolidated balance sheet, all of which would favorably impact the effective tax rate in future periods if recognized.

Our continuing practice is to recognize interest and/or penalties related to income tax matters in Income tax expense. The accrued interest related to unrecognized tax benefits is \$1.8 million as of June 30, 2011 as compared to \$1.7 million as of March 31, 2011. No penalties have been accrued.

We believe that an adequate provision has been made for any adjustments that may result from tax examinations; however, the outcome of such examinations cannot be predicted with certainty. If any issues addressed in the tax examinations are resolved in a manner inconsistent with our expectations, we could be required to adjust our provision for income tax in the period such resolution occurs. Although timing of the resolution and/or closure of tax examinations is not certain, we do not believe it is reasonably possible that our unrecognized tax benefits would materially change in the next twelve months.

We are subject to taxation in various foreign and state jurisdictions as well as in the U.S. We are no longer subject to U.S. federal tax examinations by tax authorities for tax years prior to 2008. We under examination by the California Franchise Tax Board for its 2007 and 2008 tax years. Foreign income tax matters for material tax jurisdictions have been concluded for tax years prior to fiscal 2006, except for the United Kingdom which has been concluded for tax

years prior to fiscal 2009.

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#### FINANCIAL CONDITION

The table below provides selected Condensed consolidated cash flow information for the periods presented:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		
(in thousands)	2011	2010	
Cash provided by operating activities	\$19,223	\$32,047	
Capital expenditures and other assets	\$(3,935	\$(3,007)	)
Cash provided by maturities and sales of investments, net	998	23,250	
Cash (used for) provided by investing activities	\$(2,937	\$20,243	
Repurchase of common stock	\$(90,668	\$(43,706)	)
Equity forward contract related to accelerated share repurchase program	(18,872	) —	
Proceeds from issuance of common stock	11,515	7,666	
Payment of cash dividends	(2,427	) (2,456	)
Cash (used for) provided by other financing activities	1,865	661	
Cash used for financing activities	\$(98,587	) \$(37,835	)

### Cash Flows from Operating Activities

Cash flows from operating activities for the three months ended June 30, 2011 consisted of net income of \$26.7 million, non-cash charges of \$5.2 million and working capital uses of cash of \$12.7 million. Non-cash charges consisted primarily of \$4.2 million of stock-based compensation, \$3.5 million of depreciation and amortization and a \$1.4 million income tax benefit associated with stock option exercises, offset in part by \$2.6 million in excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation expense and a \$2.1 million benefit from deferred income taxes. Working capital uses of cash consisted primarily of an increase in accounts receivable and inventory and decreases in accounts payable and accrued liabilities. The days sales outstanding ("DSO") as of June 30, 2011 increased to 56 days from 51 days as of June 30, 2010 which was primarily a result of the timing of when revenues were earned in the quarter resulting in an increase in the accounts receivable balance as of June 30, 2011 in comparison to the same period in the prior year. Inventory turns increased to 5.7 for the three months ended June 30, 2011 as compared to 4.2 for the same period in the prior year due to lower inventory levels as of June 30, 2011 than as of June 30, 2010. The working capital uses of cash were offset in part by working capital sources of cash, primarily from a decrease in prepaid income taxes.

Cash flows from operating activities for the three months ended June 30, 2010 consisted of net income of \$25.9 million, non-cash charges of \$6.6 million and working capital uses of cash of \$0.5 million. Non-cash charges related primarily to \$4.0 million of depreciation and amortization and \$3.8 million of stock-based compensation, offset in part by a \$1.2 million benefit from deferred income taxes. Working capital uses of cash consisted primarily of increases in inventory and accounts receivable. The working capital uses of cash were offset in part by working capital sources of cash, primarily from an increase in accounts payable related to the increase in inventory and an increase in income taxes payable.

### Cash Flows from Investing Activities

Net cash flows used for investing activities for the three months ended June 30, 2011 consisted primarily of \$63.1 million and \$35.1 million for the purchase of short-term and long-term investments, respectively, along with capital expenditures of \$3.9 million related primarily to building improvements, IT projects and tooling. These uses of cash were offset in part by net proceeds of \$99.2 million from sales and maturities of short-term and long-term

## investments.

Net cash flows provided by investing activities for the three months ended June 30, 2010 consisted primarily of net proceeds of \$23.3 million from the sale of our Auction Rate Securities ("ARS") short-term investments at par value and capital expenditures of \$3.0 million primarily related to tooling and IT projects.

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#### Cash Flows used for Financing Activities

Net cash flows used for financing activities for the three months ended June 30, 2011 consisted primarily of \$90.7 million related to the repurchase of common stock including repurchases under our accelerated share repurchase program ("ASR Program"), \$18.9 million for equity forward contracts related to the ASR Program, and dividend payments of \$2.4 million which were partially offset by \$11.5 million in proceeds from the exercise of stock options.

Net cash flows used in financing activities for the three months ended June 30, 2010 consisted primarily of \$43.7 million related to the repurchase of common stock and dividend payments of \$2.5 million which were partially offset by \$7.7 million in proceeds from the sale of treasury stock issued for purchases under our Employee Stock Purchase Plan ("ESPP").

### Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our primary discretionary cash requirements have historically been to repurchase our common stock. At June 30, 2011, we had working capital of \$441.8 million, including \$329.8 million of cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments, compared with working capital of \$524.1 million, including \$430.0 million of cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments at March 31, 2011. The decrease in working capital at June 30, 2011 compared to March 31, 2011 is a result of the decrease in cash and cash equivalents due to significant payments made for repurchases of our common stock in the quarter ended June 30, 2011 which were funded from cash and cash equivalents on hand at March 31, 2011. As of June 30, 2011, of our \$329.8 million of cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments, \$69.1 million is held in the U.S. while \$260.7 million is held internationally and would be subject to U.S. tax if we repatriate it back to the U.S.

For the remainder of fiscal 2012, we expect to spend an additional \$14.0 million to \$16.0 million in capital expenditures, consisting primarily of building improvements, IT related expenditures and tooling for new products. We will continue to evaluate new business opportunities and new markets; as a result, future growth within the existing business or new opportunities and markets may dictate the need for additional facilities and capital expenditures to support that growth.

From time to time, the Board of Directors authorizes plans under which we may repurchase shares of our common stock in the open market, depending on market conditions. During the quarter ended June 30, 2011, we repurchased in the open market 270,000 shares of our common stock which was under a repurchase plan authorized by the Board of Directors on March 1, 2011 for 1,000,000 shares. The total cost of these repurchases was \$9.5 million with an average price of \$35.34 per share. As of June 30, 2011, there were 390,900 remaining shares authorized for repurchase under this authorized plan. In addition, the Company withheld 18,126 shares totaling \$0.7 million in satisfaction of employee tax withholding obligations upon the vesting of restricted stock granted under the Company's stock plans.

On May 3, 2011, the Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to 7,000,000 shares of our outstanding common stock. As part of this authorization, on May 9, 2011, we entered into two separate Master Confirmation and Supplemental Confirmations with Goldman, Sachs & Co. ("Goldman") to repurchase an aggregate of \$100 million of our common stock under an accelerated share repurchase program (the "ASR Program"). Goldman borrowed the shares that were delivered to us, and is expected to purchase sufficient shares of our common stock in the open market to return to lenders over the terms of the agreements. The ASR Program is expected to conclude no later than January 9, 2012, although in certain circumstances the termination date may be accelerated at Goldman's option. During the first three months of fiscal 2012, we repurchased 2,183,014 shares of our common stock under the ASR Program and the actual number of shares repurchased will be determined at the completion of the ASR Program. The final cost of these shares will be determined at the conclusion of the ASR Program. For additional information regarding the ASR Program, including the ASR Agreements, refer to Note 8, Common Stock Repurchases, of the Notes to Condensed

Consolidated Financial Statements in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Our cash and cash equivalents as of June 30, 2011 consist of U.S. Treasury Bills or Treasury-Backed funds, Commercial Paper and bank deposits with third party financial institutions. While we monitor bank balances in our operating accounts and adjust the balances as appropriate, these balances could be impacted if the underlying financial institutions fail or if there are other adverse conditions in the financial markets. Cash balances are held throughout the world, including substantial amounts held outside of the U.S. Most of the amounts held outside of the U.S. could be repatriated to the U.S., but, under current law, would be subject to U.S. federal income taxes, less applicable foreign tax credits, upon repatriation.

Our investments are intended to establish a high-quality portfolio that preserves principal, meets liquidity needs, avoids inappropriate concentrations and delivers an appropriate yield in relationship to our investment guidelines and market conditions. As of June 30, 2011, our investments were composed of U.S. Treasury Bills, Government Agency Securities, Commercial Paper, Corporate Bonds, and Certificates of Deposit ("CDs").

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We enter into foreign currency forward-exchange contracts, which typically mature in one month intervals, to hedge our exposure to foreign currency fluctuations of Euro, Great Britain Pound and Australian Dollar denominated cash balances, receivables and payables. We record in the Condensed consolidated balance sheet at each reporting period the fair value of our forward-exchange contracts and record any fair value adjustments in our Condensed consolidated statement of operations. Gains and losses associated with currency rate changes on contracts are recorded within Interest and other income (expense), net, offsetting transaction gains and losses on the related assets and liabilities. Please see Item 3 Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk for additional information.

We also have a hedging program to hedge a portion of forecasted revenues denominated in the Euro and Great Britain Pound with put and call option contracts used as collars. We also hedge a portion of the forecasted expenditures in Mexican Pesos with a cross-currency swap. At each reporting period, we record the net fair value of our unrealized option contracts in the Condensed consolidated balance sheet with related unrealized gains and losses as a component of Accumulated other comprehensive income, a separate element of Stockholders' equity. Gains and losses associated with realized option contracts and swap contracts are recorded within Net revenues and Cost of revenues, respectively. Please see Item 3 Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk for additional information.

Our liquidity, capital resources, and results of operations in any period could be affected by the exercise of outstanding stock options, restricted stock grants to employees and the issuance of common stock under our ESPP. Further, the resulting increase in the number of outstanding shares could affect our earnings per share; however, we cannot predict the timing or amount of proceeds from the sale or exercise of these securities or whether they will be exercised at all.

In May 2011, we entered into a Credit Agreement with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association which provides for a \$100 million unsecured revolving credit facility to augment our financial flexibility to facilitate the ASR Program. If requested by us and agreed to by the Bank, the Bank may increase its commitment thereunder by up to \$100 million, for a total facility size of up to \$200 million. Principal, together with accrued and unpaid interest, is due on the maturity date, May 9, 2014 and our obligations under the Credit Agreement are required to be guaranteed by our domestic subsidiaries, subject to certain exceptions. We have not yet drawn any funds under the credit facility. Loans will bear interest at the election of the Company (1) at the Bank's announced prime rate less 1.50% per annum, (2) at a daily one month LIBOR rate plus 1.10% per annum or (3) at an adjusted LIBOR rate, for a term of one, three or six months, plus 1.10% per annum. The credit facility requires us to comply with a maximum ratio of funded debt to earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ("EBITDA") and a minimum EBITDA coverage ratio, in each case at each fiscal quarter end and determined on a rolling four-quarter basis. In addition, the Company and its subsidiaries are required to maintain unrestricted cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities plus availability under the Credit Agreement at the end of each fiscal quarter of at least \$200 million. The credit facility contains covenants including covenants regarding the payment of taxes and other liabilities, maintenance of insurance, reporting requirements and compliance with applicable laws and regulations. The credit facility also contains negative covenants, among other things, limiting our ability to incur debt, make capital expenditures, grant liens, make acquisitions and make investments. The events of default under the credit facility include payment defaults, cross defaults with certain other indebtedness, breaches of covenants, judgment defaults and bankruptcy and insolvency events involving us or any of our subsidiaries. We are currently in compliance with all covenants under the credit facility.

We believe that our current cash and cash equivalents, short-term investments, and cash provided by operations along with the availability of funds under our \$100 million Credit Agreement will be sufficient to fund operations for at least the next twelve months; however, any projections of future financial needs and sources of working capital are subject to uncertainty. See "Certain Forward-Looking Information" and "Risk Factors" in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for factors that could affect our estimates for future financial needs and sources of working capital.

## OFF BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

We have not entered into any transactions with unconsolidated entities whereby we have financial guarantees, subordinated retained interests, derivative instruments or other contingent arrangements that expose us to material continuing risks, contingent liabilities, or any other obligation under a variable interest in an unconsolidated entity that provides financing and liquidity support or market risk or credit risk support to the Company.

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#### CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

There have been no material changes in our contractual obligations outside the normal course of business since the fiscal year ended March 31, 2011. At June 30, 2011, unrecognized tax benefits and related interest were \$11.2 million and \$1.8 million, respectively. We are unable to reliably estimate the timing of future payments related to unrecognized tax benefits; however, Long-term income taxes payable on our Condensed consolidated balance sheet includes these unrecognized tax benefits. We do not anticipate any material cash payments associated with our unrecognized tax benefits to be made within the next 12 months.

### CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND ESTIMATES

For a complete description of what we believe to be the critical accounting policies that affect our more significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of our financial statements, refer to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2011. There have been no changes to our critical accounting policies during the three months ended June 30, 2011.

**Recent Accounting Pronouncements** 

**Recently Adopted Pronouncements** 

There are no recently adopted accounting pronouncements other than as described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2011.

### Recently Issued Pronouncements

In June 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2011-05, Presentation of Comprehensive Income. This ASU is intended to increase the prominence of other comprehensive income in financial statements by presenting the components of net income and other comprehensive income in one continuous statement, referred to as the statement of comprehensive income, or in two separate, but consecutive statements. The new guidance eliminates the current option to report other comprehensive income and its components in the statement of changes in stockholders' equity. While the new guidance changes the presentation of comprehensive income, there are no changes to the components that are recognized in net income or other comprehensive income under current accounting guidance. This new guidance is effective for fiscal years and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2011; therefore, we will adopt ASU 2011-05 in our fourth quarter of fiscal 2012. We do not expect the adoption of ASU 2011-05 to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

In May 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-04, Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRSs ("ASU 2011-04"), which amends ASC 820, Fair Value Measurement. ASU 2011-04 does not extend the use of fair value accounting, but provides guidance on how it should be applied where its use is already required or permitted by other standards within U.S. GAAP or International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRSs"). ASU 2011-14 changes the wording used to describe many requirements in U.S. GAAP for measuring fair value and for disclosing information about fair value measurements. Additionally, ASU 2011-14 clarifies the FASB's intent about the application of existing fair value measurements. ASU 2011-04 is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011 and is applied prospectively; therefore, the Company will adopt ASU 2011-04 in its fourth quarter of fiscal 2012. We do not expect the adoption of ASU 2011-04 to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

The following discusses our exposure to market risk related to changes in interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates. This discussion contains forward-looking statements that are subject to risks and uncertainties. Actual results could vary materially as a result of a number of factors including those set forth in "Risk Factors."

### INTEREST RATE RISK

We had cash and cash equivalents totaling \$202.7 million at June 30, 2011 compared to \$284.4 million at March 31, 2011. We had short-term investments totaling \$127.1 million at June 30, 2011, compared to \$145.6 million at March 31, 2011. We had long-term investments of \$56.5 million at June 30, 2011, compared to \$39.3 million at March 31, 2011. Cash equivalents have a remaining maturity of three months or less at the date of purchase; short-term securities have a remaining maturity of greater than three months at the date of purchase and an effective maturity of less than one year; and long-term investments have effective maturities greater than one year, or we do not currently have the ability to liquidate the investment. As of June 30, 2011, our investments were composed of U.S. Treasury Bills, Government Agency Securities, Commercial Paper, Corporate Bonds and Certificates of Deposit ("CDs").

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Our investment policy and strategy are focused on preservation of capital and supporting our liquidity requirements. A portion of our cash is managed by external managers within the guidelines of our investment policy. Our exposure to market risk for changes in interest rates relates primarily to our investment portfolio. We typically invest in highly rated securities and our policy generally limits the amount of credit exposure to any one issuer. Our investment policy requires investments to be high credit quality, primarily rated A or A2, with the objective of minimizing the potential risk of principal loss. All highly liquid investments with initial maturities of three months or less at the date of purchase are classified as cash equivalents. We classify our investments as either short-term or long-term based on each instrument's underlying maturity date. All short-term investments have effective maturities less than 12 months, while all long-term investments have effective maturities greater than 12 months. We may sell our investments prior to their stated maturities for strategic purposes, in anticipation of credit deterioration, or for duration management. We recognized no material realized or unrealized net gains or losses during the three months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010.

Interest rates increased in the three months ended June 30, 2011 compared to the same prior year quarter. During the quarter ended June 30, 2011, we generated no significant interest income from our portfolio of cash equivalents and investments. A hypothetical increase or decrease in our interest rates by 10 basis points would have a minimal impact on our interest income.

### FOREIGN CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATE RISK

We are exposed to currency fluctuations, primarily in the Euro ("EUR"), Great Britain Pound ("GBP"), Australian Dollar ("AUD") and the Mexican Peso ("MX\$"). We use a hedging strategy to diminish, and make more predictable, the effect of currency fluctuations. All of our hedging activities are entered into with large financial institutions, which we periodically evaluate for credit risks. We hedge our balance sheet exposure by hedging EUR, GBP and AUD denominated cash balances, receivables, and payables, and our economic exposure by hedging a portion of anticipated EUR and GBP denominated sales and our MX\$ denominated expenditures. We can provide no assurance that our strategy will be successful in the future and that exchange rate fluctuations will not materially adversely affect our business.

We experienced immaterial net foreign currency gains in the three months ended June 30, 2011. Although we hedge a portion of our foreign currency exchange exposure, the weakening of certain foreign currencies, particularly the Euro and the Great Britain Pound in comparison to the U.S. Dollar ("USD"), could result in material foreign exchange losses in future periods.

#### Non-designated Hedges

We hedge our EUR, GBP and AUD denominated cash, receivables and payables balances by entering into foreign exchange forward contracts. The table below presents the impact on the foreign exchange gain (loss) of a hypothetical 10% appreciation and a 10% depreciation of the USD against the forward currency contracts as of June 30, 2011 (in millions):

		USD Value of Net	Foreign Exchange	Foreign Exchange	
Currency - forward contracts	Position	Foreign Exchange	Gain From 10%	Loss From 10%	
		Contracts	Appreciation of USD	Depreciation of USD	
EUR	Sell Euro	\$21.7	\$2.2	\$(2.2)	
GBP	Sell GBP	7.5	0.8	(0.8	
AUD	Sell AUD	5.0	0.5	(0.5)	

## Cash Flow Hedges

In the first quarter of fiscal 2012, approximately 43% of our net revenue was derived from sales outside of the U.S., which were denominated primarily in EUR and GBP.

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As of June 30, 2011, we had foreign currency put and call option contracts with notional amounts of approximately €58.3 million and £16.6 million denominated in EUR and GBP, respectively. Collectively, our option contracts hedge against a portion of our forecasted foreign currency denominated sales. If the USD is subjected to either a 10% appreciation or 10% depreciation versus these net exposed currency positions, we could incur a gain of \$8.1 million or a loss of \$9.3 million, respectively. The table below presents the impact on the Black-Scholes valuation of our currency option contracts of a hypothetical 10% appreciation and a 10% depreciation of the USD against the indicated option contract type for cash flow hedges as of June 30, 2011(in millions):

	USD Value of Net	Foreign Exchange	Foreign Exchange	
Currency - option contracts	Foreign Exchange	Gain From 10%	Loss From 10%	
	Contracts	Appreciation of USD	Depreciation of USD	
Call options	\$110.7	\$4.0	\$(8.1	)
Put options	102.8	4.1	(1.2	)

Collectively, our swap contracts hedge against a portion of our forecasted MS\$ denominated expenditures. As of June 30, 2011, we had cross currency swap contracts with notional amounts of approximately MX\$268.9 million. The table below presents the impact on the valuation of our cross-currency swap contracts of a hypothetical 10% appreciation and a 10% depreciation of the USD as of June 30, 2011 (in millions):

_	USD Value of Net	Foreign Exchange	Foreign Exchange
Currency - cross-currency swap contracts	Foreign Exchange	Loss From 10%	Gain From 10%
	Contracts	Appreciation of USD	Depreciation of USD
Position: Buy MX\$	\$21.9	\$(2.0)	\$2.5
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#### Item 4. Controls and Procedures

#### (a) Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures

Our management evaluated, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Based on this evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective as of the end of the period covered by this report to ensure that information we are required to disclose in reports that we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (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 Plantronics' management, including our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

## (b) Changes in internal control over financial reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

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#### PART II -- OTHER INFORMATION

#### ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

We are presently engaged in various legal actions arising in the normal course of our business. We believe that it is unlikely that any of these actions will have a material adverse impact on our operating results; however, because of the inherent uncertainties of litigation, the outcome of any of these actions could be unfavorable and could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows. There were no material developments in the litigation on which we reported in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2011.

#### ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

Investors in our stock should carefully consider the following risk factors in connection with any investment in our stock. Our stock price will reflect the performance of our business relative to, among other things, our competition, expectations of securities analysts or investors, and general economic market conditions and industry conditions. Our business, financial condition and results of operations could be materially adversely affected if any of the following risks occur. Accordingly, the trading price of our stock could decline, and investors could lose all or part of their investment.

Economic conditions may materially adversely affect the Company.

Global economic concerns such as the varying pace of global economic recovery continue to create uncertainty and unpredictability and add risk to our future outlook. Sovereign debt issues and economic uncertainty in Greece, Portugal, Spain, Ireland and other countries in Europe and around the world raise concerns in markets important to our business. A global economic downturn could result in reductions in sales of our products, longer sales cycles, slower adoption of new technologies and increased price competition.

Financial institutions may continue to consolidate or cease to do business which could result in a tightening of the credit markets, a low level of liquidity in many financial markets, and increased volatility in fixed income, credit, currency and equity markets. There could be a number of negative effects from a credit crisis on our business, which could include impaired credit availability and increased financial instability of our customers, including our distribution partners and other sales channel sources. Any of these events would likely harm our business, results of operations and financial condition.

Uncertainty regarding future economic conditions also makes it more challenging for us to forecast operating results, make business decisions, and identify the risks that may affect our business, sources and uses of cash, financial condition and results of operations. Further, fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates impact our revenues and profitability because we report our financial statements in U.S. Dollars ("USD"), whereas a significant portion of our sales to customers are transacted in other currencies, particularly the Euro and the Great Britain Pound ("GBP"). We hedge a portion of our Euro and GBP forecasted revenue exposure for the future 12 month period. We can offer no assurance that such strategies will be effective in minimizing our exposure. If the Euro and GBP fall against the USD, our revenues, gross profit and profitability in the future could be negatively affected. See also our risk titled "We are exposed to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates which may adversely affect our revenues, gross profit, and profitability."

Our operating results are difficult to predict, and fluctuations may cause volatility in the trading price of our common stock.

Given the nature of the markets in which we compete, our revenues and profitability are difficult to predict for many reasons, including the following:

Our operating results are highly dependent on the volume and timing of orders received during the quarter, which are difficult to forecast. Customers generally order on an as-needed basis, and we typically do not obtain firm, long-term purchase commitments from our customers. As a result, our revenues in any quarter depend primarily on orders booked and shipped in that quarter.

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We incur a large portion of our costs in advance of sales orders because we must plan research and production, order components and enter into development, incur sales and marketing expenditures, and other operating commitments prior to obtaining firm commitments from our customers. In the event we acquire too much inventory for certain products, the risk of future inventory write-downs increases. Conversely, in the event we have inadequate inventory to meet the demand for particular products, we may miss significant revenue opportunities or incur significant expenses such as air freight, costs for expediting shipments, and other negative variances in our manufacturing processes as we attempt to make up for the shortfall. When a significant portion of our revenue is derived from new products, forecasting the appropriate volumes of production is even more difficult.

Fluctuations in our operating results may cause volatility in the trading price of our common stock.

The success of our business depends heavily on our ability to effectively market our UC products, and our business could be materially adversely affected if markets do not develop as we expect.

We compete in the business market for the sale of our office and contact center products. We believe that our greatest long-term opportunity for profit growth is in the UC office market, and our foremost strategic objective for this segment is to increase headset adoption. To this end, we are investing in creating new products that are more appealing in functionality and design as well as targeting certain vertical segments to increase sales. We continue to believe that the implementation of UC technologies by large corporations will be a significant long-term driver of office headset adoption, and, as a result, a key long-term driver of revenue and product growth. UC is the integration of voice and video-based communications systems enhanced with software applications and Internet Protocol ("IP") networks. It may include the integration of devices and media associated with a variety of business workflows and applications, including e-mail, instant messaging, presence, audio, video and web conferencing, and unified messaging. UC seeks to provide seamless connectivity and user experience for enterprise workers regardless of their location and environment, improving overall business efficiency and providing more effective collaboration among an increasingly distributed workforce. Despite weak economic conditions, trial deployments of UC solutions and headsets continue to grow, with some evidence that the cost savings and productivity enhancements derived from UC are driving the expansion of existing deployments in both the U.S. and Europe. We can give no assurance that significant growth in UC will occur or that we will be able to take advantage of any growth that does occur.

Our ability to realize our UC plans and to achieve the financial results projected to arise from UC adoption could be adversely affected by the following factors: (i) the risk that, as UC becomes more widely adopted, competitors will offer solutions that will effectively commoditize our headsets which, in turn, will reduce the sales prices for our headsets; (ii) our plans are dependent upon the market success of major platform providers such as Microsoft Corporation, Cisco Systems, Inc., Avaya, Inc., Alcatel-Lucent, and IBM, and we have a limited ability to influence such providers with respect to the functionality of their platforms, their rate of deployment, and their willingness to integrate their platforms with our solutions; (iii) the development of UC solutions is technically complex and this may delay or obstruct our ability to introduce solutions to the market on a timely basis and that are cost effective, feature-rich, stable and attractive to our customers; (iv) our development of UC solutions is dependent on our ability to design, develop and manufacture complex electronic systems comprised of hardware, firmware and software that must work in a wide variety of environments and multiple variations; (v) as UC becomes more widely adopted we anticipate that competition for market share will increase, and some competitors may have superior technical and economic resources; (vi) UC solutions may not be adopted with the breadth and speed in the marketplace that we currently anticipate; and (vii) UC may evolve rapidly and unpredictably and our ability to adapt to those changes and future requirements may impact our profitability in this market and our overall margins.

Because the major providers of UC software utilize complex and proprietary platforms in which our UC products will be integrated, it will be necessary for us to expand our technical support capabilities. This expansion will result in

additional expenses to hire the personnel and develop the infrastructure necessary to adequately serve our UC customers. Our support expenditures may substantially increase over time as these platforms evolve and as UC becomes more commonly adopted.

If these investments do not generate incremental revenue, our business could be materially affected. In addition, the UC market is intensively competitive; failure to adapt to pricing pressures could impact our business.

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The failure of our suppliers to provide quality components or services in a timely manner could adversely affect our results of operations.

Our growth and ability to meet customer demand depends in part on our ability to obtain timely deliveries of raw materials, components, sub-assemblies, and products from our suppliers. We buy raw materials, components and sub-assemblies from a variety of suppliers and assemble them into finished products. We also have certain of our components and products manufactured for us by third party suppliers. The cost, quality, and availability of such goods are essential to the successful production and sale of our products. Obtaining raw materials, components, sub-assemblies, and finished products entails various risks, including the following:

Rapid increases in production levels to meet unanticipated demand for our products could result in higher costs for components and sub-assemblies, increased expenditures for freight to expedite delivery of required materials, and higher overtime costs and other expenses. These higher expenditures could reduce our profit margins. Further, if production is increased rapidly, there may be decreased manufacturing yields, which may also reduce our margins.

We obtain certain raw materials, sub-assemblies, components and products from single suppliers, including substantially all of our Bluetooth products from GoerTek, Inc. Alternate sources for these items may not be readily available. Any failure of GoerTek, Inc. or our other suppliers to remain in business, to provide us with the quantity of components or products that we need or to purchase the raw materials, subcomponents and parts required by them to produce and provide to us the components or products we need could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Although we generally use standard raw materials, parts and components for our products, the high development costs associated with emerging wireless and other technologies may require us to work with only a single source of silicon chips, chip-sets or other components or materials ("components or materials") on any particular new product. We, or our supplier(s) of components or materials, may experience challenges in designing, developing and manufacturing components or materials using these new technologies which could affect our ability to meet market schedules. Our components or materials suppliers may decide for commercial reasons to discontinue components or materials that we have designed into our products. Due to our dependence on single suppliers for certain components or materials, we could experience higher prices, a delay in development of the components or materials, or the inability to meet our customer demand for these new products. Additionally, these suppliers or other suppliers may enter into bankruptcy, discontinue production of the components or materials we depend on, or may not be able to produce for their own commercial reasons due to financial difficulties or global economic conditions. If this occurs, we may have difficulty obtaining sufficient product to meet our needs. This could cause us to fail to meet customer expectations. If customers cease purchasing our products or turn to our competitors to meet their needs, there could be a long-term adverse impact on our revenues and profitability. Our business, financial condition and results of operations could therefore be materially adversely affected as a result of these factors.

We were apprised by one of our sole sourced suppliers that a wafer fabrication foundry it uses to produce integrated circuits for certain of our call center and office headsets is no longer producing those integrated circuit products. The production of these products was shifted to a different wafer fabrication foundry that previously produced these integrated circuits on our behalf. We expect to have new products before our supply of integrated circuits is depleted; however, the new foundry could have difficulties re-establishing the process and re-qualifying the integrated circuits that they are producing on our behalf. If the new wafer fabrication foundry cannot produce these integrated circuits with good quality and in the quantities we require in a timely manner, it is possible that we will not have product available to meet demand. Our revenue might decrease as a result and our customers might be forced to turn to alternative suppliers. A failure to properly produce the integrated circuits in the re-qualified foundry could materially affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Because of the lead times required to obtain certain raw materials, sub-assemblies, components and products from certain suppliers, we may not be able to react quickly to changes in demand, potentially resulting in either excess inventories of such goods or shortages of the raw materials, sub-assemblies, components, and products. Lead times are particularly long on silicon-based components incorporating radio frequency and digital signal processing technologies and such components are an increasingly important part of our product costs. In particular, many consumer product orders have shorter lead times than the component lead times, making it increasingly necessary to carry more inventory in anticipation of those orders, which may not materialize. Failure in the future to match the timing of purchases of raw materials, sub-assemblies, components and products to demand could increase our inventories and/or decrease our revenues and could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

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Most of our suppliers are not obligated to continue to provide us with raw materials, components, and sub-assemblies. Rather, we buy most of our raw materials, components and subassemblies on a purchase order basis. Prices for many commodities are rising and are increasing our costs. Additionally, if our suppliers experience increased demand or shortages, it could affect deliveries to us. Any such shortages or further increases in prices could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

From time to time, we or our competitors may announce new products, capabilities, or technologies that may replace or shorten the life cycles of our existing products. The introduction of new or enhanced products requires us to manage the transition from older product inventories and ensure that adequate levels of new products can be delivered to meet customer demand. In addition, we must maintain adequate levels of replacement inventory to support continued sales of older products during the product transition. Our failure to effectively manage transitions from older products could result in inventory obsolescence or shortage of older product if customers do not transition to the new products in a timely manner which could have a material adverse effect on our revenues and profitability.

As part of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") has proposed disclosure requirements regarding the use of certain minerals, known as conflict minerals, which are mined from the Democratic Republic of Congo and adjoining countries, as well as procedures regarding a manufacturer's efforts to prevent the sourcing of such minerals and metals produced from those minerals. The implementation of these requirements could affect the sourcing and availability of metals used in the manufacture of a limited number of raw material parts contained in our products. This may reduce the number of suppliers who provide conflict free metals, and may affect our ability to obtain products in sufficient quantities or at competitive prices. Our material sourcing is broad based and multi-tiered, and we may not be able to conclusively verify the origins for all metals used in our products.

If we do not match production to demand, we may lose business or our gross margins could be materially adversely affected.

Our industry is characterized by technological changes, frequent new product introductions, short-term customer commitments and changes in demand. We determine production levels based on our forecasts of demand for our products. Actual demand for our products depends on many factors, which makes it difficult to forecast. We have experienced differences between our actual and our forecasted demand in the past and expect differences to arise in the future.

Some of our products utilize long-lead time parts which are available from a limited set of vendors. The combined effects of variability of demand among the customer base and significant long-lead time of single sourced materials has historically contributed to significant inventory write-downs, particularly in inventory for consumer products. For OCC products, long life-cycles periodically necessitate last-time buys of raw materials that may be used over the course of several years. We routinely review inventory for usage potential, including fulfillment of customer warranty obligations and spare part requirements. We write down to market value the excess and obsolete inventory. We evaluate the future realizable value of inventories and impact on gross margins, taking into consideration product life cycles, technological and product changes, demand visibility and other market conditions. We believe our current process for writing down inventory appropriately balances the risk in the marketplace with a fair representation of the realizable value of our inventory.

Announcements of currently planned or other new products, capabilities, or technologies may cause customers to defer or stop purchasing our products until new products become available. Due to the risks inherent in transitioning to new products, we must forecast accurate demand for new products while managing the transition from established products. Among the risks associated with the introduction of new products are difficulty predicting customer demand

and customer acceptance of the new products while effectively managing inventory levels to ensure adequate supply of the new product and avoid excess supply of the legacy product.

In view of the uncertainties inherent in the recovery from the global recession, it is particularly difficult to make accurate forecasts in this business environment. Significant unanticipated fluctuations in supply or demand and the global trend towards consignment of products could cause the following operating problems, among others:

If forecasted demand does not develop, we could have excess inventory and excess capacity. Over-forecast of demand could result in higher inventories of finished products, components, and sub-assemblies. In addition, because our retail customers have pronounced seasonality, we must build inventory well in advance of the December quarter in order to stock up for the anticipated future demand. If we were unable to sell these inventories, we would have to write off some or all of our inventories of excess products and unusable components and sub-assemblies. Excess manufacturing capacity could lead to higher production costs and lower margins.

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If demand increases beyond that forecasted, we may have to rapidly increase production. We currently depend on suppliers to provide additional volumes of components and sub-assemblies, and we are experiencing greater dependence on single source suppliers; therefore, we might not be able to increase production rapidly enough to meet unexpected demand. There could be short-term losses of sales while we are trying to increase production. In addition, we may incur increased costs for expediting products.

The production and distribution of Bluetooth and other wireless headsets presents many significant manufacturing, marketing and other operational risks and uncertainties including:

our dependence on third parties to supply key components, many of which have long lead times; our ability to forecast demand for the variety of new products within this product category for which relevant data is incomplete or unavailable; and

longer lead times with suppliers than commitments from some of our customers.

If we are unable to deliver products on time to meet the market window of our retail customers, we will lose opportunities to increase revenues and profits, or we may incur penalties for late delivery. We may also be unable to sell these finished goods, which would result in excess or obsolete inventory.

Any of the foregoing problems could materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

Prices of certain raw materials, components and sub-assemblies may rise or fall depending upon global market conditions.

We have experienced volatility in costs from our suppliers, particularly in light of the price fluctuations of oil, gold, silver and other commodities and products in the U.S. and around the world. We may continue to experience volatility, which could affect profitability and/or market share. If we experience cost increases and are unable to pass these on to our customers or to achieve operating efficiencies that offset these increases, our business, financial condition and results of operations may be materially and adversely affected.

We depend on original design manufacturers and contract manufacturers who may not have adequate capacity to fulfill our needs or may not meet our quality and delivery objectives which could have an adverse effect on our business.

Original design manufacturers and contract manufacturers produce key portions of our product lines for us, including the majority of our Bluetooth products. Our reliance on these original design manufacturers and contract manufacturers involves significant risks, including reduced control over quality and logistics management, the potential lack of adequate capacity and loss of services. Financial instability of our manufacturers or contractors resulting from the global recession or otherwise could result in our having to find new suppliers which could increase our costs and delay our product deliveries. These manufacturers and contractors may also choose to discontinue manufacturing our products for a variety of reasons. Consequently, we may experience delays in the timeliness, quality and adequacy of product deliveries, any of which could harm our business and operating results.

Currently, the majority of our Bluetooth products are manufactured by GoerTek, a contract manufacturer located in Weifang, China; therefore, the manufacturing of these products is heavily dependent upon GoerTek's ability to deliver the quantities of products that we demand in a timely manner and to meet our quality standards. In the event that GoerTek is unable or unwilling to meet our demand, delivery or price requirements, our Bluetooth business could be

severely and materially affected as it may be difficult to ramp-up a new manufacturer on a timely and cost effective basis.

We have strong competitors and expect to face additional competition in the future. If we are unable to compete effectively, our results of operations may be adversely affected.

All of our markets are intensely competitive. We could experience a decline in average selling prices, competition on sales terms and conditions, or continual performance, technical and feature enhancements from our competitors. Also, aggressive industry pricing practices may result in downward pressure on margins.

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Currently, our single largest competitor is GN Store Nord A/S ("GN"), a Danish telecommunications conglomerate with whom we experience price competition in the business markets. Motorola is a significant competitor in the consumer headset market, primarily in the mobile Bluetooth market, and has a brand name that is very well known and supported with significant marketing investments. Motorola also benefits from the ability to bundle other offerings with its headsets. We are also experiencing competition from other consumer electronics companies that currently manufacture and sell mobile phones or computer peripheral equipment. These competitors generally are larger, offer broader product lines, bundle or integrate with other products' communications headset tops and bases manufactured by them or others, offer products containing bases that are incompatible with our headset tops and have substantially greater financial, marketing and other resources than we do.

Competitors in audio devices vary by product line. The most competitive product line is headsets for cell phones where we compete with Motorola, Nokia, Aliph's Jawbone brand, BlueAnt Wireless, Samsung, GN's Jabra brand, Bose and Sony Ericsson among many others. Many of these competitors have substantially greater resources than we have, and each of them has established market positions in this business. In the office and contact center market, the largest competitors are GN and Sennheiser Communications. For the entertainment and computer audio market, our primary competitors are Logitech and Sennheiser. Our product markets are intensely competitive, and market leadership changes frequently as a result of new products, designs and pricing. We are facing additional competition from companies, principally located in the Asia Pacific region, which offer very low cost headset products including products that are modeled on or are direct copies of our products. These new competitors are offering very low cost products which result in pricing pressure in the market. If market prices are substantially reduced by such new entrants into the headset market, our business, financial condition or results of operations could be materially adversely affected.

If we do not distinguish our products, particularly our retail products, through distinctive, technologically advanced features and design, as well as continue to build and strengthen our brand recognition, our business could be harmed. If we do not otherwise compete effectively, demand for our products could decline, our revenues and gross margins could decrease, we could lose market share, and our earnings could decline.

We also compete in the consumer market for the sale of our mobile, gaming, and Clarity products. We believe that effective product promotion is highly relevant in the consumer market, which is dominated by large brands that have significant consumer mindshare. We have invested in marketing initiatives to raise awareness and consideration of Plantronics' products. We believe this will help increase preference for Plantronics and promote headset adoption overall. The consumer market is characterized by relatively rapid product obsolescence, and we are at risk if we do not have the right products at the right time to meet consumer needs. In addition, some of our competitors have significant brand recognition, and we are experiencing more competition in pricing actions which can result in significant losses and excess inventory.

If we are unable to stimulate growth in our business, if our costs to stimulate demand do not generate incremental profit, or if we experience significant price competition, our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows could suffer. In addition, failure to effectively market our products to customers could lead to lower and more volatile revenue and earnings, excess inventory and the inability to recover the associated development costs, any of which could also have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

Our consumer business is volatile and failure to compete successfully in this business may have an adverse effect on our financial condition.

Our consumer business, which consists primarily of Bluetooth headsets and computer and gaming headsets, is highly competitive. The risks faced in connection with this include the following:

interest in the consumer headset category may be lessening due to current weakening conditions in the consumer market and reduced attach rates of headsets to many popular mobile smartphones in the U.S.;

competition may increase more than we expect and result in product pricing pressures;

our ability to meet the market windows for consumer products;

difficulties retaining or obtaining shelf space for consumer products in our sales channel;

difficulties in achieving or maintaining a sufficient gross margin and uncertainties in the demand for Bluetooth headsets and computer and gaming headsets;

the varying pace of global economic recovery creates uncertainty and unpredictability about the demand for consumer products; and

our focus on UC products may weaken our competitive position.

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Our business will be materially adversely affected if we are not able to develop, manufacture, and market new products in response to changing customer requirements and new technologies.

The market for our products is characterized by rapidly changing technology, evolving industry standards, short product life cycles and frequent new product introductions. As a result, we must continually introduce new products and technologies and enhance existing products in order to remain competitive.

The technology used in our products is evolving more rapidly now than it has historically, and we anticipate that this trend may accelerate. Historically, the technology used in lightweight communications headsets has evolved slowly. New products have primarily offered stylistic changes and quality improvements rather than significant new technologies. Our increasing reliance and focus on the UC market has resulted in a growing portion of our products that integrate significant new technology. In addition, our increasing participation in the consumer market requires us to adopt new technology and, thus, our consumer products experience shorter lifecycles. We believe this is particularly true for our newer emerging technology products especially in the mobile, computer, residential and certain parts of the office markets. In particular, we anticipate a trend towards more integrated solutions that combine audio, video, and software functionality, while historically our focus was limited to audio products.

In the past, we have experienced a trend away from corded headsets to cordless products. In general, our corded headsets have had higher gross margins than our cordless products, but the margin on cordless headsets is trending higher. In addition, office phones have begun to incorporate Bluetooth functionality which has opened the market to consumer Bluetooth headsets and reduce the demand for our traditional office telephony headsets and adapters as well as impacting potential revenues from our own wireless headset systems, resulting in lost revenue and lower margins. Should we not be able to maintain the higher margins on our cordless products that we recently achieved, our revenue and profits will decrease.

In addition, innovative technologies such as UC have moved the platform for certain of our products from our customers' closed proprietary systems to open platforms such as the PC. In turn, the PC has become more open as a result of such technologies as cloud computing and open source code development. As a result, we are exposed to the risk that current and potential competitors could enter our markets and commoditize our products by offering similar products.

The success of our products depends on several factors, including our ability to:

anticipate technology and market trends;

develop innovative new products and enhancements on a timely basis;

distinguish our products from those of our competitors;

ereate industrial design that appeals to our customers and end-users;

manufacture and deliver high-quality products in sufficient volumes; and

price our products competitively.

If we are unable to develop, manufacture, market and introduce enhanced or new products in a timely manner in response to changing market conditions or customer requirements, including changing fashion trends and styles, it will materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. Furthermore, as we develop new generations of products more quickly, we expect that the pace of product obsolescence will increase concurrently. The disposition of inventories of excess or obsolete products may result in reductions to our operating margins and materially adversely affect our earnings and results of operations.

We have significant foreign manufacturing operations and rely on third party manufacturers located outside the United States, and a significant amount of our revenues are generated internationally.

We have a manufacturing facility in Tijuana, Mexico. We also have suppliers and other vendors throughout Asia, including GoerTek, Inc. located in Weifang, China, which is the manufacturer of the majority of our Bluetooth products. We also generate a significant amount of our revenues from foreign customers.

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The types of risks faced in connection with international operations and sales include, among others:

fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates;

cultural differences in the conduct of business;

greater difficulty in accounts receivable collection and longer collection periods;

the impact of recessionary, volatile or adverse global economic conditions;

reduced protection for intellectual property rights in some countries;

unexpected changes in regulatory requirements;

tariffs and other trade barriers;

political conditions, health epidemics, civil unrest or criminal activities within each country;

the management and operation of an enterprise spread over various countries;

the burden and administrative costs of complying with a wide variety of foreign laws and regulations;

currency restrictions; and

compliance with anti-bribery laws, including, without limitation, compliance with the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act ("FCPA").

The above-listed and other inherent risks of international operations could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We sell our products through various channels of distribution that can be volatile, and failure to establish and maintain successful relationships with our channel partners could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition, or results of operations. In addition, bankruptcies or financial difficulties of our customers may impact our business.

We sell substantially all of our products through distributors, retailers, OEMs, and telephony service providers. Our existing relationships with these parties are not exclusive and can be terminated by either party without cause. These customers also sell or may sell products offered by our competitors. To the extent that our competitors offer these customers more favorable terms or more compelling products, such customers may decline to carry, de-emphasize, or discontinue carrying our products. In the future, we may not be able to retain or attract a sufficient number of qualified distributors, retailers, OEMs, and telephony service providers. Further, such customers may not recommend or may stop recommending our products. In the future, our OEMs or potential OEMs may elect to manufacture their own products that are similar to those we currently sell to them. The inability to establish or maintain successful relationships with distributors, OEMs, retailers and telephony service providers or to expand our distribution channels could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition, or results of operations. Finally, as a result of the global economic weakness we have experienced the bankruptcy of certain customers, and it is not possible to predict whether additional bankruptcies of our customers may occur.

As a result of the evolution of our consumer business, our customer mix is changing, and certain retailers, OEMs, and wireless carriers are more significant. This reliance on certain large channel partners could increase the volatility of our revenues and earnings. In particular, we have several large customers whose order patterns are difficult to predict. Offers and promotions by these customers may result in significant fluctuations of their purchasing activities over time. If we are unable to anticipate the purchase requirements of these customers, our revenues may be adversely affected, or we may be exposed to large volumes of inventory that cannot be immediately resold to other customers.

We are exposed to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates which may adversely affect our revenues, gross profit, and profitability.

Fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates impact our revenues and profitability because we report our financial statements in U.S. Dollars, whereas a significant portion of our sales to customers are transacted in other currencies, particularly the Euro and the GBP. Furthermore, fluctuations in foreign currency rates impact our global pricing

strategy resulting in our lowering or raising selling prices in one or more currencies in order to avoid disparity with USD prices and to respond to currency-driven competitive pricing actions. We also have significant manufacturing operations in Mexico and fluctuations in the Mexican Peso exchange rate can impact our gross profit and profitability. Currency exchange rates are volatile, and while we hedge our major exposures, changes in exchange rates in the future may still have a negative impact on our financial results. Among the factors that may affect currency values are trade balances, the level of short-term interest rates, differences in relative values of similar assets in different currencies, long-term opportunities for investment and capital appreciation, and political developments.

We hedge a portion of our Euro and GBP forecasted revenue exposures for the future 12 month period. In addition, we hedge a portion of our Peso forecasted cost of revenues. Although we have employed these hedging techniques to minimize these risks, we can offer no assurance that such strategies will be effective. If the Euro and GBP fall against the USD, our revenues, gross profit and profitability in the future could be negatively affected.

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We also have foreign currency forward contracts denominated in Euros, GBP and Australian Dollars which hedge against a portion of our foreign-currency denominated assets and liabilities. Our foreign currency forward contracts reduce, but do not eliminate, the impact of currency exchange rate movements. For example, we do not execute forward contracts in all currencies in which we conduct business.

Our corporate tax rate may increase, which could adversely impact our cash flow, financial condition and results of operations.

We have significant operations in various tax jurisdictions throughout the world, and a substantial portion of our taxable income has been generated historically in jurisdictions outside of the U.S. Currently, some of our operations are taxed at rates substantially lower than U.S. tax rates. If our income in these lower tax jurisdictions were no longer to qualify for these lower tax rates, the applicable tax laws were rescinded or changed, or the mix of our earnings shifts from lower rate jurisdictions to higher rate jurisdictions, our operating results could be materially adversely affected. If U.S. or other foreign tax authorities change applicable tax laws or successfully challenge the manner in which our profits are currently recognized, our overall taxes could increase, and our business, cash flow, financial condition, and results of operations could be materially adversely affected.

Our Board of Directors has authorized the repurchase of up to 7,000,000 shares of our common stock to enhance stockholder value which enhanced value may not be realized. Stock repurchases may not prove to be the best use of our cash resources and may require us to draw funds on our new credit agreement.

In May 2011, our Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to 7,000,000 shares of our outstanding common stock. On May 9, 2011, we entered into two separate Master Confirmation and Supplemental Confirmations with Goldman, Sachs & Co. ("Goldman") pursuant to an accelerated share repurchase program (the "ASR Program") under which we will repurchase shares of our common stock for an aggregate purchase price of \$100 million, which was paid to Goldman in May 2011. To augment our financial flexibility to facilitate this share repurchase program, on May 9, 2011, we entered into a credit agreement (the "Credit Agreement") with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association which provides for a \$100 million unsecured revolving credit facility. At the closing of the Credit Agreement and through the filing of this Form 10-K, we did not draw any funds under the facility as we used domestic cash on hand to make the payment to Goldman.

There can be no assurance of the following:

• the impact on our stock price as a result of the ASR Program; and

when or if we will repurchase additional shares under the 7,000,000 share authorization or to make additional stock repurchases thereafter;

Also, we will require additional funds to repurchase shares over and above those in the ASR Program. If we do not generate further domestic cash flow from operations, to make our repurchases, we may be required to draw funds on the Credit Agreement at which time we would incur interest expense. The Credit Agreement contains affirmative and negative covenants with which we must comply. These restrictions apply regardless of whether any loans are outstanding and could adversely impact how we operate our business.

We are subject to environmental laws and regulations that expose us to a number of risks and could result in significant liabilities and costs.

There are multiple initiatives in several jurisdictions regarding the removal of certain potential environmentally sensitive materials from our products to comply with the European Union ("EU") and other Directives on the Restrictions of the use of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment ("RoHS") and on Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment ("WEEE"). In certain jurisdictions, the RoHS legislation was enacted as of July 1, 2006; however, other jurisdictions have delayed implementation. While we believe that we will have the resources and ability to fully meet the requirements of the RoHS and WEEE directives universally, if unusual occurrences arise or we are wrong in our assessment of what it will take to fully comply, there is a risk that we will not be able to comply with the legislation as passed by the EU member states or other global jurisdictions. If this were to happen, a material negative effect on our financial results may occur.

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We are subject to various federal, state, local, and foreign environmental laws and regulations on a global basis, including those governing the use, discharge, and disposal of hazardous substances in the ordinary course of our manufacturing process. Although we believe that our current manufacturing operations comply in all material respects with applicable environmental laws and regulations, it is possible that future environmental legislation may be enacted or current environmental legislation may be interpreted in any given country to create environmental liability with respect to our facilities, operations, or products. To the extent that we incur claims for environmental matters exceeding reserves or insurance for environmental liability, our operating results could be negatively impacted.

We have intellectual property rights that could be infringed on by others, and we may infringe on the intellectual property rights of others. Even if we prevail, claims and lawsuits are costly and time consuming to pursue or defend and may divert management's time from our business.

Our success depends in part on our ability to protect our copyrights, patents, trademarks, trade dress, trade secrets, and other intellectual property, including our rights to certain domain names. We rely primarily on a combination of nondisclosure agreements and other contractual provisions as well as patent, trademark, trade secret, and copyright laws to protect our proprietary rights. Effective trademark, patent, copyright, and trade secret protection may not be available in every country in which our products and media properties are distributed to customers. The process of seeking intellectual property protection can be lengthy and expensive. Patents may not be issued in response to our applications, and any patents that may be issued may be invalidated, circumvented, or challenged by others. If we are required to enforce our intellectual property or other proprietary rights through litigation, the costs and diversion of management's attention could be substantial. In addition, the rights granted under any intellectual property may not provide us competitive advantages or be adequate to safeguard and maintain our proprietary rights. Moreover, the laws of certain countries do not protect our proprietary rights to the same extent as do the laws of the U.S. If we do not enforce and protect our intellectual property rights, it could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

Patents, copyrights, trademarks, and trade secrets are owned by individuals or entities that may make claims or commence litigation based on allegations of infringement or other violations of intellectual property rights. As we have grown, the intellectual property rights claims against us have increased. There has also been a general trend of increasing intellectual property assertion against corporations that make and sell products. Our products and technologies may be subject to certain third-party claims and, regardless of the merits of the claim, intellectual property claims are often time-consuming and expensive to litigate, settle, or otherwise resolve. In addition, to the extent claims against us are successful, we may have to pay substantial monetary damages or discontinue the manufacture and distribution of products that are found to be in violation of another party's rights. We also may have to obtain, or renew on less favorable terms, licenses to manufacture and distribute our products, which may significantly increase our operating expenses. In addition, many of our agreements with our distributors and resellers require us to indemnify them for certain third-party intellectual property infringement claims. Discharging our indemnity obligations may involve time-consuming and expensive litigation and result in substantial settlements or damages awards, our products being enjoined, and the loss of a distribution channel or retail partner.

Our products are subject to various regulatory requirements, and changes in such regulatory requirements may adversely impact our gross margins as we comply with such changes or reduce our ability to generate revenues if we are unable to comply.

Our products must meet the requirements set by regulatory authorities in the numerous jurisdictions in which we sell them. For example, certain of our office and contact center products must meet certain standards to work with local phone systems. Certain of our wireless office and mobile products must work within existing frequency ranges permitted in various jurisdictions. As regulations and local laws change, we must modify our products to address those changes. Regulatory restrictions may increase the costs to design, manufacture, and sell our products, resulting in a

decrease in our margins or a decrease in demand for our products if the costs are passed along. Compliance with regulatory restrictions may impact the technical quality and capabilities of our products reducing their marketability. If we do not comply with these regulations, our products might interfere with other devices that properly use the frequency ranges in which our products operate, and we may be responsible for the damages that our products cause. This could result in our having to alter the performance of our products and make payment of substantial monetary damages or penalties.

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We are exposed to potential lawsuits alleging defects in our products and/or other claims related to the use of our products.

The sales of our products expose us to the risk of product liability and hearing loss claims. These claims have in the past been, and are currently being, asserted against us. None of the previously resolved claims have materially affected our business, financial condition, or results of operations, nor do we believe that any of the pending claims will have such an effect. Although we maintain product liability insurance, the coverage provided under our policies could be unavailable or insufficient to cover the full amount of any such claim. Therefore, successful product liability or hearing loss claims brought against us could have a material adverse effect upon our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

Our mobile headsets are used with mobile telephones. There has been continuing public controversy over whether the radio frequency emissions from mobile phones are harmful to users of mobile phones. We believe that there is no conclusive proof of any health hazard from the use of mobile phones but research in this area is incomplete. We have tested our headsets through independent laboratories and have found that use of our corded headsets reduces radio frequency emissions at the user's head to virtually zero. Our Bluetooth and other wireless headsets emit significantly less powerful radio frequency emissions than mobile phones. However, if research establishes a health hazard from the use of mobile phones or public controversy grows even in the absence of conclusive research findings, there could be an adverse impact on the demand for mobile phones, which could reduce demand for headset products. Likewise, should research establish a link between radio frequency emissions and wireless headsets and public concern in this area grows, demand for our wireless headsets could be reduced creating a material adverse effect on our financial results.

There is also continuing and increasing public controversy over the use of mobile phones by operators of motor vehicles. While we believe that our products enhance driver safety by permitting a motor vehicle operator to generally be able to keep both hands free to operate the vehicle, there is no certainty that this is the case, and we may be subject to claims arising from allegations that use of a mobile phone and headset contributed to a motor vehicle accident. We maintain product liability insurance and general liability insurance that we believe would cover any such claims; however, the coverage provided under our policies could be unavailable or insufficient to cover the full amount of any such claim. Therefore, successful product liability claims brought against us could have a material adverse effect upon our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

We have \$14.7 million of goodwill and other intangible assets recorded on our balance sheet, and we have incurred significant impairment losses over the last two fiscal years recorded in discontinued operations. If the carrying value of our goodwill or intangible assets is not recoverable, an impairment loss may be recognized, which would adversely affect our financial results.

As a result of past acquisitions, the Company has \$14.7 million of goodwill and other intangible assets on the Condensed consolidated balance sheets as of June 30, 2011. It is not possible at this time to determine if any future impairment charge would result or, if it does, whether such charge would be material related to these remaining assets. If such a charge is necessary, it may have a material adverse affect our financial results.

Our stock price may be volatile and the value of your investment in Plantronics stock could be diminished.

The market price for our common stock has been affected and may continue to be affected by a number of factors, including:

uncertain economic conditions, including the length of the recovery from the domestic and global recession, inflationary pressures, and a potential decline in investor confidence in the market place;

changes in our published forecasts of future results of operations;

quarterly variations in our or our competitors' results of operations and changes in market share;

the announcement of new products or product enhancements by us or our competitors;

our ability to develop, introduce, ship and support new products and product enhancements and manage product transitions;

repurchases of our common shares under our repurchase plans, including our accelerated share repurchase program; our decision to declare dividends;

the loss of services of one or more of our executive officers or other key employees;

changes in earnings estimates or recommendations by securities analysts;

developments in our industry;

sales of substantial numbers of shares of our common stock in the public market;

general economic, political, and market conditions, including market volatility; and

other factors unrelated to our operating performance or the operating performance of our competitors.

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Our business could be materially adversely affected if we lose the benefit of the services of key personnel.

Our success depends to a large extent upon the services of a limited number of executive officers and other key employees. The unanticipated loss of the services of one or more of our executive officers or key employees could have a material adverse effect upon our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

We also believe that our future success will depend in large part upon our ability to attract and retain additional highly skilled technical, management, sales and marketing personnel. Competition for such personnel is intense. We may not be successful in attracting and retaining such personnel, and our failure to do so could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results or financial condition.

We may still be subject to certain liabilities from our discontinued AEG business segment.

Under the terms of the Asset Purchase Agreement, dated October 2, 2009, a First Amendment to the Asset Purchase Agreement, dated November 30, 2009, a Side Letter to the Asset Purchase Agreement, dated January 8, 2010, and a second Side Letter to the Asset Purchase Agreement, dated February 15, 2010 (collectively, the "Purchase Agreement"), we retained certain assets and liabilities of Altec Lansing as of the closing date, December 1, 2009 and may be required to indemnify the Purchaser for certain losses they may incur. If the Purchaser incurs certain losses, the Purchaser may make an indemnification claim and we may be required to pay certain expenses or reimburse Purchaser for losses they incur, which could harm our operating results. In addition, our ability to defend ourselves may be impaired because most of our former AEG employees are employees of the Purchaser and our management may have to devote a substantial amount of time to resolving the claim, and, as we are no longer in the AEG business, we may not be able to readily offer products, service and intellectual property in settlement. In addition, these indemnity claims may divert management attention from our continued business. It may also be difficult to determine whether a claim from a third party stemmed from actions taken by us or the Purchaser and we may expend substantial resources trying to determine which party has responsibility for the claim.

We are required to evaluate our internal control over financial reporting under Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, and any adverse results from such evaluation could result in a loss of investor confidence in our financial reports and have an adverse effect on our stock price.

Pursuant to Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, our management is required to report on, and our independent registered public accounting firm to attest to, the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting. We have an ongoing program to perform the system and process evaluation and testing necessary to comply with these requirements.

We have and will continue to consume management resources and incur significant expenses for Section 404 compliance on an ongoing basis. In the event that our chief executive officer, chief financial officer, or independent registered public accounting firm determines in the future that our internal control over financial reporting is not effective as defined under Section 404, investor perceptions may be adversely affected and could cause a decline in the market price of our stock.

War, terrorism, public health issues, natural disasters, or other business interruptions could disrupt supply, delivery, or demand of products, which could negatively affect our operations and performance.

War, terrorism, public health issues, or other business interruptions whether in the U.S. or abroad, have caused or could cause damage or disruption to international commerce by creating economic and political uncertainties that may have a strong negative impact on the global economy, our company, and our suppliers or customers. Our major business operations are subject to interruption by earthquake, flood, volcanic eruptions or other natural disasters, fire,

power shortages, terrorist attacks and other hostile acts, public health issues, flu or similar epidemics, and other events beyond our control. Our corporate headquarters, information technology, manufacturing, certain research and development activities, and other critical business operations are located near major seismic faults or flood zones. While we are partially insured for earthquake-related losses or floods, our operating results and financial condition could be materially affected in the event of a major earthquake or other natural or manmade disaster.

We have a limited number of suppliers based in Japan who appear to have been directly affected by the earthquake, tsunami and nuclear crisis that occurred in Japan in March 2011. While their impact on our business does not appear to be material at this time, if that were to change, our business could be adversely affected.

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Although it is impossible to predict the occurrences or consequences of any of the events described above, such events could significantly disrupt our operations. In addition, should major public health issues arise, including pandemics, we could be negatively impacted by the need for more stringent employee travel restrictions, limitations in the availability of freight services, governmental actions limiting the movement of products between various regions, delays in production ramps of new products, and disruptions in the operations of our manufacturing vendors and component suppliers. Our operating results and financial condition could be adversely affected by these events.

Provisions in our charter documents and Delaware law and our adoption of a stockholder rights plan may delay or prevent a third party from acquiring us, which could decrease the value of our stock.

Our Board of Directors has the authority to issue preferred stock and to determine the price, rights, preferences, privileges and restrictions, including voting and conversion rights, of those shares without any further vote or action by the stockholders. The issuance of our preferred stock could have the effect of making it more difficult for a third party to acquire us. In addition, we are subject to the anti-takeover provisions of Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, which could also have the effect of delaying or preventing our acquisition by a third party. Further, certain provisions of our Certificate of Incorporation and bylaws could delay or make more difficult a merger, tender offer or proxy contest, which could adversely affect the market price of our common stock.

In 2002, our Board of Directors adopted a stockholder rights plan, pursuant to which we distributed one right for each outstanding share of common stock held by stockholders of record as of April 12, 2002. Because the rights may substantially dilute the stock ownership of a person or group attempting to take us over without the approval of our Board of Directors, the plan could make it more difficult for a third party to acquire us, or a significant percentage of our outstanding capital stock, without first negotiating with our Board of Directors regarding such acquisition.

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#### ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

The actual declaration of future dividends and the establishment of record and payment dates are subject to final determination by the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of Plantronics each quarter after its review of our financial performance.

#### **Share Repurchase Programs**

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The following table presents a month-to-month summary of the stock purchase activity in the first quarter of fiscal 2012:

				Total Number of	Maximum Number
	Total Number		Average Price	Shares Purchased	of Shares that May
	of Sharac	Paid per Share <sup>3</sup>	as Part of Publicly	Yet Be Purchased	
	Purchased 1,2	raid per Share		Announced Plans	Under the Plans or
				or Programs 1, 2	Programs <sup>5</sup>
April 3, 2011 to April 30, 2011	210,000		\$35.17	210,000	390,900
May 1, 2011 to June 4, 2011	2,261,140	4	\$35.93	2,243,014	5,207,886
June 5, 2011 to July 2, 2011			<b>\$</b> —		5,207,886

On March 1, 2011, the Board of Directors authorized a new plan to repurchase 1,000,000 shares of common stock. During the three months ended June 30, 2011, we repurchased 270,000 shares of our common stock under this plan in the open market at a total cost of \$9.5 million and an average purchase price of \$35.34 per share. As of June 30, 2011, there were 390,900 remaining shares authorized for repurchase under this plan.

On May 3, 2011, the Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to 7,000,000 shares of our common stock through open market or privately negotiated transactions. In connection with the May 3, 2011 stock repurchase authorization, we entered into two separate Master Confirmation and Supplemental Confirmations with a third-party investment bank to repurchase \$100 million of common stock through an accelerated share repurchase program (the "ASR Program"). Under the ASR Program, we paid \$100 million and received 2,183,014 shares in the first quarter of fiscal 2012, representing the minimum number of shares expected to be received under the ASR Program. The actual number of shares we may receive under the terms of the ASR Program will not be known until its conclusion, which is expected to occur in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2012. Shares purchased pursuant to the ASR Program are presented under "Total Number of Shares Purchased" and "Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs" in the periods in which they were received. For additional information regarding our common stock repurchases, refer to Note 8, Common Stock Repurchases, of the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

- "Average Price Paid per Share" reflects open market repurchases of common stock only. The average purchase price of common stock purchased pursuant to the ASR Program will not be determinable until conclusion of the ASR Program.
- Includes 18,126 shares that were tendered to us in satisfaction of employee tax withholding obligations upon the vesting of restricted stock granted under our stock plans.
- "Maximum Number of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased under the Plans or Programs" reflects the remaining shares authorized for repurchase under the March 1, 2011 plan, as well as the May 3, 2011 7,000,000 share repurchase authorization, less the shares received under the ASR Program during the three months ended June 30, 2011.

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## ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

We have fil Exhibit	ed the following documents as Exhibits to this		): tion by Refe	ence		Filed
Number	Exhibit Description	Form	File No.	Exhibit	Filing Date	
<u>10.1</u>	Accelerated Stock Buyback Master and Supplemental Confirmations dated May 9, 2011 by and between the Company and Goldman, Sachs & Co.					X
10.2	Collared Accelerated Stock Buyback  Master and Supplemental Confirmations dated May 9, 2011 by and between the Company and Goldman, Sachs & Co.					X
31.1	Certification of the President and CEO Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a).					X
31.2	Certification of Senior VP, Finance and Administration, and CFO Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a).					X
32.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350.					X
101.INS*	XBRL Instance Document					X
101.SCH*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document					X
101.CAL*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document					X
101.LAB*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document					X
101.PRE*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document					X
101.DEF*	XBRL Taxonomy Definition Linkbase Document					X
*	In accordance with Rule 406T of Regulation S-T, the information in these exhibits is furnished and deemed not filed or a part of a registration statement or prospectus for purposes of Sections 11 or					

12 of the Securities Act of 1933, is deemed not filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act of 1934, and otherwise is not subject to liability under these sections and shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

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### **SIGNATURE**

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.

## PLANTRONICS, INC.

Date: August 4, 2011 By: /s/ Barbara V. Scherer

Name: Barbara V. Scherer

Title: Senior Vice President – Finance and Administration and Chief

Financial Officer