



O2Micro Reports First Quarter 2017 Financial Results

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Operational and Strategic Highlights:

- Q1 2017 results were within the range of guidance provided in February 2017.
- GAAP Net Loss per ADS in the first quarter of 2017 was 6 cents, with non-GAAP Net Loss of 4 cents per ADS.
- Expected revenue is forecast in the second quarter of 2017 to be between a 4% decrease to a 4% increase compared to Q1 2017.
- Continued strong design activities in Q1 2017, which is expected to remain robust into Q2.

O2Micro® International Limited (NASDAQ:OIIM), a global leader in the design, development and marketing of high-performance integrated circuits and solutions, reported its financial results today for the first quarter ending March 31, 2017.

Financial Highlights for the First Quarter ending March 31, 2017:

O2Micro International Limited ("Company") reported Q1 2017 revenue of \$15.0 million. Revenue was down 6.0% sequentially, and up 15.2% from the same quarter in the previous year. The gross margin in the first quarter of 2017 was 52.7%, which was down from 54.1% in the prior quarter, but up from 48.8% in the first quarter of 2016. The gross margin remains in our target range and varies primarily with the quarterly revenue and product mix. During the first quarter of 2017, the Company recorded total GAAP operating expenses of \$9.1 million, compared to \$9.0 million in the fourth quarter of 2016, and \$8.6 million in the year-ago Q1 period. The GAAP operating margins for the first quarter of 2017, the fourth quarter of 2016, and first quarter of 2016 were (8.0%), (2.4%), and (17.6%), respectively.

GAAP net loss was \$1.5 million in Q1 2017. This compares to a GAAP net income of \$12,000 in the fourth quarter of 2016 and a GAAP net loss of \$2.4 million in Q1 2016. GAAP net loss per fully diluted ADS was \$0.06 in Q1 2017. This compares to a GAAP net income per fully diluted ADS of \$0.00 in Q4 2016 and a GAAP net loss per fully diluted ADS of \$0.09 in Q1 2016.

Supplementary Data:

The Company ended the first quarter of 2017 with \$50.5 million in unrestricted cash and short-term investments or \$1.95 per outstanding ADS. The accounts receivable balance was \$6.9 million and represented 42 days sales outstanding at the end of Q1 2017. Inventory was \$9.6 million or 120 days and turned over 3 times during Q1 2017. As of March 31, 2017, the Company had \$61.4 million in working capital and the book value was \$80.4 million, or \$3.10 per outstanding ADS. As of March 31, 2017, O2Micro International Limited had a total of 366 employees worldwide, including 204 engineers.

Management Commentary:

"The first quarter 2017 financial results were within the range of the guidance that we provided in February as we continue to successfully execute our business objectives" said Sterling Du, O2Micro's Chairman and CEO. "Our second quarter revenue guidance reflects strong design activities in the growth drivers of the consumer and industrial markets which include high end backlighting for the TV, power tools, household appliances, IoT, automotive and smartphones, despite the current dynamic consumer market. We believe our solutions for these product segments will continue to contribute to our top-line growth in upcoming quarters and lead O2Micro back to long term profitability.

Conference Call:

O2Micro will hold its first quarter conference call today, May 10, 2017, at 6:00AM. Pacific, 9:00AM Eastern. You may participate using the following dial-in information.

Conference ID: 1292516

In the US/Canada Toll Free: 800-261-2028

INTERNATIONAL participants: 785-830-1984

A replay of the call will be available by phone until May 24th, 2017 by visiting the following URL:

<https://event.mymeetingroom.com/Public/WebRegistration/Y29uZmVyZW5jZUlkPjTc1NTYzODkmdHlwZT1yZXBsYXkmbGFuZ3VhZ2U9ZW5nbGlzaA==>

A live webcast will also be available on the Company website at www.o2micro.com, and an online replay will be available for one week.

About O2Micro:

Founded in April 1995, O2Micro develops and markets innovative power management components for the Computer, Consumer, Industrial, Automotive and Communications markets. Products include LED General Lighting, Backlighting, Battery Management, and Power Management. The Company maintains offices worldwide. Additional Company and product information can be found on the Company website at www.o2micro.com.

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O₂MICRO INTERNATIONAL LIMITED AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (UNAUDITED)

(In Thousand U.S. Dollars, Except Per Share Amounts)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2017	2016
NET SALES	\$ 14,954	\$ 12,985
COST OF SALES	7,067	6,647
GROSS PROFIT	7,887	6,338
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Research and development (1)	4,052	3,792
Selling, general and administrative (1)	5,054	4,854
Litigation Income	(19)	(23)
Total Operating Expenses	9,087	8,623
LOSS FROM OPERATIONS	(1,200)	(2,285)
NON-OPERATING INCOME		
Interest income	79	77
Foreign exchange loss – net	(216)	(204)
Other – net	102	249
Total Non-operating (Loss) Income	(35)	122
LOSS BEFORE INCOME TAX	(1,235)	(2,163)
INCOME TAX EXPENSE	222	201

NET LOSS	(1,457)	(2,364)
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME		
Foreign currency translation adjustments	721	434
Unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities	(1)	-
Unrealized pension gain	1	-
Total Other Comprehensive Income	721	434
COMPREHENSIVE LOSS	\$ (736)	\$ (1,930)
BASIC AND DILUTED LOSS PER ADS	\$ (0.06)	\$ (0.09)

ADS UNITS USED IN LOSS PER ADS CALCULATION:

Basic (in thousands)	25,840	25,699
Diluted (in thousands)	25,840	25,699

(1) INCLUDES STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION CHARGE AS FOLLOWS:

Research and development	\$ 60	\$ 65
Selling, general and administrative	\$ 372	\$ 373

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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In Thousand U.S. Dollars, Except Share Amounts)

	March 31, 2017 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2016 (Audited)
<u>ASSETS</u>		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 27,372	\$ 31,332
Restricted cash	34	32
Short-term investments	23,124	21,532
Accounts receivable – net	6,862	7,205
Inventories	9,577	9,275
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	1,384	1,106
Total Current Assets	68,353	70,482
LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS	4,253	4,253
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT – NET	13,963	13,736
OTHER ASSETS	2,086	2,218
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 88,655	\$ 90,689
<u>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</u>		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Notes and accounts payable	\$ 3,444	\$ 4,329
Income tax payable	153	180
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	3,334	4,102

Total Current Liabilities	6,931	8,611
OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES		
Accrued pension liabilities	295	281
Deferred income tax liabilities	987	930
Other liabilities	86	83
Total Other Long-Term Liabilities	1,368	1,294
Total Liabilities	8,299	9,905
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES		
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Preference shares at \$0.00002 par value per share		
Authorized – 250,000,000 shares	-	-
Ordinary shares at \$0.00002 par value per share		
Authorized – 4,750,000,000 shares		
Issued – 1,669,036,600 shares as of March 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively	33	33
Outstanding – 1,295,062,450 and 1,279,124,900 shares as of March 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively		
Additional paid-in capital	141,937	142,738
Accumulated deficits	(42,829)	(41,372)
Accumulated other comprehensive income	5,136	4,415
Treasury stock – 373,974,150 and 389,911,700 shares as of March 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively	(23,921)	(25,030)
Total Shareholders' Equity	80,356	80,784
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 88,655	\$ 90,689

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