

NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP

Form 10-Q

April 05, 2007

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

☒ QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended February 25, 2007.

or

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from _____ to _____.

Commission File Number: **1-6453**

NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE

(State of Incorporation)

95-2095071

(I.R.S. Employer

Identification Number)

2900 SEMICONDUCTOR DRIVE, P.O. BOX 58090

SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA 95052-8090

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (408) 721-5000

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

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 ☒ X

No ☐ O

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of accelerated filer and large accelerated filer in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large Accelerated filer ☒ X

Accelerated filer ☐ O

Non-accelerated filer ☐ O

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

Yes ☐ O

No ☒ X

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Title of Each Class

Common stock, par value \$0.50 per share

Outstanding at February 25, 2007

313,500,098

NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

INDEX

	<u>Page No.</u>
Part I. Financial Information	
Item 1. Financial Statements	
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income (Unaudited) for the Three Months and Nine Months Ended February 25, 2007 and February 26, 2006	3
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited) as of February 25, 2007 and May 28, 2006	4
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited) for the Nine Months Ended February 25, 2007 and February 26, 2006	5
Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)	6-20
Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations	21-32
Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk	33
Item 4. Controls and Procedures	33
Part II. Other Information	
Item 1. Legal Proceedings	34
Item 1A. Risk Factors	35-39
Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds	40
Item 5. Other Information.	41
Item 6. Exhibits	41
Signature	42

PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION**ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (Unaudited)

(In Millions, Except Per Share Amounts)	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Feb. 25, 2007	Feb. 26, 2006	Feb. 25, 2007	Feb. 26, 2006
Net sales	\$ 431.0	\$ 547.7	\$ 1,474.0	\$ 1,585.5
Cost of sales	173.3	215.5	586.6	664.3
Gross margin	257.7	332.2	887.4	921.2
Research and development	89.7	80.2	268.0	241.4
Selling, general and administrative	76.4	68.8	235.9	205.1
In-process research and development charge	6.1	-	6.1	-
Severance and restructuring expenses	-	1.0	4.0	31.7
Gain on sale of business	-	(4.0)	-	(28.3)
Other operating (income) expense, net	(0.2)	4.3)	(2.2)	0.9)
Operating expenses, net	172.0	150.3	511.8	450.8
Operating income	85.7	181.9	375.6	470.4
Interest income, net	9.0	8.5	29.0	23.1
Other non-operating income (expense), net	0.1	-	1.1	(1.9)
Income before taxes	94.8	190.4	405.7	491.6
Income tax expense	21.1	60.3	120.5	161.2
Net income	\$ 73.7	\$ 130.1	\$ 285.2	\$ 330.4
Earnings per share:				
Basic	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.89	\$ 0.97
Diluted	\$ 0.22	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.85	\$ 0.92
Weighted average shares used to calculate earnings per share:				
Basic	315.7	337.5	322.0	341.0
Diluted	330.1	354.6	336.4	358.3

See accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Unaudited)

(In Millions)	Feb. 25, 2007	May 28, 2006
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 777.7	\$ 932.2
Short-term marketable investments	-	110.3
Receivables, less allowances of \$26.7 in fiscal 2007 and \$38.8 in fiscal 2006	172.4	208.6
Inventories	171.9	189.4
Deferred tax assets	84.5	74.7
Other current assets	63.2	25.3
Total current assets	1,269.7	1,540.5
Net property, plant and equipment	603.5	627.7
Goodwill	63.6	57.3
Deferred tax assets, net	199.3	185.7
Other assets	82.5	99.9
Total assets	\$ 2,218.6	\$ 2,511.1
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 63.7	\$ 108.8
Accrued expenses	124.2	191.0
Income taxes payable	104.5	98.5
Total current liabilities	292.4	398.3
Long-term debt	20.6	21.1
Other non-current liabilities	173.5	165.6
Total liabilities	486.5	585.0
Commitments and contingencies		
Shareholders' equity:		
Common stock of \$0.50 par value		
Authorized 850,000,000 shares. Issued and outstanding 313,500,098 in 2007 and 335,680,499 in 2006	156.7	167.8
Additional paid-in capital	59.6	504.2
Retained earnings	1,628.9	1,376.2
Unearned compensation	-	(8.6)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(113.1)	(113.5)
Total shareholders' equity	1,732.1	1,926.1
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 2,218.6	\$ 2,511.1

See accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited)

(In Millions)	Nine Months Ended	
	Feb. 25, 2007	Feb. 26, 2006
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 285.2	\$ 330.4
Adjustments to reconcile net income with net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	110.5	122.3
Share-based compensation	86.6	12.6
Excess tax benefit from share-based payment arrangements	(7.0)	-
Tax benefit associated with stock options	18.4	84.4
Gain on investments	(1.1)	(8.4)
Share in net losses of equity-method investments	-	0.6
Loss on disposal of equipment	0.9	2.7
Gain on sale of business	-	(28.3)
In-process research and development charge	6.1	-
Impairment of goodwill	-	5.2
Non-cash other operating income, net	-	1.6
Other, net	0.8	(1.7)
Changes in certain assets and liabilities, net:		
Receivables	41.8	(63.9)
Inventories	20.2	(9.5)
Other current assets	(6.8)	43.0
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(123.5)	44.6
Current and deferred income taxes	(17.4)	24.5
Other non-current assets	-	(9.0)
Other non-current liabilities	15.4	16.9
Net cash provided by operating activities	430.1	568.0
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(88.3)	(100.0)
Business acquisition, net of cash acquired	(8.2)	-
Sale of equipment	0.6	1.1
Sale of business	-	64.0
Sale and maturity of available-for-sale securities	110.8	-
Sale of investments	-	10.8
Funding of benefit plan	(7.9)	(2.4)
Other, net	1.9	(1.9)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	8.9	(28.4)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Payment on software license obligations	(8.7)	(13.1)
Excess tax benefit from share-based payment arrangements	7.0	-
Issuance of common stock	44.5	233.2
Purchase and retirement of treasury stock	(603.8)	(750.7)
Cash dividends declared and paid	(32.5)	(24.0)
Net cash used in financing activities	(593.5)	(554.6)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(154.5)	(15.0)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	932.2	867.1
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 777.7	\$ 852.1

See accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Operations

We design, develop, manufacture and market a wide range of semiconductor products, most of which are analog and mixed-signal integrated circuits. Our focus is on creating analog-intensive solutions that provide more energy efficiency, portability, better audio, faster or cleaner signals, and sharper images in electronic systems.

Basis of Presentation

In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments (including normal recurring adjustments) necessary to present fairly the financial position and results of operations of National Semiconductor Corporation and our majority-owned subsidiaries. You should not expect interim results of operations necessarily to be indicative of the results for the full fiscal year. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates. This report should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes included in our annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended May 28, 2006.

Earnings Per Share

A reconciliation of the shares used in the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share follows:

(In Millions)	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Feb. 25, 2007	Feb. 26, 2006	Feb. 25, 2007	Feb. 26, 2006
Numerator:				
Net income	\$ 73.7	\$ 130.1	\$ 285.2	\$ 330.4
Denominator:				
Weighted-average common shares outstanding used for basic earnings per share	315.7	337.5	322.0	341.0
Effect of dilutive securities:				
Stock options and restricted stock	14.4	17.1	14.4	17.3
Weighted-average common and potential common shares outstanding used for				

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

diluted earnings per share	330.1	354.6	336.4	358.3
----------------------------	-------	-------	-------	-------

For the third quarter of fiscal 2007, we did not include options outstanding to purchase 20.3 million shares of common stock with a weighted-average per share exercise price of \$26.43 in diluted earnings per share since their effect was antidilutive because the exercise price of these options exceeded the average market price of the common stock during the quarter. For the first nine months of fiscal 2007, we did not include options outstanding to purchase 21.0 million shares of common stock with a weighted-average per share exercise price of \$26.33 in diluted earnings per share since their effect was antidilutive because the exercise price of these options exceeded the average market price of the common stock during this period. However, these shares could potentially dilute earnings per share in the future.

For the third quarter of fiscal 2006, we did not include options outstanding to purchase 10.2 million shares of common stock with a weighted-average per share exercise price of \$30.04 in diluted earnings per share since their effect was antidilutive because the exercise price of these options exceeded the average market price of the common

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

stock during the quarter. For the first nine months of fiscal 2006, we did not include options outstanding to purchase 11.0 million shares of common stock with a weighted-average per share exercise price of \$29.84 in diluted earnings per share since their effect was antidilutive because the exercise price of these options exceeded the average market price of the common stock during this period.

Share-based Compensation

We adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123 (revised 2004), Share-Based Payment, on May 29, 2006, the first day of fiscal 2007. SFAS No. 123(R) eliminates the ability to account for share-based compensation transactions using the intrinsic value method under Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees, and instead requires that such transactions be accounted for under the fair-value method. We applied the modified prospective transition method to adopt SFAS No. 123(R) and accordingly, operating results for periods prior to fiscal 2007 have not been restated to reflect the effect of SFAS No. 123(R). Under the modified prospective method, share-based compensation expense includes amounts for those share-based awards granted beginning in fiscal 2007 and all unvested share-based awards granted prior to May 29, 2006. We provide share-based awards to our employees, executive officers and directors through various equity compensation plans including our stock option, stock purchase and restricted stock plans as described in Note 10 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

The fair value of awards granted under our stock option and stock purchase plans is measured at the date of grant using a Black-Scholes option pricing model and the fair value of awards granted under our restricted stock plans is based on the market price of our common stock on the date of grant. The fair value of awards is recognized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period. The compensation expense for share-based awards granted prior to May 29, 2006 is based on the fair values previously determined for the pro forma disclosure required under SFAS No. 123, Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation, adjusted for expected forfeitures. Share-based compensation expense included in operating results for fiscal 2007 and 2006 is presented in the following table:

(In Millions, Except Per Share Amounts)	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Feb. 25, 2007	Feb. 26, 2006	Feb. 25, 2007	Feb. 26, 2006
Cost of sales:				
Gross compensation	\$ 5.9	\$ -	\$ 18.3	\$ -
Capitalized in inventory during the period	(4.3)	-	(13.7)	-
Realized from inventory during the period	4.9	-	11.0	-
	6.5	-	15.6	-
Research and development	8.4	0.8	24.7	2.4
Selling, general and administrative	14.6	3.9	46.3	10.2
Total share-based compensation included in income before taxes	29.5	4.7	86.6	12.6
Income tax benefit	(7.4)	(3.4)	(27.3)	(4.6)
Total share-based compensation, net of tax, included in net income	\$ 22.1	\$ 1.3	\$ 59.3	\$ 8.0
Share-based compensation effects on earnings per share:				
Basic	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.18	\$ 0.02
Diluted	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.18	\$ 0.02
Share-based compensation capitalized in inventory	\$ 2.7	\$ -	\$ 2.7	\$ -
Total share-based compensation	\$ 28.9	\$ 4.7	\$ 89.3	\$ 12.6

The adoption of SFAS No. 123(R) at the beginning of fiscal 2007 increased our total share-based compensation expense primarily due to the recognition of new share-based compensation expense arising from our stock option and stock purchase plans, which was not required under

APB No. 25. Share-based compensation

Page 6 of 42

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

expense recorded prior to fiscal 2007 included compensation expense primarily associated with restricted stock awards. As a result, the effect of adopting SFAS No. 123(R) on income before taxes and net income was a reduction of \$23.2 million and \$18.0 million, respectively, for the third quarter of fiscal 2007 and a reduction of \$70.8 million and \$49.3 million, respectively, for the first nine months of fiscal 2007. Basic earnings per share for fiscal 2007 were reduced by \$0.06 for the third quarter and \$0.15 for the first nine months, and diluted earnings per share for fiscal 2007 were reduced by \$0.05 for the third quarter and \$0.15 for the first nine months. Beginning in fiscal 2007, we have reported the excess tax benefit from the exercise of share-based compensation awards as a financing activity, with a corresponding amount reported as an operating activity in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows. We have also reported share-based compensation expense as an operating activity in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for fiscal 2007 and the corresponding amount for fiscal 2006 has been reclassified to conform to the fiscal 2007 presentation. Net income for fiscal 2006 has not been affected by this reclassification.

Prior to the adoption of SFAS No. 123(R), we measured compensation expense in accordance with the intrinsic method of APB No. 25 and reported pro forma information regarding net income and earnings per share required by SFAS No. 123, as amended by SFAS No. 148,

Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation Transition and Disclosure. The pro forma information illustrated the effect on net income and earnings per share as if we had accounted for share-based awards to employees under the fair value method specified by SFAS No. 123. Pro forma information required under SFAS No. 123(R) for periods prior to fiscal 2007 is presented in the following table:

(In Millions, Except Per Share Amounts)	Three Months Ended Feb. 26, 2006	Nine Months Ended Feb. 26, 2006
Net income as reported	\$ 130.1	\$ 330.4
Adjustments:		
Share-based compensation charge included in net income determined under the intrinsic value method, net of tax	4.0	8.0
Total share-based compensation benefit determined under the fair value method, net of tax	96.2	51.1
Net income pro forma	\$ 230.3	\$ 389.5
Basic earnings per share as reported	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.97
Basic earnings per share pro forma	\$ 0.68	\$ 1.14
Diluted earnings per share as reported	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.92
Diluted earnings per share pro forma	\$ 0.66	\$ 1.11

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

The fair value of share-based awards to employees was estimated using a Black-Scholes option pricing model that used the following weighted-average assumptions:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Feb. 25,	Feb. 26,	Feb. 25,	Feb. 26,
	2007	2006	2007	2006
Stock Option Plans				
Expected life (in years)	4.1	4.6	4.1	5.4
Expected volatility	35%	55%	37%	67%
Risk-free interest rate	4.7%	4.4%	5.1%	4.2%
Dividend Yield	0.6%	0.4%	0.5%	0.3%
Stock Purchase Plans				
Expected life (in years)	0.3	0.7	0.8	0.7
Expected volatility	36%	31%	37%	31%
Risk-free interest rate	5.0%	3.9%	4.9%	3.4%
Dividend Yield	0.6%	0.4%	0.5%	0.4%

The expected life is based on the simplified method specified by U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 107 since the vesting term and contractual life of current option grants differ from historical grants. The expected volatility beginning in fiscal 2007 is based on implied volatility, as management has determined in connection with the adoption of SFAS No. 123(R) that implied volatility is more reflective of the market's expectation of future volatility than historical volatility. Prior to fiscal 2007, we used our historical stock price volatility in accordance with the requirements of SFAS No. 123 for purposes of our pro forma information. The risk-free interest rate is based upon interest rates that match the terms of our employee stock option and stock purchase plans. The dividend yield is based on recent history and our expectation of dividend payouts.

The weighted-average fair value of stock options granted for the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2007 was \$7.61 and \$8.14 per share, respectively. The weighted-average fair value of stock options granted for the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2006 was \$13.73 and \$14.86 per share, respectively. The weighted-average fair value of rights granted under the stock purchase plans was \$5.11 and \$6.77 per share for the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2007, respectively. The weighted-average fair value of rights granted under the stock purchase plans was \$6.56 and \$6.55 per share for the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2006, respectively.

Under our stock option plans, employees who retire from the company and meet certain conditions set forth in the stock option plans and related stock option grant agreements continue to vest in their stock options after retirement. During that post-retirement period of continued vesting, no service is required of the employee. For pro forma reporting purposes, we have historically recognized compensation costs of these options using the nominal vesting period approach. SFAS No. 123(R) specifies that a stock option award is considered to be vested when the employee's retention of the option is no longer contingent on the obligation to provide continuous service (the non-substantive vesting period approach). Under the non-substantive vesting period approach, the compensation cost should be recognized immediately for options granted to employees who are eligible for retirement at the time the option is granted. If an employee is not currently eligible for retirement, but is expected to become eligible during the nominal vesting period, then the compensation expense for the option should be recognized over the period from the grant date to the date retirement eligibility occurs. Upon adoption of SFAS No. 123(R), we have changed the method for recognizing the compensation cost for these options to the non-substantive vesting period approach for those options that are granted beginning in fiscal 2007. If we had used the non-substantive vesting period approach in calculating the amounts disclosed in the pro forma table above and for unvested option grants prior to fiscal 2007, the pre-tax share-based compensation expense for fiscal 2007 would have been lower by \$4.9 million in the third quarter and \$14.5 million in the first nine months. Correspondingly, the pre-tax pro forma share-based compensation expense for fiscal 2006 would have been higher by \$9.1 million in the third quarter and by \$14.2 million in the first nine months.

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

Note 2. Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements Detail

Condensed consolidated balance sheets:

(In Millions)	Feb. 25, 2007	May 28, 2006
Inventories:		
Raw materials	\$ 15.1	\$ 17.7
Work in process	112.0	109.7
Finished goods	44.8	62.0
Total inventories	\$ 171.9	\$ 189.4
Property, plant and equipment:		
Total property, plant and equipment	\$ 2,728.5	\$ 2,732.4
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	(2,125.0)	(2,104.7)
Property, plant and equipment, net	\$ 603.5	\$ 627.7
Accrued expenses:		
Payroll and employee related	\$ 73.3	\$ 119.3
Other	50.9	71.7
Total accrued expenses	\$ 124.2	\$ 191.0

Condensed consolidated statements of income:

(In Millions)	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Feb. 25, 2007	Feb. 26, 2006	Feb. 25, 2007	Feb. 26, 2006
<u>Other operating (income) expense, net:</u>				
Net intellectual property income	\$ (0.2)	\$ (1.9)	\$ (1.2)	\$ (3.3)
Goodwill impairment loss	-	5.2	-	5.2
Other	-	1.0	(1.0)	(1.0)
Total other operating (income) expense, net	\$ (0.2)	\$ 4.3	\$ (2.2)	\$ 0.9
<u>Interest income, net:</u>				
Interest income	\$ 9.4	\$ 9.0	\$ 30.3	\$ 24.3
Interest expense	(0.4)	(0.5)	(1.3)	(1.2)
Interest income, net	\$ 9.0	\$ 8.5	\$ 29.0	\$ 23.1

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

(In Millions)	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Feb. 25, 2007	Feb. 26, 2006	Feb. 25, 2007	Feb. 26, 2006
<u>Other non-operating income (expense), net:</u>				
Net gain on marketable and other investments, net:				
Trading securities:				
Change in net unrealized holding gains and losses	\$ 0.1	\$ -	\$ 2.0	\$ 2.6
Available for sale securities:				
Gain from sale	-	4.7	-	4.7
Non-marketable investments:				
Gain from sale	-	5.0	-	5.3
Impairment loss	-	-	(0.9)	(4.2)
Total net gain on marketable and other investments, net	0.1	9.7	1.1	8.4
Share in net losses of equity-method investments	-	-	-	(0.6)
Charitable contribution	-	(9.7)	-	(9.7)
Total other non-operating income (expense), net	\$ 0.1	\$ -	\$ 1.1	\$ (1.9)

Other Comprehensive Income:

(In Millions)	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Feb. 25, 2007	Feb. 26, 2006	Feb. 25, 2007	Feb. 26, 2006
Net income	\$ 73.7	\$ 130.1	\$ 285.2	\$ 330.4
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax	0.1	(2.5)	0.4	(0.9)
Comprehensive income	\$ 73.8	\$ 127.6	\$ 285.6	\$ 329.5

Other comprehensive income includes unrealized gains on available-for-sale securities and cash flow hedges.

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

Note 3. Statements of Cash Flow Information

(In Millions)	Nine Months Ended	
	Feb.25, 2007	Feb.26, 2006
Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information:		
Cash paid for:		
Interest	\$ 1.2	\$ 1.1
Income taxes	\$ 124.0	\$ 12.7

Supplemental Schedule of Non-Cash Investing

and Financing Activities:

Restricted stock cancellation	\$ 1.1	\$ 1.1
Change in unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities	\$ 0.3	\$ 3.9
Acquisition of software under license obligations, net	\$ 0.8	\$ 20.5

Note 4. Cost Reduction and Restructuring Programs

In late fiscal 2006, we began upgrading and repositioning the wafer-manufacturing capacity at our facility in Greenock, Scotland to specifically support our high-value, high-performance analog products. This significant capital investment project is focused on aligning our manufacturing capabilities with expected future demand and on improving equipment productivity and efficiency in the factory. The expected improvement in manufacturing efficiency will reduce the direct labor requirements for the Greenock operation. As a result, in November 2006 we terminated 33 employees who were a part of the manufacturing workforce in the Greenock facility. All of these affected employees departed prior to the end of November 2006. In connection with this action, we recorded a \$1.3 million charge for severance in the first nine months of fiscal 2007, which represents the total amount expected to be incurred in connection with the workforce reduction in Scotland.

We also began the conversion of certain wafer-manufacturing capacity at our Texas facility from 150mm to 200mm wafer-manufacturing capacity during the first nine months of fiscal 2007 to support our high-value, high-performance analog products. Similar to the objectives of the capital investment project in Scotland, this conversion is expected to reduce product cost, as well as improve equipment productivity, which should substantially reduce direct labor requirements for our Texas operation. Equipment conversion started in June 2006 and is expected to be completed by the end of fiscal 2007. The conversion activity included a workforce reduction of 87 employees in Texas. All affected employees were notified in early June 2006 and their departure dates coincide with the phased timing of the conversion. We recorded a \$2.7 million charge for severance in the first nine months of fiscal 2007, which includes severance for the affected Texas employees, as well as severance associated with other minor workforce reductions in support areas. This represents the total amount expected to be incurred in connection with the workforce reductions occurring in Texas.

The following table provides further detail of the total net charges recorded as severance expense in the first nine months of fiscal 2007:

(In Millions)	Analog Segment	All Others	Total
Cost reduction program charge:			
Greenock capacity repositioning:			
Severance	\$ -	\$ 1.3	\$ 1.3
Texas capacity conversion:			

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

Severance		0.3		2.4		2.7
Total cost reduction program charge	\$	0.3	\$	3.7	\$	4.0

Page 11 of 42

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

We completed the closure of our assembly and test plant in Singapore by the end of the first quarter of fiscal 2007. All production activity ceased by the end of July 2006. We plan to sell the facility, including residual equipment, in its current condition and we are actively engaged in a program to locate a buyer. We believe the ultimate selling price less costs to sell will equal or exceed the current carrying value. As a result, the Singapore plant assets, which have a carrying value of \$7.6 million, have been classified as held for sale and are reported in Other Current Assets in the balance sheet as of February 25, 2007.

The following table provides a summary of the activities for the nine months ended February 25, 2007 related to our cost reduction and restructuring actions included in accrued expenses:

(In Millions)	Fiscal 2007 Cost Reduction Action	Cost Reduction Actions In Prior Years	Other Exit Costs	Total
	Severance	Severance		
Balance at May 28, 2006	\$ -	\$ 8.5	\$ 5.5	\$ 14.0
Cost reduction charge	4.0	-	-	4.0
Cash payments	(3.4)	(8.3)	(0.4)	(12.1)
Exchange rate adjustment	-	-	0.6	0.6
Balance at February 25, 2007	0.6	0.2	5.7	6.5
Less non-current portion of lease obligations included in other non-current liabilities	-	-	(4.0)	(4.0)
Balance included in accrued expenses	\$ 0.6	\$ 0.2	\$ 1.7	\$ 2.5

During the first nine months of fiscal 2007, we paid severance to a total of 314 employees in connection with workforce reductions related to the Greenock, Texas and Singapore operations. Amounts paid for other exit-related costs during the first nine months of fiscal 2007 were primarily for payments under lease obligations associated with actions taken in prior years. The non-current portion of our lease obligations was subject to foreign currency re-measurement, which resulted in a \$0.6 million increase to our liability.

Note 5. Acquisition

In January 2007, we acquired Xignal Technologies AG, a German-based developer of high-speed data converters. Xignal is a pioneer in the development of continuous-time sigma delta analog-to-digital converters (ADCs), a technology that enables high-resolution, high-speed ADCs with greatly reduced power levels compared to traditional pipeline solutions. The acquisition of Xignal's technology and design team is intended to strengthen our position in the data conversion market. The acquisition was accounted for using the purchase method of accounting with a purchase price of \$9.3 million (after assuming \$3.1 million of net liabilities) for all of the outstanding shares of both the company's common and preferred stock. In connection with the acquisition, we recorded a \$6.1 million in-process research and development charge in the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2007. In-process research and development is expensed upon acquisition because technological feasibility has not been established and no future alternative uses exist. The remainder of the purchase price was allocated to net liabilities of \$3.1 million and goodwill of \$6.3 million. Pro forma results of operations related to this acquisition have not been presented since the current fiscal year operating results for Xignal Technologies up to the date of acquisition are immaterial.

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

Note 6. Goodwill

(In Millions)	Analog Segment	All Others	Total
Balances at May 28, 2006	\$ 34.6	\$ 22.7	\$ 57.3
Acquisition of Xignal Technologies AG	6.3	-	6.3
Balances at February 25, 2007	\$ 40.9	\$ 22.7	\$ 63.6

Note 7. Income Taxes

Income tax expense for the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2007 includes a tax benefit of approximately \$14.8 million from the retroactive reinstatement to January 1, 2006 of the U.S. federal R&D tax credit under the Tax Relief and Health Care Act of 2006 enacted into law during the third quarter of fiscal 2007. Of the \$14.8 million, \$8.7 million is related to fiscal 2007 R&D expenses and \$6.1 million is related to fiscal 2006 R&D expenses. The R&D tax benefit was partially offset by the non-deductible nature of the in-process research and development charge related to the Xignal acquisition.

Note 8. Debt

In October 2006, we renewed our \$20 million multicurrency credit agreement with a bank that provides for multicurrency loans, letters of credit and standby letters of credit. The agreement, which expires in October 2007, contains restrictive covenants, conditions and default provisions that require the maintenance of financial ratios. As of February 25, 2007, we were in compliance with all financial covenants under the agreement.

In November 2006, we amended our credit agreement for an unsecured promissory note denominated in Japanese yen (2,408,750,000). Under the amended terms, the note bears interest at a fixed 2.5 percent annual rate and is due November 2010. We are also required to comply with the covenants set forth under the multicurrency credit agreement.

Note 9. Defined Pension and Retirement Plans

Net periodic pension costs for our defined benefit pension plans maintained in the U.K., Germany, Japan and Taiwan are presented in the following table:

(In Millions)	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Feb. 25, 2007	Feb. 26, 2006	Feb. 25, 2007	Feb. 26, 2006
Service cost of benefits earned during the period	\$ 1.5	\$ 1.5	\$ 4.5	\$ 4.4
Plan participant contributions	(0.3)	(0.3)	(0.9)	(0.8)

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

Interest cost on projected benefit obligation	4.1	3.5	12.3	10.3
Expected return on plan assets	(4.2)	(3.0)	(12.6)	(8.9)
Net amortization and deferral	1.7	1.3	4.9	3.8
Net periodic pension cost	\$ 2.8	\$ 3.0	\$ 8.2	\$ 8.8

Total contributions paid to these plans during fiscal 2007 were \$0.9 million in the third quarter and \$2.6 million in the first nine months. Total contributions paid to these plans during fiscal 2006 were \$0.8 million in the third quarter and \$2.4 million in the first nine months. In March 2007, we made a \$20 million contribution to one of these plans. We currently expect our total fiscal 2007 contribution to these plans to be approximately \$29 million.

Note 10. Share-Based Compensation Plans

Stock Option Plans

We have four stock option plans under which employees and officers may be granted stock options to purchase shares of common stock. One plan, which has been in effect since 1977 when it was first approved by shareholders, authorizes the grant of up to 78,709,858 shares of common stock (most of which have been previously granted) for non-qualified or incentive stock options (as defined in the U.S. tax code) to officers and key employees. Another plan, which has been in effect since 1997, authorizes the grant of up to a total of 140,000,000 shares of common stock for non-qualified stock options to employees who are not executive officers. There is also an executive officer stock option plan, which authorizes the grant of up to 12,000,000 shares of common stock for non-qualified stock options only to executive officers. Finally, our executive officer equity plan authorizes the issuance of a total of 3,000,000 shares, 1,000,000 of which can be issued pursuant to the exercise of stock options. All plans provide that options are granted at the market price on the date of grant and can expire up to a maximum of between six years and one day and ten years and one day after grant or three months after termination of employment (up to five years after termination due to death, disability or retirement), whichever occurs first. The plans provide that options can vest six months after grant. All options granted since the beginning of fiscal 2004 expire six years and one day after grant and begin vesting with one-fourth of the total grant vesting after one year and the rest in equal monthly installments over the next three years.

We have a director stock option plan that was approved by shareholders in fiscal 1998 which authorized the grant of up to 2,000,000 shares of common stock to eligible directors who are not employees of the company. Options were granted automatically upon approval of the plan by shareholders and were granted automatically to eligible directors upon their appointment to the board and subsequent election to the board by shareholders. Options issued to directors under this plan vested in full after six months. Under this plan, options to purchase 520,000 shares of common stock with a weighted-average per share exercise price of \$14.26 and weighted-average remaining contractual life of 4.6 years were outstanding and exercisable as of February 25, 2007. The aggregate intrinsic value of these fully vested shares was \$5.7 million at February 25, 2007. In connection with the approval of amendments to the director stock plan in fiscal 2006, new options ceased to be granted under this plan.

The following table summarizes the activity of common stock shares related to our stock option plans (excluding the director stock option plan) during the first nine months of fiscal 2007:

	Number of Shares (In Millions)	Weighted-Average Exercise Price
Outstanding at May 28, 2006	56.6	\$ 17.38
Granted	6.0	\$ 23.07
Exercised	(3.0)	\$ 11.76
Forfeited	(0.5)	\$ 20.12
Expired	(0.8)	\$ 29.10
Outstanding at February 25, 2007	58.3	\$ 18.06

The total intrinsic value of options exercised in fiscal 2007 was \$12.0 million in the third quarter and \$36.7 million in the first nine months. The total intrinsic value of options exercised in fiscal 2006 was \$116.1 million in the third quarter and \$251.6 million in the first nine months. Total unrecognized compensation cost related to stock option grants not yet recognized as of February 25, 2007 was \$111.1 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.4 years.

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

The following table provides additional information about total options outstanding under the stock option plans (excluding the director stock option plan) at February 25, 2007:

			Aggregate	Weighted-Average
	Number of		Intrinsic	Remaining
	Shares	Weighted-Average	Value	Contractual Life
	(In Millions)	Exercise Price	(In Millions)	(In Years)
Fully vested and expected to vest	57.7	\$ 18.00	\$ 460.2	4.0
Currently exercisable	45.0	\$ 17.09	\$ 409.2	3.8

Stock Purchase Plans

We have an employee stock purchase plan which was approved by shareholders and authorizes the issuance of up to 16,000,000 shares in quarterly offerings to eligible employees worldwide at a price that is equal to 85 percent of the lower of the common stock's fair market value at the beginning of a one year offering period or at the end of the applicable quarter in the offering period. Our stock purchase plan uses a captive broker and we deposit shares purchased by the employee with the captive broker. We have amended the stock purchase plan effective beginning October 1, 2006 to change the price paid by the employee to 85 percent of the lower of the common stock's fair market value at the time of enrollment in one of two six month purchase periods in a one year offering period or the end of the purchase period. The final offering period under the original terms of the plan ended March 31, 2007. Under the original terms of the purchase plan, we issued 5.9 thousand shares in the third quarter and 0.7 million shares in the first nine months of fiscal 2007 to employees for \$0.1 million and \$13.9 million, respectively. We issued 0.3 million shares in the third quarter and 1.4 million shares in the first nine months of fiscal 2006 to employees for \$6.8 million and \$22.9 million, respectively.

Other Stock Plans

We have a director stock plan, which has been approved by shareholders, that authorizes the issuance of up to 900,000 shares of common stock to eligible directors who are not employees of the company. The stock is issued automatically to eligible new directors upon their appointment to the board and to all eligible directors on their subsequent election to the board by shareholders. Directors may also elect to take their annual retainer fees for board membership and committee chairmanship in stock under the plan. The shares issued to the directors under the plan are restricted from transfer for between six and thirty-six months. There were no shares granted to directors under this plan in the third quarter of fiscal 2007. A total of 103,096 shares with a weighted-average grant-date fair value of \$23.25 per share was granted in first nine months of fiscal 2007. Total unrecognized compensation cost as of February 25, 2007 related to non-vested awards granted under this plan was \$0.5 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.4 years.

We have a restricted stock plan, which authorizes the issuance of up to 4,000,000 shares of common stock to employees who are not officers of the company. The plan also permits the granting of restricted stock units; once the units are vested, stock is issued to the plan participant. The plan has been made available primarily as a retention vehicle for employees with technical skills and expertise that are important to us. Restrictions and vesting of restricted stock units expire over time, ranging from one to six years after issuance. Restrictions on some restricted stock units also expire based on achievement of performance conditions over a minimum two year performance period. Prior to the adoption of SFAS No. 123(R), we recorded the cost from the restricted stock plan as unearned compensation for an amount equal to the market value of our common stock on the date of issuance, which was amortized ratably over the vesting period. This unearned compensation was included in the Consolidated Financial Statements as a separate component of shareholders' equity. Upon the adoption of SFAS No. 123(R), we eliminated the remaining unearned compensation balance and no longer recognize it as a separate component of shareholders' equity. Total unrecognized

compensation cost related to non-vested shares and units granted under the restricted stock plan as of February 25, 2007 was \$6.8 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 3.9 years.

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

The following table provides a summary of activity during the first nine months of fiscal 2007 for non-vested shares and units granted under the restricted stock plan:

	Number of Shares (In Thousands)	Weighted-Average Grant-Date Fair Value
Outstanding at May 28, 2006	531.6	\$ 20.17
Granted/Issued	115.0	\$ 24.14
Vested	(156.5)	\$ 16.91
Forfeited	(5.7)	\$ 24.16
Outstanding at February 25, 2007	484.4	\$ 22.13

The total fair value of shares vested in fiscal 2007 was \$2.3 million in the third quarter and \$3.6 million in the first nine months. The total fair value of shares vested in fiscal 2006 was \$1.9 million in the third quarter and \$3.5 million in the first nine months.

The 2005 Executive Officer Equity Plan, which was approved by shareholders in October 2004, authorizes the issuance to executive officers of up to a total of 3,000,000 shares through stock options, performance share units and stock appreciation rights. Of this total, 1,000,000 shares may be issued upon the exercise of stock options and 2,000,000 shares may be issued in any combination upon the settlement of stock appreciation rights and/or as payment for performance share units. Targets for the performance share units for the first two-year performance period, which is still in process, were established in the first quarter of fiscal 2006. Targets for the performance share units for the second two-year performance period were established in the first quarter of fiscal 2007. As of February 25, 2007, no shares have been issued under the plan. Total unrecognized compensation cost related to performance share units not yet vested as of February 25, 2007 was \$5.8 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 0.7 years.

Note 11. Shareholders' Equity

Stock Repurchase Program

We continued our stock repurchase activity during the third quarter of fiscal 2007 under the \$500 million stock repurchase program announced in June 2006. We repurchased a total of 6.2 million shares of our common stock in the third quarter for \$141.0 million under this stock repurchase program. Through the first nine months of fiscal 2007, we have repurchased a total of 26.0 million shares of our common stock for \$603.8 million under two programs: (i) the \$400 million stock repurchase program announced in December 2005, which was completed during the first quarter of fiscal 2007 and (ii) the \$500 million stock repurchase program announced in June 2006. All of these shares were purchased in the open market and have been cancelled as of February 25, 2007. The stock repurchase activity is one element of our overall program to deliver a consistently high return on invested capital, which we believe improves shareholder value over time. The following table provides a summary of the activity under our stock repurchase programs and related amounts remaining for future common stock repurchases:

	Stock Repurchase Programs		
(In Millions)	June 2006	December 2005	Total
Balance at May 28, 2006:	\$ -	\$ 153.3	\$ 153.3
Approval of new program:	500.0	-	500.0

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

Common stock repurchases	(450.5)	(153.3)	(603.8)
Balance at February 25, 2007	\$ 49.5	\$ -	\$ 49.5

In March 2007, our Board of Directors approved a new \$500 million stock repurchase program similar to our prior stock repurchase programs.

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

During the period after the end of our fiscal 2007 third quarter through April 4, 2007, we repurchased 2.4 million shares of our common stock for \$58.2 million. These purchases were made under the stock repurchase programs announced in June 2006 and March 2007.

Dividends

On March 7, 2007 our Board of Directors declared a cash dividend of \$0.04 per outstanding share of common stock payable on April 9, 2007, to shareholders of record at the close of business on March 19, 2007. This dividend will be recorded in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2007. We paid cash dividends of \$12.7 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2007 and a total of \$32.5 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2007. In fiscal 2006, we paid cash dividends of \$10.1 million in the third quarter and \$24.0 million in the first nine months.

Delisting of Common Stock from Arca Exchange

We have voluntarily delisted our stock from the NYSE Arca Exchange (formerly the Pacific Exchange) effective December 26, 2006. Our stock continues to be listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

Note 12. Segment Information

The following tables present information related to our reportable segments:

(In Millions)	Analog Segment	All Others	Total
Three months ended February 25, 2007:			
Sales to unaffiliated customers	\$ 404.2	\$ 26.8	\$ 431.0
Segment income before taxes	\$ 101.1	\$ (6.3)	\$ 94.8
Three months ended February 26, 2006:			
Sales to unaffiliated customers	\$ 476.9	\$ 70.8	\$ 547.7
Segment income before taxes	\$ 190.6	\$ (0.2)	\$ 190.4
Nine months ended February 25, 2007:			
Sales to unaffiliated customers	\$ 1,317.4	\$ 156.6	\$ 1,474.0
Segment income before taxes	\$ 389.6	\$ 16.1	\$ 405.7
Nine months ended February 26, 2006:			
Sales to unaffiliated customers	\$ 1,365.3	\$ 220.2	\$ 1,585.5
Segment income before taxes	\$ 474.0	\$ 17.6	\$ 491.6

Note 13. Contingencies Legal Proceedings

Environmental Matters

We have been named to the National Priorities List for our Santa Clara, California site and we have completed a remedial investigation/feasibility study with the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB), acting as an agent for the Federal Environmental Protection Agency. We have agreed with the RWQCB to a site remediation plan and we are conducting remediation and cleanup efforts at the site. In addition to the Santa Clara site, from time to time we have been designated as a potentially responsible party (PRP) by international, federal and state agencies for certain environmental sites with which we may have had direct or indirect involvement. These designations are made regardless of the extent of our involvement. These claims are in various stages of administrative or judicial proceedings and include demands for recovery of past governmental costs and for future investigations and remedial actions. In many cases, the dollar amounts of the claims have not been specified and, in the case of the PRP matters,

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

claims have been asserted against a number of other entities for the same cost recovery or other relief as is sought from us. We accrue costs associated with environmental matters when they become probable and can be reasonably estimated and during the third quarter of fiscal 2007, we recorded a \$1.5 million charge for environmental remediation matters.

As part of our disposition in fiscal 1996 of the Dynacraft assets and business, we retained responsibility for environmental claims connected with Dynacraft's Santa Clara, California, operations and for other environmental claims arising from our conduct of the Dynacraft business prior to the disposition. As part of the Fairchild disposition in fiscal 1997, we also agreed to retain liability for current remediation projects and environmental matters arising from our prior operation of certain Fairchild plants while Fairchild agreed to arrange for and perform the remediation and cleanup. We prepaid to Fairchild the estimated costs of the remediation and cleanup and we remain responsible for costs and expenses associated with remediation and cleanup in excess of the prepaid amounts. To date, the costs associated with the liabilities we have retained in these dispositions have not been material and there have been no related legal proceedings.

Tax Matters

The IRS has completed the field examinations of our tax returns for fiscal years 1997 through 2000 and has issued a notice of proposed adjustment seeking additional taxes of approximately \$19.1 million (exclusive of interest) for those years. We are contesting the adjustments through the IRS administrative process. We are undergoing tax audits at several international locations and from time to time our tax returns are audited in the U.S. by state agencies and at international locations by local tax authorities. We believe we have made adequate tax payments and/or accrued adequate amounts such that the outcome of these audits will have no material adverse effects on our financial statements.

Other Matters

In November 2000, a derivative action was brought against us and other defendants by a shareholder of Fairchild Semiconductor International, Inc. The plaintiff seeks recovery of alleged "short-swing" profits under section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 from the sale by the defendants in January 2000 of Fairchild common stock. The complaint alleges that Fairchild's conversion of preferred stock held by the defendants at the time of Fairchild's initial public offering in August 1999 constitutes a "purchase" that must be matched with the January 2000 sale for purposes of computing the "short-swing" profits. The plaintiff seeks from us alleged recoverable profits of \$14.1 million. We have completed discovery in the case in the district court and filed a motion for summary judgment in June 2004. The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) proposed clarifying amendments to its section 16(b) rules in June 2004 which we believe are dispositive of the case and the SEC adopted the rule amendments in August 2005. Oral argument on the briefing ordered by the district court as to whether the SEC amendments should apply to the case was held in November 2005. In February 2007, the district court issued its ruling on the motion for summary judgment, ruling in our favor and granting our motion for summary judgment. Plaintiff has appealed the district court's ruling granting our motion for summary judgment. We intend to continue to contest the case through all available means.

In September 2002, iTech Group (iTech) brought suit against us alleging a number of contract and tort claims related to a software license agreement and discussions to sell certain assets to iTech. At the trial which began in May 2005, the jury rendered a verdict finding us liable for breach of contract, promissory fraud and unjust enrichment and assessing approximately \$234.0 thousand in compensatory damages and \$15.0 million in punitive damages. After hearing post trial motions, the court affirmed the verdict for compensatory damages of approximately \$234.0 thousand, awarded attorneys' fees to iTech of approximately \$60.0 thousand, and reduced the punitive damages to \$3.0 million, and judgment was entered in those amounts in late August 2005. We appealed the case and the appellate hearing was held in October 2006. On December 11, 2006, the appeals court issued an unpublished opinion that reversed the judgment and remanded the case for retrial or other disposition. The period for further appeal has expired and the opinion of the appeals court has become final. We intend to continue to contest the case through all available means, including retrial if necessary. In the fourth quarter of fiscal 2005, we recorded a charge of \$3.3 million to cover the total amount of damages awarded to iTech under the trial court's order. This amount is included in accrued expenses at February 25, 2007 as it is the best estimate currently available to us of any loss that we may ultimately sustain in further court proceedings. Any loss we may ultimately sustain in this case may be higher or lower than the amount we have recorded.

We are currently a party to various claims and legal proceedings, including those noted above. We make provisions for a liability when it is both probable that a liability has been incurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. We believe we have made adequate provisions for potential liability in litigation matters. We review these provisions at least quarterly and adjust these provisions to reflect the impact of negotiations, settlements,

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

rulings, advice of legal counsel and other information and events pertaining to a particular case. Based on the information that is currently available to us, we believe that the ultimate outcome of litigation matters, individually and in the aggregate, will not have a material adverse effect on our results of operations or consolidated financial position. However, litigation is inherently unpredictable. If an unfavorable ruling or outcome were to occur, there is a possibility of a material adverse effect on results of operations or our consolidated financial position.

Contingencies Other

In connection with our past divestitures, we have routinely provided indemnities to cover the indemnified party for matters such as environmental, tax, product and employee liabilities. We also routinely include intellectual property indemnification provisions in our terms of sale, development agreements and technology licenses with third parties. Since maximum obligations are not explicitly stated in these indemnification provisions, the potential amount of future maximum payments cannot be reasonably estimated. To date we have incurred minimal losses associated with these indemnification obligations and, as a result, we have not recorded any liabilities to cover the indemnification obligations in our consolidated financial statements.

Page 19 of 42

ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

This MD&A and Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contain a number of forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These statements are based on our current expectations and could be affected by the uncertainties and risk factors described throughout this filing and particularly in Part II of Form 10-Q Item 1A: Risk Factors and business outlook section of this MD&A. These statements relate to, among other things, sales, gross margins, operating expenses, capital expenditures, R&D efforts and asset dispositions and are indicated by words or phrases such as anticipate, expect, outlook, foresee, believe, could, intend, will, and similar words or phrases. These statements involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from expectations. These forward-looking statements should not be relied upon as predictions of future events as we cannot assure you that the events or circumstances reflected in these statements will be achieved or will occur. For a discussion of some of the factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from our forward-looking statements, see the discussion on Risk Factors that appears in Part II, Item 1A of this Form 10-Q and other risks and uncertainties detailed in this and our other reports and filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. We undertake no obligation to update forward-looking statements to reflect developments or information obtained after the date hereof and disclaim any obligation to do so.

This discussion should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and the accompanying notes included in this Form 10-Q and in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended May 28, 2006.

Strategy and Business

We design, develop, manufacture and market a wide range of semiconductor products, most of which are analog and mixed-signal integrated circuits. Our strategy is to be the premier analog company creating high-value analog devices and subsystems. We focus on our analog product capabilities, particularly in the standard linear categories (as defined by the World Semiconductor Trade Statistics, WSTS). We look to create analog-intensive solutions that provide more energy efficiency, portability, better audio, faster or cleaner signals, and sharper images in electronic systems. Our leading-edge products include power management circuits, display drivers, audio and operational amplifiers, communication interface products and data conversion solutions. Approximately 89 percent of our revenue in the first nine months of fiscal 2007 was generated from analog-based products, compared to 86 percent in the first nine months of fiscal 2006. For more information on our business, see Part I, Item I, Business, in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended May 28, 2006.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

We believe the following critical accounting policies are those policies that have a significant effect on the determination of our financial position and results of operations. These policies also require us to make our most difficult and subjective judgments:

1. Revenue Recognition

We recognize revenue from the sale of semiconductor products upon shipment, provided we have persuasive evidence of an arrangement typically in the form of a purchase order, title and risk of loss have passed to the customer, the amount is fixed or determinable and collection of the revenue is reasonably assured. We record a provision for estimated future returns at the time of shipment. Approximately 54 percent of our semiconductor product sales were made to distributors in the first nine months of fiscal 2007, compared to approximately 51 percent in the first nine months of fiscal 2006. We have agreements with our distributors that cover various programs, including pricing adjustments based on resale pricing and volume, price protection for inventory and scrap allowances. The revenue we record for these distribution sales is net of estimated provisions for these programs. When determining this net distribution revenue, we must make significant judgments and estimates. Our estimates are based upon historical experience rates by geography and product family, inventory levels in the distribution channel, current economic trends, and other related factors. Actual distributor claims activity has been materially consistent with the provisions we have made based on our estimates. However, because of the inherent nature of estimates, there is always a risk that there could be significant differences

between actual amounts and our estimates. Our financial condition and operating results are dependent on our ability to make reliable estimates, and we believe that our estimates are reasonable. However, different judgments or estimates could result in variances that might be significant to reported operating results.

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

Service revenues are recognized as the services are provided or as milestones are achieved, depending on the terms of the arrangement. These revenues are included in net sales and are not a material component of our total net sales.

Certain intellectual property income is classified as revenue if it meets specified criteria established by company policy that defines whether it is considered a source of income from our primary operations. These revenues are included in net sales and totaled \$2.8 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2007 and \$2.0 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2006. All other intellectual property income that does not meet the specified criteria is not considered a source of income from primary operations and is therefore classified as a component of other operating income, net, in the consolidated statement of income. Intellectual property income is recognized when the license is delivered, the fee is fixed or determinable, collection of the fee is reasonably assured and remaining obligations are inconsequential or perfunctory to the other party.

2. Valuation of Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of standard cost, which approximates actual cost on a first-in, first-out basis, or market. The total carrying value of our inventory is net of any reductions we have recorded to reflect the difference between cost and estimated market value of inventory that is determined to be obsolete or unmarketable based upon assumptions about future demand and market conditions. Reductions in carrying value are deemed to establish a new cost basis. Inventory is not written up if estimates of market value subsequently improve. We evaluate obsolescence by analyzing the inventory aging, order backlog and future customer demand on an individual product basis. If actual demand were to be substantially lower than what we have estimated, we may be required to write inventory down below the current carrying value. While our estimates require us to make significant judgments and assumptions about future events, we believe our relationships with our customers, combined with our understanding of the end-markets we serve, provide us with the ability to make reasonable estimates. The actual amount of obsolete or unmarketable inventory has been materially consistent with previously estimated write-downs we have recorded. We also evaluate the carrying value of inventory for lower-of-cost-or-market on an individual product basis, and these evaluations are intended to identify any difference between net realizable value and standard cost. Net realizable value is determined as the selling price of the product less the estimated cost of disposal. When necessary, we reduce the carrying value of inventory to net realizable value. If actual market conditions and resulting product sales were to be less favorable than what we have projected, additional inventory write-downs may be required.

3. Impairment of Goodwill, Intangible Assets and Other Long-lived Assets

We assess the impairment of long-lived assets whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that their carrying value may not be recoverable from the estimated future cash flows expected to result from their use and eventual disposition. Our long-lived assets subject to this evaluation include property, plant and equipment and amortizable intangible assets. Amortizable intangible assets subject to this evaluation include developed technology we have acquired, patents and technology licenses. We assess the impairment of goodwill annually in our fourth fiscal quarter and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that it is more likely than not that an impairment loss has been incurred. We are required to make judgments and assumptions in identifying those events or changes in circumstances that may trigger impairment. Some of the factors we consider include:

Significant decrease in the market value of an asset

Significant changes in the extent or manner for which the asset is being used or in its physical condition

Significant change, delay or departure in our business strategy related to the asset

Significant negative changes in the business climate, industry or economic conditions

Current period operating losses or negative cash flow combined with a history of similar losses or a forecast that indicates continuing losses associated with the use of an asset

Our impairment evaluation of long-lived assets includes an analysis of estimated future undiscounted net cash flows expected to be generated by the assets over their remaining estimated useful lives. If the estimated future undiscounted net cash flows are insufficient to recover the carrying value of the assets over the remaining estimated useful lives, we record an impairment loss in the amount by which the carrying value of the assets exceeds the fair value. We determine fair value based on discounted cash flows using a discount rate commensurate with the risk inherent in our current business model. Major factors that influence our cash flow analysis are our estimates for future revenue and expenses associated with the use of the asset. Different estimates could have a significant impact on the results of our evaluation. If, as a result of our analysis, we determine that our amortizable intangible assets or other long-lived assets have been impaired, we will recognize an impairment loss in the period in which the impairment is determined. Any such impairment

charge could be significant and could have a material adverse effect on our financial position and results of operations.

Our impairment evaluation of goodwill is based on comparing the fair value to the carrying value of our reporting units with goodwill. Our reporting units are based on our operating segments as defined under SFAS No. 131, Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information. The fair value of a reporting unit is measured at the business unit level using a discounted cash flow approach that incorporates our estimates of future revenues and costs for those business units. As of February 25, 2007 our reporting units with goodwill include our advanced power, ISP, portable core and high voltage (formerly within portable power), interface (which now includes RF products), displays (formerly flat panel displays), data conversion and non-audio amplifier business units, which are operating segments within our Analog reportable segment, and our device connectivity business unit, which is an operating segment included in All Others. The estimates we use in evaluating goodwill are consistent with the plans and estimates that we use to manage the underlying businesses. If we fail to deliver new products for these business units, if the products fail to gain expected market acceptance, or if market conditions for these business units fail to materialize as anticipated, our revenue and cost forecasts may not be achieved and we may incur charges for goodwill impairment, which could be significant and could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

4. Income Taxes

We determine deferred tax assets and liabilities based on the future tax consequences that can be attributed to net operating loss and credit carryovers and differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases, using the enacted tax rate expected to be applied when the taxes are actually paid or recovered. The recognition of deferred tax assets is reduced by a valuation allowance if it is more likely than not that the tax benefits will not be realized. The ultimate realization of deferred tax assets depends upon the generation of future taxable income during the periods in which the net operating loss and credit carryovers and differences between financial statement carrying amounts and their respective tax bases become deductible. In determining a valuation allowance, we consider past performance, expected future taxable income and prudent and feasible tax planning strategies. We currently have a valuation allowance that has been established primarily against the reinvestment and investment tax credits related to Malaysia, as we have concluded that a significant portion of the deferred tax assets will not be realized due to the uncertainty of sufficient taxable income in Malaysia beyond the foreseeable future. Our forecast of expected future taxable income is based on historical taxable income and projections of future taxable income over the periods that the deferred tax assets are deductible. Changes in market conditions that differ materially from our current expectations and changes in future tax laws in the U.S. and international jurisdictions may cause us to change our judgments of future taxable income. These changes, if any, may require us to adjust the existing tax valuation allowance higher or lower than the amount we currently have recorded; such adjustment could have a material impact on the tax expense for the fiscal year.

The calculation of tax liabilities involves significant judgment in estimating the impact of uncertainties in the application of complex tax laws. Resolution of these uncertainties in a manner inconsistent with our expectations could have a material impact on our results of operations.

5. Share-Based Compensation

We measure and record compensation expense for all share-based payment awards based on estimated fair values in accordance with SFAS No. 123 (revised 2004), Share-Based Payment. We provide share-based awards to our employees, executive officers and directors through various equity compensation plans including our stock option, stock purchase and restricted stock plans. The fair value of awards for our stock option and stock purchase plans is measured at the date of grant using a Black-Scholes option pricing model and the fair value of awards for our restricted stock plans is based on the market price of our common stock on the date of grant. In determining fair value using the Black-Scholes option pricing model, management is required to make certain estimates of the key assumptions that include expected life, expected volatility, dividend yields and risk free interest rates. The estimate of these key assumptions involves judgment regarding subjective future expectations of market price and trends. The assumptions for expected term and expected volatility have the most significant effect on calculating the fair value of share-based awards. We use the simplified method specified by U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 107 to determine expected life since the vesting term and contractual life of current option grants differ from historical grants. The expected volatility beginning in fiscal 2007 is based on implied volatility, as management has determined that implied volatility is more reflective of the market's expectation of future volatility than historical volatility. If we were to determine that another method to estimate these assumptions was more reasonable than our current methods, or if another method for calculating these assumptions were to

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

be prescribed by authoritative guidance, the fair value for our share-based awards could change significantly. If the expected volatility and/or expected life were increased under our assumptions, then the Black-Scholes computation of fair value would also increase, thereby resulting in higher compensation costs being recorded. SFAS No. 123(R) also requires forfeitures to be estimated at the date of grant. Our estimate of forfeitures is based on our historical activity, which we believe is indicative of expected forfeitures. In subsequent periods if the actual rate of forfeitures differs from our estimate, the forfeiture rate may be revised, if necessary. Changes in the estimated forfeiture rate can have a significant effect on share-based compensation expense since the effect of adjusting the rate is recognized in the period the forfeiture estimate is changed.

Overview

We focus on addressing analog product areas, particularly in the analog standard linear markets. The WSTS define standard linear as amplifiers, data converters, regulators and references (power management products), and interface products. We believe we have experienced success in these markets based on our understanding of the analog markets and our circuit design capabilities, as well as our packaging and analog process technology, and our comprehensive manufacturing service supply and logistics network.

Although sales in the third quarter of fiscal 2007 were lower than sales in the prior fiscal 2007 second quarter, our gross margin of 59.8 percent was higher than the prior quarter's gross margin of 58.9 percent. The increase in gross margin percentage is attributable to ongoing improvement in our product mix, since factory utilization and inventory balances both declined slightly compared to the prior quarter. Sales in the third quarter of fiscal 2007 were also lower than sales in the comparable quarter of fiscal 2006, with a relatively small corresponding decline in gross margin. We were able to maintain our gross margin near 60 percent even though wafer fabrication utilization declined to approximately 56 percent in the fiscal 2007 third quarter. The fiscal 2007 gross margin reflects ongoing improvement in the mix of analog product sales, as well as manufacturing execution and efficiencies. We continue to focus our research and development investments on high-value growth areas in analog standard linear markets.

In reviewing our performance we consider several key financial measures. When reviewing our net sales performance, we look at sales growth rates, new order rates (including turns orders, which are orders received with delivery requested in the same quarter), blended-average selling prices, sales of new products and market share in the analog standard linear category as defined by WSTS. We define new products as those introduced within the last three years. We gauge our operating income performance based on gross margin trends, product mix, blended-average selling prices, factory utilization rates and operating expenses relative to sales. We are focused on growing our earnings per share over time while generating a consistently high return on invested capital by concentrating on operating income, working capital management, capital expenditures and cash management. We determine return on invested capital based on net operating income after tax divided by invested capital, which generally consists of total assets reduced by goodwill and non-interest bearing liabilities.

We continued our stock repurchase activity during the third quarter of fiscal 2007 under the \$500 million stock repurchase program announced in June 2006. We repurchased a total of 6.2 million shares of our common stock in the third quarter for \$141.0 million under this stock repurchase program. Through the first nine months of fiscal 2007, we have repurchased a total of 26.0 million shares of our common stock for \$603.8 million under two programs: (i) the \$400 million stock repurchase program announced in December 2005, which was completed during the first quarter of fiscal 2007 and (ii) the \$500 million stock repurchase program announced in June 2006. All of these shares were purchased in the open market. The stock repurchase activity is one element of our overall program to deliver a consistently high return on invested capital, which we believe improves shareholder value over time. As of February 25, 2007, we had \$49.5 million remaining available for future common stock repurchases under the program announced in June 2006. In March 2007, we announced that our Board of Directors approved a new \$500 million stock repurchase program similar to our prior stock repurchase programs.

We also continued with the dividend program in the third quarter of fiscal 2007, during which time we paid a cash dividend of \$0.04 per outstanding share of common stock on January 8, 2007 to shareholders of record at the close of business on December 18, 2006. Through the first nine months of fiscal 2007, we have paid a total of \$32.5 million in dividends. On March 7, 2007, our Board of Directors declared a cash dividend of \$0.04 per outstanding share of common stock payable on April 9, 2007 to shareholders of record at the close of business on March

19, 2007. This dividend will be recorded in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2007.

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

The following table and discussion provide an overview of our operating results for the current fiscal year and recently completed third quarter:

(In Millions)	Three Months Ended				Nine Months Ended				
	Feb. 25, 2007		% Change		Feb. 26, 2006				
Net sales	\$ 431.0	(21.3%	)	\$ 547.7	\$ 1,474.0	(7.0%	)	\$ 1,585.5
Gross margin	\$ 257.7			\$ 332.2	\$ 887.4			\$ 921.2	
As a % of net sales	59.8	%		60.7	%	60.2	%	58.1	%
Operating income	\$ 85.7			\$ 181.9	\$ 375.6			\$ 470.4	
As a % of net sales	19.9	%		33.2	%	25.5	%	29.7	%
Net income	\$ 73.7			\$ 130.1	\$ 285.2			\$ 330.4	
As a % of net sales	17.1	%		23.8	%	19.3	%	20.8	%

Net income in fiscal 2007 includes \$29.5 million in the third quarter and \$86.6 million in the first nine months for share-based compensation expenses as we began recognizing share-based compensation expense upon the adoption of SFAS No. 123(R). Net income for the third quarter of fiscal 2007 also includes a \$6.1 million charge for in-process research and development related to the acquisition of Xignal Technologies AG (See Note 5 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements) and other operating income of \$0.2 million (See Note 2 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements). In addition to these amounts, net income for the first nine months of fiscal 2007 includes severance charges of \$4.0 million related to our Scotland and Texas manufacturing facilities (See Note 4 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements) and an additional \$2.0 million of other operating income (See Note 2 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements). These charges and credits are all pre-tax amounts. Income tax expense for the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2007 includes a tax benefit of approximately \$14.8 million from the retroactive reinstatement to January 1, 2006 of the U.S. federal R&D tax credit under the Tax Relief and Health Care Act of 2006 enacted into law during the third quarter of fiscal 2007. Of the \$14.8 million, \$8.7 million is related to fiscal 2007 R&D expenses and \$6.1 million is related to fiscal 2006 R&D expenses. The R&D benefit was partially offset by the non-deductible nature of the in-process research and development charge related to the Xignal acquisition.

Net income for the third quarter of fiscal 2006 included a \$4.0 million gain related to the sale of a business, a net charge of \$1.0 million for cost reduction actions and other operating expenses of \$4.3 million (See Note 2 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements). In addition to these amounts, net income for the first nine months of fiscal 2006 included \$30.7 million of severance and restructuring charges, a gain of \$24.3 million from the sale of a business and other operating income of \$3.4 million (See Note 2 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements). These charges and credits are all pre-tax amounts. Income tax expense for the first nine months of fiscal 2006 also included additional tax provisions of \$5.8 million, primarily relating to discrete transactions recorded in the period including those described above.

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

Net Sales

(In Millions)	Three Months Ended				Nine Months Ended			
	Feb. 25, 2007			Feb. 26, 2006	Feb. 25, 2007			Feb. 26, 2006
		% Change				% Change		
Analog Segment	\$ 404.2	(15.2%)	)	\$ 476.9	\$ 1,317.4	(3.5%)	)	\$ 1,365.3
As a % of net sales	93.8	%		87.1 %	89.4	%		86.1 %
All others	\$ 26.8	(62.1%)	)	\$ 70.8	\$ 156.6	(28.9%)	)	\$ 220.2
As a % of net sales	6.2	%		12.9 %	10.6	%		13.9 %
Total net sales	\$ 431.0			\$ 547.7	\$ 1,474.0			\$ 1,585.5
	100	%		100 %	100	%		100 %

The chart above and the following discussion are based on our reportable segments described in Note 13 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended May 28, 2006.

Analog segment sales in the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2007 were lower than sales in the corresponding periods of fiscal 2006. The decrease was due to lower shipments to distributors, who have continued to reduce their inventories during the year, and lower demand from customers. Unit shipments in our Analog segment were lower by 24 percent in the third quarter and 16 percent lower in the first nine months of fiscal 2007 compared to the same time periods of fiscal 2006. Notwithstanding the lower volume, blended-average selling prices increased 12 percent in the third quarter and 15 percent in the first nine months of fiscal 2007 compared to the corresponding periods of fiscal 2006, driven mainly by improved sales mix from our analog standard linear product portfolio.

Within our Analog segment, sales from our data conversion business unit were lower by 4 percent in the third quarter of fiscal 2007 compared to the third quarter of fiscal 2006 although sales in the first nine months of fiscal 2007 grew 12 percent over sales in the first nine months of fiscal 2006. Sales from our power management business units were down 7 percent in the third quarter of fiscal 2007 from sales in the third quarter of fiscal 2006, although sales in the first nine months of fiscal 2007 grew 2 percent over sales in the first nine months of fiscal 2006. Sales from the amplifier (including audio amplifier products) and interface (which now includes RF products) business units were down in the third quarter of fiscal 2007 by 22 percent and 34 percent, respectively, and down in the first nine months of fiscal 2007 by 14 percent and 13 percent, respectively, compared to the corresponding period of fiscal 2006.

For the All Others segment, the decreases in sales in the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2007 compared to the corresponding periods in fiscal 2006 were primarily driven by a decline in foundry sales from the previously sold businesses.

Gross Margin

(In Millions)	Three Months Ended				Nine Months Ended		
	Feb. 25, 2007	% Change	Feb. 26, 2006		Feb. 25, 2007	% Change	Feb. 26, 2006
Net Sales	\$ 431.0	(21.3%)	) \$ 547.7		\$ 1,474.0	(7.0%)	) \$ 1,585.5

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

Cost of sales	173.3	(19.6%	)	215.5	586.6	(11.7%	)	664.3
Gross margin	\$ 257.7			\$ 332.2	\$ 887.4			\$ 921.2	
As a % of net sales	59.8	%		60.7	%	60.2	%	58.1	%

Although the gross margin percentage in the third quarter of fiscal 2007 was slightly lower than the gross margin percentage in the third quarter of fiscal 2006, mainly caused by much lower factory utilization, we achieved a higher gross margin percentage in the first nine months of fiscal 2007 compared to the first nine months of fiscal 2006. This higher gross margin percentage was largely due to improved product mix of higher-margin analog standard linear products. As part of that product mix improvement, our blended-average selling prices in fiscal 2007 were higher

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

compared to fiscal 2006. Our product mix has continued to improve through active efforts to increase the portion of our business that comes from high value, high-performance analog products that are more proprietary in nature and can generate higher margins than products that are less proprietary or are multi-sourced. A decline in foundry sales from the businesses we previously sold (which carry much lower gross margins) also contributed to the improvement in gross margin percentage during the first nine months of fiscal 2007. Manufacturing efficiencies also aided our ability to sustain a higher gross margin percentage despite a drop in factory utilization in the third quarter. Wafer fabrication capacity utilization (based on wafer starts) was 64 percent for the first nine months of fiscal 2007 compared to 82 percent for the first nine months of fiscal 2006. Gross margin in fiscal 2007 also includes the effect of \$6.5 million in the third quarter and \$15.6 million in the first nine months of share-based compensation expenses recognized as a result of the adoption of SFAS No. 123(R) beginning in fiscal 2007.

Research and Development

(In Millions)	Three Months Ended			Nine Months Ended		
	Feb. 25, 2007	% Change	Feb. 26, 2006	Feb. 25, 2007	% Change	Feb. 26, 2006
Research and development	\$ 89.7	11.8%	\$ 80.2	\$ 268.0	11.0%	\$ 241.4
As a % of net sales	20.8	%	14.6	18.2	%	15.2

Research and development expenses for the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2007 exclude an in-process R&D charge of \$6.1 million related to the acquisition of Xignal Technologies AG in the third quarter of fiscal 2007 (See Note 5 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements). The in-process R&D charge is included as a separate component of operating expenses in the condensed consolidated statement of income.

The increase in research and development expenses in the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2007 compared to the same periods of fiscal 2006 is primarily due to the inclusion of share-based compensation expense as a result of the adoption of SFAS No. 123(R) beginning in fiscal 2007 in the amount of \$8.4 million in the third quarter and \$24.7 million in the first nine months. We are continuing to concentrate our ongoing research and development spending on analog products and underlying analog capabilities such as DC to DC power conversion, signal conditioning, high-speed amplification and low-power analog-to-digital conversion. During the first nine months of fiscal 2007, research and development spending in the Analog segment was 14 percent higher than in the first nine months of fiscal 2006. Although the increased expense is mostly from share-based compensation expense, we continue to invest in the development of new analog products that can serve applications in a wide variety of end markets such as portable electronics, flat-panel displays, communications infrastructure, industrial and medical. A significant portion of our research and development is directed at power management technology.

Selling, General and Administrative

(In Millions)	Three Months Ended			Nine Months Ended		
	Feb. 25, 2007	% Change	Feb. 26, 2006	Feb. 25, 2007	% Change	Feb. 26, 2006
Selling, general and administrative	\$ 76.4	11.0%	\$ 68.8	\$ 235.9	15.0%	\$ 205.1
As a % of net sales	17.7	%	12.6	16.0	%	12.9

The increase in selling, general and administrative expenses in the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2007 compared to the same periods of fiscal 2006 is primarily due to the inclusion of share-based compensation expense as a result of the adoption of SFAS No. 123(R) beginning in fiscal 2007 in the amount of \$14.6 million in the third quarter and \$46.3 million in the first nine months. The increase from share-based compensation expense was slightly offset by lower payroll and employee benefit expenses. Notwithstanding the new accounting treatment for share-based compensation expense, we continue to manage our cost structure in line with our overall business model objectives, as well as current business conditions.

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

Interest Income, Net

(In Millions)	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Feb. 25, 2007	Feb. 26, 2006	Feb. 25, 2007	Feb. 26, 2006
Interest income	\$ 9.4	\$ 9.0	\$ 30.3	\$ 24.3
Interest expense	(0.4)	(0.5)	(1.3)	(1.2)
Interest income, net	\$ 9.0	\$ 8.5	\$ 29.0	\$ 23.1

The increase in interest income, net, for the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2007 compared to the same periods of fiscal 2006 was due to higher interest rates during fiscal 2007.

Other Non-Operating Income (Expense), Net

(In Millions)	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Feb. 25, 2007	Feb. 26, 2006	Feb. 25, 2007	Feb. 26, 2006
Gain (loss) on investments	\$ 0.1	\$ 9.7	\$ 1.1	\$ 8.4
Share in net loss of equity-method investments	-	-	-	(0.6)
Charitable contribution	-	(9.7)	-	(9.7)
Total other non-operating income (expense), net	\$ 0.1	\$ -	\$ 1.1	\$ (1.9)

The components of other non-operating income (expense), net are primarily derived from activities related to our investments. The gain on investments in the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2007 reflects the change in unrealized holding gains and losses from trading securities. In addition, the change in unrealized holding gains and losses from trading securities in the first nine months is partially offset by impairment losses on non-marketable investments. The gain on investments in the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2006 reflects the sale of shares in available-for-sale securities and non-marketable investments, as well as the net change in unrealized holdings gains from trading securities. Gains for the first nine months of fiscal 2006 were offset by an impairment loss on a non-marketable investment recorded in the first quarter of fiscal 2006. Other non-operating expenses also included a charitable contribution in the third quarter of fiscal 2006.

Income Tax Expense

(In Millions)	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Feb. 25, 2007	Feb. 26, 2006	Feb. 25, 2007	Feb. 26, 2006
Income tax expense	\$ 21.1	\$ 60.3	\$ 120.5	\$ 161.2
Effective tax rate	22.3 %	31.7 %	29.7 %	32.8 %

The effective tax rate for the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2007 includes a tax benefit of approximately \$14.8 million from the retroactive reinstatement to January 1, 2006 of the U.S. federal R&D tax credit under the Tax Relief and Health Care Act of 2006 enacted into law during the third quarter of fiscal 2007. Of the \$14.8 million, \$8.7 million is related to fiscal 2007 R&D expenses and \$6.1 million is related

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

to fiscal 2006 R&D expenses. The R&D tax benefit was partially offset by the non-deductible nature of the in-process research and development charge related to the Xignal acquisition. The fiscal 2007 effective tax rate for the third quarter and first nine months was lower than the rate for the comparable periods of fiscal 2006 primarily because income tax expense in the first nine months of fiscal 2006 included tax provisions of \$5.8 million related to discrete transactions recorded during that period that had higher effective tax rates. Those transactions included cost reduction and restructuring activities associated with the announced closure of the Singapore plant and the sale of the cordless business.

Page 27 of 42

Severance and Restructuring Expenses Related to Cost Reduction Programs

In connection with a workforce reduction related to the capital investment project focused on improving equipment productivity and efficiency in our facility in Greenock, Scotland, we recorded a \$1.3 million charge in the first nine months of fiscal 2007 for severance for the termination of 33 employees in the second quarter of fiscal 2007 who were a part of the manufacturing workforce in Greenock. We also recorded an additional \$2.7 million severance charge in the first nine months of fiscal 2007 for the workforce reduction in Texas (87 employees) and minor workforce reductions in support areas in the first quarter of fiscal 2007. See Note 4 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for further detail.

Share-Based Compensation Expense

Beginning in fiscal 2007, we adopted SFAS No. 123 (revised 2004), Share-Based Payment, which requires the measurement and recognition of compensation expense for all share-based payment awards based on estimated fair values. We provide share-based awards to our employees, executive officers and directors through various equity compensation plans including our stock option, stock purchase and restricted stock plans. For further detail and a description of these plans, see Note 10 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements in this Form 10-Q and Note 10 to the Consolidated Financial Statements in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the 2006 fiscal year.

We have applied the modified prospective transition method to adopt SFAS No. 123(R) and accordingly, operating results for periods prior to fiscal 2007 have not been restated to reflect the adoption of SFAS No. 123(R). The effect of adopting SFAS No. 123(R) on operating results was a decrease in net income of \$18.0 million and a decrease to basic earnings per share of \$0.06 and diluted earnings per share of \$0.05 for the third quarter of fiscal 2007, as well as a decrease in net income of \$49.3 million and a decrease to both basic and diluted earnings per share of \$0.15 for the first nine months of fiscal 2007. Prior to the adoption of SFAS No. 123(R), we measured compensation expense in accordance with the intrinsic method of Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees, and reported pro forma information regarding net income and earnings per share required by SFAS No. 123, Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation, as amended by SFAS No. 148, Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation Transition and Disclosure. Under this prior method, the effect of share-based compensation expense was immaterial to our operating results for both the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2006.

The fair value of awards for our stock option and stock purchase plans is measured at the date of grant using a Black-Scholes option pricing model which requires the input of certain key assumptions. Upon adoption of SFAS No. 123(R), we changed the method used to determine the assumption for expected volatility. Beginning in fiscal 2007, the expected volatility assumption is based on implied volatility, as management has determined that implied volatility is more reflective of the market's expectation of future volatility than historical volatility. Prior to fiscal 2007, we used our historical stock price volatility in accordance with the requirements of SFAS No. 123 for purposes of our pro forma information. This change results in a lower volatility assumption for fiscal 2007 compared to fiscal 2006. See Note 1 and Note 10 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for additional discussion of our share-based compensation plans and the effect of share-based compensation expense.

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

Liquidity and Capital Resources

(In Millions)	Nine Months Ended	
	Feb. 25, 2007	Feb. 26, 2006
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 430.1	\$ 568.0
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	8.9	(28.4)
Net cash used in financing activities	(593.5)	(554.6)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	\$ (154.5)	\$ (15.0)

The primary factors contributing to the changes in cash and cash equivalents in the first nine months of fiscal 2007 and 2006 are described below:

During the first nine months of fiscal 2007, cash from operating activities was positively affected by net income, adjusted for non-cash items (primarily depreciation and amortization, and share-based compensation expense). This was partially offset by the negative impact from changes in working capital components, primarily caused by a significant decrease in accounts payable and accrued expenses that was partially offset by decreases in receivables and inventories. Although we paid income taxes of \$124.0 million during the first nine months of fiscal 2007, its effect on cash from operating activities was offset by \$120.5 million of income tax expense recorded in the first nine months of fiscal 2007. In the first nine months of fiscal 2006, cash generated from net income, adjusted for non-cash items (primarily depreciation and amortization, as well as a tax benefit associated with stock options) was combined with a positive impact from changes in working capital components.

The primary source of cash generated from investing activities in the first nine months of fiscal 2007 was the sale and maturity of available-for-sale securities of \$110.8 million, which was offset by investment in property, plant and equipment of \$88.3 million, mainly representing the purchase of machinery and equipment. The primary source of cash generated from investing activities in the first nine months of fiscal 2006 was proceeds from the sale of the cordless business of \$64.0 million, which was offset by investment in property, plant and equipment of \$100.0 million, mainly representing the purchase of machinery and equipment.

The primary use of cash for financing activities in the first nine months of fiscal 2007 was for the repurchase of 26.0 million shares of our common stock in the open market for \$603.8 million, payments of \$32.5 million for cash dividends and \$8.7 million for software license obligations. These amounts were partially offset by proceeds of \$44.5 million from the issuance of common stock under employee benefit plans. The primary use of cash for financing activities in the first nine months of fiscal 2006 was for the repurchase of 30.2 million shares of our common stock in the open market for \$750.7 million, payments of \$24.0 million for cash dividends and \$13.1 million on software license obligations. These amounts were partially offset by proceeds of \$233.2 million from the issuance of common stock under employee benefit plans.

On March 7, 2007, our Board of Directors declared a cash dividend of \$0.04 per outstanding share of common stock which will be paid on April 9, 2007 to shareholders of record at the close of business on March 19, 2007. In March 2007, our Board of Directors also approved a new \$500 million stock repurchase program similar to our prior stock repurchase programs. We also made a \$20.0 million contribution to one of our international defined benefit plans in March 2007.

We foresee continuing cash outlays for plant and equipment in fiscal 2007 and into fiscal 2008, with our primary focus on analog capabilities at our existing sites. Under current business conditions, we expect our fiscal 2007 capital expenditures to be lower than the fiscal 2006 amount. We will continue to manage the level of capital expenditures relative to sales levels, capacity utilization and industry business conditions. We expect that existing cash and investment balances, together with existing lines of credit and cash generated by operations, will be sufficient to

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

finance the capital investments currently planned for remainder of fiscal 2007, as well as the declared dividend, the stock repurchase program and the pension contribution.

Our cash balances are dependent in part on continued collection of customer receivables and the ability to sell inventories. Although we have not experienced major problems with our customer receivables, significant declines in overall economic conditions could lead to deterioration in the quality of customer receivables. In addition, major declines in financial markets would most likely cause reductions in our cash equivalents and marketable investments.

We do not currently have any relationships with unconsolidated entities or financial partnerships, such as entities often referred to as structured finance or special purpose entities, which might be established for the purpose of facilitating off-balance sheet arrangements or other contractually narrow or limited purposes. We do not engage in trading activities involving non-exchange traded contracts. As a result, we do not believe that we are materially exposed to financing, liquidity, market or credit risk that could arise if we had engaged in these relationships.

Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

In February 2007 the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued SFAS No. 159, *The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities*. This Statement permits entities to choose to measure many financial instruments and certain other items at fair value. The objective is to improve financial reporting by providing entities with the opportunity to mitigate volatility in reported earnings caused by measuring related assets and liabilities differently without having to apply complex hedge accounting provisions. This Statement also establishes presentation and disclosure requirements designed to facilitate comparison between entities that choose different measurement attributes for similar types of assets and liabilities. This Statement is effective at the beginning of our fiscal 2009 and permits application to eligible items existing at the effective date. We are currently evaluating the requirements of this Statement and have not yet determined its effect on our Consolidated Financial Statements.

In September 2006 the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued SFAS No. 158, *Employers' Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans*—an amendment of FASB Statements No. 87, 88, 106 and 132(R). SFAS No. 158 requires recognition of the funded status of a defined benefit postretirement plan on the balance sheet and recognition of changes in that funded status in the year in which the changes occur through comprehensive income. It also requires the measurement date of the plan's funded status to be the same as the company's fiscal year-end. SFAS No. 158 is effective at the end of fiscal 2007, except for the change in measurement date, which is effective for fiscal 2008. We are currently evaluating the requirements of this Statement and have not yet determined its effect on our Consolidated Financial Statements.

In September 2006 the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued SFAS No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements*, which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. SFAS No. 157 will become effective for our fiscal 2009 first quarter. We are currently evaluating this Statement and have not yet determined whether it will result in a change to our fair value measurements.

In September 2006, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission released Staff Accounting Bulletin 108, which provides interpretive guidance on how the effects of the carryover or reversal of prior year misstatements should be considered in quantifying a current year misstatement. The SAB requires registrants to quantify misstatements using both the balance-sheet and income-statement approaches and to evaluate whether either approach results in quantifying an error that is material in light of relevant quantitative and qualitative factors. The SAB does not change the staff's previous guidance in SAB 99 on evaluating the materiality of misstatements. When the effect of initial adoption is determined to be material, the SAB allows registrants to record that effect as a cumulative-effect adjustment to beginning-of-year retained earnings. The requirements are effective for our annual financial statements for the fiscal year ending May 27, 2007. We are currently analyzing the requirements of this SAB and have not yet determined its effect on our Consolidated Financial Statements.

Outlook

During fiscal 2007, we have experienced declining shipment activity as distributors have sought to reduce their levels of inventories and OEM customers have reduced their orders for semiconductor components. We also have seen lower foundry sales, as expected, from the businesses we had previously sold and we expect that foundry sales, which dropped to approximately \$3 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2007, will be about the same in our fiscal 2007 fourth quarter.

Page 30 of 42

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

We began to see improvement in new orders during the third quarter of fiscal 2007 once the holiday season was over. Total orders were 3 percent higher in the third quarter than in the preceding second quarter. The biggest increase in new orders came from our distributors. While turns orders, which are orders received with delivery requested in the same quarter, were lower in total for the third quarter compared to the preceding second quarter, we saw similar improvement after the holiday season. We expect turns orders in the fourth quarter to be seasonally higher than what we received in the third quarter, largely because we expect distributor resales to be seasonally higher in the fourth quarter. We anticipate that the increased resale activity will result in higher turns orders, as we assume that distributor inventory balances will remain relatively steady. As we entered the fourth quarter of fiscal 2007, our opening 13-week backlog at the beginning of the fourth quarter was slightly higher than it was when we began the third quarter of fiscal 2007.

Considering all factors, including those described above and our historical seasonality patterns, we provided guidance for net sales in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2007 to increase 3 to 6 percent sequentially from the level achieved in our recently completed third quarter of fiscal 2007. However, if backlog orders are cancelled or if the currently anticipated level of turns orders is less than expected, we may not be able to achieve this level of sales. We also expect our gross margin percentage to improve slightly to over 60 percent based on the expected sales level. This reflects approximately \$6 million of share-based compensation expense. Wafer fabrication utilization is expected to run at a similar level as in third quarter of fiscal 2007 with ending inventories to be held at comparable levels. However, if there are further declines in factory utilization or changes in the expected sales level or product mix, our gross margin percentage could be further negatively impacted.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Refer to Part II, Item 7A, Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk, in our annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended May 28, 2006 and to the subheading Financial Market Risks under the heading Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations on page 34 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended May 28, 2006 and to Note 1, Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, and Note 2, Financial Instruments, in the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 8 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended May 28, 2006. There have been no material changes in market risk from the information reported in these sections.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures that are intended to ensure that the information required to be disclosed in our Exchange Act filings is properly and timely recorded, processed, summarized and reported. In designing and evaluating our disclosure controls and procedures, our management recognizes that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives and that management necessarily is required to apply its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures. Since we have investments in certain unconsolidated entities which we do not control or manage, our disclosure controls and procedures with respect to those entities are necessarily substantially more limited than those we maintain for our consolidated subsidiaries.

We have a disclosure controls committee comprised of key individuals from a variety of disciplines in the company that are involved in the disclosure and reporting process. The committee meets regularly to ensure the timeliness, accuracy and completeness of the information required to be disclosed in our filings containing financial statements. As required by SEC Rule 13a-15(b), the committee reviewed this Form 10-Q and also met with the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer to review this Form 10-Q and the required disclosures and the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures. The committee performed an evaluation, under the supervision of and with the participation of management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the fiscal quarter covered by this report. Based on that evaluation and their supervision of and participation in the process, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective at the reasonable assurance level.

Changes in internal controls

As part of our efforts to ensure compliance with the requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, we conduct a continual review of our internal controls over financial reporting. The review is an ongoing process and it is possible that we may institute additional or new internal controls over financial reporting as a result of the review. During the third quarter of fiscal 2007, which is covered by this report, we did not make any changes in our internal controls over financial reporting that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal controls over financial reporting.

Inherent Limitations on Effectiveness of Controls

Our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, does not expect that our disclosure controls or our internal controls over financial reporting will prevent or detect all error and all fraud. A control system, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the control system's objectives will be met. The design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Further, because of inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that misstatements due to error or fraud will not occur or that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, within the company have been detected. These inherent limitations include the realities

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

that judgments in decision-making can be faulty and that breakdowns can occur because of simple error or mistake. Controls can also be circumvented by the individual acts of some persons, by collusion of two or more people, or by management override of the controls. The design of any system of controls is based in part on certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and there can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions. Projections of any evaluation of controls effectiveness to future periods are subject to risks. Over time, controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or deterioration in the degree of compliance with policies or procedures.

Page 32 of 42

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

We currently are a party to various legal proceedings. While we believe that the ultimate outcome of these various proceedings, individually and in the aggregate, will not have a material adverse effect on our financial position or overall trends in results of operations, litigation is always subject to inherent uncertainties and unfavorable rulings could occur. An unfavorable ruling could include money damages or an injunction prohibiting us from selling one or more of our products. Were an unfavorable ruling to occur, there exists the possibility of a material adverse impact on the net income of the period in which the ruling occurs, and future periods. Information on our existing material legal proceedings is provided in our Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended May 28, 2006. Except as provided below, there have been no material developments in the legal proceedings described in those filings.

1. In November 2000, a derivative action was filed in the U.S. District Court in Delaware against us, Fairchild Semiconductor International, Inc. and Sterling Holding Company, LLC, by Mark Levy, a Fairchild stockholder. The action was brought under Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules issued under that Act by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). The plaintiff seeks disgorgement of alleged short-swing insider trading profits. We had originally acquired Fairchild common and preferred stock in March 1997 at the time we disposed of the Fairchild business. Prior to its initial public offering in August 1999, Fairchild had amended its certificate of incorporation to provide that all Fairchild preferred stock would convert automatically to common stock upon completion of the initial public offering. As a result, our shares of preferred stock converted to common stock in August 1999. Plaintiff has alleged that our acquisition of common stock through the conversion constituted an acquisition that should be matched against our sale in January 2000 of Fairchild common stock for purposes of computing short-swing trading profits. The action seeks to recover from us on behalf of Fairchild alleged recoverable profits of approximately \$14.1 million. The case has completed discovery in the District Court and we filed a motion for summary judgment in June 2004. The SEC proposed clarifying amendments to its Section 16(b) rules in June 2004 which we believe are dispositive of the case and the SEC adopted the rule amendments in August 2005. The District Court ordered a briefing on whether it should apply the SEC rule amendments to the case, and oral arguments on the briefs were held in November 2005. In February 2007, the district court issued its ruling and granted our motion for summary judgment. Plaintiff has appealed the district court's ruling granting our motion for summary judgment. We intend to continue to contest the case through all available means.

2. In September 2002, iTech Group, Inc. (iTech) brought suit against us in California Superior Court alleging a number of contract and tort claims related to a software license agreement we entered into earlier in 2002 and the proposed sale of one of our business units. At the trial which began in May 2005, the jury in the case found for iTech on claims of breach of contract, promissory fraud and unjust enrichment, awarding iTech compensatory damages of approximately \$234.0 thousand and punitive damages of \$15.0 million. In post trial motions heard by the court in July 2005, the court affirmed the verdict for the compensatory damages, awarded attorneys' fees to iTech of approximately \$60.0 thousand, and reduced the punitive damages to \$3.0 million and judgment was entered in that amount in late August 2005. We appealed the case and the appellate hearing was held in October 2006. On December 11, 2006, the appeals court issued an unpublished opinion that reversed the trial court judgment and remanded the case for retrial or other disposition. The period for further appeal has expired and the opinion of the appeals court has become final. We intend to continue to contest the case through all available means, including a retrial if necessary.

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

A description of the risk factors associated with our business is set forth below. We review and update our risk factors each quarter. The description set forth below includes any changes to and supersedes the description of risk factors previously disclosed in Part I, Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended May 28, 2006. The risks described below are not the only ones facing us. Additional risks not currently known to us or that we currently believe are immaterial may also impair our business operations, results or financial condition.

You should read the following risk factors in conjunction with the factors discussed elsewhere in this and our other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and in materials incorporated by reference in these filings. These risk factors are intended to highlight certain factors that may affect our financial condition and results of operations and are not meant to be an exhaustive discussion of risks that apply to companies like National with broad international operations. Like other companies, we are susceptible to macroeconomic downturns in the United States or abroad that may affect the general economic climate and our performance and the performance of our customers. Similarly, the price of our stock is subject to volatility due to fluctuations in general market conditions, differences in our results of operations from estimates and projections generated by the investment community, and other factors beyond our control.

We operate in the global marketplace and face risks associated with worldwide operations.

During the first nine months of fiscal 2007, approximately 77 percent of our revenues were derived from customers in international markets. We expect that international sales will continue to account for a significant majority of our total revenue in future years. We have manufacturing facilities outside the United States in the U.K., Malaysia and China. We are subject to the economic and political risks inherent in international operations, including the risks associated with ongoing uncertainties and political and economic instability in many countries around the world. In addition, the management of global operations subjects us to risks associated with trade balance issues, currency controls, differences in local business and cultural factors, fluctuations in interest and currency exchange rates, and difficulties in staffing and managing foreign operations. Although we did not experience any materially adverse effects from our international operations as a result of these types of factors in fiscal 2006 or in the first nine months of fiscal 2007, one or more of these factors has had an adverse effect on us in the past and could have a material adverse effect on us in the future.

Conditions inherent in the semiconductor industry may cause periodic fluctuations in our operating results.

Rapid technological change and frequent introduction of new technology leading to more complex and integrated products characterize the semiconductor industry. The result is a cyclical environment with short product life cycles, even with analog products which form the core of our strategic focus. We have seen and may see in the future significant and rapid increases and decreases in product demand. Although less capital investment is needed for analog products than for many other semiconductor products, substantial capital and R&D investment are required to support products and manufacturing processes in the semiconductor industry which amplify the effect of this cyclicity. As a result of this environment, we have experienced in the past and may experience in the future periodic fluctuations in our operating results. Market shifts in product mix toward or away from higher margin products, including analog products, can also have a significant impact on our operating results. As a result of these and other factors, our financial results can fluctuate significantly from period to period.

Our business will be harmed if we are unable to compete successfully in our markets.

Competition in the semiconductor industry is intense. Our major competitors include Analog Devices, Linear Technology, Maxim and Texas Instruments. These companies sell competing products into some of the same markets that we target. In some cases, we may also compete with our customers. Competition is based on design and quality of products, product performance, price and service, with the relative importance of these factors varying among products, markets and customers. We cannot assure you that we will be able to compete successfully in the future against existing or new competitors or that our operating results will not be adversely affected by increased competition.

A large portion of our revenues is dependent on the wireless handset market.

The wireless handset market continues to be a significant source of our overall sales. New products are being developed to address new features and functionality in handsets, such as advanced color displays, advanced audio, lighting features and battery management that can adequately handle the demands of these advanced features. Due to high levels of competition, as well as complex technological requirements, there is no assurance that we will continue to be successful in this targeted market. Although the worldwide handset market is large, growth trends and other variables are often uncertain and difficult to predict. Revenues from this market in the first nine months of fiscal 2007 were less than we had expected. Since the wireless handset market is a consumer-driven market, changes in the economy that affect consumer demand can affect our business and results.

We depend on demand from the consumer, original equipment manufacturer, contract manufacturing, industrial, automotive and other markets we serve for the end market applications which incorporate our products. Reduced consumer or corporate spending in these markets due to fluctuating oil prices or other economic factors could adversely affect our revenues and gross margins.

Our revenues and gross margins are based on certain levels of consumer and corporate spending. If our projections of these expenditures fail to materialize due to reduced consumer or corporate spending, from increased oil prices or otherwise, our revenues and gross margins could be adversely affected.

We may experience delays in introducing new products or market acceptance of new products may be below our expectations.

Rapidly changing technologies and industry standards, along with frequent new product introductions, characterize the industries in which our primary customers operate. As our customers evolve and introduce new products, our success depends on our ability to anticipate and adapt to these changes in a timely and cost-effective manner by developing and introducing into the market new products that meet the needs of our customers. We believe that continued focused investment in research and development, especially the timely development and market acceptance of new analog products, is a key factor to successful growth and the ability to achieve strong financial performance. Successful development and introduction of these new products are critical to our ability to maintain a competitive position in the marketplace. We will continue to invest resources to develop more highly integrated solutions and building block products, both primarily based on our analog capabilities. We will continue to target applications such as wireless handsets, displays, other portable devices and applications in other broad markets that require analog technology. We cannot assure you that we will be successful in timely developing and introducing successful new products, and a failure to bring new products to market may harm our operating results. We also cannot assure you that products that may be developed in the future by our competitors will not render our products obsolete or non-competitive.

We make forecasts of customer demand that need to be accurate.

Our ability to match inventory and production mix with the product mix needed to fill current orders and orders to be delivered in any given quarter may affect our ability to meet that quarter's revenue forecast. To be able to accommodate customer requests for shorter shipment lead times, we manufacture product based on customer forecasts. These forecasts are based on multiple assumptions. While we believe our relationships with our customers, combined with our understanding of the end-markets we serve, provide us with the ability to make reliable forecasts, if we inaccurately forecast customer demand, it could result in inadequate, excess or obsolete inventory that would reduce our profit margins.

Our performance depends on the availability and cost of raw materials, utilities, critical manufacturing equipment and third-party manufacturing services.

Our manufacturing processes and critical manufacturing equipment require that certain key raw materials and utilities be available. Limited or delayed access to and high costs of these items, as well as the inability to implement new manufacturing technologies or install manufacturing equipment on a timely basis could adversely affect our results of operations. We subcontract a portion of our wafer fabrication and assembly and testing of our integrated circuits. We depend on a limited number of third parties, most of whom are located outside of the United States, to perform these functions. We do not have long-term contracts with all of these third parties. Reliance on these third parties involves risks, including possible shortages of capacity in periods of high demand. Although we did not experience any material difficulties with supplies or subcontractors in the first nine months of fiscal 2007, we have had difficulties in the past and could experience them in the future.

We are subject to warranty claims, product recalls and product liability.

We could be subject to warranty or product liability claims that could lead to significant expenses as we defend such claims or pay damage awards. In the event of a warranty claim, we may also incur costs if we compensate the affected customer. We maintain product liability insurance, but there is no guarantee that such insurance will be available or adequate to protect against all such claims. We may incur costs and expenses relating to a recall of one of our customers' products containing one of our devices. Although costs or payments we have made in connection with

Page 35 of 42

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

warranty claims or product recalls in the past have not materially affected our results of operations and financial condition, they could in the future.

Our profit margins may vary over time.

Our profit margins may be adversely affected by a number of factors, including decreases in our shipment volume, reductions in, or obsolescence of our inventory and shifts in our product mix. In addition, the competitive market environment in which we operate may adversely affect pricing for our products, although we try to emphasize higher margin products. Because we own most of our manufacturing capacity, a significant portion of our operating costs are fixed, including costs associated with depreciation expense. In general, these costs do not decline with reductions in customer demand or utilization of our manufacturing capacity. If we are unable to utilize our manufacturing facilities at a high level, the fixed costs associated with these facilities will result in higher average unit costs and lower gross margins.

We may be harmed by natural disasters and other disruptions.

Our worldwide operations could be subject to natural disasters and other disruptions. Our corporate headquarters are located near major earthquake fault lines in California. In the event of a major earthquake, or other natural or manmade disaster, we could experience loss of life of our employees, destruction of facilities or other business interruptions. The operations of our suppliers could also be subject to natural disasters and other disruptions, which could cause shortages and price increases in various essential materials. We use third party freight firms for nearly all of our shipments from vendors and from our foundries to assembly and test sites and for shipments to customers of our final product. This includes ground, sea and air freight. Any significant disruption of our freight shipments globally or in certain parts of the world, particularly where our operations are concentrated, would materially affect our operations.

We may not be able to attract or retain employees with skills necessary to remain competitive in our industry.

Our continued success depends in part on the recruitment and retention of skilled personnel, including technical, marketing, management and staff personnel. Experienced personnel in the semiconductor industry, particularly in our targeted analog areas, are in high demand and competition for their skills is intense. There can be no assurance that we will be able to successfully recruit and retain the key personnel we require.

Our products are dependent on the use of intellectual property that we need to protect.

We rely on patents, trade secrets, trademarks, mask works and copyrights to protect our products and technologies. Some of our products and technologies are not covered by any patent or patent application and we cannot assure you that:

- the patents owned by us or numerous other patents which third parties license to us will not be invalidated, circumvented, challenged or licensed to other companies
- any of our pending or future patent applications will be issued within the scope of the claims sought by us, if at all

In addition, effective patent, trademark, copyright and trade secret protection may be unavailable, limited or not applied for in some countries.

We also seek to protect our proprietary technologies, including technologies that may not be patented or patentable, in part by confidentiality agreements and, if applicable, inventors' rights agreements with our collaborators, advisors, employees and consultants. We cannot assure you that these agreements will not be breached, that we will have adequate remedies for any breach or that our collaborators will not assert rights to intellectual property arising out of our research collaborations. In addition, we may not be able to enforce these agreements globally. Some of our technologies have been licensed on a non-exclusive basis from other companies, which may license such technologies to others, including

our competitors. If necessary or desirable, we may seek licenses under patents or intellectual property rights claimed by others. However, we cannot assure you that we will obtain such licenses or that the terms of any offered licenses will be acceptable to us. The failure to obtain a license from a third party for technologies we use could cause us to incur substantial liabilities and to suspend the manufacture or shipment of products or our use of processes requiring the technologies.

We have significantly expanded our manufacturing operations in China and, as a result, will be increasingly subject to risks inherent in doing business in China.

Since we began production in our assembly and test facility in Suzhou, China in fiscal 2005, the factory has steadily increased its output. Our ability to operate in China may be adversely affected by changes in China's laws and regulations, including those relating to taxation, import and export tariffs, environmental regulations, land use rights, property and other matters. Our operations in China are subject to the economic and political situation there. We believe that our operations in China are in compliance with all applicable legal and regulatory requirements. However, there can be no assurance that China's central or local governments will not impose new, stricter regulations or interpretations of existing regulations that would require additional expenditures. Changes in the political environment or government policies could result in revisions to laws or regulations or their interpretation and enforcement, increased taxation, restrictions on imports, import duties or currency revaluations. In addition, a significant destabilization of relations between China and the United States could result in restrictions or prohibitions on our operations in China. The legal system of China relating to foreign trade and intellectual property is relatively new and continues to evolve. Enforcement of existing laws or agreements may be sporadic and implementation and interpretation of laws inconsistent. Moreover, there is a high degree of fragmentation among regulatory authorities resulting in uncertainties as to which authorities have jurisdiction over particular parties or transactions.

We are subject to fluctuations in the exchange rate of the U.S. dollar and foreign currencies.

While we transact business primarily in U.S. dollars, and most of our revenues are denominated in U.S. dollars, a portion of our costs and revenues is denominated in other currencies, such as the euro, the Japanese yen, pound sterling and certain other Asian currencies. As a result, changes in the exchange rates of these or any other applicable currencies to the U.S. dollar will affect our costs of goods sold and operating margins. We have a program to hedge our exposure to currency rate fluctuations, but our hedging program may not be fully effective in preventing foreign exchange losses.

We may pursue acquisitions, investments and divestitures that could harm our operating results and may disrupt our business.

We have made and will continue to consider making strategic business investments, alliances and acquisitions we consider necessary to gain access to key technologies that we believe augment our existing technical capability and support our business model objectives. Acquisitions and investments involve risks and uncertainties that may unfavorably impact our future financial performance. We may not be able to integrate and develop the technologies we acquire as expected. If the technology is not developed in a timely manner, we may be unsuccessful in penetrating target markets. With any acquisition there are risks that future operating results may be unfavorably affected by acquisition related costs, including in-process R&D charges and incremental R&D spending.

We have made and will continue to consider making strategic divestitures. With any divestiture, there are risks that future operating results could be unfavorably impacted if targeted objectives, such as cost savings, are not achieved or if other business disruptions occur as a result of the divestiture or activities related to the divestiture.

We are subject to litigation risks.

All industries, including the semiconductor industry, are subject to legal claims. We are involved in a variety of routine legal matters that arise in the normal course of business. Further discussion of certain specific material legal proceedings we are involved with is contained in Note 13 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. We believe it is unlikely that the final outcome of these legal claims will have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position or results of operations. However, litigation is inherently uncertain and unpredictable. An unfavorable resolution of any particular legal claim or proceeding could have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position or results of operations.

We are subject to many environmental laws and regulations.

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

Increasingly stringent environmental regulations restrict the amount and types of materials that can be released from our operations into the environment. While the cost of compliance with environmental laws has not had a material adverse effect on our results of operations historically, compliance with these and any future regulations could require significant capital investments in pollution control equipment or changes in the way we make our products. In addition, because we use hazardous and other regulated materials in our manufacturing processes, we are subject to risks of liabilities and claims, regardless of fault, resulting from accidental releases, including personal injury claims and civil and criminal fines. The following should also be considered:

we currently are remediating past contamination at some of our sites

we have been identified as a potentially responsible party at a number of Superfund sites where we (or our predecessors) disposed of wastes in the past

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

significant regulatory and public attention on the impact of semiconductor operations on the environment may result in more stringent regulations, further increasing our costs

We are subject to export restrictions and laws affecting trade and investments.

As a global company headquartered in the United States, we are subject to U.S. laws and regulations that limit and restrict the export of some of our products and related product information. Compliance with these laws has not significantly limited our operations or our sales but could in the future. We maintain an export compliance program but there are risks that the compliance controls could be circumvented, exposing us to legal liabilities. We must also comply with export restrictions and laws imposed by other countries affecting trade and investments. Although these restrictions and laws have not significantly restricted our operations in the recent past, there is a risk that they could in the future.

We may be affected by higher than expected tax rates or exposure to additional income tax liabilities and may not be able to use deferred tax assets under certain circumstances.

As a global company, our effective tax rate is dependent upon the geographic composition of worldwide earnings and tax regulations governing each region. We are subject to income taxes in both the United States and various foreign jurisdictions, and complex analyses and significant judgment are required to determine worldwide tax liabilities. From time to time, we have received notices of tax assessments in various jurisdictions where we operate. We may receive future notices of assessments and the amounts of these assessments or our failure to favorably resolve such assessments may have a material adverse effect on our financial condition or results of operations.

We have significant amounts of deferred tax assets. The recognition of deferred tax assets is reduced by a valuation allowance if it is more likely than not that the tax benefits associated with the deferred tax benefits will not be realized. If we are unable to generate sufficient future taxable income in certain jurisdictions, or if there is a significant change in the actual effective tax rates or the time period within which the underlying temporary differences become taxable or deductible, we could be required to increase the valuation allowances against our deferred tax assets, which would cause an increase in our effective tax rate. A significant increase in our effective tax rate could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition or results of operations.

Recent events and global disruptions could adversely affect our financial performance and operating results.

Terrorist activities worldwide and hostilities in and between nation states, including the continuing hostilities and violence in Iraq and the threat of future hostilities involving the U.S. and other countries, cause uncertainty on the overall state of the global economy. We have no assurance that the consequences from these events will not disrupt our operations in either the U.S. or other regions of the world. Continued wide fluctuations in oil prices could affect our future costs and revenues. Pandemic illnesses that spread globally and/or substantial natural disasters, as well as geopolitical events, may affect our future costs, operating capabilities and revenues.

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

(a) During the third quarter of fiscal 2007 covered by this report, we did not make any unregistered sales of our securities.

(c) The following table summarizes purchases we made of our common stock during the third quarter of fiscal 2007:

		Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs		Approximate Dollar Value of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs (2)
Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased (1)	Average Price Paid per Share		
Month #1				
November 27, 2006 December 26, 2006	2,575,536	\$ 23.34	2,575,000	\$ 130 million
Month #2				
December 27, 2006 January 26, 2007	3,059,160	\$ 22.37	3,055,000	\$ 62 million
Month #3				
January 27, 2007 February 25, 2007	576,497	\$ 22.91	545,000	\$ 49 million
Total	6,211,193		6,175,000	

(1) Includes 28,951 shares that were reacquired through the withholding of shares to pay employee tax obligations upon the vesting of restricted stock and 7,242 shares purchased by the rabbi trust utilized by our Deferred Compensation Plan which permits participants to direct investment of their accounts in National stock in accordance with their instructions.

(2) Purchases during the third quarter of fiscal 2007 were made under the \$500 million repurchase program announced on June 8, 2006. There is no expiration date for this repurchase program. All 6,175,000 shares were purchased in the open market.

Our \$20 million multicurrency credit agreement with a bank that provides for multicurrency loans, letters of credit and standby letters of credit was renewed in October 2006. The agreement contains restrictive covenants, conditions and default provisions that require the maintenance of financial ratios. Under the amended agreement, we are no longer required to maintain certain levels of tangible net worth, a requirement that previously restricted the amounts available for the payment of dividends on common stock.

ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

- (a) Subsequent to the filing of our Current Report on Form 8-K on March 8, 2007 that included our news release in which we furnished our unaudited financial results for the quarter ended February 25, 2007, information became available to us concerning the need to recognize in the current period results an additional amount of tax benefit associated with the retroactive reinstatement of the U.S. federal R&D tax credit under the Tax Relief and Health Care Act of 2006 enacted into law during our fiscal 2007 third quarter. This has resulted in a difference between the financial statements contained in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q from the information furnished in the March 8, 2007 news release. We have made an adjustment to reduce income tax expense by \$2.2 million for the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2007 with an increase to net income by \$2.2 million for the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2007. Basic and diluted earnings per share for the third quarter of fiscal 2007 were unchanged. Basic and diluted earnings per share were increased by \$0.01 for the first nine months of fiscal 2007.

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

- (a) Exhibits
- 3.1 Second Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company as amended (incorporated by reference from the Exhibits to our Registration Statement on Form S-3 Registration No. 33-52775, which became effective March 22, 1994); Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation dated September 30, 1994 (incorporated by reference from the Exhibits to our Registration Statement on Form S-8 Registration No. 333-09957, which became effective August 12, 1996); Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation dated September 22, 2000 (incorporated by reference from the Exhibits to our Registration Statement on Form S-8 Registration No. 333-48424, which became effective October 23, 2000).
- 3.2 By Laws of the Company, as amended effective April 19, 2006 (incorporated by reference from the Exhibits to our Form 8-K dated April 19, 2006 filed April 20, 2006).
- 4.1 Form of Common Stock Certificate (incorporated by reference from the Exhibits to our Registration Statement on Form S-3 Registration No. 33-48935, which became effective October 5, 1992).
- 10.1 Management Contract or Compensatory Plan or Arrangement:
Stock Option Plan as amended effective February 26, 2007.
- 10.2 Management Contract or Compensatory Plan or Arrangement:
Executive Officer Stock Option Plan as amended effective February 26, 2007.
- 10.3 Management Contract or Compensatory Plan or Arrangement:
2005 Executive Officer Equity Plan as amended effective February 26, 2007.
- 10.4 Management Contract or Compensatory Plan or Arrangement:
Form of option grant agreement under 2005 Executive Officer Equity Plan (as amended effective February 26, 2007).

Edgar Filing: NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP - Form 10-Q

10.5 Equity Compensation Plan not approved by Stockholders:
1997 Employees Stock Option Plan as amended effective February 26, 2007.

10.6 Management Contract or Compensatory Plan or Arrangement;
Equity Compensation Plan not approved by Stockholders:

Form of Option Grant Agreement under Stock Option Plan, 1997 Employees Stock Option Plan, Executive Officer Stock Option Plan (as amended effective February 26, 2007).

31. Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certifications.

32. Section 1350 Certifications.

Page 40 of 42

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.

NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

Date: April 4, 2007

/s/ Jamie E. Samath

Jamie E. Samath
Corporate Controller

Signing on behalf of the registrant
and as principal accounting officer

Page 41 of 42

Exhibit 31

CERTIFICATION

I, Brian L. Halla, certify that:

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

Date: April 4, 2007

/s/ Brian L. Halla

Brian L. Halla
Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION

I, Lewis Chew, certify that:

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

Date: April 4, 2007

/s/ Lewis Chew

Lewis Chew
Senior Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial
Officer

Exhibit 32

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO

18 U.S.C SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO

SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of National Semiconductor Corporation (the Company) on Form 10-Q for the period ended February 25, 2007 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the Report), I, Brian L. Halla, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to my knowledge:

The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or Section 15(d), as applicable, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and

The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: April 4, 2007

/s/ Brian L. Halla

Brian L. Halla
Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO

18 U.S.C SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO

SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of National Semiconductor Corporation (the Company) on Form 10-Q for the period ended February 25, 2007 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the Report), I, Lewis Chew, Senior Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to my knowledge:

The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or Section 15(d), as applicable, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and

The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: April 4, 2007

/s/ Lewis Chew

Lewis Chew
Senior Vice President, Finance and

Chief Financial Officer