

NOVA MEASURING INSTRUMENTS LTD
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

11 January 2010

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NOVA MEASURING INSTRUMENTS LTD.
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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Yes £ No S

Attached hereto and incorporated by way of reference herein is a press release issued by the Registrant and entitled "Nova Integrated Metrology for Etch Deployed by a Major Foundry in Asia Pacific"

This report on Form 6-K is hereby incorporated by reference into Nova Measuring Instruments Ltd.'s registration statements on Form S-8, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the following dates: September 13, 2000 (File No. 333-12546); March 5, 2002 (File No. 333-83734); December 24, 2002 (File No. 333-102193, as amended by Amendment No. 1, filed on January 5, 2006); March 24, 2003 (File No. 333-103981); May 17, 2004 (three files, File Nos. 333-115554, 333-115555, and 333-115556, as amended by Amendment No. 1, filed on January

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5, 2006); March 7, 2005 (File No. 333-123158); December 29, 2005 (File No. 333-130745); September 21, 2006 (File No. 333-137491); and November 5, 2007 (File No. 333-147140) and into Nova Measuring Instruments Ltd.'s registration statement on Form F-3, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 11, 2007 (File No. 333-142834).

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

NOVA MEASURING INSTRUMENTS LTD.
(Registrant)

Date: 11/01/2010

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Nova Integrated Metrology for Etch

Deployed by a Major Foundry in Asia Pacific

Order brings the number of Integrated Metrology Etch customers to four

REHOVOT, Israel, January 11, 2010 - Nova Measuring Instruments Ltd. (NASDAQ: NVMI) provider of leading edge stand-alone metrology and the market leader of integrated metrology solutions to the semiconductor process control market, today announced that a major foundry in Asia Pacific has decided to deploy its NovaScan Integrated Metrology (IM) solution coupled with NovaMARS® shape profiling software, for 45nm gate Etch Advanced Process Control. The company expects additional tools to be ordered and installed during 2010 from this particular foundry.

“Foundries continuously deal with a large variety of products, combined with an ever increasing need to tighten process control and reduce process variability,” commented Noam Shintel, Director of Corporate Marketing at Nova. “Our leading Integrated Metrology platform enables fast and accurate closed-loop control of the Etcher, resulting in higher yield and improved productivity for our customers. Expanding our product reach into more areas of the fab through a broadened product offering has become part of our strategy and we expect this trend to continue into the future”.

The NovaScan integrated metrology platform is available in conjunction with Applied Materials, Lam Research and Ebara Corporation CMP and Etch tools. The platform provides a state-of-the-art metrology solution, implementing polarized normal incidence spectroscopic scatterometry with an extended UV and IR spectral range. NovaScan Integrated Metrology, featuring the highest fleet (tool-to-tool) matching and throughput, is an ideal and cost-effective metrology solution for the most demanding 2D, 3D, and in-die film thickness, Optical CD and shape profiling applications.

About Nova: Nova Measuring Instruments Ltd. develops, produces and markets advanced integrated and stand alone metrology solutions for the semiconductor manufacturing industry. Nova is traded on the NASDAQ & TASE under the symbol NVMI. The Company's website is www.nova.co.il.

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 relating to future events or our future performance, such as statements regarding trends, demand for our products, expected deliveries, transaction, expected revenues, operating results, earnings and profitability. Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause our actual results, levels of activity, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements expressed or implied in those forward looking statements. These risks and other factors include but are not limited to: unanticipated consequences of the global economic crisis, our dependency on a single integrated process control product line; the highly cyclical nature of the markets we target; our inability to reduce spending during a slowdown in the semiconductor industry; our ability to respond effectively on a timely basis to rapid technological changes; risks associated with our dependence on a single manufacturing facility; our ability to expand our manufacturing capacity or marketing efforts to support our future growth; our dependency on a small number of large customers and small number of suppliers; risks related to our intellectual property; changes in customer demands for our products; new product offerings from our competitors; changes in or an inability to execute our business strategy; unanticipated manufacturing or supply problems; changes in tax requirements; changes in customer demand for our products; risks related to currency fluctuations; and risks related to our operations in Israel. We cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements. The matters discussed in this press release also involve risks and uncertainties summarized under the heading "Risk Factors" in Nova's Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2008 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 30, 2009. These factors are updated from time to time through the filing of reports and registration statements with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Nova Measuring Instruments Ltd. does not assume any obligation to update the forward-looking information contained in this press release.
