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

For the quarterly period ended September 27, 2015

OR

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

Commission file number 1-10079

### CYPRESS SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 94-2885898

(State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer

incorporation or organization) Identification No.)

198 Champion Court, San Jose, California 95134

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(408) 943-2600

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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 has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes x No o

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

Large accelerated filer x

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer o (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company "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

The total number of outstanding shares of the registrant's common stock as of October 30, 2015 was 333,822,707.

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#### PART I—FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### Forward-Looking Statements

The discussion in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains statements that are not historical in nature, but are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, that involve risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to, statements related to: our manufacturing strategy; the expected timing and costs related to the integration of Cypress Semiconductor Corporation ("Cypress" or the "Company") with Spansion Inc. ("Spansion") as a result of our recent merger; our ability to execute on planned synergies related to the merger with Spansion; our expectations regarding dividends and stock repurchases; our expectations regarding future technology transfers and other licensing arrangements; our expectations regarding the timing and cost of our restructuring liabilities; our expectations regarding our active litigation matters and our intent to defend ourselves in those matters; the competitive advantage we believe we have with our patents as well as our proprietary programmable technologies and programmable products; our backlog as an indicator of future performance; the risk associated with our yield investment agreements; our foreign currency exposure and the impact exchange rates could have on our operating margins; the adequacy of our cash and working capital positions; the value and liquidity of our investments; including auction rate securities and our other debt investments; our ability to recognize certain unrecognized tax benefits within the next twelve months as well as the resolution of agreements with various foreign tax authorities; our investment strategy; the impact of interest rate fluctuations on our investments; the volatility of our stock price; the adequacy of our real estate properties; the utility of our non-GAAP reporting; the adequacy of our audits; the potential impact of our indemnification obligations and the impact of new accounting standards on our financial statements. We use words such as "may," "will," "should," "expect," "plan," "intend," "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "predict," "potential," "continu expressions to identify forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking statements are made as of the date hereof and are based on our current expectations, beliefs and intentions regarding future events or our financial performance and the information available to management as of the date hereof. We assume no responsibility to update any such forward-looking statements. Our actual results could differ materially from those expected, discussed or projected in the forward-looking statements contained in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for any number of reasons, including, but not limited to: the state and future of the general economy and its impact on the markets and consumers we serve and our investments; our ability to effectively integrate our company with Spansion in a timely manner; our ability to attract and retain key personnel; our ability to timely deliver new proprietary and programmable technologies and products; the current credit conditions; our ability to expand our customer base; our ability to transform our business with a leading portfolio of programmable products; the number and nature of our competitors; the changing environment and/or cycles of the semiconductor industry; foreign currency exchange rates; our ability to efficiently manage our manufacturing facilities and achieve our cost goals emanating from our flexible manufacturing strategy; our ability to achieve our goals related to our restructuring activities; our success in our pending litigation matters; our ability to manage our investments and interest rate and exchange rate exposure; changes in the law; the results of our pending tax examinations; our ability to achieve liquidity in our investments; the failure or success of our Emerging Technology division and/or the materialization of one or more of the risks set forth above or in Item 1A (Risk Factors) in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and in Part I, Item 1A (Risk Factors) in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 28, 2014.

## ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## CYPRESS SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Unaudited)

	September 27,	December 28,
	2015 (In thousand	2014 s, except
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	per-share am	ounts)
ASSETS		
Current assets:	****	****
Cash and cash equivalents	\$193,759	\$103,736
Short-term investments	871	15,076
Accounts receivable, net	293,832	75,984
Inventories	279,007	88,227
Other current assets	107,302	29,288
Total current assets	874,771	312,311
Property, plant and equipment, net	459,040	237,763
Goodwill	1,741,733	65,696
Intangible assets, net	823,436	33,918
Other long-term assets	182,952	93,593
Total assets	\$4,081,932	\$743,281
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$145,757	\$42,678
Accrued compensation and employee benefits	75,004	35,182
Deferred margin on sales to distributors	64,257	75,569
Dividends payable	36,884	17,931
Income taxes payable	5,032	2,710
Current portion of long-term debt	9,131	6,143
Other current liabilities	217,889	94,619
Total current liabilities	553,954	274,832
Deferred income taxes and other tax liabilities	57,855	18,784
Revolving credit facility and long-term debt	582,577	237,107
Other long-term liabilities	45,247	10,693
Total liabilities	1,239,633	541,416
Commitments and contingencies (Note 10)		
Equity:		
Preferred stock, \$.01 par value, 5,000 shares authorized; none issued and outstanding	_	_
Common stock, \$.01 par value, 650,000 and 650,000 shares authorized; 479,570 and	<del></del>	3,039

306,167 shares issued; 335,590 and 163,013 shares outstanding at September 27,		
2015 and December 28, 2014, respectively		
Additional paid-in-capital	5,633,026	2,675,170
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(267)	(46)
Accumulated deficit	(686,459)	(379,913)
Stockholders' equity before treasury stock	4,951,019	2,298,250
Less: shares of common stock held in treasury, at cost; 143,980 and 143,154 shares at		
September 27, 2015 and December 28, 2014, respectively	(2,101,025)	(2,090,493)
Total Cypress stockholders' equity	2,849,994	207,757
Non-controlling interests	(7,695)	(5,892)
Total equity	2,842,299	201,865
Total liabilities and equity	\$4,081,932	\$743,281

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

## CYPRESS SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(Unaudited)

		nths Ended September	Nine Month September	s Ended September
	27,	28,	27,	28,
	2015	2014	2015	2014
	(In thousa	nds, except p	er-share amo	unts)
Revenues	\$463,810	\$187,516	\$1,157,725	\$541,400
Costs and expenses:				
Cost of revenues	303,434	90,633	900,969	271,425
Research and development	75,960	38,626	207,709	124,883
Selling, general and administrative	76,159	41,119	238,459	125,787
Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets	30,827	1,701	74,101	5,334
Restructuring and other	2,924	(238)	88,678	(1,252)
Gain on divestiture of TrueTouch® Mobile business	(66,472)	<u> </u>	(66,472	<b>—</b>
Total costs and expenses	422,832	171,841	1,443,444	526,177
Operating income (loss)	40,978	15,675	(285,719)	15,223
Interest and other expense, net	(7,084)	(504)	(16,569	(1,102)
Income (loss) before income taxes and non-controlling interest	33,894	15,171	(302,288)	14,121
Income tax provision (benefit)	2,303	1,231	1,235	(2,987)
Equity in net loss of equity method investee	(1,800)	(1,386)	(4,818	(3,666)
Net income (loss)	29,791	12,554	(308,341)	13,442
Net income (loss) attributable to non-controlling interests	521	286	1,804	991
Net income (loss) attributable to Cypress	\$30,312	\$12,840	\$(306,537)	\$ 14,433
Net income (loss) per share attributable to Cypress:				
Basic	\$0.09	\$0.08	\$(1.06	\$0.09
Diluted	\$0.08	\$0.08	\$(1.06	\$0.09
Cash dividend declared per share	\$0.11	\$0.11	\$0.33	\$0.33
Shares used in net income (loss) per share calculation:				
Basic	335,299	159,759	289,197	157,594
Diluted	357,657	166,481	289,197	166,000

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

## CYPRESS SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

(Unaudited)

	Three Mo		Nine Month	
	27,	28,	September 27,	September 28,
	2015 (In thousa	2014 ands)	2015	2014
Net income (loss)	\$29,791	\$ 12,554	\$(308,341)	\$ 13,442
Other comprehensive loss, net of taxes:				
Net change in unrealized gains (losses) on available for sale				
securities	3	(12)	29	(27)
Net unrealized gain (loss) on cash flow hedges:				
Net unrealized gain (loss) arising during the period	909	<u>—</u>	(832)	
Net (gain) reclassified into earnings for revenue hedges				
(effective portion)	(1,412)		(1,021)	_
Net loss reclassified into earnings for expense hedges (ineffective				
portion)	80		80	
Net loss reclassified into earnings for expense hedges (effective				
portion)	1,361		1,523	
Net unrealized gain (loss) on cash flow hedges	938		(250)	
Other comprehensive gain (loss)	941	(12)	(221)	(27)
Comprehensive income (loss)	30,732	12,542	(308,562)	13,415
Comprehensive loss attributable to non-controlling interest	521	286	1,804	991
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to Cypress	\$31,253	\$ 12,828	\$(306,758)	\$ 14,406

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## CYPRESS SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited)

	Nine Month	s Ended
	September	September
	27,	28,
	2015	2014
	(In thousand	ds)
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income (loss)	\$(308,341)	\$13,442
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in)		
operating activities:		
Stock-based compensation expense	71,418	43,421
Depreciation and amortization	166,281	35,366
Deferred income taxes	9,226	(7,759)
Restructuring costs	17,032	(1,252)
(Gain) Loss on disposal of property and equipment	9,421	(290)
Gain on divestiture of TrueTouch® Mobile business	(66,472)	—
Equity in net loss of equity method investee	4,817	3,666
Accretion of interest expense on convertible notes	1,643	_
Unrealized loss from deferred compensation plan	1,120	1,110
Unrealized loss from trading securities	3,359	_
Other	1,614	272
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of acquisition and divestiture		
Accounts receivable, net	(117,876)	(24,769)
Inventories	252,405	9,766
Other current and long-term assets	(21,486)	7,318
Accounts payable and other liabilities	(69,285)	(14,617)
Deferred margin on sales to distributors	11,831	12,148
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	(33,293)	77,822
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Proceeds from sales or maturities of available-for-sale investments	17,377	14,401
Purchases of marketable securities	(1,530)	(11,379)
Business acquisition, net of cash acquired	(105,130)	_
Contribution to (distribution of) deferred compensation plan	1,634	(810)
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(37,979)	(17,178)
Cash paid for equity method investments	(18,000)	(18,400)
Proceeds from divestiture of TrueTouch® Mobile business	88,635	<u> </u>
Proceeds from sale of held-for-sale equipment	100	3,240
Other	156	1,706
Net cash used in investing activities	(54,737)	(28,420)
Cash flows from financing activities:		,
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Borrowings under revolving credit facility	398,000	172,000
Repayment of revolving credit facility	(176,000)	(172,000)
Repurchase of treasury stock	(10,436)	_
Withholding of common shares for tax obligations on vested restricted shares	54	(245)
Payment of dividends	(91,081)	(51,520)
Proceeds from employee equity awards	41,802	26,664
Repayment of equipment leases and loans	(7,020)	(5,544)
Proceeds from settlement of capped calls	25,293	318
Financing costs related to revolving credit facility	(2,559)	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	178,053	(30,327)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	90,023	19,075
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	103,736	86,009
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$193,759	\$105,084
Non cash investing and financing activities		
Dividends payable	\$36,884	\$17,727
Liabilities recorded for purchase of property, plant and equipment	\$8,951	\$1,491
Supplemental Cash Flows Disclosures		

Cash paid for taxes \$4,753 \$3,220

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

#### CYPRESS SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

#### NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

#### NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Fiscal Years

Cypress Semiconductor Corporation ("Cypress" or the "Company") reports on a fiscal-year basis. The Company ends its quarters on the Sunday closest to the end of the applicable calendar quarter, except in a 53-week fiscal year, in which case the additional week falls into the fourth quarter of that fiscal year. Fiscal 2015 has 53 weeks and fiscal 2014 had 52 weeks. The third quarter of fiscal 2015 ended on September 27, 2015 and the third quarter of fiscal 2014 ended on September 28, 2014.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

On March 12, 2015, the Company completed the merger with Spansion, Inc. ("Spansion"), a leading designer, manufacturer and developer of embedded systems semiconductors, for a total purchase consideration of approximately \$2.8 billion ("the Merger"). The Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations for the three months ended September 27, 2015 include a full quarter of the combined operations and the nine months ended September 27, 2015 includes the results of operations of legacy Spansion since March 12, 2015.

In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments of a normal, recurring nature, which are necessary to state fairly the financial information included therein. These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and related notes thereto included in Cypress's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 28, 2014. The year-end condensed balance sheet data was derived from audited financial statements, but does not include all disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The following reclassifications have been made in the presentation of Cypress's Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet as of December 28, 2014.

- •\$6.1 million reclassified from other current liabilities to current portion of long-term debt, and
- ·\$10.1 million reclassified from other long-term liabilities to revolving credit facility and long-term debt. The condensed consolidated results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 27, 2015 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full fiscal year.

During the nine months ended September 28, 2014, the Company recorded out-of-period correcting adjustments to write off certain manufacturing and subcontractor costs that were capitalized within other current assets in previous periods. These corrections resulted in a decrease of net income of \$2.6 million for the nine months ended September 28, 2014. The Company recorded these corrections in the aggregate totaling \$2.6 million in the cost of

revenues for the nine months ended September 28, 2014. Management assessed the impact of these errors and concluded that the amounts were not material, either individually or in the aggregate, to any prior periods.

### CYPRESS SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

#### NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS—(Continued)

(Unaudited)

### **Business Combinations**

The Company applies the provisions of Accounting Standards Codification 805, Business Combinations ("ASC 805"), in the accounting for acquisitions. It requires the Company to recognize separately from goodwill the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed at their acquisition date fair values. Goodwill as of the acquisition date is measured as the excess of consideration transferred over the net of the acquisition date fair values of the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed. While the Company uses its best estimates and assumptions to accurately value assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the acquisition date as well as contingent consideration, where applicable, these estimates are inherently uncertain and subject to refinement. As a result, during the measurement period, which may be up to one year from the acquisition date, the Company records adjustments to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed with the corresponding offset to goodwill. Upon the conclusion of the measurement period or final determination of the values of assets acquired or liabilities assumed, whichever comes first, any subsequent adjustments are recorded in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations. Accounting for business combinations requires the Company's management to make significant estimates and assumptions, especially at the acquisition date including estimates for intangible assets, contractual obligations assumed, restructuring liabilities, pre-acquisition contingencies and contingent consideration, where applicable. Although the Company believes the assumptions and estimates it has made have been reasonable and appropriate, they are based in part on historical experience and information obtained from the management of the acquired companies and are inherently uncertain. Critical estimates in valuing certain of the intangible assets we have acquired include but are not limited to: future expected cash flows from product sales, customer contracts and acquired technologies, expected costs to develop in-process research and development into commercially viable products and estimated cash flows from the projects when completed and discount rates. Unanticipated events and circumstances may occur that may affect the accuracy or validity of such assumptions, estimates or actual results.

## Revenue Recognition

The Company generates revenues by selling products to distributors, various types of manufacturers including original equipment manufacturers ("OEMs") and electronic manufacturing service providers ("EMSs"). The Company recognizes revenues on sales to distributors, OEMs and EMSs upon shipment provided that persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, the price is fixed or determinable, title has transferred, collection of resulting receivables is reasonably assured, there are no customer acceptance requirements, and there are no significant remaining obligations.

Sales to certain distributors are made under agreements which provide the distributors with price protection, stock rotation and other allowances under certain circumstances. When the Company determines that the uncertainties exist for the rights given to these distributors, revenues and costs related to distributor sales are deferred until products are sold by the distributors to the end customers. In those circumstances, revenues are recognized upon receiving notification from the distributors that products have been sold to the end customers. In these cases, at the time of shipment to distributors, the Company records a trade receivable for the selling price since there is a legally enforceable right to receive payment, relieves inventory for the value of goods shipped since legal title has passed to the distributors, and defers the related margin and price adjustment as deferred income on sales to distributors on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Any effects of distributor price adjustments are recorded as a reduction to deferred income at the time the distributors sell the products to the end customers and the distributor submits a valid claim for the price adjustment.

The Company has historically recognized a significant portion of revenue through distributors at the time the distributor resold the product to its end customer (also referred to as the sell-through basis of revenue recognition) given the difficulty in estimating the ultimate price of these product shipments and amount of potential returns. The Company continuously reassesses its ability to reliably estimate the ultimate price of these products and, over the past several years, has made investments in its systems and process around its distribution channel to improve the quality of the information it receives from its distributors. Given these ongoing investments, and based on the financial framework the Company uses for estimating potential price adjustments, beginning the fourth quarter of 2014, the Company concluded that it was able to reasonably estimate returns and pricing concessions on certain product families and with certain distributors, and recognized revenue at the time it shipped these specific products to the identified distributors, less its estimate of future price adjustments and returns. During the three months ended September 27, 2015, the Company recognized on a sell-through basis as it determined that it could reasonably estimate returns and pricing concessions at the time of shipment to distributors. This change resulted in a benefit to net income of approximately \$9.4 million for the three months ended September 27, 2015, or \$0.03 per basic and diluted share.

#### CYPRESS SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

#### NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS—(Continued)

### (Unaudited)

During the nine months ended September 27, 2015, the Company recognized approximately \$39.1 million of incremental revenue from this change in revenue recognition, which resulted in a benefit to net income of approximately \$21.4 million for the nine months ended September 27, 2015, or approximately \$0.07 per basic and diluted shares. During the three months ended September 27, 2015, we recognized approximately \$235.0 million or 71.0% of distribution revenue on a sell-in basis. During the nine months ended September 27, 2015, we recognized approximately \$401.0 million or 57.0% of distribution revenue on a sell-in basis.

The Company records as a reduction to revenues reserves for sales returns, price protection and allowances based upon historical rates and for any specific known customer amounts. The Company also provides certain distributors and EMSs with volume-pricing discounts, such as rebates and incentives, which are recorded as a reduction to revenues at the time of sale. Historically these volume discounts have not been significant.

#### Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of standard cost (which approximates actual cost on a first-in, first-out basis) or market. Market is based on estimated net realizable value. The Company write downs its inventories which have become obsolete or are in excess of anticipated demand or net realizable value based upon assumptions about demand forecasts, product life cycle status, product development plans and current sales levels. Inventory reserves are not relieved until the related inventory has been sold or scrapped.

Situations that may result in excess or obsolete inventory include changes in business strategy and economic conditions, changes in consumer confidence caused by changes in market conditions, sudden and significant decreases in demand for its products, inventory obsolescence because of rapidly changing technology and customer requirements, failure to estimate customer demand properly for older products as newer products are introduced, or unexpected competitive pricing actions by its competition. In addition, cancellation or deferral of customer purchase orders could result in the Company holding excess inventory. Also, because the Company often sells a substantial portion of its products in the last month of each quarter, the Company may not be able to reduce its inventory purchase commitments in a timely manner in response to customer cancellations or deferrals.

## **Employee Benefit Plans**

In connection with the Merger, the Company assumed the Spansion Innovates Group Cash Balance Plan (a defined benefit pension plan) in Japan. A defined benefit pension plan is accounted for on an actuarial basis, which requires the selection of various assumptions such as turnover rates, discount rates and other factors. The discount rate assumption is determined by comparing the projected benefit payments to the Japanese corporate bonds yield curve as of end of the most recently completed fiscal year. The benefit obligation is the projected benefit obligation (PBO), which represents the actuarial present value of benefits expected to be paid upon retirement. This liability is recorded in other long term liabilities on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. Net periodic pension cost is recorded in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and includes service cost. Service cost represents the actuarial present value of participant benefits earned in the current year. Interest cost represents the time value of money associated with the passage of time on the PBO. Gains or losses resulting from a change in the PBO if actual results differ from actuarial assumptions will be accumulated and amortized over the future life of the plan participants if they exceed 10% of the PBO, being the corridor amount. If the amount of a net gain or loss does not exceed the corridor amount, it will be recorded to other comprehensive income (loss). See Note 8 for further details of the pension plans.

### CYPRESS SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

#### NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS—(Continued)

(Unaudited)

#### Cash Flow Hedges

The Company enters into cash flow hedges to protect non-functional currency inventory purchases and certain other operational expenses and has an on-going program of cash flow hedges to protect its non-functional currency revenues against variability in cash flows due to foreign currency fluctuations. The Company does not enter into derivative securities for speculative purposes. The Company's foreign currency forward contracts that were designated as cash flow hedges have maturities between three and eight months. The maximum original duration of any contract allowable under the Company's hedging policy is thirteen months. All hedging relationships are formally documented, and the hedges are designed to offset changes to future cash flows on hedged transactions at the inception of the hedge. The Company recognizes derivative instruments from hedging activities as either assets or liabilities on the balance sheet and measures them at fair value on a monthly basis. The Company records changes in the intrinsic value of its cash flow hedges in accumulated other comprehensive income on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, until the forecasted transaction occurs. Interest charges or "forward points" on the forward contracts are excluded from the assessment of hedge effectiveness and are recorded in interest and other income (expense), net in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations. When the forecasted transaction occurs, the Company reclassifies the related gain or loss on the cash flow hedge to revenue or costs, depending on the risk hedged. In the event the underlying forecasted transaction does not occur, or it becomes probable that it will not occur, the Company will reclassify the gain or loss on the related cash flow hedge from accumulated other comprehensive income to interest and other income (expense), net in its Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations at that time.

The Company evaluates hedge effectiveness at the inception of the hedge prospectively as well as retrospectively and records any ineffective portion of the hedge in interest and other income (expense), net in its Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

## **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In February 2015, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2015-02, Amendments to the Consolidation Analysis, which is intended to improve upon and simplify the consolidation assessment required to evaluate whether organizations should consolidate certain legal entities such as limited partnerships, limited liability corporations, and securitization structures. The new accounting guidance is effective for interim and fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015. The Company does not believe that the adoption of this guidance will have any material impact on its financial condition or results of operations.

In April 2015, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued ASU 2015-03, Simplifying the Presentation of Debt Issuance Costs, which changes the presentation of debt issuance costs in the financial statements. Under the ASU, an entity presents such costs in the balance sheet as a direct deduction from the related debt liability rather than as an asset. The new accounting guidance is effective for interim and fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015. The Company is currently evaluating the guidance to determine the impact on its balance sheet presentation. In August 2015, FASB issued ASU No. 2015-15, "Presentation and Subsequent Measurement of Debt Issuance Costs Associated With Line-of-Credit Arrangements — Amendments to SEC Paragraphs Pursuant to Staff Announcement at June 18, 2015 EITF Meeting". FASB ASU No. 2015-15 amends subtopic 835-30 to include that the SEC would not object to the deferral and presentation of debt issuance costs as an asset and subsequent amortization of the deferred costs over the term of the line-of-credit arrangement, regardless of whether there are any outstanding borrowings on the line-of-credit arrangement.

In May 2014, the FASB issued an ASU on revenue from contracts with customers, ASU No. 2014-09, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers." This standard update outlines a single comprehensive model for entities to use in accounting for revenue arising from contracts with customers and supersedes most current revenue recognition guidance. The guidance is effective for annual reporting periods including interim reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017. Early adoption is permitted for annual reporting periods including interim reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016. The Company is currently evaluating the impact, if any, the adoption of this standard will have on its Consolidated Financial Statements. As the new standard will supersede substantially all existing revenue guidance affecting the Company under GAAP, it could impact revenue and cost recognition on sales across all the Company's business segments, in addition to its business processes and its information technology systems. As a result, the Company's evaluation of the effect of the new standard will extend over future periods.

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In July 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-11, "Inventory (Topic 330): Simplifying the Measurement of Inventory," which applies to inventory that is measured using first-in, first-out ("FIFO") or average cost. Under the updated guidance, an entity should measure inventory that is within scope at the lower of cost and net realizable value, which is the estimated selling prices in the ordinary course of business, less reasonably predictable costs of completion, disposal and transportation. Subsequent measurement is unchanged for inventory that is measured using last-in, last-out ("LIFO"). This ASU is effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2016, and should be applied prospectively with early adoption permitted at the beginning of an interim or annual reporting period. The Company is currently evaluating the impact the pronouncement will have on the Company's financial statements and related disclosures.

In September 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-16, "Simplifying the Accounting for Measurement-Period Adjustments." This ASU simplifies the treatment of adjustments to provisional amounts recognized in the period for items in a business combination for which the accounting is incomplete at the end of the reporting period. The amendments require that an acquirer recognize adjustments to provisional amounts that are identified during the measurement period in the reporting period in which the adjustment amounts are determined. The amendments require that the acquirer record, in the same period's financial statements, the effect on earnings of changes in depreciation, amortization, or other income effects, if any, as a result of the change to the provisional amounts, calculated as if the accounting had been completed at the acquisition date. The amendments in this ASU are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015 and for interim periods therein. The Company is currently evaluating the impact the pronouncement will have on the Company's financial statements and related disclosures.

### NOTE 2. MERGER WITH SPANSION

Merger with Spansion

On March 12, 2015, Cypress completed its merger with Spansion ("the Merger") pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger and Reorganization, as of December 1, 2014 ("the Merger Agreement") for a total purchase consideration of approximately \$2.8 billion. In accordance with the terms of the Merger Agreement, Spansion shareholders received 2.457 Cypress shares for each Spansion share they owned. The Merger has been accounted for under the acquisition method of accounting in accordance with ASC 805, Business Combinations, with Cypress treated as the accounting acquirer. The Company incurred \$3.1 million and \$29.4 million in Merger costs for the three and nine months ended September 27, 2015, which were recorded in the selling, general and administrative expense line of the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

The total purchase consideration of approximately \$2.8 billion consists of the following:

Purchase

	Consideration
	(In
	thousands)
Fair value of Cypress common stock issued to Spansion shareholders	\$ 2,570,458
Fair value of partially vested Spansion equity awards assumed by Cypress	6,825
Fair value of vested Spansion options assumed by Cypress	89,582
Cash provided by Cypress to repay Spansion term loan	150,000
Total purchase consideration	\$ 2,816,865

In connection with the Merger, the Company assumed stock options and RSUs originally granted by Spansion and converted them into Cypress stock options and RSUs. The fair value of the stock options assumed were determined using a Black-Scholes valuation model with market-based assumptions. The fair value of partially vested Spansion equity awards is \$15.68 per share, the Cypress closing stock price on March 12, 2015. The fair value of unvested equity awards relating to future services, and not yet earned, will be recorded as operating expenses over the remaining service periods. Option pricing models require the use of highly subjective market assumptions, including expected stock price volatility, which if changed can materially affect fair value estimates.

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The table below represents the preliminary allocation of the purchase price to the net assets acquired based on their estimated fair values as of March 12, 2015.

	Fair Values
	(In
	thousands)
Cash and cash equivalents	\$44,870
Short-term investments	1,433
Accounts receivable, net	99,977
Inventories	450,634
Other current assets	58,959
Property, plant and equipment, net	356,908
Intangible assets, net	860,700
Goodwill	1,676,036
Other long-term assets	63,497
Total assets acquired	3,613,014
Accounts payable	(155,336)
Accrued compensation and benefits	(44,669)
Income taxes payable	(1,399)
Other current liabilities	(158,083)
Deferred income taxes and other long term liabilities	(24,001)
Other non current liabilities	(21,477)
Long-term debt (1)	(391,184)
Total liabilities assumed	(796,149)
Fair value of net assets acquired	\$2,816,865

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes the fair value of the debt and equity components of Spansion's Exchangeable 2.00% Senior Notes assumed by the Company.

The table below shows the valuation of the intangible assets acquired from Spansion Inc. along with their estimated remaining useful lives:

As of March 12,	
2015	Estimated
	range of lives
Gross	(in years)

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	(In	
	thousands)	
Existing Technology	\$ 507,100	4 to 6
In-Process Research and Development Technology	212,300	N/A
Backlog	14,500	1
Customer/Distributor Relationships	97,300	9
License Agreements	9,400	3
Trade Name / Trademarks	20,100	10
Total intangible assets	\$ 860,700	

In-process research and development ("IPR&D") consists of 21 projects, primarily relating to the development of process technologies to manufacture NOR, NAND, Analog, and MCU products. The projects are expected to be completed over the next 2 years. The estimated remaining costs to complete the IPR&D projects were approximately \$15.3 million as of the acquisition date. The acquired IPR&D will not be amortized until completion of the related products which is determined by when the underlying projects reach technological feasibility and commence commercial production. Upon completion, each IPR&D project will be amortized over its useful life; useful lives for IPR&D are expected to range between 4 years and 6 years.

As of September 27, 2015, four out of 21 projects originally identified, representing approximately \$15.2 million of the total capitalized IPR&D of \$212.3 million, had reached technological feasibility and were transferred to developed technology. Refer Note 3 for further details. The remaining projects are on schedule and no impairments have been identified as of September 27, 2015.

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The purchase price has been allocated based on the estimated net tangible and intangible assets of Spansion that existed on the date of the Merger. The fair value of identifiable intangible assets acquired was based on estimates and assumptions made by management at the time of the Merger. As additional information becomes available, such as finalization of the estimated fair values of tax accounts, the Company may revise its preliminary purchase price allocation during the remainder of the measurement period (which will not exceed 12 months from the acquisition date). Any such revisions or changes may be material. There have been no changes to the allocation of purchase price as of September 27, 2015.

### Identifiable intangible assets

Developed technologies acquired primarily consist of Spansion's existing technologies related to embedded systems semiconductors, which include flash memory, microcontroller, mixed-signal and analog products. An income approach was used to value Spansion's developed technologies. Using this approach, the estimated fair value was calculated using expected future cash flows from specific products discounted to their net present values at an appropriate risk-adjusted rate of return. A discount rate of 7.5% was used to discount the cash flows to the present value.

Customer relationships represent the fair value of projected cash flows that will be derived from the sale of products to Spansion's existing customers based on existing, in-process, and future versions of the existing technology. Customer relationships were valued utilizing a form of the income approach known as the "distributor" method since the primary income producing asset of the business was determined to be the technology assets. Under this premise, the margin a distributor owns is deemed to be the margin attributable to the customer relationships. This isolates the cash flows attributable to the customer relationships that a market participant would be willing to pay for.

IPR&D, represents the estimated fair values of incomplete Spansion research and development projects that had not reached technological feasibility as of the date of Merger. In the future, the fair value of each project at the Merger date will be either amortized or impaired depending on whether the projects are completed or abandoned. The fair value of IPR&D was determined using the multi-period excess earnings method under the income approach. This method reflects the present value of the projected cash flows that are expected to be generated by the IPR&D less charges representing the contribution of other assets to those cash flows. A discount rate of 10.5% was used to discount the cash flows to the present value.

Trade names and trademarks are considered a type of guarantee of a certain level of quality or performance represented by the Spansion brand. Trade names and trademarks were valued using the "relief-from-royalty income" approach. This method is based on the assumption that in lieu of ownership, a market participant would be willing to pay a royalty in order to exploit the related benefits of this asset. A discount rate of 9.0% was used to discount the cash flows to the present value.

License agreements represent the estimated fair value of Spansion's existing license agreements under which Spansion generates revenue by licensing its intellectual property to third parties and assists its customers in developing and prototyping their designs by providing software and hardware development tools, drivers and simulation models for system-level integration. License agreements were valued using a form of the income approach known as the of "multi-period excess earnings" approach. Under this approach, the expected cash flows associated with the License agreements were projected then discounted to present value at a rate of return that considers the relative risk of achieving the cash flows and the time value of money. A discount rate of 5.0% was used to discount the cash flows to

the present value.

### Goodwill

The excess of the fair value of the Merger consideration over the fair values of these identifiable assets and liabilities was recorded as goodwill. The goodwill recognized is primarily attributable to the assembled workforce, a reduction in costs and other synergies, and an increase in product development capabilities. The goodwill resulting from the Merger is not expected to be deductible for tax purposes. Goodwill has been allocated to the reporting units expected to benefit from the Merger.

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Pro forma consolidated results of operations

The following unaudited pro forma consolidated results of operations for the three months and nine months ended September 27, 2015 and September 28, 2014 assume as if the Merger had occurred at the beginning of fiscal year 2014. The pro forma information includes adjustments to amortization and depreciation for intangible assets and property, plant and equipment, adjustments to stock-based compensation expense, and interest expense for the incremental indebtedness incurred. The pro forma results for the three and nine months ended September 28, 2014 also include amortization of the step up to fair value of acquired inventory and the Merger related expenses. The pro forma data are for informational purposes only and are not necessarily indicative of the consolidated results of operations of the combined business had the Merger actually occurred at the beginning of fiscal year 2014 or of the results of future operations of the combined business. Consequently, actual results will differ from the unaudited pro forma information presented below.

	Three Months		
	Ended	Nine Months	Ended
	September	September	September
	28,	27,	28,
	2014	2015	2014
	(in thousan amounts)	ds, except per	share
Revenues	\$503,446	\$1,346,138	\$1,483,746
Net loss	\$(46,139)	\$(263,207)	\$(520,700)
Net loss per share attributable to Cypress			
Basic	\$(0.21)	\$(0.58)	\$(2.39)
Diluted	\$(0.21)	\$(0.58)	\$(2.39)

## NOTE 3. GOODWILL AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Goodwill represents the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of the net tangible and identifiable intangible assets acquired in a business combination. As a result of the Merger, the Company recorded an increase to goodwill of \$1,676.0 million and intangible assets of \$860.7 million in the first quarter of fiscal 2015. The carrying amount of goodwill at September 27, 2015 was \$1,741.7 million, of which \$773.0 million was in the Memory Products Division (MPD) and \$968.7 million was in the Programmable Systems Division (PSD). The carrying amount of goodwill as of December 28, 2014 was \$65.7 million, of which \$33.9 million was in MPD and \$31.8 million was in PSD.

The following table presents details of the Company's intangible assets:

	As of Septer	mber 27, 2015 Accumulated		As of Dec	ember 28, 20 Accumulate	
	Gross (In thousand	Amortization	n Net	Gross	Amortizatio	n Net
Acquisition-related intangible assets (a)	`	\$ (192,458	) \$820,014	\$151,773	\$ (118,357	) \$33,416
Non-acquisition related intangible assets	, , ,	, ,		, ,		, , ,
(b)	13,596	(10,174	) \$3,422	10,523	(10,021	) 502
Total intangible assets	\$1.026.068	\$ (202,632	) \$823,436	\$162,296	\$ (128.378	) \$33.918

- (a) Refer Note 2 for details on valuation of the intangible assets acquired from Spansion Inc.
- (b) The increase in the Gross Carrying value relates to new license agreement entered into during the third quarter of fiscal 2015.

As of September 27, 2015, approximately \$15.2 million of the total capitalized IPR&D of \$212.3 million had reached technological feasibility and was transferred to developed technology, to be amortized over the estimated useful life of 5 years and amortization of approximately \$0.8 million and \$0.9 million was recorded during the three and nine months ended September 27, 2015 for these projects. The Company expects the remaining projects to attain technological feasibility and commence commercial production by the first half of fiscal 2017.

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The estimated future amortization expense as of September 27, 2015 as are as below:

	(In
	thousands)
2015 (remaining three months)	\$31,376
2016	121,587
2017	116,772
2018	114,283
2019	107,055
2020 and future	135,273
Total future amortization expense	\$ 626,346

### NOTE 4. RESTRUCTURING AND OTHER

Spansion Integration-Related Restructuring Plan

In March 2015, the Company began the implementation of planned cost reduction and restructuring activities in connection with the Merger. As part of this plan, the Company expects to eliminate approximately 1,000 positions from the combined workforce across all business and functional areas on a global basis. The restructuring charge of \$88.7 million recorded for the nine months ended September 27, 2015 primarily consists of severance costs, lease termination costs and impairment of property, plant and equipment. The lease termination costs include approximately \$18 million relating to the buildings Spansion had leased prior to the Merger, which the Company decided not to occupy in the post-merger period. The initial term of the lease commenced on January 1, 2015 and will expire on December 31, 2026.

The following table summarizes the restructuring charges recorded in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations for the periods presented pursuant to the Spansion Integration-Related Restructuring Plan:

	Three	
	Months	Nine Months
	Ended	Ended
	Septemb	eß@pţember 27,
	2015	2015
	(In thous	ands)
Personnel costs	\$3,073	\$ 57,999

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Lease termination costs and other related charges	119	18,016	
Impairment of property, plant and equipment	_	12,531	
Other	(268)	132	
Total restructuring and other charges (benefit)	\$2,924	\$ 88,678	

All restructuring costs are included in operating expenses line under "Restructuring and other" of the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

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Restructuring activity under the Spansion Integration – Related Restructuring Plan during the nine months ended September 27, 2015 was as follows:

	Nine Months
	Ended
	September
	27,
	,
	2015
	(In
	thousands)
Accrued restructuring balance as of December 28, 2014	<b>\$</b> —
Provision	75,715
Cash payments and other	(12,582)
Accrued restructuring balance as of March 29, 2015	\$63,133
Provision	\$996
Cash payments and other	(29,054)
Accrued restructuring balance as of June 28, 2015	\$35,075
Provision	\$2,924
Cash payments and other	(10,496)
Accrued restructuring balance as of September 27, 2015	\$27,503

The provision for restructuring expense in the table above does not include the charge to write off certain leasehold improvements from the first quarter of 2015, which totaled approximately \$9.0 million.

The Company anticipates that the remaining restructuring reserve balance will be paid out in cash through the first quarter of 2016 for employee terminations and over the remaining lease term through 2026 for the excess lease obligation.

Sale of TrueTouch® Mobile touchscreen business

On August 1, 2015, the Company completed the sale of the TrueTouch® Mobile touchscreen business to Parade Technologies ("Parade") for total cash proceeds of approximately \$98.6 million pursuant to the definitive agreement signed on June 11, 2015. Of the total cash proceeds, \$10.0 million are held in an escrow account until January 2017 subject to any indemnity claims on post-closing adjustments, per the terms of the agreement. In connection with the transaction, the Company sold certain assets associated with the disposed business mostly consisting of inventory with a net book value of approximately \$10.5 million and recognized a total gain of approximately \$66.5 million in the

third fiscal quarter of 2015. This gain has been presented as a separate line item "Gain on divestiture of TrueTouch® Mobile business" in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Also in connection with the transaction, the Company entered into a Manufacturing Service Agreement (MSA) in which the Company agreed to sell finished products and devices to Parade during the one-year period following the close of the transaction. The terms of the MSA indicated that the Company would sell finished wafers to Parade at agreed-upon prices that were considered below fair market value, indicating that there was an embedded fair value that would be realized by Parade through those terms. Accordingly, the Company has allocated approximately \$19.9 million out of the \$98.6 million proceeds to the fair value of the MSA based on the forecasted wafer sales to Parade for the subsequent one-year period. Such amount was deferred on the Company's consolidated balance sheet initially and is being amortized to revenue as the Company sells products to Parade. During the three months ended September 27, 2015, the Company recognized approximately \$1.2 million of revenue from amortization of such deferred revenue.

The following	table sı	ummarizes	the com	ponents	of the	gain:
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	In	
	thousands	
Cash Proceeds (a)	\$98,635	
Deferred Revenue	(19,867	)
Assets Sold:		
Property, plant and equipment, net	(69	)
Inventories	(9,290	)
Prepaids	(1,115	)
Transaction and other costs	(1,822	)
Gain on Divestiture	\$66,472	

(a) Includes \$10.0 million held in escrow account until January 2017 per the terms of the agreement.

### NOTE 5. BALANCE SHEET COMPONENTS

Accounts Receivable, Net

	As of September	December
	27,	28,
	2015	2014
	(In thousan	nds)
Accounts receivable, gross	\$297,391	\$ 79,091
Allowance for doubtful accounts receivable and sales returns	(3,559)	(3,107)
Total accounts receivable, net	\$293,832	\$ 75,984

### Inventories

As of
September December
27, 28,

2015 2014
(In thousands)

Raw materials \$12,576 \$4,753

Work-in-process 229,327 64,003

Finished goods 37,104 19,471 Total inventories \$279,007 \$88,227

## Other Current Assets

	As of	
	September	December
	27,	28,
	2015	2014
	2015	2014
	(In thousa	nds)
Prepaid tooling assets	\$11,226	\$ 21,777
Restricted cash relating to pension plan (see Note 8)	4,102	
Deferred tax assets	19,241	982
Foundry service prepayments - ST	2,933	0
Prepaid expenses	35,768	_
Other current assets	34,032	6,529
Total other current assets	\$107,302	\$ 29,288

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Other Long-term Assets

	As of	r Dagambar
	27,	December 28,
	2015	2014
	(In thousa	nds)
Employee deferred compensation plan	\$40,703	\$ 44,116
Investments in Equity securities	43,535	34,992
Deferred tax assets	1,189	1,187
Long term license	25,883	4,633
Restricted cash relating to pension plan (see Note 8)	6,674	_
Long term receivable from sale of TrueTouch Mobile®business (see Note 4)	10,000	_
Prepaid Tooling Assets – LT	5,815	
Foundry service prepayments – LT	26,393	
Other assets	22,760	8,665
Total other long-term assets	\$182,952	\$ 93,593

## Other Current Liabilities

	As of	•	
	September 27,		December 28,
	2015 (In thousands)		2014
Employee deferred			
compensation plan	\$	40,899	\$ 43,452
Restructuring accrual			
(see Note 4)		12,527	1,177
Capital lease-current			
portion (see Note 10)		5,921	3,227
Equipment			
loan-current portion			
(see Note 11)		2,985	2,916
Rebate			
reserve-current			
portion		5,127	4,276
License commitment		18,497	<del></del>
		19,867	<del>_</del>

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Deferred Revenue on		
sale of True Touch		
mobile® business (see		
Note 4)		
Deferred liability -		
distributor price		
adjustments	56,136	19,618
Other current		
liabilities	55,930	19,953
Total other current		
liabilities	\$ 217,889	\$ 94,619

## Other Long-term Liabilities

	As of SeptemberDecember 27, 28,		
	2015 (In thous	2014 ands)	
Long-term pension liabilities	\$13,473	\$ 5,768	
Restructuring accrual (see Note 4)	14,976		
Other long-term liabilities	16,798	4,925	
Total other long-term liabilities	\$45,247	\$ 10,693	

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Sale of Spansion's Sunnyvale property

On January 23, 2014, Spansion sold its property in Sunnyvale, California, consisting of 24.5 acres of land with approximately 471,000 square feet of buildings that included its headquarters building and submicron development center, a Pacific Gas & Electric transmission facility and a warehouse building, for net consideration of \$59.0 million. Spansion concurrently leased back approximately 170,000 square feet of the headquarters building on a month-to-month basis with the option to continue the lease for up to 24 months; thereafter, either party could terminate the lease. The first six months of the lease were rent free; thereafter, the rents were lower than the market rates. For accounting purposes, these rents were deemed to have been netted against the sale proceeds and represent prepaid rent. As such, the use of the property after its sale constituted continuing involvement and recognition of the sale of the property was deferred until the lease period ends. In the third quarter of fiscal 2015, the Company terminated the lease on the Sunnyvale building and recognized an immaterial gain. This did not have a material impact on the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

## NOTE 6. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Assets/Liabilities Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

The following tables present the fair value hierarchy for the Company's financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis and its non-financial liabilities measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis:

	As of Se	ptember 2'	7, 2015	As of December 28, 2014			
		Level 2	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Total	
T' 1 A .	(In thous	sanus)					
Financial Assets							
Cash equivalents:							
Money market funds and others	\$94	<b>\$</b> —	\$94	\$7,665	<b>\$</b> —	\$7,665	
Total cash equivalents	94	_	94	7,665	_	7,665	
Short-term investments:							
U.S. Treasuries				4,993		4,993	
Corporate notes and bonds		_	_	_	5,599	5,599	
Federal Agency					3,615	3,615	
Certificates of deposit	_	871	871	_	869	869	
Total short-term investments		871	871	4,993	10,083	15,076	
Long-term investments:							
Marketable equity securities	6,809		6,809	8,493		8,493	
Total long-term investments	6,809	_	6,809	8,493		8,493	
Employee deferred compensation plan assets:							
Cash equivalents	3,144	_	3,144	2,957	_	2,957	

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Mutual funds	21,860		21,860	24,114		24,114
Equity securities	8,160		8,160	9,352		9,352
Fixed income		3,420	3,420		3,798	3,798
Money market funds	4,119		4,119	3,895		3,895
Total employee deferred compensation plan						
Assets	27 202	2 420				
Assets	37,283	3,420	40,703	40,318	3,798	44,116
Total financial assets	\$44,186		40,703 \$48,477	40,318 \$61,469	3,798 \$13,881	44,116 \$75,350
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# Valuation Techniques:

There have been no changes to the valuation techniques used to measure the fair value of the Company's assets and liabilities. For a description of the valuation techniques, refer to the Company's Annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 28, 2014.

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Liabilities Measured at Fair Value on a Nonrecurring Basis

As of September 27, 2015, the carrying value of the Company's Revolving Credit Facility was \$449.0 million (See Note 11). The carrying value of the Company's Credit Facility approximates its fair value since it bears interest rates that are similar to existing market rates that would be offered to the Company, taking into account its credit risk, and represents a Level 2 measurement.

The Company's 2.00% Senior Exchangeable Notes assumed as part of the Merger is traded in the market and is categorized as Level 2. The carrying value and the estimated fair value of the debt portion of the Notes as of September 27, 2015 is \$131.0 million and \$241.1 million respectively. See Note 11 for further details.

#### **Investments in Equity Securities**

The Company's investments in equity securities, excluding its majority owned subsidiaries, include long-term investments in non-marketable equity securities of privately-held companies valued at approximately \$36.7 million and \$26.4 million as of September 27, 2015 and December 28, 2014, respectively.

Included in the Company's non-marketable equity securities recorded within "Other long-term assets" line item of the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet is an investment in a company that designs, develops and manufactures products in the area of advanced battery storage for mobile consumer devices, which is accounted for using the equity method. During the three and nine months ended September 27, 2015, the Company invested an additional \$6.0 million and \$18.0 million, which increased its cumulative total investment to \$46.5 million, representing 34.9% of such investee's outstanding voting shares as of September 27, 2015.

The remaining privately-held equity investments are accounted for under the cost method and are periodically reviewed for other-than-temporary declines in fair value.

In the fourth quarter of fiscal 2014, the Company invested approximately \$10 million in Hua Hong Semiconductor Limited (HHSL), a publicly traded company, which is the parent company of Grace Semiconductor Manufacturing Corporation, one of the Company's strategic foundry partners. As of September 27, 2015, the carrying value of its publicly traded investment in HHSL is \$6.8 million, which is included in "Other long-term assets" line item of the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet.

In the third quarter of fiscal 2015, the Company sold all of its investments in Corporate notes and bonds and Federal agency bonds, resulting in cash proceeds of approximately \$8.4 million and recognized an immaterial amount of loss, which is included in "Interest and other income (expense), net" line item in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

In the third quarter of fiscal 2015, the Company sold all of its investment of approximately 80,000 shares of Integrated Silicon Solution, Inc., a publicly traded company resulting in cash proceeds of approximately \$1.8 million and recognized an immaterial amount of gain, which is included in "Interest and other income (expense), net" line item in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

There were no transfers between Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 fair value hierarchies during the nine months ended September 27, 2015.

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## **NOTE 7. INVESTMENTS**

Available-For-Sale Securities

The following tables summarize the Company's available-for-sale and other investments:

	As of	Septer	nber 2	27, 20	15		As of De	cembe	er 28, 2	201	4		
		Gross	S	Gros	SS			Gros	S	Gı	ross		
		Unre	alized	Unre	ealized	Fair		Unre	alized	l U	nrealize	d	Fair
	Cost (In the	Gains ousand	-	Loss	ses	Value	Cost	Gain	s	Lo	osses		Value
Reported as cash equivalents:													
Money market funds and others	\$94	\$	_	\$	_	\$94	\$7,665	\$	_	\$	_		\$7,665
Total cash equivalents	94		—		_	94	7,665		—		_		7,665
Reported as short-term													
investments:													
U.S. Treasuries	_		_		_	_	5,002		_		(9	)	4,993
Corporate note and bonds	_		_		_	_	5,616		_		(17	)	5,599
Federal agency	_		—		_	_	3,617		—		(2	)	3,615
Certificates of deposit	871		_		_	871	869		_		_		869
Total short-term investments	871		—		_	871	15,104		—		(28	)	15,076
Total cash equivalents and other													
Investments	\$965	\$	_	\$	_	\$965	\$22,769	\$		\$	(28	)	\$22,741

As of September 27, 2015, the contractual maturities of the Company's available-for-sale investments and certificates of deposit were as follows (the table below does not include investments in marketable equity securities):

		Fair
	Cost	Value
	(in	
	thousa	ınds)
Maturing within one year	\$965	\$ 965
Maturing in one to three years		
Total	\$965	\$ 965

There were no realized gains from sales and losses of available-for-sale investments during the three and nine months ended September 28, 2014. Realized gains and realized losses from sales of available-for-sale investments during the three and nine months ended September 27, 2015 were not material.

## NOTE 8. EMPLOYEES BENEFITS PLAN

Employee Pension Plans assumed in Spansion Merger

Spansion Innovates Group Cash balance plan (Defined Benefit Plan)

In connection with the Merger, the Company assumed the Spansion Innovates Group Cash Balance Plan (a defined benefit pension plan) in Japan. Defined benefit pension plans are accounted for on an actuarial basis, which requires the selection of various assumptions such as turnover rates, discount rates and other factors. The discount rate assumption is determined by comparing the projected benefit payments to the Japanese corporate bonds yield curve as of end of the fiscal year. The benefit obligation is the projected benefit obligation (PBO), which represents the actuarial present value of benefits expected to be paid upon retirement. This liability is recorded in other long term liabilities on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. Net periodic pension cost is recorded in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and includes service cost. Service cost represents the actuarial present value of participant benefits earned in the current year. Interest cost represents the time value of money associated with the passage of time on the PBO. Gains or losses resulting from a change in the PBO if actual results differ from actuarial assumptions will be accumulated and amortized over the future life of the plan participants if they exceed 10% of the PBO, being the corridor amount. If the amount of a net gain or loss does not exceed the corridor amount, they will be recorded in other comprehensive income.

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Also in connection with the assumption of this pension plan liability, the Company assumed the restricted cash balance, which relates to the underfunded portion of the pension liability. The pension liability will be paid out by fiscal 2017 in annual installments according to the employee's election. As of September 27, 2015, the Company has a pension liability of \$4.3 million and \$7.6 million recorded as a part of the accrued compensation and employee benefits, and other long-term liabilities, respectively, on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet. As of September 27, 2015, the Company has a restricted cash of \$4.1 million and \$7.2 million recorded in other current assets and other long-term assets, respectively, on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet.

The plan is unfunded as of September 27, 2015. This status is not indicative of the Company's ability to pay ongoing pension benefits. The Company recorded a net periodic cost of \$0.2 million and \$0.6 million for the three and nine months ended September 27, 2015. The Company has accrued a liability of \$1.5 million as of September 27, 2015 which has been recorded in other long term liabilities on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet. The Company expects to contribute an immaterial amount towards the Cash Balance Plan for fiscal 2015.

# Spansion Corporate Defined Contribution Plan

In connection with the Merger, the Company assumed a tax qualified Defined Contribution Plan to which the Company makes contributions as a percentage of base salary. The Company recorded an expense of \$0.4 million and \$1.0 million under this plan for the three and nine months ended September 27, 2015, and as of September 27, 2015, the Company has an accrued contribution liability of \$0.2 million.

#### Employee Deferred Compensation Plan

The Company has a deferred compensation plan which provides certain key employees, including its executive management, with the ability to defer the receipt of compensation in order to accumulate funds for retirement on a tax-deferred basis. The Company does not make contributions to the deferred compensation plan or guarantee returns on the investments. Participant deferrals and investment gains and losses remain as the Company's liabilities and the underlying assets are subject to claims of general creditors.

Under the deferred compensation plan, the assets are recorded at fair value in each reporting period with the offset being recorded in "Interest and other income (expense), net." The liabilities are recorded at fair value in each reporting period with the offset being recorded as an operating expense or income. As of September 27, 2015 and December 28, 2014, the fair value of the assets was \$40.7 million and \$44.1 million, respectively, and the fair value of the liabilities was \$40.9 million and \$43.5 million, respectively.

All non-cash expense and income recorded under the deferred compensation plan are included in the following line items in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations:

Three Months

Ended Nine Months Ended
SeptembesSeptember September
27, 28, 27, 28,

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	2015	2014	2015	2014	
	(In thous	sands)			
Changes in fair value of assets recorded in:					
Interest and other income, net	\$(3,340)	\$ (247)	) \$(2,138)	\$ 2,367	
Changes in fair value of liabilities recorded in:					
Cost of revenues	326	(4	) 91	(471	)
Research and development expenses	1,105	(13	) 335	(921	)
Selling, general and administrative expenses	1,959	(24	) 573	(2,085	)
Total income (expense)	\$50	\$ (288	) \$(1,139)	\$ (1,110	)

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#### NOTE 9. EMPLOYEE STOCK PLANS AND STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

The Company's equity incentive plans are broad-based, long-term programs intended to attract and retain talented employees and align stockholder and employee interests. In the first quarter of fiscal 2015, in connection with the Merger, the shareholders of Cypress approved an increase in the number of shares issuable under the Cypress 2013 Stock Plan (the "2013 Stock Plan") by 29.3 million shares that could be issued as full value awards (such as restricted stock units (RSUs), and performance stock units (PSUs)), or as appreciation awards (such as stock options and/or stock appreciation rights)(if awards are granted only in the form of RSUs or other full value awards, this increase in shares would allow for the issuance of only up to approximately 15.6 million shares, to a total of approximately 31.0 million reserved but unissued shares under the 2013 Stock Plan).

The following table summarizes the stock-based compensation expense, by line item recorded in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations:

	Three Mo	onths		
	Ended		Nine mor	nths ended
	Septembe	esSeptember	Septembe	erSeptember
	27,	28,	27,	28,
	2015	2014	2015	2014
	(In thous	ands)		
Cost of revenues	\$4,426	\$ 3,766	\$13,057	\$ 10,450
Research and development	7,089	2,089	19,750	13,633
Selling, general and administrative	13,439	6,427	38,611	19,338
Total stock-based compensation	\$24,954	\$ 12,282	\$71,418	\$ 43,421

In connection with the Merger, the Company assumed stock options and full value awards originally granted by Spansion. Stock-based compensation expense in the three and nine months ended September 27, 2015 included \$5.3 and \$17.1 million related to assumed Spansion stock options and RSUs respectively.

As stock-based compensation expense recognized in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations is based on awards ultimately expected to vest, it has been reduced for estimated forfeitures. The accounting guidance requires forfeitures to be estimated at the time of grant and revised, if necessary, in subsequent periods if actual forfeitures differ from those estimates.

Cash proceeds from the issuance of shares under the employee stock plans were approximately \$2.3 million and \$35.5 million for the three and nine months ended September 27, 2015 and \$14.2 million and \$26.7 million for the three and nine months ended September 28, 2014. The Company did not recognize a tax benefit from stock option exercises for the three and nine months ended September 27, 2015 or September 28, 2014.

As of September 27, 2015 and December 28, 2014, stock-based compensation capitalized in inventories totaled \$3.9 million and \$2.0 million, respectively.

The following table summarizes the stock-based compensation expense by type of awards:

	Three Mo	onths			
	Ended		Nine months ended		
	Septembe	esSeptember	SeptemberSeptember		
	27,	28,	27,	28,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014	
	(In thous	ands)			
Stock options	\$341	\$ 2,380	\$1,609	\$ 5,101	
Restricted stock units	20,038	8,720	58,808	34,297	
Employee Stock Purchase Plan ("ESPP")	4,575	1,182	11,001	4,023	
Total stock-based compensation expense	\$24,954	\$ 12,282	\$71,418	\$ 43,421	

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The following table summarizes the unrecognized stock-based compensation expense, net of estimated forfeitures, by type of awards:

	As of	
		Weighted-
		Average
	September	
	27,	Amortization
	2015	Period
	(In	
	thousands)	(In years)
Stock options	\$3,369	1.38
Restricted stock units	107,929	1.75
ESPP	9,883	0.84
Total unrecognized stock-based compensation balance	\$121,181	1.66

# **Equity Incentive Program**

As of September 27, 2015, approximately 35.3 million stock options, or 23.5 million RSUs/PSUs, were available for grant under the 2013 Stock Plan, the 2010 Equity Incentive Award Plan (formerly the Spansion 2010 Equity Incentive Award Plan) and the 2012 Incentive Award Plan (formerly the Ramtron Plan).

## **Stock Options**

As a part of the Merger, Cypress assumed all outstanding Spansion options and these options were converted into options to purchase Cypress common stock at the agreed upon conversion ratio. The exercise price per share for each assumed Spansion option is equal to exercise price per share of Spansion option divided by 2.457.

The following table summarizes the Company's stock option activities:

Shares	Weighted-
	Average
	Exercise
	Price Per

Share

18,286 \$ 8.12

(357) \$ 6.30

(589) \$ 12.78

17,340 \$ 8.00

14,488 \$ 7.30

\$ —

(In thousands, except per-share amounts) Options outstanding as of December 28, 2014 14,463 \$ 9.24 Options assumed as a part of the Merger 8,976 \$ 12.86 Exercised (1,649) \$ 5.88 Forfeited or expired (140) \$ 10.92 Options outstanding as of March 29, 2015 21,650 \$ 7.83 Granted \$ — Exercised (3.092) \$ 5.63 Forfeited or expired (272) \$ 13.45

Options outstanding as of June 28, 2015

Options outstanding as of September 27, 2015

Options exercisable as of September 27, 2015

Granted

Exercised

Forfeited or expired

The weighted-average grant-date fair value of the options granted during the three and nine months ended September 28, 2014 was \$2.22 and \$2.20, respectively. There were no options granted for the three and nine months ended September 27, 2015.

The aggregate intrinsic value of the options outstanding and options exercisable as of September 27, 2015 was approximately \$38.4 million and \$38.3 million, respectively. The aggregate intrinsic value represents the total pre-tax intrinsic value which would have been received by the option holders had all option holders exercised their options as of September 27, 2015.

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The aggregate pre-tax intrinsic value of option exercises, which represents the difference between the exercise price and the value of Cypress common stock at the time of exercise, was approximately \$1.6 million and \$40.3 million during the three and nine months ended September 27, 2015, and approximately \$14.0 million and \$17.9 million during the three and nine months ended September 28, 2014.

The total number of exercisable in-the-money options was approximately 8.5 million shares as of September 27, 2015.

As of September 27, 2015, stock options vested and expected to vest totaled approximately 17.1 million shares, with a weighted-average remaining contractual life of 3.3 years and a weighted-average exercise price of \$7.95 per share.

Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) and Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units (PSUs)

The following table summarizes the Company's RSU/PSU activities:

Wei	ghted-
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Average

Grant

Date Fair

Value Per

Shares Share (In thousands, except

	per-share amounts)
Balance as of December 28, 2014	7,835 \$ 10.98
Granted and assumed	6,982 \$ 15.45
Released	(1,362) \$ 14.54
Forfeited	(1,768) \$ 10.71
Balance as of March 29, 2015	11,687 \$ 12.82
Granted	2,523 \$ 14.49
Released	(847 ) \$ 13.10
Forfeited	(606) \$ 11.92
Balance as of June 28, 2015	12,757 \$ 13.23
Granted	231 \$ 11.32
Released	(504) \$ 12.47
Forfeited	(801) \$ 12.42
Balance as of September 27, 2015	11,683 \$ 13.54

The PSUs and RSUs under Cypress's 2014 PARS Program were issued to certain senior-level employees in the first quarter of fiscal 2014 and can be earned over a period of one to two years, subject to the achievement of certain service and performance milestones set by the Compensation Committee.

The PSUs and RSUs under Cypress's 2015 PARS Program were granted by the Company in the first and second quarters of fiscal 2015 with an extended measurement period of three years. These awards were issued to certain senior-level employees and the PSU portion of the award can be earned over a period of one to three years, subject to the achievement of certain performance milestones that were set by the Compensation Committee in advance. Each participating employee is given a target number of PSUs under each milestone, which can be earned independent of the outcomes of other milestones. Any portion of PSUs not earned due to not achieving the performance milestone is forfeited and returned to the pool. The following milestones for the 2015 PSUs were approved by the Compensation Committee:

·Total Shareholder Return (TSR) Factor, for the applicable measurement period of one, two and three years as compared to a group of peer companies chosen by the Compensation Committee. If the Company ranks in the 65th percentile of peers, 100% of the target PSUs is earned by employees. If the Company exceeds a 65th percentile ranking, employees can earn as high as 200% of the target RSUs. If the Company ranks in the 25th percentile or less, no PSUs are earned by employees under this milestone. If TSR is negative for the measurement period, only 50% of target PSUs are earned.

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- •Realization of an annualized target Merger synergy over the three year period from fiscal 2015 to fiscal 2017. Employees are eligible to earn their target PSUs if the cost synergies associated with the Merger achieves the stated goal for each of the years between fiscal 2015 and 2017. The payouts under this milestone are adjusted on a linear scale between the 0% payout and the 100% payout and then between the 100% payout to 200% maximum payout, depending on the achievement of synergy savings target as specified in the grant agreement.
- ·Achievement of target non-GAAP earnings per share (EPS). Employees are eligible to earn their target PSUs if the Company achieves the target non-GAAP EPS for the specified periods. The payouts under this milestone are adjusted on a linear scale between the 0% payout and the 100% payout and then between the 100% payout to 200% maximum payout, depending on the achievement of this milestone. The measurement period will be for the Company's reported non-GAAP EPS in the fourth quarter of 2015 and 2016 as well as an annual non-GAAP EPS for fiscal 2017.

In addition to PSUs subject to the milestones specified above, a portion of the grants under the 2015 PARS Program are RSUs which have service-based vesting terms under which employees are eligible to earn 100% of their RSUs if they remain an employee of the Company through specified dates between fiscal 2016 and 2018.

## NOTE 10. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

#### **Operating Lease Commitments**

The Company leases certain facilities and equipment under non-cancelable operating lease agreements that expire at various dates through fiscal 2020. Some leases include renewal options, which would permit extensions of the expiration dates at rates approximating fair market rental values at the time of the extension.

As a part of the Merger, the Company has assumed the leases that were entered into by Spansion. This includes Spansion's lease for office space in San Jose, California for a new headquarters entered into on May 22, 2014, which is no longer required. The lease is for a period of 12 years, with two options to extend for periods of five years each after the initial lease term. The initial term of the lease commenced on January 1, 2015 and expires on December 31, 2026. During the nine months ended September 27, 2015, the Company accrued \$17.6 million for the remaining lease obligations, net of estimated sublease income, for this facility as it decided it would not occupy it and the facility would have no future economic benefit to the Company. The charges related to this accrual are included in Restructuring and Other in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations for the nine months ended September 27, 2015.

As of September 27, 2015, future minimum lease payments under non-cancelable operating leases were as follows:

	(In
Fiscal Year	thousands)
2015 (remaining three months)	\$ 3,732
2016	14,713

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2017	11,622
2018	7,219
2019	4,885
2020 and thereafter	27,600
Total	\$ 69,771

# Capital Leases

In 2011, the Company entered into capital lease agreements which allow it to borrow up to \$35.0 million to finance the acquisition of certain manufacturing equipment. As of September 27, 2015, the gross value and net book value of manufacturing equipment purchased under these capital leases were approximately \$20.5 million and \$12.4 million, respectively. As of September 27, 2015, the total minimum lease payments under these capital leases amounted to approximately \$7.8 million.

Assets purchased under all capital leases are included in "Property, plant and equipment, net" on the Company's Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet.

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Future minimum payments by year under all the capitalized leases consist of the following:

	(In
Fiscal Year	thousands)
2015 (remaining three months)	\$ 785
2016	6,582
2017	599
Total minimum lease payments	7,966
Less: amount representing interest	174
Total	\$ 7,792

#### **Product Warranties**

The Company generally warrants its products against defects in materials and workmanship for a period of one year and that product warranty is generally limited to a refund of the original purchase price of the product or a replacement part. The Company estimates its warranty costs based upon its historical warranty claim experience. Warranty returns are recorded as an allowance for sales returns. The allowance for sales returns is reviewed quarterly to verify that it properly reflects the remaining obligations based on the anticipated returns over the balance of the obligation period.

The following table presents the Company's warranty reserve activities:

	Three Months				
	Ended		Nine Months Ended		
	Septemb	eptember	SeptemberSeptember		
	27,	28,	27,	28,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014	
	(In thou	sands)			
Beginning balance	\$2,370	\$ 3,267	\$2,370	\$ 2,628	
Warranties assumed as part of the Merger	1,663		1,254		
Settlements made	(512)	(681)	(1,064)	(1,221)	
Provisions	762	146	1,723	1,325	
Ending balance	\$4,283	\$ 2,732	\$4,283	\$ 2,732	

## **Equity Investment Commitments**

The Company has committed to purchase additional preferred stock from a company that works in the area of advanced battery storage. In the third quarter of fiscal 2015, the Company invested an additional \$6.0 million in this

company. Subject to the attainment of certain milestones, the Company intends to purchase additional preferred stock of this company.

## Litigation and Asserted Claims

In a matter associated with Ramtron International Corporation ("Ramtron"), a wholly owned subsidiary of Cypress, bankruptcy proceedings are ongoing in Italy where the trustee for four bankrupt entities of Finmek S.pA. is seeking refunds of payments made by Finmek to Ramtron prior to Finmek's bankruptcy in 2004. In November 2014, one of the courts presiding over these proceedings found that two payments should be refunded to Finmek, which currently total approximately \$0.6 million, including interest and fees. We believe this ruling was made in error and intend to appeal this decision. The current stage of the proceedings and appellate process prevent an accurate prediction of the amount of an award, if any, in the trustee's favor.

In 2013, a former employee filed a grievance against the Company seeking back pay and reinstatement or front pay. That matter was tried before an administrative law judge in July 2014. In December 2014, the administrative law judge issued a ruling in favor of the former employee for amounts totaling approximately \$1.3 million. We believe the ruling was erroneous and are currently appealing the decision. The respective positions of the parties and the appellate process prevent an accurate prediction of the outcome of this matter at this time.

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Pursuant to a confidential settlement agreement, the Company's six-patent infringement case against LG Electronics, Inc. ("LG") (Case No. 13-cv-04034-SBA), which was filed in August 2013, and the six petitions filed by LG for inter partes review of the asserted patents were settled effective as of July 28, 2015. The settlement did not have a material impact on the Company's Condensed Consolidated financial statements.

The Company has reached a settlement in the pending class action claims in three Canadian provinces relating to the original SRAM class action case that was resolved in the United States in 2010. As with the case in the United States, the Company is confident that it has not engaged in any antitrust activity, however given that it was the last remaining defendant and the cost of continued litigation would far exceed the cost of a nominal settlement, the Company agreed to settle the case and court approval of that settlement is in progress. The settlement did not have a material impact on the Company's Condensed Consolidated financial statements.

After our announcement of the Merger in December 2014, two separate putative class action complaints (Walter Jeter v. Spansion Inc., et. al. (No. 114CV274635) and Shiva Y. Stein v. Spansion Inc., el. al. (No. 114CV274924)) were filed in Santa Clara County Superior Court, alleging claims of breach of fiduciary duty against the Spansion's board of directors and naming Cypress as a defendant for aiding and abetting the alleged breach of fiduciary duty. While Cypress believes these lawsuits to be meritless, Spansion and Cypress entered into a memorandum of understanding with plaintiffs, the terms of which required additional disclosures by the Company and payment of nominal attorneys' fees to the class counsel. Final resolution of these litigations will require court approval of a final settlement agreement.

The Company is involved in various trademark opposition proceedings with Kingston Technology Corporation ("Kingston") concerning Kingston's "HYPERX" trademark and the Company's "HYPERRAM trademark. These proceedings are in the early stages, preventing an accurate assessment of potential outcomes.

The Company is currently a party to various other legal proceedings, claims, disputes and litigation arising in the ordinary course of business. Based on its own investigations, the Company believes the ultimate outcome of the current legal proceedings, individually and in the aggregate, will not have a material adverse effect on its financial position, results of operation or cash flows. However, because of the nature and inherent uncertainties of the litigation, should the outcome of these actions be unfavorable, the Company's business, financial condition, results of operations or cash flows could be materially and adversely affected.

# **Indemnification Obligations**

The Company is a party to a variety of agreements pursuant to which it may be obligated to indemnify another party to such agreements with respect to certain matters. Typically, these obligations arise in the context of contracts that the Company has entered into, under which we customarily agree to hold the other party harmless against losses arising from a breach of representations and covenants or terms and conditions related to such matters as the sale and/or delivery of our products, title to assets sold, certain intellectual property claims, defective products, specified environmental matters and certain income taxes. In these circumstances, payment by us is customarily conditioned on the other party making a claim pursuant to the procedures specified in the particular contract, which procedures typically allow the Company to challenge the other party's claims and vigorously defend itself and the third party against such claims. Further, the Company's obligations under these agreements may be limited in terms of time,

amount or the scope of its responsibility and in some instances, the Company may have recourse against third parties for certain payments made under these agreements.

It is not possible to predict the maximum potential amount of future payments under these agreements due to the conditional nature of the Company's obligations and the unique facts and circumstances involved in each particular agreement. Historically, payments we have made under these agreements have not had a material effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations. Management believe that if the Company were to incur a loss in any of these matters, such loss would not have a material effect on its business, financial condition, cash flows or results of operations, although there can be no assurance of this. As of September 27, 2015, the Company had no reason to believe a loss exceeding amounts already recognized had been incurred.

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## NOTE 11. DEBT AND EQUITY TRANSACTIONS

Senior Secured Revolving Credit Facility

On March 12, 2015, the Company amended and restated its existing senior secured revolving credit facility ("Credit Facility") and increased the size of the Credit Facility from \$300 million to \$450 million. The restated agreement also contains an option permitting the Company to arrange additional commitments of \$250 million and specifies that the proceeds of these loans may be used for working capital, acquisitions, stock repurchases and general corporate purposes. The borrowings under the Credit Facility will bear interest, at the Company's option, at an adjusted base rate plus a spread of 1.25%, or an adjusted LIBOR rate plus a spread of 2.25%. The borrowings under the Credit Facility are collateralized by substantially all of the Company's assets. The financial covenants were amended to include the following conditions: 1) maximum total leverage ratio of 3.50 to 1.00 through January 1, 2017, and 3.00 to 1.00 thereafter, 2) minimum fixed charge coverage ratio of 1.00 to 1.00. At September 27, 2015, the Company's outstanding borrowings of \$449.0 million were recorded as part of long-term liabilities and are presented as "Long-term revolving credit facility" on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet. In connection with the amendment and restatement on March 12, 2015, the Company wrote-off the capitalized financing costs relating to its previous facility and recorded \$0.9 million in restructuring charges. The Company also incurred financing costs of \$2.3 million to the new lenders of the Credit Facility which has been capitalized and recognized in other long-term assets on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet. These costs will be amortized over the life of the Credit Facility.

As of September 27, 2015, the Company was in compliance with all of the financial covenants under the Credit Facility.

On October 20, 2015, the Company entered into an amendment (the "Amendment") to the existing Senior Secured Revolving Credit Facility (the "Credit Facility") pursuant to which the amount of uncommitted incremental loans that may be borrowed under the previous agreement was increased from \$250 million to \$650 million (the "Incremental Availability"). Refer Note 17 for further details.

#### 2.00% Senior Exchangeable Notes

Pursuant to the Merger, Cypress assumed Spansion's 2.00% Senior Exchangeable Notes (the Notes) on March 12, 2015. The Notes are governed by a Supplemental Indenture, dated March 12, 2015, between the Company, Spansion and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Trustee. They are fully and unconditionally guaranteed on a senior unsecured basis by the Company. The Notes will mature on September 1, 2020, unless earlier repurchased or converted, and bear interest of 2.00% per year payable semi-annually in arrears on March 1 and September 1, commencing on March 1, 2014. The Notes may be due and payable immediately in certain events of default.

As of September 27, 2015, the Notes are exchangeable for 181.9687 shares of common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of the Notes (equivalent to an exchange price of approximately \$5.50) subject to adjustments for dividends, anti-dilutive issuances and make-whole adjustments upon a fundamental change. A fundamental change includes a change in control, delisting of the Company's stock and liquidation, consolidation or merger of the Company. According to the Indenture, a change in control occurs when a person or group becomes the beneficial owner directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Company's common stock. In the case of a consolidation or merger, if the surviving entity continues to be listed, no change of control will be triggered. Prior to June 1, 2020, the Notes will be exchangeable under certain specified circumstances as described in the Indenture.

The Notes were valued as of March 12, 2015 as a part of the Merger and the Company separated the Notes into debt and equity components according to the accounting guidance for convertible debt instruments that may be fully or partially settled in cash upon conversion. The carrying amount of the debt component, which approximates its fair value, was estimated by using an interest rate for nonconvertible debt, with terms similar to the Notes. The excess of the principal amount of the Notes over the fair value of the debt component was recorded as a debt discount and a corresponding increase in additional paid-in capital. The debt discount is accreted to the carrying value of the Notes over their term as interest expense using the interest method. The amount recorded to additional paid-in capital will not to be remeasured as long as it continues to meet the conditions for equity classification. As of March 12, 2015, as a part of the Merger valuation, the Company recorded \$129.3 million as debt and \$287.3 million as additional paid-in capital in stockholders' equity. On June 9, 2015, the Company settled ten of the Notes in both cash and shares owing to a receipt of notice of conversion in the first quarter of fiscal 2015.

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The net carrying amount of liability component of the Notes as of September 27, 2015 consists of the following:

	(in	
	thousands)	)
Principal amount	\$ 150,000	
Settlement due to notice from bondholder	(10	)
Unamortized debt discount	(19,040	)
Net carrying value	\$ 130,950	

The following table presents the interest expense recognized on the Notes during the three and nine months ended September 27, 2015:

	Three	Nine
	Months	Months
	Ended	Ended
	Septeml	oer 27,
	2015	
	(in thou	sands)
Contractual interest expense at 2% per annum	\$744	\$ 1,633
Accretion of debt discount	823	1,806
Total	\$1,567	\$3,439

## Capped Calls

In connection with the Notes, Spansion had entered into capped call transactions in fiscal 2013 with certain bank counterparties to reduce the potential dilution to their common stock upon exchange of the Notes. The fair value of the capped call assumed as a part of the Merger was \$25.3 million. In March 2015, the Company and the counterparties agreed to terminate and unwind the capped calls and the Company received a cash settlement of \$25.3 million which has been recorded as a credit to additional paid-in-capital on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet as of September 27, 2015.

#### **Equipment Loans**

In December 2011, the Company obtained equipment loans from a financial institution for an aggregate amount of approximately \$14.1 million which are collateralized by certain manufacturing equipment and bear interest of 3.15% to 3.18% per annum payable in 60 equal installments with the first installment due January 2012. Of the \$3.7 million outstanding balance as of September 27, 2015, approximately \$3.0 million was recorded as part of "Other current liabilities" and \$0.8 million was recorded as part of "Other long-term liabilities" on the Condensed Consolidated Balance

Sheet.

The schedule of principal payments under these equipment loans is as follows:

	(In
Fiscal Year	thousands)
2015 (remaining three months)	\$ 2,985
2016	756
Total	\$ 3,741

#### Stock Buyback Program

For the three months and nine months ended September 27, 2015, the Company made repurchases under this program of approximately \$24,257 and \$10.5 million, respectively. Since the Company announced its \$400 million stock buyback program in September 2011 through the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2015, it used approximately \$327.4 million from this program to repurchase approximately 24.4 million shares at an average share price of \$13.41. As of September 27, 2015, the total remaining dollar amount of shares that may be repurchased under the program was approximately \$72.6 million.

On October 20, 2015, the Company entered into a new \$450 million stock buyback program. In connection with the approval of the new share repurchase plan, the share repurchase plan previously approved in September 2011 was terminated. As of November 5, 2015, the Company has repurchased a total of 3.1 million shares for a total cost of \$31.5 million under the new program. Refer Note 17 for further details.

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## Dividends

On August 5, 2015, the Company's Board of Directors approved a cash dividend of \$0.11 per share payable to holders of record of its common stock at the close of business day on September 24, 2015. This cash dividend was paid on October 15, 2015 and totaled approximately \$36.9 million which was accrued for and shown as "Dividends payable" on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet as of September 27, 2015.

# **Future Debt Payments**

For each of the next five years and beyond, the scheduled maturities of the Company's debt including interest as of September 27, 2015, are as follows:

	(In
Fiscal Year	thousands)
2015 (remaining three months)	\$ 2,761
2016	14,045
2017	14,045
2018	14,045
2019	14,045
2020 and beyond	601,990
Total	\$ 660,931

## NOTE 12. ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE LOSS

The components of accumulated other comprehensive loss were as follows:

Net	Cumulative		
unreal	unrealized		
	translation		
gains		Accumulated	
(loss)	adjustment	other	
on	and		
		comprehensive	
invest	m <b>enh</b> er	income (loss)	
(in the	ousands)		
Balance as of December 28, 2014 \$(52)	) \$ 6	\$ (46 )	

Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassification	(803)		\$ (803)	)
Amounts reclassified to earnings	582		\$ 582	
Balance as of September 27, 2015	\$(273) \$	6	\$ (267	)

## NOTE 13. FOREIGN CURRENCY DERIVATIVES

The Company enters into multiple foreign exchange forward contracts to hedge certain operational exposures resulting from movements in Japanese yen and euro exchange rates. The Company does not enter into derivative securities for speculative purposes. The Company's hedging policy is designed to mitigate the impact of foreign currency exchange rate movements on its operating results. Some foreign currency forward contracts were considered to be economic hedges that were not designated as hedging instruments while others were designated as cash flow hedges. Whether designated or undesignated, these forward contracts protect the Company against the variability of forecasted foreign currency cash flows resulting from revenues, expenses and net asset or liability positions designated in currencies other than the U.S. dollar.

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Cash Flow Hedges

The Company enters into cash flow hedges to protect non-functional currency inventory purchases and certain other operational expenses, in addition to its on-going program of cash flow hedges to protect its non-functional currency revenues against variability in cash flows due to foreign currency fluctuations. The Company's foreign currency forward contracts that were designated as cash flow hedges have maturities between three and eight months. The maximum original duration of any contract allowable under the Company's hedging policy is thirteen months. All hedging relationships are formally documented, and the hedges are designed to offset changes to future cash flows on hedged transactions at the inception of the hedge. The Company recognizes derivative instruments from hedging activities as either assets or liabilities on the balance sheet and measures them at fair value on a monthly basis. The Company records changes in the intrinsic value of its cash flow hedges in accumulated other comprehensive income on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, until the forecasted transaction occurs. Interest charges or "forward points" on the forward contracts are excluded from the assessment of hedge effectiveness and are recorded in interest and other income (expense), net in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations. When the forecasted transaction occurs, the Company reclassifies the related gain or loss on the cash flow hedge to revenue or costs, depending on the risk hedged. In the event the underlying forecasted transaction does not occur, or it becomes probable that it will not occur, the Company will reclassify the gain or loss on the related cash flow hedge from accumulated other comprehensive income to interest and other income (expense), net in its Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations at that time.

The Company evaluates hedge effectiveness at the inception of the hedge prospectively as well as retrospectively and records any ineffective portion of the hedge in interest and other income (expense), net in its Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

At September 27, 2015, the Company had outstanding forward contracts to buy approximately ¥918.0 million for \$8.0 million.

Non-designated hedges

Total notional amounts of outstanding contracts were as summarized below:

Buy / Sell September 27, 2015 (in millions)

Japanese Yen / US dollar ¥2,668 / \$22.4

US dollar / EUR \$2.5/€2.1

The effect of derivative instruments in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations for the three months and nine months ended September 27, 2015 was immaterial. The gross fair values of derivative instruments on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of September 27, 2015 were immaterial.

#### NOTE 14. INCOME TAXES

The Company's income tax expense was \$2.3 million and \$1.2 million for the three months ended September 27, 2015 and September 28, 2014, respectively. The tax expense was \$1.2 million and the tax benefit was \$3.0 million for the nine months ended September 27, 2015 and September 28, 2014, respectively. The tax expense for the first nine months of 2015 was primarily a result of non-U.S. income taxes on income earned in foreign jurisdictions offset by the tax impact of accounting for certain acquired assets and liabilities as a result of the Merger resulting in \$5.3 million of the Company's valuation allowance being released. The tax benefit for the first nine months of fiscal 2014 was primarily attributable to a release of previously accrued taxes and interest for the resolution of a foreign examination and expired statutes of limitations in domestic and foreign jurisdictions, offset by non-U.S. taxes on income earned in foreign jurisdictions.

#### Unrecognized Tax Benefits

As of September 27, 2015 and December 28, 2014, the amount of unrecognized tax benefits that, if recognized, would affect the Company's effective tax rate totaled \$30.6 million and \$12.9 million, respectively.

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Management believes events that could occur in the next 12 months and cause a material change in unrecognized tax benefits include, but are not limited to, the following:

- ·completion of examinations by the U.S. or foreign taxing authorities; and
- ·expiration of statute of limitations on the Company's tax returns.

The calculation of unrecognized tax benefits involves dealing with uncertainties in the application of complex global tax regulations. Management regularly assesses our tax positions in light of legislative, bilateral tax treaty, regulatory and judicial developments in the countries in which we do business. The Company believes it is reasonably possible that we may recognize up to approximately \$4.1 million of its existing unrecognized tax benefits within the next twelve months as a result of the lapse of statutes of limitations and the resolution of agreements with domestic and various foreign tax authorities.

On July 27, 2015, in Altera Corp. v. Commissioner, the U.S. Tax Court issued an opinion related to the treatment of stock-based compensation expense in an intercompany cost-sharing arrangement. A final decision has yet to be issued by the Tax Court. At this time, the U.S. Department of the Treasury has not withdrawn the requirement to include stock-based compensation from its regulations. Due to the uncertainty surrounding the status of the current regulations, questions related to the scope of potential impact, and the risk of the Tax Court's decision being overturned upon appeal, the Company has not recorded any impact related to this issue as of September 27, 2015.

#### Classification of Interest and Penalties

The Company classifies interest and penalties, as components of the income tax provision in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations. As of September 27, 2015 and December 28, 2014, the amount of accrued interest and penalties totaled \$9.1 million and \$3.0 million, respectively.

## NOTE 15. NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted net income (loss) per share:

Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended			
September	September	September	September		
27,	28,	27,	28,		
2015	2014	2015	2014		
(In thousan	ds, except p	er-share amo	ounts)		

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Net income (loss) attributable to Cypress	\$30,312	\$12,840	\$(306,537)	\$14,433
Weighted-average common shares	335,299	159,759	289,197	157,594
Weighted-average diluted shares	357,657	166,481	289,197	166,000
Net income (loss) per share—basic	\$0.09	\$0.08	\$(1.06	\$0.09
Net income (loss) per share—diluted	\$0.08	\$0.08	\$(1.06)	\$0.09

For the three months ended September 27, 2015 and September 28, 2014, approximately 8.8 million and 8.4 million weighted average potentially dilutive securities, respectively, were excluded in the computation of diluted net income per share because their effect would have been anti-dilutive. For the nine months ended September 27, 2015 and September 28, 2014, approximately 3.3 million and 8.7 million weighted average potentially dilutive securities, respectively, were excluded in the computation of diluted net income (loss) per share because their effect would have been anti-dilutive.

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**Technologies** 

Division

NOTE 16. SEGMENT, GEOGRAPHICAL AND CUSTOMER INFORMATION

#### **Segment Information**

The Company designs, develops, manufactures and markets a broad range of high-performance solutions for embedded systems, from automotive, industrial and networking platforms to highly interactive consumer and mobile devices. In connection with the Merger, the Company has aligned Spansion's two major product groups with Cypress's existing business segments: legacy Spansion flash memory products are reported in the Company's Memory Products Division and legacy Spansion microcontroller and analog products are reported in the Company's Programmable Systems Division.

The Company evaluates its reportable business segments in accordance with the accounting guidance. The Company operates in the following four reportable business segments:

Business Segments	Description
PSD: Programmable Systems Division	PSD focuses on high-performance, programmable solutions. The programmable portfolio includes high-performance Traveo <sup>TM</sup> automotive microcontrollers, PS®Cprogrammable system-on-chip products, ARM® Cortex®-M4, -M3, -M0+ microcontrollers and R4 CPUs, analog PMIC Power Management ICs, CapSense® capacitive-sensing controllers, TrueTouch® touchscreen and fingerprint reader products, and PSoC Bluetooth Low Energy solutions for the Internet of Things. Effective March 12, 2015, PSD added Spansion's microcontroller and analog products.
MPD: Memory Products Division	MPD focuses on high-performance serial and parallel NOR Flash memories, NAND Flash memories, static random access memory (SRAM), and high-reliability F-RAM™ ferroelectric memory devices. Its purpose is to enhance our position in these products and invent new products and derivatives. Effective March 12, 2015, MPD added Spansion's Flash memory products.
DCD: Data Communications Division	DCD focuses on USB controllers, Bluetooth® Low Energy solutions that leverage Cypress's PRoC <sup>TM</sup> programmable radio-on-chip technology, WirelessUSB <sup>TM</sup> solutions, module solutions such as trackpads and Bluetooth Low Energy modules, and controllers for the new USB Type-C standard, which enables data transmission and power delivery over a single cable with a slimmer plug. DCD focuses primarily on industrial, handset and consumer electronics markets and applications.
ETD: Emerging	Also known as our "startup" division, ETD includes subsidiaries AgigA Tech Inc. and Deca

Technologies Inc., as well as our foundry business and other development-stage activities.

The following tables set forth certain information relating to the reportable business segments.

# Revenue

	•		er September September	
	2015	2014	2015	28, 2014
	(In thousa	nds)		-
Programmable Systems Division	\$178,503	\$68,750	\$456,127	\$212,773
Memory Products Division	254,647	92,179	618,482	259,084
Data Communications Division	17,617	19,091	55,270	52,670
<b>Emerging Technologies Division</b>	13,043	7,496	27,846	16,873
Total revenue	\$463.810	\$187 516	\$1 157 725	\$ 541 400

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Income (Loss) before Income Taxes

	Three Months Ended September September		Nine Months Ended	
			September	September
	27,	28,	27,	28,
	2015	2014	2015	2014
	(In thousa	nds)		
Programmable Systems Division	\$(58,828)	\$ (5,655)	\$(65,803)	\$(13,807)
Memory Products Division	58,246	37,694	45,509	99,204
Data Communications Division	(4,116)	(1,364)	(10,261)	(7,168)
Emerging Technologies Division	163	(2,574)	(5,835)	(10,189)
Unallocated items:				
Stock-based compensation	(24,956)	(12,282)	(71,420)	(43,422)
Amortization of acquisition-related intangibles	(34,271)	(1,701)	(103,978)	(9,052)
Restructuring charges	(2,924)	238	(88,678)	1,252
Gain on divestiture of TrueTouch® Mobile business	66,472	-	66,472	
Changes in value of deferred compensation plan	50	(288)	(1,137)	(1,110)
Impact of purchase accounting and other	32,258	(283)	(71,975)	(5,253)
Income (loss) before income taxes	\$32,094	\$ 13,785	\$(307,106)	\$ 10,455

The Company does not allocate goodwill and intangible assets impairment charge, impact of purchase accounting, IPR&D, severance and retention costs, acquisition-related costs, stock-based compensation, interest income and other, and interest expense to its segments. In addition, the Company does not allocate assets to its segments. The Company excludes these items consistent with the manner in which it internally evaluates its results of operations.

# Depreciation

	Three Months				
	Ended		Nine Months Ended		
	SeptemberSeptember		SeptemberSeptember		
	27, 28,		27,	28,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014	
	(In thousands)				
Programmable Systems Division	\$2,449	\$ 3,518	\$8,183	\$ 10,500	
Memory Products Division	27,007	3,946	60,551	11,863	
Data Communications Division	374	881	1,534	2,548	
Emerging Technologies Division	6,835	1,748	16,784	4,791	
Total depreciation	\$36,665	\$ 10,093	\$87,052	\$ 29,702	

# Geographical Information

The following table presents revenues by geographical locations:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended		
	September September		September	September	
	27,	28,	27,	28,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014	
	(In thousands)				
United States	\$48,100	\$24,047	\$124,249	\$66,850	
Europe	36,572	26,407	120,905	74,528	
Asia:					
China	124,424	75,950	328,786	225,166	
South Korea	16,011	17,636	50,923	58,021	
Japan	148,687	15,963	343,595	46,549	
Rest of the World	90,016	27,513	189,267	70,286	
Total revenue	\$463,810	\$187,516	\$1,157,725	\$541,400	

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Property, plant and equipment, net, by geographic locations were as follows:

	As of September December 27, 28,	
	2015	2014
	(In thousands)	
United States	\$291,214	\$128,544
Philippines	91,719	90,641
Thailand	41,133	
Japan	11,056	67
Other	23,918	18,511
Total property, plant and equipment, net	\$459,040	\$237,763

The Company tracks its assets by physical location. Although management reviews asset information on a corporate level and allocates depreciation expense by segment, our chief operating decision maker does not review asset information on a segment basis.

#### **Customer Information**

Outstanding accounts receivable from four of the Company's distributors, accounted for 45%, 20%, 18% and 12% of its consolidated accounts receivable as of September 27, 2015. Outstanding accounts receivable from three of the Company's distributors, accounted for 12%, 11% and 9% of its consolidated accounts receivable as of December 28, 2014.

Revenue generated through one of the Company's distributors accounted for 27% of its consolidated revenue for the three months ended September 27, 2015. Revenue generated through two of the Company's distributors accounted for 25% and 10% of its consolidated revenue for the nine months ended September 27, 2015. No end customer accounted for 10% or more of the Company's revenues for the three and nine months ended September 27, 2015.

Revenue generated through two of the Company's distributors accounted for 11% and 11% of its consolidated revenue for the three months ended September 28, 2014. Revenue generated through three of the Company's distributors accounted for 11%, 11% and 10% of its consolidated revenue for the nine months ended September 28, 2014. One end customer which purchases the Company's products both from its distributors and directly from the Company accounted for 8% and 10% of its consolidated revenue for the three and nine months ended September 28, 2014, respectively.

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NOTE 17. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Amendment to the Senior Secured Revolving Credit Facility

On October 20, 2015, the Company entered into an amendment (the "Amendment") to the existing Senior Secured Revolving Credit Facility (the "Credit Facility") pursuant to which the amount of uncommitted incremental loans that may be borrowed under the previous agreement was increased from \$250 million to \$650 million (the "Incremental Availability"). The Amendment provided that \$400 million of such incremental loans must be borrowed prior to December 18, 2015. Such incremental loans may take the form of revolving loans or term loans. The Credit Facility, as amended, provides for a \$450 million revolving credit facility and generally contains the same representations and warranties, covenants, and events of default that it contained prior to the effectiveness of the Amendment. The Amendment did not change the interest rate or maturity applicable to the Credit Facility and the Credit Facility remains guaranteed by certain present and future wholly-owned material domestic subsidiaries of the Company (the "Guarantors") and secured by a security interest in substantially all assets of the Company and the Guarantors.

The proceeds of the loans made under the Credit Facility may be used for working capital, acquisitions, stock repurchases and general corporate purposes. As of the filing date of this Form 10-Q, \$365.7 million aggregate principal amount of loans and letters of credit are outstanding under the Credit Facility and none of the Incremental Availability has been used.

Approval of a New \$450 Million Stock Buyback Program

On October 20, 2015, the Company approved a new share repurchase plan pursuant to which it is authorized to repurchase its common stock in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$450 million. In connection with the approval of the new share repurchase plan, the share repurchase plan previously approved in September 2011 was terminated. The new share repurchase plan may be funded all or in part by term loans under the Amended Credit Facility. The share repurchase program does not obligate the Company to repurchase any specific number of shares and may be suspended or terminated at any time without prior notice and in compliance with legal and regulatory requirements. As of November 5, 2015, the Company has repurchased a total of 3.1 million shares for a total cost of \$31.5 million under the new program.

Yield Enhancement Program

In October 2015, the Company entered into a short-term yield enhanced structured agreement by paying cash totaling \$20 million. The Company expects to settle this agreement through the receipt of Cypress common stock or cash in early December 2015.

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

The Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, that involve risks and uncertainties, which are discussed in the "Forward-Looking Statements" section under Part I of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

#### Overview

Cypress Semiconductor Corporation ("Cypress") delivers high-performance, high-quality solutions at the heart of today's most advanced embedded systems, from automotive, industrial and networking platforms to highly interactive consumer and mobile devices. With a broad, differentiated product portfolio that includes NOR flash memories, F-RAM<sup>TM</sup> and SRAM, Traveo<sup>TM</sup> microcontrollers, the industry's only PSoC® programmable system-on-chip solutions, analog and PMIC Power Management ICs, CapSense® capacitive touch-sensing controllers, and Wireless BLE Bluetooth Low-Energy and USB connectivity solutions, Cypress is committed to providing its customers worldwide with consistent innovation, best-in-class support and exceptional system value.

## Merger with Spansion

On March 12, 2015, we completed the merger ("Merger") with Spansion Inc. ("Spansion") pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger and Reorganization, as of December 1, 2014 (the "Merger Agreement"), for a total consideration of approximately \$2.8 billion. In accordance with the terms of the Merger Agreement, Spansion shareholders received 2.457 Cypress shares for each Spansion share they owned. The Merger has been accounted for under the acquisition method of accounting in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standard Topic 805, Business Combinations, with Cypress treated as the accounting acquirer. The post-Merger company is expected to realize more than \$160 million in cost synergies on an annualized basis within three years, and create a leading global provider of microcontrollers and specialized memories needed in today's embedded systems.

The following Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations includes the financial results of legacy Spansion beginning March 12, 2015. The comparability of our operating results for the three and nine months ended September 27, 2015 to the same period in fiscal 2014 is significantly impacted by our Merger. In our discussion and analysis of comparative periods, we have quantified the contribution of additional revenue or expense resulting from this transaction wherever such amounts were material and identifiable. While identified amounts may provide indications of general trends, the analysis cannot completely address the effects attributable to integration efforts.

## Divestiture of TrueTouch® Business

On August 1, 2015, we completed the sale of the TrueTouch® Mobile touchscreen business, which is a business unit within our Programmable Systems Division, to Parade Technologies ("Parade") for total cash proceeds of approximately \$98.6 million pursuant to the definitive agreement signed on June 11, 2015. Of the total cash proceeds, \$10.0 million are held in an escrow account until January 2017 subject to any indemnity claims on post-closing adjustments, per the terms of the agreement. Post-sale, Cypress will continue to provide TrueTouch® solutions to its automotive, industrial and home appliance customers and to its mobile customers. In connection with the transaction, we sold certain assets associated with the disposed business mostly consisting of inventory with a net book value of

approximately \$10.5 million and recognized a gain of \$66.5 million in the third fiscal quarter of fiscal 2015. This gain has been presented as a separate line item "Gain on divestiture of TrueTouch® Mobile business" in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Also in connection with the transaction, we entered into a Manufacturing Service Agreement (MSA) in which we agreed to sell finished wafers and devices to Parade during the one-year period following the close of the transaction. The terms of the MSA indicated that we would sell finished products to Parade at agreed-upon prices that were considered below fair market value, indicating that there was an embedded fair value that would be realized by Parade through those terms. Accordingly, we have allocated approximately \$19.9 million from the \$98.6 million proceeds to the fair value of the MSA based on the forecasted wafer sales to Parade for the subsequent one-year period5. Such amount was deferred on our consolidated balance sheet initially and is being amortized to revenue as we sell products to Parade. During the three months ended September 27, 2015, we recognized approximately \$1.2 million of revenue from amortization of such deferred revenue.

#### **Business Segments**

Technologies Division

We evaluate our reportable business segments in accordance with the accounting guidance. In connection with our Merger, we have aligned Spansion's two major product groups for embedded applications with our existing product divisions: Spansion's flash memory with our Memory Products Division and Spansion's microcontroller and analog products with our Programmable Systems Division.

We operate in the following four reportable business segments:

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DCD: Data Communications Division	DCD focuses on USB controllers, Bluetooth® Low Energy solutions that leverage Cypress's PRoC <sup>TM</sup> programmable radio-on-chip technology, WirelessUSB <sup>TM</sup> solutions, module solutions such as trackpads and Bluetooth Low Energy modules, and controllers for the new USB Type-C standard, which enables data transmission and power delivery over a single cable with a slimmer plug. DCD focuses primarily on industrial, handset and consumer electronics markets and applications.
ETD: Emerging	Also known as our "startup" division, ETD includes subsidiaries AgigA Tech Inc. and Deca

Our primary focus is profitable growth in our key markets. With the addition of the legacy Spansion business, we plan to capitalize on our expanded product portfolio and leadership positions in embedded processing and specialized memories to significantly extend our penetration of global markets such as automotive, industrial, consumer, communications, wearable electronics and the Internet of Things. Our revenue model is based on the following product and market strategies: (a) increasing market share in our memory products by leveraging our market position and expanding our portfolio with new and complementary products, (b) growing revenue from our high-performance, programmable solutions and derivatives including Cypress's PSoC programmable system-on-chip products and Spansion's microcontrollers in the automotive and industrial markets, (c) increasing our DCD revenue through the introduction of new products such as USB Type-C solutions, SuperSpeed USB 3.0 peripheral controllers and Bluetooth® Low Energy solutions that leverage Cypress's PRoC<sup>TM</sup> programmable radio-on-chip technology for the

Technologies Inc., as well as our foundry business and other development-stage activities.

Internet of Things and other applications, and (d) significant revenue growth from ETD, which includes our internal startup companies. For profitability, our focus is to integrate the acquired Spansion business successfully and realize the anticipated product cost and operational cost synergies. Our integration effort includes the re-focusing of portions of legacy Spansion business to higher-margin opportunities, particularly in the Flash memory business segment. We monitor our operating expenses closely to improve our operating leverage as driven by various company-wide initiatives, including our World Class Cost program to continuously reduce cost line items as well as a Human Resources effort to reduce redundancy and improve efficiency across the company.

In order to achieve our goals on revenue growth and profitability, Cypress will continue to pursue the following strategies:

- ·Successfully integrate our business with Spansion. We are committed to integrating the business of Cypress and Spansion successfully to realize the anticipated cost synergies and improve the bottom line.
  - · Cross-sell products from Cypress's expanded product portfolio in the wake of the Spansion Merger. We will continue to take advantage of product and business synergies and grow our top-line revenue.

- ·Focus on large and growing markets. We will continue to pursue business opportunities in large and growing markets, particularly the automotive and industrial markets.
- •Drive profitability. Cypress has implemented and maintained a tight, corporate wide focus on gross margin and operating expenses. We are committed to maintaining our current strong operating expense management without compromising our new product development and investments in our Emerging Technologies Division.
- •Drive programmable technologies, extend our leadership in programmable products and drive PSoC proliferation. We will continue to define, design and develop new programmable products and solutions that offer our customers increased flexibility and efficiency, higher performance, and higher levels of integration with a focus on analog functionality. We will continue to drive PSoC adoption in our key market segments.
- ·Collaborate with customers to build system-level solutions. We work closely with our customers from initial product design through manufacturing and delivery to optimize their design efforts, help them achieve product differentiation, improve their time-to-market and help them to develop whole product solutions.
- ·Leverage flexible manufacturing. Our manufacturing strategy combines capacity from leading foundries with output from our internal manufacturing facilities. This enables us to meet rapid swings in customer demand while reducing the burden of high fixed costs.
- ·Identify and exit legacy or non-strategic, underperforming businesses. We will continue to monitor and, if necessary, to exit certain business units that are inconsistent with our future initiatives and long-term financial plans so that we can focus our resources and efforts on our core programmable and proprietary business model. The sale of our TrueTouch® mobile touchscreen business to Parade Technologies, Ltd. during the third quarter of 2015 is an example of this business strategy.
- •Pursue complementary strategic relationships. We will continue to assess opportunities to develop strategic relationships through acquisitions, investments, licensing and joint development projects. We also will continue to make significant investments in current ventures as well as new ventures.

As we continue to implement our strategies, there are many internal and external factors that could impact our ability to meet any or all of our objectives. Some of these factors are discussed under Part I Item 1A in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 28, 2014 as well as in Item 1A in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

#### **Results of Operations**

#### Revenues

Our total revenues increased by approximately \$276.3 million or 147.3% in the three months ended September 27, 2015 compared to the same period in the prior year. For the three months ended September 27, 2015, approximately \$299.6 million of the increase was attributable to revenue contributions from the acquired Spansion business which is included in the PSD and MPD divisions. The overall increase was partially offset by decrease in revenue from TrueTouch® Mobile business as a result of divestiture of the business on August 1, 2015. The overall average selling price of our products, including Spansion products, for the three months ended September 27, 2015 was \$1.23. Excluding Spansion products, our ASP for the three months ended September 27, 2015 was \$1.15, which increased by \$0.03 compared with the same period in the prior year.

Our total revenues increased by approximately \$616.3 million or 113.8% in the nine months period ended September 27, 2015 compared to the same period in the prior year. For the nine months ended September 27, 2015, approximately \$655.3 million of the increase was attributable to revenue contribution from the acquired Spansion business which is included in the PSD and MPD divisions. The increase was partially offset by decrease in revenue from TrueTouch® Mobile business as a result of divestiture of the business on August 1, 2015. Excluding Spansion products, the overall average selling price of our products for the nine months ended September 27, 2015 increased to \$1.13 from \$1.10 for the same period one year ago.

Consistent with our accounting policies and generally accepted accounting principles, we have historically recognized a significant portion of revenue through distributors at the time the distributor resold the product to its end customer (also referred to as the sell-through basis of revenue recognition) given the difficulty in estimating the ultimate price of these product shipments and amount of potential returns. We continually reassess our ability to reliably estimate the ultimate price of these products and, over the past several years, we have made investments in our systems and processes around our distribution channel to improve the quality of the information we receive from our distributors. Given these ongoing investments, and based on the financial framework we use for estimating potential price adjustments, beginning in the fourth quarter of 2014, we concluded that we have become able to reasonably

estimate returns and pricing concessions on certain product families and with certain distributors, and recognized revenue at the time we shipped these specific products to the identified distributors, less our estimate of future price adjustments and returns. During the three months ended September 27, 2015, we recognized an incremental \$17.3 million of revenue on additional product families for which revenue was previously recognized on a sell-through basis as we determined that we could reasonably estimate returns and pricing concessions at the time of shipment to distributors. This change resulted in a benefit to net income of approximately \$9.4 million for the three months ended September 27, 2015, or \$0.03 per basic and diluted share. During the nine months ended September 27, 2015, we recognized approximately \$39.1 million of incremental revenue from this change in revenue recognition, which resulted in a benefit to net income of approximately \$21.4 million for the nine months ended September 27, 2015, or approximately \$0.07 per basic and diluted shares.

The following table summarizes our consolidated revenues by segments:

		*	Nine Months September 27, 2015	September 28, 2014
Programmable Systems Division	\$178,503	\$68,750	\$456,127	\$212,773
Memory Products Division	254,647	92,179	618,482	259,084
Data Communications Division	17,617	19,091	55,270	52,670
<b>Emerging Technologies Division</b>	13,043	7,496	27,846	16,873
Total revenue	\$463,810	\$187,516	\$1,157,725	\$541,400

#### Programmable Systems Division:

Revenues from the Programmable Systems Division increased by approximately \$109.8 million or 159.6% in the three months ended September 27, 2015 and approximately \$243.4 million or 114.4% in the nine months ended September 27, 2015, respectively, compared to the same prior-year periods. The increase was primarily due to the \$125.6 million and \$284.4 million of revenue contribution from the Spansion microcontroller and analog business for the three and nine months ended September 27, 2015, respectively. Excluding the impact of Spansion revenues, PSD decreased by \$15.8 million and \$41.0 million in the three and nine months ended September 27, 2015, or 23.0% and 19.3%, compared to the same prior-year period primarily due to weakness in our end customers' handset/mobile business demand and decrease in revenue from TrueTouch® Mobile business as a result of divestiture of the business on August 1, 2015. The decrease was partially offset by an increase in sales of PSD products to the automotive applications, where we experienced a ramp in volume from recent design wins.

#### Memory Products Division:

Revenues from the Memory Products Division increased by approximately \$162.5 million or 176.3%, in the three months ended September 27, 2015 and approximately \$359.4 million or 138.7% in the nine months ended September 27, 2015, respectively, compared to the same prior-year period. The increase was due to \$174.0 million and \$370.9 million of revenue contribution from the Spansion flash memory business for the three and nine months ended September 27, 2015, respectively. Excluding the impact of Spansion revenues, MPD decreased by \$11.6 million and \$11.5 million in the three and nine months ended September 27, 2015, or 12.5% and 4.4% compared to the same prior-year period. The decrease in the three month comparison was primarily driven by sales decrease in the communication market segment.

Data Communications Division:

Revenues from the Data Communications Division decreased by approximately \$1.5 million or 7.7% in the three months ended September 27, 2015 compared to the same prior-year period. For the nine months ended September 27, 2015, revenues increased by approximately \$2.6 million or 4.9% compared to the same prior-year period. The increase was driven by the consumer and industrial market segments.

#### Emerging Technologies Division:

Revenues from the Emerging Technologies Division increased by approximately \$5.5 million or 74.0% and approximately \$11.0 million or 65.0% in the three and nine months ended September 27, 2015 compared to the same prior-year period primarily due to the overall increase in demand at all of our Emerging Technologies companies. The increase was also attributable to increase in our Foundry revenues as we began selling products to Parade Technologies in August 2015 under the Manufacturing Services Agreement, which was signed in connection with our disposition of TrueTouch® Mobile business.

## Cost of Revenues/Gross Margins

	Three Mon September 27,	ths Ended September 28,		Nine Mont September 27,		r
	2015	2014		2015	2014	
	(In thousan	nds)				
Cost of revenues	\$303,434	\$ 90,633		\$900,969	\$271,425	
Gross margin	34.6%	51.7	%	22.2%	49.9	%

Gross margin consists of Revenues less Cost of revenues, and gross margin percentage is percentage of gross margin to revenue. Our gross margin can vary in any period depending on factors such as the mix of types of products sold and the impact of changes to inventory provisions, such as the write-down of inventory. Our gross margin is significantly impacted by the mix of products we sell, which is often difficult to estimate with accuracy. Therefore, if we achieve significant revenue growth in our lower margin product lines, or if we are unable to earn as much revenue as we expect from higher margin product lines, our gross margin may be negatively impacted.

Our gross margin was 34.6% for the three months ended September 27, 2015 and 51.7% for the three months ended September 28, 2014. The decrease in gross margin for the three months ended September 27, 2015 was due to the effect of having legacy Spansion products in our product mix, which historically had lower gross margins compared to legacy Cypress products. Our gross margin for the three months ended September 27, 2015 was negatively impacted by lower utilization at our fabs as we made efforts to reduce our inventory levels during the quarter, which we expect to continue through the second half of fiscal 2016. Total charges to cost of sales for inventory provisions totaled \$13.7 million for the three months ended September 27, 2015 and \$7.2 million for the three months ended September 28, 2014, unfavorably impacting our gross margin by 3.0% and 3.8%, respectively. Sales of inventory that was previously written-off or written-down totaled \$13.9 million for the three months ended September 28, 2015 and \$1.6 million for the three months ended September 28, 2014, favorably impacting our gross margin by 3.0%, and 0.8%, respectively. Our gross margin for the three months ended September 27, 2015 was also impacted by \$6.8 million of amortization of fair value adjustments relating to acquired legacy Spansion inventory.

Our gross margin was 22.2% for the nine months ended September 27, 2015 and 49.9% for the nine months ended September 28, 2014. The decrease in gross margin for the nine months ended September 27, 2015 was primarily due to additional inventory reserves which were recorded on inventory assumed as a part of the Merger. The additional reserves on inventory were recognized as part of our strategy to focus on high margin, profitable business as a

combined company. Total charges to cost of sales for inventory provisions totaled \$151.8 million for the nine months ended September 27, 2015 and \$14.2 million for the for the nine months ended September 28, 2014, unfavorably impacting our gross margin by 13.1% and 2.6%, respectively. Sales of inventory that was previously written-off or written-down totaled \$6.2 million for the nine months ended September 27, 2015 and \$2.2 million for the nine months ended September 28, 2014, favorably impacting our gross margin by 0.5%, and 0.4%, respectively. As a result, the overall net effect on our gross margin from inventory provisions and sales of items previously written down was an unfavorable impact of 12.6% for the nine months ended September 27, 2015 and 2.2% for the nine months ended September 28, 2014. Our gross margin for the nine months ended September 27, 2015 was also impacted by \$75.1 million of amortization, net of reserves, of fair value adjustments relating to acquired legacy Spansion inventory.

Research and Development ("R&D") Expenses

	Three Mo	onths					
	Ended			Nine Months Ended			
	SeptemberSeptember			September September			
	27,	28,		27,	28,		
	2015	2014		2015	2014		
	(In thous	ands)					
R&D expenses	\$75,960	\$ 38,626		\$207,709	\$124,883		
As a percentage of revenues	16.3%	20.6	%	17.9%	23.1	%	

R&D expenditures increased by \$37.3 million in the three months ended September 27, 2015 compared to the same prior-year period. The increase was mainly attributable to \$33.8 million of additional expenses due to the Merger, primarily comprised of \$18.1 million of labor costs due to additional headcount, \$8.0 million of building, repairs and other overhead expenses, \$2.1 million of material costs on R&D projects, \$4.6 million of professional services related to Information technology and legal fees related to patent filings and \$5.6 million of increase in stock-based compensation expense. These were partially offset by \$1.1 million of decrease in employee deferred compensation expense due to decline in the value of assets held under the employee deferred compensation plan.

R&D expenditures increased by \$82.8 million in the nine months ended September 27, 2015 compared to the same prior-year period. The increase was mainly attributable to \$76.9 million of additional expense due to the Merger, primarily comprised of \$43.4 million of labor costs due to additional headcount, \$15.1 million of building, repairs and other overhead expenses, \$6.1 million of material costs on R&D projects, \$6.8 million of professional services related to Information technology and legal fees related to patent filings and \$6.5 million of increase in stock-based compensation expense. These were partially offset by \$1.3 million of decrease in employee deferred compensation expense due to decline in the value of assets held under the employee deferred compensation plan.

Selling, General and Administrative ("SG&A") Expenses

	Three Months						
	Ended		Nine Mo	nths Ended			
	Septembe	esSeptembe	r Septemb	er September			
	27, 28, 2		27,	28,			
	2015 2014		2015	2014			
	(In thous	ands)					
SG&A expenses	\$76,159	\$ 41,119	\$238,459	\$ 125,787			
As a percentage of revenues	16.4%	21.9	% 20.6%	23.2 %			

SG&A expenses increased by \$35.0 million in the three months ended September 27, 2015 compared to the same prior-year period. The increase was mainly due to \$28.5 million of expense from the Merger, primarily comprised of \$14.0 million of labor costs due to additional headcount, \$10.6 million of building, supplies, repairs and other overhead expenses, and \$1.9 million of professional services expense related to information technology, legal and finance. Additionally, we also incurred \$3.1 million of costs for travel and facilities as well as professional fees for legal services related to the Merger integration activities and \$7.0 million of increase in stock-based compensation expense primarily related to the 2015 PARS grants. These were partially offset by \$2.0 million of decrease in employee deferred compensation expense due to decline in the value of assets held under the employee deferred compensation plan.

SG&A expenses increased by \$112.7 million in the nine months ended September 27, 2015 compared to the same prior-year period. The increase was mainly due to \$79.7 million of expense from the Merger, primarily comprised of \$37.3 million of labor costs due to additional headcount, \$28.1 million of building, supplies, repairs and other overhead expenses, and \$8.7 million of professional services expense related to information technology, legal and finance. Additionally, we also incurred \$21.6 million of costs for travel and facilities as well as professional fees for legal services related to the Merger integration activities and \$19.1 million of increase in stock-based compensation

expense primarily related to the 2015 PARS grants. These were partially offset by \$2.7 million of decrease in employee deferred compensation expense due to decline in the value of assets held under the employee deferred compensation plan and approximately \$2.7 million of decreases in other SG&A expenses.

Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets

Amortization expense increased by \$29.1 million in the three months ended September 27, 2015 compared to the same period in the prior year mainly due to the amortization on the intangibles acquired in connection with the Merger.

Amortization expense increased by \$68.8 million in the nine months ended September 27, 2015 compared to the same period in the prior year mainly due to the amortization on the intangibles acquired in connection with the Merger of \$69.7 million.

#### Restructuring

Spansion Integration-Related Restructuring Plan

In March 2015, we began the implementation of planned cost reduction and restructuring activities in connection with the Merger. As part of this plan, we expect to eliminate approximately 1,000 positions from the combined workforce across all business and functional areas on a global basis. The restructuring charge of \$88.7 million recorded for the nine months ended September 27, 2015 primarily consists of severance costs, lease termination costs and impairment of property, plant and equipment. The lease termination costs include approximately \$18 million relating to the buildings Spansion had leased prior to the Merger, which we decided not to occupy in the post-Merger period. The initial term of the lease commenced on January 1, 2015 and will expire on December 31, 2026.

The following table summarizes the restructuring charges recorded in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations for the periods presented pursuant to the Spansion Integration-Related Restructuring Plan:

	Three			
	Months	Nine Months		
	Ended	Ended		
	Septembes27tember 27			
	2015	2015		
	(In thous	ands)		
Personnel costs	\$3,073	\$ 57,999		
Lease termination costs and other related charges	119	18,016		
Impairment of property, plant and equipment	_	12,531		
Other	(268)	132		
Total restructuring and other charges (benefit)	\$2,924	\$ 88,678		

We anticipate that the remaining restructuring reserve balance will be paid out in cash through the first quarter of 2016 for employee terminations and over the remaining lease term through 2026 for the excess lease obligation.

As of September 27, 2015, we have realized approximately \$120 million of synergy savings on an annualized basis from the restructuring actions taken. Upon completion of all of our actions, we anticipate our annualized synergy savings in fiscal year 2017 to be approximately \$160 million. When complete, we estimate approximately 40% of the savings will impact cost of goods sold and the remaining 60% will impact operating expenses. There can be no assurance that we will achieve these anticipated savings.

For additional discussion of restructuring, refer Note 4 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

Income Taxes

Our income tax expense was \$2.3 million and \$1.2 million for the three months ended September 27, 2015 and September 28, 2014, respectively. Our income tax expense was \$1.2 million for the nine months ended September 27, 2015 and our tax benefit was \$3.0 million for the nine months ended September 28, 2014. The tax expense for the first nine months of fiscal 2015 was primarily a result of non-U.S. income taxes on income earned in foreign jurisdictions offset by the tax impact of accounting for certain acquired assets and liabilities as a result of the Merger resulting in \$5.3 million of our valuation allowance being released. The tax benefit for the first nine months of fiscal 2014 was primarily attributable to a release of previously accrued taxes and interest for the resolution of a foreign examination and expired statutes of limitations in domestic and foreign jurisdictions, offset by non-U.S. taxes on income earned in foreign jurisdictions.

On July 27, 2015, in Altera Corp. v. Commissioner, the U.S. Tax Court issued an opinion related to the treatment of stock-based compensation expense in an intercompany cost-sharing arrangement. A final decision has yet to be issued by the Tax Court. At this time, the U.S. Department of the Treasury has not withdrawn the requirement to include stock-based compensation from its regulations. Due to the uncertainty surrounding the status of the current regulations, questions related to the scope of potential impact, and the risk of the Tax Court's decision being overturned upon appeal, we have not recorded any impact related to this issue as of September 27, 2015.

#### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

The following table summarizes information regarding our cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments and working capital:

	As of September	December
	27,	28,
	2015	2014
	(In thousan	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$193,759	\$103,736
Short-term investments	871	15,076
Total cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments	\$194,630	\$118,812
Total current assets	\$874,771	\$312,311
Total current liabilities	553,954	274,832
Working capital	\$320,817	\$37,479

## Key Components of Cash Flows

		hs Ended September 28,
	2015 (In thousan	2014 ds)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$(33,293)	
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	\$(54,737)	\$ (28,420)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	\$178,053	\$ (30,327)

#### **Operating Activities**

Net cash used in operating activities of \$33.3 million during the nine months ended September 27, 2015 was primarily due to net loss of \$308.3 million adjusted for a net non-cash items of \$219.5 million and a net cash used from change in operating assets and liabilities of \$55.6 million. The non-cash adjustments primarily consisted of depreciation and amortization of \$166.3 million, stock based compensation expense of \$71.4 million, restructuring charges of \$17.0 million, loss on disposal of property of \$9.4 million and, gain on the sale of our TrueTouch® Mobile business of \$66.5 million. The net cash used from changes in operating assets and liabilities was due to an increase in accounts receivable of \$117.9 million, increase in other assets of \$21.5 million and decrease in accounts payable, accrued and other liabilities of \$69.3 million, and was offset by a decrease in inventories of \$252.4 million and an increase in deferred income of \$11.8 million. The decrease of \$252.4 million in inventory was primarily due to \$107.0 million of reserves recorded to write down inventory assumed as part of the Merger. The additional write-downs were recognized as part of the Company's strategy to focus on high margin, profitable business as a combined company and

to move away from the production and sale of inventory associated with non-strategic businesses.

#### **Investing Activities**

During the nine months ended September 27, 2015, we used approximately \$54.7 million of cash in our investing activities primarily due to \$105.1 million in net cash paid on the Merger as part of purchase consideration, \$38.0 million of cash used for property and equipment expenditures and \$18.0 million cash paid for equity investments. These increases were partially offset by \$17.4 million of proceeds from the sales or maturities of investments and \$98.6 million of cash proceeds from the sale of our TrueTouch® Mobile business, of the total cash proceeds received from the sale of our TrueTouch® Mobile business, approximately \$10.0 million are held in an Escrow account until January 2017.

## Financing Activities

During the nine months ended September 27, 2015, we generated approximately \$178.1 million of cash from our financing activities primarily related our net borrowings on the revolving credit facility of \$398.0 million, proceeds from settlement of capped calls which were assumed as part of the Merger of \$25.3 million and net proceeds from the issuance of common shares under our employee stock plans of \$41.8 million. The increases were offset by \$176.0 million repayment of line of credit facility, \$91.1 million of dividend payments and \$10.4 million of repurchase of treasury stock.

#### Liquidity and Contractual Obligations

#### **Contractual Obligations**

The following table summarizes our contractual obligations as of September 27, 2015:

	Total (In thousa	2015	2016 and 2017	2018 and 2019	After 2019
Purchase obligations (1)	\$185,209	\$165,450	\$ 19,759	\$ —	<b>\$</b> —
Equipment loan	3,741	2,985	756	_	
Operating lease commitments (2)	69,771	3,732	26,335	12,104	27,600
Capital lease commitments	7,966	785	7,181	_	
2.00% Senior Exchangeable Notes	149,990	_			149,990
Interest payment on debt	61,941	2,761	28,090	28,090	3,000
Senior Secured Revolving Credit Facility	449,000	_	_	_	449,000
License fee commitments	5,880		5,880	_	
Total contractual obligations	\$933,498	\$175,713	\$ 88,001	\$ 40,194	\$629,590

- (1) Purchase obligations primarily include non-cancelable purchase orders for materials, services, manufacturing equipment, building improvements and supplies in the ordinary course of business. Purchase obligations are defined as enforceable agreements that are legally binding on us and that specify all significant terms, including quantity, price and timing.
- (2) Operating leases includes payments relating to Spansion's lease for office space in San Jose for a new headquarters entered on May 22, 2014, which is no longer required. The lease is for a period of 12 years, with two options to extend for periods of five years each after the initial lease term. The term of the lease commenced on January 1, 2015 and expires on December 31, 2026.

As of September 27, 2015, our unrecognized tax benefits were \$30.6 million, which were classified as long-term liabilities. We believe it is possible that we may recognize up to approximately \$4.1 million of our existing unrecognized tax benefits within the next twelve months as a result of the lapse of statutes of limitations and the resolution of agreements with domestic and various foreign tax authorities.

#### Sale of Spansion's Sunnyvale property

On January 23, 2014, Spansion sold its property in Sunnyvale, California, consisting of 24.5 acres of land with approximately 471,000 square feet of buildings that included its headquarters building and submicron development center, a Pacific Gas & Electric transmission facility and a warehouse building, for net consideration of \$59.0 million. Spansion concurrently leased back approximately 170,000 square feet of the headquarters building on a month-to-month basis with the option to continue the lease for up to 24 months; thereafter either party could terminate the lease. The first six months of the lease were rent free; thereafter the rents were lower than the market rates. For accounting purposes, these rents were deemed to have been netted against the sale proceeds and represent prepaid rent. As such, the use of the property after its sale constituted continuing involvement, and recognition of the sale of the property was deferred until the lease period ended. In the third quarter of fiscal 2015, on June 30, 2015, we terminated the lease on the Sunnyvale building and recognized an immaterial gain. This did not have a material impact on our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

## **Equity Investment Commitments**

As disclosed in Note 10 of the Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, we have committed to purchase additional preferred stock from a company that operates in the area of advanced battery storage. During the three and nine months ended September 27, 2015, we purchased \$6.0 million and \$18.0 million of preferred stock which was recorded as part of our investments in non-marketable securities. Subject to the attainment of certain milestones, we may purchase additional preferred stock of this company.

#### Capital Resources and Financial Condition

Our long-term strategy is to maintain a minimum amount of cash and cash equivalents for operational purposes and to invest the remaining amount of our cash in interest-bearing and highly liquid cash equivalents and debt securities, payments of regularly scheduled cash dividends, the repayment of our short-term debt, and the purchase of our stock through our stock buyback program. As of September 27, 2015, in addition to \$193.7 million in cash and cash equivalents, we had \$0.9 million invested in short-term investments for a total cash, cash equivalents and short-term investment balance of \$194.6 million that is available for use in our current operations.

As of September 27, 2015, approximately 17.0% of our cash, cash equivalents and available-for-sale investments are held in offshore funds. While these amounts are primarily invested in U.S. dollars, a portion is held in foreign currencies. All offshore balances are exposed to local political, banking, currency control and other risks. In addition, these amounts, if repatriated may be subject to tax and other transfer restrictions.

We believe that liquidity provided by existing cash, cash equivalents and available-for-sale investments and our borrowing arrangements will provide sufficient capital to meet our requirements for at least the next twelve months. However, should prevailing economic conditions and/or financial, business and other factors beyond our control adversely affect the estimates of our future cash requirements; we could be required to fund our cash requirements by alternative financing. There can be no assurance that additional financing, if needed, would be available on terms acceptable to us or at all. In addition we may choose at any time to raise additional capital or debt to strengthen our financial position, facilitate growth, enter into strategic initiatives including the acquisition of other companies and provide us with additional flexibility to take advantage of other business opportunities that arise.

Amendment to the Senior Secured Revolving Credit Facility

On October 20, 2015, we entered into an amendment (the "Amendment") to the existing Senior Secured Revolving Credit Facility (the "Credit Facility") pursuant to which the amount of uncommitted incremental loans that may be borrowed under the previous agreement was increased from \$250 million to \$650 million (the "Incremental Availability"). The Amendment provided that \$400 million of such incremental loans must be borrowed prior to December 18, 2015. Such incremental loans may take the form of revolving loans or term loans. The Credit Facility, as amended, provides for a \$450 million revolving credit facility and generally contains the same representations and warranties, covenants, and events of default that it contained prior to the effectiveness of the Amendment. The Amendment did not change the interest rate or maturity applicable to the Credit Facility and the Credit Facility remains guaranteed by certain present and future wholly-owned material domestic subsidiaries (the "Guarantors") and secured by a security interest in substantially all of our assets and the Guarantors.

The proceeds of the loans made under the Credit Facility may be used for working capital, acquisitions, stock repurchases and general corporate purposes. As of the filing date of this Form 10-Q, \$365.7 million aggregate principal amount of loans and letters of credit are outstanding under the Credit Facility and none of the Incremental Availability has been used.

Approval of a New \$450 Million Stock Buyback Program

On October 20, 2015, we approved a new share repurchase plan pursuant to which we are authorized to repurchase our common stock in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$450 million. In connection with the approval of the new share repurchase plan, the share repurchase plan previously approved in September 2011 was terminated. The new share repurchase plan may be funded all or in part by term loans under the Amended Credit Facility. The share repurchase program does not obligate us to repurchase any specific number of shares and may be suspended or terminated at any time without prior notice and in compliance with legal and regulatory requirements. As of November 5, 2015, we repurchased a total of 3.1 million shares for a total cost of \$31.5 million under the new program.

Yield Enhancement Program

In October 2015, we entered into a short-term yield enhanced structured agreement by paying cash totaling \$20 million. We expect to settle this agreement through the receipt of Cypress common stock or cash in early December 2015.

#### Non-GAAP Financial Measures

To supplement its consolidated financial results presented in accordance with GAAP, Cypress uses the following non-GAAP financial measures which are adjusted from the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures:

- ·Revenue
- · Gross margin
- ·Research and development expenses
- ·Selling, general and administrative expenses
- ·Operating income (loss)
- ·Net income (loss)
- ·Diluted net income (loss) per share

The non-GAAP measures set forth above exclude charges primarily related to stock-based compensation as well as restructuring charges, acquisition-related expenses and other adjustments. For the three months ended September 27, 2015, there were additional adjustments related to our Merger. Management believes that these non-GAAP financial measures reflect an additional and useful way of viewing aspects of Cypress's operations that, when viewed in conjunction with Cypress's GAAP results, provide a more comprehensive understanding of the various factors and trends affecting Cypress's business and operations. Management uses these non-GAAP measures for strategic and business decision-making, internal budgeting, forecasting and resource allocation processes. In addition, these non-GAAP financial measures facilitate management's internal comparisons to Cypress's historical operating results and comparisons to competitors' operating results. Pursuant to the requirements of Regulation G and to make clear to our investors the adjustments we make to GAAP measures, we have provided a reconciliation of the non-GAAP measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures.

	Three Months Ended		
	September September		
	27,	28,	
	2015	2014	
	(In thousan	nds, except	
	per share a	imounts)	
Non-GAAP revenue	\$470,060	\$187,516	
Non-GAAP gross margin	\$193,449	\$100,350	
Non-GAAP research and development expenses	\$68,807	\$36,293	
Non-GAAP selling, general and administrative expenses	\$60,514	\$34,732	
Non-GAAP operating income	\$64,128	\$29,325	
Non-GAAP net income attributable to Cypress	\$60,040	\$26,538	
Non-GAAP net income per share attributable to Cypress—dilute	d\$0.17	\$0.16	

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## RECONCILIATION OF GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES TO NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

(In thousands, except per-share data)

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 27, September 28,						
	% of			September 2	20,		
	2015	Revenu	e	2014		% of Rev	enue
GAAP Revenue	\$463,810			\$ 187,516			
Merger-related revenue from intellectual property license	\$6,250			\$ —			
Non-GAAP Revenue (a)	\$470,060			\$ 187,516			
GAAP gross margin	\$160,376	34.6	%	\$ 96,883		51.7	%
Stock-based compensation expense	4,357	0.9	%	3,766		2.0	%
Changes in value of deferred compensation plan	(326)	(0.1	)%	4		_	%
Impairment of assets, restructuring and other	(372)	(0.1	)%	(303	)	(0.2)	)%
Spansion Merger costs and related amortization	23,164	5.0	%	_		_	%
Effect of Non-GAAP revenue from intellectual property							
license	6,250	0.8	%				%
Non-GAAP gross margin	\$193,449	41.2	%	\$ 100,350		53.5	%
GAAP research and development expenses	\$75,960			\$ 38,626			
Stock-based compensation expense	(7,346)			(2,089	)		
Changes in value of deferred compensation plan	1,105			(13	)		
Impairment of assets, restructuring and other	(81)						
Spansion Merger costs and related amortization	(831)			(231	)		
Non-GAAP research and development expenses	\$68,807			\$ 36,293			
GAAP selling, general and administrative expenses	\$74,627			\$ 41,119			
Stock-based compensation expense	(13,253)			(6,427	)		
Changes in value of deferred compensation plan	1,959			(24	)		
Impairment of assets, restructuring and other				64			
Legal and other	(443)			_			
Spansion Merger costs and related amortization	(2,376)			_			
Non-GAAP selling, general and administrative expenses	\$60,514			\$ 34,732			
GAAP operating income (loss)	\$40,978			\$ 15,675			
Stock-based compensation expense	24,956			12,282			
Gain from divestiture transaction	(66,472)						
Ramtron acquisition-related expenses	1,305			1,701			
Changes in value of deferred compensation plan	(3,389)			41			
Impairment of assets, restructuring and other	—			(374	)		
Legal and other	150			_			
Effect of Non-GAAP revenue from intellectual property							
license	6,250			_			
Spansion Merger costs and related amortization	60,350						
Non-GAAP operating income (loss)	\$64,128			\$ 29,325			

GAAP pretax profit (loss)	\$32,094	6.9	% \$	5 15,171		8.1	%
Stock-based compensation expense	24,956	5.4	%	12,282		6.5	%
Gain from divestiture transaction	(66,472)	(14.3	)%				
Ramtron acquisition-related expenses	1,305	0.3	%	1,701		0.9	%
Changes in value of deferred compensation plan	(50)	0.0	%	288		0.2	%
Impairment of assets, restructuring and other	_	0.0	%	(375	)	(0.2	)%
Effect of Non-GAAP revenue from intellectual property							
license	6,250	1.2	%				
Legal and other	151	0.0	%	_		_	%
Tax-related, interest income, interest expense, and other							
expenses	(1,157)	(0.2)	)%	(966	)	(0.5	)%
Investment-related gains/losses	2,709	0.6	%	1,386		0.7	%
Losses from equity method investment	1,800	0.4	%				
Spansion Merger costs and related amortization	60,350	13.0	%	_			%
Non-GAAP pretax profit (loss)	\$61,936	13.2	% \$	29,487		15.7	%
GAAP net income (loss) attributable to Cypress	\$30,312		\$	12,840			
Stock-based compensation	24,956			12,282			
Gain from divestiture transaction	(66,472)						
Ramtron acquisition-related expenses	1,305			1,701			
Changes in value of deferred compensation plan	(50)			288			
50							

Impairment of assets, restructuring and other charges		(374)
Effect of Non-GAAP revenue from intellectual property license	6,250	_
Legal and other	151	_
Tax-related, interest income, interest expense, and other expenses	(1,271)	(1,585)
Losses from equity method investment	1,800	
Investment-related gains/losses	2,709	1,386
Spansion Merger costs and related amortization	60,350	
Non-GAAP net income (loss) attributable to Cypress	\$60,040	\$26,538
GAAP net income (loss) per share attributable to Cypress-diluted	\$0.09	\$0.08
Stock-based compensation expense	0.07	0.07
Gain from divestiture transaction	(0.18)	_
Ramtron acquisition-related expenses	_	0.01
Effect of Non-GAAP revenue from intellectual property license	0.02	
Tax-related, interest income, interest expense, and other expenses	_	(0.01)
Losses from equity method investment	0.01	0.01
Investment-related gains/losses	0.01	_
Spansion Merger costs and related amortization	0.17	
Non-GAAP net income (loss) attributable to Cypress-diluted	\$0.17	\$0.16

(a) Non-GAAP revenue includes \$6.25 million of Samsung intellectual property licensing revenue, not included in GAAP revenue as a result of the effect of purchase accounting for the Spansion Merger. CRITICAL POLICIES AND ESTIMATES

The discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based upon our consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and the data used to prepare them. Our consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States and we are required to make estimates, judgments and assumptions in the course of such preparation. Note 1 of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements under Part I Item 1 describes the significant accounting policies and methods used in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements. On an ongoing basis, we re-evaluate our judgments and estimates including those related to revenue recognition, allowances for doubtful accounts receivable, inventory valuation, valuation of long-lived assets, goodwill and financial instruments, stock-based compensation, and settlement costs, and income taxes. We base our estimates and judgments on historical experience, knowledge of current conditions and our beliefs of what could occur in the future considering available information. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

## Revenue Recognition

We generate revenues by selling products to distributors, various types of manufacturers including original equipment manufacturers ("OEMs") and electronic manufacturing service providers ("EMSs"). We recognize revenues on sales to distributors, OEMs and EMSs upon shipment provided that persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, the price is fixed or determinable, title has transferred, collection of resulting receivables is reasonably assured, there are no customer acceptance requirements, and there are no significant remaining obligations.

Sales to certain distributors are made under agreements which provide the distributors with price protection, stock rotation and other allowances under certain circumstances. When we determine that the uncertainties associated with the rights given to these distributors, revenues and costs related to distributor sales are deferred until products are sold by the distributors to the end customers. In those circumstances, revenues are recognized upon receiving notification from the distributors that products have been sold to the end customers. In these cases, at the time of shipment to

distributors, we record a trade receivable for the selling price since there is a legally enforceable right to receive payment, relieves inventory for the value of goods shipped since legal title has passed to the distributors, and defers the related margin and price adjustment as deferred income on sales to distributors on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. Any effects of distributor price adjustments are recorded as a reduction to deferred income at the time the distributors sell the products to the end customers and the distributor submits a valid claim for the price adjustment.

We have historically recognized a significant portion of revenue through distributors at the time the distributor resold the product to its end customer (also referred to as the sell-through basis of revenue recognition) given the difficulty in estimating the ultimate price of these product shipments and amount of potential returns. We continuously reassesses our ability to reliably estimate the ultimate price of these products and, over the past several years, have made investments in our systems and process around our distribution channel to improve the quality of the information it receives from our distributors. Given these ongoing investments, and based on the financial framework for estimating potential price adjustments, beginning the fourth quarter of 2014, we concluded that we were able to reasonable estimate returns and pricing concessions on certain product families and with certain distributors, and we recognized revenue at the time it shipped these specific products to the identified distributors, less its estimate of future price adjustments and returns. During the three months ended September 27, 2015, we recognized approximately \$17.3 million of incremental revenue from this change, which resulted in a benefit to net income of approximately \$9.4 million for the three months ended September 27, 2015, or approximately \$0.03 per basic and diluted shares. During the nine months ended September 27, 2015, we recognized approximately \$39.1 million of incremental revenue from this change in revenue recognition, which resulted in a benefit to net income of approximately \$21.4 million for the nine months ended September 27, 2015, or approximately \$0.07 per basic and diluted shares. During the three months ended September 27, 2015, we recognized approximately \$235.0 million or 71.0% of distribution revenue on a sell-in basis. During the nine months ended September 27, 2015, we recognized \$401.0 million or 57.0% of distribution revenue on a sell-in basis.

We record as a reduction to revenues reserves for sales returns, price protection and allowances based upon historical rates and for any specific known customer amounts. We also provide certain distributors and EMSs with volume-pricing discounts, such as rebates and incentives, which are recorded as a reduction to revenues at the time of sale. Historically, these volume discounts have not been significant.

#### Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of standard cost (which approximates actual cost on a first-in, first-out basis) or market. Market is based on estimated net realizable value. We write down our inventories which have become obsolete or are in excess of anticipated demand or net realizable value based upon assumptions about demand forecasts, product life cycle status, product development plans and current sales levels as well as strategic changes in our business and decisions to move away from less profitable businesses. Inventory provisions are not relieved until the related inventory has been sold or scrapped.

Situations that may result in excess or obsolete inventory include changes in business strategy and economic conditions, changes in consumer confidence caused by changes in market conditions, sudden and significant decreases in demand for our products, inventory obsolescence because of rapidly changing technology and customer requirements, failure to estimate customer demand properly for older products as newer products are introduced, a change in our business strategy, or unexpected competitive pricing actions by our competition. In addition, cancellation or deferral of customer purchase orders could result in our holding excess inventory. Also, because we often sell a substantial portion of our products in the last month of each quarter, the Company may not be able to reduce our inventory purchase commitments in a timely manner in response to customer cancellations or deferrals.

#### **Business Combinations**

We apply the provisions of Accounting Standards Codification 805, Business Combinations ("ASC 805"),in the accounting for acquisitions. It requires us to recognize separately from goodwill the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed at their acquisition date fair values. Goodwill as of the acquisition date is measured as the excess of consideration transferred over the net of the acquisition date fair values of the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed. While we use our best estimates and assumptions to accurately value assets acquired and liabilities assumed

at the acquisition date as well as contingent consideration, where applicable, our estimates are inherently uncertain and subject to refinement. As a result, during the measurement period, which may be up to one year from the acquisition date, we record adjustments to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed with the corresponding offset to goodwill. Upon the conclusion of the measurement period or final determination of the values of assets acquired or liabilities assumed, whichever comes first, any subsequent adjustments are recorded to our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations. Accounting for business combinations requires the Company's management to make significant estimates and assumptions, especially at the acquisition date including our estimates for intangible assets, contractual obligations assumed, restructuring liabilities, pre-acquisition contingencies and contingent consideration, where applicable. Although we believe the assumptions and estimates it has made have been reasonable and appropriate, they are based in part on historical experience and information obtained from the management of the acquired companies and are inherently uncertain. Critical estimates in valuing certain of the intangible assets we have acquired include but are not limited to: future expected cash flows from product sales, customer contracts and acquired technologies, expected costs to develop in-process research and development into commercially viable products and estimated cash flows from the projects when completed and discount rates. Unanticipated events and circumstances may occur that may affect the accuracy or validity of such assumptions, estimates or actual results.

#### ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

#### Interest Rate Risks

Our investment portfolio consists of a variety of financial instruments that expose us to interest rate risk, including, but not limited to, money market funds, certificate of deposit and corporate securities. These investments are generally classified as available-for-sale and, consequently, are recorded on our balance sheets at fair market value with their related unrealized gain or loss reflected as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income in stockholders' equity. Due to the relatively short-term nature of our investment portfolio, we do not believe that an immediate 10% increase in interest rates would have a material effect on the fair market value of our portfolio. Since we believe we have the ability to liquidate this portfolio, we do not expect our operating results or cash flows to be materially affected to any significant degree by a sudden change in market interest rates on our investment portfolio.

## Foreign Currency Exchange Risk

We operate and sell products in various global markets and purchase capital equipment using foreign currencies but predominantly the U.S. dollar. Pursuant to our Merger, we are exposed to certain risks associated with changes in foreign currency exchange rates in Japanese yen and other foreign currencies and are exposed to foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations.

#### For example,

- · sales of our products to Fujitsu are denominated in U.S. dollars, Japanese yen and Euro;
- ·some of our manufacturing costs are denominated in Japanese yen, and other foreign currencies such as the Thai baht and Malaysian ringgit;
- ·some of our operating expenses are denominated in Japanese yen and
- ·some fixed asset purchases and sales are denominated in other foreign currencies.

Consequently, movements in exchange rates could cause our net sales and our expenses to fluctuate, affecting our profitability and cash flows. We use foreign currency forward contracts to reduce our foreign exchange exposure on our foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities. We also hedge a percentage of our forecasted revenue denominated in Japanese yen with foreign currency forward contracts. The objective of these contracts is to mitigate impact of foreign currency exchange rate movements to our operating results on a short term basis. We do not use these contracts for speculative or trading purposes.

We recognize derivative instruments from hedging activities as either assets or liabilities on the balance sheet and measure them at fair value. Gains and losses resulting from changes in fair value are accounted for depending on the use of the derivative and whether it is designated and qualifies for hedge accounting. To receive hedge accounting treatment, all hedging relationships are formally documented at the inception of the hedge, and the hedges must be highly effective in offsetting changes to future cash flows on hedged transactions. We record changes in the intrinsic value of these cash flow hedges in accumulated other comprehensive loss on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, until the forecasted transaction occurs. When the forecasted transaction occurs, we reclassify the related gain or loss on the cash flow hedge to the appropriate revenue or expense line of the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations. In the event the underlying forecasted transaction does not occur, or it becomes probable that it will not occur, we will reclassify the gain or loss on the related cash flow hedge from accumulated other comprehensive loss to interest and other income (expense), net in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations at that time.

We evaluate hedge effectiveness at the inception of the hedge prospectively as well as retrospectively and record any ineffective portion of the hedging instruments in interest and other income (expense), net in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

We analyzed our foreign currency exposure, including our hedging strategies, to identify assets and liabilities denominated in other currencies. For those assets and liabilities, we evaluated the effects of a 10% shift in exchange rates between those currencies and the U.S. dollar. We have determined that there would be an immaterial effect on our results of operations from such a shift. Please see Note 13 of the footnotes to this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for details on the contracts.

#### ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

#### Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We maintain "disclosure controls and procedures," as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in Securities and Exchange Commission rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. In designing and evaluating our disclosure controls and procedures, management recognized that disclosure controls and procedures, no matter how well conceived and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the disclosure controls and procedures are met. Additionally, in designing disclosure controls and procedures, our management necessarily was required to apply its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible disclosure controls and procedures. The design of any disclosure controls and procedures also is based in part upon 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.

Based on their evaluation as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and subject to the foregoing, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective at a reasonable assurance level.

#### Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the three months period ended September 27, 2015 that have materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

## PART II-OTHER INFORMATION

## ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The information required by this item is included in Note 10 of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements under Item 1, Part 1 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

In addition to the other information set forth in this report, including the following risk factors, you should carefully consider the risks and uncertainties discussed in Part I, "Item 1A. Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 28, 2014, which could materially affect our business, financial condition or future results. Unless they change, risk factors in the 10-K are not repeated here, but are incorporated by reference from the 10-K. The risks described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K are not the only risks facing our Company. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be not material also may materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition and/or operating results.

We may fail to realize all of the anticipated benefits of our acquisition of Spansion

On March 12, 2015, we completed our acquisition of Spansion. The success of the transaction will depend, in part, on our ability to achieve the anticipated cost synergies and other strategic benefits from combining the businesses of Cypress and Spansion. We expect Cypress to benefit from operational synergies resulting from the consolidation of capabilities and elimination of redundancies as well as greater efficiencies from increased scale, market integration and more automation. However, to realize these anticipated benefits, we must successfully combine the businesses of Cypress and Spansion. If we are not able to achieve these objectives, the anticipated cost synergies and other strategic benefits of the transaction may not be realized fully or at all or may take longer to realize than expected. We may fail to realize some or all of the anticipated benefits of the transaction in the amounts and times projected for a number of reasons, including that the integration may take longer than anticipated or be more costly than anticipated.

The failure to integrate successfully the businesses and operations of Cypress and Spansion in the expected time frame may adversely affect our future results.

Prior to the completion of the transaction, Cypress and Spansion historically operated as independent companies. The management of Cypress may face significant challenges in consolidating the functions of Cypress and Spansion and their subsidiaries, integrating their technologies, organizations, ERP systems, procedures, policies and operations, as well as addressing differences in the business cultures of the two companies and retaining key personnel. In connection with the acquisition, Cypress expects to integrate certain operations of Cypress and Spansion, including, among other things, back-office operations, information technology and regulatory compliance. The integration of the two companies will be complex and time consuming, and require substantial resources and effort. The integration process and other disruptions resulting from the transaction may disrupt each company's ongoing businesses or cause inconsistencies in standards, controls, procedures and policies that adversely affect our relationships with our members and other market participants, employees, regulators and others with whom we have business or other dealings. If we fail to manage the integration of these businesses effectively, our growth strategy and future profitability could be negatively affected, and we may fail to achieve the intended benefits of the transaction.

We have incurred costs in connection with our acquisition of Spansion and will continue to incur costs in connection with the transaction.

Cypress and Spansion have incurred significant costs associated with transaction fees, professional services and other costs related to the transaction and we will continue to incur additional costs, including restructuring costs, in connection with the integration of the business. Specifically, through September 27, 2015, Cypress and Spansion have incurred approximately 76.5 million for costs in addition to restructuring and other items associated with the Merger and integration. Although Cypress expects that the realization of efficiencies related to the integration of the businesses will offset Merger-related and restructuring costs over time, this net benefit may not be achieved in the near term, or at all.

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

## ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

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On September 20, 2011, our Board of Directors (the "Board") authorized a \$400 million stock buyback program. The program allows us to purchase our common stock or enter into equity derivative transactions related to our common stock. The timing and actual amount expended with the new authorized funds will depend on a variety of factors including the market price of our common stock, regulatory, legal, and contractual requirements, other uses of cash, and other market factors. The program does not obligate us to repurchase any particular amount of common stock and may be modified or suspended at any time at the discretion of our Board. As of September 27, 2015, the total remaining dollar amount of shares that may be repurchased under the program was approximately 72.6 million.

On October 20, 2015, we entered into a new \$450 million stock buyback program. In connection with the approval of the new share repurchase plan, the share repurchase plan previously approved in September 2011 was terminated. Refer Note 17 for further details. As of November 5, 2015, we repurchased a total of 3.1 million shares for a total cost of \$31.5 million under the new program. Refer Note 17 for further details.

The table below sets forth the information with respect to repurchases of common stock made in the second quarter of fiscal 2015 under the \$400 million stock buyback program.

	Total number of shares purchased	Average price paid per share	Total shares purchased as part of the publicly announced programs	Total dollar value of shares that may yet be purchased under this program (In thousands)
Remaining balance available for purchases at the beginning of the	Î			
period				\$ 72,672
Repurchases during Q3 2015				
July 2015	983	\$11.51	983	\$ 11
August 2015	520	\$ 10.66	520	\$ 6
September 2015	782	\$9.10	782	\$ 7
Total repurchases during Q3 2015	2,285	\$ 10.62	2,285	\$ 72,648

ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES
None.
ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES
Not applicable.
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## ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

None

## ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

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Exhibit Number	Description	Form	Filing Date	File No.	Filed Herewith	
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10.1+	Amended and Restated Cypress Semiconductor Corporation 2013 Stock Plan.				X	
10.17	Form of Restricted Stock Unit Agreement under the Cypress				Λ	
10.2+	Semiconductor Corporation 2013 Stock Plan.  Distribution Agreement between Cypress Semiconductor Corporation				X	
	and Fujitsu Electronics Incorporated dated September 10, 2015.					
10.3++					X	
10.5++	Amendment No. 1 to Amended and Restated Credit and Guaranty				Λ	
	Agreement dated October 20, 2015.					
10.4+++					X	
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.				X	
	Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the					
31.2	Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.				X	
	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C.					
22.1	Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley				v	
32.1+++	Act of 2002.				X	
	Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley					
32.2+++	Act of 2002.				X	
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101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document.					
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document.					
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document.					
	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document. ement Agreement or Compensation Plan.					

Application has been made with the Securities and Exchange Commission to seek confidential treatment of certain provisions. Omitted material for which confidential treatment has been requested has been filed separately with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

+++Exhibits 32.1 and 32.2 are being furnished and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, nor shall such exhibits be deemed to be incorporated by reference in any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as otherwise specifically stated in such filing.

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#### **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.

## CYPRESS SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

Date: November 5, 2015 By: /s/ THAD TRENT

Thad Trent

Executive Vice President, Finance and Administration

and Chief Financial Officer

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10.4+++				X
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32.1+++	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.			X
32.2+++	Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.			X
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101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document.			
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document.			
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document.			

- +Management Agreement or Compensation Plan.
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