

CYPRESS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP /DE/
Form S-8
January 25, 2002

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8
REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Under
The Securities Act of 1933

CYPRESS SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

94-2885898
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

3901 North First Street
San Jose, CA 95134-1599
(408) 943-2600

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of Registrant's principal executive offices)

Silicon Packets, Inc. 2000 Stock Option Plan

(Full title of the plan)

T.J. Rodgers
President
and Chief Executive Officer
Cypress Semiconductor Corporation
3901 North First Street
San Jose, CA 95134-1599

(408) 943-2600

(Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

Copies to:
Larry W. Sonsini
Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, P.C.
650 Page Mill Road
Palo Alto, California 94304-1050

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Securities to be Registered	Amount to be Registered(1)	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Share(2)	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price(2)	Amount of Registration Fee(2)
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Common Stock, \$0.01 par value, to be issued upon exercise of options outstanding under the Silicon Packets, Inc. 2000 Stock Option Plan

160,923

\$0.84

\$135,175

\$34

- (1) This Registration Statement shall also cover any additional shares of Registrant's Common Stock that become issuable under the Silicon Packets, Inc. 2000 Stock Option Plan described herein (the "Plan") by reason of any stock dividend, stock split, recapitalization or any other similar transaction effected without the Registrant's receipt of consideration that results in an increase in the number of the Registrant's outstanding shares of Common Stock.
- (2) Calculated in accordance with Rule 457(h) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee based on the average exercise price of the outstanding options under the Plan, which exercise price is \$0.84

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The following documents filed by Cypress Semiconductor Corporation (the "Registrant") with the Securities and Exchange Commission are incorporated herein by reference:

REGISTRANT FILINGS

PERIOD OR DATE FILED

Annual Report on Form 10-K

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2000

Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q

For the fiscal quarters ended April 1, 2001, July 1, 2001 and September 30, 2001

The description of the Registrant's common stock set forth in the Registrant's registration statement on Form 8-A filed pursuant to Section 12 of the Securities and Exchange Act, including any amendment or report filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the purpose of updating this description

August 30, 1988

All documents subsequently filed by the Registrant pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act, prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities offered have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this registration statement and to be part hereof from the date of filing of such documents.

Item 4. Description of Securities.

Not applicable.

Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.

Not applicable.

Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Article 10 of the Registrant's Second Restated Certificate of Incorporation provides that, to the fullest extent permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law, as the same now exists or may hereafter be amended, a director shall not be personally liable to the Registrant or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director and that the Registrant is authorized to provide indemnification of (and advancement of expenses to) directors, officers, employees and other agents of the Corporation in excess of the indemnification and advancement otherwise permitted by Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, subject only to statutory and non-statutory limits created by applicable Delaware law with respect to actions for breach of duty to a corporation, its stockholders and others. The Delaware General Corporation Law provides that directors of a corporation will not be personally liable for monetary damages for breach of their fiduciary duties as directors, except for liability (i) for any breach of their duty of loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) for unlawful payments of dividends or unlawful stock repurchases or redemptions as provided in Section 174 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

Article VI of the Registrant's Bylaws provides that the Registrant (i) shall indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the Registrant) by reason of the fact that he is or was a director or officer of the Registrant, or is or was serving at the request of the Registrant as a director or officer of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, and (ii) may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or contemplated action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the Registrant) by reason of the fact that he is or was an employee or agent of the Registrant, or is or was serving at the request of the Registrant as an employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with such action, suit or proceeding if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Registrant, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful. The Bylaws provide that the termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction, or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent, shall not, of itself, create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner which he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interest of the Registrant, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was unlawful.

Article VI of the Registrant's Bylaws also provides that the Registrant (i) shall indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the Registrant to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that he is or was a director or officer of the Registrant, or is or was serving at the request of the Registrant as a director or officer of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, and (ii) may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the Registrant to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that he is or was an employee or agent of the Registrant, or is or was serving at the request of the Registrant as an employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Registrant except that no indemnification shall be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the Registrant unless and only to the extent that the Delaware Court of Chancery or the court in which such action or suit was brought shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all the circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which the Delaware Court of Chancery or such other court shall deem proper.

The Registrant's Bylaws also provide that, to the extent that a director or officer of the Registrant has been successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of any action, suit or proceeding referred to above, or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, he shall be indemnified against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection therewith and to the extent that an employee or agent of the Registrant has been successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of any action, suit or proceeding referred to above, or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, he may be indemnified against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection therewith.

The Registrant's Bylaws also permit the Registrant to secure insurance on behalf of any officer, director, employee or agent of the Registrant for any liability arising out of his or her actions in such capacity, regardless of whether the Bylaws would permit indemnification. The Registrant currently maintains liability insurance for its officers and directors.

The Registrant has entered into agreements to indemnify its directors and officers, in addition to the indemnification provided for in the Registrant's Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws. These agreements, among other things, indemnify the Registrant's directors and officers for certain expenses (including attorney's fees), judgments, fines and settlement amounts incurred by any such person in any action or proceeding, including any action by or in the right of the Registrant, arising out of such person's services as a director or officer of the Registrant, any subsidiary of the Registrant or any other company or enterprise to which the person provides services at the request of the Registrant.

Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.

Not applicable.

Item 8. Exhibits.

Exhibit Number	Description
4.1	Silicon Packets, Inc. 2000 Stock Option Plan.
5.1	Opinion of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, Professional Corporation.
23.1	Consent of Independent Accountants.
23.2	Consent of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, Professional Corporation (contained in Exhibit 5.1).
24.1	Power of attorney (contained on signature pages of this registration statement).

Item 9. Undertakings.

- (a) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:
 - (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement to include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement.
 - (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
 - (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (b) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

- (c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question of whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of San Jose, State of California, on this 25th day of January, 2002.

CYPRESS SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION

By: /s/ T.J. Rodgers

T.J. Rodgers
President and Chief Executive Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints T.J. Rodgers and Emmanuel Hernandez, and each of them, his attorney-in-fact, with full power of substitution in each, for him in any and all capacities to sign any amendments to this registration statement on Form S-8, and to file the same, with exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Commission, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact, or his substitutes, may do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ T.J. Rodgers	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	January 25, 2002
T.J. Rodgers		
/s/ Emmanuel Hernandez	Chief Financial Officer, Vice President, Finance and Administration, and Secretary (Principal Financial & Accounting Officer)	January 25, 2002
Emmanuel Hernandez		
/s/ Eric A. Benhamou	Director	January 25, 2002
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Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Fred B. Bialek Fred B. Bialek	Director	January 25, 2002
/s/ John C. Lewis John C. Lewis	Director	January 25, 2002
/s/ James R. Long James R. Long	Director	January 25, 2002
/s/ Alan F. Shugart Alan F. Shugart	Director	January 25, 2002

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