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Washington, D.C. 20549

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FORM 10-Q

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

For the quarterly period ended December 26, 2008

OR

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

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Commission file number 0-15071

[Adaptec, Inc.](#)

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

**Delaware**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

**94-2748530**

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

691 S. Milpitas Blvd.  
Milpitas, California 95035

(Address of Principal Executive Offices including Zip Code)

(408) 945-8600

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(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

N/A

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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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 reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

YES  NO

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 definition of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer  Non-accelerated filer  (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  NO

The number of shares of Adaptec's common stock outstanding as of January 28, 2009 was 121,797,087.

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## PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## Item 1. Financial Statements

ADAPTEC, INC.  
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS  
(unaudited)

	Three-Month Period Ended		
	December 26, 2008	December 28, 2007	December 29, 2006
	(in thousands, except per share amounts)		
Net revenues	\$ 28,205	\$ 36,118	\$ 36,118
Cost of revenues (inclusive of amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets)	17,062	21,058	21,058
Gross profit	11,143	15,060	15,060
Operating expenses:			
Research and development	7,781	7,291	7,291
Selling, marketing and administrative	9,388	12,328	12,328
Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets	325	631	631
Restructuring charges	930	706	706
Other gains	--	--	--
Total operating expenses	18,424	20,956	20,956
Loss from continuing operations	(7,281)	(5,896)	(5,896)
Interest and other income, net	3,574	8,838	8,838
Interest expense	(142)	(805)	(805)
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	(3,849)	2,137	2,137
Benefit from income taxes	(3,939)	(792)	(792)
Income (loss) from continuing operations, net of taxes	90	2,929	2,929
Discontinued operations, net of taxes			
Loss from discontinued operations, net of taxes	(207)	(1,821)	(1,821)
Income (loss) from disposal of discontinued operations, net of taxes	(1,189)	--	--
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	(1,396)	(1,821)	(1,821)
Net income (loss)	\$ (1,306)	\$ 1,108	\$ 1,108
Income (loss) per share:			
Basic			
Continuing operations	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.02
Discontinued operations	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.02)
Net income (loss)	\$ (0.01)	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.01
Diluted			
Continuing operations	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.02
Discontinued operations	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.02)
Net income (loss)	\$ (0.01)	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.01

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Shares used in computing income (loss) per share:

Basic	120,231	118,987	1
Diluted	120,473	119,622	1

See accompanying Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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ADAPTEC, INC.  
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS  
(unaudited)

	December 26, 2008
	(in thousands)
<b>Assets</b>	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 90,151
Marketable securities	281,062
Restricted marketable securities	--
Accounts receivable, net	16,613
Inventories	7,007
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	22,312
Total current assets	417,145
Property and equipment, net	12,373
Goodwill	16,947
Other intangible assets, net	21,013
Other long-term assets	8,908
Total assets	\$ 476,386
<b>Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity</b>	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$ 11,969
Accrued and other liabilities	18,455
3/4% Convertible Senior Subordinated Notes ("3/4% Notes")	2,005
Total current liabilities	32,429
Other long-term liabilities	5,108
Deferred income taxes	9,993
Total liabilities	47,530
Commitments and contingencies (Note 15)	
Stockholders' equity:	
Common stock	122
Additional paid-in capital	201,597
Accumulated other comprehensive income, net of taxes	2,425
Retained earnings	224,712
Total stockholders' equity	428,856
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 476,386

See accompanying Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

ADAPTEC, INC.  
 CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS  
 (unaudited)

	Nine-Month P December 26, 2008
	(in thousa
<b>Cash Flows From Operating Activities:</b>	
Net income (loss)	\$ 7,019 \$
Less: income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	3,664
	3,355
Income (loss) from continuing operations, net of taxes	3,355
Adjustments to reconcile income (loss) from continuing operations, net of taxes, to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:	
Stock-based compensation expense	2,109
Inventory-related charges	1,744
Depreciation and amortization	5,477
Gain on extinguishment of debt	(1,643)
Gain on sale of long-lived assets	--
Other non-cash items	60
Changes in assets and liabilities, net of effects from the purchase of Aristos	(1,733)
	9,369
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities of Continuing Operations	9,369
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities of Discontinued Operations	(358)
	9,011
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities	9,011
<b>Cash Flows From Investing Activities:</b>	
Purchase of Aristos, net of cash acquired	(38,005)
Purchases of property and equipment	(452)
Proceeds from sale of long-lived assets	--
Purchases of marketable securities	(195,054)
Sales of marketable securities	235,861
Maturities of marketable securities	58,921
Maturities of restricted marketable securities	1,688
	62,959
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities of Continuing Operations	62,959
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Investing Activities of Discontinued Operations	776
	63,735
Net Cash Flow Provided by Investing Actiivities	63,735
<b>Cash Flows From Financing Activities:</b>	
Repurchase of 3/4% Notes	(221,380)
Proceeds from issuance of common stock	1,602
	(219,778)
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Financing Activities	(219,778)
Effect of Foreign Currency Translation on Cash and Cash Equivalents	(2,728)
	(149,760)
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(149,760)
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Period	239,911

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Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period

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\$ 90,151 \$  
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See accompanying Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.





ADAPTEC, INC.  
NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
(unaudited)

1. Basis of Presentation

In the opinion of management, the accompanying Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements ("financial statements") of Adaptec, Inc. and its wholly-owned subsidiaries (collectively, "Adaptec" or the "Company") have been prepared on a consistent basis with the March 31, 2008 audited consolidated financial statements and include all adjustments, consisting of only normal recurring adjustments, necessary to fairly state the information set forth therein. This includes the Company's purchase of Aristos Logic Corporation ("Aristos"), a Delaware corporation, in September 2008, through a merger in which Aristos became a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, as further discussed in Note 4. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the regulations of the SEC, and, therefore, omit certain information and footnote disclosure necessary to present the statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008, which was filed with the SEC on June 16, 2008. The results of operations for the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2009 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the entire fiscal year.

Certain reclassifications have been made to prior period reported amounts to conform to the current year presentation, related to the reclassification of discontinued operations as discussed in Note 5 to the financial statements. These reclassifications had no impact on net income (loss), total assets or total stockholders' equity. Unless otherwise indicated, the Notes to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements relate to the discussion of the Company's continuing operations.

The glossary of key acronyms used in the Company's industry and accounting rules and regulations referred to within this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q is listed in alphabetical order in Note 20.

2. Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In February 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 159, which permits companies to choose to measure certain financial instruments and certain other items at fair value that are not currently required to be measured at fair value. The standard requires that unrealized gains and losses on items for which the fair value option has been elected be reported in earnings. SFAS No. 159 is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007, which is the Company's fiscal 2009. The adoption of SFAS No. 159 did not have an impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements as the Company did not elect the fair value option for any of its financial assets and liabilities that were not previously measured at fair value.

In December 2007, the FASB ratified EITF No. 07-1, which defines collaborative arrangements and establishes reporting and disclosure requirements for transactions between participants in a collaborative arrangement and between participants in the arrangement and third parties. EITF No. 07-1 is effective beginning with the Company's fiscal 2009. The adoption of EITF No. 07-1 did not have an impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 141(R), which establishes the principles and requirements for how an acquirer in a business combination (1) recognizes and measures in its financial statements the identifiable assets

acquired, the liabilities assumed and any non-controlling interest in the acquiree, (2) recognizes and measures the goodwill acquired in the business combination or a gain from a bargain purchase and (3) determines what information to disclose to enable users of the financial statements to evaluate the nature and financial effects of the business combination. SFAS No. 141(R) is effective beginning with the Company's fiscal 2010. The impact of the adoption of SFAS No. 141(R) on the Company's results of operations and financial position will depend on the nature and extent of business combinations that it completes, if any, in or after fiscal 2010; however, it is expected to change the Company's accounting treatment for any business combinations completed after this statement is adopted.

In December 2007, the SEC issued SAB 110 to amend the SEC's views discussed in SAB 107 regarding the use of the "simplified" method in developing an estimate of the expected term of "plain vanilla" share options in accordance with SFAS No. 123(R). SAB 110 allows a company, under certain circumstances, to continue to use the "simplified" method beyond December 31, 2007. SAB 110 is effective beginning with the Company's fiscal 2009. As discussed in Note 8 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008, the Company has utilized the weighted average for estimating the expected term of its stock option grants. The Company did not use the "simplified" method in the first nine months of fiscal 2009.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 160, which changes the accounting and reporting for minority interests such that minority interests will be recharacterized as non-controlling interests and will be required to be reported as a component of equity. SFAS No. 160 further requires that purchases or sales of equity interests that do not result in a change in control be accounted for as equity transactions and, upon a loss of control, requires the interest sold, as well as any interest retained, to be recorded at fair value with any gain or loss recognized in earnings. SFAS No. 160 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008, which will be the Company's fiscal year 2010. The Company is evaluating the financial impact that SFAS No. 160 will have but expects that the financial impact, if any, will not be material on its consolidated financial statements.

In February 2008, the FASB issued FSP FAS No. 157-2, which delays the effective date of SFAS No. 157 for all non-recurring fair value measurements of non-financial assets and non-financial liabilities until fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2008, which will be the Company's fiscal year 2010. The Company is currently evaluating the financial impact that FSP FAS No. 157-2 will have, but expects that the financial impact, if any, will not be material on its consolidated financial statements.

In April 2008, the FASB issued FSP FAS No. 142-3, which amends the factors to be considered in determining the useful life of intangible assets. Its intent is to improve the consistency between the useful life of an intangible asset and the period of expected cash flows used to measure its fair value. FSP FAS No. 142-3 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008, which will be the Company's fiscal year 2010. The impact of the adoption of FSP FAS No. 142-3 on the Company's results of operations and financial position will depend on the nature and extent of business combinations that it completes, if any, in or after fiscal 2010.

In May 2008, the FASB issued FSP APB No. 14-1, which requires issuers of convertible debt that may be settled wholly or partly in cash when converted to account for the debt and equity components separately. FSP APB No. 14-1 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008, which will be the Company's fiscal year 2010, and must be applied retrospectively to all periods presented. The Company is evaluating the financial impact that FSP APB No. 14-1 will have on its consolidated financial statements.

In October 2008, the FASB issued FSP FAS No. 157-3, which clarifies the application of SFAS No. 157 in a market that is not active and provides an example to illustrate key considerations in determining the fair value of a financial asset when the market for that financial asset is not active. FSP FAS No. 157-3 is effective upon its issuance, including prior periods for which financial statements have not been issued. The adoption of FSP FAS No. 157-3 did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

## 3. Stock Benefit Plans and Stock-Based Compensation

## Stock Benefit Plans

The Company grants stock options and other stock-based awards to employees, directors and consultants under two equity incentive plans, the 2004 Equity Incentive Plan and the 2006 Director Plan. In addition, the Company has outstanding options issued under equity incentive plans that have terminated and equity plans that it assumed in connection with its previous acquisitions. For a complete discussion of these plans, please refer to Note 8 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008. During the third quarter of fiscal 2009, the Company's stockholders approved the amendment and restatement of its 2004 Equity Incentive Plan at the 2008 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Amendments to the 2004 Equity Incentive Plan included (1) reducing the number of shares available for grant to 14,500,000; however, the reserve will be proportionately reduced if the Company's Board of Directors chooses to effect a reverse stock split based on certain exchange ratios approved by the Company's stockholders; (2) removing the 5,000,000 share limitation with respect to stock-based awards granted at less than fair market value; (3) revising the categories of performance-related goals that may be applicable to stock-based awards granted under the plan; (4) removing the "single trigger" acceleration of vesting upon a change in control; and (5) modifying the definition of incumbent directors with respect to the definition of a change of control.

As of December 26, 2008, the Company had an aggregate of 22.3 million shares of its common stock reserved for issuance under its 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, of which 7.6 million shares were subject to outstanding options and other stock awards, and 14.7 million shares were available for future grants of options and other stock awards. As of December 26, 2008, the Company had an aggregate of 2.1 million shares of its common stock reserved for issuance under its 2006 Director Plan, of which 0.9 million shares were subject to outstanding options and other stock awards, and 1.2 million shares were available for future grants of options and other stock awards. As of December 26, 2008, the Company had 0.1 million shares of common stock reserved that were subject to outstanding options under assumed plans.

## Stock-Based Compensation

The Company measured and recognized compensation expense for all stock-based awards made to its employees and directors, including employee stock options, employee stock purchase plans, and other stock-based awards, based on estimated fair values using a straight-line amortization method over the respective requisite service period of the awards and adjusted it for estimated forfeitures. Stock-based compensation expense included in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations for the third quarters and first nine months of fiscal 2009 and 2008 was as follows:

	Three-Month Period Ended		Nin
	December 26, 2008	December 28, 2007	Decemb 20
	(in thousands)		
Stock-based compensation expense by caption:			
Cost of revenues	\$ 83	\$ 108	\$
Research and development (1)	220	724	
Selling, marketing and administrative	639	938	
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Stock-based compensation expense effect on income (loss) from continuing operations, net of taxes	\$ 942	\$ 1,770	\$
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Stock-based compensation expense by type of award:			
Stock options	\$ 316	\$ 463	\$

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Restricted stock awards and restricted stock units	626	1,274	
Employee stock purchase plan (2)	--	33	
Stock-based compensation expense effect on income			
(loss) from continuing operations, net of taxes	\$ 942	\$ 1,770	\$

(1) The Company recorded a credit to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations in first nine months of fiscal 2009 based on a true-up of actual forfeitures on a group of restricted stock awards and restricted stock units (collectively, "restricted stock") that fully vested prior to the end of the first quarter of fiscal 2009 and in the second quarter of fiscal 2009. This was further impacted by the Company's reduction in headcount through reductions in force, the sale of the Snap Server NAS business and, to a lesser extent, general attrition in the Company's workforce.

(2) The Company recorded a credit to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations for the Company's 1986 Employee Stock Purchase Plan in the first nine months of fiscal 2008 based on (a) actual purchases that occurred on August 14, 2007 and (b) the fact that no new offering period exists, as the Company's 1986 Employee Stock Purchase Plan expired in April 2006.

Stock-based compensation expense in the above table does not reflect any significant income tax impact, which is consistent with the Company's treatment of income or loss from its U.S. operations. For the third quarters and first nine months of fiscal 2009 and 2008, there was no income tax benefit realized for the tax deductions from option exercises of the share-based payment arrangements. In addition, there was no stock-based compensation costs capitalized as part of an asset in the third quarters and first nine months of fiscal 2009 and 2008.

### Valuation Assumptions

The Company used the Black-Scholes option pricing model for determining the estimated fair value for stock options and stock-based awards. The fair value of stock options and other stock-based awards granted in the third quarters and first nine months of fiscal 2009 and 2008 was estimated using the following weighted-average assumptions:

	Three-Month Period Ended		Nine-
	December 26, 2008	December 28, 2007	Decemb 20
Expected life (in years)	4.22	4.27	
Risk-free interest rates	2.24 %	3.45 %	
Expected volatility	38 %	38 %	
Dividend yield	--	--	
Weighted average fair value:			
Stock options	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.04	\$
Restricted stock	\$ 2.84	\$ 3.36	\$

### Stock Benefit Plans Activities

#### Equity Incentive Plans:

A summary of option activity under all of the Company's equity incentive plans as of December 26, 2008 and changes during the first nine months of fiscal 2009 was as follows:

	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Remain- ing Con- tra- ctual Term (Years)
	(in thousands, except exercise price)		
Outstanding at March 31, 2008	8,979	\$ 6.67	
Granted	1,241	3.46	
Exercised	(473)	3.38	
Forfeited and cancelled	(3,533)	7.28	
Outstanding at December 26, 2008	6,214	\$ 5.94	
Options vested and expected to vest at December 26, 2008	5,809	\$ 6.11	
Options exercisable at December 26, 2008	4,323	\$ 6.95	

The aggregate intrinsic value is calculated as the difference between the exercise price of the underlying awards and the price of the Company's common stock on The NASDAQ Global Market for the 1.7 million shares subject to options that were in-the-money at December 26, 2008. During the first nine months in each of fiscal 2009 and 2008, the aggregate intrinsic value of options exercised under the Company's equity incentive plans was \$0.3 million, determined as of the date of option exercise. As of December 26, 2008, the total unamortized stock-based compensation expense related to non-vested stock options, net of estimated forfeitures, was \$2.2 million, and this expense is expected to be recognized over a remaining weighted-average period of 2.17 years.

#### Restricted Stock:

Restricted stock awards and restricted stock units have been granted under the Company's 2004 Equity Incentive Plan and 2006 Director Plan. The Company's right to repurchase shares of restricted stock lapses upon vesting, at which time the shares of restricted stock awards are released to the employees or directors. Restricted stock units are converted into common stock upon the release to the employees or directors upon vesting. As of December 26, 2008, there were 1.5 million shares of service-based restricted stock awards and 0.8 million shares of restricted stock units outstanding, all of which are subject to forfeiture if employment terminates prior to the release of restrictions. Under the 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, restrictions generally lapse in one of the following ways: (1) 50% one year from the date of grant and the remainder on the second anniversary of the grant date; (2) 100% one year from the date of grant; (3) 33-1/3% one year from the date of grant and the remainder on the second anniversary of the grant date; (4) 66-2/3% one year from the date of grant and the remainder on the second anniversary of the grant date or (5) upon meeting certain performance criteria after being evaluated over a specified period from the date of grant. Under the 2006 Director Plan, restrictions generally lapse either (1) one year from the date of grant for existing non-employee directors or (2) one year from the date of grant with respect to one-third of the shares and quarterly thereafter for the next two years for the balance of the shares for initial grants to new non-employee directors. The cost of these awards, determined to be the fair market value of the shares at the date of grant, is expensed ratably over the period the restrictions lapse.

A summary of activity for restricted stock as of December 26, 2008 and changes during the first nine months of fiscal 2009 was as follows:

Shares	Weighted Average Grant Fa- Val
(in thousands, except	

	average grant-date fai
Nonvested stock at March 31, 2008	1,985 \$
Granted (1)	2,146
Vested	(1,076)
Forfeited	(742)
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Nonvested stock at December 26, 2008	2,313 \$ =====

(1) In the third quarter of fiscal 2009, the Company issued approximately 603,000 restricted stock units with a fair value of \$1.7 million on the date of grant. These restricted stock units will vest over a period of approximately eighteen months based upon meeting certain performance criteria from the date of grant and will be evaluated on a quarterly basis. The Company assessed the probability of these performance criteria being achieved at December 26, 2008 and recorded stock-based compensation expense of \$0.1 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2009.

As of December 26, 2008, the total unrecognized compensation expense related to non-vested restricted stock that is expected to vest, net of estimated forfeitures, was \$5.0 million, and this expense is expected to be recognized over a remaining weighted-average period of 1.44 years.

#### 4. Acquisition

On September 3, 2008, the Company completed the acquisition of Aristos, a provider of RAID technology to the data storage industry, pursuant to an Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of August 27, 2008 (the "Merger Agreement") by and among Adaptec, Aristos, Ariel Acquisition Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Adaptec, and TPG Ventures, L.P., solely in its capacity as the representative of stockholders of Aristos. The Merger Agreement provided for the Company's acquisition of Aristos through a merger in which Aristos became a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. The acquisition of Aristos will allow the Company to expand into adjacent RAID markets that the Company believes will provide it with growth opportunities, including blade servers, enterprise-class external storage systems and performance desktops, and will provide the Company with a strong ASIC roadmap. In addition, this acquisition enables the Company to pursue new OEM opportunities and expand its channel product offerings containing unified serial technologies.

The Company acquired Aristos for a purchase price of approximately \$38.9 million, which consisted of: (i) approximately \$28.7 million that was paid to certain Aristos senior preferred stockholders and warrant holders, of which 15%, or approximately \$4.3 million, is being withheld in an escrow account to secure potential indemnification obligations of Aristos stockholders; (ii) approximately \$3.2 million under a management liquidation pool established by Aristos prior to completion of the merger, which was immediately paid upon closing of the transaction; (iii) payments of approximately \$6.2 million to retire and satisfy certain commercial obligations and payables of Aristos; and (iv) accrued for \$0.8 million in direct transaction fees, including legal, valuation and accounting fees. A summary of the purchase cost, calculated in accordance with SFAS No. 141, is as follows (in thousands):

Cash paid to certain Aristos senior preferred stockholders and warrant holders, including escrow amount	\$	28,727
Cash paid under management liquidation pool		3,221
Cash paid to retire and satisfy certain commercial obligations and payables of Aristos		6,162
Direct acquisition-related transaction costs		800
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Total purchase price	\$	38,910

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**Aristos Holdback:** A portion of the Aristos acquisition price totaling \$4.3 million was held back (the "Aristos Holdback") in an escrow account to secure potential indemnification obligations of Aristos stockholders for unknown liabilities that may have existed as of the acquisition date. The Aristos Holdback is to be paid in two installments to the former Aristos stockholders during the twelfth and eighteenth months after the acquisition closing date, except for funds necessary to provide for any pending claims.

#### Management Liquidation Pool:

Under the Merger Agreement, the Company agreed to pay certain former employees of Aristos a total of \$5.6 million through a management liquidation pool established by Aristos prior to the completion of the merger. Of the \$5.6 million, \$3.2 million was immediately paid upon closing of the transaction and was included in the purchase price allocation of the cost to acquire Aristos. The remaining \$2.4 million is payable over time, not to exceed twelve months, contingent upon the continued employment of certain employees with the Company, and will be expensed to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations as earned. In the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2009, the Company recorded expense of \$1.0 million and \$1.3 million, respectively, in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations related to the management liquidation pool.

The Aristos acquisition was accounted for as a purchase business combination and, accordingly, the results of Aristos have been included in the Company's unaudited condensed consolidated results of operation and financial position from the date of acquisition. The allocation of the Aristos purchase price to the tangible and identifiable intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed is summarized below, and was based on valuation techniques such as the discounted cash flows and weighted average cost methods used in the high technology industry using assumptions and estimates from management to calculate fair value.

	<b>September 26, 2008</b>
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	(in thousands)
Goodwill	\$ 16,947
Other intangible assets:	
Core and existing technologies	18,800
Customer relationships	3,900
Backlog	340
	-----
Total other intangible assets	23,040
	-----
Tangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed:	
Cash	105
Accounts receivable	201
Inventory	580
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	1,235
Property and equipment	570
	-----
Total assets acquired	2,691
	-----
Accounts payable	(352)
Current liabilities	(3,416)
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Total liabilities assumed	(3,768)
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Net liabilities assumed	(1,077)
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Total purchase price	\$ 38,910

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The values allocated to core and existing technologies, customer relationships and backlog created as a result of the acquisition of Aristos will be amortized over estimated useful lives of sixty months, thirty-six months and three months, respectively, reflecting the period in which the economic benefits of the assets are expected to be realized. The total value allocated to the acquired other intangible assets as a result of the Aristos acquisition is being amortized over an estimated weighted average useful life of fifty-five months. No residual value was estimated for the intangible assets. Goodwill was not expected to be deductible for tax purposes.

#### Restructuring:

Restructuring charges associated with an acquisition of a company are accounted for under EITF No. 95- 3 and are included in the purchase price allocation of the acquired company. During the second quarter of fiscal 2009, the Company finalized a plan to integrate the Aristos operations, and accordingly, recorded a liability of \$0.2 million related to severance and related benefits, which has been reflected in the purchase price. The Company paid all of the liability and the plan was completed as of September 26, 2008.

#### Pro forma financial information:

The following unaudited pro forma financial information for the third quarter of fiscal 2008 and first nine months of fiscal 2009 and 2008 presents the combined results of the Company and Aristos, as if the acquisition had occurred at the beginning of each of the periods presented. Accordingly, such pro forma results are not necessarily indicative of what actually would have occurred had the Aristos acquisition been in effect for the periods presented nor are they indicative of results that could occur in the future. Certain adjustments have been made to the combined results of operations, including the amortization of acquired other intangible assets, a reduction to interest income to reflect the cash paid for the acquisition, a reduction to interest expense related to the Aristos debt and the elimination of the change in fair value of preferred stock warrants, which were extinguished as part of the Merger Agreement, and the elimination of share-based compensation expense recognized by Aristos, as the Company did not assume any share-based awards as part of the merger. The pro forma financial results for the third quarter of fiscal 2008 and first nine months of fiscal 2009 and 2008 were as follows:

	<b>Three-Month Period Ended</b>	<b>Nine-Month Period En</b>	
	<b>December 28, 2007</b>	<b>December 26, 2008</b>	<b>December 2007</b>
	<b>(in thousands, except per share amount</b>		
Net revenues	\$ 37,644	\$ 93,149	\$ 112,73
Loss from continuing operations, net of taxes	\$ (2,482)	\$ (7,304)	\$ (24,39
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	(1,821)	3,664	(3,46
Net loss	\$ (4,303)	\$ (3,640)	\$ (27,85
Income (loss) per common share:			
Basic and diluted			
Continuing operations	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.06)	\$ (0.2
Discontinued operations	\$ (0.02)	\$ 0.03	\$ (0.0
Net loss	\$ (0.04)	\$ (0.03)	\$ (0.2
Shares used in computing			
income (loss) per share:			
Basic	118,987	119,702	118,43
Diluted	118,987	119,702	118,43

## 5. Business Dispositions



## Snap Server NAS business:

On June 27, 2008, the Company entered into an asset purchase agreement with Overland Storage, Inc. ("Overland") for the sale of the Snap Server NAS portion of the Company's former SSG segment ("Snap Server NAS business") for \$3.3 million, of which \$2.1 million was received by the Company upon the closing of the transaction and the remaining \$1.2 million is to be received on the twelve-month anniversary of the closing of the transaction. At December 26, 2008, the Company established a reserve for the full remaining \$1.2 million of this receivable as a result of the financial difficulties Overland has reported. Notwithstanding the establishment of this reserve, the Company intends to seek payment in full of this receivable. Overland purchased all inventory and fixed assets related to the Snap Server NAS business and assumed service and support liabilities. Under the terms of the agreement, Overland granted the Company a nonexclusive license to certain intellectual property and the Company provided Overland limited support services to help ensure a smooth transition. Expenses incurred in the transaction primarily include approximately \$0.5 million for broker, legal and accounting fees. In addition, the Company accrued \$0.1 million for lease obligations. The Company recorded a gain of \$4.6 million on the disposal of the Snap Server NAS business in the first nine months of fiscal 2009 in "Income (loss) from disposal of discontinued operations, net of taxes," in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Net revenues and the components of loss related to the Snap Server NAS business included in discontinued operations, which were previously included in the Company's SSG segment, were as follows:

	Three-Month Period Ended		Nine-Month Period Ended	
	December 26, 2008	December 28, 2007	December 26, 2008	December 2007
	(in thousands)			
Net revenues	\$ 105	\$ 5,044	\$ 4,413	\$ 17,611
Loss from discontinued operations before income taxes	\$ (207)	\$ (2,300)	\$ (941)	\$ (3,800)
Benefit from income taxes	--	(479)	--	(479)
Loss from discontinued operations, net of taxes	\$ (207)	\$ (1,821)	\$ (941)	\$ (3,321)

In the third quarter of fiscal 2009, the Company recorded \$0.2 million related to the settlement of certain claims and accruals that resulted from the sale of the Snap Server NAS business.

The components of net liabilities, at the time of the sale of the Snap Server NAS business, were as follows:

	June 27, 2008
	(in thousands)
Inventories	\$ 1,466
Accounts receivable, net	(466)
Total current assets of discontinued operations	1,000
Fixed Assets	53
Total assets of discontinued operations	1,053
Accrued and other liabilities	(4,067)

Total current liabilities of discontinued operations	(4,067)
Net liabilities of discontinued operations	\$ (3,014)

Accounts receivable and accounts payable on the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet at June 27, 2008, related to the Snap Server NAS business, were not included in discontinued operations as the Company retained these assets and liabilities; however, since Overland assumed service and support liabilities for deferred revenue, deferred margin and warranty, the Company was relieved of these liabilities as well as certain sales returns and allowances contained in accounts receivable.

## 6. Balance Sheet Details

### Marketable Securities

The Company's portfolio of marketable securities, including restricted marketable securities, at December 26, 2008 was as follows:

	Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Estim Fai Val
(in thousands)				
<b>Available-for-Sale Marketable Securities:</b>				
Short-term deposits	\$ 43,966	\$ --	\$ --	43
Corporate obligations	96,363	368	(707)	96
United States government securities	86,405	2,357	--	88
Other debt securities	99,184	511	(722)	98
Marketable equity securities	2,510	--	--	2
Total available-for-sale securities	328,428	3,236	(1,429)	330
Less: amounts classified as cash equivalents	46,653	10	--	46
Less: amounts classified in other long-term assets	2,510	--	--	2
Total	\$ 279,265	\$ 3,226	\$ (1,429)	281

The Company's investment policy focuses on three objectives: to preserve capital, to meet liquidity requirements and to maximize total return. The Company's investment policy establishes minimum ratings for each classification of investment and investment concentration is limited in order

to minimize risk, and the policy also limits the final maturity on any investment and the overall duration of the portfolio. Given the overall market conditions, the Company regularly reviews its investment portfolio to ensure adherence to its investment policy and to monitor individual investments for risk analysis and proper valuation.

The Company has considered all available evidence and determined that the marketable securities in which unrealized losses were recorded in the first nine months of fiscal 2009 were not deemed to be other-than-temporary. The Company holds its marketable securities as available-for-sale and marks them to market. The Company expects to realize the full value of all its marketable securities upon maturity or sale, as the Company has the intent and believes it has the ability to hold the securities until the full value is realized. However, the Company cannot provide any assurance that its invested cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities will not be impacted by adverse conditions in the financial markets, which may require the Company to record an impairment charge that could adversely impact its financial results.

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The Company's portfolio of marketable securities, including restricted marketable securities, at March 31, 2008 was as follows:

	Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Estim Fai Val
	(in thousands)			
<b>Available-for-Sale Marketable Securities:</b>				
Short-term deposits	\$ 60,979	\$ --	\$ --	60
Corporate obligations	110,543	720	(573)	110
United States government securities	116,920	1,790	(5)	118
Other debt securities	156,746	1,886	(39)	158
Total available-for-sale securities	445,188	4,396	(617)	448
Less: amounts classified as cash equivalents	60,992	--	--	60
Total	\$ 384,196	\$ 4,396	\$ (617)	387

### Inventories

The components of net inventories at December 26, 2008 and March 31, 2008 were as follows:

	December 26, 2008
	(in thousand)
Raw materials	\$ 40
Work-in-process	515
Finished goods	6,452
Inventories	\$ 7,007

### Accrued and Other Liabilities

The components of accrued and other liabilities at December 26, 2008 and March 31, 2008 were as follows:

	December 26, 2008
	(in thousand)
Tax related	\$ 4,486
Acquisition related	463
Accrued compensation and related taxes	6,643
Deferred margin	1,682
Other	5,181
Accrued and other liabilities	\$ 18,455

### Other long-term Liabilities

The components of other long-term liabilities at December 26, 2008 and March 31, 2008 were as follows:

December 26, 2008

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	-----	(in thousands)
Tax related	\$	3,465
Acquisition related		606
Deferred margin		--
Other		1,037
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Other long-term liabilities	\$	5,108
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7. Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets, Net

Goodwill

A reconciliation of the changes to the Company's carrying amount of goodwill for the first nine months of fiscal 2009 was as follows:

	-----	Total
		(in thousands)
Balance at March 31, 2008	\$	--
Goodwill acquired during the period (Note 4)		16,947
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Balance at December 26, 2008	\$	16,947
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Other Intangible Assets, Net

The components of other intangible assets, net, at December 26, 2008 and March 31, 2008 were as follows:

	December 26, 2008			March 31, 2008	
	Gross		Net	Gross	
	Carrying	Accumulated	Carrying	Carrying	Accumulated
	Amount	Amortization	Amount	Amount	Amortization
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	(in thousands)				
Acquisition-related intangible assets:					
Patents, core and existing technologies	\$ 34,348	\$ (16,801)	\$ 17,547	\$ 43,545	\$ (43,545)
Customer relationships	4,233	(767)	3,466	1,047	(1,047)
Trade name	674	(674)	--	10,774	(10,774)
Backlog	340	(340)	--	--	--
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Subtotal	39,595	(18,582)	21,013	55,366	(55,366)
Intellectual property assets and warrants	26,992	(26,992)	--	40,242	(40,242)
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Other intangible assets, net	\$ 66,587	\$ (45,574)	\$ 21,013	\$ 95,608	\$ (95,608)
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Amortization of other intangible assets, net was \$1.5 million and \$0.6 million in the third quarters of fiscal 2009 and 2008, respectively. Amortization of other intangible assets, net was \$2.0 million and \$3.6 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2009 and 2008, respectively. The gross carrying amount of other intangible assets decreased as the

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Company no longer uses certain intangible assets with a net book value of zero and have removed them from the Company's records, which was offset by an increase of \$23.0 million due to the acquisition of Aristos (Note 4).

The annual amortization expense of the other intangible assets, net, that existed as of December 26, 2008 is expected to be as follows:

	<b>Estimated Amortization Expense</b>
	----- <b>(in thousands)</b>
Fiscal Years:	
2009 (remaining three months)	\$ 1,264
2010	5,060
2011	5,060
2012	4,302
2013 and thereafter	5,327
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Total	\$ 21,013 =====

### 8. Fair Value Measurements

On April 1, 2008, the Company partially adopted SFAS No. 157, which defines fair value, establishes a framework and gives guidance regarding the methods used for measuring fair value, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. The partial adoption of SFAS No. 157, which related to all of the Company's recurring fair value measurements of financial assets and financial liabilities, did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements. The Company chose to delay the adoption of SFAS No. 157 related to non-recurring fair value measurements of non-financial assets and non-financial liabilities until its fiscal 2010, in accordance with FSP FAS No. 157-2. For further discussion on FSP FAS No. 157-2, please refer to Note 2.

SFAS No. 157 defines fair value as the price that would be received for selling an asset or paid to transfer a liability in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. SFAS No. 157 establishes a fair value hierarchy, consisting of three levels, which requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value.

The Company utilizes levels 1 and 2 to value its financial assets and liabilities. Level 1 instruments use quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities while level 2 instruments use quoted prices in markets that are not active or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities. As of December 26, 2008, the Company did not have any assets or liabilities utilizing level 3 to value its financial assets and liabilities, which is supported by little or no market activity and requires a high level of judgment to determine fair value.

Financial assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis at December 26, 2008 were as follows:

<b>Fair Value Me Reporting</b>
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<b>Quoted Prices in Active Markets for</b>

	Total	Identical Assets (Level 1)
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		(in thousands)
Short-term deposits (1)	\$ 87,454	\$ 87,454
Corporate obligations (2)	96,024	--
United States government securities (2)	88,762	88,762
Other debt securities (3)	98,973	47,426
Marketable equity securities (4)	2,510	--
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Total assets	\$ 373,723	\$ 223,642
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(1)

Included in "Cash and cash equivalents."

(2) Included in "Marketable securities."

(3) Included \$2,697,000 and \$96,276,000 in "Cash and cash equivalents" and "Marketable securities," respectively.

(4) Represents shares of a publically traded company that were acquired in the third quarter of fiscal 2009, which was included in "Other long-term assets."

## 9. Interest and Other Income, Net

The components of interest and other income, net, for the third quarters and first nine months of fiscal 2009 and 2008 were as follows:

	Three-Month Period Ended		Ni
	December 26, 2008	December 28, 2007	Dece 2
	-----	-----	-----
	(in thousands)		
Interest income	\$ 3,421	\$ 8,342	\$
Realized currency transaction gains (losses)	(207)	496	
Gain on repurchase of 3/4% Notes	360	--	
Other	--	--	
	-----	-----	-----
Interest and other income, net	\$ 3,574	\$ 8,838	\$
	=====	=====	=====

In the third quarter of fiscal 2009, the Company repurchased \$52.5 million in principal amount of its 3/4% Notes on the open market for an aggregate price of \$52.0 million, resulting in a gain on extinguishment of debt of \$0.4 million (net of unamortized debt issuance costs of \$0.1 million). In the first nine months of fiscal 2009, the Company repurchased a total of \$191.0 million in principal amount of its 3/4% Notes on the open market for an aggregate price of \$188.9 million, resulting in a gain on extinguishment of debt of \$1.7 million (net of unamortized debt issuance costs of \$0.4 million). In addition, the majority of the remaining holders of the 3/4% Notes exercised their put option in December 2008, which required the Company to purchase their 3/4% Notes at a price equal to 100.25% of the principal of the 3/4% Notes, resulting in the redemption of the 3/4% Notes for an aggregate cost of \$32.5 million, plus accrued and unpaid interest. The Company redeemed an additional \$1.5 million of its 3/4% Notes subsequent to quarter-end as additional holders exercised their put option.

## 10. Restructuring Charges

In the first quarter of fiscal 2009, the Company approved and initiated a restructuring plan to (1) reduce its operating expenses due to a declining revenue base, (2) streamline its operations and (3) better align its resources with its strategic business objectives. This restructuring plan extended to actions taken through the second quarter of fiscal 2009 and included workforce reductions in all functions of the organization worldwide and consolidation of its facilities. The total cost incurred for this restructuring plan, which was recorded in the first nine months of fiscal 2009, was \$3.4 million, of which \$3.1 million related to severance and related benefits and \$0.3 million related to vacating certain facilities.

In the third quarter of fiscal 2009, the Company initiated additional actions to minimize expenses as its business began to be impacted by the deterioration of macroeconomic conditions. The Company recorded \$0.9 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2009 in "Restructuring charges" in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations related to severance and benefits for employee reductions primarily in sales and marketing. This restructuring plan is expected to cause us to incur further charges up to \$1.0 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2009 as the Company expects to continue to identify and implement additional cost saving measures pursuant to this plan.

In addition, the Company recorded a net reduction in the restructuring accrual of \$0.2 million primarily related to the estimated loss on the Company's facilities as the lease term for certain facilities has ended and, to a lesser extent, for related severance benefits as actual costs were lower than anticipated. This net reduction related to the Company's fiscal years 2008, 2003, 2002 and 2001 restructuring plans as well as a previous acquisition-related restructuring plan. All expenses, including adjustments, associated with the Company's restructuring plans are included in "Restructuring charges" in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations, which are managed at the corporate level. For a complete discussion of all restructuring actions that were implemented prior to fiscal 2009, please refer to Note 10 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008.

The activity in the restructuring accrual was as follows for the first nine months of fiscal 2009:

	<b>Severance and Benefits</b>	<b>Other Charges</b>	T
	(in thousands)		
Accrual balance at March 31, 2008	\$ 21	\$ 2,778	\$
Q1'09 Restructuring Plan charges	3,054	354	
Q3'09 Restructuring Plan charges	946	--	
Accrual Adjustments	(58)	(127)	
Cash paid	(2,983)	(1,125)	
Accrual balance at December 26, 2008	\$ 980	\$ 1,880	\$

The Company anticipates that the remaining restructuring severance and benefits balance of \$1.0 million at December 26, 2008 will be substantially paid out by the fourth quarter of fiscal 2009 while the remaining restructuring other charges balance of \$1.9 million, relating primarily to long-term leases, will be paid out through the third quarter of fiscal 2012. Of the remaining restructuring accrual balance, \$2.2 million was reflected in "Accrued and other liabilities" and \$0.6 million was reflected in "Other long-term liabilities" in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

The activity in the restructuring accrual was as follows for the first nine months of fiscal 2008:

	<b>Severance and Benefits</b>	<b>Other Charges</b>	T
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	(in thousands)	
Accrual balance at March 31, 2007	\$ 260	\$ 2,631
Q1'08 Restructuring Plan charges	1,526	--
Q2'08 Restructuring Plan charges	3,798	591
Accrual Adjustments	(186)	(69)
Non-cash charges	--	(35)
Cash paid	(5,015)	(611)
Accrual balance at December 28, 2007	\$ 383	\$ 2,507

## 11. Other Gains

In May 2007, the Company completed the sale of three buildings in Milpitas, California that were previously classified as held for sale, with proceeds aggregating to \$19.9 million, which exceeded the Company's carrying value of \$12.5 million. Net of selling costs, the Company recorded a gain of \$6.7 million on the sale of the properties in the first nine months of fiscal 2008, which was included within "Other gains" in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

The Company also recorded a charge of \$0.8 million related to costs incurred to evaluate strategic options in the first nine months of fiscal 2008, which was included within "Other gains" in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

## 12. Net Income (Loss) Per Share

Basic net income (loss) per share is computed by dividing net income (loss) by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted net income (loss) per share gives effect to all potentially dilutive common shares outstanding during the period, which include certain stock-based awards and warrants, calculated using the treasury stock method, and convertible notes which are potentially dilutive at certain earnings levels, and are computed using the if-converted method.

A reconciliation of the numerator and denominator of the basic and diluted income (loss) per share computations for continuing operations, discontinued operations and net income (loss) was as follows:

	Three-Month Period Ended		Ni
	December 26, 2008 (1)	December 28, 2007	Dece 2
	(in thousands, except per s		
<b>Numerators:</b>			
Income (loss) from continuing operations, net of taxes - basic	\$ 90	\$ 2,929	\$
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes - basic	(1,396)	(1,821)	
Net income (loss) - basic	\$ (1,306)	\$ 1,108	\$
<b>Adjustments:</b>			
Adjustment for interest expense on 3/4% Notes, net of taxes	\$ --	\$ --	\$
Adjustment for gain on repurchase of 3/4% Notes, net of taxes	--	--	
Total adjustments	\$ --	\$ --	\$
Adjusted income (loss) from continuing operations,			



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net of taxes - diluted	\$	90	\$	2,929	\$
Adjusted income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes - diluted		(1,396)		(1,821)	
Adjusted net income (loss) - diluted	\$	(1,306)	\$	1,108	\$
<b>Denominators:</b>					
Weighted average shares outstanding - basic		120,231		118,987	
Effect of dilutive securities:					
Stock options and other stock-based awards		242		635	
3/4% Notes		--		--	
Weighted average shares and potentially dilutive common shares outstanding - diluted		120,473		119,622	
Income (loss) per share:					
Basic					
Continuing operations	\$	0.00	\$	0.02	\$
Discontinued operations	\$	(0.01)	\$	(0.02)	\$
Net income (loss)	\$	(0.01)	\$	0.01	\$
Diluted					
Continuing operations	\$	0.00	\$	0.02	\$
Discontinued operations	\$	(0.01)	\$	(0.02)	\$
Net income (loss)	\$	(0.01)	\$	0.01	\$

(1) For presentation purposes, the Company excluded the dilutive effect of the convertible notes, including the associated interest expense and gain on early extinguishment of debt during the third quarter of fiscal 2009 as the amounts yielded the same diluted earnings per share calculation.

Diluted loss per share for the first nine months of fiscal 2008 was based only on the weighted-average number of shares outstanding during that period, as the inclusion of any common stock equivalents would have been anti-dilutive. As a result, the same weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during that period was used to calculate both the basic and diluted earnings per share. In addition, certain potential common shares were excluded from the diluted computation for the third quarters of fiscal 2009 and 2008, and the first nine months of fiscal 2009 because their inclusion would have been anti-dilutive. In accordance with SFAS No. 128, the weighted-average number of common shares used to calculate the diluted earnings per share for income (loss) from continuing operations, net of taxes, during each of the periods was also used to compute all other reported diluted earnings per share, even though it could result in anti-dilution.

The potential common shares excluded for the third quarters and first nine months of fiscal 2009 and 2008 were as follows:

	Three-Month Period Ended		Ni
	December 26, 2008	December 28, 2007	Dece 2
	(in thousands)		
Outstanding employee stock options	6,428	8,465	
Outstanding restricted stock	7	--	
Warrants (1)	4,244	19,724	
3/4% Notes	3,744	19,224	

(1)

In connection with the issuance of its 3/4% Notes, the Company entered into a derivative financial instrument to repurchase up to 19,224,000 shares of its common stock, at the Company's option, at specified prices in the future to mitigate any potential dilution as a result of the conversion of the 3/4% Notes. For further discussion on this derivative financial instrument, please refer to Note 7 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008.

### 13. Comprehensive Income (Loss)

The Company's comprehensive income (loss), net of taxes, which consisted of net income (loss) and the changes in net unrealized gains (losses) on marketable securities and foreign currency translation adjustments, net of taxes, was as follows:

	Three-Month Period Ended		
	December 26, 2008	December 28, 2007	December 28, 2006
	(in thousands)		
Net income (loss)	\$ (1,306)	\$ 1,108	\$ 1,108
Net unrealized gains (losses) on marketable securities, net of taxes	5,966	(103)	(103)
Foreign currency translation adjustment, net of taxes	(664)	631	631
Comprehensive income (loss), net of taxes	\$ 3,996	\$ 1,636	\$ 1,636

The Company has considered all available evidence and determined that the marketable securities in which unrealized losses were recorded in the first nine months of fiscal 2009 were not deemed to be other-than-temporary. The Company holds its marketable securities as available-for-sale and marks them to market. The Company expects to realize the full value of all its marketable securities upon maturity or sale, as the Company has the intent and believes it has the ability to hold the securities until the full value is realized. However, the Company cannot provide any assurance that its invested cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities will not be impacted by adverse conditions in the financial markets, which may require the Company to record an impairment charge that could adversely impact its financial results.

The components of accumulated other comprehensive income, net of taxes, were as follows:

	December 26, 2008
	(in thousands)
Unrealized gains on marketable securities, net of taxes	\$ 448
Foreign currency translation, net of taxes	1,977
Accumulated other comprehensive income, net of taxes	\$ 2,425

### 14. Income Taxes

The Company recorded tax benefits of \$3.9 million and \$1.4 million for the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2009, respectively. The Company recorded tax benefits of \$0.8 million and \$0.3 million for the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2008, respectively. Income tax provisions for interim periods are based on the Company's

estimated annual income tax rate for entities that were profitable. Entities that had operating losses with no tax benefit were excluded. The estimated annual tax for fiscal years 2009 and 2008 includes foreign taxes related to the Company's foreign subsidiaries and certain state minimum taxes. Interest is accrued on prior years' tax disputes and refund claims as a discrete item each period. For the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2009, the Company's tax provision included changes in judgment related to uncertain tax positions in both the United States and foreign jurisdictions based on new information received.

In the third quarter of fiscal 2009, the Company recorded a net tax benefit of \$2.2 million for the reversal of previously accrued liabilities related to a final settlement with the Singapore Tax Authority for fiscal years 1998 through 2000, offset by amounts accrued for changes in judgment related to Singapore tax audits that are on-going for other years. The Company has concluded its ongoing negotiations with the IRS taxing authorities with regard to its tax disputes for its fiscal years 1994 through 2003 and for the fiscal 2004 through 2006 audit cycle, as discussed below in Note 15.

In January 2009, the Company received notices from the California Franchise Tax Board as a result of their review of the Company's amended fiscal years 1994 through 2003 tax returns. These notices indicated that certain adjustments were to be made in conjunction with adjustments made on the Company's amended Federal tax returns for those fiscal years, due to reaching resolutions with the United States taxing authorities on all outstanding audit issues, as further discussed below in Note 15. As a result, in the third quarter of fiscal 2009, the Company recorded a favorable tax impact due from the state of California, including accrued and unpaid interest, of approximately \$1.6 million.

As of December 26, 2008, the Company's total gross unrecognized tax benefits were \$24.8 million, of which \$6.5 million, if recognized, would affect the effective tax rate. There was an overall increase of \$3.3 million in the Company's gross unrecognized tax benefits in the first nine months of fiscal 2009 due to changes in judgment related to foreign audits as a result of new information that the Company received in the first nine months of fiscal 2009, offset by benefits from the Singapore audit settlement noted above. This increase in the Company's gross unrecognized tax benefits was also partially offset by the recording of a receivable of \$0.7 million from a third party since the Company was partially indemnified by the third party for this tax matter and the issue arose in years prior to the Company's acquisition of the entity under audit.

The Company is subject to U.S. federal income tax as well as income taxes in many U.S. states and foreign jurisdictions. As of December 26, 2008, fiscal years 2004 onward remained open to examination by the U.S. taxing authorities, fiscal years 2001 onward remained open to examination in Singapore and in various other foreign jurisdictions. U.S. tax attributes generated in tax years 2000 onward also remain subject to adjustment in subsequent audits when they are utilized. Management believes that 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 of the Company's tax returns by the U.S. or foreign tax authorities; and
- expiration of statutes 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 the Company's tax positions in light of legislative, bilateral tax treaty, regulatory and judicial developments in the countries in which the Company does business. Management believes that it is reasonably possible that the gross unrecognized tax benefits will decrease by approximately \$3.4 million within the next 12 months due to the settlement of tax audits in various foreign jurisdictions.

## 15. Commitments and Contingencies

The Company was previously subject to IRS audits for its fiscal years 1994 through 2003. During the third quarter of fiscal 2007, the Company reached resolution with the United States taxing authorities on all outstanding audit issues

relating to those fiscal years. However, the Company's tax provision continues to reflect judgment and estimation regarding components of the settlement such as interest calculations and the application of the settlements to state and local taxing jurisdictions. Although the Company believes its tax estimates are reasonable, the ultimate tax outcome may materially differ from the tax amounts recorded in its Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and may cause a higher effective tax rate that could materially affect its income tax provision, results of operations or cash flows in the period or periods for which such determination is made. In the first quarter of fiscal 2009, the IRS concluded its audit of the Company's federal income tax returns for the fiscal 2004 through 2006 audit cycle. The IRS issued a No Change Report indicating no change to the Company's tax liability; however, the IRS continues to have the ability to adjust tax attributes relating to these years in subsequent audits. The Company believes that it has provided sufficient tax provisions for these years and the ultimate outcome of any future IRS audits that include the tax attributes will not have a material adverse impact on its financial position or results of operations in future periods. However, the Company cannot predict with certainty how these matters will be resolved and whether it will be required to make additional tax payments.

The Company is a party to other litigation matters and claims, including those related to intellectual property, which are normal in the course of its operations, and while the results of such litigation matters and claims cannot be predicted with certainty, the Company believes that the final outcome of such matters will not have a material adverse impact on its financial position or results of operations. However, because of the nature and inherent uncertainties of litigation, should the outcome of these actions be unfavorable, the Company's business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows could be materially and adversely affected.

In connection with the Company's acquisitions of Aristos and Eurologic, a portion of the respective purchase prices totaling \$4.3 million and \$3.8 million, respectively, were held back (the "Holdbacks") to secure potential indemnification obligations of Aristos and Eurologic stockholders for unknown liabilities that may have existed as of the acquisition dates. As of December 26, 2008, the Aristos Holdback of \$4.3 million remains outstanding for potential unknown liabilities that may arise. In connection with the Eurologic Holdback, the Company paid \$2.3 million to the Eurologic shareholders in fiscal 2005 and retained the remaining \$1.5 million for claims the Company asserted against the Eurologic Holdback. In the first nine months of fiscal 2009, the Company entered into a Deed of Indemnity and a written settlement agreement with the Representative of the Eurologic shareholders, which resolved all of the Company's remaining disputed, outstanding claims against the Eurologic Holdback, resulting in an additional payment of \$1.3 million. The remaining Eurologic Holdback balance of \$0.2 million was retained by the Company and was recognized as a gain in the first nine months of fiscal 2009 in "Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes" in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations.

## 16. Guarantees

### *Intellectual Property and Other Indemnification Obligations*

The Company has entered into agreements with customers and suppliers that include intellectual property indemnification obligations. These indemnification obligations generally require the Company to compensate the other party for certain damages and costs incurred as a result of third party intellectual property claims arising from these transactions. In each of these circumstances, payment by the Company is conditional 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. Further, the Company's obligations under these agreements may be limited in terms of time and/or amount, and in some instances, the Company may have recourse against third parties for certain payments made by it under these agreements. In addition, the Company has agreements whereby it indemnifies its directors and certain of its officers for certain events or occurrences while the officer or director is, or was, serving at the Company's request in such capacity. These indemnification agreements are not subject to a maximum loss clause; however, the Company maintains a Director and Officer insurance policy which may cover all or a portion of the liabilities arising from its obligation to indemnify its directors and officers.

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It is not possible to make a reasonable estimate of the maximum potential amount of future payments under these or similar agreements due to the conditional nature of the Company's obligations and the unique facts and circumstances involved in each particular agreement. Historically, the Company has not incurred significant costs to defend lawsuits or settle claims related to such agreements and no amount has been accrued in the accompanying financial statements with respect to these indemnification guarantees.

### Product Warranty

The Company provides an accrual for estimated future warranty costs based upon the historical relationship of warranty costs to sales. The estimated future warranty obligations related to product sales are recorded in the period in which the related revenue is recognized. The estimated future warranty obligations are affected by sales volume, product failure rates, material usage and replacement costs incurred in correcting a product failure. If actual product failure rates, material usage or replacement costs differ from the Company's estimates, revisions to the estimated warranty obligations would be required; however, the Company made no adjustments to pre-existing warranty accruals in the first nine months of fiscal 2009 and 2008.

A reconciliation of the changes to the Company's warranty accrual for the first nine months of fiscal 2009 and 2008 was as follows:

		Nine-Month Pe
		December 26, 2008
		(in thous
Balance at beginning of period	\$	741 \$
Warranties provided		747
Actual costs incurred		(834)
Warranty obligations transferred with discontinued operations		(154)
Balance at end of period	\$	500 \$

### 17. Settlement with Steel Partners, L.L.C. and Steel Partners II, L.P.

On October 26, 2007, the Company, Steel Partners, L.L.C. and Steel Partners II, L.P. (together, "Steel") entered into an agreement (the "Settlement Agreement") ending the election contest that was to occur at the Company's 2007 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Annual Meeting"). Steel beneficially owned approximately 15% of the Company's common stock as of December 31, 2007.

In December 2007, the Company held the Annual Meeting, at which the Company's stockholders elected nine directors to the Company's Board of Directors. Of these nine directors, three of the directors, Jack L. Howard, John J. Quicke and John Mutch, were nominated for election at the Annual Meeting by the Company pursuant to the terms of the Settlement Agreement. Steel represented to the Company in the Settlement Agreement that Mr. Howard and Mr. Quicke may be deemed to be affiliates of Steel under the rules of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, but that Mr. Mutch was not an affiliate of Steel. The Company compensated each of these directors, including the two directors who are affiliates of Steel, with equity awards or equity based awards in amounts that are consistent with the Company's Non-Employee Director Compensation Policy. As of December 26, 2008, Steel beneficially owned approximately 19% of the Company's common stock.

### 18. Segment Reporting

In the first quarter of fiscal 2009, the Company revised its internal organizational structure in conjunction with the sale of its Snap Server NAS business. The Company's former SSG segment provided (1) Snap Server branded file-based

NAS storage systems, which were sold to end users through its network of distribution partners, solution providers, e-tailers and VARs, and (2) block-based iSCSI storage solution products. The historical financial results relating to the block-based iSCSI storage solution products of the Company's former SSG segment, which were minimal to the Company's overall financial results, were retained. The remainder of the Company's former SSG segment represented results from discontinued operations.

Following the revision to its internal reporting structure, the Company operated in one segment, which provides data protection storage products and currently sells all of the Company's storage technologies, including ASICs, board-level I/O and RAID controllers, internal enclosures, sub-systems and stand-alone software. The Company sells these products directly to OEMs, ODMs that supply OEMs, system integrators, VARs and end users through its network of distribution and reseller channels.

## 19. Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flows

	Nine-Month P
	December 26, 2008
	(in thousa
Non-cash investing and financing activities:	
Unrealized gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities	\$ (1,972) \$

## 20. Glossary

The following is a list of business related acronyms that are contained within this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. They are listed in alphabetical order.

- **ASIC:**  
Application Specific Integrated Circuit
- **ATA:**  
Advanced Technology Attachment
- **CIFS:**  
Common Internet File System
- **FTP:**  
File Transfer Protocol
- **HTTP:**  
Hypertext Transfer Protocol
- **I/O:**  
Input/Output
- **IPsec:**  
Internet Protocol Security
- **IRS:**  
Internal Revenue Service
- **iSCSI:**  
Internet SCSI
- **NAS:**  
Network Attached Storage
- **NFS:**  
Network File System
- **ODM:**  
Original Design Manufacturers
- **OEM:**  
Original Equipment Manufacturer
- **PCI:**

- Peripheral Component Interconnect
- **PCIe:**  
Peripheral Component Interconnect Express
- **PCI-X:**  
Peripheral Component Interconnect Extended
- **RAID:**  
Redundant Array of Independent Disks
- **SAS:**  
Serial Attached SCSI
- **SATA:**  
Serial Advanced Technology Attachment
- **SCSI:**  
Small Computer System Interface
- **SMI-S:**  
Storage Management Initiative Specification
- **SSG:**  
Storage Solutions Group
- **VAR:**

Value Added Reseller

The following is a list of accounting rules and regulations and related regulatory bodies referred to within this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. They are listed in alphabetical order.

- **APB:**  
  
Accounting Principles Board
- **APB Opinion No. 25:**  
Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees
- **ARB:**  
Accounting Review Bulletin
- **ARB No. 51:**  
Consolidated Financial Statements
- **EITF:**  
Emerging Issues Task Force
- **EITF No. 95-3:**  
Recognition of Liabilities in Connection with Purchase Business Combinations
- **EITF No. 07-1:**  
Accounting for Collaborative Arrangements
- **FASB:**  
Financial Accounting Standards Board
- **FIN:**  
FASB Interpretation Number
- **FIN 48:**  
Accounting for Certain Transactions involving Stock Compensation - an interpretation of APB Opinion No. 25
- **FSP:**  
FASB Staff Position
- **FSP APB No. 14-1:**  
Accounting for Convertible Debt Instruments That May Be Settled in Cash Upon Conversion (Including Partial Cash Settlement)
- **FSP FAS No. 142-3:** Determining the Useful Life of Intangible Assets
- **FSP FAS No. 157-2:** Effective Date of SFAS No. 157
- **FSP FAS No. 157-3:** Determining the Fair Value of a Financial Asset When the Market for That Asset Is Not Active
- **SAB:**  
Staff Accounting Bulletin
- **SAB 107:**  
Share Based Payment
- **SAB 110:**

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Certain Assumptions Used in Valuation Methods - Expected Term

- **SEC:**

Securities Exchange Commission

- **SFAS:**

Statement of Financial Accounting Standards

- **SFAS No. 123 (R):**

Share Based Payment

- **SFAS No.**

**128:** Earnings Per Share

- **SFAS No. 141:**

Business Combinations

- **SFAS No. 141 (R):**

Business Combinations

- **SFAS No.**

**142:** Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

- **SFAS No. 144:**

Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets

- **SFAS No.**

**157:** Fair Value Measurements

- **SFAS No.**

**159:** The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities

- **SFAS No.**

**160:** Non-controlling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements, an Amendment of ARB No. 51

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Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. The statements contained in this document that are not purely historical are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, including, without limitation, statements regarding our expectations, beliefs, intentions or strategies regarding our business, including, but not limited to, our anticipated declines in revenues from our parallel SCSI products and our serial legacy products sold to our OEM customers, the expected benefits of our recent acquisition of Aristos Logic Corporation, the possibility that we might enter into strategic alliances, partnerships or additional acquisitions in order to scale our business, the expected impact on our revenues of our failure to receive design wins for the next generation serial products from a significant customer, the anticipated impact of the restructuring plan we implemented in the third quarter fiscal 2009, the possibility that additional significant charges may be recorded by us in the future in light of an ongoing strategic review of our business by management, the potential need to record impairment charges for goodwill, other intangible assets or marketable securities based on current market conditions and our expected liquidity in future periods. We may identify these statements by the use of words such as "anticipate," "believe," "continue," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "might," "plan," "potential," "predict," "project," "should," "will," "would" and other similar expressions. All forward-looking statements included in this document are based on information available to us on the date hereof, and we assume no obligation to update any such forward-looking statements, except as may otherwise be required by law.

Our actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of certain factors, including those set forth in the "Risk Factors" section and elsewhere in this document. In evaluating our business, current and prospective investors should consider carefully these factors in addition to the other information set forth in this report.

While management believes that the discussion and analysis in this report is adequate for a fair presentation of the information presented, we recommend that you read this discussion and analysis in conjunction with our Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008.

#### Basis of Presentation

On September 3, 2008, we completed the acquisition of Aristos Logic Corporation, or Aristos, a provider of RAID technology to the data storage industry, pursuant to an Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of August 27, 2008, or the Merger Agreement, by and among Adaptec, Aristos, Ariel Acquisition Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of ours, and TPG Ventures, L.P., solely in its capacity as the representative of stockholders of Aristos. The Merger Agreement provided for our acquisition of Aristos through a merger in which Aristos became our wholly-owned subsidiary. The Aristos acquisition was accounted for as a purchase business combination and, accordingly, the results of Aristos have been included in our unaudited condensed consolidated results of operation and financial position from the date of acquisition.

On June 27, 2008, we completed the sale of the Snap Server NAS portion of our former SSG segment, or Snap Server NAS business, to Overland Storage, Inc., or Overland. Accordingly, we have reclassified the underlying Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Cash Flows and related disclosures for all periods presented to reflect the Snap Server NAS business as discontinued operations. These reclassifications had no impact on net income (loss), total assets or total stockholders' equity. Unless otherwise indicated, the following discussion pertains only to our continuing operations.

We revised our internal organizational structure in conjunction with the sale of our Snap Server NAS business in June 2008. Our former SSG segment provided (1) Snap Server branded file-based NAS storage systems, which were sold to end users through our network of distribution partners, solution providers, e-tailers and VARs, and (2) block-based iSCSI storage solution products. The historical financial results relating to the block-based iSCSI storage solution

products of our former SSG segment, which were minimal to our overall financial results, were retained. The remainder of our former SSG segment represented results from discontinued operations. Following the revision to our internal reporting structure, we now operate in one segment.

For your convenience, we have included, in Note 20 to the Notes to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, a Glossary that contains a list of (1) key acronyms commonly used in our industry that are used in this Quarterly Report and (2) accounting rules and regulations that are also referred to in this report. These key acronyms and accounting rules and regulations are listed in alphabetical order.

## Overview

In the third quarter of fiscal 2009, our net revenues decreased 22% as compared to the third quarter of fiscal 2008 primarily due to the declining revenue base of our parallel SCSI products. Our net revenues were further impacted by our inability to obtain design wins from our OEM customers, primarily for our next generation serial products. We expect revenues from our parallel SCSI products to continue to decline in future quarters. We also expect revenues from our serial legacy products sold to OEM customers to significantly decline within the next two to three quarters. Our gross margins in the third quarter of fiscal 2009 declined to 40% compared to 42% in the third quarter of fiscal 2008 primarily due to the amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets, higher inventory-related charges and fixed operating costs distributed over lower sales volumes. Operating expenses decreased in the third quarter of fiscal 2009 as compared to the third quarter of fiscal 2008 primarily as a result of cost reductions and restructuring efforts that were initiated in previous quarters combined with additional attrition in our workforce, partially offset by expenses incurred from the acquisition of Aristos. Our operating results for the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2009 were positively affected by tax benefits further discussed below under "Results of Operations - Income Taxes" arising from the resolution of tax disputes and the adjustment of taxes due in a prior period.

Our future revenue growth is largely dependent on the success of our new and future products, obtaining and fulfilling our obligations on OEM design wins, and growing our market share in the channel. In September 2008, we acquired Aristos for a purchase price of \$38.9 million, plus an obligation to pay up to \$2.4 million contingent upon the employment of certain Aristos employees. We expect that the acquisition of Aristos will allow us to expand into adjacent RAID markets that we believe provide us with growth opportunities, including blade servers, enterprise-class external storage systems and performance desktops, and will provide us with a strong ASIC roadmap. This acquisition should also enable us to pursue new OEM opportunities and expand our future channel product offerings containing unified serial technologies. For example, in October 2008, we announced a design win from IBM for our RAID Storage Processor technology, which was enabled by the Aristos acquisition. However, we cannot predict the extent to which the potential benefits of this acquisition will offset the declining OEM revenue from our serial legacy products and our parallel SCSI products considering our loss in market share and the potential adverse impact on our business of current economic conditions. We expect the revenue levels from our serial legacy products sold to OEM customers to significantly decline over the next two to three quarters. We will continue to seek additional growth opportunities beyond those presented by our existing product lines by entering into strategic alliances, partnerships or other acquisitions in order to scale our business. We will also continue to review and evaluate our existing product portfolio, operating structure and markets to determine the future viability of our existing products and market positions.

We expect our selling, marketing and administrative expense to decline in future periods based on the anticipated cost savings we expect to obtain from our reductions in our workforce. We expect our research and development expense to increase in future periods as we invest further in the development of our technology in order to pursue other opportunities. We also expect our expenses to increase in future periods as we record amortization expense for the intangible assets we acquired from the Aristos acquisition.

In addition, in July 2008, we entered into a three-year strategic development agreement with HCL Technologies Limited, or HCL, to provide product development and engineering services for our product portfolio. Under the terms of the agreement, HCL agreed to employ certain of our former engineering employees, who will work exclusively on

our engineering projects.

We implemented a restructuring plan in the first quarter of fiscal 2009 that was designed to reduce our operating expenses due to a declining revenue base, streamline our operations and better align our resources with our strategic business objectives. The total cost incurred for this restructuring plan was \$3.4 million, which was recorded in the first nine months of fiscal 2009 in "Restructuring charges" in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations. In the third quarter of fiscal 2009, we initiated additional actions to minimize expenses as our business began to be impacted by the deterioration of macroeconomic conditions. We recorded \$0.9 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2009 in "Restructuring charges" in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations related to severance and benefits for employee reductions primarily in sales and marketing. This restructuring plan is expected to incur further charges up to \$1.0 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2009 as we expect to continue to identify and implement additional cost saving measures pursuant to this plan. In light of an ongoing strategic review of our business by management, additional significant restructuring or impairment charges may be recorded by us in the future.

Due to the deterioration of macroeconomic conditions, which has impacted, and will likely continue to impact, information technology spending, we could experience reduced sales of our products and services over the next several quarters. Further, if the deterioration of macroeconomic conditions continues to worsen and our business performance declines, we may be required to record impairment charges for goodwill, other intangible assets or long-lived assets in the future. Our marketable securities may also decline in value and such decline may be deemed to be other-than-temporary, which would require us to record an impairment charge that would adversely impact our financial results.

#### Results of Operations

The following table sets forth the items in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations as a percentage of net revenues (references to notes in the footnotes to this table are to the Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements appearing in this report):

	Three-Month Period Ended		
	December 26, 2008 (1)	December 28, 2007 (2)	December 29, 2006 (3)
Net revenues	100 %	100 %	100 %
Cost of revenues (inclusive of amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets)	60	58	58
Gross margin	40	42	42
Operating expenses:			
Research and development	28	20	20
Selling, marketing and administrative	33	34	34
Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets	1	2	2
Restructuring charges	4	2	2
Other gains	--	--	--
Total operating expenses	66	58	58
Loss from continuing operations	(26)	(16)	(16)
Interest and other income, net	13	24	24
Interest expense	(1)	(2)	(2)
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	(14)	6	6
Benefit from income taxes	(14)	(2)	(2)

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Income (loss) from continuing operations, net of taxes	0	8
Discontinued operations, net of taxes		
Loss from discontinued operations, net of taxes	(1)	(5)
Income (loss) from disposal of discontinued operations, net of taxes	(4)	--
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	(5)	(5)
Net income (loss)	(5) %	3 %

The following actions affect the comparability of the data for the periods presented in the above table:

(1) In the third quarter of fiscal 2009, we implemented a restructuring plan and recorded adjustments to previous restructuring plans, incurring restructuring charges of \$0.9 million, recorded a gain of \$0.4 million on the repurchase of our 3/4% Notes on the open market, which was recorded in "Interest and other income, net," and recorded a tax benefit arising from the resolution of tax disputes and the adjustment of taxes due in a prior period.

(2) In the third quarter of fiscal 2008, we recorded restructuring charges related to a restructuring plan we implemented in the second quarter of fiscal 2008 and adjustments to previous restructuring plans, incurring restructuring charges of \$0.7 million.

(3) In the first nine months of fiscal 2009, we implemented two restructuring plans and recorded adjustments to previous restructuring plans, incurring restructuring charges of \$4.2 million, recorded a gain of \$1.7 million on the repurchase of our 3/4% Notes on the open market, which was recorded in "Interest and other income, net," and recorded a tax benefit arising from the resolution of tax disputes and the adjustment of taxes due in a prior period.

(4) In the first nine months of fiscal 2008, we recorded a gain of \$6.7 million on the sale of certain properties and implemented two restructuring plans, incurring restructuring charges of \$5.7 million.

Net Revenues.

	Three-Month Period Ended			Nine-Month P	
	December 26, 2008	December 28, 2007	Percentage Change	December 26, 2008	Decemb 20
Net Revenues	\$ 28.2	\$ 36.1	(22) %	\$ 91.4	\$

(in millions, except percentages)

Net revenues decreased by \$7.9 million and \$18.6 million in the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2009, respectively, compared to the corresponding periods of fiscal 2008, primarily due to a decline in sales volume of our parallel SCSI products of \$6.4 million and \$20.5 million, respectively, and an overall decline in sales volume of our serial products sold to OEM customers of \$1.5 million and \$7.0 million, respectively. This was partially offset by an increase in average selling prices and sales volumes of our serial products sold to channel customers of \$7.3 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2009 compared to the first nine months of fiscal 2008, due to increased acceptance of

these products. The decline in sales volume of our parallel SCSI products was primarily attributable to the industry transition from parallel to serial products, in which we have a lower market share. The decline in sales volume of our serial legacy products sold to OEM customers was primarily attributable to the fact that certain of our OEM customers have moved to other suppliers to obtain next generation serial technologies. We expect net revenues for our parallel SCSI products to continue to decline in future quarters, and expect net revenues from our serial legacy products sold to OEM customers to significantly decline within the next two to three quarters. However, we expect to gain future opportunities to sell serial products to OEMs, due in part to the Aristos acquisition, but our ability to attract this revenue may be adversely impacted by a reduction in IT spending as a result of current economic conditions.

	Three-Month Period Ended		Ni
	December 26, 2008	December 28, 2007	
<b>Geographical Revenues:</b>			
North America	38 %	31 %	
Europe	29 %	34 %	
Pacific Rim	33 %	35 %	
Total Geographical Revenues	100 %	100 %	

Our North America revenues increased as a percentage of our total revenues by 7% in the third quarter of fiscal 2009 compared to the third quarter of fiscal 2008 primarily due to increased sales to certain OEM customers of products that we will cease to provide in future periods. In addition, our combined international revenues decreased as a percentage of our total revenues by 7% in the third quarter of fiscal 2009 compared to the third quarter of fiscal 2008 primarily due to the decline in inventory levels on hand at our international distributors.

Our North America revenues decreased as a percentage of our total revenues by 2% in the first nine months of fiscal 2009 compared to the first nine months of fiscal 2008 primarily due to a decline in product sales to our OEM customers and to our customers shifting their third party manufacturing locations from North America to international sites, and, to a lesser extent, increased sales and acceptance of our serial products sold to our channel customers at our international locations.

A small number of our customers account for a substantial portion of our net revenues. In the third quarters of fiscal 2009 and 2008, IBM accounted for 37% and 44% of our total net revenues, respectively. In the first nine months of fiscal 2009 and 2008, IBM accounted for 36% and 42% of our total net revenues, respectively.

Gross Margin.

	Three-Month Period Ended			Nine-Month P	
	December 26, 2008	December 28, 2007	Percentage Change	December 26, 2008	Decemb 20
	(in millions, except percentages)				
Gross Profit	\$ 11.1	\$ 15.1	(26) %	\$ 39.2	\$
Gross Margin	40 %	42 %		43 %	

The decline in gross margins in the third quarter of fiscal 2009 compared to the third quarter of fiscal 2008 was due to the amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets of \$1.2 million related to the purchased intangible assets for core and existing technologies and backlog from the acquisition of Aristos. Despite our improvement in standard

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product contributions, we incurred higher inventory-related charges of \$1.3 million, primarily related to our legacy products and a decline in our revenue forecast. In addition, although our fixed operating costs declined from the third quarter of fiscal 2009 compared to the third quarter of fiscal 2008, these costs were distributed over lower sales volumes.

The improvement in gross margins in the first nine months of fiscal 2009 compared to the first nine months of fiscal 2008 was due to improved standard product contributions as a result of our end-to-end supply chain efficiencies. In addition, the improvement in gross margins was also due to a shift in revenue mix from OEM to channel customers, with channel customers having higher average margins, and a favorable product mix in the channel.

Research and Development Expense.

	Three-Month Period Ended			Nine-Month P	
	December 26, 2008	December 28, 2007	Percentage Change	December 26, 2008	Decemb 20
	(in millions, except percentages)				
Research and development	\$ 7.8	\$ 7.3	7 %	\$ 18.5	\$

The increase in research and development expense in the third quarter of fiscal 2009 compared to the third quarter of fiscal 2008 was primarily due to costs associated with the development of our technology to achieve new OEM design wins and to expand our channel offerings. In addition, we recorded compensation expense of \$0.5 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2009 related to the management liquidation pool established for certain former employees of Aristos pursuant to the Merger Agreement. This was partially offset by a decrease in compensation expense due to a reduction in headcount as a result of restructuring programs implemented in fiscal 2008 and the first nine months of fiscal 2009, combined with additional attrition in our workforce.

The decrease in research and development expense in the first nine months of fiscal 2009 compared to the first nine months of fiscal 2008 was primarily due to reduced headcount and related expenses as a result of restructuring programs implemented in fiscal 2008 and the first nine months of fiscal 2009, combined with additional attrition in our workforce, which was reflected by a 55% decrease in headcount for employees engaged in research and development. This was partially offset by compensation expense of \$0.6 million recorded in the first nine months of fiscal 2009, related to the management liquidation pool established for certain former employees of Aristos pursuant to the Merger Agreement. We expect our research and development expense to increase in future periods as we invest further in the development of our technology in order to pursue other opportunities.

Selling, Marketing and Administrative Expense.

	Three-Month Period Ended			Nine-Month P	
	December 26, 2008	December 28, 2007	Percentage Change	December 26, 2008	Decemb 20
	(in millions, except percentages)				
Selling, marketing and administrative	\$ 9.4	\$ 12.3	(24) %	\$ 27.6	\$

The decrease in selling, marketing and administrative expense in the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2009 compared to the corresponding periods of fiscal 2008 was primarily a result of reductions in our workforce and

infrastructure spending as a result of the restructuring plans we implemented in fiscal 2008 and the first nine months of fiscal 2009, which resulted in a 37% decrease in our average headcount for employees engaged in selling, marketing and administrative functions. This was partially offset by compensation expense of \$0.5 million and \$0.7 million recorded in the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2009, respectively, related to the management liquidation pool established for certain former employees of Aristos pursuant to the Merger Agreement. We expect our selling, marketing and administrative expense to decline in future periods based on the anticipated cost savings we expect to obtain from our reductions in our workforce.

Amortization of Acquisition-Related Intangible Assets.

	Three-Month Period Ended			Nine-Month P	
	December 26, 2008	December 28, 2007	Percentage Change	December 26, 2008	Decemb 20
	(in millions, except percentages)				
Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets	\$ 0.3	\$ 0.6	(48)%	\$ 0.4	\$

Acquisition-related intangible assets include core and existing technologies, customer relationships, trade name and backlog. We amortize the acquisition-related intangible assets over periods which reflect the period in which the economic benefits of the assets are expected to be realized, which is primarily using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives, ranging from three to sixty months.

The decrease in amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets in the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2009 compared to the corresponding periods of fiscal 2008 was primarily due to the fact that in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008, we wrote off our intangible assets associated with our acquisition of Elipsan Limited due to a revision in our forecasts that resulted in expected negative long-term cash flows for these assets for the first time. This was offset by the amortization of purchased intangible assets from the Aristos acquisition for customer relationships of \$0.3 million and \$0.4 million, which were recorded in the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2009, respectively. The amortization of purchased intangible assets from the Aristos acquisition for the core and existing technologies and backlog were reflected in cost of revenues.

Restructuring Charges.

	Three-Month Period Ended			Nine-Month P	
	December 26, 2008	December 28, 2007	Percentage Change	December 26, 2008	Decemb 20
	(in millions, except percentages)				
Restructuring charges	\$ 0.9	\$ 0.7	32 %	\$ 4.2	\$

All expenses, including adjustments, associated with our restructuring plans are included in "Restructuring charges" in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations, which are managed at the corporate level. For a complete discussion of all restructuring actions that were implemented prior to fiscal 2009, please refer to Note 10 to the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008.

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In the first quarter of fiscal 2009, we approved and initiated a restructuring plan to (1) reduce our operating expenses due to a declining revenue base, (2) streamline our operations and (3) better align our resources with our strategic business objectives. This restructuring plan extended to actions taken through the second quarter of fiscal 2009 and included workforce reductions in all functions of the organization worldwide and consolidation of our facilities. The total cost incurred for this restructuring plan, which was recorded in the first nine months of fiscal 2009, was \$3.4 million, of which \$3.1 million related to severance and related benefits and \$0.3 million related to vacating certain facilities. We have achieved reductions in our annual operating expenses of approximately \$10.6 million as a result of these actions related to this plan. Approximately 16%, 39% and 45% of the restructuring cost savings were reflected as a reduction in cost of revenues, research and development expense, and selling, marketing and administrative expense, respectively, beginning in the first quarter of fiscal 2009.

In the third quarter of fiscal 2009, we initiated additional actions to minimize expenses as our business began to be impacted by the deterioration of macroeconomic conditions. We recorded \$0.9 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2009 in "Restructuring charges" in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations related to severance and benefits for employee reductions primarily in sales and marketing. This restructuring plan is expected to cause us to incur further charges up to \$1.0 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2009 as we expect to continue to identify and implement additional cost saving measures pursuant to this plan. We expect to reduce our annual operating expenses by approximately \$2.9 million as a result of the actions taken in the third quarter of fiscal 2009 related to this plan. Approximately 7% and 93% of the restructuring cost savings were reflected as a reduction in research and development expense and selling, marketing and administrative expense, respectively, beginning in the third quarter of fiscal 2009.

In addition, we recorded a net reduction in the restructuring accrual of \$0.2 million primarily related to the estimated loss on our facilities as the lease term for certain facilities has ended and, to a lesser extent, for related severance benefits as actual costs were lower than anticipated. This net reduction related to our fiscal years 2008, 2003, 2002 and 2001 restructuring plans as well as a previous acquisition-related restructuring plan.

Other Gains.

	Three-Month Period Ended			Nine-Month P	
	December 26, 2008	December 28, 2007	Percentage Change	December 26, 2008	Decemb 20
Other gains	\$ --	\$ --	n/a	\$ --	\$

(in millions, except percentages)

Other gains primarily consisted of a gain on sale of certain properties.

In May 2007, we completed the sale of three buildings in Milpitas, California that were previously classified as held for sale, with proceeds aggregating to \$19.9 million, which exceeded our carrying value of \$12.5 million. Net of selling costs, we recorded a gain of \$6.7 million on the sale of the properties in the first nine months of fiscal 2008, which was included within "Other gains" in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

We also recorded a charge of \$0.8 million related to costs incurred to evaluate strategic options in the first nine months of fiscal 2008, which was included within "Other gains" in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.



## Interest and Other Income, Net.

	Three-Month Period Ended			Nine-Month P	
	December 26, 2008	December 28, 2007	Percentage Change	December 26, 2008	Decemb 20
	(in millions, except percentages)				
Interest and other income, net:					
Interest income	\$ 3.4	\$ 8.3	(59)%	\$ 14.0	\$
Realized currency transaction gains (losses)	(0.2)	0.5	n/a	(0.6)	
Gain on redemption of bonds	0.4	--	100 %	1.7	
Other	--	--	n/a	--	
Total interest and other income, net	\$ 3.6	\$ 8.8	(60)%	\$ 15.1	\$

Interest and other income, net is primarily attributable to interest income earned on our cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities, realized gains and losses on marketable securities, gains from the repurchase of our 3/4% Convertible Senior Notes due 2023, or 3/4% Notes, and fluctuations in foreign currency gains or losses. The decrease in interest and other income, net in the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2009 compared to the corresponding periods of fiscal 2008 was primarily due to lower interest rates combined with interest earned on lower average cash balances, which resulted in an overall lower interest income earned on our cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities. This was partially offset by a gain on extinguishment of debt of \$0.4 million and \$1.7 million (net of unamortized debt issuance costs) on the repurchase of our 3/4% Notes on the open market in the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2009, respectively. We expect that our interest income will decline in future periods due to a reduction in our cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities balances as we used cash for the repurchase of our 3/4% Notes and for the acquisition of Aristos.

## Interest Expense.

	Three-Month Period Ended			Nine-Month P	
	December 26, 2008	December 28, 2007	Percentage Change	December 26, 2008	Decemb 20
	(in millions, except percentages)				
Interest expense	\$ (0.1)	\$ (0.8)	(82)%	\$ (1.5)	\$

Interest expense is primarily associated with our 3/4% Notes issued in December 2003. The decrease in interest expense in the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2009 compared to the corresponding periods of fiscal 2008 was primarily due to the reduction in the outstanding principal amount of the 3/4% Notes of \$85.0 million and \$223.5 million, respectively. We have repurchased all but \$2.0 million of our 3/4% Notes as of December 26, 2008 and will not incur significant interest expense from these notes in future periods.

## Income Taxes.

	Three-Month Period Ended	Nine-Month P
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	December 26, 2008	December 28, 2007	Percentage Change	December 26, 2008	Decemb 20
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	(in millions, except percentages)				
Benefit from income taxes	\$ (3.9)	\$ (0.8)	397 %	\$ (1.4)	\$

We recorded tax benefits of \$3.9 million and \$1.4 million for the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2009, respectively. We recorded tax benefits of \$0.8 million and \$0.3 million for the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2008, respectively. Income tax provisions for interim periods are based on our estimated annual income tax rate for entities that were profitable. Entities that had operating losses with no tax benefit were excluded. The estimated annual tax for fiscal years 2009 and 2008 includes foreign taxes related to our foreign subsidiaries and certain state minimum taxes. Interest is accrued on prior years' tax disputes and refund claims as a discrete item each period. For the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2009, our tax provision included changes in judgment related to uncertain tax positions in both the United States and foreign jurisdictions based on new information received.

In the third quarter of fiscal 2009, we recorded a net tax benefit of \$2.2 million for the reversal of previously accrued liabilities related to a final settlement with the Singapore Tax Authority for fiscal years 1998 through 2000, offset by amounts accrued for changes in judgment related to Singapore tax audits that are on-going for other years. We have concluded our ongoing negotiations with the IRS taxing authorities with regard to our tax disputes for our fiscal years 1994 through 2003 and for the fiscal 2004 through 2006 audit cycle, as discussed in Note 15 to the Notes to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

In January 2009, we received notices from the California Franchise Tax Board as a result of their review of our amended fiscal years 1994 through 2003 tax returns. These notices indicated that certain adjustments were to be made in conjunction with adjustments made on our amended Federal tax returns for those fiscal years, due to reaching resolutions with the United States taxing authorities on all outstanding audit issues, as further discussed in Note 15 to the Notes to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. As a result, in the third quarter of fiscal 2009, we recorded a favorable tax impact due from the state of California, including accrued and unpaid interest, of approximately \$1.6 million.

As of December 26, 2008, our total gross unrecognized tax benefits were \$24.8 million, of which \$6.5 million, if recognized, would affect the effective tax rate. There was an overall increase of \$3.3 million in our gross unrecognized tax benefits in the first nine months of fiscal 2009 due to changes in judgment related to foreign audits as a result of new information that we received in the first nine months of fiscal 2009, offset by benefits from the Singapore audit settlement noted above. This increase in our gross unrecognized tax benefits was also partially offset by the recording of a receivable of \$0.7 million from a third party since we were partially indemnified by the third party for this tax matter and the issue arose in years prior to our acquisition of the entity under audit.

We are subject to U.S. federal income tax as well as income taxes in many U.S. states and foreign jurisdictions. As of December 26, 2008, fiscal years 2004 onward remained open to examination by the U.S. taxing authorities, fiscal years 2001 onward remained open to examination in Singapore and in various other foreign jurisdictions. U.S. tax attributes generated in tax years 2000 onward also remain subject to adjustment in subsequent audits when they are utilized. Management believes that 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 of our tax returns by the U.S. or foreign tax authorities; and
- expiration of statutes of limitations on our 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. Management believes that it is reasonably

possible that the gross unrecognized tax benefits will decrease by approximately \$3.4 million within the next 12 months due to the settlement of tax audits in various foreign jurisdictions.

Discontinued Operations.

	Three-Month Period Ended			Nine-Month P	
	December 26, 2008	December 28, 2007	Percentage Change	December 26, 2008	Decemb 20
	(in millions, except percentages)				
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	\$ (1.4)	\$ (1.8)	(23)%	\$ 3.7	\$

On June 27, 2008, we entered into an asset purchase agreement with Overland for the sale of the Snap Server NAS business for \$3.3 million, of which \$2.1 million was received by us upon the closing of the transaction and the remaining \$1.2 million is to be received on the twelve-month anniversary of the closing of the transaction. At December 26, 2008, we established a reserve for the full remaining \$1.2 million of this receivable as a result of the financial difficulties Overland has reported. Notwithstanding the establishment of this reserve, we intend to seek payment in full of this receivable. Overland purchased all inventory and fixed assets related to the Snap Server NAS business and assumed service and support liabilities. Under the terms of the agreement, Overland granted us a nonexclusive license to certain intellectual property and we provided Overland limited support services to help ensure a smooth transition. Expenses incurred in the transaction primarily include approximately \$0.5 million for broker, legal and accounting fees. In addition, we accrued \$0.1 million for lease obligations. We recorded a gain of \$4.6 million on the disposal of the Snap Server NAS business in the first nine months of fiscal 2009 in "Income (loss) from disposal of discontinued operations, net of taxes," in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and incurred a "Loss from discontinued operations, net of taxes" of \$0.9 million.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Key Components of Cash Flows

Working Capital:

Working capital decreased by \$39.9 million to \$384.7 million at December 26, 2008 from \$424.7 million at March 31, 2008. The decrease in working capital was attributable to a decrease in cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities of \$255.0 million primarily due to the repurchase of our 3/4% Notes for an aggregate price of \$221.4 million during the first nine months of fiscal 2009 and cash paid to acquire Aristos of \$38.0 million.

During the first nine months of fiscal 2009, accounts receivable and inventory decreased by \$6.6 million and \$2.9 million, respectively, compared to March 31, 2008, primarily due to lower revenue levels, combined with improved efficiencies in our inventory and operations management.

Operating Activities:

Operating cash activities consist of income (loss) from continuing operations, net of taxes, adjusted for certain non-cash items and changes in assets and liabilities. Non-cash items primarily consist of gain on the sale of long-lived assets, gain on the repurchase of the 3/4% Notes, depreciation and amortization of intangible assets, property and equipment, marketable securities and 3/4% Notes, and stock-based compensation expense in accordance with SFAS No. 123(R).

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$9.0 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2009 compared to net cash used in operating activities of \$2.7 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2008. The improvement in cash provided by operating activities was primarily due to the fact that we recorded a loss from continuing operations, net of taxes, of \$6.7 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2008 compared to recording income from continuing operations, net of taxes, of \$3.4 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2009.

In addition, we recorded a non-cash charge associated with a gain on the sale of long-lived assets of \$6.7 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2008 and changes to working capital assets and liabilities that improved cash provided by operating activities from continuing operations by \$2.1 million, primarily related to improved collection efforts and efficiencies in our inventory management. These items were partially offset by a non-cash charge associated with a gain of \$1.7 million on the repurchase of our 3/4% Notes in the first nine months of fiscal 2009.

As our revenues from our parallel SCSI products and our serial legacy products sold to OEM customers are expected to continue to decline, and the opportunities to sell serial products that incorporate our new technology may be adversely impacted due to a reduction in IT spending as a result of current economic conditions, we may be unable to manage our expenses to a level that will allow us to generate positive cash flows in the future.

#### Investing Activities:

Investing cash activities primarily consist of purchases, sales and maturities of restricted marketable securities and marketable securities, net cash used to purchase Aristos, proceeds from the sale of long-lived assets and purchases of property and equipment. Net cash provided by investing activities was \$63.7 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2009 compared to \$116.5 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2008. The decrease was primarily due to our use of cash to acquire Aristos of \$38.0 million, proceeds received in the first nine months of fiscal 2008 from the sale of long-lived assets of \$19.9 million and an increase in purchases of marketable securities of \$125.0 million. This was partially offset by an increase in sales and maturities of marketable securities of \$128.9 million.

#### Financing Activities:

Financing cash activities consist of the repurchase of our 3/4% Notes and employee stock option exercises. Net cash used in financing activities was \$2.7 million in the first nine month of fiscal 2009 compared to net cash provided by financing activities of \$3.1 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2008. The use of cash in financing activities was primarily due to the repurchase of \$223.5 million in principal amount of our 3/4% Notes for an aggregate price of \$221.4 million. Cash provided by stock option exercises declined due to the large number of options held by our employees whose exercise prices were substantially above the current market value of our common stock, combined with a reduction in our headcount.

#### Liquidity

At December 26, 2008, we had \$371.2 million in cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities, of which approximately \$81.7 million was held by our Singapore and Cayman Islands subsidiaries. Our available-for-sale securities included short-term deposits, corporate obligations, other debt securities and United States government securities, and were recorded on our Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet at fair market value, with their related unrealized gain or loss reflected as a component of "Accumulated other comprehensive income" in stockholders' equity. In the first nine months of fiscal 2009, we did not recognize a material loss on our securities as the unrealized losses incurred were not deemed to be other-than-temporary. We hold our marketable securities as available-for-sale and mark them to market. We expect to realize the full value of all our marketable securities upon maturity or sale, as we have the intent and believe we have the ability to hold the securities until the full value is realized. However, we can not provide any assurance that our invested cash, cash equivalents and marketable

securities will not be impacted by adverse conditions in the financial markets, which may require us to record an impairment charge that could adversely impact our financial results. In addition, we maintain our cash and marketable securities with certain financial institutions, in which our balances exceed the limits that are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. If the underlying financial institutions fail or other adverse conditions occur in the financial markets, our cash balances may be impacted.

In the fourth quarter of fiscal 2005, we repatriated \$360.6 million of undistributed earnings from Singapore to the United States and incurred a tax liability of \$17.6 million. The repatriated amounts will be used to fund a qualified Domestic Reinvestment Plan, as required by the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004. We expect that our acquisition of Aristos in the second quarter will be counted against the Domestic Reinvestment Plan spending. Based on actual and planned spending through fiscal 2009, we believe we will meet the total spending requirements of the Domestic Reinvestment Plan in fiscal 2009.

In the first nine months of fiscal 2009, we repurchased a total of \$191.0 million in principal amount of our 3/4% Notes on the open market for an aggregate price of \$188.9 million, resulting in a gain on extinguishment of debt of \$1.7 million (net of unamortized debt issuance costs of \$0.4 million). In addition, the majority of the remaining holders of the 3/4% Notes exercised their put option in December 2008, which required us to purchase their 3/4% Notes at a price equal to 100.25% of the principal of the 3/4% Notes, resulting in the redemption of the 3/4% Notes for an aggregate cost of \$32.5 million, plus accrued and unpaid interest. At December 26, 2008, we had \$2.0 million of aggregate principal amount related to our 3/4% Notes that is due in December 2023. However, we redeemed an additional \$1.5 million of our 3/4% Notes subsequent to quarter-end as additional holders exercised their put option.

We were previously subject to IRS audits for our fiscal years 1994 through 2003. During the third quarter of fiscal 2007, we reached resolution with the United States taxing authorities on all outstanding audit issues relating to those fiscal years. However, our tax provision continues to reflect judgment and estimation regarding components of the settlement such as interest calculations and the application of the settlements to state and local taxing jurisdictions. Although we believe our tax estimates are reasonable, the ultimate tax outcome may materially differ from the tax amounts recorded in our Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and may cause a higher effective tax rate that could materially affect our income tax provision, results of operations or cash flows in the period or periods for which such determination is made. In the first quarter of fiscal 2009, the IRS concluded its audit of our federal income tax returns for the fiscal 2004 through 2006 audit cycle. The IRS issued a No Change Report indicating no change to our tax liability; however, the IRS continues to have the ability to adjust tax attributes relating to these years in subsequent audits. We believe that we have provided sufficient tax provisions for these years and the ultimate outcome of any future IRS audits that include the tax attributes will not have a material adverse impact on our financial position or results of operations in future periods. However, we cannot predict with certainty how these matters will be resolved and whether we will be required to make additional tax payments.

We may enter into strategic alliances, partnerships or additional acquisitions that will enable us to better scale our operations relative to our cost basis. If we are successful in identifying strategic alliances, partnerships or additional acquisitions, we may be required to use a significant portion of our available cash balances.

As of December 26, 2008, we did not have any material changes to our contractual obligations that were disclosed in the Liquidity section of our Form 10-K/A for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008, other than (1) a strategic development agreement we entered into with HCL in the second quarter of fiscal 2009, which increased our fixed payment obligations up to \$5.3 million through July 2011 and (2) our acquisition of Aristos, resulting in a commitment to pay up to \$2.4 million related to a management liquidation pool established by Aristos prior to the completion of the merger, which is payable over time, not to exceed twelve months, contingent upon the continued employment of certain employees with us.

We believe that liquidity provided by our existing working capital, together with expected cash flows from operations and available sources of equity and equipment financing, will be sufficient to support our operations through at least the next twelve months. However, should prevailing economic conditions and/or financial, business and other factors beyond our control adversely affect our estimates of our future cash requirements; we would 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.

#### Recent Accounting Pronouncements

For a discussion on the impact of recently issued accounting pronouncements, please refer to Note 2 to the Notes to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

#### Critical Accounting Policies

Our critical accounting policies have not changed from our fiscal year ended March 31, 2008, except for adding the following critical accounting policy:

##### Goodwill:

Goodwill is initially recorded when the purchase price paid for an acquired business exceeds the estimated fair value of the net identified tangible and intangible assets acquired. We perform an annual review in the fourth quarter of each year, or more frequently if indicators of potential impairment exist, to determine if the recorded goodwill is impaired. Our impairment review process compares the fair value of our company, as we operate in one segment, to our net book value, including the goodwill. If a determination is made that it is "more-likely-than-not" that the long-term fair value of our company will remain below our net book value, goodwill should be tested prior to our annual review. Indicators that a potential impairment may exist prior to our annual review would include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a significant decline in the market value of our invested capital, including the market value of our common stock;
- a continued loss of our executives, principal engineers and other key employees; and
- sustained operating losses.

The calculation of fair value could be negatively impacted depending on changes in the inputs and assumptions used. Our fair value estimates are based on assumptions we believe to be reasonable but which are unpredictable and inherently uncertain and, as a result, actual results may differ from those estimates. To determine the fair value, our review process uses the discounted cash flows approach and the market approach, which utilizes comparable companies' data. The discounted cash flow approach uses estimates including the following: forecasted revenues, based on assumed market growth rates and our assumed market share; estimated costs; expected periods the assets will be utilized; and appropriate discount rates based on the particular business' weighted average cost of capital. Our estimates of market growth, our market share and costs are based on historical data, various internal estimates and certain external sources, and are based on assumptions that are consistent with the plans and estimates we use to manage the underlying business. Our business consists of both established and emerging technologies and our forecasts for emerging technologies are based upon internal estimates and external sources rather than historical information. We also consider our market capitalization on the dates of our impairment tests under SFAS No. 142 in determining the fair value of our company.

If the net book value of our company exceeds its implied fair value, goodwill will be considered impaired and a second step is performed to measure the amount of the impairment loss, if any. We have considered the above factors and noted that at December 26, 2008, our market value was not significantly lower than our net book value. We do not believe that a triggering event for impairment has been identified; therefore, the potential impairment of goodwill was

not tested as of December 26, 2008. However, due to the ongoing uncertainty in market conditions, we will continue to monitor and evaluate the net book value of goodwill in future periods. If the deterioration of macroeconomic conditions continues to worsen and if our business performance declines, we may be required to record impairment charges in the future. We must also consider whether indicators are present that would require us to record an impairment charge for our other intangible assets under SFAS No. 144.

For a complete description of what we believe to be the critical accounting policies that affect our more significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of our Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, please refer to Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Critical Accounting Policies in our Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008.

#### Acquisitions

On September 3, 2008, we completed the acquisition of Aristos, a provider of RAID technology to the data storage industry, pursuant to a Merger Agreement by and among Adaptec, Aristos, Ariel Acquisition Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of ours, and TPG Ventures, L.P., solely in its capacity as the representative of stockholders of Aristos. The Merger Agreement provided for our acquisition of Aristos through a merger in which Aristos became our wholly-owned subsidiary. The acquisition of Aristos will allow us to expand into adjacent RAID markets that we believe will provide us with growth opportunities, including blade servers, enterprise-class external storage systems and performance desktops, and will provide us with a strong ASIC roadmap. In addition, this acquisition enables us to pursue new OEM opportunities and expand our channel product offerings containing unified serial technologies.

We acquired Aristos for a purchase price of approximately \$38.9 million, which consisted of: (i) approximately \$28.7 million that was paid to certain Aristos senior preferred stockholders and warrant holders, of which 15%, or approximately \$4.3 million, is being withheld in an escrow account to secure potential indemnification obligations of Aristos stockholders; (ii) approximately \$3.2 million under a management liquidation pool established by Aristos prior to completion of the merger, which was immediately paid upon closing of the transaction; (iii) payments of approximately \$6.2 million to retire and satisfy certain commercial obligations and payables of Aristos; and (iv) accrued for \$0.8 million in direct transaction fees, including legal, valuation and accounting fees.

***Aristos Holdback:*** A portion of the Aristos acquisition price totaling \$4.3 million was held back, or the Aristos Holdback, in an escrow account to secure potential indemnification obligations of Aristos stockholders for unknown liabilities that may have existed as of the acquisition date. The Aristos Holdback is to be paid in two installments to the former Aristos stockholders during the twelfth and eighteenth month after the acquisition closing date, except for funds necessary to provide for any pending claims.

#### Management Liquidation Pool:

Under the Merger Agreement, we agreed to pay certain former employees of Aristos a total of \$5.6 million through a management liquidation pool established by Aristos prior to the completion of the merger. Of the \$5.6 million, \$3.2 million was immediately paid upon closing of the transaction and was included in the purchase price allocation of the cost to acquire Aristos. The remaining \$2.4 million is payable over time, not to exceed twelve months, contingent upon the continued employment of certain employees with us, and will be expensed to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations as earned. In the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2009, we recorded expense of \$1.0 million and \$1.3 million, respectively, in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations related to the management liquidation pool.

The Aristos acquisition was accounted for as a purchase business combination and, accordingly, the results of Aristos have been included in our unaudited condensed consolidated results of operation and financial position from the date of acquisition. The allocation of the Aristos purchase price to the tangible and identifiable intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed was based on valuation techniques such as the discounted cash flows and weighted

average cost methods used in the high technology industry using assumptions and estimates from management to calculate fair value.

#### Restructuring:

Restructuring charges associated with an acquisition of a company are accounted for under EITF No. 95- 3 and are included in the purchase price allocation of the acquired company. During the second quarter of fiscal 2009, we finalized a plan to integrate the Aristos operations, and accordingly, recorded a liability of \$0.2 million related to severance and related benefits, which has been reflected in the purchase price. We paid all of the liability and the plan was completed as of September 26, 2008.

#### Dispositions

On June 27, 2008, we entered into an asset purchase agreement with Overland for the sale of the Snap Server NAS business for \$3.3 million, of which \$2.1 million was received by us upon the closing of the transaction and the remaining \$1.2 million is to be received on the twelve-month anniversary of the closing of the transaction. At December 26, 2008, we established a reserve for the full remaining \$1.2 million of this receivable as a result of the financial difficulties Overland has reported. Notwithstanding the establishment of this reserve, we intend to seek payment in full of this receivable. Overland purchased all inventory and fixed assets related to the Snap Server NAS business and assumed service and support liabilities. Under the terms of the agreement, Overland granted us a nonexclusive license to certain intellectual property and provided Overland limited support services to help ensure a smooth transition. Expenses incurred in the transaction primarily include approximately \$0.5 million for broker, legal and accounting fees. In addition, we accrued \$0.1 million for lease obligations. We recorded a gain of \$4.6 million on the disposal of the Snap Server NAS business in the first nine months of fiscal 2009 in "Income (loss) from disposal of discontinued operations, net of taxes," in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

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Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

For financial market risks related to changes in interest rates, equity price and foreign currency exchange rates, reference is made to Item 7A: "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk" contained in Part II of our Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008. Our exposure to market risk has not changed materially since March 31, 2008.

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#### Item 4. Controls and Procedures

##### Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and our Chief Financial Officer (CFO), we conducted an evaluation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Exchange Act)), as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Based upon that evaluation, our CEO and our CFO have concluded that the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures were effective to provide reasonable assurance that the information required to be disclosed by us in reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act (i) is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in Securities and Exchange Commission rules and forms and (ii) is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our CEO and CFO, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

##### Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There has been no change in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act) that occurred during the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

##### Inherent Limitations on Effectiveness of Controls

A control system, no matter how well conceived and operated, can only provide reasonable assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. Further, the design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints, and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Because of these inherent limitations, no evaluation of our disclosure controls and procedures or our internal control over financial reporting will provide absolute assurance that misstatements due to error or fraud will not occur.

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PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

We were previously subject to IRS audits for our fiscal years 1994 through 2003. During the third quarter of fiscal 2007, we reached resolution with the United States taxing authorities on all outstanding audit issues relating to those fiscal years. However, our tax provision continues to reflect judgment and estimation regarding components of the settlement such as interest calculations and the application of the settlements to state and local taxing jurisdictions. Although we believe our tax estimates are reasonable, the ultimate tax outcome may materially differ from the tax amounts recorded in our Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and may cause a higher effective tax rate that could materially affect our income tax provision, results of operations or cash flows in the period or periods for which such determination is made. In the first quarter of fiscal 2009, the IRS concluded its audit of our federal income tax returns for the fiscal 2004 through 2006 audit cycle. The IRS issued a No Change Report indicating no change to our tax liability; however, the IRS continues to have the ability to adjust tax attributes relating to these years in subsequent audits. We believe that we have provided sufficient tax provisions for these years and the ultimate outcome of any future IRS audits that include the tax attributes will not have a material adverse impact on our financial position or results of operations in future periods. However, we cannot predict with certainty how these matters will be resolved and whether we will be required to make additional tax payments.

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Item 1A. Risk Factors

Our business faces significant risks. The risks described below may not be the only risks we face. Additional risks that we do not yet know of or that we currently think are immaterial may also impair our results of operations and financial condition. If any of the events or circumstances described in the following risks actually occurs, our business, financial condition or results of operations could suffer, and the trading price of our common stock could decline.

Our operating results may be adversely affected by unfavorable economic and market conditions and the uncertain geopolitical environment.

Economic conditions have recently deteriorated significantly in many of the countries and regions in which we do business and may remain depressed for the foreseeable future. Global economic conditions have been challenged by worldwide liquidity and credit concerns and the related effects on economies around the world. Continuing adverse global economic conditions in our markets would likely negatively impact our business, which could result in:

- Reduced demand for our products;
- Increased price competition for our products;
- Increased risk of excess and obsolete inventories;
- Increased risk in the collectibility of cash from our customers;
- Increased risk in potential reserves for doubtful accounts and write-offs of accounts receivable; and
- Higher operating costs as a percentage of revenues.

If the global economic crisis causes demand in the server and network storage markets to decline, demand for our products would also likely be negatively affected. Some of the factors that could influence demand in the server and network storage markets include continuing increases in fuel and other energy costs, labor costs, access to credit, consumer confidence and other macroeconomic factors affecting corporate spending behavior. It is difficult to predict future server sales growth, if any. If global economic conditions remain uncertain or deteriorate further, we may experience material adverse impacts on our business, operating results and financial condition.

Actions that we have taken and the actions that we are considering could adversely affect our business and financial results in the short-term, and may not have the long-term beneficial results that we intend.

Our management team continuously reviews and evaluates all aspects of our business, including our product portfolio, our relationships with strategic partners, our research and development focus and sales and marketing efforts to better scale our operations relative to our cost basis.

The actions that we have taken in the first nine months of fiscal 2009, which include the acquisition of Aristos, the disposition of our Snap NAS Server business, and the implementation of restructuring plans, and the actions that we are considering could adversely affect our business and financial results in the short-term, may not have the long-term beneficial results that we intend and could result in the following:

- Loss of customers;
- Loss of employees;
- Increased dependency on suppliers;
- Supply issues;
- Reduced revenue base;
- Impairment of our assets;
- Increased operating costs;
- Material restructuring charges; and
- Loss of liquidity.

We may sustain losses in our investment portfolio due to adverse changes in the global credit markets.

Global economic conditions have been challenged by slowing growth and the sub-prime debt devaluation crisis, causing worldwide liquidity and credit concerns. A substantial portion of our assets consists of our investments in marketable securities that we hold as available-for-sale and mark them to market. While there has been a decline in the trading values of certain of the securities in which we have invested, we have not recognized a material loss on our securities as the unrealized losses incurred were not deemed to be other-than-temporary. We expect to realize the full value of all our marketable securities upon maturity or sale, as we have the intent and believe we have the ability to hold the securities until the full value is realized. However, we can not provide any assurance that our invested cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities will not be impacted by adverse conditions in the financial markets, which may require us to record an impairment charge that could adversely impact our financial results.

***If the net book value of our long-lived assets is not recoverable, an impairment loss must be recognized which would adversely affect our financial results.*** Certain events or changes in circumstances would require us to assess the recoverability of the net book value amount of our long-lived assets. For example, in fiscal 2008, we recorded an impairment charge of \$2.2 million for our intangible assets related to our acquisition of Elipsan Limited due to a revision in our forecasts that resulted in expected negative long-term cash flows for these assets for the first time. We do not believe that a triggering event for impairment has been identified as of December 26, 2008; therefore, the potential impairment of goodwill was not tested as of December 26, 2008. However, due to the ongoing uncertainty in market conditions, we will continue to monitor and evaluate our net book value of our long-lived assets in future periods. If the deterioration of macroeconomic conditions continues to worsen and if our business performance declines, we may be required to record impairment charges in the future, which could adversely affect our financial results.

If our design wins do not result in significant sales, our revenues will continue to decline.

A "design win" occurs when a customer or prospective customer notifies us that our product has been selected to be integrated within its product. In October 2008, we announced a design win with IBM for our RAID Storage Processor technology, which will be implemented into its IBM BladeCenter S product. The success that we ultimately experience from a design win is largely a factor of the success of the customer's product into which our product has been integrated. We have virtually no control over, and sometimes have very little visibility as to, the success of our customer's products, which is dependent upon a number of factors including current market conditions. If our design wins do not result in significant sales, our revenues will continue to decline which could adversely affect our business.

As our revenue base continues to decline from our current operations, we may choose to exit or divest some or a substantial portion of our current operations to focus on new opportunities.

Our management team continuously reviews and evaluates our product portfolio, operating structure and markets to determine the future viability of our existing products and market positions. We may determine that the infrastructure and expenses necessary to sustain an existing business or product offering is greater than the potential contribution margin that will be obtainable in the future. As a result, we may determine that it is in our interest to exit or divest such existing business or product offering. For example, in the first quarter of fiscal 2009, we sold our Snap Server NAS business, which was the majority of our segment previously known as SSG, and reclassified all historical costs as discontinued operations. In fiscal 2007, we also decided not to invest further in our business related to a previous segment due to OEMs incorporating other connectivity technologies directly into their products, the increased level of competition entering the market and the complexities of the retail channel. As a result, we wound down this business throughout fiscal 2007 and exited it at March 31, 2007. However, we may seek growth opportunities beyond those presented by our existing product lines by entering into strategic alliances, partnerships or acquisitions in order to scale our business, and we may not succeed in these efforts.

We currently depend on a small number of large OEM customers for a significant portion of our revenues, and we have been unsuccessful in the past in obtaining design wins, which will prevent us from sustaining or growing our revenues from OEM customers.

A small number of large OEMs have historically been responsible for a significant percentage of our revenues. However, we have failed to secure design wins from these OEM customers in connection with their new products, which have adversely affected our revenues and will continue to adversely affect our future revenues. For example, in the second quarter of fiscal 2008, a significant customer notified us that we did not receive design wins for our next generation serial products, which will have a significant negative impact on our revenues over the next few quarters and we anticipate the revenue levels for these products beyond the second quarter of fiscal 2010 will be significantly smaller. We have evaluated this portion of our business, and we are only opportunistically pursuing future business from OEM customers with our current product portfolio, as the future growth opportunities for our current products are limited. While we expect to be able to pursue new OEM opportunities for products containing unified serial technologies as a result of the Aristos acquisition, we cannot predict the extent to which any such sales would offset the decline in OEM sales from our legacy products.

We depend on a few key customers and the loss of any of them could significantly reduce our net revenues.

Historically, a small number of our customers have accounted for a significant portion of our net revenues. For example, in the first nine months of fiscal 2009, IBM accounted for 36% of our total net revenues, and in the first nine months of fiscal 2008, IBM accounted for 42% of our total net revenues. We believe that our major customers continually evaluate whether or not to purchase products from alternate or additional sources. Additionally, our customers' economic and market conditions frequently change, and many of our customers may be negatively impacted by the current global economic turmoil. Accordingly, we cannot assure you that one or more of our major customers will not reduce, delay or eliminate its purchases from us, which would likely cause our revenues to decline further. For example, in the second quarter of fiscal 2008, a significant customer notified us that we did not receive design wins for our next generation serial products, which will have a significant negative impact on our revenues over the next few quarters and we anticipate the revenue levels for these products beyond the second quarter of fiscal 2010 to be significantly smaller. As our revenues from our large OEM customers continue to decline, we will be increasingly dependent on our channel products and customers for future revenue growth. We do not carry credit insurance on our accounts receivables and any difficulty in collecting outstanding amounts due from our customers, particularly customers that place larger orders or experience financial difficulties, could adversely affect our revenues and our operating results. Because our sales are made by means of standard purchase orders rather than long-term contracts, we cannot assure you that these customers will continue to purchase quantities of our products at current levels, or at all.

In order to execute our strategies, we may enter into strategic alliances with, partner with, invest in or acquire companies with complementary or strategic products or technologies. Costs associated with these strategic alliances, investments or acquisitions may adversely affect our results of operations. This impact could be exacerbated if we are unable to integrate the acquired companies, products or technologies.

We may pursue strategic transactions, partnerships, investments and acquisitions in order to scale our business as sales of our core parallel products continue to decline. These may include both strengthening our partnerships in silicon-based technology and broadening our silicon-based intellectual property to improve our business opportunities. In order to be successful in the strategic alliances, partnerships, investments or acquisitions that we may enter into or make, we must:

- Conduct strategic alliances, partnerships, investments or acquisitions that enhance our time to market with new products;
- Successfully prevail over competing bidders for target strategic alliances, partnerships, investments or acquisitions at an acceptable price;

- Invest in companies and technologies that contribute to the profitable growth of our business;
- Integrate acquired operations into our business and maintain uniform standards, controls and procedures;
- Retain the key employees of the acquired operations; and
- Develop the capabilities necessary to exploit newly acquired technologies.

In September 2008, we completed our acquisition of Aristos, a provider of RAID technology to the data storage industry. The benefits of this acquisition or any strategic alliances, partnerships, investments or other acquisitions may prove to be less than anticipated and may not outweigh the costs reported in our financial statements, and we may not obtain the operational leverage or realize the improvements we intend or desire with the actions we take.

Completing any potential future strategic alliances, partnerships, investments or acquisitions could cause significant diversions of management time and resources and divert focus from the activities of our current operations. We may encounter difficulty in integrating and assimilating the operations and personnel of the acquired companies, including those associated with the Aristos acquisition, into our operations or the acquired technology and rights into our services. We may also lack the experience or expertise in the new products and markets, which may impair the relationships with customers or suppliers of the acquired business, including those associated with the Aristos acquisition. The acquisition of new operations may require us to develop additional internal controls to support these new operations. We may experience material deficiencies or weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting as a result of the addition of new operations or due to changes to our internal controls, which could have a material impact on our results of operations when corrected. Additionally, we may not be successful in overcoming these risks or any other problems encountered in connection with these or other acquisitions, strategic alliances or investments, which could result in an adverse impact on our ability to develop or sustain the acquired business.

If we acquire new businesses, products or technologies in the future, we may be required to assume warranty claims or other contingent liabilities, including liabilities unknown at the time of acquisition, and amortize significant amounts of other intangible assets and, over time, recognize significant charges for impairment of goodwill, other intangible assets or other losses.

If we consummate any potential future acquisitions in which the consideration consists of our common stock or other securities, our existing stockholders' ownership may be significantly diluted. If we proceed with any potential future acquisitions in which the consideration is cash, we may be required to use a substantial portion of our available cash. If we were to use a substantial portion of our available cash, we might need to repatriate cash from our subsidiaries, which may cause us to incur additional income taxes at a rate up to 40%, which is our blended (federal and state) statutory rate in the United States. In addition, we may be required to invest significant resources in order to perform under a strategic alliance or partnership, or to complete an acquisition or investment, which could adversely affect our results of operations, at least in the short-term, even if we believe the acquisition, strategic alliance or investment will benefit us in the long-term.

***If we are not successful in completing additional acquisitions of or strategic alliances or partnerships with companies with complementary or strategic products or technologies, our future growth may be hindered.*** In September 2008, we completed our acquisition of Aristos, a provider of RAID technology to the data storage industry. In order to scale our operations relative to our cost basis, we may need to identify additional attractive acquisition, strategic alliance or partnership candidates and complete a transaction with them. If we fail to identify and complete additional successful acquisitions or strategic alliances or partnerships, we expect that our revenues will continue to decline and we may be at a competitive disadvantage or we may be adversely affected by negative market perceptions, any of which may have a material adverse effect on our financial results.

We depend on contract manufacturers and subcontractors, and if they fail to meet our manufacturing needs, it could delay shipments of our products and result in the loss of customers or revenues and increased manufacturing costs,

which would have an adverse effect on our results.

We rely on contract manufacturers for manufacturing our products and subcontractors for the assembly and packaging of the integrated circuits included in our products. On December 23, 2005, we entered into a three-year contract manufacturing agreement with Sanmina-SCI. Under this agreement, Sanmina-SCI assumed manufacturing operations for the majority of our products. The transition of the manufacturing facilities did not go as well as we expected, as Sanmina-SCI experienced material shortages that impacted its ability to meet delivery commitments on a consistent basis, which negatively impacted our net revenues and operating results in the first quarter of fiscal 2007. We continued to see an impact in our channel penetration throughout fiscal 2007 as a result of not meeting the demands in the first quarter of fiscal 2007. We must work closely with Sanmina-SCI to ensure that products are delivered on a timely basis. In addition, we must ensure that Sanmina-SCI continues to provide quality products. If Sanmina-SCI is unwilling or unable to meet our supply needs, including timely delivery and adherence to standard quality, we could lose customers or revenues and incur increased manufacturing costs, which would have an adverse effect on our operating results.

Due to the nature of this relationship, and the continuous changes in the prices of components and parts, we are in ongoing negotiations with Sanmina-SCI concerning product pricing. Any adverse outcome of future disputes concerning product pricing could adversely impact our gross margins. We have no long-term agreements with our assembly and packaging subcontractors. We also employ SuperMicro to manufacture certain iSCSI products and Amkor Technology and Advanced Semiconductor Engineering to final assemble and test operations related to our ASIC products. We cannot assure you that these subcontractors will continue to be able and willing to meet our requirements. Any significant disruption in supplies from or degradation in the quality of components or services supplied by these contract manufacturers and subcontractors could delay shipments and result in the loss of customers or revenues, which could have an adverse effect on our operating results.

Our contract manufacturing agreement with Sanmina-SCI expired in January 2009. We are currently engaged in discussions regarding our manufacturing needs with Sanmina-SCI, as well as other contract manufacturers, to ensure that the contract manufacturer we choose aligns with our future strategic goals. Factors that we need to consider include, but are not limited to, transition efforts, meeting our supply needs and providing standard quality products. If we choose a contract manufacturer that fails to meet the above factors, it could delay shipments of our products and result in the loss of customers or increased manufacturing costs, which would have an adverse effect on our operating and financial results. We continue to purchase our products from Sanmina-SCI through purchase orders under similar terms of the expired agreement. Our financial results could be adversely impacted if we do not secure a contract with Sanmina-SCI or another contract manufacturer in the near future.

Our operations depend on the efforts of our workforce, particularly our executives, principal engineers and other key employees, the loss of whom could affect the growth and success of our business.

In order to be successful, we must retain and motivate our executives, our principal engineers and other key employees, including those in managerial, technical, marketing and information technology support positions. In particular, our product generation efforts depend on hiring and retaining qualified engineers. Competition for experienced management, technical, marketing and support personnel such as these remains intense. We must also continue to motivate all of our other employees and keep them focused on our strategies and goals, which may be particularly difficult due to morale challenges posed by continued workforce reductions, including absorbing additional responsibilities as we become a smaller company, as well as the uncertainty regarding the outlook of our company as revenues continue to decline. Each of our employees is an "at-will" employee, and, as a result, any of our employees could terminate their employment with us at any time without penalty and may seek employment with one or more of our competitors. The loss of any of our key employees as well as a high level of attrition from all our other employees could have a significant impact on our operations.



If we do not meet our expense reduction and cost containment goals, we may have to continue to implement additional restructuring plans in order to reduce our operating costs. This may cause us to incur additional material restructuring charges and result in adverse effects on our employee capacities.

We have implemented several restructuring plans to reduce our operating costs and recorded related restructuring charges of \$4.2 million, \$6.3 million, \$3.7 million and \$10.4 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2009, and in fiscal years 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively. These restructuring plans primarily involved the reduction of our workforce and the closure of certain facilities, which included our manufacturing operations in Singapore in fiscal 2006. The goals of our restructuring plans that were implemented prior to fiscal 2006 were to support future growth opportunities, focus on investments that grow revenues and increase operating margins. Our recent goals involve better alignment of our cost structure with our anticipated revenue stream and improving our results of operations and cash flow. We have in the past not realized, and in the future may not realize, the anticipated benefits of the restructuring plans we initiated. To the extent that we do not meet our expense reduction goals, we may be required to implement further restructuring plans, which may lead us to incur material restructuring charges. Further, our restructuring plans could result in a potential adverse effect on employee capabilities that could harm our efficiency and our ability to act quickly and effectively in the rapidly changing technology markets in which we sell our products.

The impact of industry technology transitions and market acceptance of our new products may cause our revenues to continue to decline.

We have experienced a significant decline in our revenues as the industry continues to transition from parallel to serial connectivity, as the revenues we generate from sales of our serial products has not grown at a fast enough rate to offset declines in sales of our parallel products. We expect this trend to continue in future periods. In addition, products that we may develop may not gain sufficient market acceptance to offset the decline in revenues from certain of our existing products or otherwise contribute significantly to revenues. These factors, individually or in the aggregate, could cause our revenues to continue to decline.

Our dependence on new products may cause our net revenues to fluctuate or decline.

Our future success significantly depends upon our completing and introducing enhanced and new products at competitive prices and performance levels in a timely manner. The success of new product introductions depends on several factors, including the following:

- Designing products to meet customer needs;
- Product costs;
- Timely completion and introduction of new product designs;
- Quality of new products;
- Differentiation of new products from those of our competitors; and
- Market acceptance of our products.

Our product life cycles may be as brief as 12 months. As a result, we believe that we will continue to incur significant expenditures for research and development in the future. We may fail to identify new product opportunities and may not develop and bring new products to market in a timely manner. In addition, products or technologies developed by others may render our products or technologies obsolete or noncompetitive, or our targeted customers may not select our products for design or integration into their products. The failure of any of our new product development efforts could have an adverse effect on our business and financial results.

We have introduced RAID-enabled products based on the next generation SATA technology and delivered our products based on SAS technology to certain major customers for testing and integration. We will not succeed in generating significant revenues from our new SATA and SAS technology products if the market does not adapt to

these new technologies, which would, over time, adversely affect our net revenues and operating results.

If we lose the cooperation of other hardware and software producers whose products are integral to ours, our ability to sustain or grow our revenues could be adversely affected.

We must design our products to operate effectively with a variety of hardware and software products supplied by other manufacturers, including the following:

- I/O and RAID ASICs;
- Microprocessors;
- Peripherals;
- Operating system software;
- Server and desktop motherboards; and
- Enclosures.

We depend on significant cooperation from these manufacturers to achieve our design objectives and develop products that operate successfully with their products. These companies could, from time to time, elect to make it more difficult for us to design our products for successful operability with their products. For example, if one or more of these companies were to determine that as a result of competition or other factors, our products would not be broadly accepted by the markets we target, these companies may no longer work with us to plan for new products and new generations of our products, which would make it more difficult to introduce products on a timely basis or at all. Further, some of these companies might decide not to continue to offer products that are compatible with our technology and our markets could contract. If any of these events were to occur, our revenues and financial results could be adversely affected.

If we are unable to compete effectively, our net revenues and gross margins could be adversely affected.

The markets for all of our products are intensely competitive and are characterized by the following:

- Rapid technological advances;
- Frequent new product introductions;
- Evolving industry standards; and
- Price erosion.

We must continue to enhance our products on a timely basis to keep pace with market demands. If we do not do so, or if our competition is more effective in developing products that meet the needs of our existing and potential customers, we may lose market share and not participate in the future growth of our target markets. Revenues for our SATA products sold to our OEM customers have declined and we expect these revenues to continue to decline, as our products are at the end of their life cycles and certain of our customers have moved to other suppliers to obtain next generation SATA technologies. We also expect a significant negative impact on our net revenues from our serial products over the next few quarters and we anticipate the revenue levels for these products beyond the second quarter of fiscal 2010 to be minimal as a significant customer notified us in the second quarter of fiscal 2008 that we did not receive design wins for our next generation serial products.

Our future revenue growth remains largely dependent on the success of our new products addressing unified serial technologies and growing our market share in the channel, and our future operating results will be influenced by our ability to participate in the development of the network storage market in which we face intense competition from other companies that are also focusing on networked storage products. If we experience an incremental decline in our revenues beyond the declines anticipated, and we are unable to effectively manage our inventory levels, we may be required to record additional inventory-related charges, which would adversely impact our gross margins.

We cannot assure you that we will have sufficient resources to accomplish all of the following:

- Satisfy any growth in demand for our products;
- Make timely introductions of new products;
- Compete successfully in the future against existing or potential competitors; or
- Prevent price competition from eroding margins.

We depend on the efforts of our distributors, which if reduced, could result in a loss of sales of our products in favor of competitive offerings.

We derived approximately 50% of our revenues for the first nine months of fiscal 2009 from independent distributor and reseller channels. Our financial results could be adversely affected if our relationships with these distributors or resellers were to deteriorate or if the financial condition of these distributors or resellers were to decline. We continue to monitor and evaluate our distributors and may terminate distributor relationships to improve our product placement or improve distribution channels; however, the termination of a distributor may adversely affect our financial results in the short term.

Our distributors generally offer a diverse array of products from several different manufacturers. Accordingly, we are at risk that these distributors may give higher priority to selling products from other suppliers. A reduction in sales efforts by our current distributors could adversely affect our business and financial results. For example, some of our distributors threatened to stop selling our products or make pricing of our products non-competitive if we did not agree to absorb their costs to comply with the Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Directive with respect to our products. Our distributors build inventories in anticipation of future sales, and if such sales do not occur as rapidly as they anticipate, our distributors will decrease the size of their product orders. If we decrease our price protection or distributor-incentive programs, our distributors may also decrease their orders from us. In addition, we have from time to time taken actions to reduce levels of products at distributors and may do so in the future. These actions may affect our net revenues and negatively affect our financial results.

We currently purchase all of the finished production silicon wafers, chips and other key components used in our products from suppliers, and if they fail to meet our manufacturing needs, it would delay our production and our product shipments to customers and negatively affect our operations.

Independent foundries manufacture to our specifications all of the finished silicon wafers and chips used for our products. We currently purchase finished production silicon wafers used in our products from Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company, or TSMC, and purchase finished production chips from LSI Corporation. In addition, we purchase some of our key components used in our products from sole-source suppliers. The manufacture of semiconductor devices and other components are sensitive to a wide variety of factors, including the following:

- The availability of raw materials;
- The availability of manufacturing capacity;
- Transition to smaller geometries of semiconductor devices;
- The level of contaminants in the manufacturing environment;
- Impurities in the materials used; and
- The performance of personnel and equipment.

We cannot assure you that manufacturing problems may not occur in the future. A shortage of raw materials or production capacity could lead our suppliers to allocate available capacity to other customers. Any prolonged inability to obtain wafers and other key components with competitive performance and cost attributes, adequate yields or timely deliveries would delay our production and our product shipments, and could have an adverse effect on our business and financial results. We expect that our suppliers will continually seek to convert their processes for manufacturing wafers and key components to more advanced process technologies. Such conversions entail inherent

technological risks that can affect yields and delivery times. If for any reason the suppliers we use are unable or unwilling to satisfy our wafer and other key component needs, we will be required to identify and qualify additional suppliers. Additional suppliers for wafers and other key components may be unavailable, may take significant amounts of time to qualify or may be unable to satisfy our requirements on a timely basis.

Because our sales are made by means of standard purchase orders rather than long-term contracts, if demand for our customers' products declines or if our customers do not control their inventories effectively, they may cancel or reschedule shipments previously ordered from us or reduce their levels of purchases from us.

The volume and timing of orders received during a quarter are difficult to forecast. Our customers generally order based on their forecasts and they frequently encounter uncertain and changing demand for their products. If demand falls below such forecasts or if our customers do not control their inventories effectively, they may cancel or reschedule shipments previously ordered from us. Our customers have from time to time in the past canceled or rescheduled shipments previously ordered from us, and we cannot assure you that they will not do so in the future. For example, in the third quarter of fiscal 2007, the demand for our products from certain OEM customers substantially declined from their initial forecasts, which adversely affected our operating results. As our sales are made by means of standard purchase orders rather than long-term contracts, we cannot assure you that these customers will continue to purchase quantities of our products at current levels, or at all. Historically, we have set our operating budget based on forecasts of future revenues because we do not have significant backlog. Because much of our operating budget is relatively fixed in the short-term, if revenues do not meet our expectations, then our financial results will be adversely affected.

If we fail to adequately forecast demand for our products, we may incur excess product inventory costs and our financial results will be adversely affected.

As the sales of our products are completed through standard purchase orders rather than long-term contracts, we provide our contract manufacturer forecasts based on anticipated future demand from our customers. To the extent that our customers' demands fall below their initial forecast and we are unable to sell the product to another customer, and because our purchase commitment lead time to manufacture products with the contract manufacturer is longer than the lead time for a customer to cancel or reschedule an order, we may be exposed to excess product inventory costs and our financial results will be adversely affected. For example, in the third quarter of fiscal 2007, we incurred significant inventory-related charges of \$7.8 million due to a significant decline in our revenue stream.

Our operating results have fluctuated in the past, and are likely to continue to fluctuate, and if our future results are below the expectations of investors or securities analysts, the market price of our common stock would likely decline significantly.

Our quarterly operating results have fluctuated in the past, and are likely to vary significantly in the future, based on a number of factors related to our industry and the markets for our products. Factors that are likely to cause our operating results to fluctuate include those discussed in this Risk Factors section.

Our operating expenses are largely based on anticipated revenues, and a large portion of our expenses, including facility costs and salaries, are fixed in the short term. As a result, lower than anticipated revenues for any reason could cause significant variations in our operating results from quarter to quarter.

Due to the factors summarized above, and the other risks described in this section, we believe that you should not rely on period-to-period comparisons of our financial results as an indication of our future performance. In the event that our operating results fall below the expectations of securities analysts or investors, the market price of our common stock could decline substantially.

We may be subject to a higher effective tax rate that could negatively affect our results of operations and financial position.

We are subject to income and other taxes in the United States and in the foreign taxing jurisdictions in which we operate. The determination of our worldwide provision for income taxes and current and deferred tax assets and liabilities requires judgment and estimation and is subject to audit and redetermination by the taxing authorities. Although we believe our tax estimates are reasonable, the following factors could cause our effective tax rate to be materially different than tax amounts recorded in our consolidated financial statements:

- The jurisdiction in which profits are determined to be earned and taxed;
- Adjustments to estimated taxes upon finalization of various tax returns;
- Changes in available tax credits;
- Changes in share-based compensation expense;
- Changes in tax laws, the interpretation of tax laws either in the United States or abroad or the issuance of new interpretative accounting guidance related to uncertain transactions and calculations where the tax treatment was previously uncertain; and
- The resolution of issues arising from tax audits with various tax authorities.

The factors noted above may cause a higher effective tax rate that could materially affect our income tax provision, results of operations or cash flows in the period or periods for which such determination is made.

We held approximately \$81.7 million of cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities at our subsidiaries in Singapore and Cayman Islands at December 26, 2008. During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2005, we repatriated \$360.6 million of cash from Singapore to the United States in connection with the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004 which provided a one-time deduction of 85% for certain dividends from controlled foreign corporations. If the amount repatriated does not qualify for the one-time deduction, we could incur additional income taxes at up to the United States federal statutory rate of 35%, which would negatively affect our results of operations and financial condition.

Our reliance on industry standards and technological changes in the marketplace may cause our net revenues to fluctuate or decline.

The computer industry is characterized by various, evolving standards and protocols. We design our products to conform to certain industry standards and protocols such as the following:

Technologies:

- ATA
- CIFS
- Fibre channel
- FTP
- HTTP
- IPsec
- iSCSI
- NFS
- PCI
- PCIe
- PCI-X
- RAID
- SAS
- SATA

- SCSI
- SMI-S

Operating Systems:

- Linux
- Macintosh
- Netware
- OS/2
- UNIX
- Windows

If user acceptance of these standards declines, or if new standards emerge, and if we do not anticipate these changes and develop new products, these changes could adversely affect our business and financial results.

We are subject to various environmental laws and regulations that could impose substantial costs upon us and may adversely affect our business.

We may from time to time be subject to various state, federal, and international laws and regulations governing the environment, including laws regulating the manufacture and distribution of chemical substances and laws restricting the presence of certain substances in electronics products. For example, the European Parliament enacted the Restriction of Hazardous Substances, or RoHS, directive, which restricts the sale of new electrical and electronic equipment containing certain hazardous substances, including lead. We recorded an excess inventory expense of \$1.9 million in fiscal 2006 related to the transition of our products to comply with the RoHS directive. If any of our products that are designated to be RoHS compliant are deemed to be non-compliant, we may suffer a loss of revenues, be unable to sell affected products in certain markets or countries and be at a competitive disadvantage.

Similar legislation has been or may be enacted in other jurisdictions and countries. If our products become non-compliant with the various environmental laws and regulations, we could incur substantial costs which could negatively affect our results of operations and financial position.

If we do not provide adequate support during our customers' design and development stage, or if we are unable to provide such support in a timely manner, we may lose revenues to our competitors.

Certain of our products are designed to meet our customers' specifications and, to the extent we are not able to meet these expectations in a timely manner or provide adequate support during our customers' design and development stage, our customers may choose to buy similar products from another company. If this were to occur, we may lose revenues and market share to our competitors.

If there is a shortage of components used in our customers' products, our sales may decline, which could adversely affect our results of operations and financial position.

If our customers are unable to purchase certain components which are embedded into their products, their demand for our products may decline. In addition, we or our customers may be impacted by component shortages if components that comply with the RoHS directive are not available. Similar shortages of components used in our products or our customers' products could adversely affect our net revenues and financial results in future periods.

Product quality problems could lead to reduced revenues and gross margins.

We produce highly complex products that incorporate leading-edge technologies, including both hardware and software. Software often contains "bugs" which can interfere with expected operations. We cannot assure you that our

pre-shipment testing programs will be adequate to detect all defects which might interfere with customer satisfaction, reduce sales opportunities, or affect our gross margins if the costs of remedying the problems exceed reserves established for that purpose. An inability to cure a product defect could result in the failure of a product line, and withdrawal, at least temporarily, from a product or market segment, damage to our reputation, inventory costs, product reengineering expenses, and a material impact on revenues and gross margins.

Our charter documents and Delaware law contain anti-takeover provisions that could prevent, discourage or delay a change in control or management, which may affect the price of our common stock.

Some provisions of our certificate of incorporation and bylaws could have the effect of making it more difficult for a potential acquirer to acquire a majority of our outstanding voting stock. These include completing procedural requirements for stockholders holding 5% of voting shares to take action by written consent and restricting the ability of stockholders to call special meetings. We are also subject to provisions of Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law which prohibits us from engaging in any business combination with an interested stockholder for a period of three years from the date the person became an interested stockholder, unless certain conditions are met. These restrictions could have the effect of delaying or preventing a change of control or management.

Some of our products contain "open source" software, and any failure to comply with the terms of one or more of these open source licenses could negatively affect our business.

Some of our products are distributed with software licensed by its authors or other third parties under so-called "open source" licenses, including, for example, the GNU General Public License, or GPL, GNU Lesser General Public License, or LGPL, the Mozilla Public License, the BSD License and the Apache License. Some of those licenses may require as a condition of the license that we make available source code for modifications or derivative works we create based upon, incorporating, or using the open source software, that we provide notices with our products, and/or that we license such modifications or derivative works under the terms of a particular open source license or other license granting third parties certain rights of further use. If an author or other third party that distributes such open source software were to allege that we had not complied with the conditions of one or more of those open source licenses, we could be required to incur legal expenses in defending against such allegations, and if our defenses were not successful we could be enjoined from distribution of the products that contained the open source software and required to either make the source code for the open source software available, to grant third parties certain rights of further use of our software, or to remove the open source software from our products, which could disrupt our distribution and sale of some of our products. In addition, if we combine our proprietary software with open source software in a certain manner, we could under some of the open source licenses, be required to release the source code of our proprietary software. If an author or other third party that distributes open source software were to obtain a judgment against us based on allegations that we had not complied with the terms of any such open source licenses, we could also be subject to liability for copyright infringement damages and breach of contract for our past distribution of such open source software.

Our international operations involve a number of political, economic and other risks that could adversely affect our ability to sell our products in certain countries, create local economic conditions that reduce demand for our products among our target markets and expose us to potential disruption in the supply of necessary components.

Our international operations and sales are subject to political and economic risks, including political instability, currency controls, and changes in import/export regulations, tariffs and freight rates. Many of our subcontractors are primarily located in Asia and we have sales offices and customers located throughout Europe, Japan and other countries. In addition, because our primary wafer supplier, TSMC, is located in Taiwan, we may be subject to certain risks resulting from political instability in Taiwan, including conflicts between Taiwan and the People's Republic of China. These and other international risks could result in the creation of political or other non-economic barriers to our being able to sell our products in certain countries, create local economic conditions that reduce demand for our products among our target markets, expose us to potential disruption in the supply of necessary components or

otherwise adversely affect our ability to generate revenues and operate effectively. In addition, the operations of our remote locations are subject to management oversight and control. If our business practices and corporate controls are not adhered to worldwide, our business and financial results could be adversely affected.

We depend on third parties to transport our products.

We rely on independent freight forwarders to move our products between manufacturing plants and our customers. Any transport or delivery problems because of their errors, or because of unforeseen interruptions in their activities due to factors such as strikes, political instability, terrorism, natural disasters and accidents, could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations and ultimately impact our relationship with our customers.

If actual results or events differ materially from those contemplated by us in making estimates and assumptions, our reported financial condition and results of operations for future periods could be materially affected.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. For example, we have identified key accounting estimates in our Critical Accounting Policies in our Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the year ended March 31, 2008 and in this Form 10-Q, which include revenue recognition, inventory, stock-based compensation, income taxes and goodwill. Furthermore, Note 1 to the Consolidated Financial Statements in our Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the year ended March 31, 2008 describes the significant accounting policies essential to preparing our consolidated financial statements. The preparation of these financial statements requires estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and disclosures. Although we believe that our judgments and estimates are appropriate and correct, actual future results may differ materially from our estimates.

If we are unable to protect and enforce our intellectual property rights, we may be unable to compete effectively.

Although we actively maintain and defend our intellectual property rights, we may be unable to adequately protect our proprietary rights. In addition, the laws of certain territories in which our products are or may be developed, manufactured or sold, including Asia and Europe, may not protect our products and intellectual property rights to the same extent as the laws of the United States. Because we conduct a substantial portion of our operations outside of the United States and sell to a worldwide customer base, we are more dependent on our ability to protect our intellectual property in international environments than would be the case if a larger portion of our operations were domestic.

Despite our efforts, we may be unable to prevent third parties from infringing upon or misappropriating our intellectual property, which could harm our business and ability to compete effectively. We have from time to time discovered counterfeit copies of our products being manufactured or sold by others. Although we have programs to detect and deter the counterfeiting of our products, significant availability of counterfeit products could reduce our revenues and damage our reputation and goodwill with customers.

Third parties may assert infringement claims against us, which may be expensive to defend and could divert our resources.

From time to time, third parties assert exclusive patent, copyright and other intellectual property rights to our key technologies, and we expect to continue to receive such claims in the future. The risks of receiving additional claims from third parties may be increased in periods when we begin to offer product lines employing new technologies relative to our existing products.

We cannot assure you that third parties will not assert other infringement claims against us, directly or indirectly, in the future, that assertions by third parties will not result in costly litigation or that we would prevail in such litigation or be able to license any valid and infringed intellectual property from third parties on commercially reasonable terms.



These claims may be asserted in respect of intellectual property that we own or that we license from others. In addition to claims brought against us by third parties, we may also bring litigation against others to protect our rights. Intellectual property litigation, regardless of the outcome, could result in substantial costs to us and diversion of our resources and management time and attention, and could adversely affect our business and financial results.

We may be required to pay additional federal income taxes which could negatively affect our results of operations and financial position.

We were previously subject to IRS audits for our fiscal years 1994 through 2003. During the third quarter of fiscal 2007, we reached resolution with the United States taxing authorities relating to those fiscal years. However, our tax provision continues to reflect judgment and estimation regarding components of the settlement such as interest calculations and the application of the settlements to state and local taxing jurisdictions. Although we believe our tax estimates are reasonable, the ultimate tax outcome may materially differ from the tax amounts recorded in our Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and may cause a higher effective tax rate that could materially affect our income tax provision, results of operations or cash flows in the period or periods for which such determination is made. In the first quarter of fiscal 2009, the IRS concluded its audit of our federal income tax returns for the fiscal 2004 through 2006 audit cycle. The IRS issued a No Change Report indicating no change to our tax liability; however, the IRS continues to have the ability to adjust tax attributes relating to these years in subsequent audits. We believe that we have provided sufficient tax provisions for these years and that the ultimate outcome of any future IRS audits that include the tax attributes will not have a material adverse impact on our financial position or results of operations in future periods. However, we cannot predict with certainty how these matters will be resolved and whether we will be required to make additional tax payments.

Future changes in financial accounting standards or practices or existing taxation rules or practices may cause adverse unexpected revenue fluctuations and affect our reported results of operations.

A change in accounting standards or practices or a change in existing taxation rules or practices can have a significant effect on our reported results and may even affect our reporting of transactions completed before the change is effective. New accounting pronouncements and taxation rules and varying interpretations of accounting pronouncements and taxation practices have occurred and may occur in the future. For example, upon our adoption of FIN 48 on April 1, 2007, we revised our policy in conformity with the liability classification requirements of FIN 48, which clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income tax positions. This interpretation requires that we recognize in our financial statements the impact of a tax position if that position is more likely than not to be sustained on audit, based on the technical merits of the position. At December 26, 2008, we had recorded a net of \$5.6 million for uncertain tax positions related to FIN 48, inclusive of interest and penalties, of which \$3.4 million and \$2.2 million were reflected in "Accrued and other liabilities" and "Other long-term liabilities," respectively, and we continue to recognize interest expense for, and or penalties related to, these uncertain tax positions in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations within "Benefit from income taxes."

We may be engaged in legal proceedings that could cause us to incur unforeseen expenses and could occupy a significant amount of our management's time and attention.

From time to time we are subject to litigation or claims that could negatively affect our business operations and financial position. Such disputes could cause us to incur unforeseen expenses, could occupy a significant amount of our management's time and attention, and could negatively affect our business operations and financial position.

We are exposed to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates.

Because a significant portion of our business is conducted outside the United States, we face exposure to adverse movements in foreign currency exchange rates. These exposures may change over time as business practices evolve and could have an adverse impact on our financial results and cash flows. Historically, our exposures have related to

non-dollar- denominated operating expenses in Europe and Asia. We began Euro-denominated sales to our distribution customers in the European Union in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2003; however, we switched back to United States dollar-denominated sales to our distribution customers in the European Union in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008. An increase in the value of the dollar could increase the real cost to our customers of our products in markets outside the United States where we sell in dollars, and a weakened dollar could increase the cost of local operating expenses and procurement.

We hold minority interests in privately held venture funds, and if these venture funds face financial difficulties in their operations, our investments could be impaired.

We continue to hold minority interests in privately held venture funds. At December 26, 2008, the carrying value of such investments aggregated \$1.4 million. These investments are inherently risky because these venture funds invest in companies that may still be in the development stage or depend on third parties for financing to support their ongoing operations. In addition, the markets for the technologies or products of these companies are typically in the early stages and may never develop. If these companies do not have adequate cash funding to support their operations, or if they encounter difficulties developing their technologies or products, the venture funds' investments in these companies may be impaired, which in turn, could result in impairment of our investment in these venture funds. For example, in the third quarter of fiscal 2009, we recorded a charge of \$0.2 million relating to other-than-temporary decline in value of a minority investment. The carrying value of these investments is based on quarterly statements we receive from the funds. The statements are generally received one quarter in arrears, as more timely valuations are not practical. Given the recent downturn in equity investments and current market conditions, we may be required to record an impairment charge against all or a portion of the investments in the future. Such an action would adversely affect our financial results.

Changes in securities laws and regulations have increased and may continue to increase our costs.

Changes in the laws and regulations affecting public companies, including the provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and rules promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, have increased and may continue to increase our expenses as we devote resources to respond to their requirements. In particular, we incurred additional administrative expense to implement Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, which requires management to report on, and our independent registered public accounting firm to attest to, our internal control over financial reporting.

In addition, the NASDAQ Global Market, on which our common stock is listed, has also adopted comprehensive rules and regulations relating to corporate governance. These laws, rules and regulations have increased and may continue to increase the scope, complexity and cost of our corporate governance, reporting and disclosure practices. We also expect these developments may make it more difficult and more expensive for us to obtain director and officer liability insurance in the future, and we may be required to accept reduced coverage or incur substantially higher costs to obtain coverage. Further, our board members, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer could face an increased risk of personal liability in connection with the performance of their duties. As a result, we may have difficulty attracting and retaining qualified board members and executive officers, which would adversely affect our business.

Internal control deficiencies or weaknesses that are not yet identified could emerge.

Over time we may identify and correct deficiencies or weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting and, where and when appropriate, report on the identification and correction of these deficiencies or weaknesses. However, the internal control procedures can provide only reasonable, and not absolute, assurance that deficiencies or weaknesses are identified. Deficiencies or weaknesses that are not yet identified could emerge, and the identification and corrections of these deficiencies or weaknesses could have a material impact on our results of operations.

Internal control issues that appear minor now may later become material weaknesses.

We are required to publicly report on deficiencies or weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting that meet a materiality standard as required by law and related regulations and interpretations. Management may, at a point in time, accurately categorize a deficiency or weakness as immaterial or minor and therefore not be required to publicly report such deficiency or weakness. Such determination, however, does not preclude a change in circumstances such that the deficiency or weakness could, at a later time, become a material weakness that could have a material impact on our results of operations.

We may encounter natural disasters, which could cause disruption to our employees or interrupt the manufacturing process for our products.

Our operations could be subject to natural disasters and other business disruptions, which could seriously harm our revenues and financial condition and increase our costs and expenses. Our corporate headquarters are located in California, near major earthquake faults. Additionally, our primary wafer supplier, TSMC, is located in Taiwan, which has experienced significant earthquakes in the past. A severe earthquake could cause disruption to our employees or interrupt the manufacturing process, which could affect TSMC's ability to supply wafers to us, which would negatively affect our business and financial results. The ultimate impact on us and our general infrastructure of being located near major earthquake faults is unknown, but our net revenues and financial condition and our costs and expenses could be significantly impacted in the event of a major earthquake.

Manmade problems such as computer viruses or terrorism may disrupt our operations and harm our operating results.

Despite our implementation of network security measures, our servers are vulnerable to computer viruses, break-ins and similar disruptions from unauthorized tampering with our computer systems. Any such event could have an adverse effect on our business, operating results, and financial condition. In addition, the effects of war or acts of terrorism could have an adverse effect on our business, operating results, and financial condition. In addition, as a company with headquarters and significant operations located in the United States, we may be impacted by actions against the United States. We are predominantly uninsured for losses and interruptions caused by terrorist acts and acts of war.

We may experience significant fluctuations in our stock price, which may, in turn, significantly affect the trading price of our convertible notes.

Our stock has experienced substantial price volatility, particularly as a result of quarterly variations in our operating results, the published expectations of securities analysts and as a result of announcements by our competitors and us. In addition, the stock market has experienced significant price and volume fluctuations, particularly in the last few months, that have affected the market price of many technology companies, in particular, and that have often been unrelated to the operating performance of such companies. In addition, the price of our securities may also continue to be affected by general global, economic and market conditions and the cost of operations in one or more of our product markets. While we cannot predict the individual effect that these factors may have on the price of our securities, these factors, either individually or in the aggregate, could result in significant variations in the price of our common stock during any given period of time. These fluctuations in our stock price also impact the price of our outstanding 3/4% Notes, and the likelihood of the 3/4% Notes being converted into our common stock.

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## Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

The Annual Meeting was held on October 23, 2008 at Adaptec's corporate headquarters located in Milpitas, California. At the Annual Meeting, our stockholders voted on five proposals: (1) the election of nine directors to our Board of Directors, (2) the approval of the amendment and restatement of our 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, (3) the approval of granting authority to our Board of Directors and Compensation Committee to grant awards under our 2006 Director Plan to directors that are affiliated with Steel Partners, (4) approval of granting authority to our Board of Directors to effect a reverse stock split and (5) the ratification of our Audit Committee's selection of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for our fiscal year ending March 31, 2009. Of the total of 120,094,024 shares of our common stock outstanding as of the record date, 112,683,303 shares (94%) were present or represented by proxy at the Annual Meeting. The table below presents the voting results of election of our Board of Directors.

	Votes	Votes Withheld
Jon S. Castor	109,594,975	3,088,328
Jack L. Howard	107,870,521	4,812,782
Joseph S. Kennedy	110,351,399	2,331,904
Robert J. Loarie	109,498,831	3,184,472
John Mutch	109,497,681	3,185,622
John J. Quicke	109,621,555	3,061,748
Lawrence J. Ruisi	110,274,451	2,408,852
Subramanian "Sundi" Sundaresh	110,305,367	2,377,936
Douglas E. Van Houweling	110,355,355	2,327,948

Our stockholders approved the amendment and restatement of our 2004 Equity Incentive Plan. The proposal received 91,851,811 affirmative votes, 5,287,328 negative votes, 131,786 abstentions and 15,412,378 broker non-votes.

Our stockholders also approved the granting authority to our Board of Directors and Compensation Committee to grant awards under our 2006 Director Plan to directors that are affiliated with Steel Partners during the period beginning immediately following the Annual Meeting and ending on May 12, 2011. The proposal received 107,428,779 affirmative votes, 5,010,427 negative votes, 244,097 abstentions and no broker non-votes.

In addition, our stockholders approved the granting authority to our Board of Directors to amend our certificate of incorporation at any time prior to our 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to affect a reverse stock split of our common stock for an exchange ratio of 1-for-3, 1-for-4 or 1-for-5. The table below presents the voting results on the reverse stock split of our common stock based on each respective exchange ratios.

	Votes	Votes Withheld	Abstain	Broker Non-Vote
I-for-3 exchange ratio	81,305,437	11,745,441	4,220,048	15,412,377
	81,300,246	11,748,884	4,221,796	15,412,377

I-for-4 exchange ratio

1-for-5 exchange ratio	81,267,146	11,778,719	4,225,061	15,412,377
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Our stockholders also ratified and approved the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2009. The proposal received 108,601,947 affirmative votes, 3,819,101 negative votes, 262,255 abstentions and no broker non-votes.

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Item 6. Exhibits

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23.1	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm		8-K/A	000-15071	October 21, 2008	23.1
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99.2	Unaudited Condensed Financial Statements of Aristos Logic Corporation as of June 30, 2008 and for the nine-month periods ended June 30, 2008 and 2007 and notes thereto		8-K/A	000-15071	October 21, 2008	99.2
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