

Semtech Announces Fourth Quarter of Fiscal Year 2010 Results

- Record Quarterly Revenue of \$85 million in Q4
- 13% Sequential Revenue Growth and 36% Y-Y Revenue Growth
- FY10 Revenue of \$287M second highest in Semtech History
- Protection and Advanced Com & Sensing Product Groups Achieve Record Revenue years
- 28% of Q4 Revenue in Free Cash Flow
- Announced and completed acquisition of Sierra Monolithics, Inc.

CAMARILLO, Calif., Mar 10, 2010 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- SEMTECH CORPORATION (NASDAQ: SMTC), a leading supplier of high performance analog and mixed-signal semiconductors, today reported un-audited financial results for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2010 that ended January 31, 2010. As previously announced, on December 9, 2009 Semtech completed its acquisition of Sierra Monolithics, Inc. (SMI), a leading supplier of high-performance ICs and solutions to the core communications infrastructure and leading edge defense markets. Financial results for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2010 include the contribution from SMI during the stub period between December 10, 2009 and the end of the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2010.

Net revenues for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2010 were \$85.0 million, up 35.6 percent from the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2009 and up 13.1 percent when compared to the third quarter of fiscal year 2010 driven by strong organic growth and the contribution from SMI.

Net income for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2010, computed in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), was \$9.5 million or 15 cents per diluted share. GAAP net income was \$6.3 million or 10 cents per diluted share in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2009 and was a loss of \$20.9 million or 34 cents per share in the third quarter of fiscal year 2010. The GAAP net loss for the third quarter of fiscal year 2010 reflected the change in management's prior assertions regarding the amount of foreign subsidiary earnings considered to be permanently reinvested offshore as a result of the pending acquisition of SMI. This change in assertion resulted in a net increase of \$32.8 million in the tax provision for the third quarter of fiscal year 2010.

GAAP gross profit margin for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2010 was 53.9 percent compared to 53.2 percent in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2009 and 55.1 percent in the third quarter of fiscal year 2010.

In the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2010, our provision for income taxes benefited from foreign exchange losses and the release of reserves for uncertain tax positions. The GAAP EPS impact of these items was approximately 3 cents per diluted share.

To facilitate the complete understanding of comparable financial performance between periods, many one-time items recorded this fiscal quarter are reported in this release and will be reported in future releases. The items below have been excluded from Non-GAAP results:

- Stock-based compensation expense
- Transaction and integration related expenses
- Expenses related to class action litigation and ongoing stock option related matters net of insurance recoveries
- Fair value inventory adjustments made as part of the purchase price allocation
- Amortization of acquisition related intangible assets
- Certain restructuring expenses
- An insurance recovery associated with a business interruption claim related to the 2008 fire at our Reynosa facility

Excluding the items listed above, Non-GAAP net income for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2010 was \$18.9 million or 30 cents per diluted share. Non-GAAP net income was \$8.3 million or 14 cents per diluted share in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2009 and was \$16.2 million or 26 cents per diluted share in the third guarter of fiscal year 2010.

Non-GAAP gross profit margin for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2010 was 56.6 percent. Non-GAAP gross profit margin for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2009 was 53.5 percent and 55.4 percent in the third quarter of fiscal year 2010.

Semtech had \$162.2 million of cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities as of January 31, 2010, which was down from \$316.3 million at the end of the third quarter of fiscal year 2010 reflecting the \$180.0 million cash payment in the quarter to acquire SMI.

Mohan Maheswaran, Semtech's President and Chief Executive Officer, commented, "Semtech continues to perform superbly. Q4 was another record quarter for us and 2010 was another very strong year despite the challenges of the first half. As we enter FY11, our 50th anniversary as a company, we see the demand across all our product groups and all target segments strengthen. We are excited about the opportunity that lays ahead for us to drive further top line growth, expand gross margins and accelerate our earnings and create a truly differentiated company."

The results announced today are preliminary, as the annual audit by the Company's independent registered public accounting firm is still underway. As such, these results are subject to revision until the audit is completed and the Company files its Annual Report on Form 10-K.

First Quarter Outlook

Semtech estimates net sales for the first quarter, which ends May 2, 2010, will increase 7 percent to 13 percent on a sequential basis. GAAP earnings for the first quarter of fiscal year 2011 are expected to be 13 to 16 cents per diluted share.

Non-GAAP earnings for the first quarter are expected to be 27 cents to 30 cents per diluted share. Non-GAAP earnings for the first quarter exclude stock-based compensation expense, amortization of intangible assets, fair value inventory adjustments, acquisition related costs, certain legal expenses and other discrete items.

About Non-GAAP Financial Measures

To supplement the Company's consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP, this release includes a non-GAAP presentation of gross profit, net income and earnings per diluted share. All of these non-GAAP measures exclude stock-based compensation, acquisition related amortization of intangibles, and other items detailed above. These non-GAAP measures are provided to enhance the user's overall understanding of the Company's comparable financial performance between periods. In addition, the Company's management generally excludes such items in managing and evaluating the performance of the business. A further discussion of these non-GAAP financial measures can be found above. Reconciliations of GAAP results for the fourth quarter and twelve months of fiscal years 2010 and 2009 appear with the financial statements later in this release. These additional financial measures should not be considered substitutes for any measures derived in accordance with GAAP and may be inconsistent with similar measures presented by other companies.

Forward-Looking and Cautionary Statements

This report contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Forward-looking statements are statements other than historical information or statements of current condition and relate to matters such as future financial performance, future operational performance, the anticipated impact of specific items on future earnings, and our plans, objectives and expectations, including but not limited to our plans, objectives and expectations with respect to SMI and its business. These forward-looking statements are identified by the use of such terms and phrases as "intends," "goal," "estimate, "expect," "project," "plans," "anticipates," "should," "will," "designed to," "believe," and other similar expressions which generally identify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results and events to differ materially from those projected. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially include, but are not limited to: the success of near and longer term integration efforts between the combined companies; competitive changes in the market place applicable to the products of SMI, including, but not limited to the pace of growth or adoption rates of applicable products or technologies, shifts in focus among target customers, and other comparable changes in projected or anticipated markets; the depth, extent and duration of current and anticipated world wide economic uncertainty, at both a macro level, and as it impacts both the Company's historical products, industry, and market sector, as well as those of SMI following closing of the transaction, and the Company's ability to forecast and achieve anticipated revenues and earnings estimates in light of continuing economic uncertainty, including estimates applicable to SMI, as well as resulting from the integration of SMI's financial performance and results into the Company's full financial results. Additionally, forward-looking statements should be considered in conjunction with the cautionary statements contained in the "Risk Factors" section and elsewhere in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 25, 2009, in the Company's other filings with the SEC, and in material incorporated therein by reference. In light of the significant uncertainties inherent in the forward-looking information included herein, any such forward-looking information should not be regarded as representations by the Company that its objectives or plans will be achieved or that any of its operating expectations or financial forecasts will be realized. Investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking information

contained herein. The Company assumes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

About Semtech

Semtech Corporation is a leading supplier of analog and mixed-signal semiconductors for high-end consumer, computing, communications and industrial equipment. Products are designed to benefit the engineering community as well as the global community. The company is dedicated to reducing the impact it, and its products, have on the environment. Internal green programs seek to reduce waste through material and manufacturing control, use of green technology and designing for resource reduction. Publicly traded since 1967, Semtech is listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol SMTC. For more information, visit http://www.semtech.com.

SEMTECH CORPORATION GAAP CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(Table in thousands - except per share amount)

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	_	Jan 31,		Jan 26,		Oct 25		Jan 31,	Jan 2	26,	
		2010	2009			2009		2010	200	9	
	C	Q4 2010		4 2009	Q3 2010			Q4 2010	Q4 20	009	
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Net sales	\$	85,019	\$	62,695	\$	75,147	\$	286,560	294	,820	
Cost of sales		39,228		29,345		33,776		130,514	135	,233	
Gross profit	_	45,791	_	33,350	41,371			156,046	159	,587	
Operating costs and expenses:											
Selling, general and administrative		25,129		16,124	18,471 10,467 303	18,471		77,448	72	,890	
Product development and engineering		13,707		9,771			44,847	41	,405		
Acquisition related items		1,440		273		303		2,348	1	,091	
Restructuring charges		88		-	50			486	2	,310	
Total operating costs and expenses	_	40,363		26,168	29,291		_	125,130	117,696		
Operating income		5,428		7,182	_	12,080	_	30,916	41	,891	
Interest and other income, net	346			403		1,136		3,054	4	4,287	
Income before taxes		5,774		7,585	_	13,216	_	33,970	46	,178	
Provision for taxes (credit)		(3,705)	1,314			34,103	33,014		8	,657	
Net income (loss)	\$	9,479	\$	6,271	\$	(20,887)	\$	956	37	37,521	
Earnings per share (loss) :							_				
Basic	\$	0.15	\$	0.10	\$	(0.34)	\$	0.02 \$;	0.61	
Diluted	\$	0.15	\$	0.10	\$	(0.34)	\$	0.02 \$;	0.61	
Weighted average number of shares:											
Basic		61,238		60,291		61,030		60,779	61,249		
Diluted		62,501		60,611		61,030		61,676	61	,999	

SEMTECH CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Table in thousands)

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	Jan 31,	Jan 26,	Oct 25					
	2010	2009	2009					
	(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)					
ASSETS								
Current assets:								
Cash and cash equivalents	80,598	\$147,666	\$ 103,053					
Temporary investments	55,462	98,735	167,540					
Receivables, less allowances	31,163	27,467	25,501					
Inventories	33,819	27,986	25,428					
Deferred income taxes	11,808	4,287	-					
Other current assets	5,964	7,561	8,101					
Total Current Assets	218,814	313,702	329,623					

Property, plant and equipment, net	38,063	31,786	34,472
Long-term investments	26,163	12,414	45,727
Deferred income taxes	7,153	25,544	9,894
Goodwill	129,651	25,540	25,540
Other intangibles	84,343	2,091	3,483
Other assets	10,107	9,718	9,771
Total Assets	514,294	420,795 \$	458,510
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	23,643	10,653\$	19,390
Accrued liabilities	35,656	15,915	16,971
Income taxes payable	8,512	2,108	2,595
Deferred revenue	3,276	2,808	2,368
Accrued taxes	2,609	727	3,247
Deferred income taxes	1,332	1,604	15,778
Total Current Liabilities	75,028	33,815	60,349
Deferred income taxes - non current	16,505	101	101
Accrued taxes	9,497	3,563	1,329
Other long-term liabilities	7,523	5,296	7,428
Shareholders' equity	405,741	378,020	389,303
Total Liabilities & Equity	514,294	\$ 420,795 \$	458,510

SEMTECH CORPORATION Supplemental Information - Notes to Consolidated GAAP Statements of Income

(Table in thousands)

,	Three Months Ended						Twelve Months E			Ended
	Jan 31, 2010		Jan 26, 2009		Oct 25 2009		Jan 31, 2010			an 26, 2009
Stock Based Compensation Expense	Q4 2010		Q4 2009		Q3 2010		Q4 2010		Q	4 2009
(in thousands)	(Una	audited)	(Unaudited) (Unaudited			audited)	(Unaudited)			
Cost of sales	_ \$	225	\$	221	\$	284	\$	1,168	\$	1,389
Selling, general and administrative	\$	3,964	\$	1,541	\$	2,658	\$	13,566	\$	10,400
Product development and engineering	\$	1,925	\$	872	\$	1,160	\$	5,201	\$	3,935
Total stock-based compensation	\$	6,114	\$	2,635	\$	4,102	\$	19,935	\$	15,724

SEMTECH CORPORATION RECONCILIATION OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP GROSS PROFIT

(Table in thousands)

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	Thre	e Months Er	Twelve Mont	ths Ended	
	Jan 31, 2010	Jan 26, 2009	Oct 25 2009	Jan 31, 2010	Jan 26, 2009
	Q4 2010	Q4 2009	Q3 2010	Q4 2010	Q4 2009
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Gross profit, as reported (GAAP) Adjustments to GAAP gross profit:	45,791	\$ 33,350	41,371	156,046	\$159,587
Stock-based compensation expense	225	221	284	1,168	1,389
Fair value adjustment related to acquired inventory	2,088	0	0	2,088	0
Non-GAAP Gross profit	48,104	33,571	41,655	159,301	160,976

RECONCILIATION OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP NET INCOME

(Table in thousands - except per share amounts)

Thre	e Months Er	Twelve Mor	nths Ended	
Jan 31,	Jan 26,	Oct 25	Jan 31,	Jan 26,

		2010		2009		2009		2010		2009
Supplemental Information	C	Q4 2010	Ċ	24 2009	Ċ	23 2010	C	Q4 2010	C	4 2009
(in thousands)	(Uı	naudited)	(Uı	naudited)	(U	naudited)	(U	naudited)		
Net Income (loss), as reported (GAAP)	\$	9,479	\$	6,271	\$	(20,887)	\$	956	\$	37,521
Adjustments to GAAP net income:										
Stock based compensation expense		6,114		2,635		4,102		19,935		15,724
Transaction and integration expenses		3,422		0		0		3,422		0
Option and restatement related expenses		2,185		491		1,078		3,332		1,592
Fair value adjustment related to acquired inventory		2,088		0		0		2,088		0
Acquisition related items		1,440		273		303		2,348		1,091
Restructuring cost		88		-		50		486		2,310
Business interruption insurance recovery		(1,360)		-		-		(1,360)		
Total before taxes		13,977		3,399		5,533		30,251		20,717
Associated tax effect		(4,586)		(1,407)		31,597		24,171		(5,729)
Total of supplemental information net of taxes		9,391		1,992		37,130		54,422		14,988
Net Income on a Non-GAAP Basis	\$	18,870	\$	8,263	\$	16,243	\$	55,378	\$	52,509
Diluted GAAP earnings per share	\$	0.15	\$	0.10	\$	(0.34)	\$	0.02	\$	0.61
Adjustments per above	\$	0.15	\$	0.03	\$	0.60	\$	0.88	\$	0.23
Diluted non-GAAP earnings per share	\$	0.30	\$	0.14	\$	0.26	\$	0.90	\$	0.85

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