

Skyworks Reports Fourth Quarter and Fiscal 2003 Results; Exceeds Guidance, Enters New Fiscal Year With Record Backlog and Forecasts 10 Percent Sequential Revenue Growth

WOBURN, Mass.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Oct. 30, 2003--Skyworks Solutions Inc. (Nasdaq:SWKS), the industry's leading wireless semiconductor company focused on radio frequency (RF) and complete cellular system solutions for mobile communications applications, today announced revenues of \$150.0 million for the fourth fiscal quarter ended Oct. 3, 2003, versus revenues of \$150.7 million in the same period last year and \$150.2 million in the third fiscal quarter.

On a pro forma basis, excluding amortization of intangible assets and restructuring charges, the fourth quarter operating loss was \$4.8 million versus pro forma operating income of \$0.5 million in the same period last year and \$0.2 million of pro forma operating income last quarter. Fourth quarter fiscal 2003 pro forma net loss per share was \$0.07 and better than consensus estimates.

Fourth quarter fiscal 2003 GAAP operating loss was \$37.9 million, which included \$32.0 million in restructuring charges of which approximately \$29.0 million was non-cash. These charges related to infrastructure business impairments and the consolidation of the company's front-end module and RF subsystems product areas. The GAAP net loss for the quarter was \$42.9 million. During the fourth quarter, the Company recorded a cumulative effect of an accounting change of \$397.1 million related to a goodwill impairment. This non-cash charge was the result of the adoption of SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets," as previously disclosed in the company's past earnings releases and SEC filings. The fourth quarter fiscal 2003 GAAP operating loss compares to \$2.9 million of income in the same period a year ago and \$1.1 million of loss last quarter.

For the fiscal year, revenues for 2003 were \$617.8 million as compared to combined company 2002 revenues of \$543.1 million. Meanwhile, pro forma operating income of \$3.2 million during fiscal 2003 compares to a combined company pro forma operating loss of \$72.0 million during 2002.

"The Skyworks team exceeded guidance driven by record direct conversion transceiver shipments, GPRS cellular systems ramps at Samsung, CDMA RF traction at a top tier handset OEM and launch of the industry's most highly integrated GPRS front-end module at another top tier customer. In fact, during the quarter we grew our aggregate revenues at the world's top five handset OEMs by more than 25 percent sequentially and offset the remaining effects of excess channel inventory in China," said David J. Aldrich, Skyworks' president and chief executive officer. "Looking forward, we enter a new fiscal year with strong visibility and record backlog driven by an exciting product pipeline, normalized inventory levels, ramp of new design wins and an accelerating wireless end market."

Business Highlights

- -- Received product quality awards from LG Electronics and Appeal Telecom
- -- Achieved ISO 9001:2000 certification across all major design, development and manufacturing locations
- -- Raised \$102 million through a 9.2 million share offering of common stock
- -- Created RF Solutions business unit through consolidation of front-end module and RF subsystem product areas

Product Highlights

Front-End Modules

-- Ramped production of the world's most highly integrated GSM/GPRS front-end module at a top tier customer

- -- Commenced CDMA power amplifier (PA) module shipments to Kyocera
- -- Unveiled the industry's most highly integrated 6 x 6mm GSM/GPRS PA module
- -- Launched stand alone GSM/GPRS PA module shipments to Samsung within a non-Skyworks systems architecture

RF Subsystems

- -- Delivered complete RF transmit and receive chain functionality to over 20 customers, including the majority of the world's top 10 cellular handset suppliers
- -- Increased direct conversion transceiver units by more than 30 percent sequentially
- -- Captured several key EDGE RF subsystem design wins
- -- Passed Field Type Approval (FTA) with the world's first Single Package Radio(TM) solution

Cellular Systems

- -- Supported GPRS ramps at Samsung including models targeting Europe, Russia, Southeast Asia, South Africa and the Middle East
- -- Scored follow-on handset design wins at Vitelcom Mobile in support of Telefonica

Cellular Infrastructure and Wireless Data

- -- Shipped 75 millionth switch and control solution for 802.11 applications
- -- Recorded initial design wins with the world's most highly integrated WLAN front-end module

First Quarter Fiscal 2004 Outlook

"Based on strong design activity and order trends across the business, we expect to grow revenues 10 percent sequentially in the December quarter," said Paul E. Vincent, Skyworks' chief financial officer. "Operationally, we anticipate that our gross margin will expand to roughly 40 percent within our wireless business and 38 percent on an aggregate basis. At the same time, we are forecasting a sequential decrease in operating expenses as our prior quarter level was unusually high given an additional week of cost within the quarter. In turn, we expect to begin to demonstrate our business model's leverage with expansion to an operating margin of 4 percent and, for the first time as Skyworks, bottom line net income of \$0.01 per share," Vincent concluded.

Skyworks' Fourth Quarter Conference Call

Skyworks will host a conference call at 5 p.m. Eastern Time today to discuss fourth quarter and fiscal year 2003 financial results. To listen to the call, please visit the "Investor Relations" section of Skyworks' Web site at www.skyworksinc.com or www.companyboardroom.com. The webcast will be recorded and available for replay on Skyworks' Web site until 9 p.m. Eastern Time, Nov. 6, 2003.

About Skyworks

Skyworks Solutions, Inc. is the industry's leading wireless semiconductor company focused on RF and complete cellular system solutions for mobile communications applications. The company is focused on providing front-end modules, RF subsystems

and cellular systems to handset, WLAN and infrastructure customers.

Skyworks is headquartered in Woburn, Mass., with executive offices in Irvine, Calif. The company has design, engineering, manufacturing, marketing, sales and service facilities throughout North America, Europe, Japan and Asia Pacific. For more information please visit www.skyworksinc.com.

Safe Harbor Statement

This news release includes "forward-looking statements" intended to qualify for the safe harbor from liability established by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements include information relating to future results of Skyworks (including certain projections and business trends). Forward-looking statements can often be identified by words such as "anticipates," "expects," "intends," "believes," "plans," "may," "will," "continue," similar expressions, and variations or negatives of these words. All such statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially and adversely from those projected, and may affect our future operating results, financial position and cash flows.

These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to: global economic and market conditions, such as the cyclical nature of the semiconductor industry and the markets addressed by the company's and its customers' products; demand for and market acceptance of new and existing products; the ability to develop, manufacture and market innovative products in a rapidly changing technological environment; the ability to compete with products and prices in an intensely competitive industry; product obsolescence; losses or curtailments of purchases from key customers or the timing of customer inventory adjustments; the timing of new product introductions; the availability and extent of utilization of raw materials, critical manufacturing equipment and manufacturing capacity; pricing pressures and other competitive factors; changes in product mix; fluctuations in manufacturing yields; the ability to continue to grow and maintain an intellectual property portfolio and obtain needed licenses from third parties; the ability to attract and retain qualified personnel; labor relations of the company, its customers and suppliers; economic, social and political conditions in the countries in which Skyworks, its customers or its suppliers operate, including security risks, possible disruptions in transportation networks and fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates; and the uncertainties of litigation, as well as other risks and uncertainties, including but not limited to those detailed from time to time in the company's Securities and Exchange Commission filings.

These forward-looking statements are made only as of the date hereof, and the company undertakes no obligation to update or revise the forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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SKYWORKS SOLUTIONS, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(unaudited)		Three Months	Ended	
(in thousands,				
except per share data)	Pro Forma	Pro Forma	GAAP	GAAP
	Oct. 3,	Adjustments	Oct. 3,	Sept. 27,
	2003		2003	2002
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Net sales	\$150,032	\$	\$150,032	
Cost of sales	97,425		97,425	89,962
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expenses	37,924		37,924	37,149
Selling and				
administrative				
expenses	19,494		19,494	18,075
Amortization of				
intangible assets		1,076	1,076	1,127
Impairment and				
restructuring		32,023 (a)	32,023	1,419
Operating (loss) income	(4,811)	(33,099)	(37,910)	2,941
Interest expense	(5,553)		(5,553)	(4,102)
Other expense, net	(414)		(414)	
Loss before income				
administrative expenses Amortization of intangible assets Impairment and restructuring Operating (loss) income Interest expense Other expense, net	 (4,811) (5,553)	32,023 (a) (33,099) 	1,076 32,023 (37,910) (5,553)	18,075 1,127 1,419 2,941 (4,102)

(10,778)	(33,099)	(43,877)	(1,284)
(950)		(950)	199
\$(9,828)	\$(33,099)	\$(42,927)	\$(1,483)
\$(0.07)		\$(0.30)	\$(0.01)
142,498		142,498	137,464
	(950) \$(9,828) \$(0.07)	\$(9,828) \$(33,099) \$(0.07)	(950) (950) \$(9,828) \$(33,099) \$(42,927) \$(0.07) \$(0.30)

(a) Impairment and restructuring charges consist primarily of a writedown of assets related to the company's infrastructure business and certain restructuring charges.

Although the pro forma presentation is not intended to present results of operations in accordance with GAAP, the company believes this information is useful in understanding the results of operations. Therefore, Skyworks provides this supplemental information to enable investors to perform additional comparisons of operating results and as a means to provide additional insight into the company's ongoing operations.

<pre>(unaudited) (in thousands, except per share data)</pre>	Pro Forma Oct. 3, 2003	Twelve Months Pro Forma Adjustments	Ended GAAP Oct. 3, 2003	GAAP Sept. 27, 2002
Net sales Cost of sales Research and development	\$617,789 385,270	\$ (4,805) (a)	\$617,789 380,465	\$457,769 331,608
expenses Selling and administrative	151,762		151,762	132,603
expenses Amortization of intangible	77,590	5,102 (b)	82,692	50,178
assets Purchased in- process research		4,386	4,386	12,929
and development Impairment and				65,500
restructuring Operating income		32,023 (c)	32,023	116,321
(loss)	3,167	(36,706)	(33,539)	(251,370)
Interest expense Other income	(21,403)		(21,403)	
(expense), net Loss before income	1,317		1,317	(56)
taxes Provision (credit)	(16,919)	(36,706)	(53,625)	(255,653)
for income taxes	652		652	(19,589)
Loss before cumulative effect of change in accounting	332		332	(2270027
principle Cumulative effect of change in accounting	\$(17,571)	\$(36,706)	\$(54,277)	\$(236,064)

principle	\$	\$397,139	(d)	\$(397,139)	\$
Net loss	\$(17,571)	\$(433,845)		\$(451,416)	\$(236,064)
Loss per share					
before cumulative					
effect of change					
in accounting					
principle, basic					
and diluted	\$(0.13)			\$(0.39)	\$(1.72)
Cumulative effect					
of change in					
accounting					
principle per					
share, basic and					
diluted	\$			\$(2.85)	\$
Net loss per share,					
basic and diluted	\$(0.13)			\$(3.24)	\$(1.72)
Weighted average					
shares, basic and					
diluted	139,376			139,376	137,416

- (a) Represents a change in the estimate of certain merger-related reserves.
- (b) Represents certain costs incurred to implement consolidations.
- (c) Impairment and restructuring charges consist primarily of a write-down of assets related to the company's infrastructure business and certain restructuring charges.
- (d) The company has adopted SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets." As a result of the adoption of SFAS No. 142, the company was required to evaluate for impairment goodwill and intangible assets that have indefinite lives. Based on this evaluation, the company determined that its goodwill was impaired. The amount of this impairment charge was \$397.1 million.

SKYWORKS SOLUTIONS, INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(unaudited) (in thousands)	Oct. 3, 2003	Sept 27, 2002
Assets Current assets: Cash, cash equivalents and short- term		
investments Accounts receivable,	\$170,806	\$53,358
net	144,267	94,425
Inventories Prepaid expenses and other current	58,168	55,643
assets Property, plant and equipment,	12,854	23,970
net	127,765	143,773

Goodwill and intangible assets, net (d)	527 695	940,686
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Other assets	49,113	35,057
Total assets	\$1,090,668	\$1,346,912
Liabilities and Equa	ity	
Current		
liabilities:		
Short-term		
debt	\$41,681	\$129
Accounts		
payable	50,369	45,350
Accrued		
liabilities		
and other		
current		
liabilities	44,766	102,148
Long-term debt	275,000	180,039
Other long-term		
liabilities	5,677	4,270
Stockholders'	·	•
equity	673,175	1,014,976
Total		
liabilities		
	\$1,090,668	\$1,346,912
and equity	91,090,000	91,340,314

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