Kulicke & Soffa Reports Second Quarter 2023 Results

Improved Fiscal Second Half Demand Anticipated

SINGAPORE, May 3, 2023 /PRNewswire/ -- Kulicke and Soffa Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: KLIC) ("Kulicke & Soffa," "K&S" or the "Company"), today announced financial results of its second fiscal quarter ended April 1, 2023. The Company reported second quarter net revenue of \$17.0 million, net income of \$15.0 million, representing EPS of \$0.26 per fully diluted share, and non-GAAP net income of \$21.9 million, representing non-GAAP EPS of \$0.38 per fully diluted share.

Quarterly Results - U.S. GAAP

	Fiscal Q2 2023	Change vs. Fiscal Q2 2022	Change vs. Fiscal Q1 2023
Net Revenue	\$173.0 million	down 55%	down 1.8%
Gross Profit	\$84.1 million	down 58.3%	down 5.2%
Gross Margin	48.6 %	down 390 bps	down 170 bps
Income from Operations	\$12.6 million	down 90.3%	up 6.8%
Operating Margin	7.3 %	down 2640 bps	up 60 bps
Net Income	\$15.0 million	down 87.1%	up 2.7%
Net Margin	8.7 %	down 2150 bps	up 40 bps
EPS - Diluted	\$0.26	down 86%	up 4%

Quarterly Results - Non-GAAP

	Fiscal Q2 2023	Change vs. Fiscal Q2 2022	Change vs. Fiscal Q1 2023
Income from Operations	\$20.4 million	down 84.9%	up 1%
Operating Margin	11.8 %	down 2340 bps	up 30 bps
Net Income	\$21.9 million	down 82%	up 0.5%
Net Margin	12.7 %	down 1890 bps	up 30 bps
EPS - Diluted	\$0.38	down 80.5%	up 2.7%

A reconciliation between the GAAP and non-GAAP adjusted results is provided in the financial tables included in this release. See also the "Use of non-GAAP Financial Results" section.

Fusen Chen, Kulicke & Soffa's President and Chief Executive Officer, stated, "We remain very focused on supporting technology transitions within the advanced display, advanced packaging and automotive markets through several high-profile customer engagements and broadening adoption of our emerging solutions. Additionally, we have experienced an uptick in customer interest and quote activity related to our high-volume markets.'

Second Quarter Fiscal 2023 Financial Highlights

- Net revenue of \$173.0 million.
- Gross margin of 48.6%
- Net income of \$15.0 million or \$0.26 per share; non-GAAP net income of \$21.9 million or \$0.38 per share.
 GAAP cash from operations of \$1.8 million; Adjusted free cash flow of \$(8.6) million.
- Cash, cash equivalents, and short-term investments were \$734.1 million as of April 1, 2023.
- The Company repurchased a total of 0.1 million shares of common stock at a cost of \$5.0 million.

Third Quarter Fiscal 2023 Outlook

The Company currently expects net revenue in the third fiscal quarter of 2023 ending July 1, 2023 to be approximately \$190 +/- \$20 million, GAAP EPS to be approximately \$0.23 +/- 10%, and non-GAAP EPS to be approximately \$0.32 +/- 10%.

Fusen Chen commented, "We continue to expand market access and align on new, high-growth opportunities, while diversifying our end-market exposure. Past market expansion efforts have improved our trough-level performance and have better enhanced our long-term ability to create and deliver value to shareholders. While the rate of near-term growth will be governed by industry inventory levels and macro dynamics, we continue to anticipate gradual demand improvement across our portfolio over the coming quarters.'

During its second fiscal quarter the Company completed its acquisition of Advanced Jet Automation Co., Ltd., including the material business and assets formerly owned by its affiliate, Samurai Spirit Inc., a leading developer and manufacturer of high-precision micro-dispensing equipment and solutions in Taiwan.

Earnings Conference Call Details

A conference call to discuss these results will be held on May 4, 2023, beginning at 8:00am EDT. To access the conference call, interested parties may call +1-877-407-8037 or internationally +1-201-689-8037. A live webcast link and supplemental earnings presentation will also be available at investor.kns.com.

A replay will be available from approximately one hour after the completion of the call through May 11, 2023 by calling toll-free +1-877-660-6853 or internationally +1-201-612-7415 and using the replay ID number of 13734621. A webcast replay will also be available at investor.kns.com.

Use of Non-GAAP Financial Results

In addition to U.S. GAAP results, this press release also contains the following non-GAAP financial results: income from operations, operating margin, net income, net margin, net income per diluted share and adjusted free cash flow. The Company's non-GAAP results exclude amortization related to intangible assets acquired through business combinations, costs associated with restructuring and severance, equity-based compensation, acquisition and integration costs, impairment relating to assets acquired through business combinations, impairment relating to equity investments, income tax expense arising from discrete tax items triggered by acquisition, restructuring and significant changes in tax laws, gain/loss on disposal of business, as well as tax benefits or expenses associated with the foregoing non-GAAP items. The non-GAAP adjustments may or may not be infrequent or nonrecurring in nature, but are a result of periodic or non-core operating activities. These non-GAAP measures are consistent with the way management analyzes and assesses the Company's operating results. The Company believes these non-GAAP measures enhance investors' understanding of the Company's underlying operational performance, as well as their ability to compare the Company's period-to-period financial results and the Company's overall performance to that of its competitors.

Management uses both U.S. GAAP metrics as well as these non-GAAP metrics to evaluate the Company's operating and financial results. Non-GAAP financial measures may not provide information that is directly comparable to that provided by other companies in the Company's industry, as other companies in the industry may calculate non-GAAP financial results differently. In addition, there are limitations in using non-GAAP financial measures because the non-GAAP financial measures are not prepared in accordance with GAAP, may be different from non-GAAP financial measures used by other companies and exclude expenses that may have a material impact on the Company's reported financial results. The presentation of non-GAAP intensions is meant to supplement, but not substitute for, GAAP financial measures or information. The Company believes the presentation of non-GAAP results in combination with GAAP results provides negative transparency to the investment company to when analyzing business trends, providing meaningful comparisons with prior period performance and better transparency to the investment community when analyzing business trends, providing meaningful comparisons with prior period performance and enhancing investors' ability to view the Company's results from management's perspective. A reconciliation of each available GAAP to non-GAAP financial measure discussed in this press release is contained in the financial tables at the end of this press release.

Management has not reconciled its outlook for non-GAAP Diluted EPS to Diluted EPS for Q3F23 as it does not provide guidance on the reconciling items between

Diluted EPS and non-GAAP Diluted EPS, as a result of the uncertainty regarding, and the potential variability of, these items. The actual amount of such reconciling items could have a significant impact on our non-GAAP Diluted EPS and, accordingly, a reconciliation of Diluted EPS to non-GAAP Diluted EPS for Q3F23 is not available without unreasonable effort.

About Kulicke & Soffa

Founded in 1951, Kulicke & Soffa specializes in developing cutting-edge semiconductor and electronics assembly solutions enabling a smart and more sustainable future. Our ever-growing range of products and services supports growth and facilitates technology transitions across large-scale markets, such as advanced display, automotive, communications, compute, consumer, data storage, energy storage and industrial.

Caution Concerning Results and Forward-Looking Statements

In addition to historical statements, this press release contains statements relating to future events and our future results. These statements are "forward-looking" statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. While these forward-looking statements represent our judgments and future expectations concerning our business, including the importance and competitiveness of our advanced display products and other emerging technology transitions, a number of risks, uncertainties and other important factors could cause actual developments and results to differ materially from our expectations. These factors include, but are not limited to, the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and macroeconomic headwinds on our business, our ability to develop, manufacture and gain market acceptance of new products, and the other factors listed or discussed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended October 1, 2022, filed on November 17, 2022, and our other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Kulicke and Soffa Industries, Inc. is under no obligation to (and expressly disclaims any obligation to) update or alter its forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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KULICKE AND SOFFA INDUSTRIES, INC. CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (In thousands, except per share and employee data) (Unaudited)

	Three mor	ee months ended			Six months ended				
	April 1, 2023		April 2, 2022		April 1, 2023	Ap	ril 2, 2022		
Net revenue	\$ 173,021	\$	384,282	\$	349,254	\$	845,170		
Cost of sales	88,929		182,572		176,456		420,222		
Gross profit	 84,092		201,710		172,798		424,948		
Operating expenses:									
Selling, general and administrative	33,063		33,937		73,563		71,487		
Research and development	35,999		37,281		70,507		70,450		
Amortization of intangible assets	1,563		1,151		2,957		2,434		
Acquisition-related costs	334		_		441		_		
Restructuring	504		_		879		126		
Total operating expenses	71,463		72,369		148,347	-	144,497		
Income from operations	12,629		129,341		24,451		280,451		
Other income (expense):									
Interest income	8,000		470		14,559		941		
Interest expense	 (32)		(97)		(66)		(137)		
Income before income taxes	20,597		129,714		38,944		281,255		
Income tax expense	 5,556		13,713		9,314		31,648		
Net income	\$ 15,041	\$	116,001	\$	29,630	\$	249,607		
Net income per share:									
Basic	\$ 0.27	\$	1.89	\$	0.52	\$	4.03		
Diluted	\$ 0.26	\$	1.86	\$	0.51	\$	3.97		
Cash dividends declared per share	\$ 0.19	\$	0.17	\$	0.38	\$	0.34		
Weighted average shares outstanding:									
Basic	56,684		61,482		56,868		61,934		
Diluted	57,577		62,435		57,739		62,907		
	Three mor	nths e	nded		Six month	s ende	d		
Supplemental financial data:	 April 1, 2023		April 2, 2022		April 1, 2023	Ap	ril 2, 2022		
Depreciation and amortization	\$ 6,542	\$	5,224	\$	12,155	\$	10,563		
Capital expenditures	17,383		3,384		33,034		6,260		
Equity-based compensation expense:									
Cost of sales	323		308		631		534		
Selling, general and administrative	3,731		3,296		8,598		7,252		
Research and development	 1,325		1,092		2,671		2,222		
Total equity-based compensation expense	\$ 5,379	\$	4,696	\$	11,900	\$	10,008		

April 1, 2023 April 2, 2022
Number of employees 3,089 3,445

CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS (In thousands) (Unaudited)

	As of							
	Ap	ril 1, 2023	Oct	ober 1, 2022				
ASSETS								
CURRENT ASSETS								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	389,102	\$	555,537				
Short-term investments		345,000		220,000				
Accounts and other receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$0 and	d							
\$0, respectively		169,140		309,323				
Inventories, net		224,159		184,986				
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		61,472		62,200				
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		1,188,873		1,332,046				
Property, plant and equipment, net		110,680		80,908				
Operating right-of-use assets		44,908		41,767				
Goodwill		98,893		68,096				
Intangible assets, net		39,892		31,939				
Deferred tax assets		32,157		25,572				
Equity investments		5,433		5,397				
Other assets		3,206		2,874				
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	1,524,042	\$	1,588,599				
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CURRENT LIABILITIES	LQUIII							
Accounts payable		54,851		67,311				
Operating lease liabilities		7,271		6,766				
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		112,301		134,541				
Income taxes payable		21,328		40,063				
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		195,751		248,681				
Deferred tax liabilities		36,180		34,037				
Income taxes payable		52,537		64,634				
Operating lease liabilities		39,557		34,927				
Other liabilities		16,320		11,670				
TOTAL LIABILITIES		340,345		393,949				
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY								
Common stock, no par value		567.031		561.684				
Treasury stock, at cost		(719,619)		(675,800)				
Retained earnings		1,349,736		1,341,666				
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(13,451)		(32,900)				
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$	1,183,697	\$	1,194,650				
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$	1,524,042	\$	1,588,599				

KULICKE AND SOFFA INDUSTRIES, INC. CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (In thousands) (Unaudited)

	Three months ended					Six months ended			
		April 1, 2023		April 2, 2022		April 1, 2023		April 2, 2022	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	1,820	\$	73,135	\$	86,936	\$	169,009	
Net cash (used in) / provided by investing activities		(147,283)		134,172		(186,197)		141,461	
Net cash used in financing activities		(16,681)		(186,987)		(72,911)		(211,064)	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	5	633		(1,357)		5,737		(1,741)	
Changes in cash and cash equivalents		(161,511)		18,963		(166,435)		97,665	
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period		550,613		441,490		555,537		362,788	
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$	389,102	\$	460,453	\$	389,102	\$	460,453	
Short-term investments		345,000		230,000		345,000		230,000	
Total cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments	\$	734,102	\$	690,453	\$	734,102	\$	690,453	

Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP to Non-GAAP Income from Operations and Operating Margin (In thousands, except percentages) (Unaudited)

		ril 1, 2023	Aı	April 2, 2022		mber 31, 2022
Net revenue	\$	173,021	\$	384,282	\$	176,233
U.S. GAAP income from operations		12,629		129,341		11,822
U.S. GAAP operating margin		7.3 %		33.7 %		6.7 %
Pre-tax non-GAAP items: Amortization related to intangible assets acquired through						
business combination- selling, general and administrative		1,563		1,151		1,394
Restructuring		504		_		375

Equity-based compensation Acquisition-related costs		5,379 334	4,696 —	6,521 107
Non-GAAP income from operations	\$	20,409	\$ 135,188	\$ 20,219
Non-GAAP operating margin		11.8 %	 35.2 %	11.5 %

Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP Net Income to Non-GAAP Net Income and U.S. GAAP net income per share to Non-GAAP net income per share (In thousands, except percentages and per share data) (Unaudited)

	Three months ended						
	Ap	ril 1, 2023	Ap	ril 2, 2022	Decer	nber 31, 2022	
Net revenue	\$	173,021	\$	384,282	\$	176,233	
U.S. GAAP net income		15,041		116,001		14,589	
U.S. GAAP net margin		8.7 %		30.2 %		8.3 %	
Non-GAAP adjustments: Amortization related to intangible assets acquired through business combination- selling, general and administrative Restructuring Equity-based compensation Acquisition-related costs Net income tax benefit on non-GAAP items Total non-GAAP adjustments Non-GAAP net income Non-GAAP net margin	\$	1,563 504 5,379 334 (892) 6,888 21,929 12.7 %	\$	1,151 	\$	1,394 375 6,521 107 (1,218) 7,179 21,768 12.4 %	
U.S. GAAP net income per share:							
Basic		0.27		1.89		0.26	
Diluted ^(a)		0.26		1.86		0.25	
Non-GAAP adjustments per share:(b)							
Basic		0.12		0.09		0.13	
Diluted		0.12		0.09		0.12	
Non-GAAP net income per share:							
Basic	\$	0.39	\$	1.98	\$	0.39	
Diluted ^(c)	\$	0.38	\$	1.95	\$	0.37	
Weighted average shares outstanding:							
Basic		56,684		61,482		57,051	
Diluted		57,577		62,435		57,729	
Dilated		,		,		,	

Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP Cash provided by Operating Activities to Non-GAAP Adjusted Free Cash Flow (In thousands, except percentages) (unaudited)

	Three months ended						
		April 1, 2023		April 2, 2022	December 31, 2022		
U.S. GAAP net cash provided by operating activities	\$	1,820	\$	73,135	\$	85,116	
Expenditures for property, plant and equipment		(10,637)		(2,947)		(13,878)	
Proceeds from sales of property, plant and equipment		235		119		_	
Non-GAAP adjusted free cash flow		(8,582)		70,307		71,238	

SOURCE Kulicke & Soffa Industries, Inc.

https://investor.kns.com/2023-05-03-Kulicke-Soffa-Reports-Second-Quarter-2023-Results

 ⁽a) GAAP diluted net earnings per share reflects any dilutive effect of outstanding restricted stock, but that effect is excluded when calculating GAAP diluted net loss per share because it would be anti-dilutive.
 (b) Non-GAAP adjustments per share include amortization related to intangible assets acquired through business combinations, costs associated with restructuring and severance, acquisition and integration costs, equity-based compensation expenses, and income tax effects associated with the foregoing non-GAAP items.

⁽c) Non-GAAP diluted net earnings per share reflects any dilutive effect of outstanding restricted stock.