

Universal Electronics Reports Third Quarter 2011 Financial Results

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CYPRESS, Calif., Nov 03, 2011 (BUSINESS WIRE) --

Universal Electronics Inc. (UEI), (NASDAQ:UEIC) reported financial results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011.

Paul Arling, UEI's Chairman and CEO, stated: "As expected, we delivered strong third quarter results of over 50% growth for both the top- and bottom-line, which represent quarterly records. Retracted global economies and ongoing distressed consumer sentiment have translated into weakened consumer electronics retail reports and forecasts. However, even as the weakness in the global markets continues to affect our industry beyond our earlier expectations, we are more confident than ever in our future growth prospects because we continue to build market share, outperform our competition as well as introduce new and innovative patented technologies."

Financial Results for the Three Months Ended September 30: 2011 Compared to 2010

- Net sales were \$123.5 million, compared to \$79.0 million.
 - Business Category revenue was \$111.3 million, compared to \$66.2 million. The Business Category contributed 90% of total net sales, compared to 84%.
 - Consumer Category revenue was \$12.2 million, compared to \$12.8 million. The Consumer Category contributed 10% of total net sales, compared to 16%.
- Adjusted pro forma gross margins were 27.9%, compared to gross margins of 32.6%.
- Adjusted pro forma operating expenses were \$24.0 million, compared to operating expenses of \$19.2 million.
- Adjusted pro forma operating income was \$10.5 million, compared to operating income of \$6.6 million.
- Adjusted pro forma net income was \$8.0 million, or \$0.53 per diluted share, compared to net income of \$4.7 million, or \$0.34 per diluted share.
- At September 30, 2011, cash and cash equivalents was \$32.0 million.

Financial Results for the Nine Months Ended September 30: 2011 Compared to 2010

- Net sales were \$351.0 million, compared to \$229.3 million.
- Adjusted pro forma gross margins were 27.8%, compared to gross margins of 32.8%.
- Adjusted pro forma operating expenses were \$74.0 million, compared to operating expenses of \$58.6 million.
- Adjusted pro forma net income was \$17.7 million, or \$1.15 per diluted share, compared to net income of \$11.3 million, or \$0.81 per diluted share.

Financial Outlook

For the fourth quarter of 2011, the company expects net sales to range between \$115 million and \$121 million, compared to \$102.5 million in the fourth quarter of 2010. Adjusted pro forma earnings per diluted share for the fourth quarter of 2011 are expected to range from \$0.33 to \$0.43, compared to adjusted pro forma earnings per diluted share of \$0.45 in the fourth quarter of 2010.

For the full 2011 year, the company expects net sales to range between \$466 million and \$472 million, compared to \$331.8 million in 2010. Adjusted pro forma earnings per diluted share for 2011 are expected to range from \$1.47 to \$1.57, compared to adjusted pro forma earnings per diluted share of \$1.27 in 2010.

Conference Call Information

UEI's management team will hold a conference call today, Thursday, November 3, 2011 at 4:30 p.m. ET / 1:30 p.m. PT, to discuss its third quarter 2011 earnings results, review the quarterly activity and answer questions. To access the call in the U.S. please dial 877-655-6895 and for international calls dial 706-758-0299 approximately 10 minutes prior to the start of the conference. The conference ID is 17857113. The conference call will also be broadcast live over the Internet and available for replay for one year at www.uei.com. In addition, a replay of the call will be available via telephone for two business days, beginning two hours after the call. To listen to the replay, in the U.S., please dial 855-859-2056 and internationally, 404-537-3406. Enter access code 17857113.

Use of Non-GAAP Financial Metrics

Non-GAAP gross margins, Non-GAAP operating expenses, and Non-GAAP net income and earnings per share are supplemental measures of the

company's performance that are not required by, and are not presented in accordance with GAAP. The non-GAAP information does not substitute for any performance measure derived in accordance with GAAP. Non-GAAP gross profit is defined as gross profit excluding charges related to the write-up of inventory and depreciation related to the acquisition. Non-GAAP operating expenses is defined as cash operating expenses excluding acquisition costs, amortization of intangibles and other employee related restructuring costs. Non-GAAP net income is net income from operations excluding the aforementioned items. A reconciliation of Non-GAAP financial results to GAAP results is included at the end of this press release.

About Universal Electronics Inc.

Founded in 1986, Universal Electronics Inc. (UEI) is the global leader in wireless control technology for the connected home. UEI designs, develops, and delivers innovative solutions that enable consumers to control entertainment devices, digital media, and home systems. The company's broad portfolio of patented technologies and database of infrared control software have been adopted by many Fortune 500 companies in the consumer electronics, subscription broadcast, and computing industries. UEI sells and licenses wireless control products through distributors and retailers under the One For All(R) brand name. For additional information, please visit our website at www.uei.com.

Safe Harbor Statement

This press release contains forward-looking statements that are made pursuant to the Safe-Harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.Words and expressions reflecting something other than historical fact are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements involve a number of risks and uncertainties, including the benefits anticipated by the Company due to continued innovation of products and technologies; new markets growth; the Company's ability to gain market share; general economic conditions; that pending patents will be issued and that when issued, will result in technologies that are accepted and adopted by our customers; the consumer electronics and broader retail industries to be weaker than anticipated by management; and other factors described in the Company's filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. The actual results that the Company achieves may differ materially from any forward looking statement due to such risks and uncertainties. The Company undertakes no obligations to revise or update any forward-looking statements in order to reflect events or circumstances that may arise after the date of this release.

UNIVERSAL ELECTRONICS INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands, except share-related data)

(Unaudited)

	September 30, 2011	December 31, 2010
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 32,000	\$ 54,249
Accounts receivable, net	88,983	86,304
Inventories, net	84,818	65,402
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	2,072	2,582
Deferred income taxes	6,173	5,896
Total current assets	214,046	214,433
Property, plant, and equipment, net	80,237	78,097
Goodwill	30,857	30,877
Intangible assets, net	33,566	35,994
Other assets	5,335	5,464
Deferred income taxes	7,776	7,806
Total assets	\$ 371,817	\$ 372,671
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 63,623	
Notes payable	18,400	35,000
Accrued sales discounts, rebates and royalties	6,408	7,942
Accrued income taxes	3,891	5,873
Accrued compensation	28,530	30,634
Deferred income taxes	55	
Other accrued expenses	13,693	13,295
Total current liabilities	134,600	148,830
Long-term liabilities:		
Deferred income taxes	11,508	11,369
Income tax payable	1,212	1,212
Other long-term liabilities	5	56
Total liabilities	147,325	161,467
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholders' equity:		

Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value, 5,000,000 shares authorized; none issued or outstanding

Common stock, \$0.01 par value, 50,000,000 shares authorized; 21,076,830 and 20,877,248 shares issued on
September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively
Paid-in capital
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)
Retained earnings

Less cost of common stock in treasury, 6,344,642 and 5,926,071 shares on September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively

Total stockholders' equity

Total liabilities and stockholders' equity

UNIVERSAL ELECTRONICS INC. CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENTS

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

(Unaudited)

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	Three Months Ended Nine Months I September 30, September							
		2011	2010		2011		2010	
Net sales	\$	123,527	\$ 79,007	\$	350,985	\$2	229,275	
Cost of sales		89,349	53,289		254,284	_1	154,068	
Gross profit		34,178	25,718		96,701		75,207	
Research and development expenses		2,861	2,687		9,275		7,944	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	_	21,852	16,465		67,116		50,694	
Operating income		9,465	6,566		20,310		16,569	
Interest (expense) income, net		(56)	(1)		(210)		99	
Other (expense) income, net		(353)	40		(771)		62	
Income before provision for income taxes		9,056	6,605		19,329		16,730	
Provision for income taxes		(1,972)	(1,903)		(4,297)		(5,415)	
Net income	\$	7,084	\$ 4,702	\$	15,032	\$	11,315	
Earnings per share:								
Basic	\$	0.48	\$ 0.35	\$	1.00	\$	0.83	
Diluted	\$	0.47	\$ 0.34	\$	0.98	\$	0.81	
Shares used in computing earnings per share	:			_				
Basic	_	14,887	13,417		14,963		13,572	
Diluted	_	15,147	13,671		15,312		13,897	

UNIVERSAL ELECTRONICS INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(In thousands) (Unaudited)

		Nine months Ended September 30,		
	2011	2010		
Cash provided by operating activities:				
Net income	\$ 15,03	32 \$ 11,315		
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization	12,90	4,660		
Provision for doubtful accounts	24	l 661		
Provision for inventory write-downs	3,61	0 2,651		
Deferred income taxes	2	26 17		
Tax benefit from exercise of stock options and vested restricted stock	39	99 102		
Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation	(42	22) (131)		
Shares issued for employee benefit plan	59	92 375		
Stock-based compensation	3,28	3,757		
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Accounts receivable	(2,77	(2) 4,508		
Inventories	(22,17	(6,806)		
Prepaid expenses and other assets	67	74 1,158		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	2,45	6 (8,229)		
Accrued income taxes	(2,04	(3,407)		
Net cash provided by operating activities	11,80)2 10,631		

	211	209
	172,264	166,940
	1,628	(489)
	149,102	 134,070
	323,205	300,730
	(98,713)	(89,526)
	224,492	 211,204
\$	371,817	\$ 372,671

Cash used for investing activities:		
Term deposit		(290)
Acquisition of property, plant, and equipment	(10,140)	(4,449)
Acquisition of intangible assets	(814)	(1,061)
Net cash used for investing activities	(10,954)	 (5,800)
Cash used for financing activities:		
Payment of debt	(16,600)	
Proceeds from stock options exercised	1,381	257
Treasury stock purchased	(9,512)	(9,835)
Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation	 422	 131
Net cash used for financing activities	(24,309)	 (9,447)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	1,212	 (953)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(22,249)	(5,569)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	54,249	 29,016
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 32,000	\$ 23,447

Supplemental Cash Flow Information -- We had net income tax payments of \$6.9million and \$8.9 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. We had interest payments of \$0.3 million and \$0 during the ninemonths ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

UNIVERSAL ELECTRONICS INC. RECONCILIATION OF ADJUSTED PRO FORMA FINANCIAL RESULTS

(In thousands) (Unaudited)								
		ree Months B eptember 30.		Three Months Ended September 30, 2010				
	<u>GAAP</u>	<u>Adjustment</u>	Adjusted <u>s Pro Forma</u>	<u>GAAP</u>	Adjusted GAAP Adjustments Pro Forma			
Net sales	\$123,527	\$	\$ 123,527	\$ 79,007	\$ \$	79,007		
Cost of sales ⁽¹⁾	89,349	(277) 89,072	53,289		53,289		
Gross profit	34,178	277	34,455	25,718		25,718		
Research and development expenses	2,861		2,861	2,687		2,687		
Selling, general and administrative expenses ⁽²⁾	21,852	(743) 21,109	16,465		16,465		
Operating income	9,465	1,020	10,485	6,566		6,566		
Interest (expense) income, net	(56)	(56)	(1))	(1)		
Other (expense) income, net	(353)	(353)	40		40		
Income before provision for income taxes	9,056	1,020	10,076	6,605		6,605		
Provision for income taxes ⁽³⁾	1,972	144	2,116	1,903		1,903		
Net income	\$ 7,084	\$ 876	\$ 7,960	\$ 4,702	\$ \$	4,702		
Earnings per share diluted	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.53	\$ 0.34	\$ \$	0.34		
		ine Months E eptember 30,			ine Months Ende			

	September 30, 2011			September 30, 2010			
	GAAP	Adjustments	Adjusted Pro Forma	GAAP	A Adjustments Pi	djusted o Forma	
Net sales	\$350,985	\$	\$ 350,985	\$229,275	\$ \$	229,275	
Cost of sales ⁽¹⁾	254,284	(831)	253,453	154,068		154,068	
Gross profit	96,701	831	97,532	75,207		75,207	
Research and development expenses	9,275		9,275	7,944		7,944	
Selling, general and administrative expenses (2)	67,116	(2,402)	64,714	50,694		50,694	
Operating income	20,310	3,233	23,543	16,569		16,569	
Interest (expense) income, net	(210)		(210)	99		99	
Other (expense) income, net	(771)		(771)	62		62	
Income before provision for income taxes	19,329	3,233	22,562	16,730		16,730	
Provision for income taxes (3)	4,297	585	4,882	5,415		5,415	
Net income	\$ 15,032	\$ 2,648	\$ 17,680	\$ 11,315	\$ \$	11,315	
Earnings per share diluted	\$ 0.98	\$ 0.17	\$ 1.15	\$ 0.81	\$ \$	0.81	

(1) To reflect depreciation expense of \$0.3 million and \$0.8 million for the three and nine months ending September 30, 2011, respectively, relating to

the mark-up in fixed assets from cost to fair value as part of the Enson Assets Limited acquisition.

(2) To reflect \$0.7 million and \$2.4 million of amortization expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, relating to intangible assets acquired as part of the Enson Assets Limited and Zilog acquisitions.

(3) To reflect the tax effect of the adjustments.

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