

Universal Electronics Reports Financial Results for the Second Quarter 2021

SCOTTSDALE, AZ – August 5, 2021 – Universal Electronics Inc. (UEI) (NASDAQ: UEIC) reported financial results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2021.

"As we look towards the second half of 2021, we are beginning to see increased demand, which bodes well for our business," said Paul Arling, UEI's chairman and CEO. "We are seeing renewed strength in orders for the back half of 2021 on existing platforms and increased adoption of our Apple TV remote for multichannel video programming distributors across the world. We have started shipping launch quantities to our initial MVPD customers with additional launches planned later in 2021 as well as 2022. Nevo Butler, our white-label voice-enabled smart home and entertainment control hub, is in a field trial with a major European telco. However, due to semiconductor component shortages and some logistical challenges in the second quarter, we were unable to fulfill all our orders. Despite these temporal challenges, our continued focus on technology innovation, strong customer relations, and operational excellence expanded our operating profit and delivered a record second quarter EPS.

"Our ongoing commitment to innovation continues to broaden our use cases and diversify our potential customer base. We have led wireless device control for decades overcoming numerous macro-economic conditions be it component shortages, tariffs or pandemics. UEI is resilient and innovative. We set technology trends and standards. We expect to continue to lead the industry for decades to come."

Financial Results for the Three Months Ended June 30: 2021 Compared to 2020

- GAAP net sales were \$150.5 million, compared to \$153.1 million; Adjusted Non-GAAP net sales were \$150.6 million, compared to \$153.3 million.
- GAAP gross margins were 29.7%, compared to 24.9%; Adjusted Non-GAAP gross margins were 30.5%, compared to 28.5%.
- GAAP operating income was \$9.0 million, compared to \$6.5 million; Adjusted Non-GAAP operating income was \$15.8 million, compared to \$14.5 million.
- GAAP net income was \$5.6 million, or \$0.40 per diluted share, compared to \$14.4 million or \$1.02 per share; Adjusted Non-GAAP net income was \$13.6 million, or \$0.98 per diluted share, compared to \$12.6 million, or \$0.89 per diluted share.
- At June 30, 2021, cash and cash equivalents were \$67.7 million.

Financial Results for the Six Months Ended June 30: 2021 Compared to 2020

- GAAP net sales were \$301.0 million, compared to \$304.9 million; Adjusted Non-GAAP net sales were \$301.3 million, compared to \$305.2 million.
- GAAP gross margins were 30.2%, compared to 26.6%; Adjusted Non-GAAP gross margins were 30.9%, compared to 29.7%.
- GAAP operating income was \$17.6 million, compared to \$14.5 million; Adjusted Non-GAAP operating income was \$31.5 million, compared to \$29.4 million.
- GAAP net income was \$12.6 million, or \$0.89 per diluted share, compared to \$20.2 million or \$1.43 per share; Adjusted Non-GAAP net income was \$26.2 million, or \$1.87 per diluted share, compared to \$24.1 million, or \$1.70 per diluted share.

Financial Outlook

For the third quarter of 2021, the company expects GAAP net sales to range between \$160 million and \$170 million, compared to \$153.5 million in the third quarter of 2020. GAAP earnings per diluted share for the third quarter of 2021 are expected to range from \$0.61 to \$0.71, compared to a GAAP earnings per diluted share of \$0.43 in the third quarter of 2020.

For the third quarter of 2021, the company expects Adjusted Non-GAAP net sales to range from \$160 million to \$170 million, compared to \$153.7 million in the third quarter of 2020. Adjusted Non-GAAP earnings per diluted share are expected to range from \$1.00 to \$1.10,

compared to Adjusted Non-GAAP earnings per diluted share of \$0.92 in the third quarter of 2020. The third quarter 2021 Adjusted Non-GAAP earnings per diluted share estimate excludes \$0.39 per share related to, among other things, excess manufacturing overhead costs, stock-based compensation, amortization of acquired intangibles, litigation costs, foreign currency gains and losses and the related tax impact of these adjustments. For a more detailed explanation of Non-GAAP measures, please see the Use of Non-GAAP Financial Metrics discussion and the Reconciliation of Adjusted Non-GAAP Financial Results, each located elsewhere in this press release.

The company continues to believe in its long-term growth targets of sales between 5% and 10% and EPS between 10% and 20%.

Conference Call Information

UEI's management team will hold a conference call today, Thursday, August 5, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. ET / 1:30 p.m. PT, to discuss its second quarter 2021 earnings results, review recent activity and answer questions. To access the call in the U.S. please dial 877-843-0414, and for international calls dial 315-625-3071 approximately 15 minutes prior to the start of the conference. The conference ID is 8165525. The conference call will also be broadcast live on the investor section of the UEI website where it will be available for replay for one year. In addition, a replay 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 dial 404-537-3406. The access code is 8165525.

Use of Non-GAAP Financial Metrics

In addition to reporting financial results in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, or GAAP, UEI provides Adjusted Non-GAAP information as additional information for its operating results. References to Adjusted Non-GAAP information are to non-GAAP financial measures. These measures are not required by, in accordance with, or an alternative for, GAAP and may be different from non-GAAP financial measures used by other companies. UEI's management uses these measures for reviewing the financial results of UEI for budget planning purposes and for making operational and financial decisions. Management believes that providing these non-GAAP financial measures to investors, as a supplement to GAAP financial measures, help investors evaluate UEI's core operating and financial performance and business trends consistent with how management evaluates such performance and trends. Additionally, management believes these measures facilitate comparisons with the core operating and financial results and business trends of competitors and other companies.

Adjusted Non-GAAP net sales is defined as net sales excluding the revenue impact of stock-based compensation for performance-based warrants. Adjusted Non-GAAP gross profit is defined as gross profit excluding the impact of additional Section 301 U.S. tariffs on products manufactured in China and imported into the U.S., excess manufacturing overhead costs, including those related to the COVID-19 pandemic, factory transition costs, loss on the sale of our Ohio call center, gain on the release from our Ohio call center lease obligation guarantee, stock-based compensation expense, depreciation expense related to the increase in fixed assets from cost to fair market value resulting from acquisitions and employee related restructuring costs. Adjusted Non-GAAP operating expenses are defined as operating expenses excluding stock-based compensation expense, amortization of intangibles acquired, changes in contingent consideration related to acquisitions, costs associated with our International Trade Commission litigation efforts, and employee related restructuring and other costs. Adjusted Non-GAAP net income is defined as net income excluding the aforementioned items, the reversal of a social insurance accrual related to our Guangzhou entity, which was sold in 2018, foreign currency gains and losses, the related tax effects of all adjustments and the effect of a reversal of a reserve of an uncertain tax position related to our Guangzhou entity, which was sold in 2018. Adjusted Non-GAAP net income. A reconciliation of these financial measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures is included at the end of this press release.

About Universal Electronics

Founded in 1986, Universal Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ: UEIC) is the global leader in wireless universal control solutions for home entertainment and smart home devices. We design, develop, manufacture, ship and support control and sensor technology solutions and a broad line of universal control systems, audio video accessories, and intelligent wireless security and smart home products. Our products and solutions are used by the world's leading brands in the video services, consumer electronics, security, home automation, climate control and home appliance markets. For more information, visit <u>www.uei.com</u>.

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Forward-looking Statements

This press release and accompanying schedules contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of federal securities laws, including net sales, profit margin and earnings trends, estimates and assumptions; our expectations about new product introductions; and similar statements concerning anticipated future events and expectations that are not historical facts. We caution you that these statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to numerous risks and uncertainties, including those we identify below and other risk factors that we identify in our most recent annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020, and quarterly and periodic reports we have filed with the Securities Exchange Commission (the "SEC") since then. Risks that could affect forward-looking statements in this press release include: the acceptance of and demand for the various advanced control products and technologies, including our Apple TV remote control and Nevo Butler products, technologies, and platforms; our ability to continue anticipating the needs and wants of our customers, and timely develop and deliver products and technologies that will be accepted by our customers; the continued commitment of our customers to their product development strategies that translate into greater demand for our technologies and products as anticipated by management; the continued ordering pattern of our customers as anticipated by management; management's ability to manage its business to achieve its net sales, margins, and earnings through its operating efficiencies, product mix, and gross margin improvement initiatives as guided and as anticipated; our ability to enhance and protect the value of our intellectual properties, including our patents and trade secrets, through our licensing and litigation efforts; interruptions in our supply and logistics chains; the effects that natural disasters and public health crises, including the COVID-19 pandemic, have on our business and management's ability to anticipate and mitigate those effects, including the duration, severity and scope of the COVID-19 pandemic, and the actions and restrictions that may be imposed on us and our operations by federal, state, local and international public health and governmental authorities to contain and combat the outbreak and spread of COVID-19, each of which may exacerbate one or more of the aforementioned risks; and uncertainties and other factors more fully described in our reports filed with the SEC; and effects that changes in laws, regulations and policies may have on our business including the impact of trade regulations pertaining to importation of our products and the tariffs imposed upon them. Since it is not possible to predict or identify all of the risks, uncertainties and other factors that may affect future results, the above list should not be considered a complete list. Further, any of these factors could cause actual results to differ materially from the expectations we express or imply in this press release. We make these forward-looking statements as of August 5, 2021, and we undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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UNIVERSAL ELECTRONICS INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands, except share-related data)

	J	une 30, 2021	December 31, 2020		
ASSETS					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	67,690	\$	57,153	
Accounts receivable, net		134,994		129,433	
Contract assets		9,585		9,685	
Inventories		121,430		120,430	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		6,901		6,828	
Income tax receivable		3,650		3,314	
Total current assets		344,250		326,843	
Property, plant and equipment, net		82,485		87,285	
Goodwill		48,555		48,614	
Intangible assets, net		19,923		19,710	
Operating lease right-of-use assets		19,098		19,522	
Deferred income taxes		4,571		5,564	
Other assets		2,502		2,752	
Total assets	\$	521,384	\$	510,290	
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Current liabilities:	<i>.</i>	~~~~	.		
Accounts payable	\$	90,079	\$	83,229	
Line of credit		46,000		20,000	
Accrued compensation		24,207		28,931	
Accrued sales discounts, rebates and royalties		6,597		10,758	
Accrued income taxes		1,027		3,535	
Other accrued liabilities		29,046		33,057	
Total current liabilities		196,956		179,510	
Long-term liabilities:					
Operating lease obligations		13,197		13,681	
Contingent consideration				292	
Deferred income taxes		2,477		1,913	
Income tax payable		1,054		1,054	
Other long-term liabilities		332		539	
Total liabilities		214,016		196,989	
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; 24,603,638 and 24,391,595 shares issued on June 30, 2021 and December 31, 2020, respectively		246		244	
Paid-in capital		309,072		302,084	
Treasury stock, at cost, 11,128,717 and 10,618,002 shares on June 30, 2021 and December 31. 2020. respectively		(322,179)		(295,495)	
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		(17,347)		(18,522)	
Retained earnings		337,576		324,990	
Total stockholders' equity		307,368		313,301	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	521,384	\$	510,290	

UNIVERSAL ELECTRONICS INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

		Three Months Ended June 30,				Six Months Ended June 30,					
		2021		2021		2020		2021		2020	
Net sales	\$	150,491	\$	153,133	\$	301,033	\$	304,911			
Cost of sales		105,829		115,058		209,972		223,895			
Gross profit		44,662		38,075		91,061		81,016			
Research and development expenses		7,676		7,385		15,618		15,283			
Selling, general and administrative expenses		27,965		24,230		57,811		51,227			
Operating income		9,021		6,460		17,632		14,506			
Interest income (expense), net		(127)		(372)		(235)		(1,004)			
Accrued social insurance adjustment		—		9,464				9,464			
Other income (expense), net		(17)		731		6		383			
Income before provision for income taxes		8,877		16,283		17,403		23,349			
Provision for income taxes		3,284		1,883		4,817		3,103			
Net income	\$	5,593	\$	14,400	\$	12,586	\$	20,246			
Earnings per share:											
Basic	\$	0.41	\$	1.03	\$	0.92	\$	1.45			
Diluted	\$	0.40	\$	1.02	\$	0.89	\$	1.43			
Shares used in computing earnings per share:											
Basic		13,672		13,915		13,737		13,938			
Diluted	_	13.926		14.151		14.062		14.181			

UNIVERSAL ELECTRONICS INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(In thousands) (Unaudited)

		Six Months Ended June 30,			
		2021	2020		
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Net income	\$	12,586	\$	20,246	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash used for operating activities:					
Depreciation and amortization		13,128		15,663	
Provision for credit losses		1		240	
Deferred income taxes		1,637		1,275	
Shares issued for employee benefit plan		681		739	
Employee and director stock-based compensation		5,044		4,594	
Performance-based common stock warrants		274		338	
Impairment of long-term assets				50	
Accrued social insurance adjustment				(9,464)	
Loss on sale of Ohio call center				712	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:					
Accounts receivable and contract assets		(6,241)		(848)	
Inventories		(1,076)		9,571	
Prepaid expenses and other assets		625		1,947	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		(7,338)		(40,869	
Accrued income taxes		(2,837)		293	
Net cash provided by operating activities		16,484		4,487	
Cash flows from investing activities:		,		,	
Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment		(6,206)		(6,210	
Acquisitions of intangible assets		(1,907)		(3,077	
Payment on sale of Ohio call center				(500	
Net cash used for investing activities		(8,113)		(9,787	
Cash flows from financing activities:		(0,0)		(,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	
Borrowings under line of credit		41,000		50,000	
Repayments on line of credit		(15,000)		(45,000)	
Proceeds from stock options exercised		991		(10,000	
Treasury stock purchased		(26,684)		(6,405	
Contingent consideration payments in connection with business combinations		(_0,00.)		(3,091)	
Net cash provided by (used for) financing activities		307		(4,496	
Effect of foreign currency exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents		1,859		(5,674)	
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	_	10,537		(15,470)	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		57,153		74,302	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	67,690	\$	58,832	
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Income taxes paid	\$	5,663	\$	2,215	
Interest paid	\$	202	\$	1,069	

UNIVERSAL ELECTRONICS INC. RECONCILIATION OF ADJUSTED NON-GAAP FINANCIAL RESULTS

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended June 30,			Six Months Ended June 30,			June 30,	
		2021	2020			2021		2020
Net sales:								
Net sales - GAAP	\$	150,491	\$	153,133	\$	301,033	\$	304,911
Stock-based compensation for performance-based warrants		131		154		274		338
Adjusted Non-GAAP net sales	\$	150,622	\$	153,287	\$	301,307	\$	305,249
Cost of sales:								
Cost of sales – GAAP	\$	105,829	\$	115,058	\$	209,972	\$	223,895
Section 301 U.S. tariffs on goods imported from China ⁽¹⁾				(3,523)				(3,523)
Excess manufacturing overhead and factory transition costs ⁽²⁾		(976)		(1,813)		(2,221)		(4,728)
Loss on sale of Ohio call center ⁽³⁾		_				_		(570)
Gain on release from Ohio call center lease obligation guarantee ⁽⁴⁾						542		_
Stock-based compensation expense		(40)		(36)		(77)		(110)
Adjustments to acquired tangible assets ⁽⁵⁾		(64)		(66)		(129)		(132)
Employee related restructuring								(204)
Adjusted Non-GAAP cost of sales		104,749		109,620		208,087		214,628
Adjusted Non-GAAP gross profit	\$	45,873	\$	43,667	\$	93,220	\$	90,621
Gross margin:								
Gross margin – GAAP		29.7 %		24.9 %		30.2 %		26.6 %
Stock-based compensation for performance-based warrants		0.2 %		0.1 %		0.2 %		0.1 %
Section 301 U.S. tariffs on goods imported from China ⁽¹⁾		<u> %</u>		2.3 %		<u> %</u>		1.2 %
Excess manufacturing overhead and factory transition costs (2)		0.6 %		1.2 %		0.7 %		1.6 %
Loss on sale of Ohio call center ⁽³⁾		<u> %</u>		%		<u> %</u>		0.2 %
Gain on release from Ohio call center lease obligation guarantee ⁽⁴⁾		<u> %</u>		<u> </u>		(0.2)%		%
Stock-based compensation expense		0.0 %		0.0~%		0.0 %		0.0 %
Adjustments to acquired tangible assets ⁽⁵⁾		0.0~%		0.0~%		0.0 %		0.0 %
Employee related restructuring		<u> </u>		<u> </u>		<u> </u>		0.0 %
Adjusted Non-GAAP gross margin		30.5 %	_	28.5 %	_	30.9 %	_	29.7 %
Operating expenses:								
Operating expenses - GAAP	\$	35,641	\$	31,615	\$	73,429	\$	66,510
Stock-based compensation expense		(2,404)		(2,255)		(4,967)		(4,484)
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		(277)		(1,396)		(553)		(2,791)
Change in contingent consideration				1,261		193		2,224
Litigation costs ⁽⁶⁾		(2,908)		_		(6,477)		_
Employee related restructuring and other costs				(50)		111		(287)
Adjusted Non-GAAP operating expenses	\$	30,052	\$	29,175	\$	61,736	\$	61,172

UNIVERSAL ELECTRONICS INC. RECONCILIATION OF ADJUSTED NON-GAAP FINANCIAL RESULTS

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended June 30,				June 30,			
		2021		2020		2021		2020
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Loss on sale of Ohio call center ⁽³⁾								570
Gain on release from Ohio call center lease obligation guarantee ⁽⁴⁾				_		(542)		
Stock-based compensation expense		2,444		2,291		5,044		4,594
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Employee related restructuring and other costs				50		(111)		491
Adjusted Non-GAAP operating income	\$	15,821	\$	14,492	\$	31,484	\$	29,449
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Adjusted pro forma operating income as a percentage of net sales		10.5 %		9.5 %		10.4 %		9.6%
Net income:								
Net income - GAAP	\$	5,593	\$	14,400	\$	12,586	\$	20,246
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Accrued social insurance adjustment ⁽⁷⁾				(9,464)		(111)		(9,464)
Foreign currency (gain) loss		480		(505)		589		(209)
Income tax provision on adjustments		733		1,467		(800)		(75)
Other income tax adjustments ⁽⁸⁾		155		(1,303)		(800)		(1,303)
Adjusted Non-GAAP net income	¢	12 606	¢	· · · · · ·	¢	26.227	¢	
Aujusted Non-OAAT het income	\$	13,606	\$	12,627	\$	26,227	\$	24,138
Diluted shares used in computing earnings per share:								
GAAP		13,926		14,151		14,062		14,181
Adjusted Non-GAAP		13,926		14,151		14,062		14,181
		13,720		1,101		1,002		1,101
Diluted earnings per share:								
Diluted earnings per share - GAAP	\$	0.40	\$	1.02	\$	0.89	\$	1.43
Total adjustments	\$	0.58	\$	(0.13)	\$	0.97	\$	0.27
Adjusted Non-GAAP diluted earnings per share	\$	0.98	\$	0.89	\$	1.87	\$	1.70
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- ⁽¹⁾ The three and six months ended June 30, 2020 include costs directly attributable to the additional Section 301 U.S. tariffs implemented in 2018 on goods manufactured in China and imported into the U.S.
- (2) The three and six months ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 include excess manufacturing overhead costs due to the expansion of our manufacturing facility in Mexico where products destined for the U.S. market are now manufactured. These products destined for the U.S. market were previously manufactured in China. Additionally, the six months ended June 30, 2020 includes excess manufacturing overhead costs incurred as we temporarily shut-down our China and Mexico-based factories as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- ⁽³⁾ Consists of the loss recorded on the sale of our Ohio call center in February 2020.
- (4) Consists of the gain associated with the January 2021 release from our guarantee of the lease obligation related to our Ohio call center which was sold in February 2020.
- ⁽⁵⁾ Consists of depreciation related to the mark-up from cost to fair value of fixed assets acquired in business combinations.
- (6) Consists of expenses related to our International Trade Commission ("ITC") investigation of Roku, Inc. and certain other related entities. We have requested the ITC to issue a permanent limited exclusion order prohibiting the importation of certain products into the United States due to their infringement of our patents.
- ⁽⁷⁾ Consists of the reversal of a social insurance accrual related to our Guangzhou entity, which was sold in 2018. The indemnification agreement related to the sale of our Guangzhou entity expired in the second quarter of 2020.
- ⁽⁸⁾ The three and six months ended June 30, 2020 includes the reversal of a reserve of an uncertain tax position related to our Guangzhou entity, which was sold in 2018. The indemnification agreement related to the sale of our Guangzhou entity expired in the second quarter of 2020.