



ON Semiconductor Reports First Quarter 2021 Results

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PHOENIX, Ariz.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- ON Semiconductor Corporation (Nasdaq: ON) today announced results for the first quarter of 2021 with following highlights:

- Revenue of \$1,481.7 million increased 16 percent year-over-year
- GAAP diluted earnings per share of \$0.20 as compared to \$(0.03) in the quarter a year ago
- Non-GAAP diluted earnings per share of \$0.35 as compared to \$0.10 in the quarter a year ago
- GAAP and non-GAAP gross margin of 35.2 percent increased 80 basis points quarter-over-quarter and 370 basis points year-over-year
- Cash provided by operating activities of \$218.5 million as compared to \$166.0 million in the quarter a year ago
- Free cash flow of \$141.5 million, as compared to \$33.7 million in the quarter a year ago
- Record automotive revenue of \$515 million increased 5 percent quarter-over-quarter

"We delivered strong results driven by disciplined execution in a strong demand environment across our focus end-markets. Our gross margin initiatives are beginning to show early results with first quarter gross margin expanding by 80 basis points quarter-over-quarter. We remain confident in our ability to further expand our margins as we continue to make structural changes to the business," said Hassane El-Khoury, president and CEO of ON Semiconductor.

"The momentum in our strategic automotive and industrial end-markets is accelerating. During the first quarter, we secured key platform design wins for our Silicon Carbide and Silicon based power products, further solidifying our market leadership in vehicle electrification."

Selected financial results for the quarter are shown below with comparable periods:

(in millions, except per share data)	GAAP			Non-GAAP		
	Q1 2021	Q4 2020	Q1 2020	Q1 2021	Q4 2020	Q1 2020
Revenue	\$1,481.7	\$1,446.3	\$1,277.9	\$1,481.7	\$1,446.3	\$1,277.9
Gross Margin	35.2%	34.4%	31.5%	35.2%	34.4%	31.5%
Operating Margin	8.5%	11.6%	1.5%	13.3%	14.2%	6.6%
Net Income (Loss) Attributable to ON Semiconductor Corporation	\$89.9	\$89.0	(\$14.0)	\$151.3	\$147.1	\$42.8
Diluted Earnings (Loss) Per Share	\$0.20	\$0.21	(\$0.03)	\$0.35	\$0.35	\$0.10

Revenue Summary (\$ in millions) (Unaudited)

Business Segment	Three Months Ended			Sequential Year over Year	
	Q1 2021	Q4 2020	Q1 2020	Change	Change
PSG	\$ 747.0	\$ 716.4	\$ 623.9	4%	20%
ASG	531.5	522.0	467.1	2%	14%
ISG	203.2	207.9	186.9	(2)%	9%
Total	\$1,481.7	\$1,446.3	\$1,277.9	2%	16%

SECOND QUARTER 2021 OUTLOOK

The following table outlines ON Semiconductor's projected second quarter of 2021 GAAP and non-GAAP outlook.

	Total ON Semiconductor GAAP	Special Items***	Total ON Semiconductor Non-GAAP****
Revenue	\$1,570 to \$1,670 million		\$1,570 to \$1,670 million
Gross Margin	35.8% to 37.8%		35.8% to 37.8%
Operating Expenses	\$373 to \$391 million	\$50 to \$54 million	\$323 to \$337 million
Other Income and Expense (including interest expense), net	\$32 to \$35 million	\$4 to \$5 million*	\$28 to \$30 million
Diluted Earnings Per Share	\$0.29 to \$0.38	\$0.15 to \$0.16	\$0.44 to \$0.54
Diluted Shares Outstanding **	448 million	13 million	435 million

* Convertible Notes, Non-cash interest expense is calculated pursuant to FASB's Accounting Standards Codification Topic 470: Debt.

- ** Diluted shares outstanding can vary as a result of, among other things, the actual exercise of options or vesting of restricted stock units, the incremental dilutive shares from the Company's convertible senior subordinated notes, and the repurchase or the issuance of stock or convertible notes or the sale of treasury shares. In periods when the quarterly average stock price per share exceeds \$20.72, the non-GAAP diluted share count and non-GAAP net income per share include the anti-dilutive impact of the Company's hedge transactions issued concurrently with the 1.625% convertible notes. At an average stock price per share between \$20.72 and \$30.70, the hedging activity offsets the potentially dilutive effect of the 1.625% convertible notes. In periods when the quarterly average stock price exceeds \$30.70 for the 1.625% Notes, the dilutive impact of the warrants issued concurrently with such notes is included in the diluted shares outstanding. Both GAAP and non-GAAP diluted share counts are based on the Company's stock price as of April 2, 2021.
- *** Special items may include: amortization of acquisition-related intangibles; expensing of appraised inventory fair market value step-up; purchased in-process research and development expenses; restructuring, asset impairments and other, net; goodwill impairment charges; gains and losses on debt prepayment; non-cash interest expense; actuarial (gains) losses on pension plans and other pension benefits; and certain other special items, as necessary. These special items are out of our control and could change significantly from period to period. As a result, we are not able to reasonably estimate and separately present the individual impact or probable significance of these special items, and we are similarly unable to provide a reconciliation of the non-GAAP measures. The reconciliation that is unavailable would include a forward-looking income statement, balance sheet and statement of cash flows in accordance with GAAP. For this reason, we use a projected range of the aggregate amount of special items in order to calculate our projected non-GAAP operating expense outlook.
- **** We believe these non-GAAP measures provide important supplemental information to investors. We use these measures, together with GAAP measures, for internal managerial purposes and as a means to evaluate period-to-period comparisons. However, we do not, and you should not, rely on non-GAAP financial measures alone as measures of our performance. We believe that non-GAAP financial measures reflect an additional way of viewing aspects of our operations that, when taken together with GAAP results and the reconciliations to corresponding GAAP financial measures that we also provide in our releases, provide a more complete understanding of factors and trends affecting our business. Because non-GAAP financial measures are not standardized, it may not be possible to compare these financial measures with other companies' non-GAAP financial measures, even if they have similar names.

TELECONFERENCE

ON Semiconductor will host a conference call for the financial community at 9 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT) on May 3, 2021 to discuss this announcement and ON Semiconductor's 2021 first quarter results. The Company will also provide a real-time audio webcast of the teleconference on the Investor Relations page of its website at <http://www.onsemi.com>. The webcast replay will be available at this site approximately one hour following the live broadcast and will continue to be available for approximately 30 days following the conference call. Investors and interested parties can also access the conference call via telephone by dialing (833) 303-2043 (U.S./Canada) or: (236) 714-3942 (International). In order to join this conference call, you will be required to provide the Conference ID Number – which is 5398970.

About ON Semiconductor

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ON SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (in millions, except per share data)

	Quarters Ended		
	April 2, 2021	December 31, 2020	April 3, 2020
Revenue	\$ 1,481.7	\$ 1,446.3	\$ 1,277.9
Cost of revenue (exclusive of amortization shown below)	960.5	948.7	875.2
Gross profit	521.2	497.6	402.7
Gross margin	35.2%	34.4%	31.5%

Operating expenses:			
Research and development	173.6	159.7	171.0
Selling and marketing	78.9	71.0	76.8
General and administrative	72.4	62.4	71.2
Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets	25.0	29.3	32.3
Restructuring, asset impairments and other charges, net	42.5	7.2	32.8
Intangible asset impairment	2.9	—	—
Total operating expenses	395.3	329.6	384.1
Operating income	125.9	168.0	18.6
Other income (expense), net:			
Interest expense	(33.4)	(41.8)	(42.5)
Interest income	0.4	0.6	1.9
Other income (expense)	4.5	(6.3)	0.1
Other income (expense), net	(28.5)	(47.5)	(40.5)
Income (loss) before income taxes	97.4	120.5	(21.9)
Income tax (provision) benefit	(7.1)	(30.7)	8.2
Net income (loss)	90.3	89.8	(13.7)
Less: Net income attributable to non-controlling interest	(0.4)	(0.8)	(0.3)
Net income (loss) attributable to ON Semiconductor Corporation	\$ 89.9	\$ 89.0	\$ (14.0)
Net income (loss) per common share attributable to ON Semiconductor Corporation:			
Basic	\$ 0.22	\$ 0.22	\$ (0.03)
Diluted	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.21	\$ (0.03)
Weighted average common shares outstanding:			
Basic	413.4	411.3	410.6
Diluted	445.4	431.6	410.6

ON SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION
UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(in millions)

	April 2, 2021	December 31,	
		2020	April 3, 2020
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,042.5	\$ 1,080.7	\$ 1,982.0
Receivables, net	683.6	676.0	652.0
Inventories	1,295.5	1,251.4	1,251.9
Other current assets	166.0	176.0	146.4
Total current assets	3,187.6	3,184.1	4,032.3
Property, plant and equipment, net	2,489.4	2,512.3	2,579.9
Goodwill	1,663.4	1,663.4	1,663.4
Intangible assets, net	441.1	469.0	558.2
Deferred tax assets	447.2	429.0	331.0
Other assets	401.7	410.2	256.0
Total assets	\$ 8,630.4	\$ 8,668.0	\$ 9,420.8
Liabilities, Non-Controlling Interest and Stockholders' Equity			
Accounts payable	\$ 605.0	\$ 572.9	\$ 503.9
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	588.3	570.0	542.6
Current portion of long-term debt	536.7	531.6	689.6
Total current liabilities	1,730.0	1,674.5	1,736.1
Long-term debt	2,806.9	2,959.7	4,043.0
Deferred tax liabilities	53.9	57.3	60.8
Other long-term liabilities	390.0	418.4	343.3
Total liabilities	4,980.8	5,109.9	6,183.2
ON Semiconductor Corporation stockholders' equity:			
Common stock	5.8	5.7	5.7
Additional paid-in capital	4,161.0	4,133.1	3,830.3
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(55.9)	(57.6)	(66.5)
Accumulated earnings	1,515.4	1,425.5	1,177.3
Less: Treasury stock, at cost	(1,996.7)	(1,968.2)	(1,731.9)
Total ON Semiconductor Corporation stockholders' equity	3,629.6	3,538.5	3,214.9

Non-controlling interest	20.0	19.6	22.7
Total stockholders' equity	3,649.6	3,558.1	3,237.6
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 8,630.4	\$ 8,668.0	\$ 9,420.8

ON SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION
UNAUDITED RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME (LOSS) TO ADJUSTED EBITDA AND
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES
(in millions)

	Quarters Ended		
	April 2, 2021	December 31, 2020	April 3, 2020
Net income (loss)	\$ 90.3	\$ 89.8	\$ (13.7)
Adjusted for:			
Restructuring, asset impairments and other, net	42.5	7.2	32.8
Intangible asset impairment	2.9	—	—
Interest expense	33.4	41.8	42.5
Interest income	(0.4)	(0.6)	(1.9)
Income tax provision (benefit)	7.1	30.7	(8.2)
Net income attributable to non-controlling interest	(0.4)	(0.8)	(0.3)
Depreciation and amortization	153.4	153.8	161.2
Actuarial losses on pension plans and other pension benefits	—	4.0	—
Third party acquisition and divestiture related costs	0.2	0.7	0.3
Adjusted EBITDA	329.0	326.6	212.7
Increase (decrease):			
Restructuring, asset impairments and other, net	(42.5)	(7.2)	(32.8)
Interest expense	(33.4)	(41.8)	(42.5)
Interest income	0.4	0.6	1.9
Income tax (provision) benefit	(7.1)	(30.7)	8.2
Net income attributable to non-controlling interest	0.4	0.8	0.3
Actuarial losses on pension plans and other pension benefits	—	(4.0)	—
Third party acquisition and divestiture related costs	(0.2)	(0.7)	(0.3)
(Gain) loss on sale or disposal of fixed assets	0.3	(1.4)	0.2
Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs	2.4	3.0	3.0
Share-based compensation	22.3	16.5	15.7
Non-cash interest on convertible notes	4.6	8.8	9.5
Non-cash asset impairment charges	3.2	3.3	1.4
Change in deferred tax balances	(23.2)	26.5	(19.0)
Other	(2.0)	5.2	—
Changes in assets and liabilities	(35.7)	94.9	7.7
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 218.5	\$ 400.4	\$ 166.0
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	\$ (77.0)	\$ (116.4)	\$ (132.3)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	0.2	4.8	—
Deposits utilized (made) for purchase of property, plant and equipment	(0.4)	(0.1)	2.2
Purchase of business, net of cash acquired	—	—	(4.5)
Settlement of purchase price from previous acquisition	—	—	26.0
Deposit made for manufacturing facility	—	(100.0)	—
Net cash used in investing activities	\$ (77.2)	\$ (211.7)	\$ (108.6)
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Proceeds for the issuance of common stock under the employee stock purchase plan	\$ 6.6	\$ 5.8	\$ 7.5
Payment of tax withholding for restricted stock units	(28.5)	(2.9)	(16.0)
Repurchase of common stock	—	—	(65.4)
Issuance and borrowings under debt agreements	—	—	1,165.0
Payment of debt issuance and other financing costs	—	(0.2)	—
Repayment of borrowings under debt agreements	(154.1)	(759.3)	(56.0)
Payments related to previous acquisition	(2.1)	(0.6)	(4.9)
Dividend to non-controlling shareholder	—	(5.0)	—
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	\$ (178.1)	\$ (762.2)	\$ 1,030.2
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	(0.8)	0.2	0.2
Net increase (decrease) in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	\$ (37.6)	\$ (573.3)	\$ 1,087.8

Beginning cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	1,081.5	1,654.8	894.2
Ending cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	\$ 1,043.9	\$ 1,081.5	\$ 1,982.0

ON SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION
RECONCILIATION OF GAAP VERSUS NON-GAAP DISCLOSURES
(in millions, except per share and percentage data)

	Quarters Ended		
	December 31,		
	April 2, 2021	2020	April 3, 2020
Reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP gross profit:			
GAAP gross profit	\$ 521.2	\$ 497.6	\$ 402.7
Special items:			
a) Amortization of fair market value step-up of inventory	—	—	—
Total special items	—	—	—
Non-GAAP gross profit	\$ 521.2	\$ 497.6	\$ 402.7
Reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP gross margin:			
GAAP gross margin	35.2%	34.4%	31.5%
Special items:			
a) Amortization of fair market value step-up of inventory	—%	—%	—%
Total special items	—%	—%	—%
Non-GAAP gross margin	35.2%	34.4%	31.5%
Reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP operating expenses:			
GAAP operating expenses	\$ 395.3	\$ 329.6	\$ 384.1
Special items:			
a) Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets	(25.0)	(29.3)	(32.3)
b) Restructuring, asset impairments and other, net	(42.5)	(7.2)	(32.8)
c) Intangible asset impairment	(2.9)	—	—
d) Third party acquisition and divestiture related costs	(0.2)	(0.7)	(0.3)
Total special items	(70.6)	(37.2)	(65.4)
Non-GAAP operating expenses	\$ 324.7	\$ 292.4	\$ 318.7
Reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP operating income:			
GAAP operating income	\$ 125.9	\$ 168.0	\$ 18.6
Special items:			
a) Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets	25.0	29.3	32.3
b) Restructuring, asset impairments and other, net	42.5	7.2	32.8
c) Intangible asset impairment	2.9	—	—
d) Third party acquisition and divestiture related costs	0.2	0.7	0.3
Total special items	70.6	37.2	65.4
Non-GAAP operating income	\$ 196.5	\$ 205.2	\$ 84.0
Reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP operating margin (operating income / revenue):			
GAAP operating margin	8.5%	11.6%	1.5%
Special items:			
a) Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets	1.7%	2.0%	2.5%
b) Restructuring, asset impairments and other, net	2.9%	0.5%	2.6%
c) Intangible asset impairment	0.2%	—%	—%
d) Third party acquisition and divestiture related costs	—%	—%	—%
Total special items	4.8%	2.6%	5.1%
Non-GAAP operating margin	13.3%	14.2%	6.6%
Reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP income before income taxes:			
GAAP income (loss) before income taxes	\$ 97.4	\$ 120.5	\$ (21.9)
Special items:			
a) Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets	25.0	29.3	32.3
b) Restructuring, asset impairments and other, net	42.5	7.2	32.8
c) Intangible asset impairment	2.9	—	—
d) Third party acquisition and divestiture related costs	0.2	0.7	0.3
e) Actuarial losses on pension plans and other pension benefits	—	4.0	—
f) Non-cash interest on convertible notes	4.6	8.8	9.5
Total special items	75.2	50.0	74.9

Non-GAAP income before income taxes	\$ 172.6	\$ 170.5	\$ 53.0
Reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP net income attributable to ON Semiconductor Corporation:			
GAAP net income (loss) attributable to ON Semiconductor Corporation	\$ 89.9	\$ 89.0	\$ (14.0)
Special items:			
a) Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets	25.0	29.3	32.3
b) Restructuring, asset impairments and other, net	42.5	7.2	32.8
c) Intangible asset impairment	2.9	—	—
d) Third party acquisition and divestiture related costs	0.2	0.7	0.3
e) Actuarial losses on pension plans and other pension benefits	—	4.0	—
f) Non-cash interest on convertible notes	4.6	8.8	9.5
g) Adjustment of income taxes	(13.8)	8.1	(18.1)
Total special items	61.4	58.1	56.8
Non-GAAP net income attributable to ON Semiconductor Corporation	\$ 151.3	\$ 147.1	\$ 42.8
Adjustment of income taxes:			
Tax adjustment for special items (1)	\$ (15.8)	\$ (10.5)	\$ (15.7)
Impact of the Domestication of non-U.S. IP and related effects (2)	—	(2.1)	—
Other non-GAAP tax adjustment (3)	2.0	20.7	(2.4)
Total adjustment of income taxes	\$ (13.8)	\$ 8.1	\$ (18.1)
Reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP diluted shares outstanding:			
GAAP diluted shares outstanding	445.4	431.6	410.6
Special items:			
a) Less: dilutive shares attributable to convertible notes	(12.8)	(14.8)	—
b) Add: dilutive shares attributable to share-based awards	—	—	2.2
Total special items	(12.8)	(14.8)	2.2
Non-GAAP diluted shares outstanding	432.6	416.8	412.8
Non-GAAP diluted earnings per share:			
Non-GAAP net income attributable to ON Semiconductor Corporation	\$ 151.3	\$ 147.1	\$ 42.8
Non-GAAP diluted shares outstanding	432.6	416.8	412.8
Non-GAAP diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.10
Reconciliation of net cash provided by operating activities to free cash flow:			
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 218.5	\$ 400.4	\$ 166.0
Special items:			
a) Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(77.0)	(116.4)	(132.3)
Total special items	(77.0)	(116.4)	(132.3)
Free cash flow	\$ 141.5	\$ 284.0	\$ 33.7

- (1) Tax impact of non-GAAP special items (a-f) is calculated using the federal statutory rate of 21% for all periods presented.
- (2) The Company simplified its corporate structure by repatriating the economic rights of its non-U.S. intellectual property to the United States via domestication of certain foreign subsidiaries (the "Domestication") during 2020. The Domestication resulted in a benefit from recognizing certain deferred tax assets, net of deferred tax liabilities, of \$62.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2020. Additionally, the Domestication caused the Company to reassess the full valuation allowance recorded against its U.S. state deferred tax assets. As a result, the Company also released approximately \$49.5 million of its valuation allowance recorded against its U.S. state deferred tax assets during the year ended December 31, 2020. Of the total \$112.4 million described above, \$110.3 million and \$2.1 million were recorded during the third and fourth quarters of 2020, respectively.
- (3) The income tax adjustment primarily represents the use of the net operating loss, non-cash impact of not asserting indefinite reinvestment on earnings of our foreign subsidiaries, deferred tax expense not affecting taxes payable, and non-cash (expense)/benefit related to uncertain tax positions.

Certain of the amounts in the above tables may not total due to rounding of individual amounts.

Total share-based compensation related to the Company's restricted stock units, stock grant awards and employee stock purchase plan is included below:

	Quarters Ended		
	April 2, 2021	December 31, 2020	April 3, 2020
Cost of revenue	\$ 3.3	\$ 3.0	\$ 2.5
Research and development	5.7	5.0	4.1
Selling and marketing	4.3	3.4	2.9
General and administrative	9.0	5.1	6.2
Total share-based compensation	\$ 22.3	\$ 16.5	\$ 15.7

SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL DATA

	Quarters Ended		
	April 2, 2021	December 31, 2020	April 3, 2020
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 218.5	\$ 400.4	\$ 166.0
Free cash flow	141.5	284.0	33.7
Cash paid for income taxes	20.9	22.6	9.9
Depreciation and amortization	\$ 153.4	\$ 153.8	\$ 161.2
Less: Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets	25.0	29.3	32.3
Depreciation and amortization (excl. amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets)	\$ 128.4	\$ 124.5	\$ 128.9

NON-GAAP MEASURES

To supplement the consolidated financial results prepared in accordance with GAAP, ON Semiconductor uses certain non-GAAP measures, which are adjusted from the most directly comparable GAAP measures to exclude items related to the amortization of intangible assets, amortization of acquisition-related intangibles, expensing of appraised inventory fair market value step-up, inventory valuation adjustments, purchased in-process research and development expenses, restructuring, asset impairments and other, net, goodwill impairment charges, gains and losses on debt prepayment, non-cash interest expense, actuarial (gains) losses on pension plans and other pension benefits, third party acquisition and divestiture related costs, tax impact of these items and certain other non-recurring items, as necessary. Management does not consider the effects of these items in evaluating the core operational activities of ON Semiconductor. Management uses these non-GAAP measures internally to make strategic decisions, forecast future results and evaluate ON Semiconductor's current performance. In addition, the Company believes that most analysts covering ON Semiconductor use the non-GAAP measures to evaluate ON Semiconductor's performance. Given management's and other relevant use of these non-GAAP measures, ON Semiconductor believes these measures are important to investors in understanding ON Semiconductor's current and future operating results as seen through the eyes of management. In addition, management believes these non-GAAP measures are useful to investors in enabling them to better assess changes in ON Semiconductor's core business across different time periods. These non-GAAP measures are not prepared in accordance with, and should not be considered alternatives or necessarily superior to, GAAP financial data and may be different from non-GAAP measures used by other companies. Because non-GAAP financial measures are not standardized, it may not be possible to compare these financial measures with other companies' non-GAAP financial measures, even if they have similar names.

Adjusted EBITDA

Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure that represents net income before interest expense, interest income, provision for income taxes, depreciation and amortization expense and special items. We use the adjusted EBITDA measure for internal managerial evaluation purposes, as a means to evaluate period-to-period comparisons and as a performance metric for the vesting and release of certain of our performance-based equity awards. SEC Regulation G and other federal securities laws regulate the use of financial measures that are not prepared in accordance with GAAP. We believe this measure provides important supplemental information to investors. However, we do not, and you should not, rely on non-GAAP financial measures alone as measures of our performance.

Non-GAAP Revenue

The use of non-GAAP revenue allows management to evaluate, among other things, the revenue from the Company's core businesses and trends across different reporting periods on a consistent basis, independent of special items. In addition, non-GAAP revenue is an important component of management's internal performance measurement and incentive and reward process as it is used to assess the current and historical financial results of the business and for strategic decision making, preparing budgets, obtaining targets and forecasting future results. Management presents this non-GAAP financial measure to enable investors and analysts to evaluate the Company's revenue generation performance relative to the direct costs of operations of ON Semiconductor's core businesses.

Non-GAAP Gross Profit and Gross Margin

The use of non-GAAP gross profit and gross margin allows management to evaluate, among other things, the gross margin and gross profit of the Company's core businesses and trends across different reporting periods on a consistent basis, independent of non-cash items including, generally speaking, expensing of appraised inventory fair market value step-up and the impact from the change in revenue recognition on distributor sales. In addition, it is an important component of management's internal performance measurement and incentive and reward process as it is used to assess the current and historical financial results of the business and for strategic decision making, preparing budgets, obtaining targets and forecasting future results. Management presents this non-GAAP financial measure to enable investors and analysts to evaluate our revenue generation performance relative to the direct costs of revenue of ON Semiconductor's core businesses.

Non-GAAP Operating Income and Operating Margin

The use of non-GAAP operating income and operating margin allows management to evaluate, among other things, the operating margin and operating income of the Company's core businesses and trends across different reporting periods on a consistent basis, independent of non-cash items including, generally speaking, expensing of appraised inventory fair market value step-up, the impact from the change in revenue recognition on distributor sales, amortization and impairments of intangible assets, third party acquisition and divestiture related costs, restructuring charges and certain other special items as necessary. In addition, it is an important component of management's internal performance measurement and incentive and reward process as it is used to assess the current and historical financial results of the business and for strategic decision making, preparing budgets, obtaining targets and forecasting future results. Management presents this non-GAAP financial measure to enable investors and analysts to evaluate the Company's revenue generation performance relative to the direct costs of operations of ON Semiconductor's core businesses.

Non-GAAP Net Income Attributable to ON Semiconductor and Non-GAAP Diluted Earnings Per Share

The use of non-GAAP net income attributable to ON Semiconductor and non-GAAP diluted earnings per share allows management to evaluate the operating results of ON Semiconductor's core businesses and trends across different reporting periods on a consistent basis, independent of

non-cash items including, generally, the amortization and impairments of intangible assets, expensing of appraised inventory fair market value step-up, the impact from the change in revenue recognition on distributor sales, restructuring, gains and losses on debt prepayment, non-cash interest expense, actuarial (gains) losses on pension plans and other pension benefits, third party acquisition and divestiture related costs, tax indemnification by third parties, tax impact of these items and other non-GAAP adjustments and certain other special items, as necessary. In addition, these items are important components of management's internal performance measurement and incentive and reward process, as they are used to assess the current and historical financial results of the business and for strategic decision making, preparing budgets, setting targets and forecasting future results. Management presents these non-GAAP financial measures to enable investors and analysts to understand the results of operations of ON Semiconductor's core businesses and, to the extent comparable, to compare our results of operations on a more consistent basis against those of other companies in our industry.

Free Cash Flow

The use of free cash flow allows management to evaluate, among other things, the ability of the Company to make interest or principal payments on its debt. Free cash flow is defined as the difference between cash flow from operating activities and capital expenditures disclosed under investing activities in the consolidated statement of cash flows. Free cash flow is not an alternate to cash flow from operating activities as a measure of liquidity. It is an important component of management's internal performance measurement and incentive and reward process as it is used to assess the current and historical financial results of the business and for strategic decision making, preparing budgets, obtaining targets and forecasting future results. Management presents this non-GAAP financial measure to enable investors and analysts to evaluate our revenue generation performance relative to the direct costs of operations of ON Semiconductor's core businesses.

Non-GAAP Diluted Share Count

The use of non-GAAP diluted share count allows management to evaluate, among other things, the potential dilution due to the outstanding stock options and restricted stock units excluding the dilution from the convertible notes that is covered by hedging activity up to a certain threshold. In periods when the quarterly average stock price per share exceeds \$18.50, the non-GAAP diluted share count includes the anti-dilutive impact of the Company's hedge transactions issued concurrently with the 1.00% convertible notes. As such, at an average stock price per share between \$18.50 and \$25.96, the hedging activity offsets the potentially dilutive effect of the 1.00% convertible notes. In periods when the quarterly average stock price per share exceeds \$20.72, the non-GAAP diluted share count includes the anti-dilutive impact of the Company's hedge transactions issued concurrently with the 1.625% convertible notes. As such, at an average stock price per share between \$20.72 and \$30.70, the hedging activity offsets the potentially dilutive effect of the 1.625% convertible notes.

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