

TowerJazz Reports Increase in Net Profit

Records in Revenues, EBITDA, Cash from Operations and Free Cash Flow for the Third Quarter of 2017

MIGDAL HAEMEK, ISRAEL – **November 7, 2017** – TowerJazz (NASDAQ: TSEM & TASE: TSEM) reported today its results for the third quarter and the first nine months ended September 30, 2017.

Highlights:

- Record revenues of \$355 million, up 9% year over year
- \$55 million net profit, representing basic EPS of \$0.56
- Record cash from operations of \$104 million, up 20% year over year
- Record free cash flow of \$62 million, 2X year over year
- Fourth quarter mid-range guidance of \$358 million
 - O Yielding full year revenues of \$1.39 billion
 - o Representing annual year over year growth of 11% with 20% organic growth.

CEO Commentary

Mr. Russell Ellwanger, Chief Executive Officer of TowerJazz, commented, "Our third quarter of 2017 top and bottom line growth, with incremental net profit outpacing revenue growth, demonstrates continued value creation to our customers and shareholders. In the past few months, we announced two of multiple on-going initiatives in China, as well as a variety of important global automotive activities, including offerings, partnerships and 1st-tier customer relationships. This, combined with other customer partnered roadmap developments, including several disruptive technologies, further entrench and broaden our capabilities within the analog space, strengthening our competitive advantage, cementing our position as the leading analog specialty foundry."

Third Quarter Results Overview

Revenues for the third quarter of 2017 were a record \$355 million, reflecting 9% growth as compared to \$326 million in the third quarter of 2016.

Gross and operating profits for the third quarter of 2017 were \$89 million and \$55 million, respectively, as compared to \$81 million and \$49 million, respectively, in the third quarter of 2016.

EBITDA for the third quarter of 2017 was a record \$109 million, or 31% EBITDA margin, as compared to \$97 million in the third quarter of 2016.

Net profit for the third quarter of 2017 was \$55 million, as compared to \$51 million in the third quarter of 2016. Basic earnings per share for the quarter was \$0.56 and diluted earnings per share was \$0.54, as compared to \$0.58 and \$0.52, respectively, in the third quarter of 2016. On an adjusted basis, net profit for the third quarter of 2017 was at a record of \$61 million, a 24% increase as compared to \$49 million in the third quarter of 2016.

As our TPSCo foundry business and revenue continues to grow, we reached a profitability level entailing royalties to TowerJazz and Panasonic. This results in a higher cost of revenue, proportionally yielding a lower gross margin; creating a lower tax expense and lower non-controlling interest, which in turn generates greater net profit, cash and free cash flow. This is seen in the 55% incremental net profit margin increase as compared to the second quarter of 2017.

Free cash flow for the quarter was a record of \$62 million, with a record \$104 million cash flow from operations and \$42 million investments in fixed assets, net. Free cash flow for the quarter included \$18 million net cash received from Tacoma with respect to the new 8-inch fabrication facility in Nanjing, China. The other main cash activities during the third quarter of 2017 were \$16 million debt repayments and \$50 million investment in marketable securities.

Cash (including marketable securities), net of gross debt, as of September 30, 2017, totaled to a record of \$195 million as compared to net cash of \$37 million as of December 31, 2016.

Shareholders' equity as of September 30, 2017 was a record of \$874 million, as compared to \$683 million as of December 31, 2016.

First Nine Months of 2017 Results Overview

Revenues for the first nine months of 2017 were at a record of \$1.03 billion, reflecting 13% growth as compared to \$909 million for the first nine months of 2016. Year over year organic growth, excluding the Panasonic and Maxim long-term committed contracts, was 27%.

Gross and operating profit for the first nine months of 2017 were at a record of \$265 million and \$165 million, respectively, an increase as compared to \$215 million and \$120 million, respectively, in the first nine months of 2016.

EBITDA for the first nine months of 2017 totaled to a record of \$318 million, or 31% EBITDA margin, representing 22% increase as compared with \$261 million, or 29% EBITDA margin, for the first nine months of 2016.

Net profit for the first nine months of 2017 was \$151 million, or \$1.57 in basic earnings per share and \$1.49 diluted earnings per share. Net profit for the first nine months of 2016 was \$156 million, or \$1.81 basic earnings per share, and included \$51 million net gain from the acquisition of the San Antonio fab, \$6.5 million income tax benefit in relation to Nishiwaki closure occurred in 2014 and \$7 million non-cash financing expenses relating to the Israeli banks' loans early repayment.

Free cash flow for the first nine months of 2017 was a record of \$147 million, with a record \$270 million cash flow from operations and \$123 million investments in fixed assets, net. The other main cash activities during the first nine months of 2017 were comprised of the following: \$28 million received from the exercise of warrants and options; \$33 million debt repayments; a positive \$4 million due to the effect of the Japanese Yen exchange rate on the cash balance; \$4 million TPSCo dividend to Panasonic and a \$50 million investment in marketable securities.

Business Outlook

TowerJazz expects revenues for the fourth quarter of 2017 ending December 31, 2017 to be \$358 million, with an upward or downward range of 5%, representing annual year over year growth of 11% with 20% organic growth.

Teleconference and Webcast

TowerJazz will host an investor conference call today, November 7, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. Eastern time (9:00 a.m. Central time, 8:00 a.m. Mountain time, 7:00 a.m. Pacific time and 5:00 p.m. Israel time) to discuss the Company's financial results for the third quarter 2017 and its outlook.

This call will be webcast and can be accessed via TowerJazz's website at www.towerjazz.com, or by calling: 1-888-407-2553 (U.S. Toll-Free), 03-918-0610 (Israel), +972-3-918-0610 (International). For those who are not available to listen to the live broadcast, the call will be archived on TowerJazz's website for 90 days.

The Company presents its financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP. The financial information included in the tables below includes unaudited condensed financial data. Some of the financial information in this release, which we describe in this release as "adjusted financial measures", is non-GAAP financial measures as defined in Regulation G and related reporting requirements promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission as they apply to our Company. These adjusted financial measures are calculated excluding one or more of the following: (1) amortization of acquired intangible assets; (2) compensation expenses in respect of equity grants to directors, officers and employees and (3) income tax benefit in relation to Nishiwaki closure. These adjusted financial measures should be evaluated in conjunction with, and are not a substitute for, GAAP financial measures. The tables also present the GAAP financial measures, which are most comparable to the adjusted financial measures, as well as a reconciliation between the adjusted financial measures and the comparable GAAP financial measures. As used and/or presented in this release, as well as calculated in the tables herein, the term Earnings Before Interest Tax Depreciation and Amortization (EBITDA) consists of net profit in accordance with GAAP, excluding gain from acquisition, net, interest and other financing expense, net, other income, net, taxes, noncontrolling interest, depreciation and amortization expense, stock based compensation expense, acquisition related costs and Nishiwaki Fab restructuring and impairment cost (income), net. EBITDA is reconciled in the tables below from GAAP operating profit. EBITDA is not a required GAAP financial measure and may not be comparable to a similarly titled measure employed by other companies. EBITDA and the adjusted financial information presented herein should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for operating profit, net profit or loss, cash flows provided by operating, investing and financing activities, per share data or other profit or cash flow statement data prepared in accordance with GAAP. The term Net Cash, as used and/or presented in this release, is comprised of cash, cash equivalents, short-term deposits and marketable securities (in the amounts of \$530 million and \$389 million as of September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively) less the outstanding principal amount of bank loans (in the amounts of \$155 million and \$166 million as of September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively) and the outstanding principal amount of debentures (in the amounts of \$180 million and \$186 million as of September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively). The term Net Cash is not a required GAAP financial measure, may not be comparable to a similarly titled measure employed by other companies and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for cash, debt, operating profit, net profit or loss, cash flows provided by operating, investing and financing activities, per share data or other profit or cash flow statement data prepared in accordance with GAAP. In addition, the term Free Cash Flow, as used and/or presented in this release, is calculated to be cash from operating activities (in the amounts of \$104 million, \$84 million and \$86 million for the three months periods ended September 30, 2017, June 30, 2017 and September 30, 2016, respectively) less cash for investments in property and equipment, net (in the amounts of \$42 million, \$41 million and \$55 million for the three months periods ended September 30, 2017, June 30, 2017 and September 30, 2016, respectively). The term Free Cash Flow is not a required GAAP financial measure, may not be comparable to a similarly titled measure employed by other companies and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for operating profit, net profit or loss, cash flows provided by operating, investing and financing activities, per share data or other profit or cash flow statement data prepared in accordance with GAAP.

About TowerJazz

Tower Semiconductor Ltd. (NASDAQ: TSEM, TASE: TSEM) and its subsidiaries operate collectively under the brand name TowerJazz, the global specialty foundry leader. TowerJazz manufactures next-generation integrated circuits (ICs) in growing markets such as consumer, industrial, automotive, medical and aerospace and defense. TowerJazz's advanced technology is comprised of a broad range of customizable process platforms such as: SiGe, BiCMOS, mixed-signal/CMOS, RF CMOS, CMOS image sensor, integrated power management (BCD and 700V), and MEMS. TowerJazz also provides world-class design enablement for a quick and accurate design cycle as well as Transfer Optimization and development Process Services (TOPS) to IDMs and fabless companies that need to expand capacity. To provide multi-fab sourcing and extended capacity for its customers, TowerJazz operates two manufacturing facilities in Israel (150mm and 200mm), two in the U.S. (200mm) and three facilities in Japan (two 200mm and one 300mm). For more information, please visit www.towerjazz.com.

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This press release includes forward-looking statements, which are subject to risks and uncertainties. Actual results may vary from those projected or implied by such forward-looking statements and you should not place any undue reliance on such forward-looking statements. Potential risks and uncertainties include, without limitation, risks and uncertainties associated with: (i) demand in our customers' end markets; (ii) over demand for our foundry services and/or products that exceeds our capacity; (iii) maintaining existing customers and attracting additional customers, (iv) high utilization and its effect on cycle time, yield and on schedule delivery which may cause customers to transfer their product(s) to other fabs, (v) operating results fluctuate from quarter to quarter making it difficult to predict future performance, (vi) impact of our debt and other liabilities on our financial position and operations, (vii) our ability to successfully execute acquisitions, integrate them into our business, utilize our expanded capacity and find new business, (viii) fluctuations in cash flow, (ix) our ability to satisfy the covenants stipulated in our agreements with our lender banks and bondholders (as of September 30, 2017 we are in compliance with all such covenants included in our banks' agreements, bond G indenture and others), (x) pending litigation, including the shareholder class actions that were filed against the Company, certain officers, its directors and/or its external auditor in the US and Israel, following a short sell thesis report issued by a short-selling focused firm, which has been dismissed and closed in the US and is still pending in Israel; (xi) our majority stake in TPSCo and our acquisition of the San Antonio fabrication facility by TowerJazz Texas ("TJT"), including new customer engagements, qualification and production ramp-up, (xii) the closure of TJP within the scope of restructuring our activities and business in Japan, settling any future claims or potential claims from third parties, (xiii) meeting the conditions set in the approval certificates received from the Israeli Investment Center under which we received a significant amount of grants in past years, (xiv) receipt of orders that are lower than the customer purchase commitments, (xv) failure to receive orders currently expected, (xvi) possible incurrence of additional indebtedness, (xvii) effect of global recession, unfavorable economic conditions and/or credit crisis, (xviii) our ability to accurately forecast financial performance, which is affected by limited order backlog and lengthy sales cycles, (xix) possible situations of obsolete inventory if forecasted demand exceeds actual demand when we manufacture products before receipt of customer orders, (xx) the cyclical nature of the semiconductor industry and the resulting periodic overcapacity, fluctuations in operating results and future average selling price erosion, (xxi) the execution of debt re-financing and/or fundraising to enable the service of our debt and/or other liabilities, (xxii) operating our facilities at high utilization rates which is critical in order to cover a portion or all of the high level of fixed costs associated with operating a foundry, and our debt, in order to improve our results, (xxiii) the purchase of equipment to increase capacity, the timely completion of the equipment installation, technology transfer and raising the funds therefor, (xxiv) the concentration of our business in the semiconductor industry, (xxv) product returns, (xxvi) our ability to maintain and develop our technology processes and services to keep pace with new technology, evolving standards, changing customer and end-user requirements, new product introductions and short product life cycles, (xxvii) competing effectively, (xxviii) use of outsourced foundry services by both fabless semiconductor companies and integrated device manufacturers; (xxix) achieving acceptable device yields, product performance and delivery times, (xxx) our dependence on intellectual property rights of others, our ability to operate our business without infringing others' intellectual property rights and our ability to enforce our intellectual property against infringement, (xxxi) retention of key employees and recruitment and retention of skilled qualified personnel, (xxxii) exposure to inflation, currency rates (mainly the Israeli Shekel and Japanese Yen) and interest rate fluctuations and risks associated with doing business locally and internationally, as well fluctuations in the market price of our traded securities, (xxxiii) issuance of ordinary shares as a result of conversion and/or exercise of any of our convertible securities, as well as any sale of shares by any of our shareholders, or any market expectation thereof, which may depress the market price of our ordinary shares and may impair our ability to raise future capital, (xxxiv) meeting regulatory requirements worldwide, including environmental and governmental regulations; (xxxv) negotiation and closure of a definitive agreement in relation to the fab establishment in China, as well as implementation of this project through required funding and resources and receipt of future proceeds therefrom; and (xxxvi) business interruption due to fire and other natural disasters, the security situation in Israel and other events beyond our control such as power interruptions.

A more complete discussion of risks and uncertainties that may affect the accuracy of forward-looking statements included in this press release or which may otherwise affect our business is included under the heading "Risk Factors" in Tower's most recent filings on Forms 20-F and 6-K, as were filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and the Israel Securities Authority. Future results may differ materially from those previously reported. The Company does not intend to update, and expressly disclaims any obligation to update, the information contained in this release.

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(Financial tables follow)

TOWER SEMICONDUCTOR LTD. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(dollars in thousands)

		September 30,		December 31,		
	_	2017	-	2016		
		(unaudited)	-			
ASSETS						
CURRENT ASSETS						
Cash, cash equivalents and short-term deposits	\$	480,407	\$	389,377		
Marketable securities		49,738				
Trade accounts receivable		150,039		141,048		
Inventories Other grant aggets		143,300		137,532		
Other current assets Total current assets	_	21,465 844,949	=	30,041 697,998		
Total current assets		044,949		097,990		
LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS		27,091		25,624		
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, NET		633,107		616,686		
INTANGIBLE ASSETS, NET		21,627		28,129		
GOODWILL		7,000		7,000		
OTHER ASSETS, NET		18,484		4,447		
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	1,552,258	\$	1,379,884		
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY						
CURRENT LIABILITIES	ø	45.664	φ	40.004		
Short-term debt Trade accounts payable	\$	45,664 109,385	Þ	48,084 99,262		
Deferred revenue and customers' advances		26,454		26,169		
Other current liabilities		64,259		73,600		
Total current liabilities	_	245,762	-	247,115		
LONG-TERM DEBT		295,485		296,144		
LONG-TERM CUSTOMERS' ADVANCES		37,674		41,874		
LONG-TERM EMPLOYEE RELATED LIABILITIES		14,170		14,176		
DEFERRED TAX LIABILITY AND OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	_	85,380	_	97,961		
TOTAL LIABILITIES		678,471		697,270		
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		873,787		682,614		
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$	1,552,258	\$	1,379,884		

TOWER SEMICONDUCTOR LTD. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED)

(dollars and share count in thousands, except per share data)

		Thi	ree	months e	e n d e d			
	September 30,			September 30,		June 30,		
		2017	-	2016	_	2017		
REVENUES	\$	354,557	\$	326,209	\$	345,059		
COST OF REVENUES		265,439		244,915	_	253,998		
GROSS PROFIT		89,118		81,294		91,061		
OPERATING COSTS AND EXPENSES:								
Research and development		17,094		15,547		16,432		
Marketing, general and administrative		16,822		16,787	_	17,238		
		33,916		32,334		33,670		
OPERATING PROFIT		55,202		48,960		57,391		
INTEREST EXPENSE, NET		(1,776)		(3,272)		(2,070)		
OTHER FINANCING EXPENSE, NET		(2,266)		(2,210)		(1,053)		
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE), NET		(253)		5,081	_	142		
PROFIT BEFORE INCOME TAX		50,907		48,559		54,410		
INCOME TAX BENEFIT (EXPENSE)		3,334		3,459		(2,683)		
PROFIT BEFORE NON CONTROLLING INTEREST		54,241	-	52,018		51,727		
NON CONTROLLING INTEREST		1,033		(805)		(1,710)		
NET PROFIT	\$	55,274	\$	51,213	\$	50,017		
BASIC EARNINGS PER SHARE	\$	0.56	\$_	0.58	\$ _	0.52		
Weighted average number of shares		97,947	-	87,821	_	96,365		
DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE	\$	0.54	\$	0.52	\$	0.49		
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Net profit used for diluted earnings per share	\$	57,519	\$_	53,318	\$ _	52,217		
Weighted average number of shares		106,384	-	101,805	_	105,648		

TOWER SEMICONDUCTOR LTD. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED)

(dollars and share count in thousands, except per share data)

		Nine months ended					
		Septe	30,				
	_	2017		2016			
REVENUES	\$	1,029,696	\$	909,255			
COST OF REVENUES		764,749		693,886			
GROSS PROFIT		264,947		215,369			
OPERATING COSTS AND EXPENSES:							
Research and development		49,294		46,814			
Marketing, general and administrative		50,297		49,230			
Nishiwaki Fab restructuring and impairment cost (income), net				(627)			
		99,591		95,417			
OPERATING PROFIT		165,356		119,952			
INTEREST EXPENSE, NET		(6,057)		(9,627)			
OTHER FINANCING EXPENSE, NET		(5,337)		(13,707)			
GAIN FROM ACQUISITION, NET				51,298 (a)			
OTHER INCOME, NET	_	400		9,443			
PROFIT BEFORE INCOME TAX		154,362		157,359 (a)			
INCOME TAX EXPENSE		(1,348)		(446)			
PROFIT BEFORE NON CONTROLLING INTEREST		153,014		156,913 (a)			
NON CONTROLLING INTEREST		(2,214)		(1,270)			
NET PROFIT	\$	150,800	\$	155,643 (a)			
BASIC EARNINGS PER SHARE	\$	1.57	\$	1.81 (a)			
Weighted average number of shares		96,085		86,220			
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DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE	\$	1.49	\$	1.61 (a)			
Net profit used for diluted earnings per share	\$	157,403	\$	161,875 (a)			
Weighted average number of shares		105,664		100,460			

⁽a) Nine months ended September 30, 2016 included \$51,298 gain from San-Antonio fab acquisition from Maxim.

TOWER SEMICONDUCTOR LTD. AND SUBSIDIARIES UNAUDITED RECONCILIATION OF CERTAIN FINANCIAL DATA

 $(dollars\ and\ share\ count\ in\ thousands,\ except\ per\ share\ data)$

	Three months ended						
	September 30,			September 30,		June 30,	
		2017		2016		2017	
RECONCILIATION FROM GAAP NET PROFIT TO ADJUSTED NET PROFIT:							
GAAP NET PROFIT	\$	55,274	\$	51,213	\$	50,017	
Stock based compensation	-	3,750	-	2,337		2,319	
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		2,161		2,367		2,246	
Income tax benefit in relation to Nishiwaki closure				(6,472)			
ADJUSTED NET PROFIT	\$	61,185	\$	49,445	\$	54,582	
ADJUSTED NET PROFIT PER SHARE:							
Basic	\$	0.62	\$	0.56	\$	0.57	
Diluted	\$	0.60	\$	0.51	\$	0.54	
Fully diluted	\$	0.59	\$	0.48	\$	0.53	
ADJUSTED NET PROFIT USED TO CALCULATE PER SHARE DATA:							
	\$	61,185		49,445	\$	54,582	
	\$	63,430	\$	51,550	\$	56,782	
Fully diluted	\$	63,430	\$	51,550	\$	56,782	
NUMBER OF SHARES AND OTHER SECURITIES USED TO CALCULATE PER SHARE DATA:							
Basic		97,947		87,821		96,365	
Diluted		106,384		101,805		105,648	
Fully diluted		107,729		107,147		107,375	
EBITDA CALCULATION:							
GAAP OPERATING PROFIT	\$	55,202	\$	48,960	\$	57,391	
Depreciation of fixed assets		47,544		43,110		46,360	
Stock based compensation		3,750		2,337		2,319	
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		2,161		2,367		2,246	
EBITDA	\$	108,657	\$	96,774	\$	108,316	

TOWER SEMICONDUCTOR LTD. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED SOURCES AND USES REPORTS (UNAUDITED) (dollars in thousands)

		Three months ended						
		September 30,		September 30,	June 30,			
	-	2017		2016	2017			
Cash and short-term deposits - beginning of period	\$	483,603	\$	311,062 \$	432,113			
Cash from operations		103,916	(b)	86,410	84,294			
Investments in property and equipment, net		(41,708)		(54,896)	(41,312)			
Exercise of warrants and options, net		1,027		21,918	14,254			
Debt received (repaid), net		(15,932)		8,554	(5,655)			
Effect of Japanese Yen exchange rate change over cash balance		(630)		2,336	(91)			
Long-term deposits and other investments, including marketable securities		(49,869)		(12,551)				
Cash and short-term deposits - end of period	\$	480,407	\$	362,833 \$	483,603			
Free Cash Flow	\$	62,208	(b) \$	31,463 \$	42,982			

⁽b) Cash from operations and free cash flow for the three months ended September 30, 2017 included \$18,000 received from Tacoma as announced on August 21, 2017.

TOWER SEMICONDUCTOR LTD. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED) (dollars in thousands)

	Nine months ended			Three months ended				
	5	September 30,		September 30,	-	September 30,	September 30,	
		2017		2016		2017	2016	
CASH FLOWS - OPERATING ACTIVITIES								
Net profit for the period	\$	153,014	\$	156,913	\$	54,241 \$	52,018	
Adjustments to reconcile net profit for the period								
to net cash provided by operating activities:								
Income and expense items not involving cash flows:								
Depreciation and amortization		157,101		145,830		55,014	49,180	
Effect of indexation, translation and fair value measurement on debt		10,584		10,974		(1,177)	2,822	
Other expense (income), net		(400)		(9,443)		253	(5,081)	
Gain from acquisition, net				(51,298)				
Changes in assets and liabilities:								
Trade accounts receivable		(7,352)		(11,904)		361	(1,469)	
Other current assets		(8,766)		(326)		2,980	4,328	
Inventories		(4,369)		(21,769)		(4,636)	(6,245)	
Trade accounts payable		(5,863)		12,897		4,795	2,624	
Deferred revenue and customers' advances		(3,921)		17,947		9,378	(5,377)	
Other current liabilities		(9,984)		2,303		(13,760)	(6,938)	
Long-term employee related liabilities		(765)		(413)		(274)	(25)	
Deferred tax liability, net		(8,929)		(6,078)		(3,259)	573	
Net cash provided by operating activities		270,350	(c)	245,633		103,916 (c)	86,410	
CASH FLOWS - INVESTING ACTIVITIES								
Investments in property and equipment, net		(123,368)		(166,752)		(41,708)	(54,896)	
Long-term deposits and other investments, including marketable securities		(49,869)		17,049		(49,869)	(12,551)	
Net cash used in investing activities		(173,237)		(149,703)		(91,577)	(67,447)	
CASH FLOWS - FINANCING ACTIVITIES								
Debt received (repaid), net		(33,392)		42,744		(15,932)	8,554	
Exercise of warrants and options, net		28,037		28,159		1,027	21,918	
Dividend payment to Panasonic		(4,378)		(2,563)				
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		(9,733)		68,340		(14,905)	30,472	
EFFECT OF FOREIGN CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATE CHANGE		3,650		22,988		(630)	2,336	
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND SHORT-TERM DEPOSITS		91,030		187,258	-	(3,196)	51,771	
CASH AND SHORT-TERM DEPOSITS - BEGINNING OF PERIOD		389,377		175,575		483,603	311,062	
CASH AND SHORT-TERM DEPOSITS - END OF PERIOD	\$	480,407	\$	362,833	\$	480,407 \$	362,833	

⁽c) Net cash provided by operating activities for the nine months and three months periods ended September 30, 2017 included \$18,000 received from Tacoma as announced on August 21, 2017.