Netlist Reports Third Quarter 2022 Results

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IRVINE, CA / ACCESSWIRE / October 27, 2022 / Netlist, Inc. (OTCQB:NLST) today reported financial results for the third quarter ended October 1, 2022.



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Third Quarter 2022 Highlights:

- Net product sales increased by 29% to \$34.4 million compared to \$26.7 million for last year's quarter.
- Year-to-date net product sales more than doubled to \$140.0 million compared to \$66.0 million for the prior year period.

"Netlist delivered double digit revenue gains from the year ago quarter and continues to execute on both its product and licensing strategies," said Chief Executive Officer, C.K. Hong. "However, the quarterly results reflect the impact of the current over-supplied environment, which is expected to continue into 2023."

Net product sales for the third quarter ended October 1, 2022 were \$34.4 million, compared to net product sales of \$26.7 million for the third quarter ended October 2, 2021. Product gross profit for the third quarter ended October 1, 2022 was \$2.2 million, compared to a product gross profit of \$2.5 million for the third quarter ended October 2, 2021.

Net product sales for the nine months ended October 1, 2022 were \$140.0 million, compared to net product sales of \$66.0 million for the nine months ended October 2, 2021. Product gross profit for the nine months ended October 1, 2022 was \$10.3 million, compared to a product gross profit of \$6.9 million for the nine months ended October 2, 2021.

Net loss for the third quarter ended October 1, 2022 was (\$9.6) million, or (\$0.04) per share, compared to a net loss in the prior year period of (\$10.7) million, or (\$0.05) per share. These results include stock-based compensation expense of \$0.9 million and \$0.4 million for the quarters ended October 1, 2022 and October 2, 2021, respectively.

Net loss for the nine months ended October 1, 2022 was (\$20.4) million, or (\$0.09) per share, compared to a net income in the prior year period of \$13.1 million, or \$0.06 per share. These results include stock-based compensation expense of \$2.4 million and \$1.2 million for the nine months ended October 1, 2022 and October 2, 2021, respectively.

As of October 1, 2022, cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash was \$43.4 million, total assets were \$77.0 million, working capital was \$37.2 million, total debt was \$8.0 million, and stockholders' equity was \$38.7 million.

Conference Call Information

C.K. Hong, Chief Executive Officer, and Gail Sasaki, Chief Financial Officer, will host an investor conference call today, October 27, 2022 at 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time to review Netlist's results for the third quarter ended October 1, 2022. The live webcast and archived replay of the call can be accessed for 90 days in the Investors section of Netlist's website at www.netlist.com.

About Netlist

Netlist provides high-performance solid-state drives and modular memory solutions to enterprise customers in diverse industries. The Company's NVMe[™] SSDs in various capacities and form factors and the line of custom and specialty memory products bring industry-leading performance to server and storage appliance customers and cloud service providers. Netlist licenses its portfolio of intellectual property including patents, in server memory, hybrid memory and storage class memory, to companies that implement Netlist's technology. To learn more, visit www.netlist.com.

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Netlist, Inc. and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (in thousands)

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Additional paid-in capital	248,920	243,866
Accumulated deficit	(210,477)	(190,055)
Total stockholders' equity	38,676	54,042
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 77,039	<u>\$ 91,176</u>

Netlist, Inc. and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations (Unaudited) (in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Mo	nths Ended	Nine Months Ended			
	October 1, 2022	October 2, 2021	October 1, 2022	October 2, 2021		
Net product sales	\$ 34,424	\$ 26,749	\$ 139,982	\$ 66,009		
License fee				40,000		
Net sales	34,424	26,749	139,982	106,009		
Cost of sales(1)	32,244	24,241	129,691	59,135		
Gross profit	2,180	2,508	10,291	46,874		
Operating expenses:						
Research and development(1)	2,550	2,038	7,679	5,222		
Intellectual property legal fees	5,577	8,461	11,716	14,585		
Selling, general and administrative(1)	3,767	2,590	11,429	7,639		
Total operating expenses	11,894	13,089	30,824	27,446		
Operating (loss) income	(9,714)	(10,581)	(20,533)	19,428		
Other income (expense), net:						
Interest income (expense), net	34	(125)	38	(417)		
Other income (expense), net	82	(2)	74	641		
Total other income (expense), net	116	(127)	112	224		
(Loss) income before provision for income	(0 500)		(00,401)			
taxes	(9,598)	(10,708)	(20,421)	19,652		
Provision for income taxes	-	-	1	6,601		
Net (loss) income	<u>\$ (9,598</u>)	<u>\$ (10,708</u>)	<u>\$ (20,422</u>)	<u>\$ 13,051</u>		
Earnings (loss) per common share:						
Basic	<u>\$ (0.04</u>)	<u>\$ (0.05</u>)	<u>\$ (0.09</u>)	<u>\$ 0.06</u>		
Diluted	<u>\$ (0.04</u>)	<u>\$ (0.05</u>)	<u>\$ (0.09</u>)	<u>\$ 0.06</u>		
Weighted-average common shares outstanding:						
Basic	231,739	224,020	231,194	215,135		
Diluted	231,739	224,020	231,194	235,862		
(1) Amounts include stock-based compensation expense as follows:						
Cost of sales	\$ 22	\$ 2	\$ 41	\$9		

Research and development	283	160	674	438
Selling, general and administrative	 587	 283	 1,649	 715
Total stock-based compensation	\$ 892	\$ 445	\$ 2,364	\$ 1,162

SOURCE: Netlist, Inc.

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