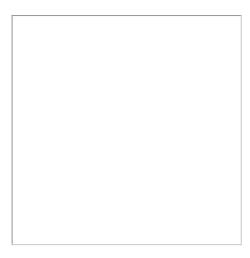
Netlist Reports Second Quarter 2022 Results

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IRVINE, CA / ACCESSWIRE / August 2, 2022 / Netlist, Inc. (OTCQB:NLST) today reported financial results for the second quarter ended July 2, 2022.

Second Quarter 2022 Highlights:

- Net product sales more than doubled to \$55.4 million compared to \$24.4 million for last year's quarter.
- Product gross profit dollars increased by 66%. Product gross profit was \$4.7 million compared to \$2.9 million for last year's quarter.



"Netlist delivered another quarter of strong product revenue and gross profit growth," said Chief Executive Officer, C.K. Hong. "We continue to benefit from strategic supply relationships and an expanding customer base. Intellectual property enforcement actions are making steady progress, and we remain committed to the fair licensing of our unique technologies."

Net product sales for the second quarter ended July 2, 2022 were \$55.4 million, compared to net product sales of \$24.4 million for the second quarter ended July 3, 2021 and \$50.2 million in the most recent quarter. Product gross profit for the second quarter ended July 2, 2022 was \$4.7 million, compared to a product gross profit of \$2.9 million for the second quarter ended July 3, 2021 and \$3.4 million for the most recent quarter.

Total net sales for the second quarter ended July 2, 2022 was \$55.4 million, compared to total net sales of \$64.4 million for the second quarter ended July 3, 2021. Net loss for the second quarter ended July 2, 2022 was (\$5.0) million, or (\$0.02) per share, compared to a net income in the prior year period of \$27.8 million, or \$0.12 per diluted share. These results include stock-based compensation expense of \$0.8 million and \$0.4 million for the quarters ended July 2, 2022 and July 3, 2021, respectively.

As of July 2, 2022, cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash was \$60.6 million, total assets were \$99.6 million, working capital was \$46.3 million, total debt was \$8.2 million, and stockholders' equity was \$47.9 million.

Conference Call Information

C.K. Hong, Chief Executive Officer, and Gail Sasaki, Chief Financial Officer, will host an investor conference call today, August 2, 2022 at 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time to review Netlist's results for the second quarter ended July 2, 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 NVMeTM 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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Stockholders' equity:

Preferred stock

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

ASSETS	(unaudited) July 2, 2022		January 1, 2022	
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	40,465	\$	47,679
Restricted cash		20,100		10,800
Accounts receivable, net		12,328		12,727
Inventories		21,857		15,670
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		1,018		1,126
Total current assets		95,768		88,002
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Property and equipment, net Operating lease right-of-use assets		2,369		1,891
Other assets		319		294
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Total assets	= =	99,636	<u>\$</u> =	91,176
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	38,309	\$	25,887
Revolving line of credit		8,019		7,000
Accrued payroll and related liabilities		1,430		1,308
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		1,485		632
Long-term debt due within one year		189		562
Total current liabilities		49,432		35,389
Operating lease liabilities		1,932		1,593
Other liabilities		356		152
Total liabilities	_	51,720		37,134
Commitments and contingencies				

Common stock	232	231
Additional paid-in capital	248,563	243,866
Accumulated deficit	(200,879)	(190,055)
Total stockholders' equity	47,916	54,042
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 99,636	\$ 91,176

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

	Three Mor	ths Ended	Six Months Ended			
	July 2, 2022	July 3, 2021	July 2, 2022	July 3, 2021		
Net product sales	\$ 55,358	\$ 24,363	\$ 105,558	\$ 39,260		
License fee		40,000		40,000		
Net sales	55,358	64,363	105,558	79,260		
Cost of sales(1)	50,610	21,498	97,447	34,894		
Gross profit	4,748	42,865	8,111	44,366		
Operating expenses:						
Research and development(1)	2,672	2,060	5,129	3,184		
Intellectual property legal fees	3,313	3,837	6,139	6,124		
Selling, general and administrative(1)	3,724	3,092	7,662	5,049		
Total operating expenses	9,709	8,989	18,930	14,357		
Operating (loss) income	(4,961)	33,876	(10,819)	30,009		
Other (expense) income, net:						
Interest income (expense), net	15	(145)	4	(292)		
Other (expense) income, net	(6)	645	(8)	643		
Total other (expense) income, net	9	500	(4)	351		
(Loss) income before provision for income taxes	(4,952)	34,376	(10,823)	30,360		
Provision for income taxes	-	6,600	1	6,601		
Net (loss) income	\$ (4,952)	\$ 27,776	\$ (10,824)	\$ 23,759		
Earnings (loss) per common share:						
Basic	\$ (0.02)	\$ 0.13	\$ (0.05)	\$ 0.11		
Diluted	\$ (0.02)	\$ 0.12	\$ (0.05)	\$ 0.10		
Weighted-average common shares outstanding:						

Basic	231,298	215,706	230,922	210,693
Diluted	231,298	235,176	230,922	229,305

(1) Amounts include stock-based compensation expense as follows:

Cost of sales	\$ 16	\$ 4	\$ 19	\$ 7
Research and development	215	168	391	278
Selling, general and administrative	 559	 207	 1,062	432
Total stock-based compensation	\$ 790	\$ 379	\$ 1,472	\$ 717

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