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Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 10, 2007

Netlist, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-33170 (Commission File Number)

95-4812784 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

475 Goddard, Irvine, California (Address of principal executive offices)

92618 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (949) 435-0025

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Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On May 10, 2007, Netlist, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing the Company's results of operations for the first quarter ended March 31, 2007. The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein in its entirety.

The information included in this Item 2.02 of Current Report on Form 8-K, including the attached Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

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Exhibit Number		Description
99.1	Press Release, dated May 10, 2007.	
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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 11, 2007 NETLIST, INC.

/s/ Lee Kim

Lee Kim

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer



NEWS RELEASE for May 10, 2007

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NETLIST REPORTS 2007 FIRST QUARTER RESULTS

IRVINE, CA (May 10, 2007) . . . Netlist, Inc. (Nasdaq: NLST) today reported financial results for the quarter ended March 31, 2007. These results are in line with the preliminary results that were announced April 16.

Revenues for the 2007 first quarter were \$37.5 million compared with \$26.0 million in the first quarter ended April 1, 2006, and gross margin for the quarter was 14.5 percent, up from 9.8 percent in the corresponding prior-year period. Net income for the 2007 first quarter was \$631,000, or \$0.03 per diluted share, compared to a net loss of \$242,000, or a \$0.02 loss per diluted share, in the corresponding prior-year period. Fully diluted weighted-average shares outstanding for this year's first quarter were 21,425,000, compared with 10,753,000 in the corresponding prior-year period. The increase was due to the Company's initial public offering (IPO). These results include stock-based compensation expense of \$328,000 in the first quarter of 2007 and \$73,000 in the first quarter of 2006.

Chief Executive Officer Chuck Hong said that the Company is pushing forward with its principal strategic focus of developing high-performance memory subsystems that offer a superior value proposition to its OEM customers and targeting new application markets.

"While it is difficult to predict the precise duration of the market conditions and customer ordering patterns that impacted the Company in the first quarter," he said, "we are well positioned to push forward with numerous programs that will bring high-end memory subsystem products to market in the second half of 2007."

As of March 31, 2007, cash, cash equivalents and investments in marketable securities were \$34.7 million, total assets were \$73.6 million, working capital was \$40.2 million, total long-term debt was \$1.0 million, and stockholders' equity was \$51.2 million.

Conference Call Information

Because management hosted a conference call following the announcement of Company's preliminary first quarter results on April 16, Netlist will not be conducting a conference call today.

About Netlist, Inc.

Netlist designs and manufactures high-performance memory subsystems for the server and high- performance computing and communications markets. The Company's memory subsystems are developed for applications in which high speed, high-capacity memory, functionality, small form factor, and heat dissipation are key requirements. These applications include tower servers, rack-mounted servers, blade servers, high performance computing clusters, engineering workstations, and telecommunication switches. Netlist maintains its headquarters and manufacturing facilities in Irvine, California, and is developing additional manufacturing capacity in the People's Republic of China.

Safe Harbor Statement

This news release contains forward-looking statements regarding future events and the future performance of Netlist, including future opportunities and growth for the company's business. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expected or projected. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, the rapidly-changing nature of technology; volatility in the pricing of DRAM ICs; introductions of new products by competitors; changes in end-user demand for technology solutions; our ability to attract and retain skilled personnel; our reliance on suppliers of critical components; evolving industry standards; and the political and regulatory environment in the People's Republic of China. Other risks and uncertainties are described in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K, dated February 28, 2007, and other filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission made by the company from time to time. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

TABLES FOLLOW

NETLIST, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations

(in thousands, except per share amounts)

		Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2007	April 1, 2006	
Net sales	\$ 37,538	\$ 26,020	
Cost of sales(1)	32,089	23,466	
Gross profit	5,449	2,554	
Operating expenses:			
Research and development(1)	1,067	666	
Selling, general and administrative(1)	3,704	1,803	
Total operating expenses	4,771	2,469	
Operating income	678	85	
Other expense:			
Interest expense, net of interest income	(48)	(400)	
Other income (expense), net	<u> </u>	(10)	
Total other expense, net	(47)	(410)	
Income (loss) before provision (benefit) for income taxes	631	(325)	
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	_	(83)	
Net income (loss)	\$ 631	\$ (242)	
Net income (loss) per common share:			
Basic	\$ 0.03	\$ (0.02)	
Diluted	\$ 0.03	\$ (0.02)	
Weighted-average common shares outstanding:			
Basic	19,624	10,753	
Diluted	21,425	10,753	
(1) Amounts include stock-based compensation expense as follows:			
Cost of sales	\$ 64	\$ 7	
Research and development		11	
Selling, general and administrative	218	55	

NETLIST, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

$(in\ thousands)$

	March 31, 2007	December 30, 2006
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 11,694	\$ 30,975
Investments in marketable securities	16,149	5,267
Accounts receivable, net	18,033	23,703
Inventories	13,380	19,473
Deferred taxes	1,100	1,054
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	897	988
Total current assets	61,253	81,460
Property and equipment, net	3,894	3,830
Deferred taxes	932	576
Long-term investments in marketable securities	6,842	1,502
Other assets	636	326
Total assets	\$ 73,557	\$ 87,694
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 5,491	\$ 11,680
Revolving line of credit	12,026	19,238
Current portion of long-term debt	865	1,033
Current portion of deferred gain on sale and leaseback transaction	118	118
Income taxes payable	108	552
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	2,459	3,255
Total current liabilities	21,067	35,876
Long-term debt, net of current portion	1,010	1,230
Deferred gain on sale and leaseback transaction, net of current portion	314	344
Total liabilities	22,391	37,450
Commitments and contingencies	´ _	_
Stockholders' equity:		
Common stock	20	20
Additional paid-in capital	66,998	66,557
Note receivable from stockholder	(1)	(1)
Accumulated deficit	(15,855)	(16,332)
Accumulated other comprehensive income	4	·
Total stockholders' equity	51,166	50,244
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 73,557	\$ 87,694
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