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Form 10-Q

(Mark One)

☒ **QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15 (d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the quarterly period ended March 28, 2015

OR

☐ **TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15 (d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number 001-07882

ADVANCED MICRO DEVICES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

94-1692300
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

One AMD Place

Sunnyvale, California
(Address of principal executive offices)

94088
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (408) 749-4000

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See definition of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer ☒

Accelerated filer ☐

Non-accelerated filer ☐ (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Smaller reporting company ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined by Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes ☐ No ☒

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of the registrant's common stock, \$0.01 par value, as of April 24, 2015: 778,059,809

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	Three Months Ended	
	March 28, 2015	March 29, 2014
	(In millions, except per share amounts)	
Net revenue	\$ 1,030	\$ 1,397
Cost of sales	704	910
Gross margin	326	487
Research and development	242	279
Marketing, general and administrative	131	156
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	3	3
Restructuring and other special charges, net	87	
Operating income (loss)	(137)	49
Interest income		1
Interest expense	(40)	(47)
Other income (expense), net		(21)
Loss before income taxes	(177)	(18)
Provision for income taxes	3	2
Net loss	\$ (180)	\$ (20)
Net loss per share		
Basic	\$ (0.23)	\$ (0.03)
Diluted	\$ (0.23)	\$ (0.03)
Shares used in per share calculation:		
Basic	777	761
Diluted	777	761

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

Table of Contents**Advanced Micro Devices, Inc.****Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Loss****(Unaudited)**

	Three Months Ended	
	March 28, 2015	March 29, 2014
	(In millions)	
Net loss	\$ (180)	\$ (20)
Other comprehensive income (loss):		
Unrealized gains (losses) on cash flow hedges:		
Unrealized gains (losses) arising during the period, net of tax effects of \$0 and \$0	(11)	(3)
Reclassification adjustment for (gains) losses realized and included in net income (loss), net of tax effects of \$0 and \$0	4	2
Total other comprehensive loss	(7)	(1)
Total comprehensive loss	\$ (187)	\$ (21)

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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Advanced Micro Devices, Inc.
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets
(Unaudited)

	March 28, 2015	December 27, 2014*
(In millions, except par value amounts)		
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 677	\$ 805
Marketable securities	229	235
Accounts receivable, net of allowances of \$0 and \$0	771	818
Inventories, net	688	685
Prepayments to GLOBALFOUNDRIES	44	113
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	88	80
Total current assets	2,497	2,736
Property, plant and equipment, net	297	302
Acquisition related intangible assets, net		65
Goodwill	320	320
Other assets	314	344
Total assets	\$ 3,428	\$ 3,767
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Short-term debt	\$ 235	\$ 177
Accounts payable	381	415
Payable to GLOBALFOUNDRIES	121	218
Accrued and other current liabilities	494	558
Deferred income on shipments to distributors	61	72
Total current liabilities	1,292	1,440
Long-term debt	2,033	2,035
Other long-term liabilities	86	105
Commitments and contingencies (See Note 9)		
Stockholders equity:		
Capital stock:		
Common stock, par value \$0.01; 1,500 shares authorized on March 28, 2015 and December 27, 2014; shares issued: 790 shares on March 28, 2015 and 788 shares on December 27, 2014; shares outstanding: 778 shares on March 28, 2015 and 776 shares on December 27, 2014	8	8
Additional paid-in capital	6,967	6,949
Treasury stock, at cost (12 shares on March 28, 2015 and December 27, 2014)	(120)	(119)
Accumulated deficit	(6,826)	(6,646)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(12)	(5)
Total stockholders equity	17	187
Total liabilities and stockholders equity	\$ 3,428	\$ 3,767

- * Amounts were derived from the December 27, 2014 audited consolidated financial statements.
See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

Table of Contents**Advanced Micro Devices, Inc.****Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows****(Unaudited)**

	Three Months Ended	
	March 28, 2015	March 29, 2014
	(In millions)	
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net loss	\$ (180)	\$ (20)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	46	53
Stock-based compensation expense	17	23
Non-cash interest expense	3	6
Loss on debt redemptions		15
Restructuring and other special charges, net	71	
Other	(1)	(4)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	46	(8)
Inventories	(6)	14
Prepayments to GLOBALFOUNDRIES	68	
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(16)	(8)
Accounts payable, accrued liabilities and other	(124)	(124)
Payable to GLOBALFOUNDRIES	(97)	(151)
Net cash used in operating activities	(173)	(204)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of available-for-sale securities	(223)	(310)
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(22)	(21)
Proceeds from sales and maturities of available-for-sale securities	230	200
Net cash used in investing activities	(15)	(131)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from issuance of common stock		1
Proceeds from borrowings, net	58	589
Net proceeds from grants	4	
Repayments of long-term debt and capital lease obligations	(1)	(569)
Other	(1)	(1)
Net cash provided by financing activities	60	20
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(128)	(315)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	805	869
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 677	\$ 554

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

(Unaudited)

NOTE 1. Basis of Presentation and Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation. The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of Advanced Micro Devices, Inc. and its subsidiaries (the Company or AMD) have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (U.S. GAAP) for interim financial information and the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. The results of operations for the quarter ended March 28, 2015 shown in this report are not necessarily indicative of results to be expected for the full year ending December 26, 2015. In the opinion of the Company's management, the information contained herein reflects all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of the Company's results of operations, financial position and cash flows. All such adjustments are of a normal, recurring nature. The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 27, 2014.

The Company uses a 52 or 53 week fiscal year ending on the last Saturday in December. The quarters ended March 28, 2015 and March 29, 2014 each consisted of 13 weeks.

Principles of Consolidation. The condensed consolidated financial statements include the Company's accounts and those of its wholly-owned subsidiaries. Upon consolidation, all significant intercompany accounts and transactions are eliminated.

Change to Prior Period Information. During the third quarter of 2014, the Company realigned its organizational structure. As a result of this organizational change, beginning in third quarter of 2014, the Company reports its financial statements based on the new segments described in Note 7 - Segment Reporting with no other impact on the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements. All prior-period amounts have been adjusted retrospectively to reflect the Company's reportable segment changes.

Recently Issued Accounting Standards

Interest Imputation of Interest. In April 2015, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2015-03, *Simplifying the Presentation of Debt Issuance Costs* (ASU 2015-03), which requires an entity to present such costs in the balance sheet as a direct deduction from the related debt liability rather than as an asset. Amortization of the costs will continue to be reported as interest expense. ASU 2015-03 will be effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2015 and interim periods within fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016, with early adoption permitted. The new guidance will be applied retrospectively to each prior period presented. The Company is currently in the process of evaluating the impact of adoption of the ASU 2015-03 on its consolidated financial statements.

Disclosure of Going Concern Uncertainties. In August 2014, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2014-15, *Disclosure of Uncertainties about an Entity's Ability to Continue as a Going Concern* (ASU 2014-15), which provides guidance on management's responsibility in evaluating whether there is substantial doubt about a company's ability to continue as a going concern and to provide related footnote disclosures. ASU 2014-15 will be effective in the fourth quarter of 2016, with early adoption permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of its pending adoption of ASU 2014-15 on its consolidated financial statements.

Share-Based Payments with Performance Targets. In June 2014, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2014-12, *Accounting for Share-Based Payments When the Terms of an Award Provide That a Performance Target Could Be Achieved after the Requisite Service Period* (ASU 2014-12), which requires that a performance target be treated as a performance condition if it affects vesting and could be achieved after the requisite service period is rendered. ASU 2014-12 will be effective in the first quarter of 2016, with early adoption permitted. The Company may use either of two methods: (i) prospective application to all awards granted or modified after the effective date or (ii) retrospective application to all awards with performance targets that are outstanding as of the beginning of the earliest annual period presented in the financial statements and to all new or modified awards thereafter, with the cumulative effect of applying ASU 2014-12 as an adjustment to the opening retained earnings balance as of the beginning of the earliest annual period presented in the financial statements.

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The Company is currently evaluating the impact of its pending adoption of ASU 2014-12 on its consolidated financial statements and has not yet determined which method it will apply.

Revenue Recognition. In May 2014, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers: Topic 606* (ASU 2014-09), which creates a single source of revenue guidance under U.S. GAAP for all companies in all industries. The core principle of ASU 2014-09 is that revenue should be recognized in a manner that depicts the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. ASU 2014-09 defines a five-step process in order to achieve this core principle, which may require the use of judgment and estimates. ASU 2014-09 also requires expanded qualitative and quantitative disclosures relating to the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from contracts with customers, including significant judgments and estimates used. ASU 2014-09 will be effective for the Company in the first quarter of 2017 and early adoption is not permitted. The Company may adopt ASU 2014-09 either by using a full retrospective approach for all periods presented in the period of adoption or a modified retrospective approach. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of its pending adoption of ASU 2014-09 on its consolidated financial statements and has not yet determined which approach it will apply.

NOTE 2. GLOBALFOUNDRIES

Wafer Supply Agreement. The Wafer Supply Agreement (WSA) governs the terms by which the Company purchases products manufactured by GLOBALFOUNDRIES Inc. (GF).

Fourth Amendment to Wafer Supply Agreement. On March 30, 2014, the Company entered into a fourth amendment to the WSA. The primary effect of the fourth amendment was to establish volume purchase commitments and fixed pricing for the 2014 calendar year as well as to modify certain other terms of the WSA applicable to wafers for some of the Company's microprocessor unit, graphics processor unit and semi-custom game console products to be delivered by GF to the Company during the 2014 calendar year.

Fifth Amendment to Wafer Supply Agreement. On April 16, 2015, the Company entered into a fifth amendment to the WSA. The primary effect of the fifth amendment was to establish volume purchase commitments and fixed pricing for the 2015 calendar year as well as to modify certain other terms of the WSA applicable to wafers for some of the Company's microprocessor unit, graphics processor unit and semi-custom products to be delivered by GF to the Company during the 2015 calendar year.

The Company's total purchases from GF related to wafer manufacturing and research and development activities for the quarters ended March 28, 2015 and March 29, 2014 were \$170 million and \$260 million, respectively.

The Company currently estimates that its purchase obligations to GF for wafer manufacturing and research and development activities will be approximately \$1.1 billion in fiscal 2015 and at least \$70 million during the first quarter of fiscal 2016. The Company is not able to meaningfully quantify or estimate its future purchase obligations to GF other than those set forth in the fifth amendment to the WSA, but it expects that its future purchases from GF will continue to be material.

GF continues to be a related party of the Company because Mubadala Development Company PJSC (Mubadala) and Mubadala Technology Investments LLC (Mubadala Tech) are affiliated with West Coast Hitech L.P. (WCH), the Company's largest stockholder. GF, WCH and Mubadala Tech are wholly-owned subsidiaries of Mubadala.

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	March 28, 2015	December 27, 2014
	(In millions)	
Raw materials	\$ 38	\$ 40
Work in process	465	431
Finished goods	185	214
Total inventories, net	\$ 688	\$ 685

Property, Plant and Equipment

	March 28, 2015	December 27, 2014
	(In millions)	
Land and land improvements	\$ 2	\$ 4
Buildings and leasehold improvements	231	246
Equipment	1,420	1,416
Construction in progress	25	14
	1,678	1,680
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(1,381)	(1,378)
Total property, plant and equipment, net	\$ 297	\$ 302

Other Assets

	March 28, 2015	December 27, 2014
	(In millions)	
Software and technology licenses, net	\$ 203	\$ 219
Other	111	125
Total other assets	\$ 314	\$ 344

Accrued and Other Current Liabilities

	March 28, 2015	December 27, 2014
	(In millions)	

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Accrued compensation and benefits	\$	140	\$	139
Marketing programs and advertising expenses		128		141
Software and technology licenses payable		45		39
Other		181		239
Total accrued and other current liabilities	\$	494	\$	558

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NOTE 4. Net Loss Per Share

Basic net income (loss) per share is computed based on the weighted average number of shares outstanding, and for the first quarter of 2014 also based on shares issuable upon exercise of warrants issued by the Company to WCH in connection with the GF transaction in 2009.

Diluted net income (loss) per share is computed based on the weighted average number of shares outstanding plus any potentially dilutive shares outstanding. Potentially dilutive shares include stock options and restricted stock units.

The following table sets forth the components of basic and diluted loss per share:

		Three Months Ended	
		March 28, 2015	March 29, 2014
		(In millions, except per share amounts)	
Numerator	Net loss:		
	Numerator for basic and diluted net loss per share	\$ (180)	\$ (20)
Denominator	Weighted average shares		
	Denominator for basic and diluted net loss per share	777	761
	Net loss per share:		
	Basic	\$ (0.23)	\$ (0.03)
	Diluted	\$ (0.23)	\$ (0.03)

Potential shares from stock options and restricted stock units totaling 64 million and 45 million were not included in the net loss per share calculations for the first quarters of 2015 and 2014, respectively, because their inclusion would have been anti-dilutive.

NOTE 5. Financial Instruments

Cash and Cash Equivalents and Marketable Securities

Cash and financial instruments measured and recorded at fair value on a recurring basis as of March 28, 2015 and December 27, 2014 are summarized below:

	Total Fair Value	Cash and Cash Equivalents (In millions)	Short-Term Marketable Securities
March 28, 2015			
Cash	\$ 402	\$ 402	\$
Level 2 ⁽²⁾ (3)			
Commercial paper	500	275	225
Corporate bonds	4		4
Total level 2	504	275	229
Total	\$ 906	\$ 677	\$ 229

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	Total Fair Value	Cash and Cash Equivalents (In millions)	Short-Term Marketable Securities
December 27, 2014			
Cash	\$ 391	\$ 391	\$
Level 1 ^{(1) (2)}			
Money market funds	4	4	
Total level 1	4	4	
Level 2 ^{(2) (3)}			
Commercial paper	618	410	208
Corporate bonds	27		27
Total level 2	645	410	235
Total	\$ 1,040	\$ 805	\$ 235

(1) The Company's Level 1 assets are valued using quoted prices for identical instruments in active markets.

(2) The Company did not have any transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy during the quarter ended March 28, 2015 or the year ended December 27, 2014.

(3) The Company's Level 2 short-term investments are valued using broker reports that utilize quoted market prices for identical or comparable instruments. Brokers gather observable inputs for all of the Company's fixed income securities from a variety of industry data providers and other third-party sources. The Company's Level 2 long-term investments were valued using broker reports that utilize a third-party professional pricing service that gathers information from multiple market sources and integrates relevant credit information, observed market movements and sector news into their pricing evaluation. The Company validated, on a sample basis, the derived prices provided by the brokers by comparing their assessment of the fair values of the Level 2 long-term investments against the fair values of the portfolio balances of another third-party professional's pricing service, other than that utilized by the brokers, that use a similar technique as the brokers to derive pricing as described above.

Available-for-sale securities held by the Company as of March 28, 2015 and December 27, 2014 consisted of money market funds, commercial paper and corporate bonds. The amortized cost of available-for-sale securities approximates the fair value for all periods presented.

All contractual maturities of the Company's available-for-sale marketable debt securities as of March 28, 2015 were within one year. Actual maturities may differ from contractual maturities because issuers may have the right to call or prepay obligations without call or prepayment penalties.

In addition to those amounts presented above, as of March 28, 2015 and December 27, 2014, the Company had approximately \$10 million of available-for-sale investments in money market funds, used as collateral for leased buildings and letters of credit deposits, which were included in Other assets on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. These money market funds are classified within Level 1 because they are valued using quoted prices for identical instruments in active markets. Their amortized costs are the same as the fair value for all periods presented. The Company is restricted from accessing these deposits.

Also in addition to those amounts presented above, as of March 28, 2015 and December 27, 2014, the Company had approximately \$14 million and \$16 million, respectively, of available-for-sale investments in mutual funds held in a Rabbi trust established for the Company's deferred compensation plan, which were also included in Other assets on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. These mutual funds are classified within Level 1 because they are valued using quoted prices for identical instruments in active markets. Their amortized cost approximates the fair value for all periods presented. The Company is restricted from accessing these investments.

Financial Instruments Not Recorded at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis. The Company carries its financial instruments at fair value with the exception of its debt. Financial instruments that are not recorded at fair value are measured at fair value on a quarterly basis for disclosure purposes. The carrying amounts and estimated fair values of financial instruments not recorded at fair value are as follows:

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	March 28, 2015		December 27, 2014	
	Carrying Amount	Estimated Fair Value	Carrying Amount	Estimated Fair Value
	(In millions)			
Short-term debt (excluding capital leases)	\$ 230	\$ 230	\$ 172	\$ 173
Long-term debt (excluding capital leases)	\$ 2,025	\$ 1,906	\$ 2,025	\$ 1,858

The Company's short-term and long-term debt are classified within Level 2. The fair value of the debt was estimated based on the quoted market prices for the same or similar issues or on the current rates offered to the Company for debt of the same remaining maturities. The fair value of the Company's accounts receivable, accounts payable and other short-term obligations approximate their carrying value based on existing payment terms.

Hedging Transactions and Derivative Financial Instruments

Cash Flow Hedges

The following table shows the amount of gain (loss) included in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), the amount of gain (loss) reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) and included in earnings related to the foreign currency forward contracts designated as cash flow hedges and the amount of gain (loss) included in other income (expense), net, related to contracts not designated as hedging instruments, which was allocated in the condensed consolidated statements of operations:

	Three Months Ended	
	March 28, 2015	March 29, 2014
	(In millions)	
Foreign Currency Forward Contracts - gains (losses)		
Contracts designated as cash flow hedging instruments		
Other comprehensive loss	\$ (7)	\$ (1)
Cost of sales	(1)	
Research and development	(2)	(1)
Marketing, general and administrative	(1)	(1)
Contracts not designated as hedging instruments		
Other expense, net	\$ (1)	\$ (1)

The Company's foreign currency derivative contracts are classified within Level 2 because the valuation inputs are based on quoted prices and market observable data of similar instruments in active markets, such as currency spot and forward rates.

The following table shows the fair value amounts included in Prepaid expenses and other current assets should the foreign currency forward contracts be in a gain position or included in Accrued and other current liabilities should these contracts be in a loss position. As of March 28, 2015, the Company's outstanding contracts were in a net loss position of \$14 million. These amounts were recorded in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets as follows:

	March 28, 2015	December 27, 2014
	(In millions)	
Foreign Currency Forward Contracts - gains (losses)		
Contracts designated as cash flow hedging instruments	\$ (13)	\$ (6)
Contracts not designated as hedging instruments	\$ (1)	\$ (1)

For the foreign currency contracts designated as cash flow hedges, the ineffective portions of the hedging relationship and the amounts excluded from the assessment of hedge effectiveness were immaterial.

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As of March 28, 2015 and December 27, 2014, the notional values of the Company's outstanding foreign currency forward contracts were \$240 million and \$298 million, respectively. All the contracts mature within 12 months, and, upon

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maturity, the amounts recorded in Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) are expected to be reclassified into earnings. The Company hedges its exposure to the variability in future cash flows for forecasted transactions over a maximum of 12 months.

Fair Value Hedges

The Company's fair value hedge derivative contracts are classified within Level 2 because the valuation inputs are based on quoted prices and market observable data of similar instruments in active markets.

The following table shows the fair value amounts included in Other assets should the fair value hedge derivative contracts be in a gain position or included in Other long-term liabilities should these contracts be in a loss position. These amounts were recorded in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets as follows:

	March 28, 2015	December 27, 2014
	(In millions)	
<u>Interest Rate Swap Contracts - gains (losses)</u>		
Contracts designated as fair value hedging instruments	\$ 3	\$ 3

NOTE 6. Income Taxes

In the first quarter of 2015, the Company recorded an income tax provision of \$3 million due to foreign taxes in profitable locations.

In the first quarter of 2014, the Company recorded an income tax provision of \$2 million due to foreign taxes in profitable locations.

As of March 28, 2015, substantially all of the Company's U.S. and Canadian deferred tax assets, net of deferred tax liabilities, continue to be subject to a valuation allowance. The realization of these assets is dependent on substantial future taxable income which, as of March 28, 2015, in management's estimate, is not more likely than not to be achieved.

The Company's gross unrecognized tax benefits did not change during the first quarter of 2015. The total gross unrecognized tax benefits as of March 28, 2015 were \$28 million. There were no material changes to accrued interest or penalties in the first quarter of 2015.

The Company currently expects to reduce its unrecognized tax benefits by approximately \$7 million, primarily as a result of the potential settlement of tax audits with certain foreign tax authorities over the next 12 months. The Company does not believe it is reasonably possible that other unrecognized tax benefits will materially change in the next 12 months. However, the settlement, resolution or closure of tax audits are highly uncertain.

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Management, including the Chief Operating Decision Maker, who is the Company's Chief Executive Officer, reviews and assesses operating performance using segment net revenue and operating income (loss) before interest, other income (expense), net and income taxes. These performance measures include the allocation of expenses to the operating segments based on management's judgment. In connection with the Company's continued strategic transformation, effective July 1, 2014, the Company realigned its organizational structure. As a result of this organizational change, the Company has the following two reportable segments:

the Computing and Graphics segment, which primarily includes desktop and notebook processors and chipsets, discrete graphics processing units (GPUs) and professional graphics; and

the Enterprise, Embedded and Semi-Custom segment, which primarily includes server and embedded processors, dense servers, semi-custom System-on-Chip (SoC) products, engineering services and royalties.

In addition to these reportable segments, the Company has an All Other category, which is not a reportable segment. This category primarily includes certain expenses and credits that are not allocated to any of the reportable segments because management does not consider these expenses and credits in evaluating the performance of the reportable segments. Also included in this category are amortization of acquired intangible assets, stock-based compensation expense, restructuring and other special charges, net and workforce rebalancing severance charges.

The following table provides a summary of net revenue and operating income (loss) by segment. All period results presented reflect the Company's new reportable segments:

	Three Months Ended	
	March 28, 2015	March 29, 2014
	(In millions)	
Net revenue:		
Computing and Graphics	\$ 532	\$ 861
Enterprise, Embedded and Semi-Custom	498	536
Total net revenue	\$ 1,030	\$ 1,397
Operating income (loss):		
Computing and Graphics	\$ (75)	\$ 3
Enterprise, Embedded and Semi-Custom	45	85
All Other	(107)	(39)
Total operating income (loss)	\$ (137)	\$ 49

NOTE 8. Stock-Based Incentive Compensation Plans

The following table summarizes stock-based compensation expense related to employee stock options and restricted stock units, which is allocated within the Company's condensed consolidated statements of operations as follows:

	Three Months Ended	
	March 28, 2015	March 29, 2014

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	(In millions)			
Cost of sales	\$	1	\$	1
Research and development		10		12
Marketing, general and administrative		6		10
Stock-based compensation expense, net of tax of \$0	\$	17	\$	23

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For all periods presented, the Company did not realize any excess tax benefit related to stock-based compensation and therefore did not record any related financing cash flows.

Stock Options

The weighted average assumptions applied in the lattice-binomial model that the Company uses to estimate the fair value employee stock options are as follows:

	Three Months Ended	
	March 28, 2015	March 29, 2014
Expected volatility	53.99%	55.03%
Risk-free interest rate	1.26%	1.06%
Expected dividends	0.00%	0.00%
Expected life	3.91 years	3.86 years

In the first quarters of 2015 and 2014, the Company granted 0.2 million and 0.1 million shares employee stock options, respectively, with weighted average grant date fair value per share of \$1.29 and \$1.62, respectively.

Restricted Stock Units

In the first quarters of 2015 and 2014, the Company granted 5.3 million and 0.5 million shares restricted stock units, respectively, with weighted average grant date fair values per share of \$2.53 and \$3.80, respectively.

NOTE 9. Commitments and Contingencies**Warranties and Indemnities**

The Company generally warrants that its products sold to its customers will conform to the Company's approved specifications and be free from defects in material and workmanship under normal use and service for one year. Subject to certain exceptions, the Company also offers a three-year limited warranty to end users for only those central processing unit (CPU) and AMD accelerated processing unit (APU) products that are commonly referred to as processors in a box and for PC workstations products. The Company also offered extended limited warranties to certain customers of tray microprocessor products and/or workstation graphics products who have written agreements with the Company and target their computer systems at the commercial and/or embedded markets.

Changes in the Company's estimated liability for product warranty were as follows:

	Three Months Ended	
	March 28, 2015	March 29, 2014
	(In millions)	
Beginning balance	\$ 19	\$ 17
New warranties issued	8	8
Settlements	(9)	(9)
Changes in liability for pre-existing warranties, including expirations	3	2
Ending balance	\$ 21	\$ 18

In addition to product warranties, the Company, from time to time in its normal course of business, indemnifies other parties, with whom it enters into contractual relationships, including customers, lessors and parties to other transactions with the Company, with respect to certain matters. In these limited matters, the Company has agreed to hold certain third parties harmless against specific types of claims or losses, such as

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those arising from a breach of representations or covenants, third-party claims that the Company's products when used for their intended purpose(s) and under specific conditions infringe the intellectual property rights of a third party, or other specified claims made against the indemnified party. It is not possible to

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determine the maximum potential amount of liability under these indemnification obligations due to the unique facts and circumstances that are likely to be involved in each particular claim and indemnification provision. Historically, payments made by the Company under these obligations have not been material.

Contingencies

Securities Class Action

On January 15, 2014, a class action lawsuit captioned *Hatamian v. AMD, et al.*, C.A. No. 3:14-cv-00226 was filed against the Company in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California. The complaint purports to assert claims against the Company and certain individual officers for alleged violations of Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), and Rule 10b-5 of the Exchange Act. The plaintiffs seek to represent a proposed class of all persons who purchased or otherwise acquired the Company's common stock during the period April 4, 2011 through October 18, 2012. The complaint seeks damages allegedly caused by alleged materially misleading statements and/or material omissions by the Company and the individual officers regarding the Company's 32nm technology and Llano product, which statements and omissions, the plaintiffs claim, allegedly operated to inflate artificially the price paid for the Company's common stock during the period. The complaint seeks unspecified compensatory damages, attorneys' fees and costs.

On July 7, 2014, the Company filed a motion to dismiss plaintiffs' claims. On March 31, 2015, the Court denied the motion to dismiss.

Based upon information presently known to management, the Company believes that the potential liability, if any, will not have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, cash flows or results of operations.

Shareholder Derivative Lawsuit

On March 20, 2014, a purported shareholder derivative lawsuit captioned *Wessels v. Read, et al.*, Case No. 1:14-cv-262486 was filed against the Company (as a nominal defendant only) and certain of the Company's directors and officers in the Santa Clara County Superior Court of the State of California. The complaint purports to assert claims against the Company and certain individual directors and officers for breach of fiduciary duty, waste of corporate assets and unjust enrichment. The complaint seeks damages allegedly caused by alleged materially misleading statements and/or material omissions by the Company and the individual directors and officers regarding the Company's 32nm technology and Llano product, which statements and omissions, the plaintiffs claim, allegedly operated to inflate artificially the price paid for the Company's common stock during the period.

The shareholder derivative lawsuit is currently stayed.

Based upon information presently known to management, the Company believes that the potential liability, if any, will not have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, cash flows or results of operations.

Other Legal Matters

The Company is a defendant or plaintiff in various actions that arose in the normal course of business. With respect to these matters, based on the management's current knowledge, the Company believes that the amount or range of reasonably possible loss, if any, will not, either individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

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In October 2014, the Company implemented a restructuring plan designed to improve operating efficiencies. The plan involved a reduction of global headcount by approximately 6% and an alignment of its real estate footprint with its reduced headcount. In the first quarter of 2015, the Company recorded a \$12 million restructuring charge, which consisted of \$5 million for severance and related benefits and \$7 million for facilities related costs. The Company expects the plan to be largely completed by the end of the third quarter of 2015.

The following table provides a summary of the restructuring activities in the first quarter of 2015 and the related liabilities recorded in Accrued and other current liabilities and Other long-term liabilities on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets as of March 28, 2015:

	Severance and related benefits	Other exit related costs (In millions)	Total
Balance as of December 27, 2014	\$ 26	\$ 13	\$ 39
Charges	5	7	12
Cash payments	(14)	(1)	(15)
Non-cash charges		(3)	(3)
Balance as of March 28, 2015	\$ 17	\$ 16	\$ 33

Dense Server Systems Business Exit

As a part of the Company's strategy to simplify and sharpen its investment focus, the Company decided to exit the dense server systems business, formerly SeaMicro, in the first quarter of 2015. As a result of the Company's decision to exit this business, the Company recorded a charge of \$75 million in Restructuring and other special charges, net on the Company's condensed consolidated statements of operations in the first quarter of 2015. This charge consisted of an impairment charge of \$62 million related to the acquired intangible assets. The Company concluded that the carrying value of the acquired intangible assets associated with its dense server systems business was fully impaired as the Company has no current plans to utilize the related freedom fabric technology in any of its future products nor does it have any plans at this time to monetize the associated intellectual property. In addition, the exit charge consisted of a \$6 million non-cash charge related to asset impairments, \$4 million of severance and related benefits and \$3 million for contract or program termination costs. The Company expects to complete this exit activity within 12 months.

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The table below summarizes the changes in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) by component:

	Three Months Ended					
	March 28, 2015		March 29, 2014			
	Unrealized gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities	Unrealized gains (losses) on cash flow hedges	Total	Unrealized gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities	Unrealized gains (losses) on cash flow hedges	Total
	(In millions)					
Beginning balance	\$ 1	\$ (6)	\$ (5)	\$ 1	\$ (3)	\$ (2)
Unrealized gains (losses) arising during the period, net of tax		(11)	(11)		(3)	(3)
Reclassification adjustment for (gains) losses realized and included in net income (loss), net of tax		4	4		2	2
Total other comprehensive income (loss)		(7)	(7)		(1)	(1)
Ending balance	\$ 1	\$ (13)	\$ (12)	\$ 1	\$ (4)	\$ (3)

NOTE 12. Secured Revolving Line of Credit***Loan and Security Agreement***

The Company and its subsidiary, AMD International Sales & Service, Ltd. (together, the Borrowers), entered into a loan and security agreement on November 12, 2013, as amended on December 11, 2014 (the Loan Agreement), for a secured revolving line of credit for a principal amount up to \$500 million (the Secured Revolving Line of Credit), with up to \$75 million available for issuance of letters of credit, with a group of lenders and Bank of America, N.A., acting as agent for the lenders (the Agent). The Secured Revolving Line of Credit matures on November 12, 2018. Borrowings under the Secured Revolving Line of Credit are limited to up to 85% of eligible account receivable minus certain reserves. The borrowings of the Secured Revolving Line of Credit may be used for general corporate purposes, including working capital needs.

At March 28, 2015 and December 27, 2014, the Secured Revolving Line of Credit had an outstanding loan balance of \$188 million and \$130 million, respectively, at an interest rate of 4.25%. The Company reports its intra-period changes in its revolving credit balance on a net basis in its condensed consolidated statement of cash flows as the Company intends the period of the borrowings to be brief, repaying borrowed amounts within 90 days.

Amended and Restated Loan and Security Agreement

On April 14, 2015, the Borrowers and ATI Technologies ULC (together with the Borrowers, the Loan Parties), entered into an amended and restated loan and security agreement (the Amended and Restated Loan Agreement) by and among the Loan Parties, the financial institutions party thereto from time to time as lenders (the Lenders) and the Agent. The Amended and Restated Loan Agreement amended and restated the Loan Agreement.

The Amended and Restated Loan Agreement provides for a Secured Revolving Line of Credit with up to \$75 million available for issuance of letters of credit, which remained unchanged from the Loan Agreement. Borrowings under the Secured Revolving Line of Credit are limited to up to 85% of eligible accounts receivable (90% for certain qualified eligible accounts receivable), minus specified reserves. The size of the commitments under the Secured Revolving Line of Credit may be increased by up to an aggregate amount of \$200 million.

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The Secured Revolving Line of Credit matures on April 14, 2020 and is secured by a first priority security interest in the Loan Parties' accounts receivable, inventory, deposit accounts maintained with the Agent and other specified assets, including books and records.

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The Borrowers may elect a per annum interest rate equal to (a) the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) plus the applicable margin set forth in the applicable chart below (the **Applicable Margin**) as determined by the average availability under the Secured Revolving Line of Credit and the fixed charge coverage ratio for the most recently ended four-fiscal quarter period; or (b) (i) the greatest of (x) the Agent's prime rate, (y) the federal funds rate, as published by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York plus 0.50%, and (z) LIBOR for a one-month period plus 1.00%, plus (ii) the Applicable Margin.

Applicable Margin, if average availability is equal to or greater than 66.66% of the total commitment amount and the fixed charge coverage ratio for the most recently ended four-fiscal quarter period is greater than or equal to 1.25 to 1.00, is 0.25% for Base Rate Revolver Loans and 1.25% for LIBOR Revolver Loans. Otherwise, Applicable Margin is determined in accordance with the below table:

Average			
Availability for			
Last Fiscal		Base Rate Revolver	LIBOR Revolver
		Loans:	Loans:
Level	Month	Applicable Margin	Applicable Margin
I	greater than or equal to 66.66% of the Revolver Commitment	0.50%	1.50%
II	greater than or equal to 33.33% of the Revolver Commitment, less than 66.66%	0.75%	1.75%
III	less than 33.33% of the Revolver Commitment	1.00%	2.00%

The Secured Revolving Line of Credit may be optionally prepaid or terminated, and unutilized commitments may be reduced at any time, in each case without premium or penalty. In connection with the Secured Revolving Line of Credit, the Borrowers will pay an unused line fee equal to 0.375% per annum, payable monthly on the unused amount of the commitments under the Secured Revolving Line of Credit. The unused line fee decreases to 0.25% per annum when 35% or more of the Secured Revolving Line of Credit is utilized. The Borrowers will pay (i) a monthly fee on all letters of credit outstanding under the Secured Revolving Line of Credit equal to the applicable LIBOR margin and (ii) a fronting fee to the Agent equal to 0.125% of all such letters of credit, payable monthly in arrears.

The Amended and Restated Loan Agreement contains covenants that place certain restrictions on the Loan Parties' ability to, among other things, allow certain of the Company's subsidiaries that manufacture or process inventory for the Loan Parties to borrow secured debt or unsecured debt beyond a certain amount, amend or modify certain terms of any debt of \$50 million or more or subordinated debt, create or suffer to exist any liens upon accounts or inventory, sell or transfer any of Loan Parties' accounts or inventory other than certain ordinary-course transfers, make certain changes to any Loan Party's name or form or state of organization without notifying the Agent, liquidate, dissolve, merge, amalgamate, combine or consolidate, or become a party to certain agreements restricting the Loan Parties' ability to incur or repay debt, grant liens, make distributions, or modify loan agreements.

Further restrictions apply when certain payment conditions (the Payment Conditions) are not satisfied with respect to specified transactions, events or payments. The Payment Conditions include that (i) no default or event of default exists and (ii) at all times during the 45 consecutive days immediately prior to such transaction, event or payment and on a pro forma basis after giving effect to such transaction, event or payment and any incurrence or repayment of indebtedness in connection therewith, the Loan Parties' Excess Cash Availability (as defined in the Amended and Restated Loan Agreement) is greater than the greater of 20% of the total commitment amount and \$100 million. Such restrictions limit the Loan Parties' ability to, among other things, create any liens upon any of the Loan Parties' property (other than customary permitted liens and liens on up to \$1.5 billion of secured credit facilities debt (which amount includes the Secured Revolving Line of Credit)), declare or make any distributions, create any encumbrance on the ability of a subsidiary to make any upstream payments, make asset dispositions other than certain ordinary course dispositions, make certain loans, make payments with respect to subordinated debt or certain borrowed money prior to its due date or become a party to certain agreements restricting the Loan Parties' ability to enter into any non arm's-length transaction with an affiliate.

The Loan Parties are required to repurchase, redeem, defease, repay, create a segregated account for the repayment of, or request Agent reserve a sufficient available amount under the Secured Revolving Line of Credit for the repayment of, all debt for borrowed money exceeding \$50 million, by no later than 60 days prior to its maturity date (not including the Secured Revolving Line of Credit). Any reserved funds for this purpose would not be included in domestic cash calculations.

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In addition, if at any time the Loan Parties' Excess Cash Availability is less than the greater of 15% of the total commitment amount and \$75 million, the Loan Parties must maintain a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio of 1.00 to 1.00 until (i) no event of default exists and (ii) the Loan Parties' Excess Cash Availability is greater than the greater of 15% of the total commitment amount and \$75 million for 45 consecutive days.

The events of default under the Amended and Restated Loan Agreement include, among other things, payment defaults, the inaccuracy of representations or warranties, defaults in the performance of affirmative and negative covenants, bankruptcy and insolvency related defaults, a cross-default related to indebtedness in an aggregate amount in excess of \$50 million, judgments entered against a Loan Party in an amount that exceeds cumulatively \$50 million, certain ERISA events and events related to Canadian defined benefits plans and a change of control. When a Payment Condition has not been satisfied, additional events of default include, among other things, a loss, theft damage or destruction with respect to any collateral if the amount not covered by insurance exceeds \$50 million.

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The statements in this report include forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements are based on current expectations and beliefs and involve numerous risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from expectations. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date hereof or as of the dates indicated in the statements and should not be relied upon as predictions of future events, as we cannot assure you that the events or circumstances reflected in these statements will be achieved or will occur. You can identify forward-looking statements by the use of forward-looking terminology including believes, expects, may, will, should, seeks, intends, plans, pro forma, estimates, anticipates, or the negative of these words and phrases, other variations of these words and phrases or comparable terminology. The forward-looking statements relate to, among other things: demand for our products; the growth, change and competitive landscape of the markets in which we participate; the nature and extent of our future payments to GLOBALFOUNDRIES Inc. (GF) and the materiality of these payments; the materiality of our future purchases from GF; sales patterns of our semi-custom System-on-Chip (SoC) products; our ability to transform our business to attain revenue from high-growth markets; expected benefits and completion of our restructuring plan announced in October 2014 (the 2014 Restructuring Plan) and our exit from the dense server systems business; the level of international sales as compared to total sales; our ability to reduce our unrecognized tax benefits over the next twelve months; that other unrecognized tax benefits will not materially change in the next 12 months; that our cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities balances, the savings from our 2014 Restructuring Plan and our secured revolving line of credit will be sufficient to fund our operations including capital expenditures over the next 12 months; our ability to obtain sufficient external financing on favorable terms, or at all; our dependence on a small number of customers; our hedging strategy; and our expenditures related to environmental compliance and conflict minerals disclosure requirements. Material factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from current expectations include, without limitation, the following: Intel Corporation's dominance of the microprocessor market and its aggressive business practices may limit our ability to compete effectively; we rely on GF to manufacture most of our microprocessor and APU products and certain of our GPU and semi-custom products. If GF is not able to satisfy our manufacturing requirements, our business could be adversely impacted; we rely on third parties to manufacture our products, and if they are unable to do so on a timely basis in sufficient quantities and using competitive technologies, our business could be materially adversely affected; failure to achieve expected manufacturing yields for our products could negatively impact our financial results; the success of our business is dependent upon our ability to introduce products on a timely basis with features and performance levels that provide value to our customers while supporting and coinciding with significant industry transitions; if we cannot generate sufficient revenue and operating cash flow or obtain external financing, we may face a cash shortfall and be unable to make all of our planned investments in research and development or other strategic investments; we may not be able to successfully implement our business strategy to refocus our business to address markets beyond our core PC market to high-growth adjacent markets; the completion and impact of the 2014 Restructuring Plan and our transformation initiatives could adversely affect us; global economic uncertainty may adversely impact our business and operating results; we may not be able to generate sufficient cash to service our debt obligations or meet our working capital requirements; we have a substantial amount of indebtedness which could adversely affect our financial position and prevent us from implementing our strategy or fulfilling our contractual obligations; the agreements governing our notes and our secured revolving line of credit for a principal amount up to \$500 million (Secured Revolving Line of Credit) impose restrictions on us that may adversely affect our ability to operate our business; the markets in which our products are sold are highly competitive; the loss of a significant customer may have a material adverse effect on us; our receipt of revenue from our semi-custom SoC products is dependent upon our technology being designed into third-party products and the success of those products; the demand for our products depends in part on the market conditions in the industries into which they are sold. Fluctuations in demand for our products or a market decline in any of these industries could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations; our ability to design and introduce new products in a timely manner is dependent upon third-party intellectual property; we depend on third-party companies for the design, manufacture and supply of motherboards, BIOS software and other computer platform components to support our business; if we lose Microsoft Corporation's support for our products or other software vendors do not design and develop software to run on our products, our ability to sell our products could be materially adversely affected; we may incur future impairments of goodwill; uncertainties involving the ordering and shipment of our products could materially adversely affect us; our reliance on third-party distributors and AIB partners subjects us to certain risks; our inability to continue to attract and retain qualified personnel may hinder our product development programs; in the event of a change of control, we may not be able to repurchase our outstanding debt as required by the applicable indentures and our Secured Revolving Line of Credit, which would result in a default under the indentures and our Secured Revolving Line of Credit; the semiconductor industry is highly cyclical and has experienced severe downturns that have materially adversely affected, and may continue to materially adversely affect, our business in the future; our business is dependent upon the proper functioning of our internal business processes and information systems and modification or interruption of such systems may disrupt our business, processes and internal controls; data breaches and cyber-attacks could compromise our intellectual property or other sensitive information and cause significant damage to our business and reputation; our operating results are subject to quarterly and seasonal sales patterns; if essential equipment or materials are not available to manufacture our products, we could be materially adversely affected; if our products are not compatible with some or all industry-standard software and hardware, we could be materially

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adversely affected; costs related to defective products could have a material adverse effect on us; if we fail to maintain the efficiency of our supply chain as we respond to changes in customer demand for our products, our business could be materially adversely affected; we outsource to third parties certain supply-chain logistics functions, including portions of our product distribution, transportation management and information technology support services; acquisitions could disrupt our business, harm our financial condition and operating results or dilute, or adversely affect the price of, our common stock; our worldwide operations are subject to political, legal and economic risks and natural disasters, which could have a material adverse effect on us; worldwide political conditions may adversely affect demand for our products; unfavorable currency exchange rate fluctuations could adversely affect us; our inability to effectively control the sales of our products on the gray market could have a material adverse effect on us; if we cannot adequately protect our technology or other intellectual property in the United States and abroad, through patents, copyrights, trade secrets, trademarks and other measures, we may lose a competitive advantage and incur significant expenses; we are party to litigation and may become a party to other claims or litigation that could cause us to incur substantial costs or pay substantial damages or prohibit us from selling our products; a variety of environmental laws that we are subject to could result in additional costs and liabilities; higher health care costs and labor costs could adversely affect our business; and, our business is subject to potential tax liabilities.

For a discussion of factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements, see Part II, Item 1A Risk Factors beginning on page 41 and Financial Condition beginning on page 32 and other risks and uncertainties set forth below in this report or detailed in our other Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) reports and filings. We assume no obligation to update forward-looking statements.

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The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and related notes included in this report and our audited consolidated financial statements and related notes as of December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013, and for each of the three years in the period ended December 27, 2014 as filed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 27, 2014.

Overview

We are a global semiconductor company with facilities around the world. Within the global semiconductor industry, we offer primarily:

x86 microprocessors, as standalone devices or as incorporated as an accelerated processing unit (APU), chipsets, discrete graphics processing units (GPUs) and professional graphics; and

server and embedded processors, dense servers, semi-custom System-on-Chip (SoC) products and technology for game consoles.

In this section, we will describe the general financial condition and the results of operations of Advanced Micro Devices, Inc. and its wholly-owned subsidiaries (collectively, us, our or AMD), including a discussion of our results of operations for the quarter ended March 28, 2015 compared to the quarter ended December 27, 2014 and the quarter ended March 29, 2014, an analysis of changes in our financial condition and a discussion of our contractual obligations.

Weaker than expected PC market conditions contributed to a challenging business environment during the first quarter of 2015. Net revenue in the first quarter of 2015 was \$1.0 billion, a 17% decrease compared to the fourth quarter of 2014 and a 26% decrease compared to the first quarter of 2014. Gross margin was also impacted by weak PC market conditions. Gross margin, as a percentage of net revenue, for the first quarter of 2015 was 32% compared to 29% in the fourth quarter of 2014, and 36% in the first quarter of 2014. Gross margin in the fourth quarter of 2014 included a \$58 million charge from a lower of cost or market inventory adjustment, which accounted for five gross margin percentage points.

Despite the challenging business environment we faced during the first quarter of 2015, we continued to closely manage our operating expenses. Operating expenses were \$463 million in the first quarter of 2015 compared to \$690 million in the fourth quarter of 2014 and \$438 million in the first quarter of 2014. Operating expenses in the first quarter of 2015 included restructuring and other special charges, net of \$87 million related to our decision to exit the dense server systems business, formerly SeaMicro, and our restructuring plan (2014 Restructuring Plan) designed to improve operating efficiencies. Operating expenses in the fourth quarter of 2014 included a goodwill impairment charge of \$233 million related to our Computing and Graphics segment and restructuring and other special charges, net of \$71 million associated with our 2014 Restructuring Plan. Operating expenses in the first quarter of 2014 included the impact of workforce rebalancing severance charges of \$14 million associated with the reduction of our global workforce as part of our transformation and diversification strategy.

Cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities as of the end of the first quarter of 2015 were \$906 million compared to \$1.0 billion as of the end of the fourth quarter of 2014. Total debt as of the end of the first quarter of 2015 was \$2.3 billion compared to \$2.2 billion at the end of the fourth quarter of 2014.

During the first quarter of 2015, we continued to focus on our engineering milestones related to the diversification of our business. In February 2015, we disclosed architecture details regarding two new 2015 AMD Mobile APUs, our first high performance SoC, codenamed Carrizo, and our mainstream SoC, codenamed Carrizo-L. In March 2015, we announced our LiquidVR initiative designed to deliver the next-generation of virtual reality capable of delivering immersive awareness where situations, objects, or characters within the virtual world seem real.

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GLOBALFOUNDRIES

Wafer Supply Agreement. The Wafer Supply Agreement (WSA) governs the terms by which we purchase products manufactured by GLOBALFOUNDRIES Inc. (GF).

Fourth Amendment to Wafer Supply Agreement. On March 30, 2014, we entered into a fourth amendment to the WSA. The primary effect of the fourth amendment was to establish volume purchase commitments and fixed pricing for the 2014 calendar year as well as to modify certain other terms of the WSA applicable to wafers for some of our microprocessor unit, graphics processor unit and semi-custom game console products to be delivered by GF to us during the 2014 calendar year.

Fifth Amendment to Wafer Supply Agreement. On April 16, 2015, we entered into a fifth amendment to the WSA. The primary effect of the fifth amendment was to establish volume purchase commitments and fixed pricing for the 2015 calendar year as well as to modify certain other terms of the WSA applicable to wafers for some of our microprocessor unit, graphics processor unit and semi-custom products to be delivered by GF to us during the 2015 calendar year.

Our total purchases from GF related to wafer manufacturing and research and development activities for the quarters ended March 28, 2015 and March 29, 2014 were \$170 million and \$260 million, respectively.

We currently estimate that our purchase obligations to GF for wafer manufacturing and research and development activities will be approximately \$1.1 billion in fiscal 2015 and at least \$70 million during the first quarter of fiscal 2016. We are not able to meaningfully quantify or estimate our future purchase obligations to GF other than those set forth in the fifth amendment to the WSA, but we expect that our future purchases from GF will continue to be material.

GF continues to be a related party of AMD because Mubadala Development Company PJSC (Mubadala) and Mubadala Technology Investments LLC (Mubadala Tech) are affiliated with West Coast Hitech L.P. (WCH), our largest stockholder. GF, WCH and Mubadala Tech are wholly-owned subsidiaries of Mubadala.

Critical Accounting Estimates

Our discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based upon our condensed consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (U.S. GAAP). The preparation of our financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts in our condensed consolidated financial statements. We evaluate our estimates on an on-going basis, including those related to our net revenue, inventories, asset impairments and income taxes. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of our assets and liabilities. Although actual results have historically been reasonably consistent with management's expectations, the actual results may differ from these estimates or our estimates may be affected by different assumptions or conditions.

Management believes there have been no significant changes during the first quarter of 2015 to the items that we disclosed as our critical accounting estimates in the Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations section of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 27, 2014.

We will perform an annual goodwill impairment as of the first day of the fourth quarter of 2015 pursuant to our accounting policy. However, we will also test for goodwill impairment at any time during the year if there are indicators of impairment present. If there are declines in our market capitalization, business climate or operating results, we may incur impairment charges that could be material.

Results of Operations

Management, including the Chief Operating Decision Maker, who is our Chief Executive Officer, reviews and assesses our operating performance using segment net revenue and operating income (loss) before interest, other income (expense), net and income taxes. These performance measures include the allocation of expenses to the operating segments based on management's judgment. In connection with our continued strategic transformation, effective July 1, 2014, we realigned our organizational structure. As a result of this organizational change, we have the following two reportable segments:

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the Computing and Graphics segment, which primarily includes desktop and notebook processors and chipsets, discrete GPUs and professional graphics; and

the Enterprise, Embedded and Semi-Custom segment, which primarily includes server and embedded processors, dense servers, semi-custom SoC products, engineering services and royalties.

In addition to these reportable segments, we have an All Other category, which is not a reportable segment. This category primarily includes certain expenses and credits that are not allocated to any of the reportable segments because management does not consider these expenses and credits in evaluating the performance of the reportable segments. Also included in this category are amortization of acquired intangible assets, employee stock-based compensation expense, restructuring and other special charges, net, workforce rebalancing severance charges, goodwill impairment charge and significant or unusual lower of cost or market inventory adjustments.

We use a 52 or 53 week fiscal year ending on the last Saturday in December. The quarters ended March 28, 2015, December 27, 2014 and March 29, 2014 each consisted of 13 weeks.

Our operating results tend to vary seasonally. For example, historically, first quarter PC product sales are generally lower than fourth quarter sales. In addition, with respect to our semi-custom SoC products for game consoles, we expect sales patterns to follow the seasonal trends of a consumer business with sales in the first half of the year being lower than sales in the second half of the year.

The following table provides a summary of net revenue and operating income (loss) by segment. All period results presented reflect these new reportable segments.

	March 28, 2015	Three Months Ended December 27, 2014 (In millions)	March 29, 2014
Net revenue:			
Computing and Graphics	\$ 532	\$ 662	\$ 861
Enterprise, Embedded and Semi-Custom	498	577	536
Total net revenue	\$ 1,030	\$ 1,239	\$ 1,397
Operating income (loss):			
Computing and Graphics	\$ (75)	\$ (56)	\$ 3
Enterprise, Embedded and Semi-Custom	45	109	85
All Other	(107)	(383)	(39)
Total operating income (loss)	\$ (137)	\$ (330)	\$ 49

Computing and Graphics

Computing and Graphics net revenue of \$532 million in the first quarter of 2015 decreased by 38%, compared to net revenue of \$861 million in the first quarter of 2014, as a result of a 36% decrease in unit shipments. The decrease in unit shipments was primarily attributable to lower unit shipments of our microprocessor products for desktop PCs and chipsets and our channel GPU products due to challenging PC market conditions and our efforts to rebalance our channel inventory and our chipsets being integrated into our APU products. Average selling price was relatively flat in the first quarter of 2015 compared to the first quarter of 2014, primarily attributable to an increase in average selling price of our microprocessors for notebook PCs, partially offset by a decrease in average selling price of our microprocessors for desktop PCs and chipsets and our GPU products. Average selling price of our microprocessors products increased primarily due to a favorable shift in our product mix of our microprocessors for notebook PCs. Average selling price of microprocessors for desktop PCs and chipsets and GPU products decreased primarily due to a shift in our product mix to lower end products.

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Computing and Graphics net revenue of \$532 million in the first quarter of 2015 decreased by 20%, compared to \$662 million in the fourth quarter of 2014, as a result of a 19% decrease in unit shipments. Unit shipments of all categories of products decreased due to challenging PC market conditions and our chipsets being integrated into our APU products. Average selling price was relatively flat in the first quarter of 2015 compared to the fourth quarter of 2014, primarily attributable to an increase in average selling price of our GPU products, which was partially offset by a decrease in average selling price of our microprocessor products. Average selling price of our GPU products increased primarily due to a favorable shift in the product mix to higher end GPU products, especially for our channel GPU and professional graphics products. Average selling price of our microprocessor products decreased due to a shift in our product mix to lower end microprocessor products.

Computing and Graphics operating loss was \$75 million in the first quarter of 2015 compared to operating income of \$3 million in the first quarter of 2014. The decline in operating results was primarily due to the decrease in net revenue referenced above, partially offset by a \$196 million decrease in cost of sales, a \$41 million decrease in research and development expenses and a \$14 million decrease in marketing, general and administrative expenses. Cost of sales decreased primarily due to lower unit shipments in the first quarter of 2015 compared to the first quarter of 2014. Research and development expenses and marketing, general and administrative expenses decreased for the reasons set forth under Expenses below.

Computing and Graphics operating loss was \$75 million in the first quarter of 2015 compared to operating loss of \$56 million in the fourth quarter of 2014. The decline in operating results was primarily due to the decrease in net revenue referenced above, partially offset by an \$88 million decrease in cost of sales, a \$15 million decrease in marketing, general and administrative expenses and a \$7 million decrease in research and development expenses. Cost of sales decreased primarily due to lower unit shipments in the first quarter of 2015 compared to the fourth quarter of 2014. Marketing, general and administrative expenses and research and development expenses decreased for the reasons set forth under Expenses below.

Enterprise, Embedded and Semi-Custom

Enterprise, Embedded and Semi-Custom net revenue of \$498 million in the first quarter of 2015 decreased by 7% compared to net revenue of \$536 million in the first quarter of 2014. The decrease was primarily due to a decrease in net revenue received in connection with lower unit shipments of our server products, a decrease in game console royalties and lower unit shipments of our dense server systems products.

Enterprise, Embedded and Semi-Custom net revenue of \$498 million in the first quarter of 2015 decreased by 14% compared to net revenue of \$577 million in the fourth quarter of 2014. The decrease was primarily due to a decrease in net revenue received in connection with seasonally lower unit shipments of our semi-custom SoC products, a decrease in game console royalties and a decrease in net revenue of our embedded products.

Enterprise, Embedded and Semi-Custom operating income was \$45 million in the first quarter of 2015 compared to operating income of \$85 million in the first quarter of 2014. The decline in operating results was primarily due to the decrease in net revenue referenced above and a \$15 million increase in research and development expenses, partially offset by a \$10 million decrease in cost of sales and a \$3 million decrease in marketing, general and administrative expenses. The decrease in cost of sales was primarily due to a decrease in unit shipments of our server products in the first quarter of 2015 compared to the first quarter of 2014. Research and development expenses increased and marketing, general and administrative expenses decreased for the reasons set forth under Expenses below.

Enterprise, Embedded and Semi-Custom operating income was \$45 million in the first quarter of 2015 compared to operating income of \$109 million in the fourth quarter of 2014. The decline in operating results was primarily due to the decrease in net revenue referenced above and a \$13 million increase in research and development expenses, partially offset by a \$30 million decrease in cost of sales. The decrease in cost of sales was primarily due to a decrease in unit shipments of our semi-custom SoC products in the first quarter of 2015 compared to the fourth quarter of 2014. Research and development expenses increased for the reasons set forth under Expenses below.

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All Other

All Other operating loss of \$107 million in the first quarter of 2015 included restructuring and other special charges, net of \$87 million, stock-based compensation expense of \$17 million and \$3 million related to amortization of acquired intangible assets. Restructuring and other special charges, net of \$87 million included \$75 million related to our decision to exit from the dense server systems business and \$12 million related to our 2014 Restructuring Plan.

All Other operating loss of \$39 million in the first quarter of 2014 included stock-based compensation expense of \$23 million, \$14 million related to workforce rebalancing severance charges and \$3 million related to amortization of acquired intangible assets. In the first quarter of 2014, we incurred workforce rebalancing severance charges as part of our transformation and diversification strategy.

All Other operating loss of \$383 million in the fourth quarter of 2014 included a goodwill impairment charge of \$233 million, restructuring and other special charges, net of \$71 million, lower of cost or market inventory adjustment of \$58 million, stock-based compensation expense of \$16 million and \$4 million related to amortization of acquired intangible assets.

Table of Contents**International Sales**

International sales as a percentage of net revenue were 75% in the first quarter of 2015, 81% in the first quarter of 2014 and 80% in the fourth quarter of 2014. The decrease in international sales as a percentage of net revenue in the first quarter of 2015 compared to the first and fourth quarters of 2014 was primarily driven by a higher proportion of revenue from domestic sales of our semi-custom SoC products.

We expect that international sales will continue to be a significant portion of total sales in the foreseeable future. Substantially all of our sales transactions were denominated in U.S. dollars.

Comparison of Gross Margin, Expenses, Interest Expense, Other Income (Expense), Net, and Income Taxes

The following is a summary of certain condensed consolidated statement of operations data for the periods indicated:

	March 28, 2015	Three Months Ended December 27, 2014	March 29, 2014
	(In millions except for percentages)		
Cost of sales	\$ 704	\$ 879	\$ 910
Gross margin	326	360	487
Gross margin percentage	32%	29%	35%
Research and development	242	238	279
Marketing, general and administrative	131	144	156
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	3	4	3
Restructuring and other special charges, net	87	71	
Goodwill impairment charge		233	
Interest income		1	1
Interest expense	(40)	(41)	(47)
Other income (expense), net		3	(21)
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	3	(3)	2

Gross Margin

Gross margin as a percentage of net revenue was 32% in the first quarter of 2015 compared to 35% in the first quarter of 2014. Gross margin in the first quarter of 2015 was adversely impacted by a higher proportion of revenue from our Enterprise, Embedded and Semi-Custom segment products which have lower average gross margins and a shift in our product mix to lower average gross margin products.

Gross margin as a percentage of net revenue was 32% in the first quarter of 2015 compared to 29% in the fourth quarter of 2014. Gross margin in the fourth quarter of 2014 included a \$58 million charge from a lower of cost or market inventory adjustment, which accounted for five gross margin percentage points. Gross margin in the first quarter of 2015 was adversely impacted by a shift in our product mix to lower average gross margin products and lower game console royalties.

Expenses**Research and Development Expenses**

Research and development expenses of \$242 million in the first quarter of 2015 decreased by \$37 million, or 13%, compared to \$279 million in the first quarter of 2014. The decrease was primarily due to a \$41 million decrease in research and development expenses attributable to our Computing and Graphics segment and a \$9 million decrease in the All Other category related to workforce rebalancing severance charges recorded in the first quarter of 2014, partially offset by a \$15 million increase in research and development expenses attributable to our Enterprise, Embedded and Semi-Custom segment. Research and development expenses attributable to our Computing and Graphics segment decreased primarily due to a \$36 million decrease in product engineering and design costs. Research and development expenses attributable to our Enterprise, Embedded and Semi-Custom segment increased primarily due to a \$15 million increase in product engineering and design costs.

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Research and development expenses of \$242 million in the first quarter of 2015 increased by 4 million, or 2%, compared to \$238 million in the fourth quarter of 2014. The increase was primarily due to a \$13 million increase in research and development expenses attributable to our Enterprise, Embedded and Semi-Custom segment, partially offset by a \$7 million decrease in research and development expenses attributable to our Computing and Graphics segment. Research and development expenses attributable to our Computing and Graphics segment decreased primarily due to a \$21 million decrease in product engineering and design costs, partially offset by a \$14 million increase in other employee compensation and benefit expenses. Research and development expenses attributable to our Enterprise, Embedded and Semi-Custom segment increased primarily due to a \$10 million increase in product engineering and design costs and a \$4 million increase in other employee compensation and benefit expenses.

Marketing, General and Administrative Expenses

Marketing, general and administrative expenses of \$131 million in the first quarter of 2015 decreased by \$25 million, or 16%, compared to \$156 million in the first quarter of 2014. The decrease was primarily due to a \$14 million decrease in marketing, general and administrative expenses attributable to our Computing and Graphics segment, a \$5 million decrease in the All Other category related to workforce rebalancing severance charges recorded in the first quarter of 2014 and a \$4 million decrease in stock-based compensation recorded in the All Other category. Marketing, general and administrative expenses attributable to our Computing and Graphics segment decreased primarily due to an \$8 million decrease in sales and marketing activities and a \$5 million decrease in other general and administrative expenses.

Marketing, general and administrative expenses of \$131 million in the first quarter of 2015 decreased by \$13 million, or 9%, compared to \$144 million in the fourth quarter of 2014. The decrease was primarily due to a \$15 million decrease in marketing, general and administrative expenses attributable to our Computing and Graphics segment. Marketing, general and administrative expenses attributable to our Computing and Graphics segment decreased primarily due to a \$20 million decrease in sales and marketing activities.

Restructuring and Other Special Charges, Net*2014 Restructuring Plan*

In October 2014, we implemented a restructuring plan designed to improve operating efficiencies. The plan involved a reduction of global headcount by approximately 6% and an alignment of our real estate footprint with our reduced headcount. In the first quarter of 2015, we recorded a \$12 million restructuring charge, which consisted of \$5 million for severance and related benefits and \$7 million for facilities related costs. We expect the plan to be largely completed by the end of the third quarter of 2015.

The following table provides a summary of the restructuring activities in the first quarter of 2015 and the related liabilities recorded in Accrued and other current liabilities and Other long-term liabilities on our condensed consolidated balance sheets as of March 28, 2015:

	Severance and related benefits	Other exit related costs (In millions)	Total
Balance at December 27, 2014	\$ 26	\$ 13	\$ 39
Charges	5	7	12
Cash payments	(14)	(1)	(15)
Non-cash charges		(3)	(3)
Balance at March 28, 2015	\$ 17	\$ 16	\$ 33

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Dense Server Systems Business Exit

As a part of our strategy to simplify and sharpen our investment focus, we decided to exit the dense server systems business, formerly SeaMicro, in the first quarter of 2015. As a result of our decision to exit this business, we recorded a charge of \$75 million in Restructuring and other special charges, net on our condensed consolidated statements of operations in the first quarter of 2015. This charge consisted of an impairment charge of \$62 million related to the acquired intangible assets. We concluded that the carrying value of the acquired intangible assets associated with our dense server systems business was fully impaired as we have no current plans to utilize the related freedom fabric technology in any of our future products nor do we have any plans at this time to monetize the associated intellectual property. In addition, the exit charge consisted of a \$6 million non-cash charge related to asset impairments, \$4 million of severance and related benefits and \$3 million for contract or program termination costs. We expect to complete this exit activity within 12 months.

Interest Expense

Interest expense of \$40 million in the first quarter of 2015 decreased by \$7 million compared to \$47 million in the first quarter of 2014, primarily due to the timing of the issuance of new debt and repurchase of other debt in the first quarter of 2014.

Interest expense of \$40 million in the first quarter of 2015 was relatively flat compared to \$41 million in the fourth quarter of 2014.

Other Income (Expense), Net

Other expense, net of zero in the first quarter of 2015 compared to \$21 million of other expense, net in the first quarter of 2014 resulted primarily from a \$15 million loss from debt repurchases made during the first quarter of 2014 and fluctuations of foreign currency exchange rates.

Other expense, net of zero in the first quarter of 2015 compared to \$3 million of other income, net in the fourth quarter of 2014 was primarily due to a \$3 million gain from debt repurchases made during the fourth quarter of 2014 and fluctuations of foreign currency exchange rates.

Income Taxes

In the first quarter of 2015, we recorded an income tax provision of \$3 million due to foreign taxes in profitable locations.

In the first quarter of 2014, we recorded an income tax provision of \$2 million due to foreign taxes in profitable locations.

As of March 28, 2015, substantially all of our U.S. and Canadian deferred tax assets, net of deferred tax liabilities continue to be subject to a valuation allowance. The realization of these assets is dependent on substantial future taxable income, which at March 28, 2015, in our estimate, is not more likely than not to be achieved.

Our gross unrecognized tax benefits did not change during the first quarter of 2015. The total gross unrecognized tax benefits as of March 28, 2015 were \$28 million. There were no material changes to accrued interest or penalties in the first quarter of 2015.

We currently expect to reduce our unrecognized tax benefits by approximately \$7 million, primarily as a result of the potential settlement of tax audits with certain foreign tax authorities over the next 12 months. We do not believe it is reasonably possible that other unrecognized tax benefits will materially change in the next 12 months. However, the settlement, resolution or closure of tax audits are highly uncertain.

Stock-Based Compensation Expense

The following table summarizes stock-based compensation expense related to employee stock options and restricted stock units, which we allocated in the condensed consolidated statements of operations:

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	March 28, 2015	Three Months Ended December 27, 2014 (In millions)	March 29, 2014
Cost of sales	\$ 1	\$	\$ 1
Research and development	10	10	12
Marketing, general and administrative	6	6	10
Stock-based compensation expense, net of tax of \$0	\$ 17	\$ 16	\$ 23

For all periods presented, we did not realize any excess tax benefit related to stock-based compensation and therefore did not record any related financing cash flows.

Stock-based compensation expense of \$17 million in the first quarter of 2015 decreased by \$6 million compared to \$23 million in the first quarter of 2014. The decrease was primarily due to a lower weighted average grant date fair value and the effect of the 2014 Restructuring Plan.

Stock-based compensation expense of \$17 million in the first quarter of 2015 remained relatively flat compared to \$16 million in the fourth quarter of 2014.

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FINANCIAL CONDITION

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities consisted of money market funds, commercial paper and corporate bonds. As of March 28, 2015, our cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities of \$906 million were lower compared to \$1.0 billion as of December 27, 2014. The decrease was primarily due to lower sales and the timing of related collections, as well as the timing of debt interest payments made during the first quarter of 2015. During the first quarter of 2015, we also used \$22 million for purchases of property, plant and equipment. The percentage of cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities held domestically increased from 89% as of December 27, 2014 to 92% as of March 28, 2015 as a result of the repatriation of cash from China.

Our debt and capital lease obligations as of March 28, 2015 were \$2.3 billion compared to \$2.2 billion as of December 27, 2014. During the first quarter of 2015, we received \$58 million net proceeds from our Secured Revolving Line of Credit.

We believe our cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities balance along with the savings from our 2014 Restructuring Plan and our Secured Revolving Line of Credit will be sufficient to fund operations, including capital expenditures, over the next 12 months. We believe that in the event we decide to obtain external funding, we may be able to access the capital markets on terms and in amounts adequate to meet our objectives.

Over the longer term, should additional funding be required, such as to meet payment obligations of our long-term debt when due, we may need to raise the required funds through borrowings or public or private sales of debt or equity securities, which may be issued from time to time under an effective registration statement, through the issuance of securities in a transaction exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or a combination of one or more of the foregoing. Uncertain global economic conditions have in the past adversely impacted, and may in the future adversely impact, our business. If market conditions deteriorate, we may be limited in our ability to access the capital markets to meet liquidity needs on favorable terms or at all, which could adversely affect our liquidity and financial condition, including our ability to refinance maturing liabilities.

Operating Activities

Net cash used in operating activities was \$173 million and \$204 million, respectively, in the first quarters of 2015 and 2014. The reduced cash outflow was primarily due to lower labor cost and other operational expenses as a result of restructuring and the final \$200 million cash payment made in the first quarter of 2014 related to GF's waiver of a portion of our obligations for wafer purchase commitments for the fourth quarter of 2012, partially offset by decreased cash collections driven by lower sales in the first quarter of 2015 compared to the first quarter of 2014.

Investing Activities

Net cash used in investing activities was \$15 million in the first quarter of 2015, which consisted of a cash outflow of \$22 million for purchases of property, plant and equipment, partially offset by a net cash inflow of \$7 million from purchases, sales and maturity of available-for-sale securities.

Net cash used in investing activities was \$131 million in the first quarter of 2014, which consisted of a net cash outflow of \$110 million from purchases, sales and maturity of available-for-sale securities and a cash outflow of \$21 million for purchases of property, plant and equipment.

Financing Activities

Net cash provided by financing activities was \$60 million in the first quarter of 2015, primarily due to \$58 million net proceeds from our Secured Revolving Line of Credit borrowings.

Net cash provided by financing activities was \$20 million in the first quarter of 2014, primarily due to net proceeds from borrowings pursuant to our 6.75% Senior Notes due 2019 (6.75% Notes) of \$589 million, partially offset by payments to repurchase a portion of our 6.00% Convertible Senior Notes due 2015 (6.00% Notes) of \$518 million and payments to repurchase a portion of our 8.125% Senior Notes due 2017 of \$50 million.

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During the first quarters of 2015 and 2014, we did not realize any excess tax benefit related to stock-based compensation. Therefore, we did not record any effects relating to financing cash flows for these periods.

Contractual Obligations

The following table summarizes our consolidated principal contractual obligations, as of March 28, 2015, and is supplemented by the discussion following the table:

(In millions)	Payments due by period as of March 28, 2015							2020 and thereafter
	Total	Remainder of 2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		
6.00% Notes	\$ 42	\$ 42	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
6.75% Notes	600					600		
7.75% Notes	450							450
7.50% Notes	475							475
7.00% Notes	500							500
Secured Revolving Line of Credit	188	188						
Other long-term liabilities	50		16	31	2			1
Aggregate interest obligation ⁽¹⁾	1,000	113	148	148	148	126		317
Capital lease obligations ⁽²⁾	11	5	5	1				
Operating leases	288	36	42	41	39	24		106
Purchase obligations ⁽³⁾	599	509	78	12				
Obligations to GF ⁽⁴⁾	1,022	952	70					
Total contractual obligations ⁽⁵⁾	\$ 5,225	\$ 1,845	\$ 359	\$ 233	\$ 189	\$ 750	\$	1,849

⁽¹⁾ Represents estimated aggregate interest obligations for our outstanding debt obligations that are payable in cash, excluding capital lease obligations. Also excludes non-cash amortization of debt issuance costs.

⁽²⁾ Includes principal and imputed interest.

⁽³⁾ We have purchase obligations for goods and services where payments are based, in part, on the volume or type of services we acquire. In those cases, we only included the minimum volume of purchase obligations in the table above. Purchase orders for goods and services that are cancelable upon notice and without significant penalties are not included in the amounts above. In addition, we have obligations for software technology and licenses where payments are fixed and non-cancelable which are also included in the table above.

⁽⁴⁾ Includes our purchase obligations to GF for wafer manufacturing and research and development activities. The obligation for fiscal 2016 of at least \$70 million represents our purchases under the fifth amendment to the WSA during the first quarter of fiscal 2016. We negotiate our purchase commitments with GF on an annual basis and as such we cannot meaningfully quantify or estimate our future purchase obligations to GF other than those set forth in the fifth amendment to the WSA, but we expect that our future purchases from GF will continue to be material.

⁽⁵⁾ Total amount excludes contractual obligations already recorded on our condensed consolidated balance sheets except for debt obligations and other long-term liabilities.

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6.00% Convertible Senior Notes Due 2015

On April 27, 2007, we issued \$2.2 billion aggregate principal amount of our 6.00% Notes. Our 6.00% Notes are our general unsecured senior obligations. Interest is payable on May 1 and November 1 of each year beginning November 1, 2007 until the maturity date of May 1, 2015. The terms of our 6.00% Notes are governed by an indenture dated April 27, 2007, by and between us and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as trustee.

As of March 28, 2015, the outstanding aggregate principal amount and remaining \$42 million of aggregate principal amount of 6.00% Notes was recorded as short-term debt on the condensed consolidated balance sheet.

6.75% Senior Notes Due 2019

On February 26, 2014, we issued \$600 million of our 6.75% Notes. Our 6.75% Notes are our general unsecured senior obligations. Interest is payable on March 1 and September 1 of each year beginning September 1, 2014 until the maturity date of March 1, 2019. Our 6.75% Notes are governed by the terms of an indenture (the 6.75% Indenture) dated February 26, 2014 between us and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as trustee.

At any time before March 1, 2019, we may redeem some or all of our 6.75% Notes at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest and a make whole premium (as set forth in the 6.75% Indenture).

As of March 28, 2015, the outstanding aggregate principal amount of our 6.75% Notes was \$600 million.

7.75% Senior Notes Due 2020

On August 4, 2010, we issued \$500 million of our 7.75% Senior Notes due 2020 (7.75% Notes). Our 7.75% Notes are our general unsecured senior obligations. Interest is payable on February 1 and August 1 of each year beginning February 1, 2011 until the maturity date of August 1, 2020. Our 7.75% Notes are governed by the terms of an indenture (the 7.75% Indenture) dated August 4, 2010 between us and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as trustee.

At any time before August 1, 2015, we may redeem some or all of our 7.75% Notes at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest and a make whole premium (as set forth in the 7.75% Indenture).

Starting August 1, 2015, we may redeem our 7.75% Notes for cash at the following specified prices plus accrued and unpaid interest:

	Price as
	Percentage of
Period	Principal Amount
Beginning on August 1, 2015 through July 31, 2016	103.875%
Beginning on August 1, 2016 through July 31, 2017	102.583%
Beginning on August 1, 2017 through July 31, 2018	101.292%
On August 1, 2018 and thereafter	100.000%

As of March 28, 2015, the outstanding aggregate principal amount of our 7.75% Notes was \$450 million.

7.50% Senior Notes Due 2022

On August 15, 2012, we issued \$500 million of our 7.50% Senior Notes due 2022 (7.50% Notes). Our 7.50% Notes are our general unsecured senior obligations. Interest is payable on February 15 and August 15 of each year beginning February 15, 2013 until the maturity date of August 15, 2022. Our 7.50% Notes are governed by the terms of an indenture (the 7.50% Indenture) dated August 15, 2012 between us and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as trustee.

At any time before August 15, 2022, we may redeem up to 35% of the aggregate principal amount of our 7.50% Notes within 90 days of the closing of an equity offering with the net proceeds thereof at a redemption price equal to 107.5% of the principal amount thereof, together with accrued and unpaid interest to but excluding the date of redemption. At any time before August 15, 2022, we may redeem some or all of our

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7.50% Notes at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest and a make whole premium (as set forth in the 7.50% Indenture).

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As of March 28, 2015, the outstanding aggregate principal amount of our 7.50% Notes was \$475 million.

7.00% Senior Notes Due 2024

On June 16, 2014, we issued \$500 million of 7.00% Senior Notes due 2024 (7.00% Notes). The 7.00% Notes are our general unsecured senior obligations. Interest is payable on January 1 and July 1 of each year beginning January 1, 2015 until the maturity date of July 1, 2024. The 7.00% Notes are governed by the terms of an indenture (the 7.00% Indenture) dated June 16, 2014 between us and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as trustee.

At any time before July 1, 2017, we may redeem up to 35% of the aggregate principal amount of the 7.00% Notes within 90 days of the closing of an equity offering with the net proceeds thereof at a redemption price equal to 107.000% of the principal amount thereof, together with accrued and unpaid interest to but excluding the date of redemption. Prior to July 1, 2019, we may redeem some or all of the 7.00% Notes at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest and a make whole premium (as set forth in the 7.00% Indenture).

Starting July 1, 2019, we may redeem our 7.00% Notes for cash at the following specified prices plus accrued and unpaid interest:

	Price as
	Percentage of
Period	Principal Amount
Beginning on July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020	103.500%
Beginning on July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021	102.333%
Beginning on July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022	101.167%
On July 1, 2022 and thereafter	100.000%

As of March 28, 2015, the outstanding aggregate principal amount of our 7.00% Notes was \$500 million.

Potential Repurchase of Outstanding Notes

We may elect to purchase or otherwise retire 6.75% Notes, 7.75% Notes, 7.50% Notes and 7.00% Notes with cash, stock or other assets from time to time in open market or privately negotiated transactions, either directly or through intermediaries, or by tender offer when we believe the market conditions are favorable to do so.

Secured Revolving Line of Credit

We and our subsidiary, AMD International Sales & Service, Ltd. (together, the Borrowers), entered into a loan and security agreement on November 12, 2013, as amended on December 11, 2014, for our Secured Revolving Line of Credit for a principal amount of up to \$500 million, with up to \$75 million available for issuance of letters of credit, with a group of lenders and Bank of America, N.A., acting as agent for the lenders (the Agent). Our Secured Revolving Line of Credit matures on November 12, 2018. Borrowings under our Secured Revolving Line of Credit are limited to up to 85% of eligible account receivable minus certain reserves and may be used for general corporate purposes, including working capital needs.

The Borrowers can elect that the borrowings under our Secured Revolving Line of Credit may bear interest at a rate per annum equal to (a) London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) plus an applicable margin ranging from 2.00% to 2.75%, or (b) (i) the greater of (x) the Agent's prime rate, (y) the federal funds rate as published by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York plus 0.50%, and (z) LIBOR for a one-month period plus 1.00%, plus (ii) an applicable margin ranging from 1.00% to 1.75%. The applicable margin to be applied to the borrowings under our Secured Revolving Line of Credit is dependent on the Borrowers achieving a certain fixed charge coverage ratio. Our Secured Revolving Line of Credit may be optionally prepaid or terminated or unutilized commitments may be reduced, in each case at any time without premium or penalty. In connection with our Secured Revolving Line of Credit, the Borrowers are required to pay an unused line fee equal to 0.50% per annum,

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payable monthly on the unused amount of the commitments under our Secured Revolving Line of Credit. The unused line fee decreases to 0.375% per annum when more than 50% of our Secured Revolving Line of Credit is utilized. The Borrowers will pay (i) a monthly fee on all letters of credit outstanding under our Secured Revolving Line of Credit equal to the applicable LIBOR margin and (ii) a fronting fee to the Agent equal to 0.125% of all such letters of credit, payable monthly in arrears.

The obligations under the Loan Agreement are secured by a first priority basis in the Borrowers' account receivable, inventory and certain deposit accounts and specified related assets.

The Loan Agreement contains covenants that place certain restrictions on the Borrowers' ability to, among other things, amend or modify certain terms of any debt of \$50 million or more or subordinated debt, create or suffer to exist any liens upon accounts or inventory, sell or transfer any of Borrowers' accounts or inventory other than certain ordinary-course transfers, make certain changes to either Borrower's name or form or state of organization without notifying the Agent, or liquidate, dissolve, merge, combine or consolidate. Further restrictions apply during a domestic cash trigger period (a Domestic Cash Trigger Period), which occurs (i) upon an event of default or (ii) when the amount of domestic cash or cash equivalents held in certain accounts is at any time less than \$250 million, and ends when both (a) no event of default has existed for 45 days and (b) the amount of domestic cash or cash equivalents held in such accounts has been equal to or greater than \$250 million for 45 days. Such restrictions limit the Borrowers' ability to, among other things, allow certain subsidiaries that manufacture or process inventory for the Borrowers to borrow secured debt or unsecured debt beyond a certain amount, create any liens upon any of the Borrowers' property (other than customary permitted liens and liens on up to \$1.5 billion of secured credit facilities debt (which amount includes our Secured Revolving Line of Credit)), declare or make any distributions, create any encumbrance on the ability of a subsidiary to make any upstream payments, make asset dispositions other than certain ordinary course dispositions, make certain loans, make payments with respect to subordinated debt or certain borrowed money prior to its due date, become a party to certain agreements restricting the Borrowers' ability to incur or repay debt, grant liens, make distributions, or modify loan agreements or enter into any non-arm's-length transaction with an affiliate. During a Domestic Cash Trigger Period, the Borrowers are subject to financial covenants requirement and are required to maintain a fixed charge coverage ratio of 1:1 for each trailing four-fiscal quarter period ending on and after March 29, 2014.

As of March 28, 2015, the Secured Revolving Line of Credit had an outstanding loan balance of \$188 million, with an interest rate of 4.25%, \$6 million related to outstanding letters of credit, and up to \$306 million available for future borrowings. As of March 28, 2015, we were in compliance with all required covenants stated in the Loan Agreement.

On April 14, 2015, the Borrowers and ATI Technologies ULC (collectively, the Loan Parties) entered into an amended and restated loan and security agreement (the Amended and Restated Loan Agreement) by and among the Loan Parties, the financial institutions party thereto from time to time as lenders and the Agent. The Amended and Restated Loan Agreement amended and restated the Loan Agreement.

The agreements governing our 6.00% Notes, 6.75% Notes, 7.75% Notes, 7.50% Notes, 7.00% Notes and our Secured Revolving Line of Credit contain cross-default provisions whereby a default under one agreement would likely result in cross defaults under agreements covering other borrowings. The occurrence of a default under any of these borrowing arrangements would permit the applicable note holders or the lenders under the Secured Revolving Line of Credit to declare all amounts outstanding under those borrowing arrangements to be immediately due and payable.

Other Long-Term Liabilities

Other long-term liabilities in the contractual obligations table above primarily consists of \$49 million of payments due under certain software and technology licenses that will be paid through 2018.

Other long-term liabilities in the contractual obligations table above exclude amounts recorded on our condensed consolidated balance sheet that do not require us to make cash payments, which, as of March 28, 2015, primarily consisted of \$16 million of deferred gains resulting from certain real estate transactions that occurred in Sunnyvale, California in 1998, in Markham, Ontario, Canada in 2008 and in Singapore in 2013. Accruals related to facility consolidation and site closure costs under our restructuring plans 2014 Restructuring Plan of \$7 million and deferred rent related to our facilities in Sunnyvale, California of \$6 million are excluded from other long-term liabilities in the contractual obligations table above as they are included in the operating leases obligations. Also excluded from other long-term liabilities in the contractual obligations table above are \$4 million of environmental reserves and \$3 million of non-current unrecognized tax benefits, which represent potential cash payments that could be payable by us upon settlements with the related authorities. We have not included these amounts in the contractual obligations table above because we cannot make reasonably reliable estimates regarding the timing of the settlements with the related authorities, if any.

Capital Lease Obligations

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As of March 28, 2015, we had aggregate outstanding capital lease obligations of \$11 million for one of our facilities in Canada, which is payable in monthly installments through 2017.

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Operating Leases

We lease certain of our facilities and, in some jurisdictions, we lease the land on which our facilities are built under non-cancelable lease agreements that expire at various dates through 2025. We lease certain office equipment for terms ranging from one to five years. Total future non-cancelable lease obligations as of March 28, 2015 were \$288 million, including \$235 million of future lease payments and estimated operating costs related to the real estate transactions that occurred in Austin, Texas, Sunnyvale, California, and Singapore.

Purchase Obligations

Our purchase obligations primarily include our obligations to purchase wafers and substrates from third parties, excluding our wafer purchase commitments to GF under the WSA. As of March 28, 2015, total non-cancelable purchase obligations were \$599 million.

Obligations to GF

Obligations to GF include our purchase obligations to GF for wafer manufacturing and research and development activities. As of March 28, 2015, we currently estimate the remaining contractual obligations to GF will be \$952 million through the end of the fiscal 2015 and at least \$70 million during the first quarter of fiscal 2016. We are not able to meaningfully quantify or estimate our future purchase obligations to GF other than those set forth in the fifth amendment to the WSA, but we expect that our future purchases from GF will continue to be material.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

As of March 28, 2015, we had no off-balance sheet arrangements.

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ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Reference is made to Part II, Item 7A, Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk, in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 27, 2014.

There have not been any material changes in market risk since December 27, 2014.

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ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in our reports made under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer as appropriate, to allow for timely decisions regarding required disclosure. In designing and evaluating our disclosure controls and procedures, our management recognizes that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives, and our management is required to apply its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures.

As of March 28, 2015, the end of the period covered by this report, we carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures. Based on the foregoing, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective at the reasonable assurance level.

There was no change in our internal controls over financial reporting during our first quarter of 2015 that materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal controls over financial reporting.

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PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Securities Class Action

On January 15, 2014, a class action lawsuit captioned *Hatamian v. AMD, et al.*, C.A. No. 3:14-cv-00226 was filed against us in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California. The complaint purports to assert claims against AMD and certain individual officers for alleged violations of Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), and Rule 10b-5 of the Exchange Act. The plaintiffs seek to represent a proposed class of all persons who purchased or otherwise acquired our common stock during the period April 4, 2011 through October 18, 2012. The complaint seeks damages allegedly caused by alleged materially misleading statements and/or material omissions by us and the individual officers regarding our 32nm technology and Llano product, which statements and omissions, the plaintiffs claim, allegedly operated to inflate artificially the price paid for our common stock during the period. The complaint seeks unspecified compensatory damages, attorneys' fees and costs.

On July 7, 2014, we filed a motion to dismiss plaintiffs' claims. On March 31, 2015, the Court denied the motion to dismiss.

Based upon information presently known to management, we believe that the potential liability, if any, will not have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, cash flows or results of operations.

Shareholder Derivative Lawsuit

On March 20, 2014, a purported shareholder derivative lawsuit captioned *Wessels v. Read, et al.*, Case No. 1:14-cv-262486 was filed against us (as a nominal defendant only) and certain of our directors and officers in the Santa Clara County Superior Court of the State of California. The complaint purports to assert claims against us and certain individual directors and officers for breach of fiduciary duty, waste of corporate assets and unjust enrichment. The complaint seeks damages allegedly caused by alleged materially misleading statements and/or material omissions by us and the individual directors and officers regarding our 32nm technology and Llano product, which statements and omissions, the plaintiffs claim, allegedly operated to inflate artificially the price paid for our common stock during the period.

The shareholder derivative lawsuit is currently stayed.

Based upon information presently known to management, we believe that the potential liability, if any, will not have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, cash flows or results of operations.

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ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

The risks and uncertainties described below are not the only ones we face. If any of the following risks actually occurs, our business, financial condition or results of operations could be materially adversely affected. In addition, you should consider the interrelationship and compounding effects of two or more risks occurring simultaneously.

Intel Corporation's dominance of the microprocessor market and its aggressive business practices may limit our ability to compete effectively.

Intel Corporation has been the market share leader for microprocessors for many years. Intel's market share, margins and significant financial resources enable it to market its products aggressively, to target our customers and our channel partners with special incentives and to influence customers who do business with us. These aggressive activities have in the past and are likely in the future to result in lower unit sales and a lower average selling price for many of our products and adversely affect our margins and profitability.

As long as Intel remains in this dominant position, we may be materially adversely affected by Intel's:

business practices, including rebating and allocation strategies and pricing actions, designed to limit our market share and margins;

product mix and introduction schedules;

product bundling, marketing and merchandising strategies;

exclusivity payments to its current and potential customers and channel partners;

control over industry standards, PC manufacturers and other PC industry participants, including motherboard, memory, chipset and basic input/output system, or BIOS, suppliers and software companies as well as the graphics interface for Intel platforms; and

marketing and advertising expenditures in support of positioning the Intel brand over the brand of its original equipment manufacture (OEM) customers.

Intel exerts substantial influence over computer manufacturers and their channels of distribution through various brand and other marketing programs. As a result of Intel's position in the microprocessor market, Intel has been able to control x86 microprocessor and computer system standards and benchmarks and to dictate the type of products the microprocessor market requires of us. Intel also dominates the computer system platform, which includes core logic chipsets, graphics chips, motherboards and other components necessary to assemble a computer system. OEMs that purchase microprocessors for computer systems are highly dependent on Intel, less innovative on their own and, to a large extent, are distributors of Intel technology. Additionally, Intel is able to drive de facto standards and specifications for x86 microprocessors that could cause us and other companies to have delayed access to such standards.

Intel has substantially greater financial resources than we do and accordingly spends substantially greater amounts on marketing and research and development than we do. We expect Intel to maintain its market position and to continue to invest heavily in marketing, research and development, new manufacturing facilities and other technology companies. To the extent Intel manufactures a significantly larger portion of its microprocessor products using more advanced process technologies, or introduces competitive new products into the market before we do, we may be more vulnerable to Intel's aggressive marketing and pricing strategies for microprocessor products. For example, Intel has introduced microprocessors for low-cost notebooks, similar to products that we offer for low-cost notebooks.

Intel could also take actions that place our discrete GPUs at a competitive disadvantage, including giving one or more of our competitors in the graphics market, such as Nvidia Corporation, preferential access to its proprietary graphics interface or other useful information.

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Intel's position in the microprocessor market and integrated graphics chipset market, its introduction of competitive new products, its existing relationships with top-tier OEMs and its aggressive marketing and pricing strategies could result in lower unit sales and a lower average selling price for our products, which could have a material adverse effect on us.

We rely on GF to manufacture most of our microprocessor and APU products and certain of our GPU and semi-custom products. If GF is not able to satisfy our manufacturing requirements, our business could be adversely impacted.

The WSA governs the terms by which we purchase products manufactured by GF. Pursuant to the WSA, we are required to purchase all of our microprocessor and APU product requirements from GF with limited exceptions. If GF is unable to achieve anticipated manufacturing yields, remain competitive using or implementing advanced leading-edge process technologies needed to manufacture future generations of our products, manufacture our products on a timely basis at competitive prices or meet our capacity requirements, then we may experience delays in product launches, supply shortages for certain products or increased costs and our business could be materially adversely affected.

On April 16, 2014, we entered into a fifth amendment to the WSA with GF. The primary effect of the fifth amendment was to establish volume purchase commitments and fixed pricing for the 2015 calendar year as well as to modify certain other terms of the WSA applicable to wafers for some of AMD's microprocessor unit, graphics processor unit and semi-custom products to be delivered by GF to us during the 2015 calendar year. If our requirements are less than the number of wafers that we committed to purchase, we could have excess inventory or higher inventory unit costs, both of which will adversely impact our gross margin and our results of operations.

In addition, GF has relied on Mubadala Technology Investments LLC (Mubadala Tech) for its funding needs. If Mubadala Tech fails to adequately fund GF on a timely basis, or at all, GF's ability to manufacture products for us could be materially adversely affected.

We rely on third parties to manufacture our products, and if they are unable to do so on a timely basis in sufficient quantities and using competitive technologies, our business could be materially adversely affected.

We rely on third-party wafer foundries to fabricate the silicon wafers for all of our products. We also rely on third-party manufacturers to assemble, test, mark and pack certain of our products. It is important to have reliable relationships with all of these third-party manufacturing suppliers to ensure adequate product supply to respond to customer demand.

We cannot guarantee that these manufacturers or our other third-party manufacturing suppliers will be able to meet our near-term or long-term manufacturing requirements. If we experience supply constraints from our third-party manufacturing suppliers, we may be required to allocate the affected products amongst our customers, which could have a material adverse effect on our relationships with these customers and on our financial condition. In addition, if we are unable to meet customer demand due to fluctuating or late supply from our manufacturing suppliers, it could result in lost sales and have a material adverse effect on our business.

We do not have long-term commitment contracts with some of our third-party manufacturing suppliers. We obtain some of these manufacturing services on a purchase order basis and these manufacturers are not required to provide us with any specified minimum quantity of product beyond the quantities in an existing purchase order. Accordingly, we depend on these suppliers to allocate to us a portion of their manufacturing capacity sufficient to meet our needs, to produce products of acceptable quality and at acceptable manufacturing yields and to deliver those products to us on a timely basis and at acceptable prices. The manufacturers we use also fabricate wafers and assemble, test and package products for other companies, including certain of our competitors. They could choose to prioritize capacity for other customers, increase the prices that they charge us on short notice or reduce or eliminate deliveries to us, which could have a material adverse effect on our business.

Other risks associated with our dependence on third-party manufacturers include limited control over delivery schedules and quality assurance, lack of capacity in periods of excess demand, misappropriation of our intellectual property, dependence on several small undercapitalized subcontractors and limited ability to manage inventory and parts. Moreover, if any of our third-party manufacturers suffer any damage to facilities, lose benefits under material agreements, experience power outages, lack sufficient capacity to manufacture our products, encounter financial difficulties, are unable to secure necessary raw materials from their suppliers or suffer any other disruption or reduction in efficiency, we may encounter supply delays or disruptions. If we are unable to secure sufficient or reliable supplies of products, our ability to meet customer demand may be adversely affected and this could materially affect our business.

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If we transition the production of some of our products to new manufacturers, we may experience delayed product introductions, lower yields or poorer performance of our products. If we experience problems with product quality or are unable to secure sufficient capacity from a particular third-party manufacturer, or if we for other reasons cease utilizing one of those suppliers, we may be unable to secure an alternative supply for any specific product in a short time frame. We could experience significant delays in the shipment of our products if we are required to find alternative third-party manufacturers, which could have a material adverse effect on our business.

Failure to achieve expected manufacturing yields for our products could negatively impact our financial results.

Semiconductor manufacturing yields are a result of both product design and process technology, which is typically proprietary to the manufacturer, and low yields can result from design failures, process technology failures or a combination of both. Our third-party foundries, including GF, are responsible for the process technologies used to fabricate silicon wafers. If our third-party foundries experience manufacturing inefficiencies or encounter disruptions, errors or difficulties during production, we may fail to achieve acceptable yields or experience product delivery delays. We cannot be certain that our third-party foundries will be able to develop, obtain or successfully implement leading-edge process technologies needed to manufacture future generations of our products profitably or on a timely basis or that our competitors will not develop new technologies, products or processes earlier. Moreover, during periods when foundries are implementing new process technologies, their manufacturing facilities may not be fully productive. A substantial delay in the technology transitions to smaller process technologies could have a material adverse effect on us, particularly if our competitors transition to more cost effective technologies before us. Any decrease in manufacturing yields could result in an increase in per unit costs, which would adversely impact our gross margin and/or force us to allocate our reduced product supply amongst our customers, which could harm our relationships and reputation with our customers and materially adversely affect our business.

The success of our business is dependent upon our ability to introduce products on a timely basis with features and performance levels that provide value to our customers while supporting and coinciding with significant industry transitions.

Our success depends to a significant extent on the development, qualification, implementation and acceptance of new product designs and improvements that provide value to our customers. Our ability to develop, qualify and distribute, and have manufactured, new products and related technologies to meet evolving industry requirements, at prices acceptable to our customers and on a timely basis are significant factors in determining our competitiveness in our target markets. For example, form factors continue to shift from desktop PCs and notebooks to tablets. Historically, a significant portion of our Computing and Graphics revenue has been related to desktop PCs. As consumers adopt new form factors, have new product feature preferences or have different requirements than those consumers in the PC market, PC sales could be negatively impacted, which could negatively impact our business. Currently, a large portion of our business is focused on the consumer PC portions of the market, which has and continues to experience a decline driven by the adoption of smaller form factors and increased competition. If we fail to or are delayed in developing, qualifying or shipping new products or technologies that provide value to our customers and address these new trends or if we fail to predict which new form factors consumers will adopt, we may lose competitive positioning, which could cause us to lose market share and require us to discount the selling prices of our products. Although we make substantial investments in research and development, we cannot be certain that we will be able to develop, obtain or successfully implement new products and technologies on a timely basis.

Delays in developing, qualifying or shipping new products can also cause us to miss our customers' product design windows or, in some cases, breach contractual obligations or cause us to pay penalties. If our customers do not include our products in the initial design of their computer systems or products, they will typically not use our products in their systems or products until at least the next design configuration. The process of being qualified for inclusion in a customer's system or product can be lengthy and could cause us to further miss a cycle in the demand of end-users, which also could result in a loss of market share and harm our business.

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Moreover, market demand requires that products incorporate new features and performance standards on an industry-wide basis. Over the life of a specific product, the sale price is typically reduced over time. The introduction of new products and enhancements to existing products is necessary to maintain the overall corporate average selling price. If we are unable to introduce new products with sufficiently high sale prices or to increase unit sales volumes capable of offsetting the reductions in the sale prices of existing products over time, our business could be materially adversely affected.

If we cannot generate sufficient revenue and operating cash flow or obtain external financing, we may face a cash shortfall and be unable to make all of our planned investments in research and development or other strategic investments.

Our ability to fund research and development expenditures depends on generating sufficient revenue and cash flow from operations and the availability of external financing, if necessary. Our research and development expenditures, together with ongoing operating expenses, will be a substantial drain on our cash flow and may decrease our cash balances. If new competitors, technological advances by existing competitors or other competitive factors require us to invest significantly greater resources than anticipated in our research and development efforts, our operating expenses would increase. If we are required to invest significantly greater resources than anticipated in research and development efforts without an increase in revenue, our operating results could decline.

We regularly assess markets for external financing opportunities, including debt and equity financing. Additional debt or equity financing may not be available when needed or, if available, may not be available on satisfactory terms. The health of the credit markets may adversely impact our ability to obtain financing when needed. Any downgrades from credit rating agencies such as Moody's or Standard & Poor's may adversely impact our ability to obtain external financing or the terms of such financing. In the first quarter of 2015, Moody's lowered our corporate credit rating to B3 from B2 and our senior unsecured debt rating to Caa1 from B2. Furthermore, in the first quarter of 2015, Standard & Poor's lowered our corporate credit rating and our senior unsecured debt rating to B- from B. In addition, credit agency downgrades or concerns regarding our credit worthiness may impact relationships with our suppliers, who may limit our credit lines. Our inability to obtain needed financing or to generate sufficient cash from operations may require us to abandon projects or curtail planned investments in research and development or other strategic initiatives. If we curtail planned investments in research and development or abandon projects, our products may fail to remain competitive and our business would be materially adversely affected.

We may not be able to successfully implement our business strategy to refocus our business to address markets beyond our core PC market to high-growth adjacent markets.

We are implementing a business strategy to refocus our business to address markets beyond our core PC market to high-growth adjacent markets. One of the goals of our strategy is to derive approximately 50% of our revenue from high growth adjacent markets by the end of 2015. As part of our business strategy, effective July 1, 2014, we realigned our organizational structure to create a Computing and Graphics segment and an Enterprise, Embedded and Semi-Custom segment. However, if demand for products from high growth adjacent markets is below our expectations or if we are not able to improve cost or operational efficiencies of this business model, we may not realize benefits from our business strategy. Despite our efforts, we may not be able to effectively implement our strategy in a timely manner to exploit potential market opportunities, achieve the goals of our business strategy or meet competitive challenges.

Moreover, our business strategy is dependent on creating products that anticipate customer requirements and emerging industry trends. For example, throughout 2014, we sampled Seattle, our first 64-bit ARM server processor and in the second quarter of 2014, we announced a 64-bit ARM architectural license for the development of custom high-performance cores for high-growth adjacent markets. We cannot assure you that our new strategic direction, including our efforts to address markets beyond our core PC market and our efforts to create ARM-based products, will result in innovative products and technologies that provide value to our customers. In addition, we may be entering markets where current and new competitors may be able to adapt more quickly to customer requirements and emerging technologies. We cannot assure you that we will be able to compete successfully against current or new competitors who may have stronger positions in these new markets. We may face delays or disruptions in research and development efforts, or we may be required to significantly invest greater resources in research and development than anticipated.

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The completion and impact of the 2014 Restructuring Plan and our transformation initiatives could adversely affect us.

In October 2014, we implemented a restructuring plan (the 2014 Restructuring Plan) designed to improve operating efficiencies. The 2014 Restructuring Plan involved a reduction of global headcount by approximately 6% and an alignment of our real estate footprint with the reduced headcount. The Company expects the 2014 Restructuring Plan to be largely completed by the end of the third quarter of 2015. These restructuring actions could have an adverse impact on our business as a result of decreases in employee morale and the failure to meet operational targets due to the loss of employees. We cannot be sure that we will realize operational savings or any other benefits from the 2014 Restructuring Plan. Any operating savings are subject to assumptions, estimates and significant economic, competitive and other uncertainties, some of which are beyond our control. If these estimates and assumptions are incorrect, if we experience delays or if other unforeseen events occur, our business and financial results could be adversely affected.

Global economic uncertainty may adversely impact our business and operating results.

Uncertain global economic conditions have in the past and may in the future adversely impact our business. Uncertainty in the worldwide economic environment may negatively impact consumer confidence and spending causing our customers to postpone purchases. In addition, during challenging economic times, our current or potential future customers may experience cash flow problems and as a result may modify, delay or cancel plans to purchase our products. Additionally, if our customers are not successful in generating sufficient revenue or are unable to secure financing, they may not be able to pay, or may delay payment of, accounts receivable that they owe us. The risk related to our customers potentially defaulting on or delaying payments to us is increased because we expect that a small number of customers will continue to account for a substantial part of our revenue. Any inability of our current or potential future customers to pay us for our products may adversely affect our earnings and cash flow. Moreover, our key suppliers may reduce their output or become insolvent, thereby adversely impacting our ability to manufacture our products. In addition, uncertain economic conditions may make it more difficult for us to raise funds through borrowings or private or public sales of debt or equity securities.

We may not be able to generate sufficient cash to service our debt obligations or meet our working capital requirements.

Our ability to make payments on and to refinance our debt will depend on our financial and operating performance, which may fluctuate significantly from quarter to quarter, and is subject to prevailing economic conditions and financial, business and other factors, many of which are beyond our control. We cannot assure you that we will be able to generate cash flow or that we will be able to borrow funds, including under our secured revolving line of credit for a principal amount up to \$500 million (our Secured Revolving Line of Credit), in amounts sufficient to enable us to service our debt or to meet our working capital requirements. If we are not able to generate sufficient cash flow from operations or to borrow sufficient funds to service our debt, we may be required to sell assets or equity, reduce expenditures, refinance all or a portion of our existing debt or obtain additional financing. We cannot assure you that we will be able to refinance our debt, sell assets or equity, borrow funds under our Secured Revolving Line of Credit or borrow more funds on terms acceptable to us, if at all.

We have a substantial amount of indebtedness which could adversely affect our financial position and prevent us from implementing our strategy or fulfilling our contractual obligations.

Our total debt as of March 28, 2015 was \$2.3 billion. Our substantial indebtedness may:

make it difficult for us to satisfy our financial obligations, including making scheduled principal and interest payments;

limit our ability to borrow additional funds for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions and general corporate and other purposes;

limit our ability to use our cash flow or obtain additional financing for future working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions or other general corporate purposes;

require us to use a substantial portion of our cash flow from operations to make debt service payments;

place us at a competitive disadvantage compared to our competitors with relatively less debt; and

increase our vulnerability to the impact of adverse economic and industry conditions.

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We enter into interest rate swap agreements from time to time to manage our exposure to interest rate risk. These swap agreements involve risks, such as the risk that counterparties may fail to honor their obligations under these arrangements, the risk that these arrangements may not be effective in reducing our exposure to changes in interest rates and the risk that our exposure to interest rates may increase if interest rates increase.

The agreements governing our notes and our Secured Revolving Line of Credit impose restrictions on us that may adversely affect our ability to operate our business.

The indentures governing our 7.75% Senior Notes due 2020 (7.75% Notes), 7.50% Senior Notes due 2022 (7.50% Notes), 7.00% Senior Notes due 2024 (7.00% Notes) and 6.75% Senior Notes due 2019 (6.75% Notes) contain various covenants which limit our ability to, among other things:

incur additional indebtedness;

pay dividends and make other restricted payments;

make certain investments, including investments in our unrestricted subsidiaries;

create or permit certain liens;

create or permit restrictions on the ability of certain restricted subsidiaries to pay dividends or make other distributions to us;

use the proceeds from sales of assets;

enter into certain types of transactions with affiliates; and

consolidate or merge or sell our assets as an entirety or substantially as an entirety.

Our Secured Revolving Line of Credit also contains various covenants which limit our ability to, among other things, make certain investments, merge or consolidate with other entities and permit certain subsidiaries from incurring indebtedness. In addition, further restrictions apply when certain payment conditions (the Payment Conditions) are not satisfied with respect to specified transactions, events or payments. The Payment Conditions include that (i) no default or event of default exists and (ii) at all times during the 45 consecutive days immediately prior to such transaction, event or payment and on a pro forma basis after giving effect to such transaction, event or payment and any incurrence or repayment of indebtedness in connection therewith, the Loan Parties' Excess Cash Availability (as defined in the Amended and Restated Loan Agreement) available cash is greater than the greater of 20% of the total commitment amount and \$100 million. If Payment Conditions are not satisfied under certain circumstances, we will become subject to various additional covenants which limit our ability to, among other things:

allow certain subsidiaries that manufacture or process inventory for us, AMD International Sales & Service, Ltd. or ATI Technologies ULC (collectively, the Loan Parties) to borrow secured debt or unsecured debt beyond a certain amount;

create any liens upon any of the Loan Parties' property (other than customary permitted liens and liens on up to \$1.5 billion of secured credit facilities debt (which amount includes our Secured Revolving Line of Credit));

declare or make any distributions;

create any encumbrance on the ability of a subsidiary to make any upstream payments;

make asset dispositions other than certain ordinary course dispositions;

make certain loans, make payments with respect to subordinated debt or certain borrowed money prior to its due date;

become a party to certain agreements restricting the Loan Parties' ability to incur or repay debt, grant liens, make distributions; and

become party to certain agreements restricting the Loan Parties' ability to enter into any non-arm's-length transaction with an affiliate.

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The agreements governing our notes and our Secured Revolving Line of Credit contain cross-default provisions whereby a default under one agreement would likely result in cross defaults under agreements covering other borrowings. For example, the occurrence of a default with respect to any indebtedness or any failure to repay debt when due in an amount in excess of \$50 million would cause a cross default under the indentures governing our 7.75% Notes, 7.50% Notes, 7.00% Notes, 6.75% Notes and 6.00% Convertible Senior Notes due 2015 (6.00% Notes), as well as under our Secured Revolving Line of Credit. The occurrence of a default under any of these borrowing arrangements would permit the applicable note holders or the lenders under our Secured Revolving Line of Credit to declare all amounts outstanding under those borrowing arrangements to be immediately due and payable. If the note holders or the trustee under the indentures governing our 7.75% Notes, 7.50% Notes, 7.00% Notes, 6.75% Notes or 6.00% Notes or the lenders under our Secured Revolving Line of Credit accelerate the repayment of borrowings, we cannot assure you that we will have sufficient assets to repay those borrowings.

The markets in which our products are sold are highly competitive.

The markets in which our products are sold are very competitive and delivering the latest and best products to market on a timely basis is critical to achieving revenue growth. We believe that the main factors that determine our product competitiveness are timely product introductions, product quality (including enabling state-of-the-art visual experience), power consumption (including battery life), reliability, processor clock speed, performance, size (or form factor), selling price, cost, adherence to industry standards (and the creation of open industry standards), level of integration, software and hardware compatibility and stability, brand recognition and availability.

We expect that competition will continue to be intense due to rapid technological changes, frequent product introductions by our competitors or new competitors of products that may provide better performance/experience or may include additional features that render our products uncompetitive. We may also face aggressive pricing by competitors, especially during challenging economic times. Some competitors may have greater access or rights to companion technologies, including interface, processor and memory technical information. With the introduction of our APU products and other competing solutions, we believe that demand for additional discrete graphic cards may decrease in the future due to both the improvement of the quality of our competitor's integrated graphics and the graphics performance of our APUs. If competitors introduce competitive new products into the market before us, demand for our products could be adversely impacted and our business could be adversely affected.

We are implementing a long-term business strategy to refocus our business to address markets beyond our core PC market to the high-growth adjacent markets. However, we are entering markets with new and different competitors who may be able to adapt more quickly to customer requirements and emerging technologies. We cannot assure you that we will be able to compete successfully against current or new competitors who may have stronger positions in these new markets or superior ability to anticipate customer requirements and emerging industry trends.

The loss of a significant customer may have a material adverse effect on us.

Collectively, our top five customers accounted for approximately 69% of our net revenue in the first quarter of 2015. On a segment basis, during the first quarter of 2015, five customers accounted for approximately 62% of the net revenue of our Computing and Graphics segment and five customers accounted for approximately 92% of the net revenue of our Enterprise, Embedded and Semi-Custom segment. We expect that a small number of customers will continue to account for a substantial part of revenue of our businesses in the future. If one of our key customers decides to stop buying our products, or if one of these customers materially reduces its operations or its demand for our products, our business would be materially adversely affected.

Our receipt of revenue from our semi-custom SoC products is dependent upon our technology being designed into third-party products and the success of those products.

The revenue that we receive from our semi-custom SoC products is in the form of non-recurring engineering fees charged to third parties for design and development services and revenue received in connection with sales of our semi-custom SoC products to these third parties. As a result, our ability to generate revenue from our semi-custom products depends on our ability to secure customers for our semi-custom design pipeline and our semi-custom SoC products being incorporated into those customer's products. Any revenue from sales of our semi-custom SoC products is directly related to sales of the third-party's products and reflective of their success in the market. Moreover, we have no control over the marketing efforts of these third parties, and we cannot make any assurances that sales of their products will be successful in current or future years. Consequently, the semi-custom SoC product revenue expected by us may not be fully realized and our operating results may be adversely affected.

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The demand for our products depends in part on the market conditions in the industries into which they are sold. Fluctuations in demand for our products or a market decline in any of these industries could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

A significant portion of our business is currently dependent upon the market for desktop PCs and notebooks. Form factors continue to shift from desktop PCs and notebooks to tablets. Historically, a significant portion of our Computing and Graphics revenue has been related to desktop PCs. Currently, a large portion of our business is focused on the consumer PC portions of the market, which has and continues to experience a decline driven by the adoption of smaller form factors and increased competition. Industry-wide fluctuations in the computer marketplace have materially adversely affected us in the past and may materially adversely affect us in the future. The success of our semi-custom SoC products is dependent on securing customers for our semi-custom design pipeline and consumer market conditions, including the success of the Sony PlayStation®4 and Microsoft Xbox One game console systems worldwide.

Our ability to design and introduce new products in a timely manner is dependent upon third-party intellectual property.

In the design and development of new products and product enhancements, we rely on third-party intellectual property such as software development tools and hardware testing tools. Furthermore, certain product features may rely on intellectual property acquired from third parties. The design requirements necessary to meet consumer demand for more features and greater functionality from semiconductor products may exceed the capabilities of the third-party intellectual property or development tools available to us. If the third-party intellectual property that we use becomes unavailable, is not available in the time frame or price point needed for our new products or fails to produce designs that meet customer demands, our business could be materially adversely affected.

We depend on third-party companies for the design, manufacture and supply of motherboards, BIOS software and other computer platform components to support our business.

We depend on third-party companies for the design, manufacture and supply of motherboards, BIOS software and other components that our customers utilize to support our microprocessor, GPU and APU offerings. We also rely on AIBs to support our GPU and APU products. In addition, our microprocessors are not designed to function with motherboards and chipsets designed to work with Intel microprocessors. If the designers, manufacturers, AIBs and suppliers of motherboards and other components decrease their support for our product offerings, our business could be materially adversely affected.

If we lose Microsoft Corporation's support for our products or other software vendors do not design and develop software to run on our products, our ability to sell our products could be materially adversely affected.

Our ability to innovate beyond the x86 instruction set controlled by Intel depends partially on Microsoft designing and developing its operating systems to run on or support our x86-based microprocessor products. With respect to our graphics products, we depend in part on Microsoft to design and develop its operating system to run on or support our graphics products. Similarly, the success of our products in the market, such as our APU products, is dependent on independent software providers designing and developing software to run on our products. If Microsoft does not continue to design and develop its operating systems so that they work with our x86 instruction sets or does not continue to develop and maintain their operating systems to support our graphics products, independent software providers may forego designing their software applications to take advantage of our innovations and customers may not purchase PCs with our products. In addition, some software drivers sold with our products are certified by Microsoft. If Microsoft did not certify a driver, or if we otherwise fail to retain the support of Microsoft or other software vendors, our ability to market our products would be materially adversely affected.

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We may incur future impairments of goodwill.

We perform our annual goodwill impairment analysis as of the first day of the fourth quarter of each year. Based on the annual goodwill impairment analysis that we conducted during the fourth quarter of 2014, we concluded that the carrying amount of goodwill assigned to our Computing and Graphics reporting unit exceeded its estimated fair value, and accordingly, we recorded a goodwill impairment charge of \$233 million, which represented the entire goodwill balance within this reporting unit. Subsequent to our annual goodwill impairment analysis, we monitor for any events or changes in circumstances, such as significant adverse changes in business climate or operating results, changes in management's business strategy, an inability to successfully introduce new products in the marketplace, an inability to successfully achieve internal forecasts or significant declines in our stock price, which may represent an indicator of goodwill impairment. The occurrence of any of these events may require us to record goodwill impairment charges in the future.

Uncertainties involving the ordering and shipment of our products could materially adversely affect us.

We typically sell our products pursuant to individual purchase orders. We generally do not have long-term supply arrangements with our customers or minimum purchase requirements except that orders generally must be for standard pack quantities. Generally, our customers may cancel orders for standard products more than 30 days prior to shipment without incurring significant fees. We base our inventory levels in part on customers' estimates of demand for their products, which may not accurately predict the quantity or type of our products that our customers will want in the future or ultimately end up purchasing. Our ability to forecast demand is even further complicated when our products are sold indirectly through downstream channel distributors and customers, as our forecasts for demand are then based on estimates provided by multiple parties throughout the downstream channel.

PC and consumer markets are characterized by short product lifecycles, which can lead to rapid obsolescence and price erosion. In addition, our customers may change their inventory practices on short notice for any reason. We may build inventories during periods of anticipated growth, and the cancellation or deferral of product orders or overproduction due to failure of anticipated orders to materialize, could result in excess or obsolete inventory, which could result in write-downs of inventory and an adverse effect on gross margins.

Factors that may result in excess or obsolete inventory, which could result in write-downs of the value of our inventory, a reduction in the average selling price or a reduction in our gross margin include:

- a sudden or significant decrease in demand for our products;

- a production or design defect in our products;

- a higher incidence of inventory obsolescence because of rapidly changing technology and customer requirements;

- a failure to accurately estimate customer demand for our products, including for our older products as our new products are introduced; or

- our competitors taking aggressive pricing actions.

Because market conditions are uncertain, these and other factors could materially adversely affect our business.

Our reliance on third-party distributors and AIB partners subjects us to certain risks.

We market and sell our products directly and through third-party distributors and AIB partners pursuant to agreements that can generally be terminated for convenience by either party upon prior notice to the other party. These agreements are non-exclusive and permit both our distributors and AIBs to offer our competitors' products. We are dependent on our distributors and AIBs to supplement our direct marketing and sales efforts. If any significant distributor or AIB or a substantial number of our distributors or AIBs terminated their relationship with us, decided to market our competitors' products over our products or decided not to market our products at all, our ability to bring our products to

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market would be impacted and we would be materially adversely affected. If we are unable to manage the risks related to the use of our third-party distributors and AIB partners or offer appropriate incentives to focus them on the sale of our products, our business could be materially adversely affected.

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Additionally, distributors and AIBs typically maintain an inventory of our products. In most instances, our agreements with distributors protect their inventory of our products against price reductions, as well as provide return rights for any product that we have removed from our price book and that is not more than 12 months older than the manufacturing code date. Some agreements with our distributors also contain standard stock rotation provisions permitting limited levels of product returns. Our agreements with AIBs protect their inventory of our products against price reductions. We defer the gross margins on our sales to distributors and AIBs, resulting from both our deferral of revenue and related product costs, until the applicable products are re-sold by the distributors or the AIBs. However, in the event of a significant decline in the price of our products, the price protection rights we offer would materially adversely affect us because our revenue and corresponding gross margin would decline.

Our inability to continue to attract and retain qualified personnel may hinder our product development programs.

Much of our future success depends upon the continued service of numerous qualified engineering, marketing, sales and executive personnel. If we are not able to continue to attract, train and retain qualified personnel necessary for our business, the progress of our product development programs could be hindered, and we could be materially adversely affected. To help attract, retain and motivate qualified personnel, we use share-based incentive awards such as employee stock options and non-vested share units (restricted stock units). If the value of such stock awards does not appreciate as measured by the performance of the price of our common stock, or if our share-based compensation otherwise ceases to be viewed as a valuable benefit, our ability to attract, retain and motivate personnel could be weakened, which could harm our results of operations. In addition, our current and any future restructuring plans may adversely impact our ability to attract and retain key employees.

In the event of a change of control, we may not be able to repurchase our outstanding debt as required by the applicable indentures and our Secured Revolving Line of Credit, which would result in a default under the indentures and our Secured Revolving Line of Credit.

Upon a change of control, we will be required to offer to repurchase all of our 7.75% Notes, 7.50% Notes, 7.00% Notes and 6.75% Notes then outstanding at 101% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, up to, but excluding, the repurchase date, and to offer to repurchase all of our 6.00% Notes then outstanding at 100% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, up to, but excluding the repurchase date. In addition, a change of control would be an event of default under our Secured Revolving Line of Credit. As of March 28, 2015, \$188 million was outstanding under our Secured Revolving Line of Credit and \$2.07 billion was outstanding under our notes. Future debt agreements may contain similar provisions. We may not have the financial resources to repurchase our outstanding notes and prepay all of our outstanding obligations under our Secured Revolving Line of Credit.

The semiconductor industry is highly cyclical and has experienced severe downturns that have materially adversely affected, and may continue to materially adversely affect, our business in the future.

The semiconductor industry is highly cyclical and has experienced significant downturns, often in conjunction with constant and rapid technological change, wide fluctuations in supply and demand, continuous new product introductions, price erosion and declines in general economic conditions. We have incurred substantial losses in recent downturns, due to:

substantial declines in average selling prices;

the cyclical nature of supply and demand imbalances in the semiconductor industry;

a decline in demand for end-user products (such as PCs) that incorporate our products; and

excess inventory levels.

Industry-wide fluctuations in the computer marketplace have materially adversely affected us in the past and may materially adversely affect us in the future. Currently, a large portion of our business is focused on the consumer PC portions of the market, which has experienced a decline driven by the adoption of smaller form factors and increased competition.

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Global economic uncertainty and weakness have also impacted the semiconductor market as consumers and businesses have deferred purchases, which negatively impacted demand for our products. Our financial performance has been, and may in the future be, negatively affected by these downturns.

The growth of our business is also dependent on continued demand for our products from high-growth adjacent emerging global markets. Our ability to be successful in such markets depends in part on our ability to establish adequate local infrastructure, as well as our ability to cultivate and maintain local relationships in these markets. If demand from these markets is below our expectations, sales of our products may decrease, which would have a material adverse effect on us.

Our business is dependent upon the proper functioning of our internal business processes and information systems and modification or interruption of such systems may disrupt our business, processes and internal controls.

We rely upon a number of internal business processes and information systems to support key business functions, and the efficient operation of these processes and systems is critical to our business. Our business processes and information systems need to be sufficiently scalable to support the growth of our business and may require modifications or upgrades that expose us to a number of operational risks. As such, our information systems will continually evolve and adapt in order to meet our business needs. These changes may be costly and disruptive to our operations and could impose substantial demands on management time.

These changes may also require changes in our information systems, modification of internal control procedures and significant training of employees and third-party resources. We continuously work on simplifying our information systems and applications through consolidation and standardization efforts. There can be no assurance that our business and operations will not experience any disruption in connection with this transition. Our information technology systems, and those of third-party information technology providers or business partners, may also be vulnerable to damage or disruption caused by circumstances beyond our control including catastrophic events, power anomalies or outages, natural disasters, viruses or malware, cyber-attacks, data breaches and computer system or network failures, exposing us to significant cost, reputational harm and disruption or damage to our business.

In addition, as our IT environment continues to evolve, we are embracing new ways of communicating and sharing data internally and externally with customers and partners using methods such as mobility and the cloud that can promote business efficiency. However, these practices can also result in a more distributed IT environment, making it more difficult for us to maintain visibility and control over internal and external users, and meet scalability and administrative requirements. If our security controls cannot keep pace with the speed of these changes, or if we are not able to meet regulatory and compliance requirements, our business would be materially adversely affected.

Data breaches and cyber-attacks could compromise our intellectual property or other sensitive information, be costly to remediate and cause significant damage to our business and reputation.

In the ordinary course of our business, we maintain sensitive data on our networks, including our intellectual property and proprietary or confidential business information relating to our business and that of our customers and business partners. The secure maintenance of this information is critical to our business and reputation. We believe that companies have been increasingly subject to a wide variety of security incidents, cyber-attacks and other attempts to gain unauthorized access. These threats can come from a variety of sources, all ranging in sophistication from an individual hacker to a state-sponsored attack. Cyber threats may be generic, or they may be custom-crafted against our information systems. Over the past year, cyber-attacks have become more prevalent and much harder to detect and defend against. Our network and storage applications may be subject to unauthorized access by hackers or breached due to operator error, malfeasance or other system disruptions. It is often difficult to anticipate or immediately detect such incidents and the damage caused by such incidents. These data breaches and any unauthorized access or disclosure of our information or intellectual property could compromise our intellectual property and expose sensitive business information. Cyber-attacks could also cause us to incur significant remediation costs, result in product development delays, disrupt key business operations and divert attention of management and key information technology resources. These incidents could also subject us to liability, expose us to significant expense and cause significant harm to our reputation and business.

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Our operating results are subject to quarterly and seasonal sales patterns.

A substantial portion of our quarterly sales have historically been made in the last month of the quarter. This uneven sales pattern makes prediction of revenue for each financial period difficult and increases the risk of unanticipated variations in quarterly results and financial condition. In addition, our operating results tend to vary seasonally. For example, historically, first quarter PC product sales are generally lower than fourth quarter sales. In addition, with respect to our semi-custom SoC products for game consoles, we expect sales patterns to follow the seasonal trends of a consumer business with sales in the first half of the year being lower than sales in the second half of the year. Many of the factors that create and affect quarterly and seasonal trends are beyond our control.

If essential equipment or materials are not available to manufacture our products, we could be materially adversely affected.

We purchase equipment and materials for our internal back-end manufacturing operations from a number of suppliers and our operations depend upon obtaining deliveries of adequate supplies of equipment and materials on a timely basis. Our third-party suppliers also depend on the same timely delivery of adequate quantities of equipment and materials in the manufacture of our products. Certain equipment and materials that are used in the manufacture of our products are available only from a limited number of suppliers, or in some cases, a sole supplier. We also depend on a limited number of suppliers to provide the majority of certain types of integrated circuit packages for our microprocessors, including our APU products. Similarly, certain non-proprietary materials or components such as memory, printed circuit boards (PCBs), substrates and capacitors used in the manufacture of our products are currently available from only a limited number of sources. Because some of the equipment and materials that we and our third-party manufacturing suppliers purchase are complex, it is sometimes difficult to substitute one supplier for another.

From time to time, suppliers may extend lead times, limit supply or increase prices due to capacity constraints or other factors. Also, some of these materials and components may be subject to rapid changes in price and availability. Interruption of supply or increased demand in the industry could cause shortages and price increases in various essential materials. Dependence on a sole supplier or a limited number of suppliers exacerbates these risks. If we are unable to procure certain of these materials for our back-end manufacturing operations, or our third-party foundries or manufacturing suppliers are unable to procure materials for manufacturing our products, our business would be materially adversely affected.

If our products are not compatible with some or all industry-standard software and hardware, we could be materially adversely affected.

Our products may not be fully compatible with some or all industry-standard software and hardware. Further, we may be unsuccessful in correcting any such compatibility problems in a timely manner. If our customers are unable to achieve compatibility with software or hardware, we could be materially adversely affected. In addition, the mere announcement of an incompatibility problem relating to our products could have a material adverse effect on our business.

Costs related to defective products could have a material adverse effect on us.

Products as complex as those we offer may contain defects or failures when first introduced or when new versions or enhancements to existing products are released. We cannot assure you that, despite our testing procedures, errors will not be found in new products or releases after commencement of commercial shipments in the future, which could result in loss of or delay in market acceptance of our products, material recall and replacement costs, delay in recognition or loss of revenue, writing down the inventory of defective products, the diversion of the attention of our engineering personnel from product development efforts, defending against litigation related to defective products or related property damage or personal injury and damage to our reputation in the industry and could adversely affect our relationships with our customers. In addition, we may have difficulty identifying the end customers of the defective products in the field. As a result, we could incur substantial costs to implement modifications to correct defects. Any of these problems could materially adversely affect our business.

We could be subject to potential product liability claims if one of our products causes, or merely appears to have caused, an injury. Claims may be made by consumers or others selling our products, and we may be subject to claims against us even if an alleged injury is due to the actions of others. A product liability claim, recall or other claim with respect to uninsured liabilities or for amounts in excess of insured liabilities could have a material adverse effect on our business.

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If we fail to maintain the efficiency of our supply chain as we respond to changes in customer demand for our products, our business could be materially adversely affected.

Our ability to meet customer demand for our products depends, in part, on our ability to deliver the products our customers want on a timely basis. Accordingly, we rely on our supply chain for the manufacturing, distribution and fulfillment of our products. As we continue to grow our business, expand to high-growth adjacent markets, acquire new customers and strengthen relationships with existing customers, the efficiency of our supply chain will become increasingly important because many of our customers tend to have specific requirements for particular products, and specific time-frames in which they require delivery of these products. If we are unable to consistently deliver the right products to our customers on a timely basis in the right locations, our customers may reduce the quantities they order from us, which could have a material adverse effect on our business.

We outsource to third parties certain supply-chain logistics functions, including portions of our product distribution, transportation management and information technology support services.

We rely on third-party providers to operate our regional product distribution centers and to manage the transportation of our work-in-process and finished products among our facilities, to our manufacturing suppliers and to our customers. In addition, we rely on third parties to provide certain information technology services to us, including help desk support, desktop application services, business and software support applications, server and storage administration, data center operations, database administration and voice, video and remote access. We cannot guarantee that these providers will fulfill their respective responsibilities in a timely manner in accordance with the contract terms, in which case our internal operations and the distribution of our products to our customers could be materially adversely affected. Also, we cannot guarantee that our contracts with these third-party providers will be renewed, in which case we would have to transition these functions in-house or secure new providers, which could have a material adverse effect on our business if the transition is not executed appropriately.

Acquisitions could disrupt our business, harm our financial condition and operating results or dilute, or adversely affect the price of, our common stock.

Our success will depend, in part, on our ability to expand our product offerings and grow our business in response to changing technologies, customer demands and competitive pressures. In some circumstances, we may pursue growth through the acquisition of complementary businesses, solutions or technologies rather than through internal development. The identification of suitable acquisition candidates can be difficult, time-consuming and costly, and we may not be able to successfully complete identified acquisitions. Moreover, if such acquisitions require us to seek additional debt or equity financing, we may not be able to obtain such financing on terms favorable to us or at all. Even if we successfully complete an acquisition, we may not be able to assimilate and integrate effectively or efficiently the acquired business, technologies, solutions, assets, personnel or operations, particularly if key personnel of the acquired company decide not to work for us. Acquisitions may also involve the entry into geographic or business markets in which we have little or no prior experience. Consequently, we may not achieve anticipated benefits of the acquisitions which could harm our operating results. In addition, to complete an acquisition, we may issue equity securities, which would dilute our stockholders' ownership and could adversely affect the price of our common stock, as well as incur debt, assume contingent liabilities or have amortization expenses and write-downs of acquired assets, which could adversely affect our results of operations. Acquisitions may also reduce our cash available for operations and other uses, which could harm our business.

Our worldwide operations are subject to political, legal and economic risks and natural disasters, which could have a material adverse effect on us.

We maintain operations around the world, including in the United States, Canada, Europe and Asia. We rely on third-party wafer foundries in Europe and Asia. Nearly all product assembly and final testing of our products is performed at manufacturing facilities, operated by us as well as third-party manufacturing facilities, in China, Malaysia and Taiwan. We also have international sales operations. International sales, as a percent of net revenue, were 75% in the first quarter of 2015. We expect that international sales will continue to be a significant portion of total sales in the foreseeable future.

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The political, legal and economic risks associated with our operations in foreign countries include, without limitation:

expropriation;

changes in a specific country's or region's political or economic conditions;

changes in tax laws, trade protection measures and import or export licensing requirements;

difficulties in protecting our intellectual property;

difficulties in managing staffing and exposure to different employment practices and labor laws;

changes in foreign currency exchange rates;

restrictions on transfers of funds and other assets of our subsidiaries between jurisdictions;

changes in freight and interest rates;

disruption in air transportation between the United States and our overseas facilities;

loss or modification of exemptions for taxes and tariffs; and

compliance with U.S. laws and regulations related to international operations, including export control and economic sanctions laws and regulations and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act.

In addition, our worldwide operations (or those of our business partners) could be subject to natural disasters such as earthquakes, tsunamis, flooding, typhoons and volcanic eruptions that disrupt manufacturing or other operations. For example, our Sunnyvale operations are located near major earthquake fault lines in California. Any conflict or uncertainty in the countries in which we operate, including public health issues (for example, an outbreak of a contagious disease such as Avian Influenza, measles or Ebola), safety issues, natural disasters, fire, disruptions of service from utilities, nuclear power plant accidents or general economic or political factors, could have a material adverse effect on our business. Any of the above risks, should they occur, could result in an increase in the cost of components, production delays, general business interruptions, delays from difficulties in obtaining export licenses for certain technology, tariffs and other barriers and restrictions, longer payment cycles, increased taxes, restrictions on the repatriation of funds and the burdens of complying with a variety of foreign laws, any of which could ultimately have a material adverse effect on our business.

Worldwide political conditions may adversely affect demand for our products.

Worldwide political conditions may create uncertainties that could adversely affect our business. The United States has been and may continue to be involved in armed conflicts that could have a further impact on our sales and our supply chain. The consequences of armed conflict, political instability or civil or military unrest are unpredictable, and we may not be able to foresee events that could have a material adverse effect on us. Terrorist attacks or other hostile acts may negatively affect our operations, or adversely affect demand for our products, and such attacks or related armed conflicts may impact our physical facilities or those of our suppliers or customers. Furthermore, these attacks or hostile

acts may make travel and the transportation of our products more difficult and more expensive, which could materially adversely affect us. Any of these events could cause consumer spending to decrease or result in increased volatility in the United States economy and worldwide financial markets.

Unfavorable currency exchange rate fluctuations could adversely affect us.

We have costs, assets and liabilities that are denominated in foreign currencies. As a consequence, movements in exchange rates could cause our foreign currency denominated expenses to increase as a percentage of revenue, affecting our profitability and cash flows. Whenever we believe appropriate, we hedge a portion of our short-term foreign currency exposure to protect against fluctuations in currency exchange rates. We determine our total foreign currency exposure using projections of long-term expenditures for items such as payroll. We cannot assure you that these activities will be effective in reducing foreign exchange rate exposure. Failure to do so could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flow. In addition, the majority of our product sales are denominated in U.S. dollars. Fluctuations in the exchange rate between the U.S. dollar and the local currency can cause increases or decreases in the cost of our products in the local currency of such customers. An appreciation of the U.S. dollar relative to the local currency could reduce sales of our products.

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Our inability to effectively control the sales of our products on the gray market could have a material adverse effect on us.

We market and sell our products directly to OEMs and through authorized third-party distributors. From time to time, our products are diverted from our authorized distribution channels and are sold on the gray market. Gray market products result in shadow inventory that is not visible to us, thus making it difficult to forecast demand accurately. Also, when gray market products enter the market, we and our distribution channels compete with these heavily discounted gray market products, which adversely affects demand for our products and negatively impact our margins. In addition, our inability to control gray market activities could result in customer satisfaction issues because any time products are purchased outside our authorized distribution channels there is a risk that our customers are buying counterfeit or substandard products, including products that may have been altered, mishandled or damaged, or are used products represented as new.

If we cannot adequately protect our technology or other intellectual property in the United States and abroad, through patents, copyrights, trade secrets, trademarks and other measures, we may lose a competitive advantage and incur significant expenses.

We rely on a combination of protections provided by contracts, including confidentiality and nondisclosure agreements, copyrights, patents, trademarks and common law rights, such as trade secrets, to protect our intellectual property. However, we cannot assure you that we will be able to adequately protect our technology or other intellectual property from third-party infringement or from misappropriation in the United States and abroad. Any patent licensed by us or issued to us could be challenged, invalidated or circumvented or rights granted there under may not provide a competitive advantage to us.

Furthermore, patent applications that we file may not result in issuance of a patent or, if a patent is issued, the patent may not be issued in a form that is advantageous to us. Despite our efforts to protect our intellectual property rights, others may independently develop similar products, duplicate our products or design around our patents and other rights. In addition, it is difficult to monitor compliance with, and enforce, our intellectual property on a worldwide basis in a cost-effective manner. In jurisdictions where foreign laws provide less intellectual property protection than afforded in the United States and abroad, our technology or other intellectual property may be compromised, and our business would be materially adversely affected.

We are party to litigation and may become a party to other claims or litigation that could cause us to incur substantial costs or pay substantial damages or prohibit us from selling our products.

From time to time, we are a defendant or plaintiff in various legal actions. For example, on January 15, 2014 and March 20, 2014, complaints were filed against us seeking damages for alleged securities law violations, which are described in Note 9 of our unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements. We also sell products to consumers, which could increase our exposure to consumer actions such as product liability claims. On occasion, we receive claims that individuals were allegedly exposed to substances used in our former semiconductor wafer manufacturing facilities and that this alleged exposure caused harm. Litigation can involve complex factual and legal questions, and its outcome is uncertain. Any claim that is successfully asserted against us, including claims in the January 15, 2014 and March 20, 2014 complaints filed against us, may result in the payment of damages that could be material to our business.

With respect to intellectual property litigation, from time to time, we have been notified of, or third parties may bring or have brought, actions against us and/or against our customers based on allegations that we are infringing the intellectual property rights of others, contributing to or inducing the infringement of the intellectual property rights of others, improperly claiming ownership of intellectual property or otherwise improperly using the intellectual property of others. If any such claims are asserted, we may seek to obtain a license under the third parties intellectual property rights. We cannot assure you that we will be able to obtain all of the necessary licenses on satisfactory terms, if at all. These parties may file lawsuits against us or our customers seeking damages (potentially up to and including treble damages) or an injunction against the sale of products that incorporate allegedly infringed intellectual property or against the operation of our business as presently conducted, which could result in our having to stop the sale of some of our products or to increase the costs of selling some of our products or which could damage our reputation. The award of damages, including material royalty payments, or the entry of an injunction against the manufacture and sale of some or all of our products could have a material adverse effect on us. We could decide, in

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the alternative, to redesign our products or to resort to litigation to challenge such claims. Such challenges could be extremely expensive and time-consuming regardless of their merit, could cause delays in product release or shipment and/or could have a material adverse effect on us. We cannot assure you that litigation related to our intellectual property rights or the intellectual property rights of others can always be avoided or successfully concluded.

Even if we were to prevail, any litigation could be costly and time-consuming and would divert the attention of our management and key personnel from our business operations, which could have a material adverse effect on us.

A variety of environmental laws that we are subject to could result in additional costs and liabilities.

Our operations and properties have in the past and continue to be subject to various United States and foreign environmental laws and regulations, including those relating to materials used in our products and manufacturing processes, discharge of pollutants into the environment, the treatment, transport, storage and disposal of solid and hazardous wastes and remediation of contamination. These laws and regulations require us to obtain permits for our operations, including the discharge of air pollutants and wastewater. Although our management systems are designed to maintain compliance, we cannot assure you that we have been or will be at all times in complete compliance with such laws, regulations and permits. If we violate or fail to comply with any of them, a range of consequences could result, including fines, suspension of production, alteration of manufacturing processes, import/export restrictions, sales limitations, criminal and civil liabilities or other sanctions. We could also be held liable for any and all consequences arising out of exposure to hazardous materials used, stored, released, disposed of by us or located at, under or emanating from our facilities or other environmental or natural resource damage. While we have budgeted for foreseeable associated expenditures, we cannot assure you that future environmental legal requirements will not become more stringent or costly in the future. Therefore, we cannot assure you that our costs of complying with current and future environmental and health and safety laws, and our liabilities arising from past and future releases of, or exposure to, hazardous substances will not have a material adverse effect on us.

Certain environmental laws, including the U.S. Comprehensive, Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, or the Superfund Act, impose strict or, under certain circumstances, joint and several liability on current and previous owners or operators of real property for the cost of removal or remediation of hazardous substances and impose liability for damages to natural resources. These laws often impose liability even if the owner or operator did not know of, or was not responsible for, the release of such hazardous substances. These environmental laws also assess liability on persons who arrange for hazardous substances to be sent to disposal or treatment facilities when such facilities are found to be contaminated. Such persons can be responsible for cleanup costs even if they never owned or operated the contaminated facility. We have been named as a responsible party at three Superfund sites in Sunnyvale, California. Although we have not yet been, we could be named a potentially responsible party at other Superfund or contaminated sites in the future. In addition, contamination that has not yet been identified could exist at our other facilities.

Environmental laws are complex, change frequently and have tended to become more stringent over time. For example, the European Union (EU) and China are two among a growing number of jurisdictions that have enacted restrictions on the use of lead and other materials in electronic products. These regulations affect semiconductor devices and packaging. As regulations restricting materials in electronic products continue to increase around the world, there is a risk that the cost, quality and manufacturing yields of products that are subject to these restrictions, may be less favorable compared to products that are not subject to such restrictions, or that the transition to compliant products may not meet customer roadmaps, or produce sudden changes in demand, which may result in excess inventory. A number of jurisdictions including the EU, Australia and China are developing or have finalized market entry or public procurement regulations for computers and servers based on ENERGY STAR specifications as well as additional energy consumption limits. There is the potential for certain of our products being excluded from some of these markets which could materially adversely affect us.

Recent U.S. legislation includes disclosure and reporting requirements for companies who use conflict minerals that originate from the Democratic Republic of Congo or adjoining countries. We will likely incur additional costs associated with complying with these requirements, such as costs related to determining the source of any conflict minerals used in our products, auditing the process and reporting to our customers and the U.S. government. Also, since our supply chain is complex, we may face reputational challenges if we are unable to sufficiently verify the origins of the subject minerals.

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Moreover, we are likely to encounter challenges to satisfy those customers who require that all of the components of our products are certified as conflict free. If we cannot satisfy these customers, they may choose a competitor's products.

Higher health care costs and labor costs could adversely affect our business.

With the passage in 2010 of the U.S. Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (the ACA), we are required to provide affordable coverage, as defined in the ACA, to all employees, or otherwise be subject to a payment per employee based on the affordability criteria in the ACA. Although many of these requirements will be phased in over a period of time, with the majority of the most impactful provisions have been implemented in our first quarter of fiscal 2015. Additionally, some states and localities have passed state and local laws mandating the provision of certain levels of health benefits by some employers. Increased health care and insurance costs could have a material adverse effect on our business. In addition, changes in federal or state workplace regulations could adversely affect our ability to meet our financial targets.

Our business is subject to potential tax liabilities.

We are subject to income taxes in the United States, Canada and other foreign jurisdictions. Significant judgment is required in determining our worldwide provision for income taxes. In the ordinary course of our business, there are many transactions and calculations where the ultimate tax determination is uncertain. Although we believe our tax estimates are reasonable, we cannot assure you that the final determination of any tax audits and litigation will not be materially different from that which is reflected in historical income tax provisions and accruals. Should additional taxes be assessed as a result of an audit or litigation, there could be a material adverse effect on our cash, income tax provision and net income in the period or periods for which that determination is made.

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ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

31.1	Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.2	Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.1	Certification of the Principal Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.2	Certification of the Principal Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document.
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document.
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document.
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document.
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document.
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document.

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SIGNATURE

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 thereunto duly authorized.

ADVANCED MICRO DEVICES, INC.

April 29, 2015

By:

/s/ Devinder Kumar

Devinder Kumar

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Signing on behalf of the registrant and as the principal financial and
accounting officer