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X	Quarterly Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15 (d) of the Secur	ities Exchange Act of 1934 for the Quarterly period ended June 30, 20	012
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o	Transition Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Secur	ities Exchange Act of 1934 for the transition period from	_ to
	Commission	File Number 0-2382	
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	(Exact name of Registr	ant as specified in its charter)	
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	(State or other jurisdiction of	(I.R.S. Employer	
	incorporation or organization)	Identification No.)	
		ive, Eden Prairie, MN 55344	
	(Address of princip	al executive offices) (Zip Code)	
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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act):										
	o Yes	x No								
The number of shares outstanding of the Registrant's common stock as of August 1, 2012 was 16,109,170 shares.										

MTS SYSTEMS CORPORATION

REPORT ON FORM 10-Q FOR THE THREE AND NINE FISCAL MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2012

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PART 1 FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

MTS SYSTEMS CORPORATION

Consolidated Balance Sheets (unaudited - in thousands, except per share data)

		June 30, 2012	C	October 1, 2011
ASSETS				
Company A control				
Current Assets: Cash and cash equivalents	\$	145,512	\$	104,095
Accounts receivable, net of allowances for doubtful accounts of	Ф	145,512	Ф	104,093
\$2,343 and \$1,534, respectively		85,151		82,510
Unbilled accounts receivable		46,300		54,554
Inventories		65,570		65,987
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		7,730		4,354
Deferred income taxes		11,773		12,556
Total current assets		362,036		324,056
Total current assets		302,030		32 1,030
Property and equipment, net		60,125		56,252
Goodwill		16,061		16,027
Other intangible assets, net		23,847		25,843
Other assets		4,160		4,568
Deferred income taxes		901		1,113
Total Assets	\$	467,130	\$	427,859
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS INVESTMENT				
Current Liabilities:				
Short-term borrowings	\$	40,239	\$	40,285
Accounts payable		29,365		27,794
Accrued payroll and related costs		31,308		33,577
Advance payments from customers		61,909		63,307
Accrued warranty costs		3,594		5,290
Accrued income taxes		5,083		5,453
Deferred income taxes		1,798		2,285
Other accrued liabilities		25,039		17,623
Total current liabilities		198,335		195,614
Deferred income taxes		8,946		9,190
Non-current accrued income taxes		3,901		5,106
Pension benefit plan obligation		2,936		2,691
Other long-term liabilities		3,973		4,410
Total Liabilities		218,091		217,011
Shareholders Investment:				
Common stock, \$0.25 par; 64,000 shares authorized: 16,052 and 15,632 shares issued and				
outstanding as of June 30, 2012 and October 1, 2011, respectively		4,013		3,908
Additional paid-in capital		22,362		5,319
Retained earnings		209,682		185,332
Accumulated other comprehensive income		12,982		16,289
Total Shareholders Investment		249,039		210,848
Total Liabilities and Shareholders Investment	\$	467,130	\$	427,859
The accompanying condensed notes to consolidated financial statements are an integral	al part o		ents.	

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MTS SYSTEMS CORPORATION Consolidated Statements of Income

(unaudited - in thousands, except per share data)

		Three Fiscal I June 30, 2012	Month	ns Ended July 2, 2011	Nine Fiscal M June 30, 2012		Months Ended July 2, 2011	
Revenue:								
Product	\$	125,339	\$	100,363	\$	355,578	\$	287,293
Service		16,358		16,469		48,835		48,476
Total revenue		141,697		116,832		404,413		335,769
Cost of sales:								
Product		69,831		58,368		201,351		165,697
Service		8,198		8,634		24,291		24,663
Total cost of sales		78,029		67,002		225,642		190,360
Gross profit		63,668		49,830		178,771		145,409
Operating expenses:		,		,		,		Ź
Selling and marketing		19,596		17,462		55,811		51,192
General and administrative		20,793		12,892		47,906		31,712
Research and development		5.097		3,852		16,124		10,538
Total operating expenses		45,486		34,206		119,841		93,442
Total operating expenses		15,100		31,200		117,011		73,112
Income from operations		18,182		15,624		58,930		51,967
Interest income (expense), net		264		(74)		(154)		(824)
Other income (expense), net		81		856		(341)		973
Income before income taxes		18,527		16,406		58,435		52,116
Provision for income taxes		8,918		5,453		22,130		16,066
Net income	\$	9,609	\$	10,953	\$	36,305	\$	36,050
Earnings per share:								
Basic-								
Earnings per share	\$	0.60	\$	0.70	\$	2.29	\$	2.34
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding - basic		16,048		15,570		15,878		15,435
Diluted-								
Earnings per share	\$	0.59	\$	0.69	\$	2.26	\$	2.29
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding - diluted		16,197		15,789		16,045	_	15,718
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Dividends declared per share	\$	0.25	\$	0.20	\$	0.75	\$	0.60
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MTS SYSTEMS CORPORATION Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (unaudited - in thousands)

		Nine Fiscal M June 30, 2012	Ionth	s Ended July 2, 2011
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Net income	\$	36,305	\$	36,050
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by				
operating activities:				
Stock-based compensation		2,429		2,225
Excess tax benefits for stock-based compensation		(676)		(306)
Net periodic pension benefit cost		503		541
Depreciation and amortization		9,865		9,650
Deferred income taxes		316		(36)
Bad debt provision		950		634
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Accounts and unbilled contracts receivable		2,438		(29,696)
Inventories		(73)		(13,653)
Prepaid expenses		(1,655)		(380)
Accounts payable		1,753		7,137
Accrued payroll and related costs		(1,278)		(469)
Advance payments from customers		(1,475)		17,783
Accrued warranty costs		(1,587)		(1,877)
Other assets and liabilities		4,366		7,902
Net cash provided by operating activities		52,181		35,505
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Purchases of property and equipment		(11,668)		(7,552)
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Net (repayments) receipts under short-term borrowings		(40)		2
Excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation		676		306
Cash dividends		(11,950)		(9,300)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options and employee stock purchase plan		14,629		12,078
Payments to purchase and retire common stock		-		(9,711)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		3,315		(6,625)
Effect of exchange rate on changes in cash		(2,411)		3,362
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		41,417		24,690
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Cash and cash equivalents, at beginning of period		104,095		76,611
Cash and cash equivalents, at end of period	\$	145,512	\$	101,301
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:				
Cash paid during the period for -				
Interest	\$	781	\$	989
Income taxes	\$	25,449	\$	3,876
Non-cash financing activities:				
Dividends declared not yet paid	\$	3,924	\$	-
The accompanying condensed notes to consolidated financial statements are an integral	oart of	these statemen	nts.	

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MTS SYSTEMS CORPORATION CONDENSED NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(unaudited)

1. Basis of Presentation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of MTS Systems Corporation and its wholly owned subsidiaries (the Company). All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated.

The interim consolidated financial statements included herein have been prepared by the Company, without audit, pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). The information furnished in these consolidated financial statements includes normal recurring adjustments and reflects all adjustments which are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair presentation of such financial statements. The consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), which require the Company to make estimates and assumptions that affect amounts reported. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP have been condensed or omitted pursuant to SEC rules and regulations. The accompanying consolidated financial statements of the Company should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements of operations for the three and nine-fiscal month periods ended June 30, 2012 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full year.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Company believes that of its significant accounting policies, the following are particularly important to the portrayal of the Company s results of operations and financial position and may require the application of a higher level of judgment by the Company s management and, as a result, are subject to an inherent degree of uncertainty.

Revenue Recognition. The Company recognizes revenue on a sales arrangement when it is realized or realizable and earned, which occurs when all of the following criteria have been met: persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists; delivery and title transfer has occurred or services have been rendered; the sales price is fixed and determinable; collectability is reasonably assured; and all significant obligations to the customer have been fulfilled.

Orders that are manufactured and delivered in less than six months with routine installations and no special acceptance protocols may contain multiple elements for revenue recognition purposes. The Company considers each deliverable that provides value to the customer on a standalone basis a separable element. Separable elements in these arrangements may include the design and manufacture of hardware and essential software, installation services, training and/or post contract software maintenance and support. The Company initially allocates consideration to each separable element using the relative selling price method. Selling prices are determined by the Company based on either vendor-specific objective evidence (VSOE) (the actual selling prices of similar products and services sold on a standalone basis) or, in the absence of VSOE, the Company s best estimate of the selling price. Factors considered by the Company in determining estimated selling prices for applicable elements generally include overall economic conditions, customer demand, costs incurred by the Company to provide the deliverable, as well as the Company s historical pricing practices. Under these arrangements, revenue associated with each delivered element is recognized in an amount equal to the lesser of the consideration initially allocated to the delivered element or the amount for which payment is not deemed contingent upon future delivery of other elements in the arrangement. Under arrangements where special acceptance protocols exist, installation services and training are not considered separable. Accordingly, revenue for the entire arrangement is recognized upon the completion of installation, training and fulfillment of any other significant obligations specific to the terms of the arrangement. Arrangements that do not contain any separable elements are typically recognized when the products are shipped and title has transferred to the customer.

Certain contractual arrangements require longer production periods, generally longer than six months (long-term contracts), and may contain non-routine installations and special acceptance protocols. These arrangements often include hardware and essential software, installation services, training and support. Long-term contractual arrangements involving essential software typically include significant production, modification, and customization. For long-term arrangements with essential software and all other long-term arrangements with complex installations and/or unusual acceptance protocols, revenue is recognized using the percentage-of-completion method, based on the cost incurred to-date relative to estimated total cost of the contract. Elements of an arrangement that do not separately fall within the scope of the percentage of completion method (e.g. training and post contract software maintenance and support) are recognized as the service is provided in amounts determined based on VSOE, or in the absence of VSOE, the Company s best estimate of the selling price.

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Under the terms of the Company s long-term contracts, revenue recognized using the percentage-of-completion method may not, in certain circumstances, be invoiced until completion of contractual milestones, upon shipment of the equipment, or upon installation and acceptance by the customer. Unbilled amounts for these contracts appear in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as Unbilled Accounts Receivable.

Revenue from arrangements for services such as maintenance, repair, consulting and technical support are recognized either as the service is performed or ratably over the defined contractual period for service maintenance contracts. Revenue from post contract software maintenance and support services is recognized ratably over the defined contractual period of the maintenance agreement.

The Company s sales arrangements typically do not include specific performance-, cancellation-, termination-, or refund-type provisions. In the event a customer cancels a contractual arrangement, the Company would typically be entitled to receive reimbursement from the customer for actual costs incurred under the arrangement plus a reasonable margin.

Revenue is recorded net of taxes collected from customers that are remitted to governmental authorities, with the collected taxes recorded as current liabilities until remitted to the relevant government authority.

Inventories. Inventories consist of material, labor and overhead costs and are stated at the lower of cost or market, determined under the first-in, first-out accounting method. Inventories at June 30, 2012 and October 1, 2011 were as follows:

	June 3	October 1, 2011					
	((expressed in thousands)					
Customer projects in various stages of completion	\$	18,662	\$	19,026			
Components, assemblies and parts		46,908		46,961			
Total	\$	65,570	\$	65,987			

Software Development Costs. The Company capitalizes certain software development costs related to software to be sold, leased, or otherwise marketed. Capitalized software development costs include purchased materials and services, salary and benefits of the Company's development and technical support staff, and other costs associated with the development of new products and services. Software development costs are expensed as incurred until technological feasibility has been established, at which time future costs incurred are capitalized until the product is available for general release to the public. Based on the Company's product development process, technological feasibility is generally established once product and detailed program designs have been completed, uncertainties related to high-risk development issues have been resolved through coding and testing, and the Company has established that the necessary skills, hardware, and software technology are available for production of the product. Once a software product is available for general release to the public, capitalized development costs associated with that product will begin to be amortized to cost of sales over the product sestimated economic life, using the greater of straight-line or a method that results in cost recognition in future periods that is consistent with the anticipated timing of product revenue recognition.

The Company s capitalized software development costs are subject to an ongoing assessment of recoverability, which is impacted by estimates and assumptions of future revenues and expenses for these software products, as well as other factors such as changes in product technologies. Any portion of unamortized capitalized software development costs that are determined to be in excess of net realizable value will be expensed in the period such a determination is made. Amortization expense for software development costs for the three-fiscal month periods ended June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011 was \$0.7 million and \$0.4 million respectively. Amortization expense for software development costs for the nine-fiscal month periods ended June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011 was \$1.9 million and \$1.1 million, respectively. See Note 2 in the Condensed Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information on capitalized software development costs.

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Impairment of Long-Lived Assets. The Company reviews the carrying value of long-lived assets or asset groups, such as property and equipment and intangibles subject to amortization, when events or changes in circumstances such as market value, asset utilization, physical change, legal factors, or other matters indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable. When this review indicates the carrying value of an asset or asset group exceeds the sum of the undiscounted cash flows expected to result from the use and eventual disposition of the asset or asset group, the Company recognizes an asset impairment charge against operations. The amount of the impairment loss recorded is the amount by which the carrying value of the impaired asset or asset group exceeds its fair value.

Goodwill. Goodwill represents the excess of acquisition costs over the fair value of the net assets of businesses acquired. Goodwill is not amortized to income, but instead tested for impairment at least annually, during the fourth quarter of each fiscal year. Goodwill is also tested for impairment as changes in circumstances occur indicating that the carrying value may not be recoverable. Goodwill impairment testing first requires a comparison of the fair value of each reporting unit to the carrying value. If the carrying value of the reporting unit exceeds fair value, goodwill is considered impaired.

Warranty Obligations. Sales of the Company s products and systems are subject to limited warranty obligations that are included in customer contracts. For sales that include installation services, warranty obligations typically extend for a period of twelve to twenty-four months from the date of either shipment or acceptance. Product obligations typically extend for a period of twelve to twenty-four months from the date of purchase. Under the terms of these warranties, the Company is obligated to repair or replace any components or assemblies it deems defective due to workmanship or materials. The Company reserves the right to reject warranty claims where it determines that failure is due to normal wear, customer modifications, improper maintenance, or misuse. The Company records general warranty provisions based on an estimated warranty expense percentage applied to current period revenue. The percentage applied reflects historical warranty claims experience over the preceding twelve-month period. Both the experience percentage and the warranty liability are evaluated on an ongoing basis for adequacy. In addition, warranty provisions are also recognized for certain nonrecurring product claims that are individually significant. Warranty provisions and claims for the three and nine-fiscal month periods ended June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011 were as follows:

	Three Fiscal Months Endure 30, July June 30, July July July July July July July July			s Ended July 2,	Nine Fiscal M June 30,			s Ended July 2,
	2	2012		2011		2012		2011
				(expressed in	thous	ands)		
Beginning balance	\$	4,468	\$	6,371	\$	5,290	\$	7,505
Warranty provisions		416		557		1,899		2,043
Warranty claims		(1,204)		(1,507)		(3,787)		(4,437)
Adjustments to preexisting warranties		-		279		300		518
Currency translation		(86)		52		(108)		123
Ending balance	\$	3,594	\$	5,752	\$	3,594	\$	5,752

Income Taxes. The Company records a tax provision for the anticipated tax consequences of the reported results of operations. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using the currently enacted tax rates that apply to taxable income in effect for the years in which those deferred tax assets and liabilities are expected to be realized or settled. The Company records a valuation allowance to reduce deferred tax assets to the amount that is believed more likely than not to be realized. The Company believes it is more likely than not that forecasted income, including income that may be generated as a result of certain tax planning strategies, together with the tax effects of the deferred tax liabilities, will be sufficient to fully recover the remaining net realizable value of its deferred tax assets. In the event that all or part of the net deferred tax assets are determined not to be realizable in the future, an adjustment to the valuation allowance would be charged to earnings in the period such determination is made. In addition, the calculation of tax liabilities involves significant judgment in estimating the impact of uncertainties in the application of complex tax laws. Resolution of these uncertainties in a manner inconsistent with management s expectations could have a material impact on the Company s financial condition and operating results. See Note 9 in the Condensed Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information on income taxes.

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2. Capital Assets

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment at June 30, 2012 and October 1, 2011 consist of the following:

	J	fune 30, 2012 (expressed in	n thoi	October 1, 2011 usands)
Land and improvements	\$	1,710	\$	1,713
Buildings and improvements		53,063		52,764
Machinery and equipment		114,740		108,143
Total		169,513		162,620
Less accumulated depreciation		(109,388)		(106,368)
Property and equipment, net Goodwill	\$	60,125	\$	56,252

Goodwill at June 30, 2012 and October 1, 2011 was \$16.1 million and \$16.0 million, respectively. The increase in goodwill during the nine-fiscal month period ended June 30, 2012 was due to currency translation.

Other Intangible Assets

Other intangible assets at June 30, 2012 and October 1, 2011 consist of the following:

		June 30, 2012					
	G	ross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization		Net Carrying Value		Weighted Average Useful Life (in Years)
		(ex	presse	d in thousands))		
Software development costs	\$	15,848	\$	(5,433)	\$	10,415	5.7
Patents		9,963		(2,661)		7,302	15.3
Trademarks and trade names		5,959		(967)		4,992	30.2
Land-use rights		1,228		(90)		1,138	47.8
Total	\$	32,998	\$	(9,151)	\$	23,847	14.3

October 1	, 2011
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	Carrying mount (ex	Accumulated Amortization (pressed in thousands)		Net Carrying Value		Weighted Average Useful Life (in Years)	
Software development costs	\$ 15,370	\$	(3,574)	\$	11,796	5.8	
Patents	9,903		(2,114)		7,789	15.3	
Trademarks and trade names	5,924		(815)		5,109	30.2	
Non-compete agreements	2,596		(2,596)		-	3.0	
Land-use rights	1,219		(70)		1,149	47.8	
Total	\$ 35,012	\$	(9,169)	\$	25,843	13.6	

Amortization expense recognized during the three-fiscal month periods ended June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011 was \$0.9 million and \$0.8 million, respectively. Amortization expense recognized during the nine-fiscal month periods ended June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011 was \$2.6 million and \$2.4 million, respectively.

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3. Earnings Per Common Share

Basic earnings per share are computed by dividing net earnings by the daily weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the applicable periods. Diluted earnings per share include the potentially dilutive effect of common shares issued in connection with outstanding stock-based compensation options and awards, using the treasury stock method. Under the treasury stock method, shares associated with certain stock options have been excluded from the diluted weighted average shares outstanding calculation because the exercise of those options would lead to a net reduction in common shares outstanding. As a result, stock options to acquire 0.3 million and 0.2 million weighted common shares have been excluded from diluted weighted shares outstanding for the three-fiscal month periods ended June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011, respectively. Stock options to acquire 0.4 million and 0.3 million weighted common shares have been excluded from diluted weighted shares outstanding for the nine-fiscal month periods ended June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011, respectively. The potentially dilutive effect of common shares issued in connection with outstanding stock options is determined based on net income. A reconciliation of these amounts is as follows:

	Three Fiscal Months Ended				Nine Fiscal Months Ended					
	June 30,			July 2,		June 30,		July 2,		
	2012			2011	2012			2011		
	(expressed in thousands, except per share data)									
Net income	\$	9,609	\$	10,953	\$	36,305	\$	36,050		
Weighted average common shares outstanding		16,048		15,570		15,878		15,435		
Dilutive potential common shares		149		219		167		283		
Total diluted weighted shares outstanding		16,197		15,789		16,045		15,718		
Earnings per share:										
Basic	\$	0.60	\$	0.70	\$	2.29	\$	2.34		
Diluted	\$	0.59	\$	0.69	\$	2.26	\$	2.29		

4. Business Segment Information

The Company s Chief Executive Officer and management regularly review financial information for the Company s three discrete operating segments. Based on similarities in the economic characteristics, nature of products and services, production processes, type or class of customer served, method of distribution and regulatory environments, the operating segments have been aggregated for financial statement purposes and categorized into two reportable segments, Test and Sensors. The Test segment provides testing equipment, systems, and services to the ground vehicles, materials and structures markets. The Sensors segment provides high-performance position sensors for a variety of industrial and mobile hydraulic applications.

The accounting policies of the reportable segments are the same as those described in Note 1 to the Consolidated Financial Statements found in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended October 1, 2011. In evaluating each segment s performance, management focuses on income from operations. This measure excludes interest income and expense, income taxes and other non-operating items. Corporate expenses, including costs associated with various support functions such as human resources, information technology, finance and accounting, and general and administrative costs, are allocated to the reportable segments primarily on the basis of revenue.

Financial information by reportable segment for the three and nine-fiscal month periods ended June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011 was as follows:

	-	Three Fiscal I	s Ended	Nine Fiscal Months Ended				
	June 30,			July 2,		June 30,		July 2,
		2012		2011		2012		2011
				(expressed in thousands)				
Revenue by Segment:								
Test	\$	116,338	\$	89,346	\$	327,879	\$	258,649
Sensors		25,359		27,486		76,534		77,120
Total revenue	\$	141,697	\$	116,832	\$	404,413	\$	335,769
Income from Operations by Segment:								
Test	\$	13,674	\$	8,941	\$	42,141	\$	31,536
Sensors		4,508		6,683		16,789		20,431
Total income from operations	\$	18,182	\$	15,624	\$	58,930	\$	51,967
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5. Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities

The Company s results of operations could be materially impacted by changes in foreign currency exchange rates, as well as interest rates on its floating rate indebtedness. In an effort to manage exposure to these risks, the Company periodically enters into forward and option currency exchange contracts, interest rate swaps and forward interest rate swaps. Because the market value of these hedging contracts is derived from current market rates, they are classified as derivative financial instruments. The Company does not use derivatives for speculative or trading purposes. The derivative contracts contain credit risk to the extent that the Company s bank counterparties may be unable to meet the terms of the agreements. The amount of such credit risk is generally limited to the unrealized gains, if any, in such contracts. Such risk is minimized by limiting those counterparties to major financial institutions of high credit quality. For derivative instruments executed under master netting arrangements, the Company has the contractual right to offset fair value amounts recognized for the right to reclaim cash collateral with obligations to return cash collateral. The Company does not offset fair value amounts recognized on these derivative instruments. As of June 30, 2012, the Company does not have any foreign exchange contracts with credit-risk related contingent features.

The Company s currency exchange and interest rate swaps are designated as cash flow hedges and qualify as hedging instruments pursuant to ASC 815. The Company also has derivatives which are accounted for and reported under the guidance of ASC 830-20-10. Regardless of designation for accounting purposes, the Company believes that all of its derivative instruments are hedges of transactional risk exposures. The fair value of the Company s outstanding designated and undesignated derivative assets and liabilities are reported in the June 30, 2012 and October 1, 2011 Consolidated Balance Sheet as follows:

		June 30, 2012						
	Prepaid F	Prepaid Expenses						
	and C	Other	Oth	er Accrued				
	Current	Assets	Li	iabilities				
	(e	xpressed in	thousa	nds)				
Designated hedge derivatives:								
Foreign exchange cash flow hedges	\$	795	\$	470				
Interest rate swaps		-		98				
Total designated hedge derivatives		795		568				
Derivatives not designated as hedges:								
Foreign exchange balance sheet derivatives		-		134				
Total hedge and other derivatives	\$	795	\$	702				

	Prepaid E and C Current (e:	ther	Oth L	ner Accrued
Designated hedge derivatives:				
Foreign exchange cash flow hedges	\$	746	\$	1,041
Interest rate swaps		-		617
Total designated hedge derivatives		746		1,658
Derivatives not designated as hedges:				
Foreign exchange balance sheet derivatives		222		-
Total hedge and other derivatives	\$	968	\$	1,658
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Cash Flow Hedging Currency Risks

Currency exchange contracts utilized to maintain the functional currency value of expected financial transactions denominated in foreign currencies are designated as cash flow hedges. Qualifying gains and losses related to changes in the market value of these contracts are reported as a component of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (AOCI) within Shareholders Investment on the Consolidated Balance Sheets and reclassified into earnings in the same period during which the underlying hedged transaction affects earnings. The effective portion of the cash flow hedges represents the change in fair value of the hedge that offsets the change in the functional currency value of the hedged item. Each month, the Company assesses whether its currency exchange contracts are effective and, when a contract is determined to be no longer effective as a hedge, the Company discontinues hedge accounting prospectively. Subsequent changes in the market value of ineffective currency exchange contracts are recognized as an increase or decrease in Revenue on the Consolidated Statement of Income, as that is the same line item upon which the underlying hedged transaction is reported.

At June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011, the Company had outstanding cash flow hedge currency exchange contracts with gross notional U.S. dollar equivalent amounts of \$53.5 million and \$34.4 million, respectively. Upon netting offsetting contracts to sell foreign currencies against contracts to purchase foreign currencies, irrespective of contract maturity dates, the net notional U.S. dollar equivalent amount of contracts outstanding were \$43.6 million and \$31.6 million at June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011, respectively. At June 30, 2012 the net market value of the foreign currency exchange contracts was a net asset of \$0.3 million, consisting of \$0.8 million in assets and \$0.5 million in liabilities. At July 2, 2011 the net market value of the foreign currency exchange contracts was a net liability of \$1.3 million, consisting of \$1.3 million in liabilities and less than \$0.1 million in assets.

The pretax amounts recognized in AOCI on currency exchange contracts for the three and nine-fiscal month periods ended June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011, including gains (losses) reclassified into earnings in the Consolidated Statements of Income and gains (losses) recognized in other comprehensive income (OCI), are as follows:

	Three Fiscal Months Ended				Nine Fiscal Months Ended				
	June 3,			July 2,		June 3,		July 2,	
	2012			2011		2012		2011	
				(expressed in	thou	isands)			
Beginning unrealized net loss in AOCI	\$	(12)	\$	(635)	\$	(365)	\$	(384)	
Net loss reclassified into Revenue (effective portion)		100		429		229		838	
Net loss reclassified into Revenue upon the removal									
of a hedge designation on an underlying foreign									
currency transaction that was cancelled		-		4		-		11	
Net gain (loss) recognized in OCI (effective portion)		498		(831)		722		(1,498)	
Ending unrealized net gain (loss) in AOCI	\$	586	\$	(1,033)	\$	586	\$	(1,033)	

The amount recognized in earnings as a result of the ineffectiveness of cash flow hedges was less than \$0.1 million in each of the three and nine-fiscal month periods ended June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011. At June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011, the amount projected to be reclassified from AOCI into earnings in the next 12 months was a net gain of \$0.2 million and a net loss of \$0.7 million, respectively. The maximum remaining maturity of any forward or optional contract at June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011 was 2.1 years and 3.1 years, respectively.

Cash Flow Hedging - Interest Rate Risks

The Company uses floating to fixed interest rate swaps to mitigate its exposure to future changes in interest rates related to its floating rate indebtedness. The Company has designated these interest rate swaps as cash flow hedges. As a result, changes in the fair value of the interest rate swaps are recorded in AOCI within Shareholders Investment on the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

At June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011 the Company had outstanding interest rate swaps with total notional amounts of \$40.0 million and \$24.0 million, respectively. Every month, the Company pays fixed interest on these interest rate swaps in exchange for interest received at monthly U.S. LIBOR. At June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011, the weighted-average interest rate payable by the Company under the terms of the credit facility borrowings and outstanding interest rate swaps was 2.09% and 2.44%, respectively. At June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011, there was a 45 basis-point differential between the variable rate interest paid by the Company on its outstanding credit facility borrowings and the variable rate interest received on the interest rate swaps. As a result of this differential, the overall effective interest rate applicable to outstanding credit facility borrowings, under the terms of the credit facility and interest rate swap agreements, was 2.54% and 2.89%, respectively.

At July 2, 2011, the Company had outstanding forward interest rate swaps with a notional amount of \$27.0 million to pay interest rates ranging from 1.02% to 1.08% in exchange for interest received at U.S. LIBOR.

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The following table shows the contractual maturities of the interest rate hedging relationships at June 30, 2012:

Outstanding Interest Rate Swaps:

Start Date	End Date	Notional e Amount (in millions)		Reference Rate	Basis Spread
July 25, 2008	July 25, 2012	\$	13.0	4.24%	0.45%
December 20, 2011	September 20, 2012		6.0	1.06%	0.45%
December 7, 2011	September 7, 2012		11.0	1.02%	0.45%
December 29, 2011	September 28, 2012		10.0	1.08%	0.45%
	Total	\$	40.0		

The total market value of interest rate swaps at June 30, 2012 was a liability of \$0.1 million. The total market value of interest rate swaps and forward interest rate swaps at July 2, 2011 was a liability of \$0.8 million. The pretax amounts recognized in AOCI on interest rate swaps and forward interest rate swaps for the three and nine-month fiscal periods ended June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011 are as follows:

	Three Fiscal Months Ended June 30, July 2, 2012 2011 (expresso			July 2,	ı thoı	Nine Fiscal M June 30, 2012 usands)	Ionth	s Ended July 2, 2011
Beginning unrealized net loss in AOCI	\$	(282)	\$	(950)	\$	(617)	\$	(1,406)
Net gain reclassified into Interest expense								
(effective portion)		186		222		545		739
Net loss recognized in OCI (effective portion)		(2)		(104)		(26)		(165)
Ending unrealized net loss in AOCI	\$	(98)	\$	(832)	\$	(98)	\$	(832)

At June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011, the amount projected to be reclassified from AOCI into earnings in the next 12 months was a net loss of \$0.1 million and \$0.8 million, respectively. The maximum remaining maturity of any interest rate swap or forward interest rate swap at June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011 was 0.2 years and 1.2 years, respectively.

Foreign Currency Balance Sheet Derivatives

The Company also uses foreign currency derivative contracts to maintain the functional currency value of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in non-functional foreign currencies. The gains and losses related to the changes in the market value of these derivative contracts are included in Other Income (Expense), net on the Consolidated Statement of Income in the current period.

At June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011, the Company had outstanding foreign currency balance sheet derivative contracts with gross notional U.S. dollar equivalent amounts of \$50.1 million and \$26.7 million, respectively. Upon netting offsetting contracts by counterparty banks to sell foreign currencies against contracts to purchase foreign currencies, irrespective of contract maturity dates, the net notional U.S. dollar equivalent amount of contracts outstanding at June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011 was \$15.1 million and \$6.5 million, respectively. At June 30, 2012, the net market value of the foreign exchange balance sheet derivative contracts was a net liability of \$0.1 million, consisting entirely of liabilities. At July 2, 2011, the net market value of the foreign exchange balance sheet derivative contracts was a net liability of less than \$0.1 million, consisting entirely of liabilities.

The net losses recognized in the Consolidated Statements of Income on foreign exchange balance sheet derivative contracts for the three and nine-fiscal month periods ended June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011 are as follows:

	Three Fiscal Months Ended				Ni	Nine Fiscal Months Ended			
	June 30,			July 2,	Ju	ine 30,	J	July 2,	
	2012			2011	2012		2011		
				(expressed in thousands)					
Net gain (loss) recognized in Other income (expense), net	\$	29	\$	(192)	\$	228	\$	(692)	
6 Fair Value Measurements									

In determining the fair value of financial assets and liabilities, the Company currently utilizes market data or other assumptions that it believes market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, and adjusts for non-performance and/or other risk associated with the Company as well as counterparties, as appropriate.

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ASC 820-10 establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three broad levels. The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

Level 1: Inputs are unadjusted quoted prices which are available in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2: Inputs are other-than-quoted prices in active markets included in Level 1, which are either directly or indirectly observable, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, or for identical assets or liabilities in inactive markets. Level 2 includes those financial assets and liabilities that are valued using models or other valuation methodologies. The models used are primarily industry-standard, and consider various assumptions, including quoted forward prices, time value, volatility factors, and current contractual prices for the underlying instruments, as well as other relevant economic measures. Substantially all of the assumptions used in these valuation models are observable in the marketplace.

Level 3: Inputs are unobservable and reflect the Company s own assumptions used to measure assets and liabilities at fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to Level 1, as this level provides the most reliable measure of fair value, while giving the lowest priority to Level 3.

Financial Instruments Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

As of June 30, 2012 and October 1, 2011, financial assets and liabilities subject to fair value measurements on a recurring basis are as follows:

		June 30, 2012							
	Level 1		L	evel 2	Le	evel 3		Total	
			(e	xpressed ii	ı thous	sands)			
Assets:									
Currency contracts ⁽¹⁾	\$	-	\$	795	\$	-	\$	795	
Total assets	\$	-	\$	795	\$	-	\$	795	
Liabilities:									
Currency contracts ⁽¹⁾	\$	-	\$	604	\$	-	\$	604	
Interest rate swaps ⁽²⁾		-		98		-		98	
Total liabilities	\$	-	\$	702	\$	-	\$	702	
				October	1, 201	1			
	Level 1	Level 1 Level 2 Level 3			Total				
			(e	xpressed ii	ı thous	ands)			
Assets:									
Currency contracts ⁽¹⁾	\$	-	\$	968	\$	-	\$	968	
Total assets	\$	-	\$	968	\$	-	\$	968	
Liabilities:									
Currency contracts ⁽¹⁾	\$	-	\$	1,041	\$	-	\$	1,041	
Interest rate swaps ⁽²⁾		-		617		-		617	
Total liabilities	\$	-	\$	617 1,658	\$	-	\$	617 1,658	

- (1) Based on observable market transactions of spot currency rates and forward currency rates on equivalently-termed instruments.
- (2) Based on LIBOR and swap rates.

Nonfinancial Assets Measured at Fair Value on a Nonrecurring Basis

The Company s goodwill, intangible assets and other long-lived assets are nonfinancial assets that were acquired either as part of a business combination, individually or with a group of other assets. These nonfinancial assets were initially, and are currently, measured and recognized at amounts equal to the fair value determined as of the date of acquisition.

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Periodically, these nonfinancial assets are tested for impairment, by comparing their respective carrying values to the estimated fair value of the reporting unit or asset group in which they reside. In the event any of these nonfinancial assets were to become impaired, the Company would recognize an impairment loss equal to the amount by which the carrying value of the reporting unit, impaired asset or asset group exceeds its estimated fair value. Fair value measurements of reporting units are estimated using an income approach involving discounted or undiscounted cash flow models that contain certain Level 3 inputs requiring management judgment, including projections of economic conditions and customer demand, revenue and margins, changes in competition, operating costs, working capital requirements, and new product introductions. Fair value measurements of the reporting units associated with the Company s goodwill balances are estimated at least annually in the fourth quarter of each fiscal year for purposes of impairment testing. Fair value measurements associated with the Company s intangible assets and other long-lived assets are estimated when events or changes in circumstances such as market value, asset utilization, physical change, legal factors, or other matters indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable.

Financial Instruments not Measured at Fair Value

Certain of the Company s financial instruments are not measured at fair value but nevertheless are recorded at carrying amounts approximating fair value, based on their short-term nature or variable interest rate. These financial instruments include cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable and short-term borrowings.

7. Comprehensive Income

Comprehensive Income, a component of Shareholders Investment, consists of net income, pension benefit plan adjustments, derivative instrument gains or losses, and foreign currency translation adjustments.

Comprehensive Income for the three and nine-fiscal month periods ended June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011 was as follows:

	ns Ended July 2, 2011
	2011
\$	36,050
)	5,183
<i>'</i>	(524)
	(49)
\$	40,660
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8. Financing

Short-term borrowings at June 30, 2012 and October 1, 2011 consist of the following:

	ine 30, 2012 (expressed in	october 1, 2011 sands)
Bank line of credit, monthly U.S. LIBOR plus 45 basis points (0.70% rate		
in effect at June 30, 2012), maturing July 2012, with optional		
month-to-month term renewal and loan repricing until December 2012	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000
Notes payable, non-interest bearing	239	285
Total short-term borrowings	\$ 40,239	\$ 40,285
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The Company's credit facility provides for up to \$75.0 million for working capital financing, acquisitions, share purchases, or other general corporate purposes and expires in December 2012. At June 30, 2012 and October 1, 2011, outstanding borrowings under the credit facility were \$40.0 million. At June 30, 2012, the Company had outstanding letters of credit drawn from the credit facility totaling \$10.0 million, leaving approximately \$25.0 million of unused borrowing capacity. In order to mitigate its exposure to interest rate increases on certain of its floating rate indebtedness, the Company has entered into floating to fixed interest rate swaps. At June 30, 2012 and October 1, 2011, the Company had outstanding interest rate swaps with total notional amounts of \$40.0 million and \$24.0 million, respectively. At June 30, 2012 and October 1, 2011, under the terms of the credit facility borrowings and interest rate swap agreements, the effective weighted average interest rate applicable to outstanding credit facility borrowings was 2.09% and 2.47%, respectively. At June 30, 2012 and October 1, 2011, there was a 45 basis-point differential between the variable rate interest paid by the Company on its outstanding credit facility borrowings and the variable rate interest received on the interest rate swaps. As a result of this differential, the overall effective interest rate applicable to outstanding credit facility borrowings, under the terms of the credit facility and interest rate swap agreements, was 2.54% and 2.92%, respectively. The Company intends to renew each of the applicable outstanding borrowings on the credit facility monthly throughout the entire term of the interest rate swap arrangement directly associated with the borrowing. Subsequent to June 30, 2012, the Company renewed each of the outstanding borrowings on the credit facility for an additional month. See Note 5 in the Condensed Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information on the interest rate swaps.

9. Income Taxes

As of June 30, 2012, the Company s liability for unrecognized tax benefits was \$3.9 million, of which \$0.5 million would favorably affect the Company s effective tax rate if recognized. As of October 1, 2011, the Company s liability for unrecognized tax benefits was \$5.1 million, of which \$1.5 million would favorably affect the Company s effective tax rate if recognized. As of June 30, 2012, the Company does not expect significant changes in the amount of unrecognized tax benefits during the next twelve months.

10. Retirement Benefit Plan

One of the Company s German subsidiaries has a non-contributory, defined benefit retirement plan for eligible employees. This plan provides benefits based on the employee s years of service and compensation during the years immediately preceding retirement, early retirement, termination, disability, or death, as defined in the plan.

The cost for the plan for the three and nine-fiscal month periods ended June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011 included the following components:

		Three Fiscal Months Ended				Nine Fiscal Months Ended			
	•	June 30,		July 2,		June 30,		July 2,	
		2012		2011 (expressed in	thou	2012 (sands)		2011	
Service cost	\$	101	\$	124	\$	312	\$	359	
Interest cost		206		205		633		594	
Expected return on plan assets		(163)		(181)		(501)		(526)	
Net amortization and deferral		19		39		59		114	
Net periodic benefit cost	\$	163	\$	187	\$	503	\$	541	

The weighted average expected long-term rate of return on plan assets used to determine the net periodic benefit cost for the three and nine-fiscal month periods ended June 30, 2012 and July 2, 2011 was 5.4% and 5.2%, respectively.

11. Legal Matters

As previously reported by the Company, including in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended October 1, 2011 (the 2011 Form 10-K), in January 2011, the U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC) and the U.S. Attorney s Office for the District of Minnesota (USAO) began an investigation into the Company s past disclosures on the U.S. Government s Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA Certification) and later expanded the scope of inquiry to include the Company s government contracting compliance policies and general compliance record and practices in areas including export controls and government contracts.

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During the third quarter of fiscal 2012, the Company began negotiations for settlement of the matter. On July 27, 2012, the Company reached an agreement in principle with the USAO, subject to the approval of the Department of Justice ("DOJ"), settling, for \$7.8 million, the DOC and USAO's investigation described above. If approved, the agreement would conclude the DOC and USAO investigation. In connection with the agreement in principle, the Company accrued a loss contingency equal to the settlement amount. The settlement is not final until approved by DOJ and until the Company and the USAO have signed the written settlement agreement. The Company expects the agreement in principle to be approved but there is no assurance that it will be and DOJ may reject it. If that were to occur, the Company will no longer have an agreement in principle and the DOC and USAO investigation would continue. In that event, the Company's loss could exceed its accrual and the Company would be unable to determine the ultimate amount of any fines or penalties or additional costs, or predict with certainty the timeline for the resolution of the investigation.

The Company's known external legal and consulting costs related to the investigation in the first nine months of fiscal 2012 and 2011 totaled \$0.4 million and \$4.0 million, respectively. The \$7.8 million accrual is non-deductible for income tax purposes.

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Item 2. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

Forward-Looking Statements

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements regarding financial projections made pursuant to the safe harbor provision of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 that are subject to certain risks and uncertainties, as well as assumptions, that could cause actual results to differ materially from historical results and those presently anticipated or projected. Words such as may, will, should, expects, intends, projects, plans, believes, estimates, targets, anticipates, and similar expressions are used to identify the forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause actual results to differ from those discussed in the forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, those factors described in Part I, Item 1A, Risk Factors of our 2011 Form 10-K. Such important factors include:

The Company s business operations may be affected by government contracting risks

The Company is the subject of an investigation relating to its past government contracting practices

The Company s business is significantly international in scope, which poses multiple risks

Volatility in the global economy could adversely affect results

The Company s business is subject to strong competition

The Company may not achieve its growth plans for the expansion of the business

The Company may experience difficulties obtaining the services of skilled employees

The Company may fail to protect its intellectual property effectively, or may infringe upon the intellectual property of others

The Company s business could be adversely affected by product liability and commercial litigation

The Company may experience difficulty obtaining materials or components for its products, or the cost of materials or components may increase

Government regulation imposes significant costs and other constraints

The backlog, sales, delivery and acceptance cycle for many of the Company s products is irregular and may not develop as anticipated

The Company s customers are in cyclical industries

Interest rate fluctuations could adversely affect results

The Company may be required to recognize impairment charges for long-lived assets

In addition to the risk factors listed above, the Company's business and results of operations may be adversely affected if the U.S. Department of Justice does not approve the Company's agreement in principle with the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Minnesota ("USAO") settling the U.S. Department of Commerce ("DOC") and USAO's investigation into the Company's past government contracting practices.

The performance of the Company s business and its securities may be adversely affected by these factors and by other factors common to other businesses and investments, or to the general economy. Forward-looking statements are qualified by some or all of these risk factors. Therefore, you should consider these risk factors with caution and form your own critical and independent conclusions about the likely effect of these risk factors on our future performance. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date on which such statements are made, and we undertake no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances after the date on which such statement is made to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events or circumstances. Readers should carefully review the disclosures and the risk factors described in this and other documents we file from time to time with the SEC, including our reports on Forms 10-Q and 8-K to be filed by the Company in fiscal year 2012.

About MTS Systems Corporation

MTS Systems Corporation is a leading global supplier of test systems and industrial position sensors. The Company s testing hardware and software solutions help customers accelerate and improve their design, development, and manufacturing processes and are used for determining the mechanical behavior of materials, products, and structures. MTS high-performance position sensors provide controls for a variety of industrial and vehicular applications. MTS had 2,003 employees and revenue of \$467 million for the fiscal year ended October 1, 2011.

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Summary of Financial Results

Three Fiscal Months Ended June 30, 2012 (Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012) Compared to Three Fiscal Months Ended July 2, 2011 (Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011)

Significant items for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 compared to the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011 include:

On July 27, 2012, the Company reached an agreement in principle with the USAO, subject to the approval of the Department of Justice ("DOJ") settling for \$7.8 million the DOC and USAO's investigation into the Company's past disclosures on its government certifications and its government contracting compliance policies, general compliance record and practices in areas including export controls and government contracts. If approved, the agreement would conclude the DOC and USAO investigation. In connection with the agreement in principle, the Company accrued a loss contingency equal to the settlement amount.

Further, the Company expects to incur additional General and Administrative expenses related to legal and consulting fees as part of the ongoing settlement discussions. If the settlement agreement is approved by the DOJ, additional legal and consulting fees are not expected to be material. The Company's known external legal and consulting costs related to the investigation and settlement discussions in the third quarter of fiscal 2012 and 2011 totaled \$0.1 million and \$3.6 million, respectively. For a more detailed discussion of this investigation by the DOC and USAO and the agreement in principle, please refer to Note 11 of the Condensed Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Orders decreased 1.0% to \$148.0 million, including an estimated 4% unfavorable impact of currency translation, compared to \$149.5 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. Orders in the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 included two large (in excess of \$5.0 million) Test segment orders totaling approximately \$20 million, a decrease of \$15 million compared to large Test segment orders in the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. Excluding the larger orders, base (less than \$5.0 million) orders increased 11.8%, reflecting 19.4% growth in the Test segment, primarily in the Americas and Asia, partially offset by an 11.9% worldwide decline in the Sensors segment, of which an estimated 6% was driven by the unfavorable impact of currency translation.

Revenue increased 21.3% to \$141.7 million, including an estimated 4% unfavorable impact of currency translation, compared to \$116.8 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. This increase was comprised of 30.2% growth in the Test Segment, resulting primarily from 17.7% higher beginning backlog as well as strong base order growth, partially offset by a 7.6% decline in Sensors, driven by an estimated 5% unfavorable impact of currency translation.

Income from operations increased 16.7% to \$18.2 million, compared to \$15.6 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. This increase was primarily driven by higher gross profit from increased volume leverage and productivity improvements in the Test segment, net of \$11.3 million higher operating expenses. The higher operating expense principally resulted from the \$7.8 million accrual related to the previously mentioned U.S Government matter, continued investment in strategic and productivity initiatives, higher headcount to support selling and compliance efforts, as well as planned investments in research and development.

The effective tax rate for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 was 48.1%, an increase of 14.9 percentage points compared to a tax rate of 33.2% for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011, driven by the previously mentioned \$7.8 million accrual recognized in the quarter which is nondeductible for income tax purposes.

Earnings per diluted share decreased \$0.10, or 14.5% to \$0.59, compared to \$0.69 for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. The decrease was primarily driven by a higher effective tax rate as well as a \$0.6 million increase in net losses on foreign currency transactions, partially offset by higher income from operations. The previously mentioned \$7.8 million accrual recognized in the quarter negatively impacted earnings per diluted share by \$0.48.

Nine Fiscal Months Ended June 30, 2012 (First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012) Compared to Nine Fiscal Months Ended July 2, 2011 (First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011)

Significant items for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 compared to the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011 include:

Orders increased 2.7% to \$418.4 million, compared to \$407.5 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. Orders in the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 included three large Test segment orders totaling approximately \$25 million, a decrease of \$39 million compared to large Test segment order bookings in the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. Excluding the large orders, base orders increased 14.5%, reflecting 20.4% worldwide growth in the Test segment, partially offset by a 5.4% decline in the Sensors segment, of which an estimated 3% was driven by the unfavorable impact of currency translation.

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Revenue increased 20.4% to \$404.4 million, including an estimated 1% unfavorable impact of currency translation, compared to \$335.8 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. This increase was comprised of 26.7% growth in the Test Segment, resulting primarily from 36.8% higher beginning backlog as well as strong base order growth, partially offset by a 0.8% decline in Sensors, driven by an estimated 2% unfavorable impact of currency translation.

Income from operations increased 13.5% to \$59.0 million, compared to \$52.0 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. This increase was primarily driven by higher gross profit from increased volume and improved productivity in the Test segment, net of \$26.4 million higher operating expenses. The higher operating expenses principally resulted from continued investment in strategic and productivity initiatives, planned investments in research and development, higher headcount to support selling and compliance efforts, as well as the \$7.8 million accrual related to the previously mentioned U.S Government matter.

The effective tax rate for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 was 37.9%, an increase of 7.1 percentage points compared to a tax rate of 30.8% for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. This increase was primarily driven by the previously mentioned \$7.8 million accrual recognized in the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 which is nondeductible for income tax purposes, as well as the enactment of tax legislation in the First Quarter of Fiscal 2011 that extended the United States research and development credits and provided an additional tax benefit of \$1.0 million in the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. This legislation expired as of the end of the First Quarter of Fiscal 2012.

Earnings per diluted share decreased \$0.03, or 1.3%, to \$2.26, compared to \$2.29 for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. The decrease was driven by a rise in the effective tax rate as well as a \$1.2 million increase in net losses on foreign currency transactions, partially offset by higher income from operations. The previously mentioned \$7.8 million accrual that was recognized in the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 negatively impacted earnings per diluted share by \$0.48.

Detailed Financial Results

Total Company

Orders and Backlog

Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 Compared to Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011

The following is a comparison of Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 and Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011 orders, separately identifying the estimated impact of currency translation (in millions):

	Thre	ee Fiscal				Th	ree Fiscal	
	Mont	ths Ended	Esti		Months Ended			
	Ju	ine 30,	Business	Cı	ırrency	July 2,		
		2012	Change	Tra	inslation		2011	
Orders	\$	148.0	\$ 4.2	\$	(5.7)	\$	149.5	

Orders totaled \$148.0 million, a decrease of \$1.5 million, or 1.0%, compared to orders of \$149.5 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011, driven by an estimated \$5.7 million unfavorable impact of currency translation. Orders in the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 included two large custom Test segment orders totaling approximately \$20 million, a decrease of \$15 million compared to large Test segment order bookings in the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. Excluding the large orders, base orders increased 11.8%, reflecting 18.9% growth in the Test segment, partially offset by an 11.9% decline in Sensors.

Backlog of undelivered orders at the end of the third quarter was \$286.5 million, a decrease of 1.1% from backlog of \$289.7 million at the end of the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. The decrease is driven by the cancellation of two custom Test segment orders totaling approximately \$9 million that were booked in a previous fiscal year and were associated with a Test product line that was sold in the Second Quarter of Fiscal 2012. Prior to the cancellation of these orders, the Company s fulfillment obligations were limited by stop work orders, both of which were issued to the Company by the customer in the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2010. During the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012, the customer notified the Company that the unfulfilled portions of both of these orders had been terminated for convenience because the U.S. Government had terminated its underlying contracts with the customer. While the Company s backlog is subject to order cancellations, the Company seldom experiences order cancellations larger than \$1.0 million.

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Results of Operations

Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 Compared to Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011

The following is a comparison of Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 and Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011 statements of operations (in millions, except per share data):

	Three Fiscal Months Ended									
		June 30,		July 2,						
		2012		2011		Variance	% Variance			
Revenue	\$	141.7	\$	116.8	\$	24.9	21.3%			
Cost of sales		78.0		67.0		11.0	16.4%			
Gross profit		63.7		49.8		13.9	27.9%			
Gross margin		44.9%		42.7%		2.2 pts				
Operating expenses:										
Selling and marketing		19.6		17.4		2.2	12.6%			
General administrative		20.8		12.9		7.9	61.2%			
Research and development		5.1		3.9		1.2	30.8%			
Total operating expenses		45.5		34.2		11.3	33.0%			
Income from operations		18.2		15.6		2.6	16.7%			
Interest income (expense), net		0.2		(0.1)		0.3	NM			
Other income, net		0.1		0.9		(0.8)	-88.9%			
Income before income taxes		18.5		16.4		2.1	12.8%			
Income tax provision		8.9		5.4		3.5	64.8%			
Net income	\$	9.6	\$	11.0	\$	(1.4)	-12.7%			
Diluted earnings per share	\$ sic on	0.59	\$	0.69	\$	(0.10)	-14.5%			

NM represents comparisons that are not meaningful to this analysis.

The following is a comparison of Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 and Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011 results of operations, separately identifying the estimated impact of currency translation (in millions):

	Thre	e Fiscal					Γ	Three Fiscal
	Mont	hs Ended		Estin	nated		Months Ended	
	Ju	June 30,			Cı	ırrency		July 2,
	2	2012		Change	Tra	nslation		2011
Revenue	\$	141.7	\$	29.5	\$	(4.6)	\$	116.8
Cost of sales		78.0		14.1		(3.1)		67.0
Gross profit		63.7		15.4		(1.5)		49.8
Gross margin		44.9%						42.7%
Operating expenses:								
Selling and marketing		19.6		2.8		(0.6)		17.4
General administrative		20.8		8.1		(0.2)		12.9
Research and development		5.1		1.3		(0.1)		3.9
Total operating expenses		45.5		12.2		(0.9)		34.2
Income from operations	\$	18.2	\$	3.2	\$	(0.6)	\$	15.6

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Revenue was \$141.7 million, an increase of \$24.9 million, or 21.3%, compared to revenue of \$116.8 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. The increase was driven by a 15.5% higher beginning backlog, as well as increased base order volume in the Test segment, partially offset by an estimated \$4.6 million unfavorable impact of currency translation. Test segment revenue increased 30.2% to \$116.3 million, while Sensors segment declined 7.6% to \$25.4 million.

Gross profit was \$63.7 million, an increase of \$13.9 million, or 27.9%, compared to gross profit of \$49.8 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. Gross profit as a percentage of revenue was 44.9%, an increase of 2.2 percentage points from 42.7% for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. This increase was driven by leverage on higher volume and improved productivity, partially offset by the unfavorable impact of the increase in the proportion of Test segment revenue to total Company revenue.

Selling and marketing expense was \$19.6 million, an increase of \$2.2 million, or 12.6%, compared to \$17.4 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. This increase was primarily due to higher compensation and benefits driven by increased headcount, higher sales commissions, as well as a rise in travel and other discretionary expenses to support selling efforts. These increases were partially offset by an estimated \$0.6 million favorable impact of currency translation. Selling and marketing expense as a percentage of revenue was 13.8% on higher volume, compared to 14.9% for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011.

General and administrative expense was \$20.8 million, an increase of \$7.9 million, or 61.2%, compared to \$12.9 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. This increase is primarily driven by the previously mentioned \$7.8 million accrual related to the Company s agreement in principle to settle the U.S Government investigation, continued investment in strategic, productivity and compliance initiatives, and increased compensation and benefits driven by a rise in headcount. General and administrative expense as a percentage of revenue was 14.7%, compared to 11.0% for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011.

Research and development expense was \$5.1 million, an increase of \$1.2 million, or 30.8%, compared to \$3.9 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011, primarily due to a higher level of planned expenditures in both segments. In addition, during the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011, the Company allocated certain of its Test segment resources towards capitalized software development activities. Total software development costs capitalized during the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011 were \$1.0 million. No software development costs were capitalized during the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012. Research and development expense as a percentage of revenue was 3.6%, compared to 3.3% for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011.

Income from operations was \$18.2 million, an increase of \$2.6 million, or 16.7%, compared to \$15.6 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. This increase was primarily driven by higher gross profit, partially offset by increased operating expenses. Operating income as a percentage of revenue was 12.8% on higher volume, compared to 13.4% for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011.

Interest income (expense), net was \$0.2 million of interest income in the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 compared to \$0.1 million of interest expense in the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. Net interest income in the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 was driven by a \$0.3 million reduction in the accrued interest liability associated with the Company s uncertain tax positions.

Other income, net was \$0.1 million, a decrease of \$0.8 million compared to \$0.9 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. This decrease was primarily due to \$0.2 million of net losses on foreign currency transactions in the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 compared to \$0.4 million of net gains on foreign currency transactions in the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011.

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Provision for income taxes totaled \$8.9 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012, an increase of \$3.5 million, or 64.8%, compared to \$5.4 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011, primarily due to increased income before income taxes and a higher effective tax rate. The effective tax rate for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 was 48.1%, an increase of 14.9 percentage points compared to a tax rate of 33.2% for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. This increase was primarily due to recognition in the quarter of the previously mentioned \$7.8 million accrual related to the U.S. Government matter.

Net income was \$9.6 million, a decrease of \$1.4 million, or 12.7%, compared to \$11.0 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. Earnings per diluted share decreased \$0.10 to \$0.59, compared to \$0.69 for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. This decrease was primarily driven by a higher effective tax rate as well as increased net losses on foreign currency transactions, partially offset by higher income from operations. The previously mentioned \$7.8 million accrual recognized in the quarter negatively impacted earnings per diluted share by \$0.48.

Segment Results

Test Segment

Orders and Backlog

Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 Compared to Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011

The following is a comparison of Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 and Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011 orders for the Test segment, separately identifying the estimated impact of currency translation (in millions):

	ths Ended	Е	stimat		hree Fiscal onths Ended			
	ine 30,	Business	Currency			July 2,		
	2012	Change		Translati	on		2011	
Orders	\$ 123.5	\$ 5.	.9	\$	(4.1)	\$	121.7	

Orders totaled \$123.5 million, an increase of \$1.8 million, or 1.5%, including an estimated 3.4% unfavorable impact of currency translation, compared to orders of \$121.7 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. Orders in the quarter include an estimated \$4.1 million unfavorable impact of currency translation. The Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 orders included two large orders in the structures market totaling approximately \$20 million. The Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011 included three large orders in the structures market totaling approximately \$35 million. Excluding the large orders, base orders increased 19.4% driven by increased volume in the Americas and Asia. The Test segment accounted for 83.5% of total Company orders, compared to 81.4% for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011.

Backlog of undelivered orders at the end of the quarter was \$272.0 million, an increase of 0.4% compared to \$270.8 million at the end of the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. As previously mentioned, backlog at the end of the quarter was unfavorably impacted by the cancellation of two custom orders totaling approximately \$9 million.

Results of Operations

Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 Compared to Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011

The following is a comparison of Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 and Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011 results of operations for the Test segment, separately identifying the estimated impact of currency translation (in millions):

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	Mor	ree Fiscal nths Ended une 30, 2012	Estin Business Change	C	Currency anslation	nree Fiscal onths Ended July 2, 2011
Revenue	\$	116.3	\$ 30.1	\$	(3.1)	\$ 89.3
Cost of sales		67.1	14.3		(2.5)	55.3
Gross profit		49.2	15.8		(0.6)	34.0
Gross margin		42.2%				38.1%
Operating expenses:						
Selling and marketing		15.7	3.1		(0.4)	13.0
General administrative		16.1	6.7		-	9.4
Research and development		3.7	1.0		-	2.7
Total operating expenses		35.5	10.8		(0.4)	25.1
Income from operations	\$	13.7	\$ 5.0	\$	(0.2)	\$ 8.9

Revenue was \$116.3 million, an increase of \$27.0 million, or 30.2%, compared to revenue of \$89.3 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. The increase was driven by a 17.7% higher beginning backlog and strong base-order growth, partially offset by an estimated \$3.1 million unfavorable impact of currency translation.

Gross profit was \$49.2 million, an increase of \$15.2 million, or 44.7%, compared to gross profit of \$34.0 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. Gross profit as a percentage of revenue was 42.2%, an increase of 4.1 percentage points from 38.1% for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011, primarily from leverage on higher volume and improved productivity.

Selling and marketing expense was \$15.7 million, an increase of \$2.7 million, or 20.8%, compared to \$13.0 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. This increase was primarily due to higher compensation and benefits driven by increased headcount, higher sales commissions, an increase in travel and other discretionary expenses to support selling efforts, as well as increased investment in marketing initiatives, partially offset by a \$0.4 million favorable impact of currency translation. Selling and marketing expense as a percentage of revenue was 13.5% on higher volume, compared to 14.6% for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011.

General and administrative expense was \$16.1 million, an increase of \$6.7 million, or 71.3%, compared to \$9.4 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. This increase is primarily driven by \$6.1 million of the \$7.8 million accrual related to the previously mentioned U.S. Government matter, higher investment in strategic, productivity and compliance initiatives, as well as higher compensation and benefits driven by increased headcount. Legal expenses for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 included. General and administrative expense as a percentage of revenue was 13.8% on higher volume, compared to 10.5% for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011.

Research and development expense was \$3.7 million, an increase of \$1.0 million, or 37.0%, compared to \$2.7 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011, due to a higher level of planned expenditures. As previously mentioned, \$1.0 million of costs associated with software development activities were capitalized in the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011 while no software development costs were capitalized during the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012. Research and development expense as a percentage of revenue was 3.2%, compared to 3.0% for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011.

Income from operations was \$13.7 million, an increase of \$4.8 million, compared to income from operations of \$8.9 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. The increase reflects higher revenue and gross profit, partially offset by increased operating expenses. Operating income as a percentage of revenue was 11.8% for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012, compared to operating income as a percentage of revenue of 10.0% for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011.

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Sensors Segment

Orders and Backlog

Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 Compared to Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011

The following is a comparison of Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 and Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011 orders for the Sensors segment, separately identifying the estimated impact of currency translation (in millions):

		Fiscal s Ended	Estir	nated		Three Fiscal Months Ended		
		e 30, 012	Business Change		Currency ranslation		July 2, 2011	
Orders	\$	24.5	\$ (1.7)	\$	(1.6)	\$	27.8	

Orders totaled \$24.5 million, a decrease of \$3.3 million, or 11.9%, including an estimated 5.8% unfavorable impact of currency translation, compared to orders of \$27.8 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011, primarily due to weaker demand in the Americas and Asia in the industrial and mobile hydraulics markets. The Sensors segment accounted for 16.5% of total Company orders, compared to 18.6% for the Third Ouarter of Fiscal 2011.

Backlog of undelivered orders at the end of the quarter was \$14.5 million, a decrease of 23.3% compared to backlog of \$18.9 million at the end of the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011.

Results of Operations

Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 Compared to Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011

The following is a comparison of Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012 and Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011 results of operations for the Sensors segment, separately identifying the estimated impact of currency translation (in millions):

	Three Fiscal Months Ended June 30, 2012		Estima Business Change			Currency ranslation	 nree Fiscal onths Ended July 2, 2011
Revenue	\$	25.4	\$	(0.6)	\$	(1.5)	\$ 27.5
Cost of sales		10.9		(0.2)		(0.6)	11.7
Gross profit		14.5		(0.4)		(0.9)	15.8
Gross margin		57.2%					57.4%
Operating expenses:							
Selling and marketing		3.9		(0.3)		(0.2)	4.4
General administrative		4.7		1.4		(0.2)	3.5
Research and development		1.4		0.3		(0.1)	1.2
Total operating expenses		10.0		1.4		(0.5)	9.1
Income from operations	\$	4.5	\$	(1.8)	\$	(0.4)	\$ 6.7

Revenue was \$25.4 million, a decrease of \$2.1 million, or 7.6%, compared to revenue of \$27.5 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. This increase was primarily driven by an estimated \$1.5 million unfavorable impact of currency translation as well as decreased worldwide volume.

Gross profit was \$14.5 million, a decrease of \$1.3 million, or 8.2%, compared to gross profit of \$15.8 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. Gross profit as a percentage of revenue was 57.2%, relatively flat compared to 57.4% for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011.

Selling and marketing expense was \$3.9 million, a decrease of \$0.5 million, or 11.4%, compared to \$4.4 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. The decrease was driven by lower expenditures on marketing initiatives as well as an estimated \$0.2 million favorable impact of currency translation. Selling and marketing expense as a percentage of revenue was 15.4%, compared to 16.0% for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011.

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General and administrative expense was \$4.7 million, an increase of \$1.2 million, or 34.3%, compared to \$3.5 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011, driven by \$1.7 million of the \$7.8 million accrual related to the previously mentioned U.S. Government matter, higher investment in strategic and compliance initiatives, as well as increased compensation and benefits, partially offset by an estimated \$0.2 million favorable impact of currency translation. General and administrative expense as a percentage of revenue was 18.5%, compared to 12.7% for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011.

Research and development expense was \$1.4 million, an increase of \$0.2 million, or 16.7%, compared to \$1.2 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011, due to a higher level of planned expenditures. Research and development expense as a percentage of revenue was 5.5%, compared to 4.4% for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011.

Income from operations was \$4.5 million, a decrease of \$2.2 million, compared to income from operations of \$6.7 million for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011. This decrease was primarily driven by lower gross profit as well as increased operating expenses. Operating income as a percentage of revenue was 17.7% compared to 24.4% for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2011.

Detailed Financial Results

Total Company

Orders and Backlog

First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 Compared to First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011

The following is a comparison of First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 and First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011 orders, separately identifying the estimated impact of currency translation (in millions):

	Nın	e Fiscal					N	line Fiscal	
	N.	Ionths		Estin		Months			
	E	Ended						Ended	
	Ju	ne 30,	E	Business	Cı	urrency		July 2,	
	2	2012	(Change		ınslation		2011	
Orders	\$	418.4	\$	17.5	\$	(6.6)	\$	407.5	

Orders totaled \$418.4 million, an increase of \$10.9 million, or 2.7%, including an estimated 1.6% unfavorable impact of currency translation, compared to orders of \$407.5 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. Orders in the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 included three large custom Test segment orders totaling approximately \$25 million, a decrease of \$39 million compared to large Test segment order bookings in the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. Excluding the large orders, base orders increased 14.5%, reflecting 20.4% worldwide growth in the Test segment, partially offset by a 5.4% decline in the Sensors segment.

Backlog of undelivered orders at the end of the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 was \$286.5 million, a decrease of 1.1% compared to backlog of \$289.7 million at the end of the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. As previously mentioned, backlog at the end of the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 was negatively impacted by the cancellation of two custom Test segment orders totaling approximately \$9 million.

Results of Operations

First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 Compared to First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011

The following is a comparison of First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 and First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011 statements of operations (in millions, except per share data):

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	Nine Fiscal Months Ended								
		June 30,		July 2,					
		2012		2011		Variance	% Variance		
Revenue	\$	404.4	\$	335.8	\$	68.6	20.4%		
Cost of sales		225.6		190.4		35.2	18.5%		
Gross profit		178.8		145.4		33.4	23.0%		
Gross margin		44.2%		43.3%		0.9 pts			
Operating expenses:									
Selling and marketing		55.8		51.2		4.6	9.0%		
General administrative		47.9		31.7		16.2	51.1%		
Research and development		16.1		10.5		5.6	53.3%		
Total operating expenses		119.8		93.4		26.4	28.3%		
Income from operations		59.0		52.0		7.0	13.5%		
Interest expense, net		(0.2)		(0.8)		0.6	-75.0%		
Other (expense) income, net		(0.4)		1.0		(1.4)	NM		
Income before income taxes		58.4		52.2		6.2	11.9%		
Income tax provision		22.1		16.1		6.0	37.3%		
Net income	\$	36.3	\$	36.1	\$	0.2	0.6%		
Diluted earnings per share	\$	2.26	\$	2.29	\$	(0.03)	-1.3%		

NM represents comparisons that are not meaningful to this analysis.

The following is a comparison of First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 and First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011 results of operations, separately identifying the estimated impact of currency translation (in millions):

		e Fiscal hs Ended	Estir	nated			line Fiscal onths Ended
	Ju	ne 30,	Business		Currency		July 2,
	2	2012	Change	Τ	Translation	2011	
Revenue	\$	404.4	\$ 72.9	\$	(4.3)	\$	335.8
Cost of sales		225.6	38.0		(2.8)		190.4
Gross profit		178.8	34.9		(1.5)		145.4
Gross margin		44.2%					43.3%
Operating expenses:							
Selling and marketing		55.8	5.4		(0.8)		51.2
General administrative		47.9	16.3		(0.1)		31.7
Research and development		16.1	5.7		(0.1)		10.5
Total operating expenses		119.8	27.4		(1.0)		93.4
Income from operations	\$	59.0	\$ 7.5	\$	(0.5)	\$	52.0

Revenue was \$404.4 million, an increase of \$68.6 million, or 20.4%, compared to revenue of \$335.8 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. This increase was driven by a 34.4% higher opening backlog as well as increased base-order volume in the Test segment, partially offset by an estimated \$4.3 million unfavorable impact of currency translation.

Gross profit was \$178.8 million, an increase of \$33.4 million, or 23.0%, compared to gross profit of \$145.4 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. Gross profit as a percentage of revenue was 44.2%, an increase of 0.9 percentage points from 43.3% for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. This increase was driven by leverage on higher volume and improved productivity, partially offset by the unfavorable impact of the increase in the proportion of Test segment revenue to total Company revenue.

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Selling and marketing expense was \$55.8 million, an increase of \$4.6 million, or 9.0%, compared to \$51.2 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. This increase was primarily driven by higher compensation and benefits driven by increased headcount, higher sales commissions, as well as a rise in travel and other discretionary expenses to support selling efforts, partially offset by an estimated \$0.8 million favorable impact of currency translation. Selling and marketing expense as a percentage of revenue was 13.8% on higher volume, compared to 15.2% for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011.

General and administrative expense was \$47.9 million, an increase of \$16.2 million, or 51.1%, compared to \$31.7 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. This increase is primarily driven by higher investment in strategic, productivity and compliance initiatives, increased compensation and benefits, and includes the previously mentioned \$7.8 million accrual related to the Company s agreement in principle to settle the U.S Government investigation. General and administrative expense as a percentage of revenue was 11.8%, compared to 9.4% for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011.

Research and development expense was \$16.1 million, an increase of \$5.6 million, or 53.3%, compared to \$10.5 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011, driven by a higher level of planned expenditures in both segments. In addition, the Company allocated certain of its resources towards capitalized software development activities during both the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 and 2011. Total software development costs capitalized during the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 and 2011 were \$0.5 million and \$2.6 million, respectively. Research and development expense as a percentage of revenue was 4.0%, compared to 3.1% for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011.

Income from operations was \$59.0 million, an increase of \$7.0 million, or 13.5%, compared to income from operations of \$52.0 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. This increase was primarily driven by higher gross profit, partially offset by increased operating expenses. Operating income as a percentage of revenue was 14.6% on higher volume, compared to 15.5% for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011.

Interest expense, net was \$0.2 million, a decrease of \$0.6 million compared to \$0.8 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. Interest expense declined \$0.4 million due to lower interest rates incurred on short-term borrowings as well as a reduction in the accrued interest liability associated with the Company s uncertain tax positions. Interest income increased \$0.2 million primarily due to interest earned on higher average cash balances maintained in interest-bearing accounts.

Other (expense) income, net was \$0.4 million of net other expense, a decrease of \$1.4 million compared to \$1.0 million of net other income for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. This decrease was primarily due to \$1.0 million of net losses on foreign currency transactions in the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 compared to \$0.2 million of net gains on foreign currency transactions in the First Nine Fiscal Months 2011.

Provision for income taxes totaled \$22.1 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012, an increase of \$6.0 million, or 37.3%, compared to \$16.1 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011 primarily due to increased income before income taxes and a higher effective tax rate. The effective tax rate for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 was 37.9%, an increase of 7.1 percentage points compared to a tax rate of 30.8% for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. This increase was primarily due to the recognition in the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 of the previously mentioned \$7.8 million accrual related to the U.S. Government matter, as well as the enactment of legislation in the First Quarter of Fiscal 2011 that retroactively extended the United States research and development tax credits and provided a tax benefit of \$1.0 million in the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. The United States research and development tax credit legislation expired as of the end of the First Quarter of Fiscal 2012.

Net income was \$36.3 million, an increase of \$0.2 million compared to \$36.1 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. Earnings per diluted share decreased \$0.03 to \$2.26, compared to \$2.29 for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. The decrease was primarily driven by a higher effective tax rate as well as increased net losses on foreign currency transactions, partially offset by higher income from operations. The previously mentioned \$7.8 million accrual recognized in the First Nine Fiscal Months of Fiscal 2012 negatively impacted earnings per diluted share by \$0.48.

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Segment Results

Test Segment Orders and Backlog

First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 Compared to First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011

The following is a comparison of First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 and First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011 orders for the Test segment, separately identifying the estimated impact of currency translation (in millions):

Nine	Fiscal					Ni	ne Fiscal
Months	Ended		Estin		Months Ended		
June 30,			siness	Cui	rency		July 2,
20	12	Ch	ange	Tran	slation		2011
•	3/1/2	\$	10.7	•	(4.6)	\$	320 1

Orders totaled \$344.2 million, an increase of \$15.1 million, or 4.6%, including an estimated 1.4% unfavorable impact of currency translation, compared to orders of \$329.1 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 orders included three large orders totaling approximately \$25 million, of which \$20 million was associated with the structures market and \$5 million was associated with the ground vehicles market. First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011 orders included five large orders totaling approximately \$64 million, of which \$35 million was associated with the structures market and \$29 million was associated with the ground vehicles market. Excluding the large orders, base orders increased 20.4%, reflecting strong growth in the ground vehicles, materials and structures markets. The Test segment accounted for 82.3% of total Company orders, compared to 80.8% for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011.

Backlog of undelivered orders at the end of the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 was \$272.0 million, an increase of 0.4% compared to \$270.8 million at the end of the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. As previously mentioned, backlog at the end of the First Nine Fiscal 2012 was negatively impacted by the cancellation of two custom orders totaling approximately \$9 million.

Results of Operations

First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 Compared to First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011

The following is a comparison of First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 and First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011 results of operations for the Test segment, separately identifying the estimated impact of currency translation (in millions):

		ne Fiscal ths Ended		Estin	nated		Nine Fiscal Months Ended		
	Ju	ine 30,	E	Business	Cu	irrency		July 2,	
	:	2012		Change	Translation			2011	
Revenue	\$	327.9	\$	71.8	\$	(2.6)	\$	258.7	
Cost of sales		192.6		37.1		(2.1)		157.6	
Gross profit		135.3		34.7		(0.5)		101.1	
Gross margin		41.3%						39.1%	
Operating expenses:									
Selling and marketing		44.3		5.9		(0.6)		39.0	
General administrative		36.6		13.2		0.1		23.3	
Research and development		12.2		5.0		-		7.2	
Total operating expenses		93.1		24.1		(0.5)		69.5	
Income from operations	\$	42.2	\$	10.6 28	\$	-	\$	31.6	

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Revenue was \$327.9 million, an increase of \$69.2 million, or 26.7%, compared to revenue of \$258.7 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. The increase was driven by 36.8% higher beginning backlog and strong base orders, partially offset by an estimated \$2.6 million unfavorable impact of currency translation.

Gross profit was \$135.3 million, an increase of \$34.2 million, or 33.8%, compared to gross profit of \$101.1 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. Gross profit as a percentage of revenue was 41.3%, an increase of 2.2 percentage points from 39.1% for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. This increase was primarily due to leverage on higher volume and improved productivity.

Selling and marketing expense was \$44.3 million, an increase of \$5.3 million, or 13.6%, compared to \$39.0 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. This increase was primarily due to higher compensation and benefits driven by increased headcount, higher sales commissions, a rise in travel and other discretionary expenses to support selling efforts, as well as increased investment in marketing initiatives, partially offset by a \$0.6 million favorable impact of currency translation. Selling and marketing expense as a percentage of revenue was 13.5% on higher volume, compared to 15.1% for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011.

General and administrative expense was \$36.6 million, an increase of \$13.3 million, or 57.1%, compared to \$23.3 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. This increase is primarily driven by higher investment in strategic, productivity and compliance initiatives, as well as higher compensation and benefits driven by increased headcount, and includes \$6.1 million of the \$7.8 million accrual related to the previously mentioned U.S. Government matter. General and administrative expense as a percentage of revenue was 11.2%, compared to 9.0% for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011.

Research and development expense was \$12.2 million, an increase of \$5.0 million, or 69.4%, compared to \$7.2 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011, due to a higher level of planned expenditures. As previously mentioned, \$0.5 million and \$2.6 million of costs associated with software development activities were capitalized in the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 and 2011, respectively. Research and development expense as a percentage of revenue was 3.7%, compared to 2.8% for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011.

Income from operations was \$42.2 million, an increase of \$10.6 million compared to income of \$31.6 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. The increase reflects higher revenue and gross profit, partially offset by increased operating expenses. Operating income as a percentage of revenue was 12.9%, compared to 12.2% for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011.

Sensors Segment

Orders and Backlog

First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 Compared to First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011

The following is a comparison of First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 and First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011 orders for the Sensors segment, separately identifying the estimated impact of currency translation (in millions):

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	1	Nine Fiscal Months Ended		Estimated				Nine Fiscal Months Ended		
		June 30, 2012		Business Change		Currency Translation		July 2, 2011		
Orders	\$	74.2	\$	(2.2)	\$	(2.0)	\$	78.4		

Orders totaled \$74.2 million, a decrease of \$4.2 million, or 5.4%, including an estimated 2.6% unfavorable impact of currency translation, compared to orders of \$78.4 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011, primarily due to weaker global demand in the industrial and mobile hydraulics markets. The Sensors segment accounted for 17.7% of total Company orders, compared to 19.2% for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011.

Backlog of undelivered orders at the end of the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 was \$14.5 million, a decrease of 23.3% compared to backlog of \$18.9 million at the end of the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011.

Results of Operations

First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 Compared to First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011

The following is a comparison of First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 and First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011 results of operations for the Sensors segment, separately identifying the estimated impact of currency translation (in millions):

	Nine Fiscal Months Ended			Estimated				Nine Fiscal Months Ended	
	Jur	June 30,		Business	Currency		July 2,		
	2	012		Change	Translation			2011	
Revenue	\$	76.5	\$	1.1	\$ (2	1.7)	\$	77.1	
Cost of sales		33.0		0.9	(().7)		32.8	
Gross profit		43.5		0.2	(2	(0.1		44.3	
Gross margin		56.9%						57.4%	
Operating expenses:									
Selling and marketing		11.5		(0.5)	((0.2)		12.2	
General administrative		11.3		3.1	((0.2)		8.4	
Research and development		3.9		0.7	((0.1)		3.3	
Total operating expenses		26.7		3.3	(().5)		23.9	
Income from enoughions	¢	16.0	¢	(2.1)	¢ ((15)	¢	20.4	
Income from operations	\$	16.8	\$	(3.1)	\$ (().5)	\$	20.4	

Revenue was \$76.5 million, a decrease of \$0.6 million, or 0.8%, compared to \$77.1 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. This decrease was primarily driven by an estimated \$1.7 million unfavorable impact of currency translation.

Gross profit was \$43.5 million, a decrease of \$0.8 million, or 1.8%, compared to gross profit of \$44.3 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. Gross profit as a percentage of revenue was 56.9%, a decrease of 0.5 percentage points from 57.4% for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011, primarily due to unfavorable product mix resulting from a relatively higher proportion of sales in the Mobile Hydraulics market compared to the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011.

Selling and marketing expense was \$11.5 million, a decrease of \$0.7 million, or 5.7%, compared to \$12.2 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. The decrease was driven by lower expenditures on marketing initiatives as well as an estimated \$0.2 million favorable impact of currency translation. Selling and marketing expense as a percentage of revenue was 15.0% compared to 15.8% for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011.

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General and administrative expense was \$11.3 million, an increase of \$2.9 million, or 34.5%, compared to \$8.4 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. This increase was primarily driven by \$1.7 million of the \$7.8 million accrual related to the previously mentioned U.S. Government matter, higher spending on strategic and compliance initiatives, and increased compensation and benefits. General and administrative expense as a percentage of revenue was 14.8% compared to 10.9% for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011.

Research and development expense was \$3.9 million, an increase of \$0.6 million, or 18.2%, compared to \$3.3 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011, due to a higher level of planned expenditures. Research and development expense as a percentage of revenue was 5.1% compared to 4.3% for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011.

Income from operations was \$16.8 million, a decrease of \$3.6 million compared to income from operations of \$20.4 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. This decrease was primarily due to lower gross profit and increased operating expenses. Operating income as a percentage of revenue was 22.0% compared to 26.5% for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011.

Capital Resources and Liquidity

The Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$145.5 million at the end of the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012. Of this amount, \$74.3 million was located in North America, \$46.5 million in Europe, and \$24.7 million in Asia. The North American balance was primarily invested in money market funds and bank deposits. In Europe, the balances were primarily invested in Euro money market funds and bank deposits. In Asia, the balances were primarily invested in Chinese Renminbi and Japanese Yen money market funds and bank deposits. In accordance with its investment policy, the Company places cash equivalent investments with issuers who have high-quality investment credit ratings. In addition, the Company limits the amount of investment exposure it has with any particular issuer. The Company s investment objectives are to preserve principal, maintain liquidity, and achieve the best available return consistent with its primary objectives of safety and liquidity. At the end of the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012, the Company held no short-term investments.

Total cash and cash equivalents increased \$41.4 million in the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012, primarily due to earnings and proceeds from the exercise of stock options, partially offset by dividend payments and investment in property and equipment. Total cash and cash equivalents increased \$24.7 million in the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011, primarily due to earnings and proceeds from the exercise of stock options, partially offset by increased working capital requirements, payment to settle an accelerated share purchase agreement, dividend payments, and investment in property and equipment. The Company believes that its liquidity, represented by funds available from cash, cash equivalents, credit facility, and anticipated cash from operations are adequate to fund ongoing operations, internal growth opportunities, capital expenditures, Company dividends and share purchases, as well as to fund strategic acquisitions. The Company s current credit facility matures in December 2012. Prior to its maturity, the Company plans on entering into a new financing arrangement that provides for a similar type of credit facility.

Cash flows from operating activities provided cash totaling \$52.2 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012, compared to cash provided of \$35.5 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. Cash provided for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 was primarily due to earnings. Cash provided for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011 was primarily due to earnings, \$7.1 million increased accounts payable resulting from general timing of purchases and payments, partially offset by \$29.7 million increased accounts and unbilled receivables resulting from higher volume as well as the general timing of billing and collections, and \$13.7 million increased inventories to support future revenue.

Cash flows from investing activities required the use of cash totaling \$11.7 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012, compared to the use of cash totaling \$7.6 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011, each of which reflects investment in property and equipment.

Cash flows from financing activities provided cash totaling \$3.3 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012, compared to the use of cash totaling \$6.6 million for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011. The cash provided for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2012 was primarily due to \$14.6 million received in connection with stock option exercises, partially offset by payment of cash dividends of \$12.0 million. The cash usage for the First Nine Fiscal Months of 2011 was primarily due to the use of \$9.6 million to settle an accelerated share purchase agreement that was initially entered into in during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2010, and payment of cash dividends of \$9.3 million. These cash usages were partially offset by \$12.1 million received in connection with stock option exercises.

Under the terms of its borrowing agreements, the Company has agreed to certain financial covenants. At the end of the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2012, the Company was in compliance with the financial terms and conditions of those agreements.

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Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

As of June 30, 2012, the Company had no off-balance sheet arrangements that have or are reasonably likely to have a current or future effect on the Company s financial condition, changes in financial condition, revenues or expenses, results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures or capital resources that are material to investors.

Critical Accounting Policies

The Consolidated Financial Statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, which require the Company to make estimates and assumptions in certain circumstances that affect amounts reported. In preparing these financial statements, management has made its best estimates and judgments of certain amounts, giving due consideration to materiality. The Company believes that of its significant accounting policies, the following are particularly important to the portrayal of the Company s results of operations and financial position, may require the application of a higher level of judgment by the Company s management, and as a result, are subject to an inherent degree of uncertainty. Further information is provided in Note 1 in the Condensed Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Revenue Recognition. The Company is required to comply with a variety of technical accounting requirements in order to achieve consistent and accurate revenue recognition. The most significant area of judgment and estimation is percentage of completion contract accounting. The Company develops cost estimates that include materials, component parts, labor and overhead costs. Detailed costs plans are developed for all aspects of the contracts during the bidding phase of the contract. Cost estimates are largely based on actual historical performance of similar projects combined with current knowledge of the projects in progress. Significant factors that impact the cost estimates include technical risk, inflationary cost of materials and labor, changes in scope and schedule, and internal and subcontractor performance. Actual costs incurred during the project phase are monitored and compared to the estimates on a monthly basis. Cost estimates are revised based on changes in circumstances. Anticipated losses on long-term contracts are recognized when such losses become evident.

Inventories. The Company maintains a material amount of inventory to support its engineering and manufacturing operations. This inventory is stated at the lower of cost or market. On a regular basis, the Company reviews its inventory and identifies that which is excess, slow moving, and obsolete by considering factors such as inventory levels, expected product life, and forecasted sales demand. Any identified excess, slow moving, and obsolete inventory is written down to its market value through a charge to income from operations. It is possible that additional inventory write-down charges may be required in the future if there is a significant decline in demand for the Company s products and the Company does not adjust its manufacturing production accordingly.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets. The Company reviews the carrying value of long-lived assets or asset groups, such as property and equipment and intangibles subject to amortization, when events or changes in circumstances such as market value, asset utilization, physical change, legal factors, or other matters indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable. When this review indicates the carrying value of an asset or asset group exceeds the sum of the undiscounted cash flows expected to result from the use and eventual disposition of the asset or asset group, the Company recognizes an asset impairment charge against operations. The amount of the impairment loss recorded is the amount by which the carrying value of the impaired asset or asset group exceeds its fair value.

Goodwill. The Company tests goodwill at least annually for impairment. Goodwill is also tested for impairment as changes in circumstances occur indicating that the carrying value may not be recoverable. Goodwill impairment testing first requires a comparison of the fair value of each reporting unit to the carrying value. If the carrying value of the reporting unit exceeds fair value, goodwill is considered impaired.

The Company has three discrete reporting units, two of which are assigned goodwill. At June 30, 2012, one reporting unit was assigned \$14.5 million of goodwill while another was assigned \$1.6 million. The fair value of a reporting unit is estimated using a discounted cash flow model that requires input of certain estimates and assumptions requiring management judgment, including projections of economic conditions and customer demand, revenue and margins, changes in competition, operating costs, and new product introductions. At the end of the prior fiscal year, the estimated fair value of the reporting unit assigned \$1.7 million of goodwill was substantially in excess of its carrying value, while the estimated fair value of the reporting unit assigned \$14.3 million of goodwill exceeded its carrying value by approximately 8 percent. While the Company believes the estimates and assumptions used in determining the fair value of its reporting units are reasonable, significant changes in estimates of future cash flows, such as those caused by unforeseen events or changes in market conditions could materially impact the fair value of a reporting unit which could result in the recognition of a goodwill impairment charge.

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Software Development Costs. The Company incurs costs associated with the development of software to be sold, leased, or otherwise marketed. Software development costs are expensed as incurred until technological feasibility has been established, at which time future costs incurred are capitalized until the product is available for general release to the public. A certain amount of judgment and estimation is required to assess when technological feasibility is established, as well as the ongoing assessment of the recoverability of capitalized costs. In evaluating the recoverability of capitalized software costs, the Company compares expected product performance, utilizing forecasted revenue amounts, to the total costs incurred to date and estimates of additional costs to be incurred. If revised forecasted product revenue is less than, and/or revised forecasted costs are greater than, the previously forecasted amounts, the net realizable value may be lower than previously estimated, which could result in the recognition of an impairment charge in the period in which such a determination is made.

Warranty Obligations. The Company is subject to warranty guarantees on sales of its products. A certain amount of judgment is required in determining appropriate reserve levels for anticipated warranty claims. While these reserve levels are based on historical warranty experience, they may not reflect the actual claims that will occur over the upcoming warranty period, and additional warranty reserves may be required.

Income Taxes. The Company records a tax provision for the anticipated tax consequences of the reported results of operations. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using the currently enacted tax rates that apply to taxable income in effect for the years in which those deferred tax assets and liabilities are expected to be realized or settled. The Company records a valuation allowance to reduce deferred tax assets to the amount that is believed more likely than not to be realized. The Company believes it is more likely than not that forecasted income, including income that may be generated as a result of certain tax planning strategies, together with the tax effects of the deferred tax liabilities, will be sufficient to fully recover the remaining net realizable value of its deferred tax assets. In the event that all or part of the net deferred tax assets are determined not to be realizable in the future, an adjustment to the valuation allowance would be charged to earnings in the period such determination is made. In addition, the calculation of tax liabilities involves significant judgment in estimating the impact of uncertainties in the application of complex tax laws. Resolution of these uncertainties in a manner inconsistent with management s expectations could have a material impact on the Company s financial condition and operating results.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In June 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2011-05, Comprehensive Income (Topic 220) - Presentation of Comprehensive Income. ASU 2011-05 amends Topic 220, Comprehensive Income, to allow an entity the option to present the total of comprehensive income, the components of net income, and the components of other comprehensive income either in a single continuous statement of comprehensive income or in two separate but consecutive statements. In both choices, an entity is required to present each component of net income along with total net income, each component of other comprehensive income along with a total for other comprehensive income, and a total amount for comprehensive income. ASU 2011-05 eliminates the option to present the components of other comprehensive income as part of the statement of changes in shareholders—investment. The amendments to the Codification in the ASU do not change the items that must be reported in other comprehensive income or when an item of other comprehensive income must be reclassified to net income. The provisions of ASU 2011-05 should be applied retrospectively and are effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those years, beginning after December 15, 2011 which, for the Company, will be the beginning of fiscal year 2013. Early adoption is permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of this new guidance, but does not expect the adoption of ASU 2011-05 to have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

Other Matters

The Company s dividend policy is to maintain a payout ratio that allows dividends to increase with the long-term growth of earnings per share, while sustaining dividends through economic cycles. The Company s targeted dividend payout ratio over time is approximately 40% of net earnings per share.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

The Company s investment portfolio at June 30, 2012 included \$145.5 million of cash and cash equivalents. The cash equivalent portion of the Company s investment portfolio is invested in money market funds and bank deposits. A hypothetical 1.0 percentage point increase or decrease in market interest rates would have caused interest income to increase or decrease by \$0.9 million for the nine-fiscal month period ended June 30, 2012.

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The Company is exposed to market risk from changes in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates. The Company manages exposure to changes in foreign currency exchange rates through its regular operating and financing activities and through the use of foreign currency exchange contracts. These contracts are used to manage the Company s overall exposure to exchange rate fluctuations, as the gains and losses on these contracts are intended to offset gains and losses on the Company s assets, liabilities, and cash flows.

A hypothetical 10% appreciation or depreciation in foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar, assuming all other variables were held constant, would have resulted in an estimated increase or decrease of \$18.5 million in revenue for the nine-fiscal month period ended June 30, 2012.

At June 30, 2012, the Company s short-term borrowings outstanding consisted of \$40.0 million utilization of the revolving credit facility and \$0.2 million in non-interest bearing notes payable to vendors. This utilization of the credit facility involves interest payments calculated at a floating rate. In order to mitigate the Company s exposure to interest rate increases, the Company has entered into floating to fixed interest rate swap agreements. The notes payable to vendors are non-interest bearing and, therefore, are not impacted by the effect of increases or decreases in market interest rates.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

The Company s management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, have conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company s disclosure controls and procedures (as defined under Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the 1934 Act)) as of June 30, 2012. Based on that evaluation, the Company s Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the Company s disclosure controls and procedures are effective in ensuring that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports it files or submits under the 1934 Act is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC s rules and forms, and that such information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the 1934 Act is accumulated and communicated to the Company s management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

There have been no changes in internal control over financial reporting during the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2012 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company s internal control over financial reporting.

PART II OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

Government Investigation

As previously reported by the Company, in January 2011, the U.S. Department of Commerce ("DOC") and the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Minnesota ("USAO") began an investigation into the Company's past disclosures on the Government's Online Representations and Certifications Application ("ORCA Certification") and later expanded the scope of inquiry to include the Company's government contracting compliance policies and general compliance record and practices in areas including export controls and government contracts. The Company reached an agreement in principle with USAO settling the above described matter which is subject to the approval of the U.S. Department of Justice. For a more detailed discussion of this investigation by the DOC and USAO and the agreement in principle, please refer to Note 11 of the Condensed Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Other Matters

As previously reported, the Company is investigating certain gift, travel, entertainment and other expenses that may have been improperly incurred in connection with some of the Company's operations in the Asia Pacific region. The investigation has focused on possible violations of Company policy, corresponding internal control issues and any possible violations of applicable law, including the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act. Although the investigation is not complete, the Company has taken remedial actions, including changes to internal control procedures and removing certain persons formerly employed in its Korea office. The Company believes, however, that the amount of the expenses in question is not material to its reported consolidated financial statements. The Company has voluntarily disclosed this matter to the U.S. Department of Justice and the SEC. Additionally, the Company has disclosed this matter to the U.S. Air Force pursuant to its Administrative Agreement. The Company cannot predict the outcome of this matter at this time or whether it will have a materially adverse impact on its business prospects, financial condition, operating results or cash flows.

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From time to time, the Company is subject to various claims, legal actions, and complaints arising in the ordinary course of business. Management currently believes the final resolution of legal matters outstanding as of June 30, 2012 will not have a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial position or results of operations of the Company. The Company expenses legal costs as incurred.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

The Company supplements the risk factors described in Part I, Item 1A, Risk Factors of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended October 1, 2011 as follows:

The Company's business and results of operations may be affected if the agreement in principle to settle the investigation by the U.S. Government is not approved. The Company's business and results of operations may be adversely affected if the Company's agreement in principle with the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Minnesota ("USAO") to settle the U.S. Department of Commerce ("DOC") and USAO's investigation into the Company's past government contracting practices is not approved by the U.S. Department of Justice. In the event the agreement in principle is not approved, significant additional management and financial resources could be required during the period of time necessary to resolve this matter. In addition, the Company could be required to pay damages or penalties or have remedies imposed upon it that extend beyond those included in the current agreement in principle.

Item 6. Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description					
10.1	Change in Control Agreement, dated May 7, 2012, by and between MTS Systems Corporation and Jeffrey A. Graves (incorporated by reference to form of agreement filed as Exhibit 10.2 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on April 9, 2012).					
10.2	Severance agreement, dated May 7, 2012, by and between MTS Systems Corporation and Jeffrey A. Graves (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on April 9, 2012).					
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (filed herewith).					
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (filed herewith).					
32.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (18 U.S.C. 1350) (filed herewith).					
32.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (18 U.S.C. 1350) (filed herewith).					
101.INS *	* XBRL Instance Document (filed herewith).					
101.SCH ³	** XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document (filed herewith).					
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document (filed herewith).					
101.DEF *	** XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document (filed herewith).					
101.LAB	101.LAB ** XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document (filed herewith). 35					

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101.PRE ** XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document (filed herewith).

** XBRL (Extensible Business Reporting Language) information is furnished and not filed or a part of a registration statement or prospectus for purposes of Sections 11 or 12 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, is deemed not filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and otherwise is not subject to liability under these sections.

SIGNATURES

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

MTS SYSTEMS CORPORATION

Dated: August 2, 2012 /s/ JEFFREY A. GRAVES

Jeffrey A. Graves

President and Chief Executive Officer

Dated: August 2, 2012 /s/ SUSAN E. KNIGHT

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Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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