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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549  
**FORM 10-Q**

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended September 27, 2008.

or

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

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Commission file number 000-06217

**INTEL CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

94-1672743

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

2200 Mission College Boulevard, Santa Clara,

California

(Address of principal executive offices)

95054-1549

(Zip Code)

(408) 765-8080

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former name, former address, and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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

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

Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer  Non-accelerated filer  (Do not check  Smaller reporting  
filer  if a smaller reporting company) company

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

Shares outstanding of the Registrant's common stock:

Class  
Common stock, \$0.001 par value

Outstanding as of October 24, 2008  
5,562 million



## PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## INTEL CORPORATION

## CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (Unaudited)

<u>(In Millions, Except Per Share Amounts)</u>	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Sept. 27, 2008	Sept. 29, 2007	Sept. 27, 2008	Sept. 29, 2007
<b>Net revenue</b>	<b>\$ 10,217</b>	<b>\$ 10,090</b>	<b>\$ 29,360</b>	<b>\$ 27,622</b>
Cost of sales	4,198	4,919	12,885	13,944
<b>Gross margin</b>	<b>6,019</b>	<b>5,171</b>	<b>16,475</b>	<b>13,678</b>
Research and development	1,471	1,521	4,406	4,274
Marketing, general and administrative	1,416	1,381	4,195	3,953
Restructuring and asset impairment charges	34	125	459	282
<b>Operating expenses</b>	<b>2,921</b>	<b>3,027</b>	<b>9,060</b>	<b>8,509</b>
<b>Operating income</b>	<b>3,098</b>	<b>2,144</b>	<b>7,415</b>	<b>5,169</b>
Gains (losses) on equity investments, net	(396)	148	(564)	176
Interest and other, net	131	211	466	560
<b>Income before taxes</b>	<b>2,833</b>	<b>2,503</b>	<b>7,317</b>	<b>5,905</b>
Provision for taxes	819	712	2,259	1,200
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$ 2,014</b>	<b>\$ 1,791</b>	<b>\$ 5,058</b>	<b>\$ 4,705</b>
<b>Basic earnings per common share</b>	<b>\$ 0.36</b>	<b>\$ 0.31</b>	<b>\$ 0.89</b>	<b>\$ 0.81</b>
<b>Diluted earnings per common share</b>	<b>\$ 0.35</b>	<b>\$ 0.30</b>	<b>\$ 0.87</b>	<b>\$ 0.79</b>
<b>Cash dividends declared per common share</b>	<b>\$ 0.28</b>	<b>\$ 0.225</b>	<b>\$ 0.548</b>	<b>\$ 0.45</b>
<b>Weighted average shares outstanding:</b>				
<b>Basic</b>	<b>5,603</b>	<b>5,837</b>	<b>5,696</b>	<b>5,808</b>

<b>Diluted</b>	<b>5,692</b>	<b>5,967</b>	<b>5,790</b>	<b>5,919</b>
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*See accompanying notes.*

**INTEL CORPORATION**  
**CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS (Unaudited)**

<u>(In Millions)</u>	Sept. 27, 2008	Dec. 29, 2007
<b>Assets</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,704	\$ 7,307
Short-term investments	4,583	5,490
Trading assets	3,917	2,566
Accounts receivable, net	2,737	2,576
Inventories	3,398	3,370
Deferred tax assets	1,430	1,186
Other current assets	1,654	1,390
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>21,423</b>	<b>23,885</b>
<b>Property, plant and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$30,342</b> (\$29,134 as of December 29, 2007)	<b>17,026</b>	<b>16,918</b>
<b>Marketable equity securities</b>	<b>401</b>	<b>987</b>
<b>Other long-term investments</b>	<b>3,820</b>	<b>4,398</b>
<b>Goodwill</b>	<b>3,924</b>	<b>3,916</b>
<b>Other long-term assets</b>	<b>6,125</b>	<b>5,547</b>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 52,719</b>	<b>\$ 55,651</b>
<b>Liabilities and stockholders equity</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Short-term debt	\$ 467	\$ 142
Accounts payable	2,507	2,361
Accrued compensation and benefits	1,858	2,417
Accrued advertising	882	749
Deferred income on shipments to distributors	656	625
Other accrued liabilities	3,698	1,938
Income taxes payable		339
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>10,068</b>	<b>8,571</b>
<b>Long-term income taxes payable</b>	<b>782</b>	<b>785</b>
<b>Deferred tax liabilities</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>411</b>
<b>Long-term debt</b>	<b>1,889</b>	<b>1,980</b>
<b>Other long-term liabilities</b>	<b>1,033</b>	<b>1,142</b>
<b>Contingencies (Note 18)</b>		
Stockholders equity:		
Preferred stock		
Common stock and capital in excess of par value, 5,562 shares issued and outstanding (5,818 as of December 29, 2007)	12,744	11,653

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Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(136)	261
Retained earnings	26,303	30,848
<b>Total stockholders equity</b>	<b>38,911</b>	<b>42,762</b>
<b>Total liabilities and stockholders equity</b>	<b>\$ 52,719</b>	<b>\$ 55,651</b>

*See accompanying notes.*

**INTEL CORPORATION**  
**CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited)**

	<b>Nine Months Ended</b>	
	<b>Sept.</b>	<b>Sept. 29,</b>
<u>(In Millions)</u>	<b>27,</b>	<b>2007</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>
	<b>\$ 7,307</b>	<b>\$ 6,598</b>
Cash flows provided by (used for) operating activities:		
Net income	5,058	4,705
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation	3,203	3,438
Share-based compensation	659	748
Restructuring, asset impairment, and net loss on retirement of assets	516	313
Excess tax benefit from share-based payment arrangements	(30)	(80)
Amortization of intangibles	194	189
(Gains) losses on equity investments, net	564	(176)
(Gains) losses on divestitures	(59)	(21)
Deferred taxes	(415)	(257)
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Trading assets	83	(1,090)
Accounts receivable	(471)	22
Inventories	(60)	744
Accounts payable	146	80
Accrued compensation and benefits	(624)	(197)
Income taxes payable and receivable	(281)	(626)
Other assets and liabilities	(153)	99
Total adjustments	3,272	3,186
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	<b>8,330</b>	<b>7,891</b>
Cash flows provided by (used for) investing activities:		
Additions to property, plant and equipment	(3,432)	(3,727)
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(9)	(74)
Purchases of available-for-sale investments	(5,152)	(8,513)
Maturities and sales of available-for-sale investments	6,519	5,671
Purchases of trading assets	(2,173)	
Maturities and sales of trading assets	642	
Investments in non-marketable equity investments	(564)	(1,279)
Return of equity method investment	193	
Proceeds from divestitures	75	32
Other investing activities	25	126
<b>Net cash used for investing activities</b>	<b>(3,876)</b>	<b>(7,764)</b>

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Cash flows provided by (used for) financing activities:

Increase (decrease) in short-term debt, net	325	(44)
Proceeds from government grants	2	84
Excess tax benefit from share-based payment arrangements	30	80
Proceeds from sales of shares through employee equity incentive plans	1,103	2,246
Repurchase and retirement of common stock	(7,195)	(1,287)
Payment of dividends to stockholders	(2,322)	(1,960)
<b>Net cash used for financing activities</b>	<b>(8,057)</b>	<b>(881)</b>
<b>Net (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>(3,603)</b>	<b>(754)</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, end of period</b>	<b>\$ 3,704</b>	<b>\$ 5,844</b>

Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:

Cash paid during the period for:

Interest, net of capitalized interest	\$ 4	\$ 7
Income taxes, net of refunds	\$ 2,941	\$ 1,977

*See accompanying notes.*



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**NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Unaudited**

**Note 1: Basis of Presentation**

We prepared our interim consolidated condensed financial statements that accompany these notes in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, consistent in all material respects with those applied in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 29, 2007. We have made estimates and judgments affecting the amounts reported in our consolidated condensed financial statements and the accompanying notes. Our actual results may differ materially from these estimates. The accounting estimates that require our most significant, difficult, and subjective judgments include:

the valuation and recognition of non-marketable equity investments;

the valuation and recognition of investments in debt instruments;

the assessment of recoverability of long-lived assets;

the recognition and measurement of current and deferred income taxes (including the measurement of uncertain tax positions);

the valuation of inventory; and

the valuation and recognition of share-based compensation.

In accordance with the adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 159, The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities Including an amendment of FASB Statement No. 115 (SFAS No. 159), cash flows from certain trading assets have been classified as cash flows from investing activities beginning in the first quarter of 2008. See Note 2: Recent Accounting Pronouncements and Accounting Changes for further discussion.

The interim financial information is unaudited, but reflects all normal adjustments that are, in our opinion, necessary to provide a fair statement of results for the interim periods presented. This interim information should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 29, 2007.

**Note 2: Recent Accounting Pronouncements and Accounting Changes**

In the first quarter of 2008, we adopted SFAS No. 157 Fair Value Measurements (SFAS No. 157) for all financial assets and financial liabilities and for all non-financial assets and non-financial liabilities recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis (at least annually). SFAS No. 157 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and enhances fair value measurement disclosure. The adoption of SFAS No. 157 did not have a significant impact on our consolidated financial statements, and the resulting fair values calculated under SFAS No. 157 after adoption were not significantly different than the fair values that would have been calculated under previous guidance. See Note 3: Fair Value for further details on our fair value measurements.

In February 2008, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued FASB Staff Position (FSP) 157-1, Application of FASB Statement No. 157 to FASB Statement No. 13 and Other Accounting Pronouncements That Address Fair Value Measurements for Purposes of Lease Classification or Measurement under Statement 13 (FSP 157-1) and FSP 157-2, Effective Date of FASB Statement No. 157 (FSP 157-2). FSP 157-1 amends SFAS No. 157 to remove certain leasing transactions from its scope, and was effective upon initial adoption of SFAS No. 157. FSP 157-2 delays the effective date of SFAS No. 157 for all non-financial assets and non-financial liabilities, except for items that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis (at least annually), until the beginning of the first quarter of fiscal 2009. We are currently evaluating the impact that SFAS No. 157 will have on our consolidated financial statements when it is applied to non-financial assets and non-financial liabilities that are not measured at fair value on a recurring basis, beginning in the first quarter of 2009.

In October 2008, the FASB issued FSP 157-3 Determining the Fair Value of a Financial Asset When the Market for That Asset Is Not Active (FSP 157-3). FSP 157-3 clarifies the application of SFAS No. 157 in a market that is not active, and addresses application issues such as the use of internal assumptions when relevant observable data does not exist, the use of observable market information when the market is not active, and the use of market quotes when assessing the relevance of observable and unobservable data. FSP 157-3 is effective for all periods presented in accordance with SFAS No. 157. The adoption of FSP 157-3 did not have a significant impact on our consolidated financial statements or the fair values of our financial assets and liabilities.

In the first quarter of 2008, we adopted SFAS No. 159. SFAS No. 159 permits companies to choose to measure certain financial instruments and other items at fair value using an instrument-by-instrument election. The standard requires unrealized gains and losses to be reported in earnings for items measured using the fair value option. See Note 3: Fair Value for further discussion.

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SFAS No. 159 also requires cash flows from purchases, sales, and maturities of trading securities to be classified based on the nature and purpose for which the securities were acquired. We assessed the nature and purpose of our trading assets and determined that our marketable debt instruments will be classified on the statement of cash flows as investing activities, as they are held with the purpose of generating returns. Our equity instruments offsetting deferred compensation will continue to be classified as operating activities, as they are maintained to offset changes in liabilities related to the equity market risk of certain deferred compensation arrangements. SFAS No. 159 does not allow for retrospective application to periods prior to fiscal year 2008; therefore, all trading asset activity for prior periods will continue to be presented as operating activities on the statement of cash flows.

Staff Accounting Bulletin 110 (SAB 110) issued by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) was effective for us beginning in the first quarter of 2008. SAB 110 amends the SEC's views discussed in Staff Accounting Bulletin 107 (SAB 107) regarding the use of the simplified method in developing estimates of the expected lives of share options in accordance with SFAS No. 123 (revised 2004), *Share-Based Payment* (SFAS No. 123(R)). The amendment, in part, allowed the continued use, subject to specific criteria, of the simplified method in estimating expected lives of share options granted after December 31, 2007. We will continue to use the simplified method until we have the historical data necessary to provide reasonable estimates of expected lives in accordance with SAB 107, as amended by SAB 110.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 141 (revised 2007), *Business Combinations* (SFAS No. 141(R)). Under SFAS No. 141(R), an entity is required to recognize the assets acquired, liabilities assumed, contractual contingencies, and contingent consideration at their fair value on the acquisition date. It further requires that acquisition-related costs be recognized separately from the acquisition and expensed as incurred; that restructuring costs generally be expensed in periods subsequent to the acquisition date; and that changes in accounting for deferred tax asset valuation allowances and acquired income tax uncertainties after the measurement period be recognized as a component of provision for taxes. In addition, acquired in-process research and development is capitalized as an intangible asset and amortized over its estimated useful life. The adoption of SFAS No. 141(R) will change our accounting treatment for business combinations on a prospective basis beginning in the first quarter of fiscal year 2009.

In March 2008, the FASB issued SFAS No. 161, *Disclosures about Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities* an amendment of FASB Statement No. 133 (SFAS No. 161). The standard requires additional quantitative disclosures (provided in tabular form) and qualitative disclosures for derivative instruments. The required disclosures include how derivative instruments and related hedged items affect an entity's financial position, financial performance, and cash flows; the relative volume of derivative activity; the objectives and strategies for using derivative instruments; the accounting treatment for those derivative instruments formally designated as the hedging instrument in a hedge relationship; and the existence and nature of credit-risk-related contingent features for derivatives. SFAS No. 161 does not change the accounting treatment for derivative instruments. SFAS No. 161 is effective for us in the first quarter of fiscal year 2009.

In May 2008, the FASB issued FSP APB 14-1, *Accounting for Convertible Debt Instruments That May Be Settled in Cash upon Conversion (Including Partial Cash Settlement)* (FSP APB 14-1). FSP APB 14-1 requires recognition of both the liability and equity components of convertible debt instruments with cash settlement features. The debt component is required to be recognized at the fair value of a similar instrument that does not have an associated equity component. The equity component is recognized as the difference between the proceeds from the issuance of the note and the fair value of the liability. FSP APB 14-1 also requires an accretion of the resulting debt discount over the expected life of the debt. We capitalize interest associated with our debt issuances, adding it to the cost of qualified assets, and amortize those costs over the estimated useful life of the assets, primarily to cost of sales. Retrospective application to all periods presented is required. This standard is effective for us in the first quarter of fiscal year 2009. We are currently evaluating the impact that FSP APB 14-1 will have on the accounting for our junior subordinated convertible debentures issued in 2005.



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**Note 3: Fair Value**

SFAS No. 157 defines fair value as the price that would be received from selling an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. When determining the fair value measurements for assets and liabilities required or permitted to be recorded at fair value, we consider the principal or most advantageous market in which we would transact and we consider assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, such as inherent risk, transfer restrictions, and risk of nonperformance.

***Fair Value Hierarchy***

SFAS No. 157 establishes three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

*Level 1* - Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 1 assets and liabilities consist of certain of our money market fund deposits and marketable debt and equity instruments, including equity instruments offsetting deferred compensation, that are traded in an active market with sufficient volume and frequency of transactions.

*Level 2* - Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets with insufficient volume or infrequent transactions (less active markets); or model-derived valuations in which all significant inputs are observable or can be derived principally from or corroborated with observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities.

Level 2 assets consist of certain of our marketable debt and equity instruments with quoted market prices that are traded in less active markets or priced using a quoted market price for similar instruments. Level 2 assets also include marketable debt instruments priced using non-binding market consensus prices that can be corroborated with observable market data, marketable equity instruments with security-specific restrictions that would transfer to the buyer, as well as debt instruments and derivative contracts priced using inputs that are observable in the market or can be derived principally from or corroborated with observable market data.

Marketable debt instruments in this category generally include commercial paper, bank time deposits, municipal bonds, certain of our money market fund deposits, and a majority of floating-rate notes and corporate bonds.

*Level 3* - Unobservable inputs to the valuation methodology that are significant to the measurement of fair value of assets or liabilities.

Level 3 assets and liabilities include marketable debt instruments, non-marketable equity investments, derivative contracts, and company issued debt whose values are determined using inputs that are both unobservable and significant to the values of the instruments being measured. Level 3 assets also include marketable debt instruments that are priced using non-binding market consensus prices or non-binding broker quotes that we were unable to corroborate with observable market data.

Marketable debt instruments in this category generally include asset-backed securities and certain of our floating-rate notes and corporate bonds.

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## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Unaudited (Continued)

*Assets/Liabilities Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis*

Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis, excluding accrued interest components, consisted of the following types of instruments as of September 27, 2008:

	Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using			Total Balance
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Instruments	Significant Other Observable Inputs	Significant Unobservable Inputs	
<u>(In Millions)</u>	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)	
<b>Assets</b>				
Commercial paper	\$	\$ 3,001	\$	\$ 3,001
Bank time deposits		1,379		1,379
Money market fund deposits	1,416	250		1,666
Floating-rate notes	23	6,335	462	6,820
Corporate bonds	32	617	200	849
Asset-backed securities			1,336	1,336
Municipal bonds		374		374
Marketable equity securities	304	97		401
Equity instruments offsetting deferred compensation	409			409
Derivative assets		114	18	132
<b>Total assets measured at fair value</b>	<b>\$ 2,184</b>	<b>\$ 12,167</b>	<b>\$ 2,016</b>	<b>\$ 16,367</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Long-term debt	\$	\$	\$ 125	\$ 125
Derivative liabilities		212	20	232
<b>Total liabilities measured at fair value</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$ 212</b>	<b>\$ 145</b>	<b>\$ 357</b>

Assets and liabilities measured and recorded at fair value on a recurring basis, excluding accrued interest components, were presented on our consolidated condensed balance sheets as of September 27, 2008 as follows:

	Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using	
	Quoted Prices in Active	Significant

	<b>Markets for Identical Instruments</b>	<b>Other Observable Inputs</b>	<b>Significant Unobservable Inputs</b>	<b>Total Balance</b>
<b><u>(In Millions)</u></b>	<b>(Level 1)</b>	<b>(Level 2)</b>	<b>(Level 3)</b>	
<b>Assets</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,410	\$ 2,125	\$	\$ 3,535
Short-term investments	7	4,358	216	4,581
Trading assets	443	2,424	1,050	3,917
Other current assets		112	5	117
Marketable equity securities	304	97		401
Other long-term investments	20	3,049	732	3,801
Other long-term assets		2	13	15
<b>Total assets measured at fair value</b>	<b>\$ 2,184</b>	<b>\$ 12,167</b>	<b>\$ 2,016</b>	<b>\$ 16,367</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Other accrued liabilities	\$	\$ 186	\$ 20	\$ 206
Long-term debt			125	125
Other long-term liabilities		26		26
<b>Total liabilities measured at fair value</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$ 212</b>	<b>\$ 145</b>	<b>\$ 357</b>

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All of our long-term debt was eligible for the fair value option allowed by SFAS No. 159 as of the effective date of the standard; however, we only elected the fair value option for the bonds issued by the Industrial Development Authority of the City of Chandler, Arizona that were issued in 2007 (2007 Arizona bonds). In connection with the 2007 Arizona bonds, we entered into an interest rate swap agreement which effectively converts the fixed rate obligation on these bonds to a floating LIBOR-based rate. As a result, changes in the fair value of this debt are primarily offset by changes in the fair value of the interest rate swap agreement, without the need to apply the hedge accounting provisions of SFAS No. 133, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities (SFAS No. 133). We elected not to adopt SFAS No. 159 for our Arizona bonds that were issued in 2005, since the bonds were carried at amortized cost and were not eligible to apply the hedge accounting provisions of SFAS No. 133 due to the use of non-derivative hedging instruments. The 2007 Arizona bonds are included within the long-term debt balance on our consolidated condensed balance sheets. As of September 27, 2008 and December 29, 2007, no other long-term debt instruments were similar to the instrument for which we have elected SFAS No. 159 fair value treatment.

The fair value of the 2007 Arizona bonds approximated its carrying value at the time we elected the fair value option under SFAS No. 159. As such, we did not record a cumulative-effect adjustment to the beginning balance of retained earnings or to the related deferred tax liability. As of September 27, 2008, the fair value of the 2007 Arizona bonds did not significantly differ from the contractual principal balance. The fair value of the 2007 Arizona bonds was determined using inputs that are observable in the market or that can be derived from or corroborated with observable market data as well as significant unobservable inputs. Gains and losses on the 2007 Arizona bonds are recorded in interest and other, net on the consolidated condensed statements of income. We capitalize interest associated with the 2007 Arizona bonds. We add capitalized interest to the cost of qualified assets and amortize it over the estimated useful lives of the assets.

The table below presents a reconciliation for all assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis, excluding accrued interest components, using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) for the three months ended September 27, 2008:

## Fair Value Measurements Using Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)

(In Millions)	Other		Other current and		Other		Total Gains (Losses)
	Short-term investments	Trading assets	long-term investments	long-term assets	accrued liabilities	Long-term debt	
<b>Balance at June 28, 2008</b>	\$ 357	\$ 1,184	\$ 886	\$ 22	\$ (26)	\$ (126)	
Transfers from long-term to short-term investments	2		(2)				
Total gains or losses (realized and unrealized):							
Included in earnings		(25)	(6)	(1)	6	1	(25)
Included in other comprehensive income	1		(18)				(17)



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Purchases, sales, issuances and settlements, net	(225)	(67)	9	(1)			
Transfers in/(out) of Level 3	81	(42)	(137)	(2)			
<b>Balance at September 27, 2008</b>	<b>\$ 216</b>	<b>\$ 1,050</b>	<b>\$ 732</b>	<b>\$ 18</b>	<b>\$ (20)</b>	<b>\$ (125)</b>	

The amount of total gains or (losses) for the period included in earnings attributable to the changes in unrealized gains or losses relating to assets and liabilities still held as of September 27, 2008	\$	\$ (25)	\$ (6)	\$ (1)	\$ 6	\$ 1	\$ (25)
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## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Unaudited (Continued)

The table below presents a reconciliation for all assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis, excluding accrued interest components, using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) for the nine months ended September 27, 2008:

## Fair Value Measurements Using Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)

<u>(In Millions)</u>	Short-term investments	Trading assets	Other long-term investments	Other current and long-term assets	Other accrued liabilities	Long-term debt	Total Gains (Losses)
<b>Balance at December 29, 2007</b>	\$ 798	\$ 1,004	\$ 771	\$ 18	\$ (15)	\$ (125)	
Transfers from long-term to short-term investments	226		(226)				
Total gains or losses (realized and unrealized):							
Included in earnings		(26)	(15)	3	(5)		(43)
Included in other comprehensive income			(28)				(28)
Purchases, sales, issuances and settlements, net	(534)	99	609	(6)			
Transfers in/(out) of Level 3	(274)	(27)	(379)	3			
<b>Balance at September 27, 2008</b>	\$ 216	\$ 1,050	\$ 732	\$ 18	\$ (20)	\$ (125)	

The amount of total gains or (losses) for the period included in earnings attributable to the changes in unrealized gains or losses relating to assets and liabilities still held as of

September 27, 2008 \$ (26) \$ (15) \$ 3 \$ (5) \$ (43)  
 Gains and losses (realized and unrealized) included in earnings for the three and nine months ended September 27, 2008 are reported in interest and other, net and gains (losses) on equity investments, net on the consolidated

condensed statements of income, as follows:

	Level 3			
	Three Months Ended September 27, 2008		Nine Months Ended September 27, 2008	
	Gains (losses)		Gains (losses)	
	Interest and other, net	on equity investments, net	Interest and other, net	on equity investments, net
<b><u>(In Millions)</u></b>				
Total gains or (losses) included in earnings	\$ (23)	\$ (2)	\$ (45)	\$ 2
Change in unrealized gains or (losses) relating to assets and liabilities still held as of September 27, 2008	\$ (23)	\$ (2)	\$ (45)	\$ 2

***Assets/Liabilities Measured at Fair Value on a Nonrecurring Basis***

The below table presents the balance of financial instruments that were measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis as of September 27, 2008, and the gains (losses) recorded during the three and nine months ended September 27, 2008 on those assets:

	Fair Value Measured Using				Total gains (losses) for three months ended Sept. 27, 2008	Total gains (losses) for nine months ended Sept. 27, 2008
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for	Significant Other	Significant Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)		
	Total balance as of Sept. 27, 2008	Identical Instrument (Level 1)	Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)		
<b><u>(In Millions)</u></b>						
Non-marketable equity investments	\$ 527	\$	\$	\$ 527	\$ (281)	\$ (325)
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<b>Total gains (losses) for assets held as of September 27, 2008</b>					<b>\$ (281)</b>	<b>\$ (325)</b>
-						
Gains (losses) for assets no longer held					\$	\$
-						
<b>Total gains (losses) for nonrecurring measurement</b>					<b>\$ (281)</b>	<b>\$ (325)</b>
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A portion of our non-marketable equity investments were measured at fair value in the first nine months of 2008 due to events or circumstances we identified that significantly impacted the fair value of these investments, resulting in other-than-temporary impairment charges. During the third quarter of 2008, we identified indicators of impairment during our review of our investment in Numonyx B.V. Estimates for revenue, earnings, and future cash flows for Numonyx were revised lower due to a general decline in the NOR flash memory market segment. We measure the fair value of our investment in Numonyx using a combination of the income approach and the market approach. The income approach included the use of a discounted cash flow of Numonyx, which required the use of unobservable inputs, including assumptions of projected revenues, expenses, capital spending, and other costs, as well as a discount rate calculated based on the risk profile of the flash memory market segment. The market approach included using financial metrics and ratios of comparable public companies. We recorded a \$250 million other-than-temporary impairment charge on our investment in Numonyx during the third quarter of 2008 to write down our investment to its estimated fair value of \$503 million. These impairment charges are included in gains (losses) on equity investments, net, on the consolidated condensed statements of income.

In addition, other non-marketable equity investments were measured at fair value during the first nine months of 2008 that resulted in other-than-temporary impairment charges. These fair value measurements were calculated using financial metrics and ratios of comparable public companies. All of our impaired non-marketable equity investments were classified as Level 3 instruments, as we use unobservable inputs to value these investments and valuation requires management judgment due to the absence of quoted market prices, inherent lack of liquidity, and the long-term nature of such investments. The valuation of our non-marketable equity investments also takes into account the movements of the equity and venture capital markets, recent financing activities by the investees, changes in the interest rate environment, the investee's capital structure, liquidation preferences for the investee's capital, and other economic variables.

**Note 4: Employee Equity Incentive Plans**

Our equity incentive plans are broad-based, long-term retention programs intended to attract and retain talented employees and align stockholder and employee interests.

Under the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan (the 2006 Plan), 294 million shares of common stock have been made available for issuance as equity awards to employees and non-employee directors. A maximum of 168 million of these shares can be awarded as non-vested shares (restricted stock) or non-vested share units (restricted stock units). As of September 27, 2008, 181 million shares remained available for future grant under the 2006 Plan.

The 2006 Stock Purchase Plan allows eligible employees to purchase shares of our common stock at 85% of the average of the high and low price of our common stock on specific dates. Under the 2006 Stock Purchase Plan, 240 million shares of common stock were made available for issuance through August 2011. As of September 27, 2008, 188 million shares are available for issuance under the 2006 Stock Purchase Plan.

**Share-Based Compensation**

Share-based compensation recognized in the third quarter of 2008 was \$197 million and \$659 million for the first nine months of 2008 (\$227 million in the third quarter of 2007 and \$748 million for the first nine months of 2007).

We estimate the fair value of restricted stock unit awards using the value of our common stock on the date of grant, reduced by the present value of dividends expected to be paid on our common stock prior to vesting. We based the weighted average estimated values of restricted stock unit grants, as well as the weighted average assumptions that we used in calculating the fair value, on estimates at the date of grant, as follows:

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>		<b>Nine Months Ended</b>	
	<b>Sept.</b>	<b>Sept. 29,</b>	<b>Sept.</b>	<b>Sept. 29,</b>
	<b>27,</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>27,</b>	<b>2007</b>
	<b>2008</b>		<b>2008</b>	
Estimated values	\$ 20.42	\$ 24.20	\$ 20.72	\$ 20.56
Risk-free interest rate	2.5%	4.9%	2.1%	4.8%

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Dividend yield	2.6%	1.8%	2.5%	2.1%
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We use the Black-Scholes option pricing model to estimate the fair value of options granted under our equity incentive plans and rights to acquire stock granted under our stock purchase plan. We based the weighted average estimated values of employee stock option grants and rights granted under the stock purchase plan, as well as the weighted average assumptions used in calculating these values, on estimates at the date of grant, as follows:

	Stock Options				Stock Purchase Plan <sup>1</sup>			
	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended		Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Sept. 27, 2008	Sept. 29, 2007	Sept. 27, 2008	Sept. 29, 2007	Sept. 27, 2008	Sept. 29, 2007	Sept. 27, 2008	Sept. 29, 2007
Estimated values	\$ 6.10	\$ 6.85	\$ 5.82	\$ 5.26	\$ 5.50	\$ 5.62	\$ 5.32	\$ 5.18
Expected life (in years)	4.8	4.7	4.9	4.9	.5	.5	.5	.5
Risk free interest rate	3.3%	4.9%	2.9%	4.6%	1.9%	5.1%	2.1%	5.2%
Volatility	36%	28%	34%	25%	36%	29%	35%	28%
Dividend yield	2.6%	1.8%	2.5%	2.1%	2.5%	1.9%	2.5%	2.0%

<sup>1</sup> Under the stock purchase plan, rights to purchase shares are only granted during the first and third quarters of each year.

**Restricted Stock Unit Awards**

Activity with respect to outstanding restricted stock units for the first nine months of 2008 was as follows:

<u>(In Millions, Except Per Share Amounts)</u>	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Grant-Date Fair Value		Aggregate Fair Value <sup>1</sup>
		Date	Fair Value	
<b>December 29, 2007</b>	<b>51.1</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>20.24</b>	
Granted	29.3	\$	20.72	
Vested <sup>2</sup>	(11.9)	\$	19.68	\$ 267
Forfeited	(4.1)	\$	20.12	
<b>September 27, 2008</b>	<b>64.4</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>20.57</b>	

<sup>1</sup>

*Represents the value of Intel stock on the date that the restricted stock units vest. On the grant date, the fair value for these vested awards was \$234 million.*

- <sup>2</sup> *The number of restricted stock units vested includes shares that we withheld on behalf of employees to satisfy the minimum statutory tax withholding requirements.*

**Stock Option Awards**

Activity with respect to outstanding stock options for the first nine months of 2008 was as follows:

	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Aggregate Intrinsic Value <sup>1</sup>
<b><u>(In Millions, Except Per Share Amounts)</u></b>			
<b>December 29, 2007</b>	<b>665.9</b>	<b>\$ 27.76</b>	
Grants	20.7	\$ 21.94	
Exercises	(33.5)	\$ 19.43	\$ 101
Cancellations and forfeitures	(37.5)	\$ 30.88	
<b>September 27, 2008</b>	<b>615.6</b>	<b>\$ 27.81</b>	
Options exercisable as of:			
December 29, 2007	528.2	\$ 29.04	
September 27, 2008	516.9	\$ 28.89	

- <sup>1</sup> *Represents the difference between the exercise price and the value of Intel stock at the time of exercise.*





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*Stock Purchase Plan*

Employees purchased 25.9 million shares in the first nine months of 2008 (26.1 million shares in the first nine months of 2007) for \$453 million (\$428 million in the first nine months of 2007) under the 2006 Stock Purchase Plan.

**Note 5: Earnings Per Share**

We computed our basic and diluted earnings per common share as follows:

	Three Months		Nine Months Ended	
	Sept. 27, 2008	Sept. 29, 2007	Sept. 27, 2008	Sept. 29, 2007
<u>(In Millions, Except Per Share Amounts)</u>				
Net income	\$ 2,014	\$ 1,791	\$ 5,058	\$ 4,705
<b>Weighted average common shares outstanding basic</b>	<b>5,603</b>	<b>5,837</b>	<b>5,696</b>	<b>5,808</b>
Dilutive effect of employee equity incentive plans	38	79	43	60
Dilutive effect of convertible debt	51	51	51	51
<b>Weighted average common shares outstanding diluted</b>	<b>5,692</b>	<b>5,967</b>	<b>5,790</b>	<b>5,919</b>
<b>Basic earnings per common share</b>	<b>\$ 0.36</b>	<b>\$ 0.31</b>	<b>\$ 0.89</b>	<b>\$ 0.81</b>
<b>Diluted earnings per common share</b>	<b>\$ 0.35</b>	<b>\$ 0.30</b>	<b>\$ 0.87</b>	<b>\$ 0.79</b>

We computed our basic earnings per common share using net income and the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. We computed diluted earnings per common share using net income and the weighted average number of common shares outstanding plus potentially dilutive common shares outstanding during the period. Potentially dilutive common shares include the assumed exercise of outstanding stock options, the assumed vesting of outstanding restricted stock units, the assumed issuance of stock under the stock purchase plan using the treasury stock method, and the assumed conversion of debt using the if-converted method.

For the third quarter of 2008, we excluded 462 million outstanding weighted average stock options (473 million for the first nine months of 2008) from the calculation of diluted earnings per common share because the exercise prices of these stock options were greater than or equal to the average market value of the common shares (305 million for the third quarter of 2007 and 470 million for the first nine months of 2007). These options could be included in the calculation in the future if the average market value of the common shares increases and is greater than the exercise price of these options.

**Note 6: Common Stock Repurchases***Common Stock Repurchase Program*

We have an ongoing authorization, amended in November 2005, from our Board of Directors to repurchase up to \$25 billion in shares of our common stock in open market or negotiated transactions. During the third quarter of 2008, we repurchased 93.4 million shares of common stock at a cost of \$2.1 billion (30.4 million shares at a cost of \$750 million during the third quarter of 2007). During the first nine months of 2008, we repurchased 324.1 million shares of common stock at a cost of \$7.1 billion (54.2 million shares at a cost of \$1.25 billion during the first nine months of 2007). We have repurchased and retired 3.3 billion shares at a cost of approximately \$67 billion since the program began in 1990. As of September 27, 2008, \$7.4 billion remained available for repurchase under the existing

repurchase authorization.

In the third quarter of 2008, we executed a forward purchase agreement with Lehman Brothers OTC Derivatives Inc. (Lehman Brothers). Under this agreement, we prepaid \$1.0 billion to Lehman Brothers to purchase common shares of Intel. We received an equivalent \$1.0 billion of cash collateral. As of the end of the third quarter of 2008, we reflected the \$1.0 billion prepayment within other current assets, with a corresponding \$1.0 billion recorded within other accrued liabilities. The \$1.0 billion in cash collateral is considered restricted cash as of September 27, 2008, and was invested in high quality cash equivalents under the terms of the agreement. Subsequent to the end of the third quarter, Lehman Brothers failed to deliver shares of Intel common stock, and we foreclosed on the \$1.0 billion collateral. Therefore, the cash was no longer considered restricted cash subsequent to the end of the quarter. There was no impact to our results of operations as a result of this agreement.

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**Restricted Stock Unit Withholdings**

We issue restricted stock units as part of our equity incentive plans. For the majority of restricted stock units granted, the number of shares issued on the date the restricted stock units vest is net of the minimum statutory withholding requirements that we pay in cash to the appropriate taxing authorities on behalf of our employees. During the first nine months of 2008, we withheld 3.5 million shares (1.7 million shares during the first nine months of 2007) to satisfy \$78 million (\$37 million during the first nine months of 2007) of employees' tax obligations. Although shares withheld are not issued, they are treated as common stock repurchases in our financial statements, as they reduce the number of shares that would have been issued upon vesting.

**Note 7: Inventories**

Inventories at the end of each period were as follows:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	Sept. 27, 2008	Dec. 29, 2007
Raw materials	\$ 583	\$ 507
Work in process	1,427	1,460
Finished goods	1,388	1,403
<b>Total inventories</b>	<b>\$ 3,398</b>	<b>\$ 3,370</b>

**Note 8: Trading Assets**

Trading assets at fair value at the end of each period were as follows:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	Sept. 27, 2008	Dec. 29, 2007
Marketable debt instruments	\$ 3,508	\$ 2,074
Equity instruments offsetting deferred compensation	409	492
<b>Total trading assets</b>	<b>\$ 3,917</b>	<b>\$ 2,566</b>

**Note 9: Gains (Losses) on Equity Investments, Net**

Gains (losses) on equity investments, net included:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Sept. 27, 2008	Sept. 29, 2007	Sept. 27, 2008	Sept. 29, 2007
Impairment charges	\$ (312)	\$ (26)	\$ (434)	\$ (106)
Gains on sales	18	67	53	165
Other, net	(102)	107	(183)	117
<b>Total gains (losses) on equity investments, net</b>	<b>\$ (396)</b>	<b>\$ 148</b>	<b>\$ (564)</b>	<b>\$ 176</b>

Impairment charges in the third quarter of 2008 and the first nine months of 2008 included a \$250 million impairment charge on our investment in Numonyx. See Note 3: Fair Value for further details on this impairment. In addition, we recorded a \$25 million impairment charge on our investment in Micron Technology, Inc., which reflects the difference between our cost basis and the fair value of our investment in Micron at the end of the quarter. Total impairment charges on our investment in Micron for the first nine months of 2008 were \$97 million. Our equity method gains

(losses) are included in the table above under other, net. Equity method losses on our investments in Numonyx were \$68 million in the third quarter of 2008 and the first nine months of 2008. Equity method losses on our investments in Clearwire Corporation were \$42 million in the third quarter of 2008 (\$27 million in the third quarter of 2007) and \$118 million in the first nine months of 2008 (\$31 million in the first nine months of 2007).

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**Note 10: Interest and Other, Net**

The components of interest and other, net were as follows:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Sept. 27, 2008	Sept. 29, 2007	Sept. 27, 2008	Sept. 29, 2007
Interest income	\$ 126	\$ 202	\$ 461	\$ 578
Interest expense		(5)	(8)	(12)
Other, net	5	14	13	(6)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 131</b>	<b>\$ 211</b>	<b>\$ 466</b>	<b>\$ 560</b>

**Note 11: Comprehensive Income**

The components of total comprehensive income were as follows:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Sept. 27, 2008	Sept. 29, 2007	Sept. 27, 2008	Sept. 29, 2007
Net income	\$ 2,014	\$ 1,791	\$ 5,058	\$ 4,705
Change in net unrealized holding gain on available-for-sale investments	(166)	306	(351)	277
Change in net unrealized holding gain on derivatives	(99)	22	(46)	12
<b>Total comprehensive income</b>	<b>\$ 1,749</b>	<b>\$ 2,119</b>	<b>\$ 4,661</b>	<b>\$ 4,994</b>

The components of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax, at the end of each period were as follows:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	Sept. 27, 2008	Dec. 29, 2007
Accumulated net unrealized holding gain (loss) on available-for-sale investments	\$ (27)	\$ 324
Accumulated net unrealized holding gain on derivatives	54	100
Accumulated net prior service costs	(13)	(13)
Accumulated net actuarial losses	(148)	(148)
Accumulated transition obligation	(2)	(2)
<b>Total accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)</b>	<b>\$ (136)</b>	<b>\$ 261</b>

In the table above, accumulated net unrealized holding gain (loss) on available-for-sale investments included \$36 million (net of tax of \$21 million) as of September 27, 2008 related to our investment in VMware, Inc. (\$364 million, net of tax of \$212 million, as of December 29, 2007).

**Note 12: Goodwill**

Goodwill activity by reportable operating segment for the first nine months of 2008 was as follows:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	<b>Digital Enterprise Group</b>	<b>Mobility Group</b>	<b>All Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>December 29, 2007</b>	<b>\$ 3,385</b>	<b>\$ 248</b>	<b>\$ 283</b>	<b>\$ 3,916</b>
Addition			9	9
Transfer	123		(123)	
Other	(1)			(1)
<b>September 27, 2008</b>	<b>\$ 3,507</b>	<b>\$ 248</b>	<b>\$ 169</b>	<b>\$ 3,924</b>

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In the second quarter, we completed a reorganization that transferred the revenue and costs associated with a portion of the Digital Home Group's consumer PC components business to the Digital Enterprise Group. As a result of the reorganization, \$123 million of goodwill was reassigned from the Digital Home Group to the Digital Enterprise Group. Goodwill was reassigned to the Digital Enterprise Group based on the relative fair value of the business transferred to the estimated fair value of the Digital Home Group reporting unit before the reorganization. The remaining goodwill associated with the Digital Home Group reporting unit is included in the All Other category in the table above.

In the third quarter, we completed one acquisition qualifying as a business combination in exchange for net cash consideration of \$9 million, of which substantially all was allocated to goodwill.

No goodwill was impaired during the first nine months of 2008 and 2007.

**Note 13: Divestitures**

During the first quarter of 2008, we completed the divestiture of a portion of the telecommunication related assets of our optical platform division that were included in the Digital Enterprise Group operating segment. Consideration for the divestiture was approximately \$85 million, including \$75 million in cash and common shares of the acquiring company with an estimated value of \$10 million at the date of purchase. We entered into an agreement with the acquiring company to provide certain manufacturing and transition services for a limited time. During the first quarter of 2008, as a result of this divestiture, we recorded a net gain of \$39 million within interest and other, net. During the second quarter of 2008, we completed the sale of the remaining portion of our optical platform division for common shares of the acquiring company with an estimated value of \$27 million at the date of purchase. Overall, approximately 100 employees of our optical products business became employees of the acquiring company.

During the second quarter of 2008, we completed the divestiture of our NOR flash memory business. We exchanged certain NOR flash memory assets and certain assets associated with our phase change memory initiatives with Numonyx for a note receivable with a contractual amount of \$144 million and a 45.1% ownership interest in the form of common stock, together valued at \$821 million at the time of the transaction. We retain certain rights to intellectual property included within the divestiture. Approximately 2,500 employees of our NOR flash memory business became employees of Numonyx. STMicroelectronics N.V. contributed certain assets to Numonyx for a note receivable with a contractual amount of \$156 million and a 48.6% ownership interest in the form of common stock. Francisco Partners L.P. paid \$150 million in cash in exchange for the remaining 6.3% ownership interest in the form of preferred stock and a note receivable with a contractual amount of \$20 million. In addition, they received a payout right that is preferential relative to the investments of Intel and STMicroelectronics.

In the first quarter that ended March 29, 2008, we recorded asset impairment charges related to the NOR flash memory assets that were included in the divestiture. See Note 15: Restructuring and Asset Impairment Charges for further discussion. We did not incur a gain or loss upon completion of the transaction on March 30, 2008. During the third quarter of 2008, we recorded a \$250 million impairment charge on our investment in Numonyx within gains (losses) on equity investments, net. For further discussion on our investment and terms of the divestiture, see Note 16: Equity Investments.

**Note 14: Identified Intangible Assets**

We classify identified intangible assets within other long-term assets on the consolidated condensed balance sheets. Identified intangible assets consisted of the following as of September 27, 2008:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	<b>Gross Assets</b>	<b>Accumulated Amortization</b>	<b>Net</b>
Intellectual property assets	\$ 1,181	\$ (553)	\$ 628
Acquisition-related developed technology	22	(7)	15
Other intangible assets	340	(184)	156
<b>Total identified intangible assets</b>	<b>\$ 1,543</b>	<b>\$ (744)</b>	<b>\$ 799</b>





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Identified intangible assets consisted of the following as of December 29, 2007:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	Gross Assets	Accumulated Amortization	Net
Intellectual property assets	\$ 1,158	\$ (438)	\$ 720
Acquisition-related developed technology	19	(3)	16
Other intangible assets	360	(136)	224
<b>Total identified intangible assets</b>	<b>\$ 1,537</b>	<b>\$ (577)</b>	<b>\$ 960</b>

During the first nine months of 2008, we acquired intellectual property assets for \$30 million with a weighted average life of fifteen years.

All of our identified intangible assets are subject to amortization. We recorded the amortization of identified intangible assets on the consolidated condensed statements of income as follows: intellectual property assets generally in cost of sales; acquisition-related developed technology in marketing, general and administrative; and other intangible assets as either a reduction of revenue or marketing, general and administrative. The amortization expense was as follows:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Sept. 27, 2008	Sept. 29, 2007	Sept. 27, 2008	Sept. 29, 2007
Intellectual property assets	\$ 41	\$ 37	\$ 122	\$ 118
Acquisition-related developed technology	\$ 2	\$ 1	\$ 4	\$ 1
Other intangible assets	\$ 25	\$ 27	\$ 68	\$ 70

Based on identified intangible assets recorded as of September 27, 2008, and assuming the underlying assets are not impaired in the future, we expect amortization expense for each period to be as follows:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	2008 <sup>1</sup>	2009	2010	2011	2012
Intellectual property assets	\$ 40	\$ 136	\$ 125	\$ 73	\$ 62
Acquisition-related developed technology	\$ 1	\$ 5	\$ 5	\$ 4	\$
Other intangible assets	\$ 21	\$ 123	\$ 12	\$	\$

<sup>1</sup> Reflects the remaining three months of fiscal year 2008.

**Note 15: Restructuring and Asset Impairment Charges**

In the third quarter of 2006, management approved several actions as part of a restructuring plan designed to improve operational efficiency and financial results. Restructuring and asset impairment charges were as follows:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Sept. 27, 2008	Sept. 29, 2007	Sept. 27, 2008	Sept. 29, 2007
Employee severance and benefit arrangements	\$ 29	\$ 39	\$ 125	\$ 140
Asset impairment charges	5	86	334	142

<b>Total restructuring and asset impairment charges</b>	<b>\$ 34</b>	<b>\$ 125</b>	<b>\$ 459</b>	<b>\$ 282</b>
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In the first quarter of 2007, we incurred \$54 million in asset impairment charges as a result of market conditions related to our Colorado Springs, Colorado facility, which has been placed for sale. In 2008, we incurred additional asset impairment charges related to our Colorado Springs facility, based on market conditions.

During the third quarter of 2007, we recorded aggregate non-cash land, building, and equipment write-downs of \$86 million, which included write-downs related to certain facilities in Santa Clara, California.

During the first quarter of 2008, we incurred \$275 million in asset impairment charges related to assets which were sold in the second quarter of 2008 in conjunction with the divestiture of our NOR flash memory business. The impairment charges were determined using the revised fair value that we received upon completion of the divestiture, less selling costs. The lower fair value was primarily a result of a decline in the outlook for the flash memory market segment. See Note 13: Divestitures for further discussion.

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Restructuring and asset impairment activity for the first nine months of 2008 was as follows:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	Employee Severance and Benefits	Asset Impairments	Total
<b>Accrued restructuring balance as of December 29, 2007</b>	\$ 127	\$	\$ 127
Additional accruals	138	334	472
Adjustments	(13)		(13)
Cash payments	(200)		(200)
Non-cash settlements		(334)	(334)
 <b>Accrued restructuring balance as of September 27, 2008</b>	 \$ 52	 \$	 \$ 52

We recorded the additional accruals, net of adjustments, as restructuring and asset impairment charges. The remaining accrual as of September 27, 2008 was related to severance benefits that we recorded as a current liability within accrued compensation and benefits.

From the third quarter of 2006 through the third quarter of 2008, we incurred a total of \$1.5 billion in restructuring and asset impairment charges related to this plan. These charges include a total of \$652 million related to employee severance and benefit arrangements for approximately 11,900 employees, and \$878 million in asset impairment charges. We may incur additional restructuring charges in the future for employee severance and benefit arrangements, and facility-related or other exit activities.

**Note 16: Equity Investments****Numonyx**

We divested our NOR flash memory business in exchange for a 45.1% ownership interest in Numonyx. See Note 13: Divestitures for further discussion. Our initial ownership interest, comprising common stock and a note receivable, was recorded at \$821 million. Our investment is accounted for under the equity method of accounting, and our proportionate share of the income or loss is recognized on a one quarter lag. During the third quarter of 2008, we recorded \$68 million of equity method losses and a \$250 million impairment charge on our investment in Numonyx within gains (losses) on equity investments, net. See Note 3: Fair Value for further discussion. As of September 27, 2008, our investment balance in Numonyx was \$503 million and is included within other long-term assets.

Additional terms of our investment in Numonyx include:

We are leasing a facility in Israel to Numonyx for a period of up to 24 years under a fully paid up-front operating lease. Upon completion of the divestiture, we recorded \$82 million of deferred income representing the value of the prepaid operating lease. The deferred income will generally offset the related depreciation over the lease term.

We entered into supply and service agreements that involve the manufacture and the assembly and test of NOR flash memory products for Numonyx through the end of 2008. The fair value of these agreements was \$110 million and was recorded in other accrued liabilities upon the completion of the transaction. This amount will be recognized over the remainder of 2008, primarily as a reduction of cost of sales.

We entered into a transition services agreement which involves providing certain services such as information technology, supply chain, finance support, and other services to Numonyx for up to one year. The reimbursement from Numonyx for these services mostly offset the related cost of sales and operating expenses.

Numonyx entered into an unsecured, four year senior credit facility of up to \$550 million, comprised of a \$450 million term loan and a \$100 million revolving loan. Intel and STMicroelectronics have each provided the lenders with a guarantee of 50% of Numonyx's payment obligations under the senior credit facility. A demand on our guarantee can be triggered if Numonyx is unable to meet its obligations under the credit facility. Acceleration of Numonyx's obligations under the credit facility could be triggered by a monetary default of Numonyx or, in certain circumstances, can be triggered by events affecting the creditworthiness of STMicroelectronics. This guarantee is within the scope of FASB Interpretation No. 45, Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others. The maximum amount of future undiscounted payments we could be required to make under the guarantee is \$275 million plus accrued interest, expenses of the lenders, and penalties. As of September 27, 2008, the carrying amount of the liability associated with the guarantee was \$79 million and is included in other accrued liabilities.

Our note receivable is subordinated to the senior credit facility and Francisco Partners' preferential payout, and will be deemed extinguished in liquidation events that generate proceeds insufficient to repay the senior credit facility and Francisco Partners' preferential payout.

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As of September 27, 2008, approximately \$30 million is included in accounts receivable, net for supply and service agreements that involve the manufacture and the assembly and test of NOR flash memory products by Intel on behalf of Numonyx. As of September 27, 2008, approximately \$125 million is included in other current assets for amounts due to Intel from Numonyx, primarily for services performed under the transition services agreements.

#### *Ventures*

Micron and Intel formed IM Flash Technologies, LLC (IMFT) in January 2006 and IM Flash Singapore, LLP (IMFS) in February 2007. We established these joint ventures to manufacture NAND flash memory products for Micron and Intel. We own a 49% interest in each of these ventures. Our investments were \$2.0 billion in IMFT and \$346 million in IMFS as of September 27, 2008 (\$2.2 billion in IMFT and \$146 million in IMFS as of December 29, 2007), which represents our maximum exposure to loss. Our investments in these ventures are classified within other long-term assets. During the first nine months of 2008, \$193 million was returned to Intel by IMFT, which is reflected as a return of equity method investment within investing activities on the consolidated condensed statements of cash flows.

Subject to certain conditions, we agreed to contribute up to approximately \$1.4 billion for IMFT in the three years following the initial capital contributions of which our maximum remaining commitment was approximately \$135 million at the end of the third quarter of 2008. Initial production from IMFT began in early 2006. Additionally, our portion of IMFT costs, primarily related to product purchases and start-up, was approximately \$290 million during the third quarter of 2008 and approximately \$815 million during the first nine months of 2008 (approximately \$190 million during the third quarter of 2007 and \$540 million during the first nine months of 2007). The amount due to IMFT for product purchases and services provided was approximately \$145 million as of September 27, 2008 and was approximately \$130 million as of December 29, 2007.

Subject to certain conditions, we originally agreed to contribute up to approximately \$1.7 billion for IMFS in the three years following the initial capital contributions of which our maximum remaining commitment was approximately \$1.3 billion at the end of the third quarter of 2008. However, the construction of the IMFS fabrication facility has been placed on hold.

Subsequent to the end of the third quarter of 2008, we agreed with Micron to discontinue the supply of NAND flash memory from the 200mm facility within the IMFT manufacturing network. In connection with IMFT discontinuing the supply of 200mm flash memory, we will incur exit costs that result in a fourth quarter restructuring charge of approximately \$200 million. The carrying value of our investment in IMFT will be reduced by approximately \$175 million as a result of this agreement. The planned restructuring did not impact the recoverability of the carrying value of our investment in IMFT as of the end of the third quarter of 2008.

#### *Clearwire*

As of September 27, 2008, our investment in Clearwire had a carrying value of \$398 million and a fair value of \$425 million. During the second quarter of 2008, Clearwire and Sprint Nextel Corporation entered into an agreement to reorganize Clearwire into a new company. We have agreed to invest \$1.0 billion in this new company. Our current investment in Clearwire would be converted into shares of the new company upon completion of the transaction. Including the new investment of \$1.0 billion, we would have a 12% equity ownership interest in the new company. The new wireless company would continue to use the name Clearwire and would focus on expediting the deployment of the first U.S. nationwide mobile WiMAX network. Comcast Corporation, Time Warner Cable Inc., Google Inc., and Bright House Networks have also agreed to make investments in the new wireless company. The completion of the transaction is dependent on certain closing conditions.

#### **Note 17: Borrowings**

We have euro borrowings, which we made in connection with financing manufacturing facilities and equipment in Ireland. The proceeds from these borrowing were invested in euro-denominated loan participation notes of similar maturity to reduce currency and interest rate exposures. During the second quarter of 2008, we retired \$96 million in euro borrowings prior to their maturity dates through the simultaneous settlement of an equivalent amount of investments in loan participation notes.

We have an ongoing authorization from our Board of Directors to borrow up to \$3.0 billion, including through the issuance of commercial paper. We had \$250 million of commercial paper outstanding as of September 27, 2008, which was recorded as short-term debt. The weighted average interest rate on our commercial paper outstanding as of September 27, 2008 was 1.68%.

**INTEL CORPORATION****NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Unaudited (Continued)****Note 18: Contingencies*****Legal Proceedings***

We are currently a party to various legal proceedings, including those noted in this section. While management presently believes that the ultimate outcome of these proceedings, individually and in the aggregate, will not materially harm the company's financial position, cash flows, or overall trends in results of operations, litigation is subject to inherent uncertainties, and unfavorable rulings could occur. An unfavorable ruling could include money damages or, in cases for which injunctive relief is sought, an injunction prohibiting us from selling one or more products at all or in particular ways. Were an unfavorable ruling to occur, our business or results of operations could be materially harmed.

***Advanced Micro Devices, Inc. (AMD) and AMD International Sales & Service, Ltd. v. Intel Corporation and Intel Kabushiki Kaisha, and related Consumer Class Actions and Government Investigations***

A number of proceedings, described below, generally challenge certain of our competitive practices, contending generally that we improperly condition price rebates and other discounts on our microprocessors on exclusive or near exclusive dealing by some of our customers. We believe that we compete lawfully and that our marketing practices benefit our customers and our shareholders, and we will continue to vigorously defend ourselves. The distractions caused by challenges to our business practices, however, are undesirable and the legal and other costs associated with defending our position have been and continue to be significant. We assume, as should investors, that these challenges could continue for a number of years and may require the investment of substantial additional management time and financial resources to explain and defend our position. While management presently believes that the ultimate outcome of these proceedings, individually and in the aggregate, will not materially harm the company's financial position, cash flows, or overall trends in results of operations, these litigation matters and the related government investigations are subject to inherent uncertainties, and unfavorable rulings could occur. An unfavorable ruling could include substantial money damages and, in matters in which injunctive relief or other conduct remedies are sought, an injunction or other order prohibiting us from selling one or more products at all or in particular ways. Were an unfavorable ruling to occur, our business or results of operations could be materially harmed.

In June 2005, AMD filed a complaint in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware alleging that we and our Japanese subsidiary engaged in various actions in violation of the Sherman Act and the California Business and Professions Code, including, among other things, providing discounts and rebates to our manufacturer and distributor customers conditioned on exclusive or near exclusive dealing that allegedly unfairly interfered with AMD's ability to sell its microprocessors, interfering with certain AMD product launches, and interfering with AMD's participation in certain industry standard setting groups. AMD's complaint seeks unspecified treble damages, punitive damages, an injunction requiring Intel to cease any conduct found to be unlawful, and attorneys' fees and costs. We have answered the complaint, denying the material allegations, and asserting various affirmative defenses. The discovery cut-off of the AMD litigation is set for May 1, 2009. In February 2007, we reported to the Court that we had discovered certain lapses in our retention of electronic documents. We then stipulated to a court order requiring us to further investigate and report on those lapses, as well as develop a plan to remediate the issues. We completed the investigation and provided detailed information to the Court and AMD throughout 2007 and 2008. The Court also approved our remediation plan, which is now almost completed. The parties have largely completed document discovery and are in the process of taking depositions of current and former employees and of third parties. The AMD litigation currently is scheduled for trial to commence on February 15, 2010.

AMD's Japanese subsidiary also filed suits in the Tokyo High Court and the Tokyo District Court against our Japanese subsidiary, asserting violations of Japan's Antimonopoly Law and alleging damages in each suit of approximately \$55 million, plus various other costs and fees. Proceedings in those matters are ongoing.

In addition, at least 82 separate class actions have been filed in the U.S. District Courts for the Northern District of California, Southern District of California, District of Idaho, District of Nebraska, District of New Mexico, District of Maine, and the District of Delaware, as well as in various California, Kansas, and Tennessee state courts. These actions generally repeat AMD's allegations and assert various consumer injuries, including that consumers in various

states have been injured by paying higher prices for computers containing our microprocessors. All of the federal class actions and the Kansas and Tennessee state court class actions have been or will be consolidated by the Multidistrict Litigation Panel to the District of Delaware and are being coordinated for pre-trial purposes with the AMD litigation. The putative class in the coordinated actions has moved for class certification, which we are in the process of opposing. All California class actions have been consolidated to the Superior Court of California in Santa Clara County. The plaintiffs in the California actions have moved for class certification, which we are in the process of opposing. At our request, the Court in the California actions has agreed to delay ruling on this motion until after the Delaware Federal Court rules on the similar motion in the coordinated actions. We dispute AMD's claims and the class-action claims, and intend to defend the lawsuits vigorously.



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We are also subject to certain antitrust regulatory inquiries. In 2001, the European Commission (EC) commenced an investigation regarding claims by AMD that we used unfair business practices to persuade clients to buy our microprocessors. The EC sent us a Statement of Objections in July 2007 alleging that certain Intel marketing and pricing practices amounted to an abuse of a dominant position that infringed European law. The Statement recognized that such allegations are preliminary, not final, conclusions. We responded to those allegations in January 2008 and a hearing was held in March 2008. In February 2008, the EC initiated an inspection of documents at our Feldkirchen, Germany offices, and served requests for additional information. On July 17, 2008, the EC sent us a Supplementary Statement of Objections (SSO) alleging that certain Intel marketing and pricing practices amounted to an abuse of a dominant position that infringed European law. The Statement recognizes that such allegations are preliminary, not final, conclusions. We are continuing to cooperate with the investigation and intend to respond to the SSO. In October 2008 we filed an appeal with the Court of First Instance (CFI) in Europe related to procedural rulings of the EC concerning Intel's response to the SSO. In the appeal, we are asking the CFI to overrule EC decisions that limit the evidence available to Intel and that we believe will hinder Intel's ability to conduct a fair and effective defense against the charges contained in the SSO.

In June 2005, we received an inquiry from the Korea Fair Trade Commission (KFTC) requesting documents from our Korean subsidiary related to marketing and rebate programs that we entered into with Korean PC manufacturers. In February 2006, the KFTC initiated an inspection of documents at our offices in Korea. In September 2007, the KFTC served on us an Examination Report alleging that sales to two customers during parts of 2002-2005 violated Korea's Monopoly Regulation and Fair Trade Act. In December 2007, we submitted our written response to the KFTC. In February 2008, the KFTC's examiner submitted a written reply to our response. In March, we submitted a further response. In April, we participated in a pre-hearing conference before the KFTC, and we participated in formal hearings in May and June 2008. In June 2008, the KFTC announced its intent to fine us approximately \$25 million for providing discounts to Samsung Electronics Co. and Trigem Computer Inc. A final written decision from the KFTC has not yet been received. We intend to appeal any final decision and contest this matter vigorously in the Korean courts.

In January 2008, we received a subpoena from the Attorney General of the State of New York requesting documents and information to assist in its investigation of whether there have been any agreements or arrangements establishing or maintaining a monopoly in the sale of microprocessors in violation of federal or New York antitrust laws.

In June 2008, the U.S. Federal Trade Commission announced a formal investigation into our sales practices. Intel is cooperating with the Commission to provide requested information related to Intel's sales and discount practices. We dispute any claims made in these investigations that Intel has acted unlawfully. We intend to cooperate with and respond to these investigations as appropriate and we expect that these matters will be acceptably resolved.

*Intel Corporation v. Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO)*

In May 2005, Intel filed a lawsuit in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California against CSIRO, an Australian research institute. CSIRO had sent letters to Intel customers claiming that products compliant with the IEEE 802.11a and 802.11g standards infringe CSIRO's U.S. Patent No. 5,487,069 (the '069 patent'). Intel's lawsuit seeks a declaration that the CSIRO patent is invalid and that no Intel product infringes it. Dell Inc. is a co-declaratory judgment plaintiff with Intel; Microsoft Corporation, Netgear Inc., and Hewlett-Packard Company filed a similar, separate lawsuit against CSIRO. In its amended answer, CSIRO claimed that various Intel products that practice the IEEE 802.11a, 802.11g, and/or draft 802.11n standards infringe the '069 patent. Trial is set for April 13, 2009. CSIRO's complaint seeks, among other remedies, injunctive relief and damages. CSIRO has stated in pre-trial proceedings that it intends to seek alleged damages in the form of a royalty for alleged infringement in an amount that, if CSIRO prevailed on its claims against all defendants, could result in a judgment against Intel in excess of \$400 million. In a separate lawsuit (in which Intel is not involved) against a third-party vendor of wireless networking products based on the same patent at issue in the Intel litigation, pending in the Eastern District of Texas, the Court granted CSIRO's motions for summary judgment on the issues of validity and infringement, and granted a permanent injunction in favor of CSIRO. In September 2008, the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit affirmed

in part and reversed in part that ruling, concluding that the patent was infringed by the third-party's products, but that the District Court erred in concluding, as a matter of law, that the patent is valid. Intel disputes CSIRO's claims and intends to defend the lawsuit vigorously.

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*Barbara's Sales, et al. v. Intel Corporation, Gateway Inc., Hewlett-Packard Co. and HPDirect, Inc.*

In June 2002, various plaintiffs filed a lawsuit in the Third Judicial Circuit Court, Madison County, Illinois, against Intel, Gateway Inc., Hewlett-Packard Company, and HPDirect, Inc. alleging that the defendants' advertisements and statements misled the public by suppressing and concealing the alleged material fact that systems containing Intel® Pentium® 4 processors are less powerful and slower than systems containing Intel® Pentium® III processors and a competitor's microprocessors. In July 2004, the court certified against us an Illinois-only class of certain end-use purchasers of certain Pentium 4 processors or computers containing these microprocessors. In January 2005, the court granted a motion filed jointly by the plaintiffs and Intel that stayed the proceedings in the trial court pending discretionary appellate review of the court's class certification order. In July 2006, the Illinois Appellate Court, Fifth District, vacated the trial court's class certification order. The Appellate Court instructed the trial court to reconsider whether California law should apply. However, in August 2006, the Illinois Supreme Court agreed to review the Appellate Court's decision. In November 2007, the Illinois Supreme Court issued its opinion finding in favor of Intel on two issues. First, on the issue of whether Illinois or California law applies to the claims of Illinois residents for goods purchased in Illinois, the Court found that Illinois law applies, rejecting the Appellate Court's finding of a nationwide class based on application of the California law. Second, on the issue of whether any class should be certified in this case at all, the Court held that no class should be certified, reversing the trial court's finding of an Illinois-only class based on Illinois law. The case was remanded to the trial court and in March 2008 an order was entered dismissing the case with prejudice based on our motion to dismiss.

*Frank T. Shum v. Intel Corporation, Jean-Marc Verdiell and LightLogic, Inc.*

Intel acquired LightLogic, Inc., in May 2001. Frank Shum has sued Intel, LightLogic, and LightLogic's founder, Jean-Marc Verdiell, claiming that much of LightLogic's intellectual property is based on alleged inventions that Shum conceived while he and Verdiell were partners at Radiance Design, Inc. Shum has alleged claims for fraud, breach of fiduciary duty, fraudulent concealment, and breach of contract. Shum also seeks alleged correction of inventorship of seven patents acquired by Intel as part of the LightLogic acquisition. In January 2005, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California denied Shum's inventorship claim, and thereafter granted Intel's motion for summary judgment on Shum's remaining claims. In August 2007, the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit vacated the District Court's rulings and remanded the case for further proceedings. In October 2008, the District Court granted Intel's motion for summary judgment on Shum's claims for breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent concealment, but denied Intel's motion on Shum's remaining claims. A jury trial on Shum's remaining claims is set for November 10, 2008. Shum's complaint seeks, among other remedies, monetary damages, and Shum has stated in pre-trial proceedings that he intends at trial to seek an amount of \$31 million to \$931 million from all defendants. Intel disputes Shum's claims and intends to defend the lawsuit vigorously.

*Martin Smilow v. Craig R. Barrett et al. & Intel Corporation; Christine Del Gaizo v. Paul S. Otellini et al. & Intel Corporation*

In February 2008, Martin Smilow, an Intel stockholder, filed a putative derivative action in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware against members of our Board of Directors. The complaint alleges generally that the Board allowed the company to violate antitrust and other laws, as described in AMD's antitrust lawsuits against us, and that those Board-sanctioned activities have harmed the company. The complaint repeats many of AMD's allegations and references various investigations by the European Community, Korean Fair Trade Commission, and others. In February 2008, a second plaintiff, Evan Tobias, filed a derivative suit in the same court against the Board containing many of the same allegations as in the Smilow suit. On July 30, 2008, the District Court entered an order directing Smilow and Tobias to file a single, consolidated complaint by August 7, 2008 and directing us to respond within 30 days thereafter. An amended consolidated complaint was filed on August 7, 2008. On June 27, 2008 a third plaintiff, Christine Del Gaizo, filed a derivative suit in the Santa Clara County Superior Court against the Board, a former director of the Board, and six of our officers containing many of the same allegations as in the Smilow and Tobias suits. On August 27, 2008, the parties in the California derivative suit entered into a stipulation to stay the action pending further order of the court, and the court entered an order to that effect on September 2, 2008. We deny

the allegations and intend to defend the lawsuits vigorously. On September 5, 2008, all of the defendants in the Delaware derivative action filed a motion to dismiss the complaint. Briefing on the defendants' motion is in process and a ruling is expected in early 2009.

**Note 19: Operating Segment Information**

Our operating segments include the Digital Enterprise Group, Mobility Group, NAND Products Group, Flash Memory Group, Digital Home Group, Digital Health Group, and Software and Services Group. In the second quarter of 2008, we completed the divestiture of our NOR flash memory assets to Numonyx. We entered into supply and transition service agreements to provide products, services, and support to Numonyx. Revenues and expenses resulting from these agreements are recognized by the Flash Memory Group operating segment. See Note 16: Equity Investments for further discussion.

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In the second quarter of 2008, we completed a reorganization that transferred the revenue and costs associated with a portion of the Digital Home Group's consumer PC components business to the Digital Enterprise Group. The Digital Home Group now focuses on the consumer electronics components business. We adjusted our historical results to reflect this reorganization. Prior period amounts have also been adjusted retrospectively to reflect other minor reorganizations.

The Chief Operating Decision Maker (CODM), as defined by SFAS No. 131, Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information (SFAS No. 131), is our President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO). The CODM allocates resources to and assesses the performance of each operating segment using information about its revenue and operating income (loss) before interest and taxes.

We report the financial results of the following operating segments:

*Digital Enterprise Group.* Includes microprocessors and related chipsets and motherboards designed for the desktop, nettops, and enterprise computing market segments, including high-end enthusiast PCs; microprocessors and related chipsets for embedded applications; communications infrastructure components such as network processors and communications boards; wired connectivity devices; and products for network and server storage.

*Mobility Group.* Includes microprocessors and related chipsets designed for the notebook and netbook market segments, wireless connectivity products, and products designed for the ultra-mobile market segment, which includes mobile Internet devices.

The NAND Products Group, Flash Memory Group, Digital Home Group, Digital Health Group, and Software and Services Group operating segments do not meet the quantitative thresholds for reportable segments as defined by SFAS No. 131 and are included within the all other category.

We have sales and marketing, manufacturing, finance, and administration groups. Expenses for these groups are generally allocated to the operating segments, and the expenses are included in the operating results reported below. Revenue for the all other category is primarily related to the sale of NOR and NAND flash memory products. The all other category includes certain corporate-level operating expenses and charges. These expenses and charges include: a portion of profit-dependent bonuses and other expenses not allocated to the operating segments;

results of operations of seed businesses that support our initiatives;

acquisition-related costs, including amortization and any impairment of acquisition-related intangibles and goodwill; and

amounts included within restructuring and asset impairment charges.

With the exception of goodwill, we do not identify or allocate assets by operating segment, nor does the CODM evaluate operating segments using discrete asset information. Operating segments do not record inter-segment revenue, and, accordingly, there is none to be reported. We do not allocate interest and other income, interest expense, or taxes to operating segments. Although the CODM uses operating income to evaluate the segments, operating costs included in one segment may benefit other segments. Except as discussed above, the accounting policies for segment reporting are the same as for Intel as a whole.

Segment information is summarized as follows:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Sept. 27, 2008	Sept. 29, 2007	Sept. 27, 2008	Sept. 29, 2007
<b>(In Millions)</b>				
<b>Net revenue</b>				

**Digital Enterprise Group**

Microprocessor revenue	\$ 4,069	\$ 4,106	\$ 12,413	\$ 11,456
Chipset, motherboard and other revenue	1,249	1,406	3,719	3,887
	<b>5,318</b>	<b>5,512</b>	<b>16,132</b>	<b>15,343</b>

**Mobility Group**

Microprocessor revenue	3,387	2,832	8,855	7,671
Chipset and other revenue	1,294	1,139	3,292	2,903
	<b>4,681</b>	<b>3,971</b>	<b>12,147</b>	<b>10,574</b>
<b>All other</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>607</b>	<b>1,081</b>	<b>1,705</b>

<b>Total net revenue</b>	<b>\$ 10,217</b>	<b>\$ 10,090</b>	<b>\$ 29,360</b>	<b>\$ 27,622</b>
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**Operating income (loss)**

Digital Enterprise Group	\$ 1,768	\$ 1,378	\$ 5,242	\$ 3,113
Mobility Group	1,849	1,294	4,265	3,928
All other	(519)	(528)	(2,092)	(1,872)

<b>Total operating income</b>	<b>\$ 3,098</b>	<b>\$ 2,144</b>	<b>\$ 7,415</b>	<b>\$ 5,169</b>
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## ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Our Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations (MD&A) is provided in addition to the accompanying consolidated condensed financial statements and notes to assist readers in understanding our results of operations, financial condition, and cash flows. MD&A is organized as follows:

*Overview.* Discussion of our business and overall analysis of financial and other highlights affecting the company in order to provide context for the remainder of MD&A.

*Strategy.* Overall strategy and the strategy for our operating segments.

*Critical Accounting Estimates.* Accounting estimates that we believe are most important to understanding the assumptions and judgments incorporated in our reported financial results and forecasts.

*Results of Operations.* An analysis of our financial results for the three and nine months ended September 27, 2008 compared to the three and nine months ended September 29, 2007.

*Liquidity and Capital Resources.* An analysis of changes in our balance sheets and cash flows, and discussion of our financial condition.

*Business Outlook.* Our forecasts for selected data points for the fourth quarter of 2008 and the 2008 fiscal year. The various sections of this MD&A contain a number of forward-looking statements. Words such as *expects*, *goals*, *plans*, *believes*, *continues*, *may*, and variations of such words and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. In addition, any statements that refer to projections of our future financial performance, our anticipated growth and trends in our businesses, and other characterizations of future events or circumstances are forward-looking statements. Such statements are based on our current expectations and could be affected by the uncertainties and risk factors described throughout this filing and particularly in the *Business Outlook* section (see also *Risk Factors* in Part II, Item 1A of this Form 10-Q). Our actual results may differ materially, and these forward-looking statements do not reflect the potential impact of any divestitures, mergers, acquisitions, or other business combinations that had not been completed as of October 27, 2008.

### Overview

Our goal is to be the preeminent provider of semiconductor chips and platforms for the worldwide digital economy. Our primary component-level products include microprocessors, chipsets, and flash memory.

Net revenue, gross margin, operating income, and net income for the second and third quarters of 2008 and the third quarter of 2007 were as follows:

<b><u>(In Millions)</u></b>	<b>Q3 2008</b>	<b>Q2 2008</b>	<b>Q3 2007</b>
Net revenue	\$ 10,217	\$ 9,470	\$ 10,090
Gross margin	\$ 6,019	\$ 5,249	\$ 5,171
Operating income	\$ 3,098	\$ 2,255	\$ 2,144
Net income	\$ 2,014	\$ 1,601	\$ 1,791

The third quarter of 2008 showed strong financial results. While the economic outlook is uncertain, our competitive position, manufacturing process technologies, cash flow from operations, and balance sheet remain strong.

Additionally, over the last two years we have focused on improving efficiency and reducing spending as a percentage of revenue.

Revenue for the third quarter of 2008 was up 8% from the second quarter as we saw continued growth in our microprocessor and chipset unit sales, particularly in the mobile market segment. Compared to the third quarter of 2007, revenue was approximately flat, as higher revenue from microprocessors and chipsets was mostly offset by the impacts of divestitures.

Our overall gross margin dollars for the third quarter of 2008 increased 15% compared to the second quarter of 2008, and increased 16% compared to the third quarter of 2007. Our overall gross margin percentage for the third quarter of 2008 was 58.9%, compared to 55.4% in the second quarter of 2008 and 51.2% in the third quarter of 2007. Lower microprocessor unit costs and increases in microprocessor revenue contributed to the gross margin percentage increase compared to the second quarter of 2008. Compared to the third quarter of 2007, our gross margin percentage increased due to lower microprocessor and chipset unit costs, higher microprocessor unit sales, and the impact of the divestitures of lower gross margin products lines. These increases were partially offset by lower microprocessor average selling prices. Operating income for the third quarter of 2008 increased 37% compared to the second quarter of 2008 and 44% compared to the third quarter of 2007.

We continue to strengthen our competitive position by entering new market segments. Our Intel® Atom™ processors are designed to enable new mobile internet form factors at attractive system price points with healthy product margins. Additionally, our product offerings continue to strengthen, and we expect to formally launch our new microarchitecture, code-named Nehalem, in the fourth quarter of 2008.



**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (Continued)**

Historically, our sales of microprocessors have been higher in the second half of the year than in the first half of the year. Consumer purchases of PCs have been higher in the second half of the year, primarily due to back-to-school and holiday demand. In addition, purchases from businesses have also tended to be higher in the second half of the year. While our microprocessor sales generally have followed this seasonal trend, there can be no assurance that this trend will continue. Our revenue outlook for the fourth quarter of 2008 includes a wider than typical range due to the uncertainty of how the current economic environment will impact our business. The low end of the range would result in revenue being slightly lower than the third quarter of 2008 and the high end of the range would result in an increase that is at the lower end of our seasonal trends.

While we currently believe our inventory levels are appropriate, the economic uncertainty may result in lower than expected demand. This in turn may require us to write off excess inventory and would negatively impact our gross margin if we fail to reduce manufacturing output accordingly. Additionally, demand is impacted by possible changes in our customers' desired inventory levels as they manage their business through the current economic uncertainty. We continue to monitor the inventory levels of our customers and are seeing some customers build microprocessor and chipset inventory. The higher chipset revenue we experienced in the third quarter would normally be a sign that customers are building ahead of a strong fourth quarter. However, with the current macroeconomic environment, it is hard to discern what demand will be for the fourth quarter of 2008.

In the third quarter of 2008 we recorded a \$250 million impairment on our investment in Numonyx due to a decline in the NOR flash memory market segment. In the NAND flash memory market segment, we are expecting to record restructuring charges in the fourth quarter of 2008 of approximately \$200 million relating to our joint decision with Micron to discontinue the supply of NAND flash memory from a facility within the IMFT manufacturing network. Additionally, the IMFS planned fabrication facility in Singapore has been placed on hold as we continue to take actions to reduce supply in light of current market conditions. The majority of our non-marketable equity investment portfolio balance is concentrated in companies in the flash memory market segment. Therefore, continued declines in this market segment or changes in management's plans with respect to our investments in this market segment could result in charges.

From a financial condition perspective, we ended the third quarter of 2008 with an investment portfolio valued at \$15.6 billion, consisting of cash and cash equivalents, fixed-income trading assets, and short- and long-term investments. In addition, we generated \$8.3 billion from cash from operations in the first nine months of the year. The credit quality of our investment portfolio remains high during this difficult credit environment, with other-than-temporary impairments on our available-for-sale investments in debt instruments limited to \$32 million during the first nine months of 2008. Our ability to access funds through the credit markets, including through the issuance of commercial paper, remains unchanged. In addition, we have not seen any change in our ability to invest in high quality debt instruments, and earn a return on those investments. With the exception of a limited amount of investments for which we have recognized other-than-temporary impairments, as well as our investment in the Reserve Primary Fund of \$250 million, we have not seen liquidation delays and we have received the full par value of our original debt investments when they matured. See [Liquidity and Capital Resources](#) for additional details on our investment portfolio.

During the first nine months of 2008, we repurchased \$7.1 billion of stock through our stock repurchase program and paid \$2.3 billion to stockholders as dividends.

**Strategy**

Our goal is to be the preeminent provider of semiconductor chips and platforms for the worldwide digital economy. As part of our overall strategy to compete in each relevant market segment, we use our core competencies in the design and manufacture of integrated circuits, as well as our financial resources, global presence, and brand recognition. We believe that we have the scale, capacity, and global reach to establish new technologies and respond to customers' needs quickly.

Some of our key focus areas are listed below:

*Customer Orientation.* Our strategy focuses on developing our next generation of products based on the needs and expectations of our customers. In turn, our products help enable the design and development of new form factors and usage models for businesses and consumers. We offer platforms with ingredients designed and configured to work together to provide an optimized user computing solution compared to ingredients that are used separately.

*Energy-Efficient Performance.* We believe that users of computing and communications systems and devices want improved overall and energy-efficient performance. Improved overall performance can include faster processing performance and other capabilities such as multithreading and multitasking. Performance can also be improved through enhanced connectivity, security, manageability, reliability, ease of use, and interoperability among devices. Improved energy-efficient performance involves balancing the addition of these and other types of improved performance factors with lower power consumption. We continue to develop multi-core microprocessors with an increasing number of cores, which enable improved multitasking and energy efficiency.

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*Design and Manufacturing Technology Leadership.* Our strategy for developing microprocessors with improved performance is to synchronize the introduction of a new microarchitecture with improvements in silicon process technology. We plan to introduce a new microarchitecture approximately every two years and ramp the next generation of silicon process technology in the intervening years. This coordinated schedule allows us to develop and introduce new products based on a common microarchitecture quickly, without waiting for the next generation of silicon process technology. We refer to this as our tick-tock technology development cadence.

*Strategic Investments.* We make equity investments in companies around the world that we believe will generate returns, further our strategic objectives, and support our key business initiatives. Our investments, including investments through our Intel Capital program, generally focus on investing in companies and initiatives to stimulate growth in the digital economy, create new business opportunities for Intel, and expand global markets for our products. Our current investments are focused in the following areas: those that we believe will advance flash memory products, help to enable mobile wireless devices, advance the digital home, enhance the digital enterprise, advance high-performance communications infrastructures, and develop the next generation of silicon process technologies. Our focus areas tend to develop and change over time due to rapid advancements in technology.

*Business Environment and Software.* We plan to continue to cultivate new businesses and work to encourage the industry to offer products that take advantage of the latest market trends and usage models. We also provide development tools and support to help software developers create software applications and operating systems that take advantage of our platforms. We frequently participate in industry initiatives designed to discuss and agree upon technical specifications and other aspects of technologies that could be adopted as standards by standards-setting organizations. In addition, we work collaboratively with other companies to protect digital content and the consumer. Lastly, through our Software and Services Group (SSG), we help enable and advance the computing ecosystem by developing value-added software products and services.

We believe that the proliferation of the Internet, including user demand for premium content and rich media, is the primary driver of the need for greater performance in PCs and servers. A growing number of older PCs are increasingly incapable of handling the tasks that users are demanding, such as streaming video, uploading photos, and online gaming. As these tasks become even more demanding and require more computing power, we believe that users will need and want to buy new PCs to perform everyday tasks on the Internet. We also believe that increased Internet traffic is creating a need for greater server infrastructure, including server products optimized for energy-efficient performance.

The trend of mobile microprocessor unit growth outpacing the growth in desktop microprocessor units has continued, and shipments of our mobile microprocessors exceeded our desktop microprocessors for the first time in the second quarter of 2008. We believe that the demand for mobile microprocessors will result in the increased development of products with form factors and uses that require low-power microprocessors.

With our research and development (R&D) expenditures, we are investing in areas in which we believe the application of highly integrated Intel® architecture provides growth opportunities, such as scalable, high-performance visual computing solutions that integrate vivid graphics and supercomputing performance for scientific, financial services, and other compute-intensive applications. In addition, our design and manufacturing technology leadership, including the introduction of our 45nm process technology, allows us to develop low-power microprocessors for new uses and form factors. In the first quarter of 2008, we introduced the Intel Atom brand as a new family of low-power 45nm based microprocessors. We believe that these new microprocessors will give us the ability to extend Intel architecture and drive growth in new market segments, including a growing number of products that require processors specifically designed for embedded solutions; MIDs, a new category of small, mobile consumer devices enabling a PC-like Internet experience; consumer electronics devices, which will deliver media and services to set-top boxes and

TVs over broadband Internet connections; and a new category of affordable Internet-focused notebooks (netbooks) and desktops (nettops). We believe that the common elements for products in these new market segments are low power and the ability to access the Internet. These new microprocessors will generally be offered at lower price points than our other microprocessors. In addition, we are developing system-on-a-chip products that integrate core processing functionality with specific components, such as graphics, audio, and video, onto a single chip to form a purpose-built solution. This integration reduces cost, power consumption, and size.

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### *Strategy by Operating Segment*

We completed a reorganization in the second quarter of 2008 that transferred the revenue and costs associated with a portion of the Digital Home Group's consumer PC components business to the Digital Enterprise Group. The Digital Home Group now focuses on the consumer electronics components business. The strategy by operating segment presented below is based on the new organizational structure.

Our **Digital Enterprise Group** (DEG) offers computing and communications products for businesses, service providers, and consumers. DEG products are incorporated into desktop and nettop computers, enterprise computer servers and workstations, and products that make up the infrastructure for the Internet. We also offer products for embedded designs, such as industrial equipment, point-of-sale systems, telecommunications, panel PCs, in-vehicle information/entertainment systems, and medical equipment. Our strategy for the desktop computing market segment is to offer products that provide increased manageability, security, and energy-efficient performance while at the same time lowering total cost of ownership for businesses. For consumers in the desktop computing market segment, we also focus on the design of components for high-end enthusiast PCs and mainstream PCs with rich audio and video capabilities. Our strategy for the enterprise computing market segment is to offer products that provide energy-efficient performance and virtualization technology for server, workstation, and storage platforms. We are also increasing our focus on products designed for high performance computing, data centers, and blade server systems. Our strategy for the embedded computing market segment is to drive Intel architecture as an embedded solution by delivering long life cycle support, architectural scalability, and platform integration.

The strategy for our **Mobility Group** is to offer notebook PC products designed to improve performance, battery life, and wireless connectivity, as well as to allow for the design of smaller, lighter, and thinner form factors. We are also increasing our focus on products designed for the business and consumer environments by offering technologies that provide increased manageability and security, and we continue to invest in the build-out of WiMAX. We also offer and are continuing to develop products that enable mobile devices to deliver digital content and the Internet to users in new ways, including products for MID's and netbooks.

The strategy for our **NAND Products Group** is to offer advanced NAND flash memory products, focusing on system-level solutions for Intel architecture platforms such as solid-state drives. Additionally, we offer NAND products used in digital audio players and memory cards. In support of our strategy to provide advanced flash memory products, we continue to focus on the development of innovative products designed to address the needs of customers for reliable, non-volatile, low-cost, high-density memory.

The **Flash Memory Group** provides products, services and support to Numonyx B.V. as part of the supply and transition service agreements. See Note 16: Equity Investments in the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements of this Form 10-Q.

The strategy for our **Digital Home Group** is to offer products and solutions, including system-on-a-chip designs, for use in consumer electronics devices designed to access and share Internet, broadcast, optical media, and personal content through a variety of linked digital devices within the home. We are focusing on the design of components for consumer electronic devices such as digital TVs, high-definition media players, and set-top boxes, which receive, decode, and convert incoming data signals.

The strategy for our **Digital Health Group** is to design and deliver technology-enabled products and explore global business opportunities in healthcare information technology and healthcare research, as well as personal healthcare. In support of this strategy, we are focusing on the design of technology solutions and platforms for the digital hospital and consumer/home health products.

The strategy for our **Software and Services Group** is to promote Intel architecture as the platform of choice for software and services. SSG works with the worldwide software and services ecosystem by providing software products, engaging with developers, and driving strategic software investments.

### **Critical Accounting Estimates**

The methods, estimates, and judgments that we use in applying our accounting policies have a significant impact on the results that we report in our financial statements. Some of our accounting policies require us to make difficult and

subjective judgments, often as a result of the need to make estimates regarding matters that are inherently uncertain.

Our most critical accounting estimates include:

the valuation and recognition of non-marketable equity investments, which impacts net gains (losses) on equity investments when we record impairments;

the valuation and recognition of investments in debt instruments, which impacts our investment portfolio balance when we assess fair value, and interest and other, net when we record impairments;

the assessment of recoverability of long-lived assets, which primarily impacts gross margin or operating expenses when we record asset impairments or accelerate their depreciation;

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the recognition and measurement of current and deferred income taxes (including the measurement of uncertain tax positions), which impact our provision for taxes;

the valuation of inventory, which impacts gross margin; and

the valuation and recognition of share-based compensation, which impact gross margin; R&D expenses; and marketing, general and administrative expenses.

Below, we discuss these policies further, as well as the estimates and judgments involved. We also have other policies that we consider key accounting policies, such as those for revenue recognition, including the deferral of revenue on sales to distributors; however, these policies typically do not require us to make estimates or judgments that are difficult or subjective.

***Non-Marketable Equity Investments***

We regularly invest in the non-marketable equity instruments of private companies, which range from early-stage companies that are often still defining their strategic direction to more mature companies with established revenue streams and business models. The carrying value of our non-marketable equity investment portfolio, excluding equity derivatives, totaled \$4.2 billion as of September 27, 2008 (\$3.4 billion as of December 29, 2007). The majority of the balance as of September 27, 2008 was concentrated in companies in the flash memory market segment, including our investments in IM Flash Technologies, LLC (IMFT) of \$2.0 billion (\$2.2 billion as of December 29, 2007), our investment in IM Flash Singapore, LLP (IMFS) of \$346 million (\$146 million as of December 29, 2007), and our investment in Numonyx of \$503 million (see Note 16: Equity Investments in the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements of this Form 10-Q). Our non-marketable equity investments are classified in other long-term assets on the consolidated condensed balance sheets. For further information about investment portfolio risks, including those specific to our investments in the flash memory market segment, see Risk Factors in Part II, Item 1A of this Form 10-Q.

Non-marketable equity investments are inherently risky, and a number of these companies are likely to fail. Their success is dependent on product development, market acceptance, operational efficiency, and other factors. In addition, depending on their future prospects and on market conditions, they may not be able to raise additional funds when needed or they may receive lower valuations, with less favorable investment terms than in previous financings, and our investments would likely become impaired.

We review our investments quarterly for indicators of impairment; however, for non-marketable equity investments, the impairment analysis requires significant judgment to identify events or circumstances that would significantly harm the fair value of the investment. The indicators that we use to identify those events or circumstances primarily include:

the investee's revenue and earnings trends relative to predefined milestones and overall business prospects;

the technological feasibility of the investee's products and technologies;

the general market conditions in the investee's industry or geographic area, including adverse regulatory or economic changes;

factors related to the investee's ability to remain in business, such as the investee's liquidity, debt ratios, and the rate at which the investee is using its cash; and

the investee's receipt of additional funding at a lower valuation.

Investments that we identify as having an indicator of impairment are subject to further analysis to determine if the investment is other than temporarily impaired, in which case we write down the investment to its estimated fair value. Beginning in the first quarter of 2008, the assessment of fair value for non-marketable investments is based on the

provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 157, Fair Value Measurements (SFAS No. 157). Non-marketable investments that are considered impaired are classified as Level 3 instruments (see Note 3: Fair Value in the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements of this Form 10-Q), as we use unobservable inputs to value these investments that are significant to the fair value measurement and the valuation requires management judgment due to the absence of quoted market prices, inherent lack of liquidity, and the long-term nature of such investments. We measure fair value using financial metrics and ratios of comparable public companies and/or a discounted cash flow approach. The selection of comparable companies requires management judgment and is based on a number of factors including comparable companies' sizes, growth rates, products and service lines, development stage, and other relevant factors. The discounted cash flow approach includes the following significant estimates for the investee: revenue, based on assumed market segment growth rates and assumed market segment share; estimated costs; and appropriate discount rates based on the investee's weighted average cost of capital, as determined by considering the observable weighted average cost of capital of comparable companies. Estimates of market segment growth, market segment share, and costs are developed by the investee and/or Intel in consideration of historical data and available market data. The valuation of our non-marketable investments also takes into account movements of the equity and venture capital markets, recent financing activities by the investees, changes in the interest rate environment, the investee's capital structure, liquidation preferences for the investee's capital, and other economic variables. See Note 3: Fair Value in the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements of this Form 10-Q for further discussion on the adoption of SFAS No. 157.



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Approximately \$527 million of our non-marketable equity investments as of September 27, 2008 were measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis due to the recording of other-than-temporary impairment charges.

Other-than-temporary impairments of non-marketable equity investments were \$281 million in the third quarter of 2008 (\$325 million in the first nine months of 2008). Over the past 12 quarters, including the third quarter of 2008, impairments of non-marketable equity investments have averaged \$47 million per quarter (ranging from \$10 million to \$281 million per quarter).

### ***Investments in Debt Instruments***

#### ***Fair Value***

In the current market environment, the assessment of the fair value of debt instruments can be difficult and subjective. The volume of trading activity of certain debt instruments has declined, and the rapid changes occurring in today's financial markets can lead to changes in the fair value of financial instruments in relatively short periods of time.

SFAS No. 157 establishes three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value (see Note 3: Fair Value in the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements of this Form 10-Q). Each level of input has different levels of subjectivity and difficulty involved in determining fair value.

Level 1 instruments generally represent quoted prices in active markets. Therefore, determining fair value for Level 1 instruments generally does not require significant management judgment, and the estimation is not difficult.

Level 2 instruments include observable inputs other than Level 1 prices such as quoted prices for identical instruments in markets with insufficient volume or infrequent transactions (less active markets); non-binding market consensus prices that can be corroborated with observable market data; model-derived valuations in which all significant inputs are observable or can be derived principally from or corroborated with observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities; or quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities. These Level 2 instruments require more management judgment and subjectivity compared to Level 1 instruments, including:

- Determining which instruments are most similar to the instrument being priced requires management to identify a sample of similar securities based on the coupon rates, maturity, issuer, credit rating, and instrument type, and subjectively select an individual security or multiple securities that are deemed most similar to the security being priced.

- Determining whether a market is considered active requires management judgment. Our assessment of an active market for our marketable debt instruments generally takes into consideration activity during each week of the one month period prior to the valuation date of each individual instrument, including the number of days each individual instrument trades and the average weekly trading volume in relation to the total outstanding amount of the issued instrument. Approximately 15% of our balance of marketable debt instruments that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis and classified as Level 2 instruments were classified as such due to the usage of observable market prices for identical securities that are traded in less active markets.

- Determining which model-derived valuations to use in determining fair value. When observable market prices for identical securities or similar securities are not available, we price our marketable debt instruments using: non-binding market consensus prices that are corroborated with observable market data; or pricing models, such as discounted cash flow approaches, with all significant inputs derived from or corroborated with observable market data. In addition, the credit ratings for issuers of debt instruments in which we are invested could change, which could lead to lower fair values.

As of September 27, 2008, we had an investment of \$250 million in the Reserve Primary Fund. This fund did not meet redemption requests and received approval from the Securities and Exchange Commission to temporarily suspend payments to investors. We reclassified our investment in the Reserve Primary Fund from Level 1 to Level 2 because the temporary suspension of redemptions in the Reserve Primary Fund was in place as of September 27, 2008, therefore there was not an active market to meet the criteria for Level 1 classification. We have valued our investment in the Reserve Primary Fund at \$1.00 per share. We redeemed these shares for \$1.00 per share prior to the end of the

third quarter; however, we have not yet received the distribution of our redemption. To the extent that the proceeds we receive are less than \$1.00 per share, we would incur a loss.

Level 3 instruments include unobservable inputs to the valuation methodology that are significant to the measurement of fair value of assets or liabilities. The determination of fair value for Level 3 instruments requires the most management judgment and subjectivity. Most of our marketable debt instruments classified as Level 3 are valued using a non-binding market consensus price or a non-binding broker quote, both of which we corroborate with unobservable data. Non-binding market consensus prices are based on the proprietary models of pricing providers or brokers that utilize observable market data as valuation inputs and are also based on the internal assumptions of pricing providers or brokers. Adjustments to the fair value of instruments priced using non-binding market consensus prices and non-binding broker quotes, and classified as Level 3 instruments, were not significant in the first, second, or third quarters of 2008.

**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (Continued)***Other-Than-Temporary Impairment*

After determining the fair value of our available-for-sale debt instruments, gains or losses on these securities are recorded to other comprehensive income, until either the security is sold or we determine that the decline in value is other-than-temporary. Determining whether the decline in fair value is other-than-temporary requires management judgment based on the specific facts and circumstances of each investment. For investments in debt instruments, these judgments primarily consider: a) the financial condition and liquidity of the issuer, the issuer's credit rating, and any specific events which may cause us to believe the debt instrument will not mature and be paid in full; and b) our ability and intent to hold the investment to maturity. Given the current market conditions, these judgments could prove to be wrong, and companies with relatively high credit ratings and solid financial conditions may not be able to fulfill their obligations. In addition, a decision by management to no longer hold an investment until maturity may result in the recognition of an other-than-temporary impairment.

As of September 27, 2008, our investments included \$11.9 billion of available-for-sale debt instruments. During the third quarter of 2008, we recognized \$14 million in other-than-temporary impairments on our available-for-sale debt instruments (\$32 million in the nine months ended September 27, 2008). As of September 27, 2008, our cumulative unrealized losses related to debt instruments classified as available-for-sale was approximately \$120 million (approximately \$55 million as of December 29, 2007). These unrecognized losses could be recognized in the future if our other-than-temporary assessment changes.

*Long-Lived Assets*

We assess the impairment of long-lived assets when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of the assets or the asset grouping may not be recoverable. Factors that we consider in deciding when to perform an impairment review include significant under-performance of a business or product line in relation to expectations, significant negative industry or economic trends, and significant changes or planned changes in our use of the assets. Recoverability of assets that will continue to be used in our operations is measured by comparing the carrying amount of the asset grouping to our estimate of the related total future undiscounted net cash flows. If an asset grouping's carrying value is not recoverable through the related undiscounted cash flows, the asset grouping is considered to be impaired. The impairment is measured by comparing the difference between the asset grouping's carrying amount and its fair value, based on the best information available, including market prices or discounted cash flow analysis. Impairments of long-lived assets are determined for groups of assets related to the lowest level of identifiable independent cash flows. Due to our asset usage model and the interchangeable nature of our semiconductor manufacturing capacity, we must make subjective judgments in determining the independent cash flows that can be related to specific asset groupings. In addition, as we make manufacturing process conversions and other factory planning decisions, we must make subjective judgments regarding the remaining useful lives of assets, primarily process-specific semiconductor manufacturing tools and building improvements. When we determine that the useful lives of assets are shorter than we had originally estimated, we accelerate the rate of depreciation over the assets' new, shorter useful lives. Over the past 12 quarters, including the third quarter of 2008, impairments and accelerated depreciation of long-lived assets have ranged between \$1 million and \$320 million per quarter. The restructuring related asset impairments have ranged between zero and \$317 million per quarter since the program began in the third quarter of 2006. Over the past 12 quarters, other asset impairments have ranged between \$1 million and \$26 million per quarter.

Long-lived assets such as goodwill, intangible assets, and property, plant, and equipment, are considered non-financial assets, and are only measured at fair value when indicators of impairment exist. The accounting and disclosure provisions of SFAS No. 157 will not be effective for these assets until the first quarter of 2009. See Note 2: Recent Accounting Pronouncements and Accounting Changes in the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements of this Form 10-Q for further discussion.

*Income Taxes*

We must make certain estimates and judgments in determining income tax expense for financial statement purposes. These estimates and judgments occur in the calculation of tax credits, benefits, and deductions, and in the calculation

of certain tax assets and liabilities, which arise from differences in the timing of recognition of revenue and expense for tax and financial statement purposes, as well as the interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions. Significant changes to these estimates may result in an increase or decrease to our tax provision in a subsequent period.

We must assess the likelihood that we will be able to recover our deferred tax assets. If recovery is not likely, we must increase our provision for taxes by recording a valuation allowance against the deferred tax assets that we estimate will not ultimately be recoverable. We believe that we will ultimately recover a substantial majority of the deferred tax assets recorded on our consolidated condensed balance sheets. However, should there be a change in our ability to recover our deferred tax assets, our tax provision would increase in the period in which we determined that the recovery was not likely.

## **MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (Continued)**

The calculation of our tax liabilities involves dealing with uncertainties in the application of complex tax regulations. In accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Interpretation No. 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes an interpretation of SFAS No. 109 (FIN 48), and related guidance, we recognize liabilities for uncertain tax positions based on a two-step process. The first step is to evaluate the tax position for recognition by determining if the weight of available evidence indicates that it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained on audit, including resolution of related appeals or litigation processes, if any. If we determine that a tax position will more likely than not be sustained on audit, then the second step requires us to estimate and measure the tax benefit as the largest amount that is more than 50% likely to be realized upon ultimate settlement. It is inherently difficult and subjective to estimate such amounts, as we have to determine the probability of various possible outcomes. We reevaluate these uncertain tax positions on a quarterly basis. This evaluation is based on factors including, but not limited to, changes in facts or circumstances, changes in tax law, effectively settled issues under audit, and new audit activity. Such a change in recognition or measurement would result in the recognition of a tax benefit or an additional charge to the tax provision.

### ***Inventory***

The valuation of inventory requires us to estimate obsolete or excess inventory as well as inventory that is not of saleable quality. The determination of obsolete or excess inventory requires us to estimate the future demand for our products. The demand forecast is included in the development of our short-term manufacturing plans to enable consistency between inventory valuation and build decisions. Product-specific facts and circumstances reviewed in the inventory valuation process include a review of the customer base, the stage of the product life cycle of our products, consumer confidence, and customer acceptance of our products, as well as an assessment of the selling price in relation to the product cost. If our demand forecast for specific products is greater than actual demand and we fail to reduce manufacturing output accordingly, or if we fail to forecast the demand accurately, we could be required to write off inventory, which would negatively impact our gross margin.

### ***Share-Based Compensation***

Total share-based compensation was \$197 million during the third quarter of 2008 and \$659 million for the first nine months of 2008 (\$227 million in the third quarter of 2007 and \$748 million in the first nine months of 2007).

Determining the appropriate fair-value model and calculating the fair value of employee stock options and rights to purchase shares under stock purchase plans at the date of grant require judgment. We use the Black-Scholes option pricing model to estimate the fair value of these share-based awards consistent with the provisions of SFAS No. 123 (revised 2004), Share-Based Payment (SFAS No. 123(R)). Option pricing models, including the Black-Scholes model, also require the use of input assumptions, including expected volatility, expected life, expected dividend rate, and expected risk-free rate of return. The assumptions for expected volatility and expected life are the two assumptions that significantly affect the grant date fair value. Changes in the expected dividend rate and expected risk-free rate of return do not significantly impact the calculation of fair value, and determining these inputs is not highly subjective. We use implied volatility based on freely traded options in the open market, as we believe implied volatility is more reflective of market conditions and a better indicator of expected volatility than historical volatility. In determining the appropriateness of implied volatility, we considered the following:

- the volume of market activity of freely traded options, and determined that there was sufficient market activity;

- the ability to reasonably match the input variables of freely traded options to those of options granted by the company, such as the date of grant and the exercise price, and determined that the input assumptions were comparable; and

- the term of freely traded options used to derive implied volatility, which is generally one to two years, and determined that the length of term was sufficient.

Due to significant differences in the vesting terms and contractual life of current option grants compared to the majority of our historical grants, management does not believe that our historical share option exercise data provides

us with sufficient evidence to estimate expected life. Therefore, we use the simplified method of calculating expected life described in the SEC's Staff Accounting Bulletin 107 (SAB 107), as amended by Staff Accounting Bulletin 110 (SAB 110). We will continue to use the simplified method until we have the historical data necessary to provide a reasonable estimate of expected life, in accordance with SAB 107, as amended by SAB 110.

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Higher volatility and longer expected lives result in an increase to share-based compensation determined at the date of grant. The effect that changes in the volatility and the expected life would have on the weighted average fair value of option awards and the increase in total fair value is as follows:

	Q3 2008		YTD 2008	
	Weighted Average Fair Value	Increase in Total Fair Value <sup>1</sup> (in millions)	Weighted Average Fair Value	Increase in Total Fair Value <sup>1</sup> (in millions)
As reported	\$ 6.10		\$ 5.82	
Hypothetical:				
Increase expected volatility by 5 percentage points <sup>2</sup>	\$ 6.86	\$	\$ 6.63	\$ 16
Increase expected lives by 1 year	\$ 6.51	\$	\$ 6.24	\$ 8

<sup>1</sup> Amounts represent the hypothetical increase in the total fair value determined at the date of grant, which would be amortized over the service period, net of estimated forfeitures.

<sup>2</sup> For example, an increase from 36% reported volatility for Q3 2008 to a hypothetical 41% volatility. Since the adoption of SFAS No. 123(R), reported volatility has ranged from 25% to 38%.

In addition, SFAS No. 123(R) requires us to develop an estimate of the number of share-based awards that will be forfeited due to employee turnover. Quarterly adjustments in the estimated forfeiture rates can have a significant effect on reported share-based compensation, as we recognize the cumulative effect of the rate adjustments for all expense amortization after January 1, 2006 in the period the estimated forfeiture rates are adjusted. We estimate and adjust forfeiture rates based on a quarterly review of recent forfeiture activity and expected future employee turnover. If a revised forfeiture rate is higher than the previously estimated forfeiture rate, we make an adjustment that will result in a decrease to the expense recognized in the financial statements. If a revised forfeiture rate is lower than the previously estimated forfeiture rate, we make an adjustment that will result in an increase to the expense recognized in the financial statements. These adjustments affect our gross margin; R&D expenses; and marketing, general and administrative expenses. The effect of forfeiture adjustments in the third quarter and the first nine months of 2008 was not significant. We record cumulative adjustments to the extent that the related expense is recognized in the financial statements, beginning with implementation of SFAS No. 123(R) in the first quarter of 2006. Adjustments in the estimated forfeiture rates could also cause changes in the amount of expense that we recognize in future periods.



**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (Continued)****Results of Operations - Third Quarter of 2008 Compared to Third Quarter of 2007**

The following table sets forth certain consolidated condensed statements of income data as a percentage of net revenue for the periods indicated:

<u>(Dollars in Millions, Except Per Share Amounts)</u>	Q3 2008		Q3 2007	
	Dollars	% of Net Revenue	Dollars	% of Net Revenue
<b>Net revenue</b>	<b>\$ 10,217</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$ 10,090</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Cost of sales	4,198	41.1%	4,919	48.8%
<b>Gross margin</b>	<b>6,019</b>	<b>58.9%</b>	<b>5,171</b>	<b>51.2%</b>
Research and development	1,471	14.4%	1,521	15.1%
Marketing, general and administrative	1,416	13.9%	1,381	13.7%
Restructuring and asset impairment charges	34	0.3%	125	1.2%
<b>Operating income</b>	<b>3,098</b>	<b>30.3%</b>	<b>2,144</b>	<b>21.2%</b>
Gains (losses) on equity investments, net	(396)	(3.9)%	148	1.5%
Interest and other, net	131	1.3%	211	2.1%
<b>Income before taxes</b>	<b>2,833</b>	<b>27.7%</b>	<b>2,503</b>	<b>24.8%</b>
Provision for taxes	819	8.0%	712	7.0%
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$ 2,014</b>	<b>19.7%</b>	<b>\$ 1,791</b>	<b>17.8%</b>
<b>Diluted earnings per share</b>	<b>\$ 0.35</b>		<b>\$ 0.30</b>	

The following table sets forth information of geographic regions for the periods indicated:

<u>(Dollars In Millions)</u>	Q3 2008		Q3 2007	
	Revenue	% of Total	Revenue	% of Total
Asia-Pacific	\$ 5,389	53%	\$ 5,205	52%
Americas	1,887	19%	2,067	20%
Europe	1,883	18%	1,824	18%
Japan	1,058	10%	994	10%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 10,217</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ 10,090</b>	<b>100%</b>

Our net revenue for Q3 2008 was \$10.2 billion, an increase of 1% compared to Q3 2007. Higher revenue from microprocessors and chipsets was partially offset by the impacts of divestitures. Revenue from sales of NOR flash memory and cellular baseband products declined approximately \$540 million, primary as a result of the divestiture of these businesses. Revenue in the Japan, Asia-Pacific, and Europe regions increased by 6%, 4%, and 3% respectively compared to Q3 2007, while revenue in the Americas region declined 9% compared to Q3 2007.

Our overall gross margin dollars for Q3 2008 were \$6.0 billion, an increase of \$848 million, or 16%, compared to Q3 2007. Our overall gross margin percentage increased to 58.9% in Q3 2008, from 51.2% in Q3 2007. The increase in

gross margin percentage was primarily attributable to an increase in the gross margin percentage in the Digital Enterprise Group and Mobility Group operating segments. The positive impact on our gross margin percentage from the divestiture of our NOR flash memory business was partially offset by the gross margin results of our NAND Products Group operating segment. We derived most of our overall gross margin dollars and operating profit in Q3 2008 and Q3 2007 from the sales of microprocessors in the Digital Enterprise Group and Mobility Group operating segments. See [Business Outlook](#) for a discussion of gross margin expectations.

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (Continued)

### Digital Enterprise Group

The revenue and operating income for the Digital Enterprise Group (DEG) operating segment for Q3 2008 and Q3 2007 were as follows:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	Q3 2008	Q3 2007
Microprocessor revenue	\$ 4,069	\$ 4,106
Chipset, motherboard, and other revenue	1,249	1,406
<b>Net revenue</b>	<b>\$ 5,318</b>	<b>\$ 5,512</b>
<b>Operating income</b>	<b>\$ 1,768</b>	<b>\$ 1,378</b>

Net revenue for the DEG operating segment decreased by \$194 million, or 4%, in Q3 2008 compared to Q3 2007.

Microprocessors within DEG include microprocessors designed for the desktop and enterprise computing market segments as well as embedded microprocessors. Microprocessor revenue was flat, with decreases in desktop average selling prices mostly offset by higher enterprise microprocessor average selling prices. The decrease in chipset, motherboard, and other revenue was primarily due to lower motherboard unit sales.

Operating income increased by \$390 million, or 28%, in Q3 2008 compared to Q3 2007. The increase in operating income was due to lower chipset and desktop microprocessor unit costs. In addition, Q3 2007 includes an \$84 million charge related to the litigation agreement with Transmeta Corporation.

### Mobility Group

The revenue and operating income for the Mobility Group (MG) operating segment for Q3 2008 and Q3 2007 were as follows:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	Q3 2008	Q3 2007
Microprocessor revenue	\$ 3,387	\$ 2,832
Chipset and other revenue	1,294	1,139
<b>Net revenue</b>	<b>\$ 4,681</b>	<b>\$ 3,971</b>
<b>Operating income</b>	<b>\$ 1,849</b>	<b>\$ 1,294</b>

Net revenue for the MG operating segment increased by \$710 million, or 18%, in Q3 2008 compared to Q3 2007. The increase in microprocessor revenue was due to significantly higher microprocessor unit sales, partially offset by significantly lower microprocessor average selling prices. A portion of the increase in microprocessor unit sales was due to the ramp of Atom microprocessors. The increase in chipset and other revenue was primarily due to higher chipset unit sales, which was partially offset by lower revenue from the sale of cellular baseband products. We are winding down the sales from the manufacturing agreement entered into as part of the divestiture of the cellular baseband business.

Operating income increased by \$555 million, or 43%, in Q3 2008 compared to Q3 2007. The increase was primarily due to lower microprocessor and chipset unit costs and higher microprocessor revenue. These increases were partially offset by higher operating expenses.

### Operating Expenses

Operating expenses for Q3 2008 and Q3 2007 were as follows:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	Q3 2008	Q3 2007
Research and development	\$ 1,471	\$ 1,521
Marketing, general and administrative	\$ 1,416	\$ 1,381
Restructuring and asset impairment charges	\$ 34	\$ 125

*Research and Development.* R&D spending decreased slightly, \$50 million, or 3%, in Q3 2008 compared to Q3 2007.

This decrease was primarily due to lower product development costs and the divestiture of the NOR flash memory

business partially offset by higher profit-dependent compensation expenses.

**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (Continued)**

*Marketing, General and Administrative.* Marketing, general and administrative expenses increased slightly, \$35 million, or 3%, in Q3 2008 compared to Q3 2007. This increase was primarily due to higher profit-dependent compensation expenses and higher advertising expenses.

R&D, combined with marketing, general and administrative expenses, were 28% of net revenue in Q3 2008 (29% of net revenue in Q3 2007).

*Restructuring and Asset Impairment Charges.* In Q3 2006, management approved several actions as part of a restructuring plan designed to improve operational efficiency and financial results. Restructuring and asset impairment charges for Q3 2008 and Q3 2007 were as follows:

<b><u>(In Millions)</u></b>	<b>Q3 2008</b>	<b>Q3 2007</b>
Employee severance and benefit arrangements	\$ 29	\$ 39
Asset impairment charges	5	86
<b>Total restructuring and asset impairment charges</b>	<b>\$ 34</b>	<b>\$ 125</b>

See Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – First Nine Months of 2008 compared to First Nine Months of 2007 of this Form 10-Q for further discussion.

***Gains (Losses) on Equity Investments, Interest and Other, and Provision for Taxes***

Gains (losses) on equity investments, net; interest and other, net; and provision for taxes for Q3 2008 and Q3 2007 were as follows:

<b><u>(In Millions)</u></b>	<b>Q3 2008</b>	<b>Q3 2007</b>
Gains (losses) on equity investments, net	\$ (396)	\$ 148
Interest and other, net	\$ 131	\$ 211
Provision for taxes	\$ (819)	\$ (712)

Gains (losses) on equity investments, net, for Q3 2008 was a net loss of \$396 million compared to a net gain of \$148 million in Q3 2007. We recognized higher impairment charges and higher equity method losses in Q3 2008 compared to Q3 2007. In addition, Q3 2007 included approximately \$110 million of dividend income from one of our investments. Impairment charges in Q3 2008 primarily related to a \$250 million impairment charge recognized on our investment in Numonyx, which was due to a general decline in the NOR flash memory market segment. We also recognized a \$25 million impairment charge on our investment in Micron Technology, Inc. in Q3 2008. Our equity method losses were primarily related to losses recognized on our investment in Numonyx (\$68 million in Q3 2008) and Clearwire Corporation (\$42 million in Q3 2008 and \$27 million in Q3 2007).

Interest and other, net decreased to \$131 million in Q3 2008 compared to \$211 million in Q3 2007. Interest income was lower in Q3 2008 compared to Q3 2007 as a result of lower interest rates.

For details of our net losses recognized within gains (losses) on equity investments, net and interest and other, net, attributable to financial instruments categorized as Level 3 under the SFAS No. 157 hierarchy, see Note 3: Fair Value in the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements of this Form 10-Q and Liquidity and Capital Resources within MD&A.

Our effective income tax rate was 28.9% in Q3 2008 compared to 28.4% in Q3 2007. The rate for Q3 2008 was negatively impacted by the expiration of the U.S. federal research and development income tax credit provisions at the end of 2007. The tax rate for Q3 2008 was positively impacted by a legal entity reorganization enabling the realization of certain non-U.S. losses.

**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (Continued)****Results of Operations - First Nine Months of 2008 Compared to First Nine Months of 2007**

The following table sets forth certain consolidated statements of income data as a percentage of net revenue for the periods indicated:

<u>(Dollars in Millions, Except Per Share Amounts)</u>	YTD 2008		YTD 2007	
	Dollars	% of Net Revenue	Dollars	% of Net Revenue
<b>Net revenue</b>	<b>\$ 29,360</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$ 27,622</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Cost of sales	12,885	43.9%	13,944	50.5%
<b>Gross margin</b>	<b>16,475</b>	<b>56.1%</b>	<b>13,678</b>	<b>49.5%</b>
Research and development	4,406	15.0%	4,274	15.5%
Marketing, general and administrative	4,195	14.3%	3,953	14.3%
Restructuring and asset impairment charges	459	1.5%	282	1.0%
<b>Operating income</b>	<b>7,415</b>	<b>25.3%</b>	<b>5,169</b>	<b>18.7%</b>
Gains (losses) on equity investments, net	(564)	(1.9)%	176	0.7%
Interest and other, net	466	1.5%	560	2.0%
<b>Income before taxes</b>	<b>7,317</b>	<b>24.9%</b>	<b>5,905</b>	<b>21.4%</b>
Provision for taxes	2,259	7.7%	1,200	4.4%
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$ 5,058</b>	<b>17.2%</b>	<b>\$ 4,705</b>	<b>17.0%</b>
<b>Diluted earnings per share</b>	<b>\$ 0.87</b>		<b>\$ 0.79</b>	

The following table sets forth information of geographic regions for the periods indicated:

<u>(Dollars In Millions)</u>	YTD 2008		YTD 2007	
	Revenue	% of Total	Revenue	% of Total
Asia-Pacific	\$ 14,982	51%	\$ 14,094	51%
Americas	5,888	20%	5,617	20%
Europe	5,487	19%	5,031	18%
Japan	3,003	10%	2,880	11%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 29,360</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ 27,622</b>	<b>100%</b>

Our net revenue of \$29.4 billion in the first nine months of 2008 increased 6% compared to the first nine months of 2007. The increase was primarily due to significantly higher microprocessor and chipset unit sales, which were partially offset by lower microprocessor average selling prices. The higher revenue from microprocessors and chipsets was partially offset by the impacts of divestitures. Revenue from the sale of NOR flash memory and cellular baseband products declined approximately \$1.3 billion, primary as a result of the divestiture of these businesses. Revenue in all four regions increased in the first nine months of 2008 compared to the first nine months of 2007. Revenue in the Europe region increased by 9% compared to the first nine months of 2007, while revenue in the Asia-Pacific,

Americas, and Japan regions increased by 6%, 5%, and 4% respectively compared to the first nine months of 2007. Our overall gross margin dollars for the first nine months of 2008 were \$16.5 billion, an increase of \$2.8 billion, or 20%, compared to the first nine months of 2007. Our overall gross margin percentage increased to 56.1% in the first nine months of 2008, from 49.5% in the first nine months of 2007. The increase in gross margin percentage was primarily attributable to an increase in the gross margin percentage in the Digital Enterprise Group operating segment. In addition, our gross margin percentage increased due to the divestiture of our NOR flash memory business. We derived most of our overall gross margin dollars and operating profit in the first nine months of 2008 and the first nine months of 2007 from the sales of microprocessors in the Digital Enterprise Group and Mobility Group operating segments. See *Business Outlook* later in this section for a discussion of gross margin expectations.

**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (Continued)****Digital Enterprise Group**

The revenue and operating income for the Digital Enterprise Group operating segment for the first nine months of 2008 and the first nine months of 2007 were as follows:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	<b>YTD 2008</b>	<b>YTD 2007</b>
Microprocessor revenue	\$ 12,413	\$ 11,456
Chipset, motherboard, and other revenue	3,719	3,887
<b>Net revenue</b>	<b>\$ 16,132</b>	<b>\$ 15,343</b>
<b>Operating income</b>	<b>\$ 5,242</b>	<b>\$ 3,113</b>

Net revenue for the DEG operating segment increased by \$789 million, or 5%, in the first nine months of 2008 compared to the first nine months of 2007. The increase in microprocessor revenue was due to higher microprocessor unit sales, and to a lesser extent, higher microprocessor average selling prices. A higher mix of enterprise microprocessor unit sales also had a positive impact on total average selling prices within the DEG operating segment. The decrease in chipset, motherboard, and other revenue was primarily due to lower motherboard unit sales and lower chipset average selling prices, partially offset by higher chipset unit sales.

Operating income increased by \$2.1 billion, or 68%, in the first nine months of 2008 compared to the first nine months of 2007. The increase in operating income was primarily due to higher microprocessor revenue and lower microprocessor and chipset unit costs. Lower startup costs of approximately \$360 million, approximately \$180 million of lower factory underutilization charges related to chipset production, and lower operating expenses were partially offset by sales in the first nine months of 2007 of desktop microprocessors that had been previously written off.

**Mobility Group**

The revenue and operating income for the Mobility Group operating segment for the first nine months of 2008 and the first nine months of 2007 were as follows:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	<b>YTD 2008</b>	<b>YTD 2007</b>
Microprocessor revenue	\$ 8,855	\$ 7,671
Chipset and other revenue	3,292	2,903
<b>Net revenue</b>	<b>\$ 12,147</b>	<b>\$ 10,574</b>
<b>Operating income</b>	<b>\$ 4,265</b>	<b>\$ 3,928</b>

Net revenue for the MG operating segment increased by \$1.6 billion, or 15%, in the first nine months of 2008 compared to the first nine months of 2007. The increase in microprocessor revenue was due to significantly higher microprocessor unit sales, which were partially offset by significantly lower microprocessor average selling prices. The increase in chipset and other revenue was primarily due to higher chipset unit sales, which were partially offset by lower revenue from the sale of cellular baseband products. We are winding down the sales from the manufacturing agreement entered into as part of the divestiture of the cellular baseband business.

Operating income increased by \$337 million, or 9%, in the first nine months of 2008 compared to the first nine months of 2007. Higher microprocessor and chipset revenue and lower microprocessor unit costs were partially offset by higher operating expenses.

**Operating Expenses**

Operating expenses for the first nine months of 2008 and the first nine months of 2007 were as follows:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	<b>YTD 2008</b>	<b>YTD 2007</b>
Research and development	\$ 4,406	\$ 4,274
Marketing, general and administrative	\$ 4,195	\$ 3,953



Restructuring and asset impairment charges		\$	459	\$	282
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## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (Continued)

*Research and Development.* R&D spending increased slightly, \$132 million, or 3% in the first nine months of 2008 compared to the first nine months of 2007. The increase was primarily due to higher process development costs as we transition from manufacturing start-up costs relating to our 45nm process technology to research and development of our next-generation 32nm process technology and higher profit-dependent compensation expenses partially offset by the divestiture of the NOR flash memory business.

*Marketing, General and Administrative.* Marketing, general and administrative expenses increased \$242 million, or 6%, in the first nine months of 2008 compared to the first nine months of 2007. This increase was primarily due to higher advertising expenses, higher profit-dependent compensation expenses, and higher legal expenses.

R&D, combined with marketing, general and administrative expenses, were 29% of net revenue in the first nine months of 2008 (30% of net revenue in the first nine months of 2007).

*Restructuring and Asset Impairment Charges.* In Q3 2006, management approved several actions as part of a restructuring plan designed to improve operational efficiency and financial results. Restructuring and asset impairment charges for the first nine months of 2008 and the first nine months of 2007 were as follows:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	YTD 2008	YTD 2007
Employee severance and benefit arrangements	\$ 125	\$ 140
Asset impairment charges	334	142
<b>Total restructuring and asset impairment charges</b>	<b>\$ 459</b>	<b>\$ 282</b>

In Q1 2007, we incurred \$54 million in asset impairment charges as a result of market conditions related to our Colorado Springs, Colorado facility, which has been placed for sale. In 2008, we incurred additional asset impairment charges related to our Colorado Springs facility, based on market conditions.

During Q3 2007, we recorded aggregate non-cash land, building, and equipment write-downs of \$86 million, which included write-downs related to certain facilities in Santa Clara, California.

During Q1 2008, we incurred \$275 million in asset impairment charges related to assets which were sold in Q2 2008 in conjunction with the divestiture of our NOR flash memory business. The impairment charges were determined using the revised fair value that we received upon completion of the divestiture, less selling costs. The lower fair value was primarily a result of a decline in the outlook for the flash memory market segment. See Note 13: Divestitures in the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements of this Form 10-Q for further discussion.

Restructuring and asset impairment activity for the first nine months of 2008 was as follows:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	Employee Severance and Benefits	Asset Impairments	Total
<b>Accrued restructuring balance as of December 29, 2007</b>	<b>\$ 127</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$ 127</b>
Additional accruals	138	334	472
Adjustments	(13)		(13)
Cash payments	(200)		(200)
Non-cash settlements		(334)	(334)
<b>Accrued restructuring balance as of September 27, 2008</b>	<b>\$ 52</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$ 52</b>

We recorded the additional accruals, net of adjustments, as restructuring and asset impairment charges. The remaining accrual as of September 27, 2008 was related to severance benefits that we recorded as a current liability within accrued compensation and benefits.

From Q3 2006 through Q3 2008, we incurred a total of \$1.5 billion in restructuring and asset impairment charges related to this plan. These charges included a total of \$652 million related to employee severance and benefit arrangements for approximately 11,900 employees, of which 9,700 employees had left the company as of September 27, 2008. A substantial majority of these employee terminations affected employees within manufacturing, information technology, and marketing. We paid \$600 million of the employee severance and benefit charges incurred as of September 27, 2008. The restructuring and asset impairment charges also included \$878 million in asset impairment charges.

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (Continued)

We estimate that employee severance and benefit charges to date will result in gross annual savings of approximately \$1.1 billion, a portion of which we began to realize as early as Q3 2006. We are realizing these savings within marketing, general and administrative expenses, cost of sales, and R&D.

Our outlook for Q4 2008 is for additional restructuring and asset impairment charges of \$250 million, which includes charges related our joint decision with Micron to discontinue the supply of NAND flash memory from a facility within the IMFT manufacturing network (see Note 16: Equity Investments in the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements of this Form 10-Q for further information). We may incur additional restructuring charges in the future for employee severance and benefit arrangements, as well as facility-related or other exit activities.

### ***Gains (Losses) on Equity Investments, Interest and Other, and Provision for Taxes***

Gains (losses) on equity investments, net; interest and other, net; and provision for taxes for the first nine months of 2008 and the first nine months of 2007 were as follows:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	<b>YTD 2008</b>	<b>YTD 2007</b>
Gains (losses) on equity investments, net	\$ (564)	\$ 176
Interest and other, net	\$ 466	\$ 560
Provision for taxes	\$ (2,259)	\$ (1,200)

Gains (losses) on equity investments, net, for the first nine months of 2008 was a net loss of \$564 million compared to a net gain of \$176 million in the first nine months of 2007. We recognized higher impairment charges, higher equity method losses, and lower gains on sales of equity investments in the first nine months of 2008 compared to the first nine months of 2007. In addition, the first nine months of 2007 included approximately \$110 million of dividend income from one of our investments. Impairment charges in the first nine months of 2008 included a \$250 million impairment charge on our investment in Numonyx and \$97 million of impairment charges on our investment in Micron. The impairment charges on our investment in Numonyx was due to a general decline in the NOR flash memory market segment. The impairment charges on our investment in Micron reflect the difference between our cost basis and the fair value of our investment in Micron at the end of the quarter and were principally based on our assessment of Micron's financial results and the competitive environment, particularly for NAND memory products. Our equity method losses were primarily related to net losses recognized on our investment in Clearwire (\$118 million in the first nine months of 2008 and \$31 million in the first nine months of 2007) and Numonyx (\$68 million in the first nine months of 2008). The net loss of \$31 million recognized on our investment in Clearwire in the first nine months of 2007 included a gain of \$39 million from Q1 2007 as a result of Clearwire's initial public offering. Interest and other, net decreased to \$466 million in the first nine months of 2008 compared to \$560 million in the first nine months of 2007. Lower interest income and fair value losses experienced in the first nine months of 2008 on our trading assets were partially offset by higher gains on divestitures (\$59 million in the first nine months of 2008 and \$21 million in the first nine months of 2007). Interest income was lower in the first nine months of 2008 compared to the first nine months of 2007 as a result of lower interest rates, partially offset by higher average investment balances. For details of our net losses recognized within gains (losses) on equity investments, net and interest and other, net, attributable to financial instruments categorized as Level 3 under the SFAS No. 157 hierarchy, see Note 3: Fair Value in the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements of this Form 10-Q and Liquidity and Capital Resources within MD&A.

Our effective income tax rate for the first nine months of 2008 was 30.9%, compared to 20.3% for the first nine months of 2007. The rate for the first nine months of 2007 was positively impacted by significant settlements with the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (IRS). The rate for the first nine months of 2008 was negatively impacted by the expiration of the U.S. federal research and development income tax credit provisions at the end of 2007 and a higher percentage of our profits being derived from higher-tax jurisdictions for the first nine months of 2008.

**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (Continued)****Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Cash, short-term investments, marketable debt instruments included in trading assets, and debt at the end of each period were as follows:

<u>(Dollars in Millions)</u>	<b>Sept. 27, 2008</b>	<b>Dec. 29, 2007</b>
Cash, short-term investments, and marketable debt instruments included in trading assets	\$ 11,795	\$ 14,871
Short-term and long-term debt	\$ 2,356	\$ 2,122
Debt as % of stockholders' equity	6.1%	5.0%

In summary, our cash flows were as follows:

<u>(In Millions)</u>	<b>Nine Months Ended</b>	
	<b>Sept. 27, 2008</b>	<b>Sept. 29, 2007</b>
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 8,330	\$ 7,891
Net cash used for investing activities	(3,876)	(7,764)
Net cash used for financing activities	(8,057)	(881)
<b>Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>\$ (3,603)</b>	<b>\$ (754)</b>

***Operating Activities***

Cash provided by operating activities is net income adjusted for certain non-cash items and changes in assets and liabilities.

Cash from operations for the first nine months of 2008 increased slightly, by \$439 million, compared to the first nine months of 2007, with net income increasing by \$353 million. Total adjustments to reconcile net income to cash provided by operating activities, including net changes in assets and liabilities, was approximately flat for the first nine months of 2008 compared to the first nine months of 2007.

Inventories as of September 27, 2008 were approximately flat compared to December 29, 2007, as higher chipset and microprocessor inventories were offset by lower inventories of other products. Accounts receivable as of September 27, 2008 increased compared to December 29, 2007, due to timing of cash collections partially offset by lower revenue in the third quarter of 2008 compared to the fourth quarter of 2007. For the first nine months of 2008, our two largest customers accounted for 38% of net revenue (34% for the first nine months of 2007), with each of these customers accounting for 19% of revenue. These two largest customers accounted for 43% of net accounts receivable at September 27, 2008 (35% at December 29, 2007).

Changes in marketable debt instruments classified as trading asset activity are now included in investing activity due to the adoption of SFAS No. 159, *The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities*. Including an amendment of FASB Statement No. 115 (SFAS No. 159).

***Investing Activities***

Investing cash flows consist primarily of capital expenditures, net investment purchases, maturities, and disposals, and investments in non-marketable and other equity investments.

The decrease in cash used in investing activities in the first nine months of 2008, compared to the first nine months of 2007, was primarily due to a decrease in purchases and an increase in maturities of available-for-sale debt investments. Lower investments in non-marketable equity investments (primarily related to our investments in IMFT and IMFS) and lower capital spending also contributed to less cash used for investing activities in the first nine months of 2008 compared to the first nine months of 2007. Due to the adoption of SFAS No. 159, purchases and

maturities for marketable debt instruments classified as trading assets are included in investing activity for the first nine months of 2008, which caused an increase in cash outflows from investing activities in the first nine months of 2008 compared to the first nine months of 2007, as the related cash outflows were previously included as operating activities.

**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (Continued)*****Financing Activities***

Financing cash flows consist primarily of repurchases and retirement of common stock, payment of dividends to stockholders, and proceeds from sales of shares through employee equity incentive plans.

The higher cash used in financing activities in the first nine months of 2008, compared to the first nine months of 2007, was primarily due to an increase in repurchases and retirement of common stock and lower proceeds from the sale of shares pursuant to employee equity incentive plans. For the first nine months of 2008, we repurchased \$7.2 billion of common stock compared to \$1.3 billion repurchased in the first nine months of 2007. As of September 27, 2008, \$7.4 billion remained available for repurchase under the existing repurchase authorization of \$25 billion. We base our level of stock repurchases on internal cash management decisions, and this level may fluctuate. For the first nine months of 2008, proceeds from the sale of shares pursuant to employee equity incentive plans were \$1.1 billion compared to \$2.2 billion during the first nine months of 2007 as a result of a lower volume of employee exercises of stock options. For the first nine months of 2008, we paid \$2.3 billion in cash dividends, higher than the \$2.0 billion paid in the same period of the prior year, due to increases in quarterly cash dividends per common share. The higher dividend payments were offset by the \$250 million of commercial paper outstanding as of September 27, 2008 (none outstanding in 2007).

***Liquidity***

Cash generated by operations is used as our primary source of liquidity. As of September 27, 2008, we also had an investment portfolio valued at \$15.6 billion, consisting of cash and cash equivalents, marketable debt instruments included in trading assets, and short- and long-term investments.

Our investment policy requires all investments with original maturities up to 6 months to be rated at least A-1/P-1 by Standard & Poor's/Moody's, and specifies a higher minimum rating for investments with longer maturities. For instance, investments with maturities beyond three years require a minimum rating of AA-/Aa3. Government regulations imposed on investment alternatives of our non-U.S. subsidiaries, or the absence of A rated counterparties in certain countries, result in some minor exceptions, which are reviewed annually by the Finance Committee of our Board of Directors. Substantially all of our investments in debt instruments are with A/A2 or better rated issuers, and the majority of the issuers are rated AA-/Aa2 or better. Additionally, we limit the amount of credit exposure to any one counterparty based on our periodic analysis of that counterparty's relative credit standing. As of September 27, 2008, the total credit exposure to any single counterparty did not exceed \$500 million.

Credit rating criteria for derivative instruments are similar to those for investments. The amounts subject to credit risk related to derivative instruments are generally limited to the amounts, if any, by which a counterparty's obligations exceed our obligations with that counterparty. We also enter into master netting arrangements with counterparties when possible to mitigate credit risk in derivative transactions.

The credit quality of our investment portfolio remains high during this difficult credit environment, with other-than-temporary impairments on our available-for-sale debt instruments limited to \$32 million during the first nine months of 2008. In addition, we have not seen any change in our ability to invest in high quality debt investments, and earn a return on those investments. With the exception of a limited amount of investments for which we have recognized other-than-temporary impairments, as well as our investment in the Reserve Primary Fund of \$250 million, we have not seen significant liquidation delays and we have received the full par value of our original debt investments when they matured. We have the intent and ability to hold our debt investments that have unrealized losses in accumulated other comprehensive income for a sufficient period of time to allow for recovery of the principal amounts invested.

As of September 27, 2008, \$10.3 billion of our portfolio had a remaining maturity of less than one year. As of September 27, 2008, our cumulative unrealized losses, net of corresponding hedging activities, related to debt instruments classified as trading assets was approximately \$65 million (approximately \$25 million as of December 29, 2007). As of September 27, 2008, our cumulative unrealized losses related to debt instruments classified as available-for-sale was approximately \$120 million (approximately \$55 million as of December 29, 2007).

Substantially all of our unrealized losses can be attributed to fair value fluctuations in an unstable credit environment

that resulted in a decrease in the market liquidity for debt instruments.

Our portfolio includes \$1.3 billion of asset-backed securities as of September 27, 2008. Approximately one-third of these securities were collateralized by first-lien mortgages, and the remaining were collateralized by student loans, credit card debt, or auto loans. During the first nine months of 2008, our asset-backed securities experienced net unrealized fair value declines totaling \$48 million, of which \$46 million was recognized in our consolidated condensed statements of income. As of September 27, 2008, the expected weighted average remaining maturity was less than two years.



## **MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (Continued)**

We continually monitor the credit risk in our portfolio and mitigate our credit and interest rate exposures in accordance with the policies approved by our Board of Directors. We intend to continue to closely monitor future developments in the credit markets and make appropriate changes to our investment policy as deemed necessary. Based on our ability to liquidate our investment portfolio and our expected operating cash flows, we do not anticipate any liquidity constraints as a result of either the current credit environment or potential investment fair value fluctuations.

Our commercial paper program provides another potential source of liquidity. We have an ongoing authorization from our Board of Directors to borrow up to \$3.0 billion, including through the issuance of commercial paper. Maximum borrowings under our commercial paper program during the third quarter of 2008 were approximately \$1.3 billion, and \$250 million of commercial paper remained outstanding as of September 27, 2008. Our commercial paper was rated A-1+ by Standard & Poor's and P-1 by Moody's as of September 27, 2008. Despite the recent tightening of the credit markets, our ability to access funds through the credit markets, including through the issuance of commercial paper, remains unchanged. We also have an automatic shelf registration statement on file with the SEC pursuant to which we may offer an unspecified amount of debt, equity, and other securities.

We believe that we have the financial resources needed to meet business requirements for the next 12 months, including capital expenditures for the expansion or upgrading of worldwide manufacturing and assembly and test capacity, working capital requirements, and potential dividends, stock repurchases, and acquisitions or strategic investments.

### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

During the second quarter of 2008, we guaranteed the repayment of \$275 million in principal of Numonyx's payment obligations under its senior credit facility, as well as accrued unpaid interest, expenses of the lenders and penalties. See Note 16: Equity Investments in the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements of this Form 10-Q for further discussion.

### **Contractual Obligations**

During the second quarter of 2008, Clearwire and Sprint Nextel Corporation entered into an agreement to reorganize Clearwire into a new company. We have agreed to invest \$1.0 billion in this new company. See Note 16: Equity Investments in the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements of this Form 10-Q for further discussion. The requirement to make the \$1.0 billion investment is subject to certain closing conditions.

### **Fair Value**

Beginning in the first quarter of 2008, the assessment of fair value for our financial instruments is based on the provisions of SFAS No. 157. SFAS No. 157 establishes a fair value hierarchy that requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. Observable inputs are obtained from independent sources and can be validated by a third party, whereas unobservable inputs reflect assumptions regarding what a third party would use in pricing an asset or liability. A financial instrument's categorization within the fair value hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

Credit risk is factored into the valuation of financial instruments that we measure at fair value on a recurring basis. When fair value is determined using observable market prices, the credit risk is incorporated into the market price of the financial instrument. When fair value is determined using pricing models, such as a discounted cash flow approach, the issuer's credit risk as well as Intel's credit risk is factored into the calculation of the fair value. During the third quarter of 2008 and the first nine months of 2008, the valuation of our liabilities measured at fair value as well as our derivative instruments in a net liability position were not impacted by changes in our credit risk. The deterioration of the credit ratings of certain of our counterparties did not have a significant impact on the valuation of either our marketable debt instruments or derivative instruments in a net asset position.

When values are determined using inputs that are both unobservable and significant to the values of the instruments being measured, we classify those instruments as Level 3 under the SFAS No. 157 hierarchy. As of September 27, 2008, our financial instruments measured at fair value on a recurring basis included \$16.4 billion of assets, of which

\$2.0 billion (12%) were classified as Level 3 instruments. In addition, our financial instruments measured at fair value on a recurring basis included \$357 million of liabilities, of which \$145 million (41%) were classified as Level 3 instruments. In the first nine months of 2008, we transferred approximately \$675 million of assets from Level 3 to Level 2, due to a greater availability of observable market data. These assets primarily consisted of floating-rate notes. During the first nine months of 2008, we recognized an insignificant amount of losses on these instruments. During the first nine months of 2008, the Level 3 assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis experienced net unrealized fair value declines totaling \$71 million. Of these declines, \$43 million were recognized in our consolidated condensed statements of income. We believe the remaining \$28 million, included in other comprehensive income, represents a temporary decline in the fair value of available-for-sale investments. We did not experience any significant realized gains (losses) related to the Level 3 assets or liabilities in our portfolio.

**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (Continued)*****Marketable Debt Instruments***

As of September 27, 2008, our assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis included \$15.4 billion of marketable debt instruments. Of these instruments, approximately \$1.5 billion were classified as Level 1, approximately \$11.9 billion were classified as Level 2, and approximately \$2.0 billion were classified as Level 3.

When available, we use observable market prices for identical securities to value our marketable debt instruments. If observable market prices are not available, we use non-binding market consensus prices that we seek to corroborate with observable market data, if available, or non-observable market data. When prices from multiple sources are available for a given instrument, we use observable market quotes to price our instruments, in lieu of prices from other sources.

Our balance of marketable debt instruments that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis and classified as Level 1 instruments were classified as such due to the usage of observable market prices for identical securities that are traded in active markets. Marketable debt instruments in this category generally include certain of our floating-rate notes, corporate bonds, and money market fund deposits. Management judgment was required to determine our policy that defines the levels at which sufficient volume and frequency of transactions are met for a market to be considered active. Our assessment of an active market for our marketable debt instruments generally takes into consideration activity during each week of the one month period prior to the valuation date of each individual instrument, including the number of days each individual instrument trades and the average weekly trading volume in relation to the total outstanding amount of the issued instrument.

Approximately 15% of our balance of marketable debt instruments that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis and classified as Level 2 instruments were classified as such due to the usage of observable market prices for identical securities that are traded in less active markets. When observable market prices for identical securities are not available, we price our marketable debt instruments using: non-binding market consensus prices that are corroborated with observable market data; quoted market prices for similar instruments; or pricing models, such as a discounted cash flow approach, with all significant inputs derived from or corroborated with observable market data. Non-binding market consensus prices are based on the proprietary models of pricing providers or brokers that utilize observable market data as valuation inputs and are also based on the internal assumptions of pricing providers or brokers. These models incorporate a number of valuation inputs including non-binding and binding broker quotes; observable market prices for identical and/or similar securities; and proprietary valuation methodologies using observable market inputs and to a lesser degree non-observable market inputs. We corroborate the non-binding market consensus prices with observable market prices using statistical models when observable market prices exist. The discounted cash flow approach uses observable market inputs, such as LIBOR-based yield curves, currency spot and forward rates, and credit ratings. Approximately 40% of our balance of marketable debt instruments that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis and classified as Level 2 instruments were classified as such due to the usage of a discounted cash flow approach, approximately 40% due to the usage of non-binding market consensus prices that are corroborated with observable market data, and approximately 5% due to the usage of quoted market prices for similar instruments. Marketable debt instruments classified as Level 2 instruments generally include commercial paper, bank time deposits, municipal bonds, certain of our money market fund deposits, and a majority of floating-rate notes and corporate bonds.

Our marketable debt instruments that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis and classified as Level 3 instruments were classified as such due to the lack of observable market data to corroborate either the non-binding market consensus prices or the non-binding broker quotes. When observable market data is not available, we corroborate the non-binding market consensus prices and non-binding broker quotes using unobservable data. Marketable debt instruments in this category generally include asset-backed securities and certain of our floating-rate notes and corporate bonds. All of our investments in asset-backed securities were classified as Level 3, and substantially all of them were valued using non-binding market consensus prices that we were not able to corroborate with observable market data due to the lack of transparency in the market for asset-backed securities.

***Money Market Fund Deposits***

As of September 27, 2008, our marketable debt instruments included \$1.7 billion of money market fund deposits. Of these money market fund deposits, \$1.4 billion were classified as Level 1 and \$250 million were classified as Level 2. Our money market fund deposits classified as Level 2 consisted of our investment in the Reserve Primary Fund. The Reserve Primary Fund did not meet redemption requests and received approval from the Securities and Exchange Commission to temporarily suspend payments to investors. We reclassified our investment in the Reserve Primary Fund from Level 1 to Level 2 because the temporary suspension of redemptions in the Reserve Primary Fund was in place as of as September 27, 2008; therefore there was not an active market to meet the criteria for Level 1 classification.

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (Continued)

### *Equity Securities*

As of September 27, 2008, our portfolio of assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis included \$401 million of marketable equity securities. Of these securities, \$304 million were classified as Level 1 because their valuations were based on quoted prices for identical securities in active markets. Our assessment of an active market for our marketable equity securities generally takes into consideration activity during each week of the one month period prior to the valuation date for each individual security, including the number of days each individual equity security trades and the average weekly trading volume in relation to the total outstanding shares of that security. The fair value of our investment in VMware, Inc. (\$276 million) constituted most of the fair values of the marketable equity securities that we classified as Level 1. Our investment in VMware was reclassified from Level 2 to Level 1 during the third quarter of 2008 due to the expiration of our transfer restriction on VMware's stock.

The remaining \$97 million of our marketable equity securities were classified as Level 2 because their valuations were either based on quoted prices for identical securities in less active markets or adjusted for security specific restrictions. The fair value of our investment in Micron (\$76 million) constituted a substantially majority of the fair values of the marketable equity securities that we classified as Level 2. In measuring the fair value of our investment in Micron, our valuation reflects a discount from the quoted market price of Micron's stock due to our investment being in a form of rights exchangeable into unregistered Micron stock.

As of September 27, 2008, our portfolio of assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis included \$409 million of equity securities offsetting deferred compensation. All of these securities were classified as Level 1 because their valuations were based on quoted prices for identical securities in active markets.

### **Business Outlook**

Our future results of operations and the topics of other forward-looking statements contained in this Form 10-Q, including this MD&A, involve a number of risks and uncertainties in particular, current economic uncertainty, including the tightening of credit markets, as well as future economic conditions; our goals and strategies; new product introductions; plans to cultivate new businesses; pending divestitures or investments; revenue; pricing; gross margin and costs; capital spending; depreciation; R&D expenses; marketing, general and administrative expenses; potential impairment of investments; our effective tax rate; pending legal proceedings; net gains (losses) from equity investments; and interest and other, net. The current uncertainty in global economic conditions makes it particularly difficult to predict product demand, and other related matters and makes it more likely that our actual results could differ materially from our expectations. We are focusing on efforts to improve operational efficiency and reduce spending that may result in several actions that could have an impact on expense levels and gross margin. In addition to the various important factors discussed above, a number of other important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from our expectations. See the risks described in **Risk Factors** in Part II, Item 1A of this Form 10-Q. Our expectations for the remainder of 2008 are as follows:

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*Revenue:* between \$10.1 billion and \$10.9 billion.

*Gross margin:* 59% plus or minus a couple points.

*Depreciation:* approximately \$1.1 billion.

*Total spending (research and development plus marketing, general and administrative expenses):* approximately \$2.9 billion.

*Restructuring and asset impairment charges:* approximately \$250 million, which includes charges related to our joint decision with Micron to discontinue the supply of NAND flash memory from a facility within the IMFT manufacturing network.

*Net gains (losses) from equity investments and interest and other:* Net loss of approximately \$50 million.

*Tax rate:* approximately 29%, lower than previous expectations of approximately 33%, reflecting current expected income and the U.S. research and development income tax credit that was signed into law in October 2008 restoring the credit to the beginning of 2008.

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*Capital spending:* approximately \$5.0 billion, plus or minus \$100 million.

*R&D spending:* approximately \$5.9 billion.

*Total spending (research and development plus marketing, general and administrative expenses):* approximately \$11.5 billion.

**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (Continued)**

**Status of Business Outlook and Scheduled Business Update**

We expect that our corporate representatives will, from time to time, meet privately with investors, investment analysts, the media, and others, and may reiterate the forward-looking statements contained in the Business Outlook section and elsewhere in this Form 10-Q, including any such statements that are incorporated by reference in this Form 10-Q. At the same time, we will keep this Form 10-Q and our most current business outlook publicly available on our Investor Relations web site at [www.intc.com](http://www.intc.com). The public can continue to rely on the business outlook published on the web site as representing our current expectations on matters covered, unless we publish a notice stating otherwise. The statements in the Business Outlook and other forward-looking statements in this Form 10-Q are subject to revision during the course of the year in our quarterly earnings releases and SEC filings, our Mid-Quarter Business Update, and at other times.

As a result of the uncertainty in the current economic environment, we intend to publish a Mid-Quarter Business Update on December 4, 2008. From the close of business on November 28, 2008 until publication of the Update, we will observe a quiet period during which the Business Outlook and other forward-looking statements published in our Form 8-K filed on October 14, 2008, as reiterated or updated, as applicable, in this Form 10-Q, should be considered historical, speaking as of prior to the quiet period only and not subject to update. During the quiet period, our representatives will not comment on the Business Outlook or our financial results or expectations.

A quiet period operating in a similar fashion with regards to the Business Outlook and our SEC filings will begin at the close of business on December 12, 2008 until our quarterly earnings release is published, presently scheduled for January 15, 2009. The exact timing and duration of our announced quiet periods, and any others that we utilize from time to time, may vary at our discretion.

**ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK**

The information in this section should be read in connection with the information on financial market risk related to changes in non-U.S. currency exchange rates in Part II, Item 7A, Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk, in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 29, 2007. Estimates below are not necessarily indicative of future performance, and actual results may differ materially.

**Interest Rates**

We are exposed to interest rate risk related to our investment portfolio and debt issuances. The primary objective of our investments in debt instruments is to preserve principal while maximizing yields. To achieve this objective, the returns on our investments in debt instruments are generally based on three-month LIBOR, or, if the maturities are longer than three months, the returns are generally swapped into U.S. dollar three-month LIBOR-based returns. The current financial markets are extremely volatile. A hypothetical 1.0% decrease in interest rates, after taking into account hedges and offsetting positions, would have resulted in a decrease in our net investment position of approximately \$30 million as of September 27, 2008 (a decrease in our net investment position of \$80 million as of December 29, 2007, assuming a hypothetical 1.0% decrease in interest rates). The hypothetical 1.0% interest rate decrease would have resulted in an increase in the fair value of our debt issuances of approximately \$35 million as of September 27, 2008 and would have resulted in an increase in the fair value of our investment portfolio of approximately \$5 million as of September 27, 2008 (an increase in the fair value of our debt issuances of approximately \$95 million as of December 29, 2007 and an increase in the fair value of our investment portfolio of approximately \$15 million as of December 29, 2007). The fluctuations in fair value of our debt issuances and investment portfolio reflect only the direct impact of the change in interest rates. Other economic variables, such as equity market fluctuations and changes in relative credit risk, could result in a significantly higher decline in our net investment portfolio. For further information on how credit risk is factored into the valuation of our investment portfolio and debt issuances, see Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Fair Value in Item 2 of this Form 10-Q.

**Equity Prices**

Our marketable equity investments include marketable equity instruments, equity derivative instruments such as warrants and options, and marketable equity method investments. To the extent that our marketable equity instruments have strategic value, we typically do not attempt to reduce or eliminate our market exposure; however, for our investments in strategic equity derivative instruments, including warrants, we may enter into transactions to reduce or eliminate the market risks. For instruments that we no longer consider strategic, we evaluate legal, market, and economic factors in our decision on the timing of disposal and whether it is possible and appropriate to hedge the equity market risk.

The marketable equity instruments included in trading assets are held to generate returns that offset changes in liabilities related to the equity market risk of certain deferred compensation arrangements. The gains and losses from changes in fair value of these equity instruments are generally offset by the gains and losses on the related liabilities. Assuming a decline in market prices of approximately 25%, our net exposure to loss is approximately \$30 million as of September 27, 2008 (a loss of approximately \$20 million, assuming a decline in market prices of approximately 25% as of December 29, 2007).

As of September 27, 2008, the fair value of our marketable equity securities and equity derivative instruments, including hedging positions, was \$416 million (\$1.0 billion as of December 29, 2007). Our investments in VMware and Micron constituted 85% of our marketable equity securities as of September 27, 2008, and were carried at a fair market value of \$276 million and \$76 million, respectively. Our marketable equity method investment had a carrying value of \$398 million and a fair value of \$425 million as of September 27, 2008.

The current financial markets are extremely volatile. Assuming a loss of 55% in market prices, and after reflecting the impact of hedges and offsetting positions, the aggregate value of our marketable equity securities could decrease by approximately \$230 million, based on the value as of September 27, 2008 (a decrease in value of \$565 million, based on the value as of December 29, 2007 using an assumed loss of 55%). Our marketable equity method investment, which is comprised of Clearwire, is excluded from our analysis, as the carrying value does not fluctuate based on market price changes. Therefore, the potential fair value decline would not be indicative of the impact on our financial



statements, unless an other-than-temporary impairment was deemed necessary.

Many of the same factors that could result in an adverse movement of equity market prices affect our non-marketable equity investments, although we cannot quantify the impact directly. The current financial markets are extremely volatile and there has been a tightening of the credit markets, which could negatively affect the prospects of the companies we invest in, their ability to raise additional capital, and the likelihood of our being able to realize value in our investments through liquidity events such as initial public offerings, mergers, and private sales. These types of investments involve a great deal of risk, and there can be no assurance that any specific company will grow or become successful; consequently, we could lose all or part of our investment. Our non-marketable equity investments, excluding investments accounted for under the equity method, had a carrying amount of \$1.0 billion as of September 27, 2008 (\$805 million as of December 29, 2007). As of September 27, 2008, the carrying amount of our non-marketable equity method investments was \$3.2 billion (\$2.6 billion as of December 29, 2007). Most of the balance as of September 27, 2008 was concentrated in companies in the flash memory market segment, including our investments of \$2.0 billion in IMFT (\$2.2 billion as of December 29, 2007), \$346 million in IMFS (\$146 million as of December 29, 2007), and \$503 million in Numonyx (see Note 16: Equity Investments in the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements of this Form 10-Q).

#### **ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

##### **Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

Based on management's evaluation (with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Chief Financial Officer (CFO)), as of the end of the period covered by this report, our CEO and CFO have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, (the Exchange Act)) are effective to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by us in reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in Securities and Exchange Commission rules and forms and is accumulated and communicated to management, including our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

##### **Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

There were no changes to our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act) that occurred during the period covered by this report that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

##### **Inherent Limitations on Effectiveness of Controls**

Our management, including the CEO and CFO, does not expect that our Disclosure Controls or our internal control over financial reporting will prevent or detect all error and all fraud. A control system, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the control system's objectives will be met. The design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints, and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Further, because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that misstatements due to error or fraud will not occur or that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, have been detected. These inherent limitations include the realities that judgments in decision-making can be faulty and that breakdowns can occur because of simple error or mistake. Controls can also be circumvented by the individual acts of some persons, by collusion of two or more people, or by management override of the controls. The design of any system of controls is based in part on certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and there can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions. Projections of any evaluation of controls effectiveness to future periods are subject to risks. Over time, controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or deterioration in the degree of compliance with policies or procedures.

## **PART II OTHER INFORMATION**

### **ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

For a discussion of legal proceedings, see Note 18: Contingencies in the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements of this Form 10-Q.

### **ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS**

We describe our business risk factors below. This description includes any material changes to and supersedes the description of the risk factors associated with our business previously disclosed in Part I, Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 29, 2007.

***Fluctuations in demand for our products may harm our financial results and are difficult to forecast.***

Current uncertainty in global economic conditions poses a risk to the overall economy as consumers and businesses may defer purchases in response to tighter credit and negative financial news, which could negatively affect product demand and other related matters. If demand for our products fluctuates as a result of economic conditions or otherwise, our revenue and gross margin could be harmed. Important factors that could cause demand for our products to fluctuate include:

- changes in business and economic conditions, including a downturn in the semiconductor industry and/or the overall economy;

- changes in consumer confidence caused by changes in market conditions, including changes in the credit market, expectations for inflation, and energy prices;

- competitive pressures, including pricing pressures, from companies that have competing products, chip architectures, manufacturing technologies, and marketing programs;

- changes in customer product needs;

- changes in the level of customers' components inventory;

- strategic actions taken by our competitors; and

- market acceptance of our products.

If product demand decreases, our manufacturing or assembly and test capacity could be underutilized, and we may be required to record an impairment on our long-lived assets including facilities and equipment, as well as intangible assets, which would increase our expenses. In addition, factory-planning decisions may shorten the useful lives of long-lived assets, including facilities and equipment, and cause us to accelerate depreciation. In the long term, if product demand increases, we may not be able to add manufacturing or assembly and test capacity fast enough to meet market demand. These changes in demand for our products, and changes in our customers' product needs, could have a variety of negative effects on our competitive position and our financial results, and, in certain cases, may reduce our revenue, increase our costs, lower our gross margin percentage, or require us to recognize impairments of our assets. In addition, if product demand decreases or we fail to forecast demand accurately, we could be required to write off inventory or record underutilization charges, which would have a negative impact on our gross margin.

***The recent financial crisis could negatively affect our business, results of operations, and financial condition.***

The recent financial crisis affecting the banking system and financial markets and the going concern threats to investment banks and other financial institutions have resulted in a tightening in the credit markets, a low level of liquidity in many financial markets, and extreme volatility in fixed income, credit and equity markets. There could be a number of follow-on effects from the credit crisis on Intel's business, including insolvency of key suppliers resulting in product delays; inability of customers to obtain credit to finance purchases of our products and/or customer insolvencies; counterparty failures negatively impacting our treasury operations; increased expense or inability to obtain short-term financing of Intel's operations from the issuance of commercial paper; and increased impairments from the inability of investee companies to obtain financing.

***The semiconductor industry and our operations are characterized by a high percentage of costs that are fixed or difficult to reduce in the short term, and by product demand that is highly variable and subject to significant downturns that may harm our business, results of operations, and financial condition.***

The semiconductor industry and our operations are characterized by high costs, such as those related to facility construction and equipment, R&D, and employment and training of a highly skilled workforce, that are either fixed or difficult to reduce in the short term. At the same time, demand for our products is highly variable and there have been downturns, often in connection with maturing product cycles as well as downturns in general economic market conditions. These downturns have been characterized by reduced product demand, manufacturing overcapacity, high inventory levels, and lower average selling prices. The combination of these factors may cause our revenue, gross margin, cash flow, and profitability to vary significantly in both the short and long term.

***We operate in intensely competitive industries, and our failure to respond quickly to technological developments and incorporate new features into our products could harm our ability to compete.***

We operate in intensely competitive industries that experience rapid technological developments, changes in industry standards, changes in customer requirements, and frequent new product introductions and improvements. If we are unable to respond quickly and successfully to these developments, we may lose our competitive position, and our products or technologies may become uncompetitive or obsolete. To compete successfully, we must maintain a successful R&D effort, develop new products and production processes, and improve our existing products and processes at the same pace or ahead of our competitors. We may not be able to develop and market these new products successfully, the products we invest in and develop may not be well received by customers, and products developed and new technologies offered by others may affect demand for our products. These types of events could have a variety of negative effects on our competitive position and our financial results, such as reducing our revenue, increasing our costs, lowering our gross margin percentage, and requiring us to recognize impairments of our assets.

***Fluctuations in the mix of products sold may harm our financial results.***

Because of the wide price differences both among and within mobile, desktop, and server microprocessors, the mix and types of performance capabilities of microprocessors sold affect the average selling price of our products and have a substantial impact on our revenue and gross margin. Our financial results also depend in part on the mix of other products that we sell, such as chipsets, flash memory, and other semiconductor products. In addition, more recently introduced products tend to have higher associated costs because of initial overall development and production ramp. Fluctuations in the mix and types of our products may also affect the extent to which we are able to recover the fixed costs and investments associated with a particular product, and as a result can harm our financial results.

***Our global operations subject us to risks that may harm our results of operations and financial condition.***

We have sales offices, R&D, manufacturing, and assembly and test facilities in many countries, and as a result, we are subject to risks associated with doing business globally. Our global operations may be subject to risks that may limit our ability to manufacture, assemble and test, design, develop, or sell products in particular countries, which could, in turn, harm our results of operations and financial condition, including:

- security concerns, such as armed conflict and civil or military unrest, crime, political instability, and terrorist activity;

- health concerns;

- natural disasters;

- inefficient and limited infrastructure and disruptions, such as large-scale outages or interruptions of service from utilities or telecommunications providers and supply chain interruptions;

- differing employment practices and labor issues;

- local business and cultural factors that differ from our normal standards and practices;

- regulatory requirements and prohibitions that differ between jurisdictions; and

- restrictions on our operations by governments seeking to support local industries, nationalization of our operations, and restrictions on our ability to repatriate earnings.

In addition, although most of our products are sold in U.S. dollars, a significant amount of certain types of expenses, such as payroll, utilities, tax, and marketing expenses, as well as certain investing and financing activities, are incurred in local currencies. Our hedging programs reduce, but do not entirely eliminate, the impact of currency exchange rate movements, and therefore fluctuations in exchange rates could harm our business operating results and financial condition. In addition, changes in tariff and import regulations and in U.S. and non-U.S. monetary policies may harm our operating results and financial condition by increasing our expenses and reducing our revenue. Varying tax rates

in different jurisdictions could harm our operating results and financial condition by increasing our overall tax rate. We maintain a program of insurance coverage for various types of property, casualty, and other risks. We place our insurance coverage with various carriers in numerous jurisdictions. The types and amounts of insurance that we obtain vary from time to time and from location to location, depending on availability, cost, and our decisions with respect to risk retention. The policies are subject to deductibles and exclusions that result in our retention of a level of risk on a self-insurance basis. Losses not covered by insurance may be substantial and may increase our expenses, which could harm our results of operations and financial condition.

***Failure to meet our production targets, resulting in undersupply or oversupply of products, may harm our business and results of operations.***

Production of integrated circuits is a complex process. Disruptions in this process can result from interruptions in our processes, errors, and difficulties in our development and implementation of new processes; defects in materials; disruptions in our supply of materials or resources; and disruptions at our fabrication and assembly and test facilities due to, for example, accidents, maintenance issues, or unsafe working conditions all of which could affect the timing of production ramps and yields. We may not be successful or efficient in developing or implementing new production processes. The occurrence of any of the foregoing may result in our failure to meet or increase production as desired, resulting in higher costs or substantial decreases in yields, which could affect our ability to produce sufficient volume to meet specific product demand. The unavailability or reduced availability of certain products could make it more difficult to implement our platform strategy. We may also experience increases in yields. A substantial increase in yields could result in higher inventory levels and the possibility of resulting excess capacity charges as we slow production to reduce inventory levels. The occurrence of any of these events could harm our business and results of operations.

***We may have difficulties obtaining the resources or products we need for manufacturing, assembling and testing our products, or operating other aspects of our business, which could harm our ability to meet demand for our products and may increase our costs.***

We have thousands of suppliers providing various materials that we use in the production of our products and other aspects of our business, and we seek, where possible, to have several sources of supply for all of those materials. However, we may rely on a single or a limited number of suppliers, or upon suppliers in a single country, for these materials. The inability of such suppliers to deliver adequate supplies of production materials or other supplies could disrupt our production processes or could make it more difficult for us to implement our business strategy. In addition, production could be disrupted by the unavailability of the resources used in production, such as water, silicon, electricity, and gases. The unavailability or reduced availability of the materials or resources that we use in our business may require us to reduce production of products or may require us to incur additional costs in order to obtain an adequate supply of those materials or resources. The occurrence of any of these events could harm our business and results of operations.

***Costs related to product defects and errata may harm our results of operations and business.***

Costs associated with unexpected product defects and errata (deviations from published specifications) due to, for example, unanticipated problems in our manufacturing processes, include costs such as:

- writing off the value of inventory of defective products;

- disposing of defective products that cannot be fixed;

- recalling defective products that have been shipped to customers;

- providing product replacements for, or modifications to, defective products; and/or

- defending against litigation related to defective products.

These costs could be substantial and may therefore increase our expenses and lower our gross margin. In addition, our reputation with our customers or users of our products could be damaged as a result of such product defects and errata, and the demand for our products could be reduced. These factors could harm our financial results and the prospects for our business.

***We may be subject to litigation proceedings that could harm our business.***

In addition to the litigation risks mentioned above, we may be subject to legal claims or regulatory matters involving stockholder, consumer, antitrust, and other issues on a global basis. As described in Note 18: Contingencies in the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements of this Form 10-Q, we are currently engaged in a number of litigation matters. Litigation is subject to inherent uncertainties, and unfavorable rulings could occur. An unfavorable ruling could include monetary damages or, in cases for which injunctive relief is sought, an injunction prohibiting us from manufacturing or selling one or more products. Were an unfavorable ruling to occur, our business and results of operations could be materially harmed.

***We may be subject to claims of infringement of third-party intellectual property rights, which could harm our business.***

From time to time, third parties may assert against us or our customers alleged patent, copyright, trademark, or other intellectual property rights to technologies that are important to our business. We may be subject to intellectual property infringement claims from certain individuals and companies who have acquired patent portfolios for the sole purpose of asserting such claims against other companies. Any claims that our products or processes infringe the intellectual property rights of others, regardless of the merit or resolution of such claims, could cause us to incur significant costs in responding to, defending, and resolving such claims, and may divert the efforts and attention of our management and technical personnel away from our business. As a result of such intellectual property infringement claims, we could be required or otherwise decide it is appropriate to:

- pay third-party infringement claims;

discontinue manufacturing, using, or selling particular products subject to infringement claims;

discontinue using the technology or processes subject to infringement claims;

develop other technology not subject to infringement claims, which could be time-consuming and costly or may not be possible; and/or

license technology from the third party claiming infringement, which license may not be available on commercially reasonable terms.

The occurrence of any of the foregoing could result in unexpected expenses or require us to recognize an impairment of our assets, which would reduce the value of our assets and increase expenses. In addition, if we alter or discontinue our production of affected items, our revenue could be negatively impacted.



***We may not be able to enforce or protect our intellectual property rights, which may harm our ability to compete and harm our business.***

Our ability to enforce our patents, copyrights, software licenses, and other intellectual property rights is subject to general litigation risks, as well as uncertainty as to the enforceability of our intellectual property rights in various countries. When we seek to enforce our rights, we are often subject to claims that the intellectual property right is invalid, is otherwise not enforceable, or is licensed to the party against whom we are asserting a claim. In addition, our assertion of intellectual property rights often results in the other party seeking to assert alleged intellectual property rights of its own against us, which may harm our business. If we are not ultimately successful in defending ourselves against these claims in litigation, we may not be able to sell a particular product or family of products due to an injunction, or we may have to pay damages that could, in turn, harm our results of operations. In addition, governments may adopt regulations or courts may render decisions requiring compulsory licensing of intellectual property to others, or governments may require that products meet specified standards that serve to favor local companies. Our inability to enforce our intellectual property rights under these circumstances may harm our competitive position and our business.

***Our licenses with other companies and our participation in industry initiatives may allow other companies, including our competitors, to use our patent rights.***

Companies in the semiconductor industry often rely on the ability to license patents from each other in order to compete. Many of our competitors have broad licenses or cross-licenses with us, and under current case law, some of these licenses may permit these competitors to pass our patent rights on to others. If one of these licensees becomes a foundry, our competitors might be able to avoid our patent rights in manufacturing competing products. In addition, our participation in industry initiatives may require us to license our patents to other companies that adopt certain industry standards or specifications, even when such organizations do not adopt standards or specifications proposed by us. As a result, our patents implicated by our participation in industry initiatives might not be available for us to enforce against others who might otherwise be deemed to be infringing those patents, our costs of enforcing our licenses or protecting our patents may increase, and the value of our intellectual property may be impaired.

***Changes in our decisions with regard to our announced restructuring and efficiency efforts, and other factors, could affect our results of operations and financial condition.***

Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from our expectations with regard to our announced restructuring include:

- timing and execution of plans and programs that may be subject to local labor law requirements, including consultation with appropriate work councils;

- changes in assumptions related to severance and postretirement costs;

- future dispositions;

- new business initiatives and changes in product roadmap, development, and manufacturing;

- changes in employment levels and turnover rates;

- changes in product demand and the business environment, including changes related to the current uncertainty in global economic conditions; and

- changes in the fair value of certain long-lived assets.

***In order to compete, we must attract, retain, and motivate key employees, and our failure to do so could harm our results of operations.***

In order to compete, we must attract, retain, and motivate executives and other key employees, including those in managerial, technical, sales, marketing, and support positions. Hiring and retaining qualified executives, scientists, engineers, technical staff, and sales representatives are critical to our business, and competition for experienced

employees in the semiconductor industry can be intense. To help attract, retain, and motivate qualified employees, we use share-based incentive awards such as employee stock options and non-vested share units (restricted stock units). If the value of such stock awards does not appreciate as measured by the performance of the price of our common stock or if our share-based compensation otherwise ceases to be viewed as a valuable benefit, our ability to attract, retain, and motivate employees could be weakened, which could harm our results of operations.

***Our results of operations could vary as a result of the methods, estimates, and judgments that we use in applying our accounting policies.***

The methods, estimates, and judgments that we use in applying our accounting policies have a significant impact on our results of operations (see Critical Accounting Estimates in Part I, Item 2 of this Form 10-Q). Such methods, estimates, and judgments are, by their nature, subject to substantial risks, uncertainties, and assumptions, and factors may arise over time that lead us to change our methods, estimates, and judgments. Changes in those methods, estimates, and judgments could significantly affect our results of operations. The current volatility in the financial markets and overall economic uncertainty increases the risk that the actual amounts realized in the future on our debt and equity investments will differ significantly from the fair values currently assigned to them.

***Our failure to comply with applicable environmental laws and regulations worldwide could harm our business and results of operations.***

The manufacturing and assembling and testing of our products require the use of hazardous materials that are subject to a broad array of environmental, health, and safety laws and regulations. Our failure to comply with any of these applicable laws or regulations could result in:

regulatory penalties, fines, and legal liabilities;

suspension of production;

alteration of our fabrication and assembly and test processes; and

curtailment of our operations or sales.

In addition, our failure to manage the use, transportation, emission, discharge, storage, recycling, or disposal of hazardous materials could subject us to increased costs or future liabilities. Existing and future environmental laws and regulations could also require us to acquire pollution abatement or remediation equipment, modify our product designs, or incur other expenses associated with such laws and regulations. Many new materials that we are evaluating for use in our operations may be subject to regulation under existing or future environmental laws and regulations that may restrict our use of one or more of such materials in our manufacturing, assembly and test processes, or products. Any of these restrictions could harm our business and results of operations by increasing our expenses or requiring us to alter our manufacturing and assembly and test processes.

***Climate change poses both regulatory and physical risks that could harm our results of operations or affect the way we conduct our business.***

Climate change can increase our costs, as a result of climate change mitigation programs and regulation as well as the risk posed by climate events that may have a direct economic impact. For example, the cost of perfluorocompounds (PFCs), a gas we use in our manufacturing, could increase over time under some climate change focused emissions trading programs that may be imposed by government regulation. If the use of PFCs is prohibited, we would need to obtain substitute materials that may cost more or be less available for our manufacturing operations. We also see the potential for higher energy costs driven by global warming regulation. Our costs could increase if utility companies pass on their costs, such as carbon taxes, costs associated with emission cap and trade programs, or renewable portfolio standards. While we maintain business recovery plans that are intended to allow us to recover from natural disasters or other events that can be disruptive to our business, we cannot be sure that our plans will fully protect us from all such disasters or events. Many of our operations are located in semi-arid regions, such as the southwestern United States and Israel. Some scenarios predict that these regions may become even more vulnerable to prolonged droughts due to climate change.

***Changes in our effective tax rate may harm our results of operations.***

A number of factors may increase our future effective tax rates, including:

the jurisdictions in which profits are determined to be earned and taxed;

the resolution of issues arising from tax audits with various tax authorities;

changes in the valuation of our deferred tax assets and liabilities;

adjustments to estimated taxes upon finalization of various tax returns;

increases in expenses not deductible for tax purposes, including write-offs of acquired in-process R&D and impairments of goodwill in connection with acquisitions;

changes in available tax credits;

changes in tax laws or the interpretation of such tax laws, and changes in generally accepted accounting principles; and

our decision to repatriate non-U.S. earnings for which we have not previously provided for U.S. taxes.

Any significant increase in our future effective tax rates could reduce net income for future periods.

***We invest in companies for strategic reasons and may not realize a return on our investments.***

We make investments in companies around the world to further our strategic objectives and support our key business initiatives. Such investments include investments in equity securities of public companies and non-marketable equity investments in private companies, which range from early-stage companies that are often still defining their strategic direction to more mature companies with established revenue streams and business models. The success of these companies is dependent on product development, market acceptance, operational efficiency, and other key business factors. The private companies in which we invest may fail because they may not be able to secure additional funding, obtain favorable investment terms for future financings, or take advantage of liquidity events such as initial public offerings, mergers, and private sales. If any of these private companies fail, we could lose all or part of our investment in that company. If we determine that an other-than-temporary decline in the fair value exists for an equity investment in a public or private company in which we have invested, we write down the investment to its fair value and recognize the related write-down as an investment loss. The majority of our non-marketable equity investment portfolio balance is concentrated in companies in the flash memory market segment, and declines in this market segment or changes in management's plans with respect to our investments in this market segment could result in significant impairment charges, impacting gains/losses on equity investments and interest and other.

Furthermore, when the strategic objectives of an investment have been achieved, or if the investment or business diverges from our strategic objectives, we may decide to dispose of the investment. Our non-marketable equity investments in private companies are not liquid, and we may not be able to dispose of these investments on favorable terms or at all. The occurrence of any of these events could harm our results of operations. Additionally, for cases in which we are required under equity method accounting to recognize a proportionate share of another company's income or loss, such income and loss may impact our earnings. Gains or losses from equity securities could vary from expectations depending on gains or losses realized on the sale or exchange of securities; gains or losses from equity method investments; and impairment charges related to debt securities as well as equity and other investments.

***Our acquisitions, divestitures, and other transactions could disrupt our ongoing business and harm our results of operations.***

In pursuing our business strategy, we routinely conduct discussions, evaluate opportunities, and enter into agreements regarding possible investments, acquisitions, divestitures, and other transactions, such as joint ventures. Acquisitions and other transactions involve significant challenges and risks, including risks that:

we may not be able to identify suitable opportunities at terms acceptable to us;

the transaction may not advance our business strategy;

we may not realize a satisfactory return on the investment we make;

we may not be able to retain key personnel of the acquired business; or

we may experience difficulty in integrating new employees, business systems, and technology.

When we decide to sell assets or a business, we may encounter difficulty in finding or completing divestiture opportunities or alternative exit strategies on acceptable terms in a timely manner, and the agreed terms and financing arrangements could be renegotiated due to changes in business or market conditions. These circumstances could delay the accomplishment of our strategic objectives or cause us to incur additional expenses with respect to businesses that we want to dispose of, or we may dispose of a business at a price or on terms that are less favorable than we had anticipated, resulting in a loss on the transaction.

If we do enter into agreements with respect to acquisitions, divestitures, or other transactions, we may fail to complete them due to:

failure to obtain required regulatory or other approvals;

intellectual property or other litigation;

difficulties that we or other parties may encounter in obtaining financing for the transaction; or other factors.

Further, acquisition, divestiture, and other transactions require substantial management resources and have the potential to divert our attention from our existing business. These factors could harm our business and results of operations.

***Interest and other, net could be harmed by macroeconomic and other factors.***

Factors that could cause interest and other, net in our consolidated condensed statements of income to fluctuate include:

fixed-income, equity market volatility and credit market volatility, such as the current uncertainty in global economic conditions;

fluctuations in interest rates;

changes in our cash and investment balances;

fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates; and

changes in our hedge accounting treatment.

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**ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS****Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities**

We have an ongoing authorization, amended in November 2005, from our Board of Directors to repurchase up to \$25 billion in shares of our common stock in open market or negotiated transactions. As of September 27, 2008, \$7.4 billion remained available for repurchase under the existing repurchase authorization.

Common stock repurchase activity under our authorized plan during the third quarter of 2008 was as follows (in millions, except per share amounts):

<b>Period</b>	<b>Total Number of Shares Purchased</b>	<b>Average Price Paid per Share</b>	<b>Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans</b>	<b>Dollar Value of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans</b>
June 29, 2008-July 26, 2008	19.0	\$ 21.90	19.0	\$ 9,105
July 27, 2008-August 23, 2008	49.1	\$ 22.72	49.1	\$ 7,990
August 24, 2008-September 27, 2008	25.3	\$ 23.15	25.3	\$ 7,403
<b>Total</b>	<b>93.4</b>	<b>\$ 22.67</b>	<b>93.4</b>	

For the majority of restricted stock units granted, the number of shares issued on the date the restricted stock units vest is net of the minimum statutory withholding requirements that we pay in cash to the appropriate taxing authorities on behalf of our employees. These withheld shares are not included within the common stock repurchase totals in the tables above. See Note 6: Common Stock Repurchases in the Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements of this Form 10-Q.

**ITEM 6. EXHIBITS**

- 3.1 Intel Corporation Third Restated Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K as filed on May 22, 2006)
- 3.2 Intel Corporation Bylaws, as amended on January 17, 2007 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K as filed on January 18, 2007)
- 12.1 Statement Setting Forth the Computation of Ratios of Earnings to Fixed Charges
- 31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Exchange Act
- 31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Exchange Act
- 32.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(b) of the Exchange Act and 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

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*\*Other names and brands may be claimed as the property of others.*



**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.

INTEL CORPORATION  
(Registrant)

Date: October 30, 2008

By: /s/ Stacy J. Smith  
Stacy J. Smith  
Vice President, Chief Financial Officer  
and Principal Accounting Officer

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