

Avid Reports Strong Revenue and Profit Growth in Third Quarter

TEWKSBURY, Mass.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Oct. 16, 2003--Avid Technology, Inc. (Nasdaq: AVID) today reported strong revenue growth and increased profitability for the third quarter ended September 30, 2003. Revenues for the quarter increased by more than 10 percent to \$119.1 million compared to the \$107.8 million reported in the corresponding quarter in 2002. For the nine months ended September 30, 2003, revenues were \$344.6 million, an increase of almost 13 percent compared to \$305.9 million for the first three quarters of 2002.

Net income for the third quarter was \$11.8 million or \$.35 per diluted share compared to net income of \$2.3 million or \$.09 per diluted share for the corresponding quarter in 2002. Net income for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2003 was \$25.1 million or \$.78 per diluted share compared to a net loss of \$1.3 million or \$.05 per share for the same period in 2002.

Avid's cash and marketable securities increased during the third quarter by \$36.6 million to \$171.6 million on September 30, 2003. Approximately \$17 million of the increase was generated through operations and the balance from employee stock program activity. Since the beginning of 2003, the company's cash and marketable securities balance has nearly doubled.

"Our third quarter results are another indicator that our long-term strategy is paying off," said David Krall, Avid's president and chief executive officer. "Year-over-year, the combination of our increasing revenue, expanding gross margins, and cost containment efforts enabled us to generate more than five times the quarterly net income posted just one year ago. We believe we've put the essential building blocks in place in all areas of our business to enable further increases in Avid's revenue and profitability."

Conference Call

A conference call to discuss Avid's third quarter 2003 financial results and the company's outlook for the fourth quarter of 2003 and full year 2004 will be held today, October 16 at 5:00 p.m. ET. The call will be open to the public. The conference call can be accessed by dialing (913) 981-5542 and referencing confirmation code 770128. The call and subsequent replay will also be available on Avid's Web site. To listen via this alternative, go to the investor relations page at www.avid.com for complete details 10-15 minutes prior to the start of the conference call.

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations (in thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2003 2002		Nine Months Ended September 30, 2003 2002	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Net revenues Cost of revenues Gross profit	\$119,090 52,784 66,306	\$107,832 53,222 54,610	\$344,584 155,619 188,965	\$305,935 153,528 152,407
Operating expenses: Research and				
development	20,706	20,916	63,833	61,145
Marketing and selling	27,959	25,677	80,971	75,418
General and	21,000	23,011	00,571	73,410
administrative Restructuring and	5,670	5,454	16,632	14,985
other costs, net Amortization of	76		1,859	(327)
acquisition-related intangible assets Total operating	341	257	975	861
expenses	54,752	52,304	164,270	152,082
Operating income Interest and other income	11,554	2,306	24,695	325
(expense), net Income before	592	259	1,330	(192)
income taxes Provision for income	12,146	2,565	26,025	133
taxes	300	300	900	1,400
Net income (loss)	\$11,846	\$2,265	\$25,125	(\$1,267)
Net income (loss) per common share - basic	\$0.40	\$0.09	\$0.88	(\$0.05)
Net income (loss) per common share - diluted	\$0.35	\$0.09	\$0.78	(\$0.05)
Weighted average common shares outstanding - basic	29,865	26,287	28,663	26,064
Weighted average common shares outstanding - diluted	33,380	26,550	32,059	26,064

AVID TECHNOLOGY, INC.
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets
(in thousands)

September 30,	December 31,
2003	2002
(unaudited)	
\$171,649	\$89,034
60,843	65,942
	2003 (unaudited) \$171,649

Inventories Prepaid and other current assets Total current assets	38,558 12,166 283,216	11,919
Property and equipment, net Acquisition-related intangible assets, net Other assets Total assets	22,309 2,205 2,869 \$310,599	•
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY:		
Current liabilities: Accounts payable Accrued expenses and other current	\$16,477	\$24,297
liabilities	53,789	51,032
Deferred revenues	42,115	35,483
Total current liabilities	112,381	110,812
Long term liabilities, less current		
portion	759	1,427
Total stockholders' equity	197,459	123,564
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$310,599	\$235,803

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