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The aggregate market value of the registrant's common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, held by non-affiliates of the registrant, based upon the closing price of \$11.89 on November 29, 2024, as reported on the NASDAQ Capital Market, was \$334,587,442. For purposes of this disclosure, shares of common stock held by persons who hold more than 5% of the outstanding shares of common stock (other than such persons of whom the Registrant became aware only through the filing of a Schedule 13G filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission) and shares held by officers and directors of the Registrant have been excluded because such persons may be deemed to be affiliates. This determination of affiliate status is not necessarily conclusive for other purposes.

The number of shares of registrant's common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, outstanding at July 15, 2025 was 29,915,061.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE:

Portions of registrant's Definitive Proxy Statement relating to the Annual Meeting of Stockholders are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Annual Report on Form 10-K where indicated. Such Definitive Proxy Statement will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission within 120 days after the end of the registrant's fiscal year ended May 30, 2025.

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This Annual Report on Form 10-K contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act). All statements contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K other than statements of historical fact, including statements regarding our future results of operations and financial position, our business strategy and plans, and our objectives for future operations, are forward-looking statements. The words “believe,” “may,” “will,” “estimate,” “continue,” “anticipate,” “plan,” “intend,” “expect,” “could,” “target,” “project,” “should,” “predict,” “potential,” “would,” “seek” and similar expressions and the negative of those expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions that are difficult to predict. Therefore, actual results may differ materially and adversely from those expressed in any forward-looking statements. These risks include but are not limited to those factors identified in “Risk Factors” beginning on page [13] of this Annual Report on Form 10-K, those factors that we may from time to time identify in our periodic filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, as well as other factors beyond our control. We undertake no obligation to revise or update publicly any forward-looking statements for any reason. Unless the context requires otherwise, references in this Form 10-K to “Aehr Test,” the “Company,” “we,” “us” and “our” refer to Aehr Test Systems.

Investors and others should note that we announce material financial information to our investors using our investor relations website (<https://www.aehr.com/investor-relations/>), SEC filings, press releases, public conference calls and webcasts. We use these channels to communicate with our investors and the public about our company, our products and services and other issues. It is possible that the information we post on our investor relations website could be deemed to be material information. Therefore, we encourage investors, the media, and others interested in our company to review the information we post on our investor relations website.

PART I

Item 1. Business

OVERVIEW

Aehr Test Systems, Inc. (“Aehr Test,” “Aehr,” or “we”) was incorporated in the state of California on May 25, 1977 and is headquartered in Fremont, California. We are a leading provider of test solutions for testing, burning-in, and stabilizing semiconductor devices in wafer level, singulated die, and package part form, and have installed thousands of systems worldwide. Mission critical applications are driving increased quality, reliability, safety, and security needs of semiconductors. The applications include artificial intelligent (“AI”) compute data centers, electric vehicles, electric vehicle charging infrastructure, solar and wind power, data and telecommunications infrastructure, and solid-state memory storage. The trend is driving additional test requirements, incremental capacity needs, and new opportunities for Aehr Test products and solutions. We have developed and introduced several innovative products including the FOX-P™ family of test and burn-in systems and FOX WaferPak™ Aligner, FOX WaferPak Contactor, FOX DiePak® Carrier and FOX DiePak Loader. The FOX-XP and FOX-NP systems are full wafer contact and singulated die/module test and burn-in systems that can test, burn-in, and stabilize a wide range of devices such as leading-edge silicon carbide-based and gallium nitride power semiconductors, 2D and 3D sensors used in mobile phones, tablets, and other computing devices, memory semiconductors, processors, microcontrollers, systems-on-a-chip, and photonics and integrated optical devices used in AI. The FOX-CP system is a low-cost single-wafer compact test solution for logic, memory and photonic devices and the newest addition to the FOX-P product family. The FOX WaferPak Contactor contains a unique full wafer contactor capable of testing wafers up to 300mm that enables integrated circuits (“ICs”), manufacturers to perform test, burn-in, and stabilization of full wafers on the FOX-P systems. The FOX DiePak Carrier allows testing, burn-in, and stabilization of singulated bare die and modules up to 1,024 devices in parallel per DiePak on the FOX-NP and FOX-XP systems up to nine DiePaks at a time. The introduction of the High Power FOX-XP in connection with the acquisition of Incal Technology, Inc. (“Incal”), our new line of high-power packaged part reliability/burn-in test solutions enables Aehr the unique ability to deliver wafer level test and burn-in and package part burn-in for AI accelerators, GPUs, and high-performance computing (“HPC”) processors. The combination positions us well within the rapidly growing AI market as a turn-key provider of reliability and testing that span from engineering to high volume production. In combination with Incal’s Sonoma, Tahoe and Echo package part burn-in systems, we provide a full range of solutions for semiconductor devices.

INDUSTRY BACKGROUND

Semiconductor manufacturing is a complex, multi-step process, and defects or weaknesses that may result in the failure of a semiconductor device may be introduced at any process step. Failures may occur immediately or at any time during the operating life of the device, sometimes after several months of normal use. Semiconductor manufacturers rely on testing and reliability screening to identify and eliminate defects that occur during the manufacturing process.

Testing and reliability screenings involve multiple steps. The first set of tests is typically performed by semiconductor device manufacturers before the processed semiconductor wafer is cut into individual die, in order to avoid the cost of packaging defective die. This “wafer probe” testing can be performed on one or many die at a time, including testing the entire wafer at once. Most leading-edge microprocessors, microcontrollers, digital signal processors, memory ICs, sensors, power and optical devices (such as vertical-cavity surface-emitting lasers, or VCSELs) then undergo an extensive reliability screening and stress testing procedure known as burn-in or cycling, depending on the application. This can either be done at the wafer level, before the die are packaged, or at the package level, after the die are packaged. The burn-in process screens for early failures by operating the device at elevated voltages and temperatures, at up to 150 degrees Celsius (302 degrees Fahrenheit) or higher. Depending upon the application, the burn-in times can range anywhere from minutes to hours or even days. A typical burn-in system can process thousands of devices simultaneously. After burn-in, the devices undergo a final test process using automatic test equipment, or testers. For example, this cycling process screens silicon carbide semiconductor devices used in electric vehicle engine controller inverters and their corresponding on-board battery chargers for failure to meet current power loss and leakage specifications, as well as endurance requirements.

MARKETS

The Company’s semiconductor test and reliability qualification solutions address multiple test and burn-in markets including Artificial Intelligence devices for Large Language Modules (“LLMs”) and Inference, Silicon Carbide (“SiC”) and Gallium Nitride (“GaN”) devices for power semiconductors, electric vehicles, electric vehicle charging infrastructure, solar and wind power, silicon photonics for data center infrastructure and worldwide 5G infrastructure, 2D/3D sensors for consumer electronics and automotive applications, and the data storage and memory markets.

Artificial Intelligence

The Artificial Intelligence and Inference processor market is experiencing a significant surge, driven by the increasing demand for machine learning and AI applications. Semiconductor companies are continuously innovating and releasing new AI chips to meet this demand. The production of AI processor wafers has seen substantial growth, with companies shipping millions of devices.

As the AI processor market grows, the Company expects the need for burn-in to become increasingly important. AI processors' distinct architecture of die-to-die interdependency and increased memory size and use create a unique opportunity for the Company to apply enabling wafer level test and burn-in technology and package part burn-in for its customers and potential future customers. Subjecting the AI processors under stress to eliminate potential failures before they are deployed is crucial as they are often used in critical applications where failure can have significant consequences. Therefore, as the AI chip market continues to expand, the requirement for robust and efficient burn-in processes increases. These processes work to ensure the reliability and longevity of AI chips, thereby helping to contribute to the overall growth and success of the AI industry.

Power Semiconductors (Silicon Carbide and Gallium Nitride)

Silicon carbide power semiconductors have emerged as the preferred technology for battery electric vehicle power conversion in on-board and off-board electric vehicle battery chargers, and the electric power conversion and control of the electric engines. These devices reduce power loss by as much as greater than 75% over power silicon alternatives like IGBT (Insulated-Gate Bipolar Transistor) devices, which has essentially changed the entire market dynamic. With the power efficiency advantages of SiC, the Company sees most, if not every electric vehicle automotive company moving to silicon carbide-based powertrain and charging systems in the near future.

The gallium nitride market appears to be a potentially significant growth driver for our systems and WaferPak full wafer contactors, particularly for automotive, photovoltaic and other industrial applications where burn-in appears to be critical for meeting the initial quality and reliability needs of those markets.

The Company's FOX-P family of products are cost-effective solutions to help ensure the critical quality and reliability of devices in this market, where quality and reliability can provide assurance against failure of a vehicle whose power semiconductor fails in the power drive train.

Silicon Photonics

The silicon photonics market is seeing increasing deployment of devices used in the expansion of bandwidth and infrastructure to meet the explosive growth of data center and 5G infrastructure.

The rapid growth of integrated optical devices in data centers and data center interconnect infrastructure, mobile devices, automotive applications, and wearable biosensor markets is driving substantially higher requirements for initial quality and long-term reliability, and they are increasing with every new product generation. The application of silicon photonics integrated circuits for use in optical chip-to-chip communication in addition to the current photonics as multiple companies have made announcements regarding their product roadmaps for co-packaged photonics integrated circuits with microprocessors, graphics processors, chip sets for computing as well as artificial intelligence applications.

Silicon photonics devices are highly integrated silicon-based semiconductors that have embedded or integrated the non-silicon-based laser transmitters and receivers to enable a smaller, lower cost, higher reliable alternative to traditional fiber optic transceivers currently used in data center and telecommunication infrastructure. These require a process step in manufacturing called stabilization where the devices are subjected to high temperatures and power to stabilize their output power. The Company's solution makes it feasible to burn-in integrated silicon photonics devices while still in wafer form without adding the cost to the transceiver printed circuit board and other mechanical infrastructure of the final transceiver module, and that has both yield and significant cost savings. In the case of silicon photonics, the laser devices are bonded directly to a silicon-based device that has all the logic multiplexing and de-multiplexing, and other high-speed communication subsystems, all integrated into a silicon-based integrated circuit.

Data Storage and Memory

The Company also sees new developments in the data storage and memory markets as new opportunities for its systems where these end markets and customers require devices to have extremely high levels of quality and long-term reliability. One of the market opportunities for wafer level burn-in is semiconductors used in hard disk drives for data storage. The NAND Flash semiconductor memory market implements 100% test and burn-in of devices to be used in mission critical applications such as enterprise storage. The Company sees NAND Flash market as an opportunity for our fully automated systems and WaferPaks with long term potential to also move into Dynamic Random Access Memory ("DRAM") wafer level test and burn-in.

Mobile 2D and 3D Sensors

Sensors used in mobile devices such as smartphones, tablets, wearables such as watches and fitness bands, and audio devices have become pervasive. Initially, sensors on smartphones allowed basic functions we have all come to expect such as touchscreens, rotational sensors, and fingerprint sensors, but have gotten more complex with added capabilities such as 3D facial recognition and time of flight distance measurements. We will see the addition of health monitoring sensors, 3D measurement capability, and other advanced sensors in the future. As sensors become more pervasive and add critical new functionality to devices, it becomes increasingly important that the data collected be accurate and reliable, which we believe will drive requirements for our solutions for production test and burn-in of these sensors.

Automotive Semiconductors

In addition, the rapid growth and increasing demand for reliability in automotive sensor technologies is a key market driver for the Company. These technologies include Advanced Driver Assistance Systems (“ADAS”) capabilities such as collision avoidance systems using laser, Light Detection and Ranging (“LIDAR”), and Radio Detection and Ranging (“RADAR”) or other sensing technologies. More and more new vehicles now include as standard capabilities collision avoidance systems that detect obstacles and monitor the vehicle’s surroundings to notify the driver of dangerous conditions and take evasive action. In addition to autonomous vehicles that require extremely high reliability of the devices in these systems, more and more vehicles around the world are embedding these systems and sensors into their everyday driving features. The Company sees the rising tide of the increasing number of embedded sensors and electrical and optical systems in vehicles as a key driver of the increasing market need for reliable semiconductors. This, in turn, is increasing the need for 100% production test and burn-in of devices to lower the infant mortality rate of devices and ensure that these devices and systems operate over the life of the vehicles.

PRODUCTS

The Company manufactures and markets full wafer contact test systems, test during burn-in systems, test fixtures and related accessories.

All of the Company’s systems are platform-based systems with a portfolio of current, voltage, digital and thermal capabilities, allowing them to be configured with optional features to meet customer requirements. Systems can be configured for use in production applications, where capacity, throughput and price are most important, or for reliability engineering and quality assurance applications, where performance and flexibility, such as extended temperature ranges, are essential.

The Company’s product portfolio is platform-based systems with a modular configurable approach to enable a broad market approach while leveraging refined high-quality modules as building blocks. The platform-based system enables the optimized configuration for the market, application or specific customer requirement. Modules and configurability provide a range of current and voltage selections over a range of power and thermal capacities while enabling digital control for each unique device requirement. Implementing this approach along with our proprietary full wafer contactors and device interface carriers provides our customers with the ability to configure a system for engineering characterization and reliability qualification and high-volume production applications.

Full Wafer Contact Systems

Aehr’s FOX-XP test and burn-in platform allows for reliability screening tests to be completed on an entire wafer full of devices, testing all of them at once or multiple touchdowns, while also testing and monitoring every device for failures during the burn-in process to provide critical information on those devices. This is an enormously valuable capability, as it screens out devices that would otherwise fail after they are packaged into multi-die modules where the yield impact could be 10 times or even 100 times as costly.

The FOX-XP test and burn-in system, introduced in July 2016, is designed for devices in wafer, singulated die, and module form that require test and burn-in times typically measured in hours to days. The FOX-XP system can test and burn-in up to 18 wafers at a time. For high reliability applications, such as automotive, mobile devices, networking, telecommunications, sensors, power and solid-state devices, the FOX-XP system is a cost-effective solution for producing tested and burned-in die for use in multi-chip packages. Using Known-Good Die, or KGD, which are fully burned-in and tested die, in multi-chip/heterogeneous packages assures the reliability of the final product and lowers costs by increasing the yield of high-cost multi-chip packages. Wafer-level burn-in and test enables lower cost production of KGD for multi-chip modules, 3-D stacked packages and systems-in-a-package. The FOX-XP platform has been extended for burn-in and test of small multi-die modules by using DiePak Carriers. The DiePak Carrier with its multi-module sockets and high wattage dissipation capabilities has a capacity of hundreds of die or modules, much higher than the capacity of a traditional burn-in system with traditional single-device sockets and heat sinks.

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The FOX-NP is a low-cost entry-level system to provide a configuration and price point for companies to initiate a new product introduction and production qualification, enabling an easier transition to the FOX-XP system for high volume production test. The FOX-NP system is 100% compatible with the FOX-XP system and is configurable with up to two slot assemblies per system compared to up to 18 slot assemblies in the FOX-XP system.

The FOX-CP is a low-cost single-wafer compact test and reliability verification solution for logic, memory, power and photonic devices. The FOX-CP reduces test cost by functionally testing wafers during reliability screening to identify failing logic, memory, power or photonic die before the die are integrated into their final package, and is optimal for test times ranging from minutes to a few hours or where multiple touchdowns are required to test the entire wafer. The FOX-CP includes an integrated prober which is equipped with optics for automatic pattern recognition so that the wafer is aligned properly for the testing process. It complements the capabilities of the FOX-XP and FOX-NP systems, which are optimal when the test time is measured in hours or days and the full wafer can be tested in a single touchdown.

One of the key components of the FOX systems is the patented WaferPak Contactor. The WaferPak Contactor contains a full-wafer single-touchdown probe card which is easily removable from the system. Traditional probe cards often are only able to contact a portion of the wafer, requiring multiple touchdowns to test the entire wafer. Traditional probe cards also require the use of a dedicated wafer prober handler for each wafer in order to press the wafer up to make contact with the probe card. The need for a wafer prober per wafer is a significant cost adder to the cost of testing a wafer, and also creates the need for significant clean room space to facilitate the footprint of a wafer prober per wafer. The unique design of the WaferPak as well as the FOX-XP and FOX-NP systems remove the need for a dedicated wafer prober per wafer, allowing for better utilization of clean room space. A single FOX-XP system with a set of WaferPak Contactors can test up to 18 wafers at a time in the same footprint as a single-wafer wafer prober and test system offered by Aehr's competitors. The WaferPak Contactor is intended to accommodate a wide range of contactor technologies so that the contactor technology can evolve along with the changing requirements of the customer's wafers. The WaferPak Contactors are custom designed for each device type, each of which has a typical lifetime of two to seven years, depending on the device life cycle. Therefore, multiple sets of WaferPak Contactors could be purchased over the life of a FOX system.

Another key component of the FOX-XP and FOX-NP systems is the patented DiePak Carrier. The DiePak Carrier, which is easily removable from the system, contains many multi-module or die sockets with very fine-pitch probes. Traditional sockets contact only a single device, requiring multiple large numbers of sockets and burn-in boards to test a production lot of devices. The unique design accommodates a wide range of socket sizes and densities so that the DiePak Carrier technology can evolve along with the changing requirements of the customer's devices. The DiePak Carriers are custom designed for each device type, each of which has a typical lifetime of two to seven years, depending on the device life cycle. Therefore, multiple sets of DiePak Carriers could be purchased over the life of a FOX-XP or FOX-NP system.

Another key component of our FOX-XP and FOX-NP test solution is the WaferPak Aligner. The WaferPak Aligner performs alignment of the customer's wafer to the WaferPak Contactor so that the wafer can be tested and burned-in by the FOX-XP and FOX-NP systems. The Company offers an automated aligner for high volume production applications, which can support several FOX-XP or FOX-NP systems or can be connected to a FOX-XP resulting in a fully integrated automated test cell, and a manual aligner for low volume production or engineering applications. The latest generation Automated WaferPak Aligner supports industry standard Automated Material Handling System ("AMHS"), Automated Guided Vehicle ("AGV"), Overhead Hoist Transfer ("OHT") and SEMI Equipment Communication Standard ("SECS") and Generic Equipment Mode ("GEM") Semi E84 factory integration enabling "Lights-out" fully automated wafer handling. Supporting a wide range of wafer sizes (e.g. 100/200/300mm) allows a broad range of customers to implement fully automated wafer level test and burn-in factories.

Similar to the WaferPak Aligner for WaferPak Contactors, the Company offers the DiePak Loader for DiePak Carriers. The DiePak Loader performs automatic loading of the customer's modules to the DiePak Carrier so that the modules can be tested and burned-in by the FOX-XP and FOX-NP system. Typically, one DiePak Loader can support several FOX-XP or FOX-NP systems.

Net revenues of full wafer contact product lines, systems, WaferPak Contactors, DiePak Carriers and services for fiscal 2025, 2024, and 2023 were \$39.2 million, \$64.6 million, and \$63.5 million, respectively, and accounted for approximately 66%, 98%, and 98% of the Company's net revenues in fiscal 2025, 2024, and 2023, respectively.

Systems For Packaged Parts

Test during burn-in, or TDBI, systems consist of several subsystems: pattern generation and test electronics, control software, network interface and environmental chamber. The test pattern generator allows duplication of most of the functional tests performed by a traditional tester. Pin electronics at each burn-in board ("BIB") or Burn-in module ("BIM") position are designed to provide accurate signals to the ICs being tested and detect whether a device is failing the test.

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Devices being tested are placed on BIBs and loaded into environmental chambers which typically operate at temperatures from 25 degrees Celsius (77 degrees Fahrenheit) up to 150 degrees Celsius (302 degrees Fahrenheit). Using our optional chambers, our systems can produce temperatures as low as -55 degrees Celsius (-67 degrees Fahrenheit). A single BIB can hold up to several hundred ICs, and a production chamber holds up to 72 BIBs, resulting in thousands of memory or logic devices being tested in a single system.

For high-power applications, devices under test are placed on BIMs which are loaded into our power burn-in systems. Pin electronics and power supplies are dedicated to each individual device under test (DUT) and all resources are near the DUT to optimize signal integrity and accuracy. The temperature is controlled locally at DUT level and thermal control is liquid cooled.

In connection with the acquisition of Incal, our product portfolio further expanded to include packaged parts burn-in solutions for the full range of power and complexity of integrated circuits. Incal's product lines feature the Sonoma series for ultra-high-power burn-in testing, the Tahoe series for medium-power reliability burn-in, and the Echo series for low-power and high parallelism testing. The Sonoma line, with its ultra-high-power capabilities, is specifically designed to address the reliability and burn-in needs of the burgeoning demand for AI accelerators, GPUs, HPC processors, and devices that can reach levels of power as high as 2000 watts. The Sonoma is available in its standard configuration, which supports up to 88 devices with independent test resources per chamber. The Tahoe and Echo lines for medium-power and low-power burn-in solutions, respectively, target logic, SoC, and mixed-signal devices employed in mobile communications, mobility, medical, military, aerospace, and data center applications. These systems are installed globally at independent test and burn-in labs, as well as semiconductor manufacturers for high volume production.

Net revenues of packaged part product lines, systems and services for fiscal 2025, 2024, and 2023 were \$19.8 million, \$1.6 million, and \$1.4 million, respectively, and accounted for approximately 34%, 2%, and 2% of the Company's net revenues in fiscal 2025, 2024, and 2023, respectively.

CUSTOMERS

The Company markets and sells its products throughout the world to semiconductor manufacturers, semiconductor contract assemblers, electronics manufacturers and burn-in and test service companies.

Revenues from the Company's five largest customers accounted for approximately 77%, 93%, and 97% of its net revenues in fiscal 2025, 2024, and 2023, respectively. During fiscal 2025, two customers accounted for approximately 39% and 15% of the Company's net revenues. During fiscal 2024, two customers accounted for approximately 67% and 17% of the Company's net revenues. During fiscal 2023, two customers accounted for approximately 79% and 10% of the Company's net revenues. No other customers accounted for more than 10% of the Company's net revenues for any of these periods. The Company expects that sales of its products to a limited number of customers will continue to account for a high percentage of net revenues for the foreseeable future. In addition, revenues from significant customers may fluctuate significantly from quarter to quarter. Such fluctuations may result in changes in the utilization of the Company's facilities and resources. The loss of or reduction or delay in orders from a significant customer or a delay in collecting or failure to collect accounts receivable from a significant customer could materially and adversely affect the Company's business, financial condition and operating results.

MARKETING, SALES AND CUSTOMER SUPPORT

The Company has sales and service operations in the United States, Germany, Japan, the Philippines and Taiwan, dedicated sales and service resources in China and South Korea, and has established a network of distributors and sales representatives in certain key parts of the world. See "Revenue Recognition" in Item 7 under "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" for a further discussion of the Company's relationship with distributors, and its effects on revenue recognition.

The Company's customer service and support program includes system installation, system repair, applications engineering support, spare parts inventories, customer training and documentation. The Company has applications engineering and field service personnel located near and sometimes co-located at our customers and includes resources at the corporate headquarters in Fremont, California, at customer locations in Texas, at the Company's subsidiaries in Germany, Japan and the Philippines, at its branch office in Taiwan, and also through third-party agreements in China. The Company's distributors provide applications and field service support in other parts of the world. The Company customarily provides a warranty on its products. The Company offers service contracts on its systems directly and through its subsidiaries, distributors and representatives. The Company believes that maintaining a close relationship with customers and providing them with ongoing engineering support improves customer satisfaction and will provide the Company with a competitive advantage in selling its products to the Company's customers.

BACKLOG

At May 30, 2025, the Company's backlog was \$15.2 million compared with \$7.3 million at May 31, 2024. The Company's backlog consists of product orders for which confirmed purchase orders have been received and which are scheduled for shipment within 12 months. Due to the possibility of customer changes in delivery schedules or cancellations and potential delays in product shipments or development projects, the Company's backlog as of a particular date may not be indicative of net revenues for any succeeding period.

RESEARCH AND PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT

The Company historically has devoted a significant portion of its financial resources to research and development programs and expects to continue to allocate significant resources to these efforts. For information regarding our research and development expenses during the last three fiscal years, see Item 7 "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

The Company conducts ongoing research and development to design new products and to support and enhance existing product lines. Building upon the expertise gained in the development of its existing products, the Company has developed the FOX family of systems for performing test and burn-in of entire processed wafers, and burn-in of devices in singulated die and module form, including the FOX-NP and FOX-CP systems released during fiscal 2019, and the Automated WaferPak Aligner released during fiscal 2023 and the acquisition of the Sonoma, Tahoe and Echo platforms in fiscal 2025. The Company is developing enhancements to wafer level burn-in products and our packaged parts, intended to improve the capability and performance for testing and burn-in of future generation devices and provide the flexibility in a wide variety of applications.

MANUFACTURING

The Company assembles its products from components and parts manufactured by others, including environmental chambers, power supplies, metal fabrications, printed circuit assemblies, ICs, burn-in sockets, high-density interconnects, wafer contactors and interconnect substrates. The Company's strategy is to use in-house manufacturing only when necessary to protect a proprietary process or when a significant improvement in quality, cost or lead time can be achieved and relies on subcontractors to manufacture many of the components and subassemblies used in its products. Final assembly and testing are performed at the Company's principal manufacturing facility located in Fremont, California.

COMPETITION

The semiconductor equipment industry is intensely competitive. Significant competitive factors in the semiconductor equipment market include price, technical capabilities, quality, flexibility, automation, cost of ownership, reliability, throughput, product availability and customer service. In each of the markets it serves, the Company faces competition from established competitors and potential new entrants, many of which have greater financial, engineering, manufacturing and marketing resources than the Company.

The Company expects its competitors to continue to improve the performance of their current products and to introduce new products with improved price and performance characteristics. New product introductions by the Company's competitors or by new market entrants could cause a decline in sales or loss of market acceptance of the Company's products. The Company has observed price competition in the systems market, particularly with respect to its less advanced products. Increased competitive pressure could also lead to intensified price-based competition, resulting in lower prices which could adversely affect the Company's operating margins and results. The Company believes that to remain competitive it must invest significant financial resources in new product development and expand its customer service and support worldwide. There can be no assurance that the Company will be able to compete successfully in the future.

PROPRIETARY RIGHTS

The Company relies primarily on the technical and creative ability of its personnel, its proprietary software, and trade secrets and copyright protection, rather than on patents, to maintain its competitive position. The Company's proprietary software is copyrighted and licensed to the Company's customers. As of May 30, 2025, the Company held 131 active patents in the United States, Singapore, China, Japan, Korea, and other countries, with expiration date ranges from 2025 to 2045, and had several additional United States patent applications and foreign patent applications pending.

The Company's ability to compete successfully is dependent in part upon its ability to protect its proprietary technology and information. Although the Company attempts to protect its proprietary technology through patents, copyrights, trade secrets and other measures, there can be no assurance that these measures will be adequate or that competitors will not be able to develop similar technology independently. Further, there can be no assurance that claims allowed on any patent issued to the Company will be sufficiently broad to protect the Company's technology, that any patent will be issued to the Company from any pending application or that foreign intellectual property laws will protect the Company's intellectual property. Litigation may be necessary to enforce or determine the validity and scope of the Company's proprietary rights, and there can be no assurance that the Company's intellectual property rights, if challenged, will be upheld as valid. Any such litigation could result in substantial costs and diversion of resources and could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition and operating results, regardless of the outcome of the litigation. In addition, there can be no assurance that any of the patents issued to the Company will not be challenged, invalidated or circumvented or that the rights granted thereunder will provide competitive advantages to the Company. Also, there can be no assurance that the Company will have the financial resources to defend its patents from infringement or claims of invalidity. For a description of the infringement proceedings in China seeking to protect two of the Company's patents, see Note 9, "Commitments and Contingencies" in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

As of May 30, 2025, there were no pending claims against the Company regarding infringement of any patents or other intellectual property rights of others. However, the Company may, from time to time, receive communications from third parties asserting intellectual property claims against the Company. Such claims could include assertions that the Company's products infringe, or may infringe, the proprietary rights of third parties, requests for indemnification against such infringement or suggest the Company may be interested in acquiring a license from such third parties. There can be no assurance that any such claim made in the future will not result in litigation, which could involve significant expense to the Company, and, if the Company is required or deems it appropriate to obtain a license relating to one or more products or technologies, there can be no assurance that the Company would be able to do so on commercially reasonable terms, or at all.

ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND GOVERNANCE (ESG)

Environmental

The Company focuses on clean technology such as the electrical vehicle ("EV") and power semiconductors market. EV and power semiconductor revenues accounted for 41%, 92%, and 85% of total revenues in fiscal 2025, 2024, and 2023, respectively. We engineer our products to be more energy efficient by using more efficient electrical designs and thermally efficient cooling architectures using conductive heat transfer versus convection air cooled methods. Our technology and architectural design allow our products to take up only 5% of the test floor space compared to competitor's products.

The Company improved its facilities by replacing existing air conditioners and heat exchanger with higher efficiency units that draw less power and produce less wasted energy. Our headquarters facility upgrades include moving to high efficiency lighting, modernizing our electrical power and cooling infrastructure.

Social

The Company reviews hiring and turnover quarterly and performs annual salary reviews, using independent third-party data, to ensure competitive compensation practices. The Company conducts annual employee surveys to evaluate employee satisfaction. Glassdoor shows the Company at a 4.3 out of 5 rating as a great place to work.

The Company provides variable compensation on top of base salary for all employees including an employee profit sharing plan. The Company also provides equity awards including stock options, restricted stock units ("RSUs"), and participation in an employee stock purchase plan for regular full-time ("RFT") employees, located in the U.S. The Company is restricted from issuing stock options or RSUs to non-U.S. employees in certain countries due to local regulations. For those employees who are unable to participate in the Company's equity incentive plan, the Company maintains a stock appreciation bonus program to provide compensation linked to the Company's stock price during a predetermined period. The Company also provides a 401(k) plan for U.S. employees, which includes an employer discretionary matching contribution to eligible compensation.

The Company provides recurring training in compliance with State of California regulations including sexual harassment, prevention of violence in the workplace, and safety training. The Company promotes employee engagement through corporate events or activities on a regular basis.

The Company provides health care coverage for all RFT employees, life insurance, continuing education assistance, and reimbursement of U.S. employee health club membership. The Company ensures compliance with International Organization for Standardization ("ISO") certification and maintains safety training.

Governance

As the Company pursues future Board recruitment efforts, the Nominating Committee will continue to seek candidates who can contribute a wide range of views and perspectives to the Board. This includes seeking out individuals with a variety of perspectives informed by personal and professional experiences.

All employees and Board members sign a Code of Conduct and Ethics Policy, and Insider Trading Policy upon hire. All employees are provided with the employee handbook which addresses Sexual Harassment, Confidentiality, and Electronic Use Policy among others. Each of the Company's directors and officers completes a Director and Officer Questionnaire to identify conflicts of interest or areas of concern. The Company also maintains Audit, Compensation and Nominating and Governance Committees to provide corporate oversight.

HUMAN CAPITAL RESOURCES

As of May 30, 2025, the Company, including its foreign subsidiaries and one branch office, employed 136 persons collectively, on a regular full-time basis, of whom 38 were engaged in research, development and related engineering, 50 were engaged in manufacturing, 33 were engaged in marketing, sales and customer support and 15 were engaged in general administration, finance and IT functions. In addition, the Company, from time to time, may employ a few contractors, temporary, and part-time employees, particularly to perform customer support and manufacturing.

The Company's employees are dispersed across principal offices in the United States, Germany, Taiwan, and the Philippines. In addition, our service and support organization has employees located worldwide, at or near customer facilities, to provide timely customer response. As of May 30, 2025 regular full-time employees were located in the following geographic areas: 102 in United States, 26 in the Philippines, six in Taiwan, and two in Germany.

The Company's success is in part dependent on its ability to attract and retain highly skilled workers, who are in high demand. None of the Company's employees are represented by a union and the Company has never experienced a work stoppage due to strike. The Company's management considers its relations with its employees to be good. The Company regularly evaluates its ability to attract and retain its employees. The Company has had relatively low turnover rates within its workforce, with 54% of its regular full-time workforce being with the Company for 5 years or more.

The Company believes that the investments we make in driving a strong, values-based culture and supporting its employees through programs, development, and competitive pay enhances its organizational capability. The Company's management reviews retention and turnover data, employee communications, performance review status, and compensation and benefits to identify potential issues or opportunities for improvement on a quarterly basis. The Company periodically performs employee surveys to monitor employee satisfaction and the Company follows up with an action planning process to actively respond to employee feedback.

BUSINESS SEGMENT DATA AND GEOGRAPHIC AREAS

The Company operates in one business segment, the designing, manufacturing, marketing and selling of advanced test and burn-in products to the semiconductor manufacturing industry in several geographic areas. Selected financial information, including net revenues and property and equipment, net for each of the last three fiscal years, by geographic area is included in Part II, Item 8, Note 11, "Revenue" and Note 16, "Segment Information" and certain risks related to such operations are discussed in Part I, Item 1A, Risk Factors, under the heading "We sell our products and services worldwide, and our business is subject to risks inherent in conducting business activities in geographic regions outside of the United States."

AVAILABLE INFORMATION

The Company's common stock trades on the NASDAQ Capital Market under the symbol "AEHR." The Company's annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and amendments to these reports that are filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, are available free of charge through the Company's website at www.aehr.com as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file them with, or furnish them to the SEC.

The SEC maintains an Internet site, www.sec.gov, that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC.

In addition, information regarding the Company's code of conduct and ethics and the charters of its Audit, Compensation and Nominating and Governance Committees, are available free of charge on the Company's website listed above.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

You should carefully consider the risks described below. These risks are not the only risks that we may face. Additional risks and uncertainties that we are unaware of, or that we currently deem immaterial, also may become important factors that affect us. If any of the following risks occur, our business, financial condition or results of operations could be materially and adversely affected which could cause our actual operating results to differ materially from those indicated or suggested by forward-looking statements made in this Annual Report on Form 10-K or presented elsewhere by management from time to time.

Risks Related to our Business and Industry

We generate a large portion of our sales from a small number of customers. If we were to lose one or more of our large customers, operating results could suffer dramatically.

The semiconductor manufacturing industry is highly concentrated, with a relatively small number of large semiconductor manufacturers and contract test and assembly companies accounting for a substantial portion of the purchases of semiconductor equipment. Sales to our five largest customers accounted for approximately 77%, 93%, and 97% of our net sales in fiscal 2025, 2024, and 2023, respectively. During fiscal 2025, two customers accounted for approximately 39% and 15% of the Company's net sales. During fiscal 2024, two customers accounted for approximately 67% and 17% of the Company's net sales. During fiscal 2023, two customers accounted for approximately 79% and 10% of our net sales. No other customers accounted for more than 10% of our net sales for any of these periods.

We expect that sales of our products to a limited number of customers will continue to account for a high percentage of our net sales for the foreseeable future. In addition, sales to particular customers may fluctuate significantly from quarter to quarter. The concentration of our customer base increases risks related to the financial condition of our customers, and the deterioration in financial condition of a single customer or the failure of a single customer to perform its obligations could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and cash flow. If any such customers change their business requirements or focus, vendor selection, project prioritization, or purchasing behavior, or are parties to consolidation transactions, they may delay, suspend, reduce or cancel their purchases of our products or services and our business, financial condition, and results of operations may be adversely affected.

A substantial portion of our net sales is generated by relatively small volume, high value transactions.

We derive a substantial portion of our net sales from the sale of a relatively small number of systems with high dollar value. As a result, the loss or deferral of a limited number of system sales could have a material adverse effect on our net sales and operating results in a particular period. Most customer purchase orders are subject to cancellation or rescheduling by the customer with limited penalties, and, therefore, backlog at any particular date is not necessarily indicative of actual sales for any succeeding period. From time to time, cancellations and rescheduling of customer orders have occurred, and delays by our suppliers in providing components or subassemblies to us have caused delays in our shipments of our own products. For example, in the second half of fiscal 2025, global tariff announcements created uncertainty in the global economy that impacted customer demand and orders. There can be no assurance that we will not be materially adversely affected by future cancellations or rescheduling by our customers or other delays in our shipments.

In addition, a significant portion of our business is driven by demand for silicon carbide semiconductor devices, which are increasingly used in electric vehicles and related applications. If the growth of the electric vehicle market, or demand for silicon carbide semiconductor devices specifically, does not recover in the near future or experiences a prolonged slowdown, it could materially adversely affect our sales volumes, revenue growth, and overall operating results.

For non-standard products where we have not effectively demonstrated the ability to meet specifications in the customer environment, we defer revenue until we have met such customer specifications. Any delay in meeting customer specifications could have a material adverse effect on our operating results. A substantial portion of net sales typically are realized near the end of each quarter. A delay or reduction in shipments near the end of a particular quarter, due, for example, to unanticipated shipment rescheduling, cancellations or deferrals by customers, customer credit issues, unexpected manufacturing difficulties experienced by us or delays in deliveries by suppliers, could cause net sales in a particular quarter to fall significantly.

The semiconductor equipment industry is intensely competitive. In each of the markets we serve, we face competition from established competitors and potential new entrants, many of which have greater financial, engineering, manufacturing and marketing resources than us.

Our FOX wafer-level and singulated die/module test and burn in systems and packaged part burn-in systems face competition from larger systems manufacturers that have significant technological know-how and manufacturing capability. Some users of our systems, such as independent test labs, build their own burn-in systems, while others, particularly large IC manufacturers in Asia, acquire burn-in systems from captive or affiliated suppliers. Our WaferPak products are facing and are expected to face increasing competition. Several companies have developed or are developing full-wafer and single-touchdown probe cards. The Company expects that its DiePak products for burning-in and testing multiple singulated die and small modules face significant competition. The Company believes that several companies have developed or are developing products which are intended to enable test and burn-in of multiple bare die, and small modules.

We expect our competitors to continue to improve the performance of their current products and to introduce new products with improved price and performance characteristics. New product introductions by our competitors or by new market entrants could cause a decline in sales or loss of market acceptance of our products. We have observed price competition in the systems market, particularly with respect to its less advanced products. Increased competitive pressure could also lead to intensified price-based competition, resulting in lower prices which could adversely affect our operating margins and results. We believe that to remain competitive we must invest significant financial resources in new product development and expand our customer service and support worldwide. There can be no assurance that we will be able to compete successfully in the future.

We rely on increasing market acceptance for our FOX and Sonoma systems, and we may not be successful in attracting new customers or maintaining our existing customers.

A principal element of our business strategy is to increase our presence in the test equipment market through system sales in our FOX wafer-level burn-in product family and Sonoma packaged parts burn-in solutions. Market acceptance of the FOX and Sonoma systems is subject to a number of risks. Before a customer incorporates the FOX or Sonoma system into a production line, lengthy qualification and correlation tests must be performed. We anticipate that potential customers may be reluctant to change their procedures in order to transfer burn-in and test functions to the FOX or Sonoma system. Initial purchases are expected to be limited to systems used for these qualifications and for engineering studies. Market acceptance of the FOX and Sonoma systems also may be affected by the reluctance of IC manufacturers to rely on relatively small suppliers such as us. As is common with new complex products incorporating leading-edge technologies, we may encounter reliability, design and manufacturing issues as we begin volume production and initial installations of FOX and Sonoma systems at customer sites. The failure of the FOX or Sonoma system to achieve increased market acceptance would have a material adverse effect on our future operating results.

We may experience increased costs associated with new product introductions.

As is common with new complex products incorporating leading-edge technologies, we have encountered reliability, design and manufacturing issues as we begin volume production and initial installations of certain products at customer sites. Some of these issues in the past have been related to components and subsystems supplied to us by third parties who have in some cases limited the ability of us to address such issues promptly. This process in the past required and in the future is likely to require us to incur un-reimbursed engineering expenses and to experience larger than anticipated warranty claims which could result in product returns. In the early stages of product development there can be no assurance that we will discover any reliability, design and manufacturing issues or, that if such issues arise, that they can be resolved to the customers' satisfaction or that the resolution of such problems will not cause us to incur significant development costs or warranty expenses or to lose significant sales opportunities.

Our industry is subject to rapid technological change, and our ability to remain competitive and enter new markets depends on our ability to introduce new products in a timely manner.

The semiconductor equipment industry is subject to rapid technological change and new product introductions and enhancements. Our ability to remain competitive and expand into new markets depends in part upon our ability to develop new products and to introduce them at competitive prices and on a timely and cost-effective basis. We invest significant resources in research and development; however, there is no assurance that these efforts will result in commercially viable products or technologies that satisfy future customer needs.

Our success in developing new and enhanced products depends upon a variety of factors, including product selection, timely and efficient completion of product design, timely and efficient implementation of manufacturing and assembly processes, product performance in the field and effective sales and marketing. Because new product development commitments must be made well in advance of sales, new product decisions must anticipate both future demand and future technology advancements, which are inherently uncertain. Failure to innovate, delays in product development, or unsuccessful product launches could hinder our ability to enter new markets, negatively impacting our competitive position, revenue growth, and overall financial performance.

Furthermore, introductions of new and complex products typically involve a period in which design, engineering and reliability issues are identified and addressed by our suppliers and by us. Because of the complexity of our products, significant delays can occur between a product's introduction and the commencement of the volume production of such product. We have experienced, from time to time, significant delays and technical and manufacturing difficulties with certain product introductions and may experience similar challenges in the future. Our inability to complete new product development, or to manufacture and ship products in time to meet customer requirements would materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We are exposed to cybersecurity threats or incidents.

We collect, maintain, and transmit data on information systems. These systems include those owned and maintained by the Company or by third parties. In addition, we use cloud-based enterprise resource planning, ERP, software to manage the business integrating all facets of operations, including manufacturing, finance, and sales and marketing. The data maintained on these systems includes confidential and proprietary information belonging to us, our customers, suppliers, and others. While the Company devotes significant resources to protect its systems and data from unauthorized access or misuse, we are exposed to cybersecurity risks. Our systems are subject to computer viruses, data breach, phishing schemes, and other malicious software programs or attacks. We have experienced cyber threats and incidents in the past. Although past threats and incidents have not resulted in a material adverse effect, cybersecurity incidents may result in business disruption, loss of data, or unauthorized access to intellectual property which could adversely affect our business.

A decrease in customer device failure rates and future changes in semiconductor technologies may result in a decrease in demand for our products.

Customer tool utilization is driven by many factors including failure rates of customer devices. Improvements in yield may result in customers decreasing test and burn-in times, or electing to perform sampling rather than 100% burn-in of their devices. Based upon data obtained from our systems customers may revise internal manufacturing processes to decrease failure rates. A decrease in customer quality targets or tool utilization may result in a decrease in demand for our products impacting our business and results of operations.

Future improvements in semiconductor design and manufacturing technology may also reduce or eliminate the need for our products. For example, improvements in semiconductor process technology and improvements in conventional test systems, such as reduced cost or increased throughput, may significantly reduce or eliminate the market for one or more of our products. If we are not able to improve our products or develop new products or technologies quickly enough to maintain a competitive position in our markets, it could cause us to lose customers, substantially decrease or delay market acceptance and sales of our products and services, and significantly harm our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

If we fail to operate our business in accordance with our business plan, our operating results, business and stock price may be significantly and adversely impacted.

We attempt to operate our business in accordance with a business plan that is established annually, revised as appropriate, and reviewed by management even more frequently. Our business plan is developed based on a number of factors, many of which require estimates and assumptions, such as our expectations of the economic environment, future business levels, our customers' willingness and ability to place orders, lead-times, and future revenue and cash flow. Our budgeted operating expenses, for example, are based in part on our future revenue expectations. However, our ability to achieve our anticipated revenue levels is a function of numerous factors, including the volatile and historically cyclical nature of our primary industry, customer order cancellations, macroeconomic changes, operational matters regarding particular agreements, our ability to manage customer deliveries, the availability of resources for the installation of our products, delays or accelerations by customers in taking deliveries and the acceptance of our products (for products where customer acceptance is required before we can recognize revenue from such sales), our ability to operate our business and sales processes effectively, and a number of the other risk factors as described in this Item 1A.

Because our expenses are in most cases relatively fixed in the short term, any revenue shortfall below expectations could have an immediate and material adverse effect on our operating results. Similarly, if we fail to manage our expenses effectively or otherwise fail to maintain rigorous cost controls, we could experience greater than anticipated expenses during an operating period, which would also negatively affect our results of operations. If we fail to operate our business consistent with our business plan, our operating results in any period may be materially and adversely impacted. Such an outcome could cause customers, suppliers or investors to view us as less stable, or could cause us to fail to meet financial analysts' revenue or earnings estimates, any of which could have an adverse impact on our stock price.

In addition, our management is constantly striving to balance the requirements and demands of our customers with the availability of resources, the need to manage our operating model and other factors. In furtherance of those efforts, we often must exercise discretion and judgment as to the timing and prioritization of manufacturing, deliveries, installations and payment scheduling. Any such decisions may impact our ability to recognize revenue, including the fiscal period during which such revenue may be recognized, with respect to such products, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations or stock price. Over the past few years, the Company has increased inventory levels significantly. This decision was driven by previously experienced long lead time in obtaining critical parts and in producing the systems and by higher projected revenues. As a result, if actual revenues do not meet these projections, the Company may face challenges related to excess inventory, including potential write-downs or obsolescence, which could adversely affect our financial results.

We are exposed to risks related to our commercial terms and conditions, including our indemnification of third parties, as well as the performance of our products.

Although our standard commercial documentation sets forth the terms and conditions that we intend to apply to commercial transactions with our business partners, counterparties to such transactions may not explicitly agree to our terms and conditions. In situations where we engage in business with a third party without an explicit master agreement regarding the applicable terms and conditions, or where the commercial documentation applicable to the transaction is subject to varying interpretations, we may have disputes with those third parties regarding the applicable terms and conditions of our business relationship with them. Such disputes could lead to a deterioration of our commercial relationship with those parties, costly and time-consuming litigation, or additional concessions or obligations being offered by us to resolve such disputes, or could impact our revenue or cost recognition. Any of these outcomes could materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

In addition, in our commercial agreements, from time to time in the normal course of business, we indemnify third parties with whom we enter into contractual relationships, including customers, suppliers and lessors, with respect to certain matters.

We have agreed, under certain conditions, to hold these third parties harmless against specified losses, such as those arising from a breach of representations or covenants, third party claims that our products, when used for their intended purposes, infringe the IP rights of such third parties, or other claims made against certain parties. We may be compelled to enter into or accrue for probable settlements of alleged indemnification obligations, or we may be subject to potential liability arising from our customers' involvements in legal disputes. In addition, notwithstanding the provisions related to limitations on our liability that we seek to include in our business agreements, the counterparties to such agreements may dispute our interpretation or application of such provisions, and a court of law may not interpret or apply such provisions in our favor, any of which could result in an obligation for us to pay material damages to third parties and engage in costly legal proceedings. It is difficult to determine the maximum potential amount of liability under any indemnification obligations, whether or not asserted, due to our limited history of prior indemnification claims and the unique facts and circumstances that are likely to be involved in any particular claim. Our business, financial condition and results of operations in a reported fiscal period could be materially and adversely affected if we expend significant amounts in defending or settling any purported claims, regardless of their merit or outcomes.

We are also exposed to potential costs associated with unexpected product performance issues. Our products and production processes are extremely complex and, thus, could contain unexpected product defects, especially when products are first introduced. Unexpected product performance issues could result in significant costs being incurred by us, including increased service or warranty costs, providing product replacements for (or modifications to) defective products, litigation related to defective products, reimbursement for damages caused by our products, product recalls, or product write-offs or disposal costs. These costs could be substantial and could have an adverse impact upon our business, financial condition and operating results. In addition, our reputation with our customers could be damaged as a result of such product defects, which could reduce demand for our products and negatively impact our business.

We may not be able to successfully integrate and manage acquired businesses.

Our success depends on our ability to continually enhance and broaden our product offerings in response to customer-anticipated process changes, strategic opportunities for growth, and industry technology trends. We may choose to acquire new and complementary businesses, products, technologies and/or services instead of developing them ourselves. If we are unable to successfully integrate and manage acquired businesses, if the costs associated with integrating the acquired business exceeds our expectations, or if acquired businesses perform poorly, then our business and financial results may suffer. It is possible that the businesses we have acquired may perform worse than expected or prove to be more difficult to integrate and manage than anticipated.

We are exposed to risks related to the use of artificial intelligence by us and our competitors.

We are increasingly incorporating AI capabilities into the development of our technologies. AI technology is complex and rapidly evolving, and may subject us to significant competitive, legal, regulatory and other risks. The implementation of AI can be costly and there is no guarantee that our use of AI will enhance our technologies, benefit our business operations or produce products and services that are preferred by our customers. Our competitors may be more successful in their AI strategy and develop superior products and services with the aid of AI.

Additionally, AI algorithms or training methodologies may be flawed, and datasets may contain irrelevant, insufficient or biased information, which can cause errors in outputs. This may give rise to legal liability, damage our reputation and materially harm our business. We may not be able to control the development, maintenance or behavior of third-party AI solutions or how their providers obtain or otherwise process data, and these AI solutions may be used inappropriately or irresponsibly. There is no guarantee that any contractual or other protections we seek to implement will be sufficient to protect us from risks presented by these solutions. Additionally, the use of AI in the development of our products and services, and our customers' use of AI in relation to our products and services could also cause loss of intellectual property ("IP"), as well as subject us to risks, including third-party claims, related to IP infringement or misappropriation, data privacy and cybersecurity. Additionally, concerns over the use of AI for purposes contrary to public interests could impair public acceptance of AI and affect demand for our products and services. Furthermore, the United States and other countries may adopt laws and regulations related to AI. Such new laws and regulations may be interpreted in ways that conflict with or otherwise impact our approach to AI and use of AI solutions, could cause us to incur greater compliance costs and may limit the use of AI in the development of our products and services. Any failure or perceived failure by us to comply with such regulatory requirements could subject us to legal liabilities, damage our reputation, or otherwise have a material and adverse impact on our business.

Operational and Other Risks

We purchase materials from suppliers worldwide, which subjects the Company to increased risk; tariff uncertainty, trade restrictions, and global supply chain risks could adversely affect our business.

We purchase components, sub-assemblies, and chambers from suppliers outside the United States. Increases in tariffs, uncertainty surrounding current and future tariff regulations, additional taxes, rising inflation in the supply chain or new trade barriers may result in an increase in our manufacturing costs. Fluctuations in tariff and trade policies, particularly those that may change without significant notice, create instability in our supply chain and limit our ability to plan for future cost structures. A decrease in the value of the U.S. Dollar relative to foreign currencies would increase the cost of our materials. Should the Company increase its sales prices to recover the increase in costs, this could result in a decrease in the competitiveness of our products. In addition, we are subject to other risks associated with purchasing materials from suppliers worldwide. Government authorities may also implement protectionist policies or impose limitations on the transfer of intellectual property. This may limit our ability to obtain products from certain geographic regions and require us to identify and qualify new suppliers. The process of qualifying suppliers could be lengthy, and no assurance can be given that any additional sources would be available to us on a timely basis. Changes in trade relations, tariff structures, currency fluctuations, or protectionist policies could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

Supply chain issues, including a shortage of critical components or contract manufacturing capacity, could result in a delay in fulfillment of customer orders, or an increase in costs, resulting in an adverse impact on our business and operating results.

Our sales growth depends on our ability to obtain timely deliveries of parts from our suppliers and contract manufacturers. A market shortage of semiconductor and other component supply could affect lead times, the cost of supply, and our ability to meet customer demand for our products. While we have taken steps to obtain an assurance of supply from our key suppliers, the market shortage of semiconductor supply may impact our ability to meet customer order fulfillments, or result in a significant increase in costs of our inventories. Manufacturing issues or capacity problems experienced by our suppliers or contract manufacturers could impact our ability to secure sufficient supply of critical components. If there is a market shortage of semiconductor supply, suppliers and contract manufacturers may commit their capacity to others, limiting our supplies or increasing costs. The failure to obtain timely delivery of supplies, or a significant increase in costs, could result in a material impact in our business and results from operations.

We sell our products and services worldwide, and our business is subject to risks inherent in conducting business activities in geographic regions outside of the United States.

Approximately 70%, 95%, and 86% of our net sales in fiscal 2025, 2024, and 2023, respectively, were attributable to sales to customers for delivery outside of the United States. We provide sales and service globally with resources in North America, Taiwan, Germany, Japan, South Korea, and a service organization in the Philippines, as well as direct support through third party agreements in China. We expect that sales of products for delivery outside of the United States will continue to represent a substantial portion of our future sales. Our future performance will depend, in significant part, upon our ability to continue to compete in foreign markets which in turn will depend, in part, upon a continuation of current trade relations between the United States and foreign countries in which semiconductor manufacturers or assemblers have operations. A change toward more protectionist trade legislation in either the United States or such foreign countries, such as a change in the current tariff structures, export compliance or other trade policies, could adversely affect our ability to sell our products in foreign markets. In addition, we are subject to other risks associated with doing business internationally, including longer receivable collection periods and greater difficulty in accounts receivable collection, the burden of complying with a variety of foreign laws, difficulty in staffing and managing global operations, risks of civil disturbance or other events which may limit or disrupt markets, international exchange restrictions, changing political conditions and monetary policies of foreign governments.

Our net sales for fiscal 2025 were primarily denominated in U.S. Dollars. However, because a substantial portion of our net sales is from sales of products for delivery outside the United States, an increase in the value of the U.S. Dollar relative to foreign currencies would increase the cost of our products compared to products sold by local companies in such markets. In addition, since the price is determined at the time a purchase order is accepted, we are exposed to the risks of fluctuations in the U.S. Dollar exchange rate during the lengthy period from the date a purchase order is received until payment is made. This exchange rate risk is partially offset to the extent our foreign operations incur expenses in the local currency. To date, we have not invested in any instruments designed to hedge currency risks. Our operating results could be adversely affected by fluctuations in the value of the U.S. Dollar relative to other currencies.

Global unrest may impact our ability to sell our products or obtain critical materials.

Global economic uncertainty and financial market volatility caused by political instability, changes in international trade relationships and conflicts, such as the conflict between Russia and Ukraine and the political climate in China and Taiwan, the Israel-Hamas war, the Israel-Iran conflict and the tensions in the Red Sea in connection with the attacks to disrupt shipments may result in limited access to these markets for sales and material purchases. Periods of macroeconomic weakness or recession and heightened market volatility caused by adverse geopolitical developments could increase these risks, potentially resulting in adverse impacts on our business operations. Increased energy costs in Europe, resulting from Russia's limiting energy supplies in the region, may result in an economic downturn or an increase in the cost of materials. The on-going decline in relations between the United States and China, and relations between China and Taiwan, may result in the imposition of trade restrictions with China or Taiwan. While we have limited sales in Europe and Taiwan, and procurement from these regions, unrest in these areas may result in a decrease in sales of our products, or an increase in costs of materials and services.

Geopolitical tensions and changes in government trade policies could adversely affect our operations in China and our business, results of operations and financial condition.

Heightened geopolitical tensions between the United States and China could create barriers to selling our products and services to customers in China as there is currently significant uncertainty about the future relationship between the United States and China with respect to trade policies, treaties, tariffs and taxes. These barriers include increased tariffs and other trade barriers, regulatory restrictions, or limitations on technology transfer. These tariffs, and the related geopolitical uncertainty between the United States and China, may cause decreased demand for our products or increase cost of components used in our products, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition. Additionally, any such developments, including changes in trade policies, export and import restrictions, or diplomatic relations under the current or future administrations, could impact economic activity and lead to a general contraction of customer demand and could adversely affect our ability to compete in the Chinese market, impairing our growth prospects in China.

Our dependence on subcontractors and sole source suppliers may prevent us from delivering our products on a timely basis and expose us to intellectual property infringement.

We rely on subcontractors to manufacture many of the components or subassemblies used in our products. Our FOX systems, WaferPak Contactors, DiePak Carriers, WaferPak Aligners, and DiePak Loaders contain several components, including environmental chambers, power supplies, high-density interconnects, wafer contactors, module contactors, signal distribution substrates, and certain ICs that are currently supplied by only one or a limited number of suppliers. Our reliance on subcontractors and single source suppliers involves a number of significant risks, including the loss of control over the manufacturing process, the potential absence of adequate capacity and reduced control over delivery schedules, manufacturing yields, quality and costs. In the event that any significant subcontractor or single source supplier is unable or unwilling to continue to manufacture subassemblies, components or parts in required volumes, we would have to identify and qualify acceptable replacements. The process of qualifying subcontractors and suppliers could be lengthy, and no assurance can be given that any additional sources would be available to us on a timely basis. Any delay, interruption or termination of a supplier relationship could adversely affect our ability to deliver products, which would harm our operating results.

Our suppliers manufacture components, tooling, and provide engineering services. During this process, our suppliers are allowed access to our intellectual property. While we maintain patents to protect from intellectual property infringement, there can be no assurance that technological information gained in the manufacture of our products will not be used to develop a new product, improve processes or techniques which compete against our products. Litigation may be necessary to enforce or determine the validity and scope of our proprietary rights, and there can be no assurance that our intellectual property rights, if challenged, will be upheld as valid.

Tightening of fiscal monetary policy, and periodic economic and semiconductor industry downturns could negatively affect our business, results of operations and financial condition.

The current economic conditions and uncertainty about future economic conditions, including volatility in the financial markets, national debt, fiscal or monetary concerns, inflation and interest rates, bank failures, and economic recession, make it challenging for us to forecast our operating results, make business decisions, and identify the risks that may affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. The market for semiconductors and semiconductor capital equipment has historically been cyclical, and we expect this trend to continue in the future. If we do not appropriately manage our business operations in response to changing economic and industry conditions, it could have a material and adverse impact on our business performance and financial condition.

Our net sales are affected by the cyclicity of the semiconductor market, which may have a material adverse impact on our business performance and financial condition.

A significant portion of our business depends upon the capital expenditures of semiconductor manufacturers. Capital expenditures by these companies depend upon, among other things, the current and anticipated market demand for semiconductors and the products that utilize them. Typically, semiconductor manufacturers curtail capital expenditures during periods of economic downturn. Conversely, semiconductor manufacturers increase capital expenditures when market demand requires the addition of new or expanded production capabilities. This cyclicity may have a material adverse impact on our business performance and financial condition.

We have been and may in the future be subject to litigation relating to intellectual property infringement which would be time-consuming, expensive and a distraction from our business.

If we do not adequately protect our intellectual property, competitors may be able to use our proprietary information to erode our competitive advantage, which could harm our business and operating results. Litigation may be necessary to enforce or determine the validity and scope of our proprietary rights, and there can be no assurance that our intellectual property rights, if challenged, will be upheld as valid. Such litigation could result in substantial costs and diversion of resources and could have a material adverse effect on our operating results, regardless of the outcome of the litigation. In addition, there can be no assurance that any of the patents issued to us will not be challenged, invalidated or circumvented or that the rights granted thereunder will provide competitive advantages to us. For a description of the infringement proceedings in China seeking to protect two of our patents, see Note 9, "Commitments and Contingencies" in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

There are no pending claims against us regarding infringement of any patents or other intellectual property rights of others. However, in the future we may receive communications from third parties asserting intellectual property claims against us. Such claims could include assertions that our products infringe, or may infringe, the proprietary rights of third parties, requests for indemnification against such infringement or suggestions that we may be interested in acquiring a license from such third parties. There can be no assurance that any such claim will not result in litigation, which could involve significant expense to us, and, if we are required or deem it appropriate to obtain a license relating to one or more products or technologies, there can be no assurance that we would be able to do so on commercially reasonable terms, or at all.

We cannot assure that we have complied with all applicable environmental laws, and our failure to do so could adversely affect our business as a result of having to pay substantial amounts in damages or fees.

Federal, state and local regulations impose various controls on the use, storage, discharge, handling, emission, generation, manufacture and disposal of toxic and other hazardous substances used in our operations. We believe that our activities conform in all material respects to current environmental and land use regulations applicable to our operations and our current facilities, and that we have obtained environmental permits necessary to conduct our business. Nevertheless, failure to comply with current or future regulations could result in substantial fines, suspension of production, alteration of our manufacturing processes or cessation of operations. Such regulations could require us to acquire expensive remediation equipment or to incur substantial expenses to comply with environmental regulations. Any failure to control the use, disposal or storage of or adequately restrict the discharge of, hazardous or toxic substances could subject us to significant liabilities.

The failure to successfully implement enterprise resource planning and other information systems changes could adversely impact our business and operating results.

We periodically implement new or enhanced enterprise resource planning and related information systems in order to better manage our business operations, align our global organizations and enable future growth. Implementation of new business processes and information systems requires the commitment of significant personnel, training and financial resources, and entails risks to our business operations. If we do not successfully implement enterprise resource planning and related information systems improvements, or if there are delays or difficulties in implementing these systems, we may not realize anticipated productivity improvements or cost efficiencies, and may experience interruptions in service and operational difficulties, which could result in quality issues, reputational harm, lost market and revenue opportunities, and otherwise adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Risks Related to Ownership of our Common Stock

Our stock price is volatile.

Historically, our common stock has experienced substantial price volatility. For example, during the two-year period ended May 30, 2025, the price of our common stock has ranged from \$6.27 to \$54.10. If our future operating results or margins are below the expectations of stock market analysts or our investors, our stock price will likely decline. Factors such as announcements of developments related to our business, fluctuations in our operating results, general conditions in the semiconductor and semiconductor equipment industries as well as the worldwide economy, announcement of technological innovations, new systems or product enhancements by us or our competitors, fluctuations in the level of cooperative development funding, acquisitions, changes in governmental regulations, developments in patents or other intellectual property rights and changes in our relationships with customers and suppliers could cause the price of our common stock to fluctuate substantially. In addition, in recent years the stock market in general, and the market for small capitalization and high technology stocks in particular, have experienced extreme price fluctuations which have often been unrelated to the operating performance of the affected companies. Such fluctuations could adversely affect the market price of our common stock.

We are exposed to risks associated with shareholder class action lawsuits, which are expensive and could divert management attention.

On December 3, 2024, a shareholder class action lawsuit, captioned Lucid Alternative Fund, LP v. Aehr Test Systems, Inc. was filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, alleging that we and certain of our executives made false and misleading statements regarding our earnings guidance and other financial projections for 2024. Additionally, two shareholder derivative complaints were filed, alleging breaches of fiduciary duties and other misconduct by certain directors and officers of the Company. On May 16, 2025, the court-appointed lead plaintiff voluntarily dismissed the class action lawsuit, and on June 9, 2025, the court dismissed the derivative action without prejudice.

While these lawsuits have been resolved without adverse judgments, there is no assurance that we will not face similar litigation in the future. Defending against shareholder class actions or derivative lawsuits can be costly, disruptive, and time-consuming, and may divert the attention of our management and Board of Directors. Such proceedings, regardless of their outcome, could also harm our reputation, impact investor confidence, and result in increased scrutiny of our public disclosures, internal controls, and corporate governance practices. If we are subject to future litigation and do not prevail, we could be required to pay substantial damages or incur other significant costs, which could materially adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations, and cash flows.

Risks Related to our Financial/Legal/Organizational Structure

We depend on our key personnel and our success depends on our ability to attract, retain and motivate talented employees.

Our success depends to a significant extent upon the continued service of Gayn Erickson, our President and Chief Executive Officer, as well as other executive officers and key employees. We do not maintain key person life insurance for our benefit on any of our personnel, and none of our employees are subject to a non-competition agreement with us. The loss of the services of any of our executive officers or a group of key employees could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and operating results. Our future success will depend in significant part upon our ability to attract, retain and motivating highly skilled technical, management, sales and marketing personnel. There are a limited number of personnel with the requisite skills to serve in these positions, and it has become increasingly difficult for us to hire such personnel. Competition for such personnel in the semiconductor equipment industry is intense, and there can be no assurance that we will be successful in attracting, retaining or motivating such personnel. Changes in management could disrupt our operations and adversely affect our operating results.

If we fail to maintain effective internal control over financial reporting in the future, the accuracy and timing of our financial reporting may be adversely affected.

We are required to comply with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. The provisions of the act require, among other things, that we maintain effective internal control over financial reporting and disclosure controls and procedures. Preparing our financial statements involves a number of complex processes, many of which are done manually and are dependent upon individual data input or review. These processes include, but are not limited to, calculating revenue, deferred revenue and inventory costs. While we continue to automate our processes and enhance our review and put in place controls to reduce the likelihood for errors, we expect that for the foreseeable future, many of our processes will remain manually intensive and thus subject to human error.

Compliance with federal securities laws, rules and regulations, as well as NASDAQ requirements, has become increasingly complex, and the significant attention and expense we must devote to those areas may have an adverse impact on our business.

Federal securities laws, rules and regulations, as well as NASDAQ rules and regulations, require companies to maintain extensive corporate governance measures, impose comprehensive reporting and disclosure requirements, set strict independence and financial expertise standards for audit and other committee members and impose civil and criminal penalties for companies and their chief executive officers, chief financial officers and directors for securities law violations. It is anticipated that the rules and regulations applicable to public companies have increased and will continue to increase substantially the legal and financial compliance costs incurred by us and make some activities more time-consuming and costly. If these requirements divert the attention of our management and personnel from other business concerns, they could have an adverse effect on our business.

A change in accounting standards or practices or a change in existing taxation rules or practices (or changes in interpretations of such standards, practices or rules) could have a significant effect on our reported results and may affect reporting of transactions completed before the change is effective.

New accounting standards and taxation rules and varying interpretations of accounting pronouncements and taxation rules have occurred and will continue to occur in the future. Changes to (or revised interpretations or applications of) existing accounting standards or tax rules or the questioning of current or past practices may adversely affect our reported financial results or the way we conduct our business. Adoption of new standards may require changes to our processes, accounting systems, and internal controls. Difficulties encountered during adoption could result in internal control deficiencies or delay the reporting of our financial results.

Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

None.

ITEM 1C. Cybersecurity

Cybersecurity Risk Management and Strategy

We have established processes for assessing, identifying, and managing material risk from cybersecurity threats, and have integrated these processes into our overall risk management systems and processes. To prevent, detect and respond to information security threats, we maintain a cyber risk management program that employs Cyber Security Framework (“CSF”) in accordance with the National Institute of Standards and Technology (“NIST”) security framework. CSF is a set of voluntary guidelines that help organizations assess and improve their cybersecurity posture by implementing processes for identifying and mitigating risk, and detecting, responding to and recovering from cyberattacks.

We conduct periodic risk assessments to identify cybersecurity threats, as well as assessments in the event of a material change in our business practices that may affect information systems that are vulnerable to such cybersecurity threats. These risk assessments include identification of reasonably foreseeable internal and external risks, the likelihood and potential damage that could result from such risks, and the sufficiency of existing policies, procedures, systems, and safeguards in place to manage such risks. Following these risk assessments, we re-design, implement, and maintain reasonable safeguards to minimize identified risks; reasonably address any identified gaps in existing safeguards; and regularly monitor the effectiveness of our safeguards.

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Our Security Awareness Program includes training that reinforces our information technology risk and security management policies, standards and practices, as well as the expectation that employees comply with these policies. The Security Awareness Program engages personnel through training on how to identify potential cybersecurity risks and protect the Company's resources and information. This training is mandatory for all employees on a periodic basis, and it is supplemented by Company-wide testing initiatives.

Our processes also address cybersecurity threat risks associated with our use of third-party service providers, including our suppliers or who have access to our systems. In addition, cybersecurity considerations affect the selection and oversight of our third-party service providers. We perform diligence on third parties that have access to our systems, data or facilities that house such systems or data, and continually monitor cybersecurity threat risks identified through such diligence.

While we have not, as of the date of this Report, experienced any material cybersecurity incidents that materially affected us, including our operations, business strategy, results of operations, or financial condition, we face risks from cybersecurity threats that, if realized, are reasonably likely to materially affect our business, financial condition, results of operations. See "Risk Factors – We are exposed to cybersecurity threats or incidents."

Cybersecurity Governance

One of the key functions of our Board of Directors is informed oversight of our risk management processes, including risks from cybersecurity threats. Our Board of Directors is responsible for monitoring and assessing strategic risk exposure, and our executive officers are responsible for the day-to-day management of the material risks we face. Our Board of Directors administers its cybersecurity risk oversight function directly as a whole, as well as through the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors (the "Audit Committee"). The Audit Committee has primary responsibility for oversight of information security risks, including fraud, vendor, data protection and privacy, business continuity and resilience, and cybersecurity risks, and provides regular updates to the Board of Directors on such matters. The Audit Committee receives regular reports from our Chief Operating Officer on, among other things, the Company's cyber risks and threats, the status of projects to strengthen the Company's information security systems, assessments of the Company's security program and the emerging threat landscape. Information security risk is a significant oversight focus area for the Audit Committee, as well as the entire Board of Directors. Over the course of fiscal year 2024, the Audit Committee received four separate cybersecurity briefings from our Chief Operating Officer.

Our Chief Operating Officer is primarily responsible for assessing and managing our material risks from cybersecurity threats. Our Chief Operating Officer, who leads a team responsible for enterprise-wide cybersecurity strategy, policy, standards, architecture and processes, has extensive experience and background in information technology, cybersecurity, enterprise strategy, risk management. Additionally, our Chief Operating Officer chairs our Cybersecurity Incident Response Team, which is responsible for prevention, identification, containment, eradication and remediation of cybersecurity incidents. He consults with experts in enterprise security and risk management to ensure our intellectual property and devices are protected. While we have not experienced a material information security (cybersecurity) incident, we maintain an information security (cybersecurity) risk insurance policy as a matter of good practice.

Item 2. Properties

The Company's principal administrative and production facilities are located in Fremont, California, in a 51,289 square foot building. The Company's lease was renewed in December 2022 and expires in September 2030 with an option to extend the lease for another five years. In April 2025, it became reasonably certain that the Company would exercise the five-year lease extension option due to the remodeling of the Fremont office. The Company leases a 492 square foot sales and support office in Utting, Germany. The lease, which began February 1, 1992 and contains an automatic twelve months renewal, at rates to be determined, if no notice is given prior to six months from expiration. On November 18, 2020, the Company established a wholly owned subsidiary, Aehr Test Systems Philippines Inc., which has been in full operation since March 2021. The Company currently leases a facility in Philippines located in a 6,458 square foot building in Clark Freeport Zone, Pampanga. The lease, amended in 2023, began November 1, 2023 and expires on June 30, 2029 with an option to renew for another three or five years at the prevailing market rate. Following the acquisition of Incal, the Company inherited Incal's office in Fremont, California, which it subsequently vacated in May 2025 after relocating employees to its principal facilities in Fremont, to consolidate the Company's California operations. The Company periodically evaluates its global operations and facilities to bring its capacity in line with demand and to provide cost-effective services for its customers. In prior years, through this process, the Company has moved from certain facilities that exceeded the capacity required to satisfy its needs. The Company believes that its existing facilities in Fremont, California are adequate to meet its current and reasonably foreseeable requirements. The Company regularly evaluates its expected future facilities requirements and believes that alternate facilities would be available if needed.

Item 3. Legal Proceedings

From time to time, we are subject to various claims and legal proceedings that arise in the ordinary course of business. We accrue for losses related to litigation when a potential loss is probable and the loss can be reasonably estimated. For additional information regarding legal proceedings, refer to Note 9 – Commitments and Contingencies in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not Applicable

PART II**Item 5. Market for Registrant’s Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities**

The Company’s common stock is publicly traded on the NASDAQ Capital Market under the symbol “AEHR”. The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, the high and low sale prices for the common stock on such market. These quotations represent prices between dealers and do not include retail markups, markdowns or commissions and may not necessarily represent actual transactions.

	High	Low
Fiscal 2025:		
First quarter ended August 30, 2024	\$ 21.44	\$ 9.83
Second quarter ended November 29, 2024	17.41	10.64
Third quarter ended February 28, 2025	18.76	9.30
Fourth quarter ended May 30, 2025	10.45	6.27
Fiscal 2024:		
First quarter ended August 31, 2023	\$ 54.10	\$ 33.72
Second quarter ended November 30, 2023	53.06	21.57
Third quarter ended February 29, 2024	30.50	14.54
Fourth quarter ended May 31, 2024	18.63	10.19

At July 15, 2025, the Company had 131 holders of record of its common stock. A substantially greater number of holders of the Company’s common stock are “street name” or beneficial holders whose shares are held by banks, brokers and other financial institutions.

The Company has not paid cash dividends on its common stock or other securities. The Company currently anticipates that it will retain its future earnings, if any, for use in the expansion and operation of its business and does not anticipate paying any cash dividends on its common stock in the foreseeable future.

The Company did not repurchase any of its common stock in the open market during the fiscal year ended May 30, 2025 because the Company does not have a stock repurchase plan.

On July 31, 2024, we issued an aggregate of 552,355 shares of our common stock in connection with the acquisition of Incal. The stock was issued for an aggregate fair value of \$9.4 million. The foregoing transaction did not involve any underwriters, any underwriting discounts or commissions, or any public offerings. The issuance was made to accredited investors in a privately negotiated transaction not involving any public offerings or solicitations in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and/or Rule 506 of Regulation D promulgated thereunder.

Item 6. [Reserved]

Item 7. Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The following discussion and analysis of the financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with our “Selected Consolidated Financial Data” and our consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Overview

Aehr Test Systems (“Aehr Test”, “Aehr”, the “Company” or “We”) is a leading provider of test solutions for testing, burning-in, and stabilizing semiconductor devices in wafer level, singulated die, and package part form, and has installed thousands of systems worldwide. Decarbonization, generative AI and digitalization is driving increased quality, reliability, safety, and security needs of semiconductors used across multiple applications, including electric vehicles, electric vehicle charging infrastructure, solar and wind power, computing, data and telecommunications infrastructure, and solid-state memory and storage. This trend is driving additional test requirements, incremental capacity needs, and new opportunities for Aehr Test products and solutions.

We have developed and introduced several innovative products including the FOX-P family of test and burn-in systems and FOX WaferPak Aligner, FOX WaferPak Contactor, FOX DiePak Carrier and FOX DiePak Loader. The FOX-XP and FOX-NP systems are full wafer contact and singulated die/module test and burn-in systems that can test, burn-in, and stabilize a wide range of devices such as leading-edge silicon carbide-based and other power semiconductors, 2D and 3D sensors used in mobile phones, tablets, and other computing devices, memory semiconductors, processors, microcontrollers, systems-on-a-chip, and photonics and integrated optical devices. The FOX-CP system is a low-cost single-wafer compact test solution for logic, memory and photonic devices and the newest addition to the FOX-P product family. The FOX WaferPak Contactor contains a unique full wafer contactor capable of testing wafers up to 300mm that enables Integrated Circuit manufacturers to perform test, burn-in, and stabilization of full wafers on the FOX-P systems. The FOX DiePak Carrier allows testing, burning in, and stabilization of singulated bare die and modules up to 1,024 devices in parallel per DiePak on the FOX-NP and FOX-XP systems up to nine DiePaks at a time.

Following the acquisition of Incal, our product portfolio further expanded to include packaged parts burn-in solutions for the full range of power and complexity of integrated circuits. Incal’s product lines feature the Sonoma series for ultra-high-power burn-in testing, the Tahoe series for medium-power reliability burn-in, and the Echo series for low-power and high parallelism testing. The Sonoma line, with its ultra-high-power capabilities, is specifically designed to address the reliability and burn-in needs of the burgeoning demand for AI accelerators, GPUs, HPC processors, and devices that can reach levels of power as high as 1600W. The Sonoma is available in its standard configuration, which hosts up to 22 slots per chamber. The Tahoe and Echo lines for medium-power and low-power burn-in solutions, respectively, target logic, SoC, and mixed-signal devices employed in mobile communications, mobility, medical, military, aerospace, and data center applications. These systems are frequently used by independent test and burn-in labs, as well as semiconductor manufacturers.

Our revenue consists primarily of sales of FOX-P systems, WaferPak Aligners and DiePak Loaders, WaferPak Contactors, DiePak Carriers, packaged parts burn-in systems, test fixtures, upgrades and spare parts, service contracts revenues, and non-recurring engineering charges. Our selling arrangements may include contractual customer acceptance provisions, which are mostly deemed perfunctory or inconsequential, and installation of the product occurs after shipment, transfer of title and risk of loss.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Our discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based upon our consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“US GAAP”). The preparation of these consolidated financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. On an ongoing basis, we evaluate our estimates, including those related to revenues, inventories, income taxes, the business combination with Incal, and the impairment of goodwill and long-lived assets, among others. Our estimates are derived from historical experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Those results form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

We believe the following critical accounting policies affect our more significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements.

Revenue Recognition

We recognize revenue when promised goods or services are transferred to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which we expect to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services by following a five-step process: (1) identify the contract with a customer, (2) identify the performance obligations in the contract, (3) determine the transaction price, (4) allocate the transaction price, and (5) recognize revenue when or as we satisfy a performance obligation, as further described below.

Performance obligations include sales of systems, contactors, spare parts, and services, as well as installation and training services included in customer contracts. A contract's transaction price is allocated to each distinct performance obligation. In determining the transaction price, we evaluate whether the price is subject to refund or adjustment to determine the net consideration to which we expect to be entitled. We generally do not grant return privileges, except for defective products during the warranty period.

For contracts that contain multiple performance obligations, we allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations on a relative standalone selling price basis. Standalone selling prices are based on multiple factors including, but not limited to, historical discounting trends for products and services and pricing practices in different geographies. Revenue for systems and spares is recognized at a point in time, which is generally upon shipment or delivery and evidenced by transfer of title and risk of loss to the customer. Revenue from services is recognized over time as the customer receives the benefit over the contractual period of generally one year or less.

We have elected the practical expedient to not assess whether a contract has a significant financing component as our standard payment terms are less than one year.

We sell our products primarily through a direct sales force. In certain international markets, we sell our products through independent distributors.

Inventory Valuation

We write down the carrying value of our inventory to net realizable value for estimated obsolescence or unmarketable inventory in an amount equal to the difference between the cost of inventory and its estimated realizable value based upon assumptions about future demand and market conditions. We assess the valuation of all inventories, including raw materials, work-in-process, finished goods and spare parts on a periodic basis.

Obsolete inventory or inventory in excess of our estimated usage is written down to its estimated market value less costs to sell, if less than its cost. The inventory write-downs are established on the basis of obsolete inventory or specifically identified inventory in excess of established usage. Inherent in our estimates of demand and market value in determining inventory valuation are estimates related to economic trends, market conditions, and future demand for our products. If actual demand and market conditions are less favorable than our projections, additional inventory write-downs may be required. If the inventory value is written down to its net realizable value, and subsequently there is an increased demand for the inventory at a higher value, the increased value of the inventory is not realized until the inventory is sold either as a component of a system or as separate inventory.

Income Taxes

The determination of our tax provision is highly dependent upon the geographic composition of worldwide earnings and tax regulations governing each region and is subject to judgments and estimates. Management carefully monitors the changes in many factors and adjusts the effective tax rate as required.

We assess the likelihood that we are able to recover our deferred tax assets. If recovery is not more likely than not, we increase our provision for taxes by recording a valuation allowance to reduce our deferred tax assets to the amount that is more likely than not to be recoverable. In determining whether the realization of these deferred tax assets is impaired, we make judgments with respect to whether we are likely to generate sufficient future taxable income to realize these assets. In order to reverse the valuation allowance, management considers both positive and negative evidence and determines that there is sufficient positive evidence to conclude that it is more likely than not that the deferred tax assets will be realized. In fiscal 2024, we released the entire valuation allowance which contributed to the tax benefit of approximately \$20.7 million for the year ended May 31, 2024.

Business Combination

Accounting for business combinations requires management to make significant estimates and assumptions to determine the fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the acquisition date. The assumptions and estimates are based, in part, on historical experience and information obtained from management of the acquired company and are inherently uncertain. Critical estimates in valuing certain acquired intangible assets include, but are not limited to, future expected cash flows including revenue growth rate assumptions from product sales, customer orders and acquired technologies, estimated royalty rates used in valuing technology-related intangible assets, and discount rates. The discount rates used to discount expected future cash flows to present value are typically derived from a weighted-average cost of capital analysis and adjusted to reflect inherent risks. Unanticipated events and circumstances may occur that could affect either the accuracy or validity of such assumptions, estimates or actual results.

Impairment of Goodwill

We assess goodwill for impairment annually during our fourth fiscal quarter or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be fully recoverable. The process of evaluating the potential impairment of goodwill requires significant judgment. We may first evaluate qualitative factors to assess if it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount and to determine if an impairment test is necessary. We may choose to proceed directly to the quantitative impairment test, bypassing the initial qualitative assessment. The quantitative test compares the fair value of the reporting unit to its carrying value, including goodwill allocated to that reporting unit. A goodwill impairment loss would be the amount by which a reporting unit's carrying value exceeds its fair value, however, the loss recognized should not exceed the total amount of goodwill allocated to that reporting unit. There were no impairments to goodwill during the fiscal year ended May 30, 2025.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

We monitor the carrying value of long-lived assets for potential impairment each quarter based on whether certain triggering events have occurred. These events include current period losses combined with a history of losses, or a projection of continuing losses, or a significant decrease in the market value of an asset. When a triggering event occurs, we perform an impairment calculation, comparing projected undiscounted cash flows, utilizing current cash flow information and expected growth rates, to the carrying value of the assets. If we identify impairment for long-lived assets to be held and used, we compare the assets' current carrying value to the assets' fair value. Fair value is determined based on market values or discounted future cash flows. We record impairment when the carrying value exceeds fair market value.

During the year ended May 30, 2025, the Company recognized an impairment charge of \$0.5 million related to the right-of-use asset and \$0.1 million related to leasehold improvements in connection with the closure of the Incal office and the consolidation of facilities. The impairment charge is included in restructuring changes in the consolidated statement of operations. During the years ended May 31, 2024 and May 31, 2023, the Company did not record any impairment of long-lived assets.

Results of Operations

Fiscal Year

Beginning on June 1, 2024, we have changed our fiscal year to the 52- or 53-week period ending on the Friday nearest May 31. Our fiscal year 2025 ended on May 30, 2025. Each of our fiscal years in 2024 and 2023 ended on May 31.

Discussion of Results of Operations

Revenues

(Dollars in thousands)	Year Ended			FY 2025 vs FY 2024		FY 2024 vs FY 2023	
	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023				
Revenue	\$ 58,968	\$ 66,218	\$ 64,961	\$ (7,250)	(10.9%)	\$ 1,257	1.9%

Revenue decreased by \$7.3 million in fiscal year 2025 over fiscal year 2024 driven by a decrease in shipments of our systems and contactors primarily due to the continued softness in the power semiconductor demand for electric vehicles. Our product revenue decreased by \$8.9 million due to the decrease in our contactors revenue and FOX-P systems revenue, which was partially offset by the increase in package parts burn-in product revenue in connection with the Incal acquisition. The decline in product revenue was partially offset by an increase in services revenue of \$1.7 million.

Revenue increased by \$1.3 million in fiscal year 2024 over fiscal year 2023, primarily driven by higher sales in our contactors. Our contactors revenue increased by \$15.7 million, and our services revenue increased by \$0.3 million. The increase was partially offset by a decrease in systems revenue of \$14.7 million.

Revenue by Geography

(Dollars in thousands)	Year Ended			FY 2025 vs FY 2024		FY 2024 vs FY 2023	
	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023				
Asia	\$ 37,095	\$ 58,076	\$ 55,609	\$ (20,981)	(36.1%)	2,467	4.4%
United States	17,673	3,532	9,289	14,141	400.4%	(5,757)	(62.0%)
Europe	4,200	4,610	63	(410)	(8.9%)	4,547	N.M.
Total revenues	\$ 58,968	\$ 66,218	\$ 64,961	\$ (7,250)	(10.9%)	\$ 1,257	1.9%

Asia as a percentage of total revenues	62.9%	87.7%	85.6%
United States as a percentage of total revenues	30.0%	5.3%	14.3%
Europe as a percentage of total revenues	7.1%	7.0%	0.1%

N.M.-Not meaningful

On a geographic basis, revenues represent products that were shipped to or services that were performed at our customer locations. For fiscal year 2025, revenue declined in Asia primarily due to continued softness in the power semiconductor demand for electric vehicles. This decline was partially offset by revenue growth in the United States, driven by much higher systems and contactors sales to customers that focus on the artificial intelligence market.

For fiscal year 2024, total revenues increased compared to the same period in the prior year due to an increase in international revenues as a result of more shipments to our customers in Europe and Asia, partially offset by the decline in revenue from a customer in the United States.

Gross Margin

Gross Profit

(Dollars in thousands)	Year Ended			FY 2025 vs FY 2024		FY 2024 vs FY 2023	
	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023				
Gross profit	\$ 23,933	\$ 32,543	\$ 32,746	\$ (8,610)	(26.5%)	\$ (203)	(0.6%)
Gross margin	40.6%	49.1%	50.4%				

Gross profit decreased to \$23.9 million for fiscal year 2025 from \$32.5 million for fiscal year 2024. Gross margin decreased by 8.5 percentage point primarily due to the amortization of certain acquired intangible assets, the acquisition related fair value adjustment to inventory, an inventory variance charge, lower system shipments leading to reduced manufacturing efficiencies, and a change in product mix.

Gross profit decreased slightly for fiscal year 2024, compared to fiscal year 2023. Gross margin decreased by 1.3% primarily due to an increase in inventory reserves, as well as an increase in costs from design changes.

Research and Development

(Dollars in thousands)	Year Ended			FY 2025 vs FY 2024		FY 2024 vs FY 2023	
	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023				
Research and development	\$ 10,463	\$ 8,719	\$ 7,134	\$ 1,744	20.0%	\$ 1,585	22.2%
As a percentage of total revenues	17.7%	13.2%	11.0%				

Research and development expenses consist primarily of compensation and benefits for product development personnel, outside development service costs, travel expenses, facilities cost allocations, and stock-based compensation charges. Research and development expenses increased by \$1.7 million in fiscal year 2025 over fiscal year 2024 primarily due to the severance benefits incurred following the death of an executive officer, higher employee costs and stock-based compensation expense resulting from growth in engineering headcount, and additional research and development expenses from the newly acquired Incal business. The increase was partially offset by lower non-recurring engineering service charges.

Research and development expenses increased by \$1.6 million in fiscal year 2024 over fiscal year 2023 primarily due to higher employment-related costs because of an increase in headcount, higher non-recurring engineering services charges, an increase in allocated facility cost and an increase in recruiting expenses.

Selling, General and Administrative

(Dollars in thousands)	Year Ended			FY 2025 vs FY 2024		FY 2024 vs FY 2023	
	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023				
Selling, general and administrative	\$ 18,283	\$ 13,746	\$ 12,237	\$ 4,537	33.0%	\$ 1,509	12.3%
As a percentage of total revenues	31.0%	20.8%	18.8%				

Selling, general and administrative expenses consist primarily of compensation and benefits for sales, marketing and general and administrative personnel, legal and accounting service costs, marketing communications costs, travel expenses, facilities cost allocations, and stock-based compensation charges. Selling, general and administrative expenses increased by \$4.5 million in fiscal year 2025 over fiscal year 2024, primarily driven by additional selling, general and administrative expenses from the newly acquired Incal business, higher legal and other professional service fees, and higher stock-based compensation expense.

Selling, general and administrative expenses increased by \$1.5 million in fiscal year 2024 over fiscal year 2023, primarily due to higher employment-related cost because of an increase in headcount, and an increase in audit and legal service fees.

Restructuring Charges

(Dollars in thousands)	Year Ended			FY 2025 vs FY 2024		FY 2024 vs FY 2023	
	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023				
Restructuring Charges	\$ 864	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 864	N.M.	\$ -	N.M.
As a percentage of total revenues	1.5%	0.0%	0.0%				

N.M.-Not meaningful

Restructuring charges incurred during fiscal 2025 primarily relate to the closure of the Incal office. For further explanation of our restructuring charges, see Note 13, Restructuring Charges, in Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Interest and Other Income, Net

(Dollars in thousands)	Year Ended			FY 2025 vs FY 2024		FY 2024 vs FY 2023	
	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023				
Interest income, net	\$ 1,401	\$ 2,388	\$ 1,245	(987)	(41.3%)	1,143	91.8%
Other income (expense), net	(15)	(8)	(3)	(7)	87.5%	(5)	166.7%
Interest and other income (expense), net	\$ 1,386	\$ 2,380	\$ 1,242	\$ (994)	(41.8%)	\$ 1,138	91.6%

Interest and other income, net, primarily consists of interest income, foreign currency transaction exchange gains and losses and other income (expense). Interest and other income, net, decreased by \$1.0 million in fiscal year 2025 over fiscal year 2024, primarily driven by lower interest income earned on a lower average cash balances as a result of \$11.1 million spent on the acquisition of Incal and lower yields from our investments in money market funds.

Interest and other income, net, increased by \$1.1 million in fiscal year 2024 over fiscal year 2023, primarily driven by higher interest income earned due to higher average cash and investment balances and higher yields from our investments in money market funds.

Provision for Income Taxes

(Dollars in thousands)	Year Ended			FY 2025 vs FY 2024		FY 2024 vs FY 2023	
	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023				
Income tax expense (benefit)	\$ (381)	\$ (20,698)	\$ 60	\$ 20,317	(98.2%)	\$ (20,758)	N.M.

N.M.-Not meaningful

Income tax benefit was \$0.4 million in fiscal year 2025, compared to income tax benefit of \$20.7 million in fiscal year 2024. In fiscal 2025, the Company recognized an income tax benefit due to year-to-date operating losses in the United States. Income tax benefit was \$20.7 million in fiscal year 2024, compared to income tax expense of \$60 thousand in fiscal year 2023. A significant income tax benefit in fiscal year 2024 was recognized primarily due to the release of a valuation allowance of \$21.9 million, as management determined that there was sufficient positive evidence to conclude that it is more likely than not that the deferred tax assets will be realized, which was partially offset by income tax expense of \$1.2 million in fiscal year 2024.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash were \$26.5 million as of May 30, 2025, compared to \$49.3 million as of May 31, 2024. We believe that our existing cash resources and anticipated funds generated from operations will satisfy our cash requirements to fund our operating activities, capital expenditures and other obligations for the next twelve months.

(In thousands)	Year Ended		
	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023
Operating activities	\$ (7,400)	\$ 1,756	\$ 10,011
Investing activities	(16,067)	17,251	(18,656)
Financing activities	625	139	7,322
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	13	(41)	(37)
Net increase (decrease) in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	\$ (22,829)	\$ 19,105	\$ (1,360)

Net Cash Flows Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities

Cash flow used in operating activities during fiscal year 2025 mostly consisted of net loss, adjusted for certain non-cash items which primarily consisted of depreciation and amortization, stock-based compensation expense and amortization of operating lease right-of-use assets. The \$9.2 million decrease in cash flows from operating activities in fiscal year 2025, compared to fiscal year 2024, was driven primarily by lower adjusted net income, excluding non-cash items, in the current period compared to the prior period, a decrease in cash provided by the collection of accounts receivable due to lower revenue and slower collection, and an increase in unbilled receivables and prepayments, which were partially offset by the decrease in cash used in procuring inventory and payments to vendors, and an increase in deferred revenue due to timing of customer deposits and revenue recognition.

The \$8.3 million decrease in cash flows from operating activities for fiscal year 2024, compared to fiscal year 2023, was driven primarily by an increase in cash used in inventory production and vendor payments due to anticipated customer demand, lower net income after non-cash adjustments and a decrease in cash provided by deferred revenue due to timing of customer deposits and revenue recognition, partially offset by an increase in cash provided by collection of accounts receivable.

Net Cash Flows Provided by (Used in) Investing Activities

Net cash used in investing activities was \$16.1 million for the fiscal year 2025 compared to net cash provided by investing activities of \$17.3 million for the fiscal year 2024. The increase in net cash used was primarily due to the maturity of our short-term investments of \$18.0 million during the fiscal year 2024, while there was no such maturity of investment during the fiscal year 2025. Additionally, the Company paid \$11.1 million to acquire Incal, and increased its spending on property and equipment by \$4.2 million, primarily related to office renovation during the fiscal year 2025.

Net cash provided by investing activities was \$17.3 million for fiscal year 2024, compared to net cash used in investing activities of \$18.7 million for fiscal year 2023. The increase was primarily due to the maturity of our short-term investments of \$18.0 million during fiscal year 2024, while there was a net purchase of short-term investments of \$17.3 million during fiscal year 2023. Capital expenditure in fiscal 2024, and 2023 was \$0.7 million and \$1.4 million, respectively. Capital expenditure was primarily for acquisition of testing equipment and manufacturing equipment.

Net Cash Flows Provided by Financing Activities

Net cash provided by financing activities was \$0.6 million for fiscal year 2025, compared to \$0.1 million and \$7.3 million for fiscal years 2024 and 2023, respectively. For the fiscal years 2023, net proceeds from the sale of our common stock under our “At-the-Market” offering program were \$6.8 million, compared to no such sales during fiscal years 2025 and 2024. In fiscal years 2025, 2024, and 2023, the proceeds from the issuance of common stock under employee stock plans were \$1.4 million, \$1.8 million, and \$2.6 million, respectively. In fiscal 2025, 2024 and 2023, cash used in shares repurchased for tax withholdings on vesting of restricted stock units was \$0.8 million, \$1.6 million and \$2.0 million, respectively.

Off-Balance Sheet Financing

We have not entered into any off-balance sheet financing arrangements and have not established any special purpose or variable interest entities.

Contractual Obligations

As of May 30, 2025, the Company's unconditional purchase obligations, which have a remaining term in excess of 12 months, are not material.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

For a description of recent accounting pronouncements, including the expected dates of adoption and estimated effects, if any, on our consolidated financial statements, see Note 1, "Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies," of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

As a Smaller Reporting Company, we are not required to provide information under Item 7A.

Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Stockholders and Board of Directors of
Aehr Test Systems

Opinion on the Consolidated Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Aehr Test Systems and its subsidiaries (the “Company”) as of May 30, 2025 and May 31, 2024, the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income (loss), shareholders’ equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended May 30, 2025, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the “consolidated financial statements”). In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of May 30, 2025 and May 31, 2024, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended May 30, 2025, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company’s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (“PCAOB”) and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audits, we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company’s internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Critical Audit Matter

The critical audit matter communicated below is a matter arising from the current period audit of the consolidated financial statements that was communicated or required to be communicated to the audit committee and that: (1) relates to accounts or disclosures that are material to the consolidated financial statements and (2) involved our especially challenging, subjective, or complex judgments. The communication of the critical audit matter does not alter in any way our opinion on the consolidated financial statements, taken as a whole, and we are not, by communicating the critical audit matter below, providing separate opinions on the critical audit matter or on the accounts or disclosures to which it relates.

Inventory Valuation – Adjustments for Excess or Obsolete Inventory

As described in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company’s consolidated inventories balance was \$42.0 million as of May 30, 2025. The Company’s inventory is stated at the lower of cost, which is determined on a standard cost basis on a first-in, first-out method, or net realizable value. The Company evaluates the net realizable value by considering obsolescence, excessive levels of inventory, deterioration and other factors. Adjustments to reduce the cost of inventory to its net realizable value, if required, are made for estimated excess, obsolescence or impaired inventory. If actual demand were to be substantially lower than estimated, there could be a significant adverse impact on the carrying value of the inventory and results of operations.

The principal considerations for our determination that performing procedures relating to adjustments for excess or obsolete inventory is a critical audit matter are the significant amount of judgement by management in developing the assumptions of the forecasted product demand, which in turn led to significant auditor judgement, subjectivity, and effort in performing audit procedures and evaluating audit evidence relating to the forecasted product demand. Additionally, for certain new sales channels there may be limited historical data with which to evaluate forecasts.

Addressing the matter involved performing procedures and evaluating audit evidence in connection with forming our overall opinion on the consolidated financial statements. These procedures included, among others, testing management’s process for developing the estimate of the adjustments for excess or obsolete inventory, testing the completeness and accuracy of the underlying data used in the estimate, and evaluating management’s assumptions of forecasted product demand. Evaluating management’s demand forecast for reasonableness involved considering historical sales of its products, comparing prior period estimates to actual results of the same period, and determining whether the demand forecast used was consistent with evidence obtained in other areas of the audit.

/s/ BPM LLP

We have served as the Company’s auditor since 2005.

San Jose, California
July 28, 2025

AEHR TEST SYSTEMS
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands, except par value)	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 24,529	\$ 49,159
Accounts receivable	14,191	9,796
Inventories	41,997	37,470
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	8,061	1,423
Total current assets	88,778	97,848
Property and equipment, net	8,969	3,253
Goodwill	10,719	-
Intangible assets, net	10,781	-
Deferred tax assets, net	19,114	20,773
Operating lease right-of-use assets, net	9,601	5,734
Other non-current assets	546	304
Total assets	\$ 148,508	\$ 127,912
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 6,728	\$ 5,332
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	6,020	3,366
Operating lease liabilities, short-term	909	465
Deferred revenue, short-term	1,981	1,345
Total current liabilities	15,638	10,508
Operating lease liabilities, long-term	9,921	5,732
Deferred revenue, long-term	36	41
Other long-term liabilities	42	38
Total liabilities	25,637	16,319
Commitments and contingencies (Note 9)		
Shareholders equity:		
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value: Authorized: 10,000 shares; Issued and outstanding: none	-	-
Common stock, \$0.01 par value: Authorized: 75,000 shares; Issued and outstanding: 29,877 shares and 28,995 shares at May 30, 2025 and May 31, 2024, respectively	299	289
Additional paid-in capital	145,758	130,612
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(126)	(158)
Accumulated deficit	(23,060)	(19,150)
Total shareholders' equity	122,871	111,593
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	\$ 148,508	\$ 127,912

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

AEHR TEST SYSTEMS
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

	Year Ended		
	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023
(In thousands, except per share data)			
Revenue	\$ 58,968	\$ 66,218	\$ 64,961
Cost of revenue	35,035	33,675	32,215
Gross profit	23,933	32,543	32,746
Operating expenses:			
Research and development	10,463	8,719	7,134
Selling, general and administrative	18,283	13,746	12,237
Restructuring charges	864	-	-
Total operating expenses	29,610	22,465	19,371
Income (loss) from operations	(5,677)	10,078	13,375
Interest income, net	1,401	2,388	1,245
Other expense, net	(15)	(8)	(3)
Income (loss) before income tax expense (benefit)	(4,291)	12,458	14,617
Income tax expense (benefit)	(381)	(20,698)	60
Net income (loss)	\$ (3,910)	\$ 33,156	\$ 14,557
Net income (loss) per share:			
Basic	\$ (0.13)	\$ 1.15	\$ 0.52
Diluted	\$ (0.13)	\$ 1.12	\$ 0.50
Shares used in per share calculations:			
Basic	29,581	28,818	27,785
Diluted	29,581	29,617	29,215

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AEHR TEST SYSTEMS
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

(In thousands)	Year Ended		
	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023
Net income (loss)	\$ (3,910)	\$ 33,156	\$ 14,557
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:			
Net change in cumulative translation adjustment	32	(20)	(33)
Net change in unrealized gain (loss) on investments	-	17	(17)
Comprehensive income (loss)	<u>\$ (3,878)</u>	<u>\$ 33,153</u>	<u>\$ 14,507</u>

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AEHR TEST SYSTEMS
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

(In thousands)	Common Stock		Additional Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Accumulated Deficit	Total Shareholders' Equity
	Shares	Amount				
Balances, May 31, 2022	27,120	\$ 271	\$ 117,686	\$ (105)	\$ (66,863)	\$ 50,989
Issuance of common stock under employee plans	1,388	13	2,549	-	-	2,562
Proceeds from public offerings, net of issuance cost	209	2	6,818	-	-	6,820
Shares repurchased for tax withholdings on vesting of restricted stock units	(178)	(1)	(2,059)	-	-	(2,060)
Stock-based compensation	-	-	2,782	-	-	2,782
Net income	-	-	-	-	14,557	14,557
Foreign currency translation adjustment	-	-	-	(33)	-	(33)
Net unrealized loss on investments	-	-	-	(17)	-	(17)
Balances, May 31, 2023	28,539	285	127,776	(155)	(52,306)	75,600
Issuance of common stock under employee plans	501	4	1,803	-	-	1,807
Issuance cost of common stock offering	-	-	(72)	-	-	(72)
Shares repurchased for tax withholdings on vesting of restricted stock units	(45)	-	(1,596)	-	-	(1,596)
Stock-based compensation	-	-	2,701	-	-	2,701
Net income	-	-	-	-	33,156	33,156
Net unrealized gain on investments	-	-	-	17	-	17
Foreign currency translation adjustment	-	-	-	(20)	-	(20)
Balances, May 31, 2024	28,995	289	130,612	(158)	(19,150)	111,593
Issuance of common stock for business acquisition	552	6	9,375	-	-	9,381
Issuance of common stock under employee plans	393	4	1,405	-	-	1,409
Shares repurchased for tax withholdings on vesting of restricted stock units and in connection with the termination of the ESOP	(63)	-	(784)	-	-	(784)
Stock-based compensation	-	-	5,150	-	-	5,150
Net loss	-	-	-	-	(3,910)	(3,910)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	-	-	-	32	-	32
Balances, May 30, 2025	29,877	\$ 299	\$ 145,758	\$ (126)	\$ (23,060)	\$ 122,871

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

AEHR TEST SYSTEMS
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

	Year Ended		
	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023
(In thousands)			
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net income (loss)	\$ (3,910)	\$ 33,156	\$ 14,557
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:			
Stock-based compensation expense	5,162	2,518	2,748
Depreciation and amortization	2,312	657	450
Deferred income taxes	(421)	(20,773)	-
Amortization of operating lease right-of-use assets	1,076	706	649
Impairment of assets	584	-	-
Accretion of investment discount	-	(130)	(576)
Provision for credit losses	-	-	24
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Accounts receivable	(3,037)	6,790	(3,788)
Inventories	(2,441)	(13,732)	(9,469)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(5,012)	(875)	28
Accounts payable	(714)	(3,891)	5,044
Accrued expenses	(378)	(792)	528
Deferred revenue	143	(1,469)	369
Operating lease liabilities	(699)	(423)	(561)
Income taxes payable	(65)	14	8
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	(7,400)	1,756	10,011
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Payments for business acquisition, net of cash and cash equivalent acquired	(11,075)	-	-
Purchases of property and equipment	(4,992)	(749)	(1,362)
Proceeds from maturities of investments	-	18,000	16,000
Purchases of investments	-	-	(33,294)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(16,067)	17,251	(18,656)
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Proceeds from issuance of common stock under employee plans	1,409	1,807	2,562
Shares repurchased for tax withholdings on vesting of restricted stock units and in connection with the termination of the ESOP	(784)	(1,596)	(2,060)
Proceeds from issuance of common stock, net of issuance costs	-	(72)	6,820
Net cash provided by financing activities	625	139	7,322
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	13	(41)	(37)
Net increase (decrease) in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	(22,829)	19,105	(1,360)
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning of year ⁽¹⁾	49,309	30,204	31,564
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, end of year ⁽¹⁾	\$ 26,480	\$ 49,309	\$ 30,204
Supplemental cash flow information:			
Income taxes paid	\$ 100	\$ 90	\$ 21
Interest paid	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15
Supplemental disclosure of non-cash flow information:			
Net transfer of equipment between inventory and property and equipment	\$ 458	\$ 357	\$ 646
Purchases of property and equipment included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 1,259	\$ 53	\$ 698

(1) Includes restricted cash equivalents in prepaid expenses and other current assets and other non-current assets.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

AEHR TEST SYSTEMS
NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. ORGANIZATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Organization

Aehr Test Systems (the “Company”) was incorporated in California in May 1977 and primarily designs, engineers and manufactures test and burn-in equipment used in the semiconductor industry. The Company’s principal products are the FOX-XP, FOX-NP, and FOX-CP wafer contact parallel test and burn-in systems; the Sonoma, Tahoe and Echo packaged parts burn-in products; the WaferPak full wafer contactor; the DiePak Carrier; the WaferPak Aligner; the DiePak Autoloader; and test fixtures.

Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries. Intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated.

Foreign Currency Translation and Transactions

Assets and liabilities of the Company’s foreign subsidiaries are translated into U.S. Dollars from their functional currencies using the exchange rate in effect at the balance sheet date. Additionally, revenues and expenses are translated using exchange rates approximating average rates prevailing during the fiscal year. Translation adjustments that arise from translating their financial statements from their local currencies to U.S. Dollar are accumulated and reflected as a separate component of shareholders’ equity.

Transaction gains and losses that arise from exchange rate changes denominated in currencies other than the local currency are included in the consolidated statements of operations as incurred.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“GAAP”) requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Significant estimates in the Company’s consolidated financial statements include revenue recognition, inventory valuation, business combination, impairment of goodwill and long-lived assets, and accounting for income taxes.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents consist of money market instruments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less. These investments are reported at fair value.

Accounts Receivable and Allowance for Credit Losses

Accounts receivable are derived from the sale of products throughout the world to semiconductor manufacturers, semiconductor contract assemblers, electronics manufacturers and burn-in and test service companies. Accounts receivable are recorded at the invoiced amount and are not interest bearing.

The Company maintains an allowance for credit losses for expected uncollectible accounts receivable and assess collectibility by reviewing accounts receivable on a collective basis where similar risk characteristics exist and on an individual basis when specific customers with known disputes or collectibility issues are identified. The estimate of expected credit losses considers historical credit loss information that is adjusted for current conditions and reasonable and supportable forecasts. Changes in circumstances, such as an unexpected material adverse change in a major customer’s ability to meet its financial obligation to the Company, may require the Company to further adjust its estimates of the recoverability of accounts receivable. The credit losses recognized on accounts receivable during the years ended May 30, 2025, May 31, 2024, and May 31, 2023 were not significant and management has determined that no allowance for credit losses was required as of May 30, 2025 and May 31, 2024.

Concentration of Credit Risk

Financial instruments which subject the Company to concentrations of credit risk consist principally of cash and cash equivalents and accounts receivable. The Company's cash and cash equivalents are generally deposited with major financial institutions in the United States, Philippines, Germany and Taiwan. The Company invests its excess cash in money market funds. The Company's cash and investment balances held at banks and brokerage firms may at time exceed federally insured levels. The Company has not experienced any material losses on its money market funds or short-term cash deposits.

The Company performs credit evaluations of its customers' financial condition and generally requires no collateral. The Company had revenues from individual customers in excess of 10% of total revenues as follows:

	Year Ended		
	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023
Customer A	38.6%	67.3%	78.8%
Customer B	15.1%	*	*
Customer F	*	16.7%	*
Customer G	*	*	10.4%

* Amount was less than 10% of total revenue

The Company had gross accounts receivable from individual customers in excess of 10% of gross accounts receivable as follows:

	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024
Customer A	12.0%	49.9%
Customer C	26.2%	*
Customer D	17.2%	*
Customer E	17.1%	*
Customer F	*	16.5%
Customer G	*	12.3%

* Amount was less than 10% of total gross accounts receivable

Inventories

Inventories include material, labor and overhead, and are stated at the lower of cost or net realizable value, with cost determined on a first-in, first-out (FIFO) basis. Net realizable value is the estimated selling prices in the ordinary course of business, less costs of completion, disposal and transportation. Provisions for excess, obsolete and unusable inventories are made after management's evaluation of future demand and market conditions. If actual future demand or market conditions become less favorable than those projected by management, additional adjustment for excess or obsolete inventory may be required, and would be reflected in cost of revenue in the period the revision is made.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and amortization. Major improvements are capitalized, while repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Leasehold improvements are amortized over the lesser of their estimated useful lives or the term of the related lease. Furniture and fixtures, machinery and equipment, and test equipment are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. The ranges of estimated useful lives are generally as follows:

Furniture and fixtures	2 to 10 years
Machinery and equipment	3 to 5 years
Test equipment	4 to 5 years

Business Combination

The Company recognizes identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed at their acquisition date fair values. Goodwill is measured as the excess of the consideration transferred over the fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed on the acquisition date. While the Company uses its best estimates and assumptions as part of the purchase price allocation process to accurately value assets acquired and liabilities assumed, these estimates are inherently uncertain and subject to refinement. Key estimates and assumptions in valuing certain of the intangible assets and goodwill the Company has acquired include, but are not limited to, expected future cash flows from acquired developed technology, customer relationships, and trade names. Unanticipated events and circumstances could impact the accuracy or validity of such assumptions, estimates or actual results.

The authoritative guidance allows a measurement period of the purchase price allocation that ends when the entity has obtained all relevant information about facts that existed at the acquisition date, and that cannot exceed one year from the date of acquisition. As a result, during the measurement period, the Company may record adjustments to the fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed, with the corresponding offset to goodwill to the extent that it identifies adjustments to the preliminary purchase price allocation. Upon conclusion of the measurement period or final determination of the values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed, whichever comes first, any subsequent adjustments will be recorded in the consolidated statements of operations.

Goodwill

Goodwill represents the excess of the total purchase price over the fair value of net identifiable assets acquired in a business combination. The Company assesses goodwill for impairment annually during each fourth fiscal quarter or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be fully recoverable. In the valuation of goodwill, management estimates future cash flows to be derived from the Company's business. If these estimates or their related assumptions change in the future, the Company may be required to record an impairment. Management may first evaluate qualitative factors to assess if it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount and to determine if an impairment test is necessary. Management may choose to proceed directly to the quantitative impairment test, bypassing the initial qualitative assessment. The quantitative test compares the fair value of the reporting unit to its carrying value, including goodwill allocated to that reporting unit. A goodwill impairment loss would be the amount by which a reporting unit's carrying value exceeds its fair value, however, the loss recognized should not exceed the total amount of goodwill allocated to that reporting unit.

Definite-Lived Intangible Assets

The Company performs valuations of assets acquired and liabilities assumed on the acquisition accounted for as a business combination and allocates the purchase price of the acquired business to the identifiable net tangible and intangible assets. The Company determines the appropriate useful life by performing an analysis of expected cash flows based on historical experience of the acquired businesses. Intangible assets are amortized over their estimated useful lives using the straight-line method which approximates the pattern of consumption of economic benefits.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

The Company evaluates long-lived assets, including property and equipment and intangible assets, for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability of assets held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of an asset or an asset group to estimated undiscounted future net cash flows expected to be generated by the asset or asset group. If such evaluation indicates that the carrying amount of the asset or the asset group is not recoverable, any impairment loss would be equal to the amount the carrying value exceeds the fair value.

Warranty Reserves

The Company provides for the estimated cost of product warranties at the time revenues are recognized on the products shipped. While the Company engages in extensive product quality programs and processes, including actively monitoring and evaluating the quality of its component suppliers, the Company's warranty obligation is affected by product failure rates, material usage and service delivery costs incurred in correcting a product failure. Should actual product failure rates, material usage or service delivery costs differ from the Company's estimates, revisions to the estimated warranty liability would be required. The standard warranty period is one year for systems and ninety days for parts and service.

Revenue Recognition

The Company recognizes revenue when promised goods or services are transferred to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the Company expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services by following a five-step process: (1) identify the contract with a customer, (2) identify the performance obligations in the contract, (3) determine the transaction price, (4) allocate the transaction price, and (5) recognize revenue when or as the Company satisfies a performance obligation, as further described below.

Performance obligations include sales of systems, WaferPak contactors, spare parts, and services, as well as installation and training services included in customer contracts. A contract's transaction price is allocated to each distinct performance obligation. In determining the transaction price, the Company evaluates whether the price is subject to refund or adjustment to determine the net consideration to which the Company expects to be entitled. The Company generally does not grant return privileges, except for defective products during the warranty period.

For contracts that contain multiple performance obligations, the Company allocates the transaction price to the performance obligations on a relative standalone selling price basis. Standalone selling prices are based on multiple factors including, but not limited to, historical discounting trends for products and services and pricing practices in different geographies. Revenue for systems and spares is recognized at a point in time, which is generally upon shipment or delivery and evidenced by transfer of title and risk of loss to the customer. Revenue from services is recognized over time as the customer receives the benefit over the contractual period of generally one year or less.

The Company has elected the practical expedient to not assess whether a contract has a significant financing component as the Company's standard payment terms are less than one year.

The Company sells its products primarily through a direct sales force. In certain international markets, the Company sells its products through independent distributors.

Shipping And Handling Costs

Amounts billed to customers for shipping and handling of products are included in revenue. Costs incurred related to shipping and handling of products are included in cost of revenue.

Stock-based Compensation Expense

Stock-based compensation expense consists of expenses for stock options, restricted stock units ("RSUs"), performance RSUs ("PRSUs"), and an employee stock purchase plan ("ESPP"). Stock-based compensation cost for stock options and ESPP purchase rights is measured at each grant date, based on the fair value of the award using the Black-Scholes option valuation model, and is recognized as expense over the employee's requisite service period. For RSUs, PRSUs, restricted shares and performance restricted shares, stock-based compensation expense is based on the fair value of the Company's common stock at the grant date, and is recognized as expense over the employee's requisite service period. All of the Company's stock-based compensation is accounted for as an equity instrument.

Income Taxes

The Company accounts for income taxes in accordance with the authoritative guidance, which requires income tax effects for changes in tax laws to be recognized in the period in which the law is enacted. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the estimated future tax effects of temporary differences between the book and tax bases of assets and liabilities. Deferred tax assets are also recognized for net operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. Deferred tax assets are offset by a valuation allowance to the extent it is more likely than not that they are not expected to be realized. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are adjusted for the effect of a change in tax rates, laws, or status when the change is enacted.

As of May 30, 2025, the Company does not maintain a valuation allowance against its deferred assets. During the year ended May 31, 2024, the Company concluded that its deferred tax assets are more likely than not to become realizable, and as such, the Company reversed all \$21.9 million of its existing valuation allowance. The conclusion that a valuation allowance was no longer needed was based on three years of cumulative pre-tax income, current year utilization of federal and state net operating losses, combined with estimates of future years' pre-tax income that are sufficient to realize the remaining deferred tax assets. The amount of the deferred tax asset considered realizable can change if estimates of future taxable income change or if objective negative and positive evidence change.

The Company may recognize the tax benefit from an uncertain tax position only if it is more likely than not such tax position will be sustained on examination by the taxing authorities, based solely on the technical merits of the respective tax position. The tax benefits recognized in the consolidated financial statements from such a tax position should be measured based on the largest benefit having a greater than 50% likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement with the tax authority. Interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions are recognized in the provision for income taxes.

Comprehensive Income (Loss)

Comprehensive income (loss) generally represents all changes in shareholders' equity except those resulting from investments or contributions by shareholders. Unrealized gains and losses from available-for-sale securities and on foreign currency translation adjustments are included in the Company's components of comprehensive income (loss), which are excluded from net income (loss). Comprehensive income (loss) is included in the consolidated statements of comprehensive income (loss).

Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to the previous year consolidated financial statements to conform to the current period presentation. The reclassifications had no impact on net income, total assets, total liabilities, or shareholders' equity.

Accounting Standards Adopted

In November 2023, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standard Update ("ASU") 2023-07, Segment Reporting (Topic 280): Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures (ASU 2023-07), which requires disclosure of incremental segment information on an annual and interim basis. The Company adopted this standard on June 1, 2024. See Note 16, Segment Information for further details.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements Not Yet Adopted

In December 2023, the FASB issued ASU 2023-09, Income Taxes (Topic 740): Improvements to Income Tax Disclosures, which expands the disclosures required for income taxes. This ASU is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2024, with early adoption permitted. The amendment should be applied on a prospective basis while retrospective application is permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the effect of this pronouncement on its disclosures.

In November 2024, the FASB issued ASU 2024-03, Income Statement - Reporting Comprehensive Income - Expense Disaggregation Disclosures (Subtopic 220-40): Disaggregation of Income Statement Expenses, an accounting standard update to improve income statement expenses disclosures. The standard requires more detailed information related to the types of expenses, including (among other items) the amounts of purchases of inventory, employee compensation, depreciation and intangible asset amortization included within each interim and annual income statement's expense caption, as applicable. This authoritative guidance can be applied prospectively or retrospectively and will be effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2026, with early adoption permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the effect of this pronouncement on its disclosures.

2. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Company's financial instruments are measured at fair value consistent with authoritative guidance. This authoritative guidance defines fair value, establishes a framework for using fair value to measure assets and liabilities, and disclosures required related to fair value measurements.

The guidance establishes a fair value hierarchy based on inputs to valuation techniques that are used to measure fair value that is either observable or unobservable. Observable inputs reflect assumptions market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability based on market data obtained from independent sources while unobservable inputs reflect a reporting entity's pricing based upon their own market assumptions. The fair value hierarchy consists of the following three levels:

Level 1 - Observable inputs that reflect quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets.

Level 2 - Inputs that are based upon quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active, and model-based valuation techniques for which all significant inputs are observable in the market or can be derived from observable market data. Where applicable, these models project future cash flows and discount the future amounts to a present value using market-based observable inputs including interest rate curves, foreign exchange rates, and credit ratings.

Level 3 - Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activities.

The following table summarizes the Company's financial assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of May 30, 2025:

(In thousands)	Balance as of May 30, 2025	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Money market funds	\$ 21,461	\$ 21,461	\$ -	\$ -
Total	\$ 21,461	\$ 21,461	\$ -	\$ -

The following table summarizes the Company's financial assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of May 31, 2024:

(In thousands)	Balance as of May 31, 2024	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Money market funds	\$ 44,280	\$ 44,280	\$ -	\$ -
Total	\$ 44,280	\$ 44,280	\$ -	\$ -

As of May 30, 2025 and May 31, 2024, money market funds included restricted cash of \$0.2 million, representing a security deposit for the Company's manufacturing and office space lease in the United States, which is included in other non-current assets in the consolidated balance sheets.

There were no financial liabilities measured at fair value as of May 30, 2025 and May 31, 2024.

There were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 fair value measurements during the fiscal years ended May 30, 2025 and May 31, 2024.

The carrying amounts of financial instruments including cash equivalents, accounts receivables, accounts payable and certain other accrued liabilities, approximate fair value due to their short maturities.

3. BALANCE SHEET INFORMATION

Inventories consisted of the following:

(In thousands)	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024
Raw materials and sub-assemblies	\$ 30,644	\$ 22,410
Work in process	9,263	13,593
Finished goods	2,090	1,467
	<u>\$ 41,997</u>	<u>\$ 37,470</u>

Property and equipment, net consisted of the following:

(In thousands)	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024
Leasehold improvements	\$ 5,999	\$ 1,298
Machinery and equipment	3,846	4,180
Test equipment	2,898	1,928
Furniture and fixtures	1,331	175
Construction-in-process	362	638
	<u>14,436</u>	<u>8,219</u>
Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization	<u>(5,467)</u>	<u>(4,966)</u>
	<u>\$ 8,969</u>	<u>\$ 3,253</u>

Depreciation expense was \$1.0 million, \$0.7 million, and \$0.5 million in fiscal years 2025, 2024, and 2023, respectively.

Accrued expenses and other current liabilities consisted of the following:

(In thousands)	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024
Commissions and bonuses	\$ 1,420	\$ 1,290
Payroll related	1,335	1,202
Professional services	436	503
Warranty reserve	428	234
Escrow payable	1,762	-
Other	639	137
	<u>\$ 6,020</u>	<u>\$ 3,366</u>

Changes in the Company's warranty reserve were as follows:

(In thousands)	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024
Balance at the beginning of the period	\$ 234	\$ 267
Accruals for warranties issued during the period	679	511
Warranties acquired through business combination	144	-
Consumption of reserves	(629)	(544)
Balance at the end of the period	<u>\$ 428</u>	<u>\$ 234</u>

The accrued warranty balance is included in accrued expenses and other current liabilities on the consolidated balance sheets.

Deferred revenue, short-term consisted of the following:

(In thousands)	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024
Customer deposits	\$ 1,802	\$ 1,248
Deferred revenue	179	97
	<u>\$ 1,981</u>	<u>\$ 1,345</u>

4. BUSINESS COMBINATION

On July 31, 2024, the Company completed its acquisition of Incal Technology, Inc. ("Incal"), a company that specializes in packaged part reliability/burn-in test solutions. The acquisition date fair value of the consideration transferred for Incal was approximately \$22.2 million, which consisted of the following:

(In thousands)	Fair Value
Cash	\$ 10,631
Common stock under transfer restriction	9,381
Escrow payable	2,381
Working capital adjustments (1)	(240)
Total	<u>\$ 22,153</u>

(1) Included in Prepaid expenses and other current assets

As part of the purchase consideration, the Company issued 552,355 shares of its restricted common stock. The restricted stock issued to the shareholders of Incal is subject to a six-month holding period, during which time the shares cannot be transferred or sold without registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or pursuant to an available exemption. The fair value of the restricted shares was determined based on the closing price of the Company's common stock on the acquisition date, adjusted for a discount related to the lack of marketability due to the transfer restrictions. The total fair value of the restricted shares issued as part of the consideration was \$9.4 million.

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The escrow payable represented the present value of total escrow amount, net of certain indemnification, and was initially recorded within accrued expenses and other current liabilities and other long-term liabilities, respectively. The total escrow amount at the acquisition date included: (1) \$2.1 million designated for the sellers' indemnification obligations and expected to be settled after 15 months, and (2) \$0.7 million designated for the sellers' payment obligations and expected to be settled after 60 days. The escrow payable will be settled with cash of \$2.8 million held in an escrow account for working capital adjustments and potential indemnification obligations in connection with the acquisition of Incal. Of the \$2.8 million cash restricted in escrow, the Company initially recorded \$0.7 million within prepaid expenses and other current assets and \$2.1 million within Other non-current assets.

During the year ended May 30, 2025, the Company updated the purchase consideration, which reflects a reduction in the receivable related to the working capital adjustment from \$0.8 million to \$0.2 million and a reduction in escrow payable related to indemnification from \$2.8 million to \$2.5 million, based on negotiations with the seller. As a result, the total purchase consideration has been adjusted from \$21.9 million to \$22.2 million. Accordingly, the goodwill balance has increased from \$10.4 million to \$10.7 million. During the year ended May 30, 2025, the Company released \$0.7 million of cash previously held in escrow related to working capital adjustments.

During the year ended May 30, 2025, the Company recorded immaterial adjustments to certain assets and liability balances and finalized the fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the acquisition date in the table below:

(In thousands)	Fair Value
Cash	\$ 16
Accounts receivable	1,285
Inventory	2,558
Goodwill	10,719
Property and equipment	165
Intangible assets	12,000
Operating lease right-of-use assets	810
Other assets, current and noncurrent	63
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities, current and noncurrent	(2,180)
Deferred revenue	(489)
Operating lease liabilities, current and noncurrent	(714)
Deferred tax liabilities, net	(2,080)
Total	\$ 22,153

The goodwill recognized in connection with the acquisition is primarily attributable to anticipated synergies from future growth and will not be deductible for income tax purposes.

The following table summarizes the fair value of the separately identifiable intangible assets at the time of acquisition:

(In thousands)	Fair Value	Estimated Useful life (in years)
Developed technology	\$ 9,130	12
Trade names	1,050	10
Customer relationships	810	11
Non-compete agreements and others	1,010	1-3
Total intangible assets acquired	\$ 12,000	

Acquisition-related costs were \$0.5 million during the year ended May 30, 2025 and were expensed in the period incurred within selling, general and administrative expense in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations.

The Company's Consolidated Statement of Operations for the year ended May 30, 2025 included \$18.6 million in revenue and \$3.8 million in net income contributed by Incal from the date of acquisition. Pro forma results of operations for this acquisition have not been presented, as the financial impact to the Company's consolidated results of operations is not material.

5. GOODWILL AND PURCHASED INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Goodwill

The Company's goodwill activity during the year ended May 30, 2025 was as follows:

(In thousands)	Total
Balance as of May 31, 2024	\$ -
Addition due to business combination	10,719
Balance as of May 30, 2025	<u>\$ 10,719</u>

Goodwill was tested for impairment in the fourth quarter at the reporting unit level. There were no impairments to goodwill during the year ended May 30, 2025.

Purchased Intangible Assets

The Company's purchased intangible assets, net, were as follows:

(In thousands)	May 30, 2025		
	Gross	Accumulated Amortization	Net
Finite-lived intangible assets:			
Developed technology	\$ 9,130	\$ (634)	\$ 8,496
Trade names	1,050	(88)	962
Customer relationships	810	(61)	749
Non-compete agreements and others	1,010	(436)	574
Total	<u>\$ 12,000</u>	<u>\$ (1,219)</u>	<u>\$ 10,781</u>

Amortization expense related to purchased intangible assets with finite lives was \$1.2 million for the year ended May 30, 2025.

As of May 30, 2025, the estimated future amortization expense of purchased intangible assets with finite lives is as follows:

(In thousands)	Amount
2026	\$ 1,229
2027	1,183
2028	981
2029	939
2030	939
Thereafter	5,510
Total	<u>\$ 10,781</u>

There were no impairment charges related to purchased intangible assets for the year ended May 30, 2025.

6. INCOME TAXES

Domestic and foreign components of income (loss) before income tax expense (benefit) are as follows:

(In thousands)	Year Ended		
	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023
Domestic	\$ (4,422)	\$ 12,355	\$ 14,541
Foreign	131	103	76
	<u>\$ (4,291)</u>	<u>\$ 12,458</u>	<u>\$ 14,617</u>

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The income tax expense (benefit) consists of the following:

(In thousands)	May 30, 2025	Year Ended May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023
Federal income taxes:			
Current	\$ -	\$ 6	\$ 28
Deferred	(409)	(14,377)	-
State income taxes:			
Current	7	14	-
Deferred	(12)	(6,396)	-
Foreign income taxes:			
Current	33	55	32
Deferred	-	-	-
	<u>\$ (381)</u>	<u>\$ (20,698)</u>	<u>\$ 60</u>

The Company's effective tax rate differs from the U.S. federal statutory tax rate, as follows:

	May 30, 2025	Year Ended May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023
U.S. federal statutory tax rate	21.0%	21.0%	21.0%
State taxes, net of federal tax effect	0.1	(51.1)	-
Foreign rate differential	0.1	0.2	0.7
Stock-based compensation	(10.3)	(8.4)	(9.1)
Research and development credit	(1.3)	(1.5)	(2.3)
Change in valuation allowance	-	(126.0)	(9.3)
Other	(0.7)	(0.3)	(0.6)
Effective tax rate	<u>8.9%</u>	<u>(166.1)%</u>	<u>0.4%</u>

The components of the net deferred tax assets and liabilities are as follows:

(In thousands)	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024
Deferred tax assets:		
Net operating losses	\$ 7,945	\$ 9,344
Lease liability	2,295	1,310
Credit carryforwards	6,681	6,739
Inventory reserves	1,067	1,070
Reserves and accruals	1,368	855
Capitalized research and development	4,291	2,645
Other	-	23
	<u>23,647</u>	<u>21,986</u>
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Operating lease right-of-use assets	(2,035)	(1,213)
Intangibles	(2,285)	-
Other	(213)	-
Net deferred tax assets	<u>\$ 19,114</u>	<u>\$ 20,773</u>

During the year ended May 31, 2024, the Company concluded that its deferred tax assets are more likely than not to become realizable, and as such, the Company reversed all its existing valuation allowance totaling \$21.9 million. The conclusion that a valuation allowance was no longer needed was based on three years of cumulative pre-tax income, current year utilization of federal and state net operating losses, combined with estimates of future years' pre-tax income that are sufficient to realize the remaining deferred tax assets. The amount of the deferred tax asset considered realizable can change if estimates of future taxable income change or if objective negative and positive evidence change.

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At May 30, 2025 and May 31, 2024, the Company has federal net operating loss carryforwards of approximately \$28.0 million and \$34.6 million and respectively, that are available to reduce future taxable income. A portion of the federal net operating losses will begin to expire in 2034. Federal net operating losses of \$14.4 million will carryforward indefinitely and would be subject to an 80% taxable income limitation in the year utilized. At May 31, 2025 and May 31, 2024, the Company has state net operating loss carryforwards of \$29.7 million and \$29.8 million respectively, that are available to reduce future taxable income. The state net operating loss carryforwards will begin to expire in 2028.

At May 30, 2025 and May 31, 2024, the Company has federal research and development credit carryforwards of approximately \$3.2 million and \$3.3 million, respectively, that are available to offset future tax liability. The federal credit carryforwards began to expire in 2026. At May 30, 2025 and May 31, 2024, the Company has state research and development credit carryforwards of approximately \$7.1 million and \$7.1 million, respectively, that are available to offset future tax liability. The state credit carryforwards are not subject to expiration. The Company also has alternative minimum tax credit carryforwards of \$34.1 thousand for state purposes. The credits may be used to offset regular tax and do not expire.

Sections 382 and 383 of the Internal Revenue Code limit the annual use of NOL carryforwards and tax credit carryforwards, respectively, following an ownership change. NOL carryforwards may be subject to annual limitations under Section 382 (or comparable provisions of state law) if certain changes in ownership of our company were to occur. In general, an ownership change occurs for the purposes of Section 382 if there is a more than 50% change in ownership of a company by 5% shareholders over a 3-year testing period. During the year ended May 31, 2024, a Section 382 study was completed and it was determined that there is no limitation on the Company's ability to utilize its NOLs under Section 382. During the year ended May 30, 2025, the Company did not complete a formal Section 382 study on the potential limitation of its tax attributes due to no significant change in ownership.

The Company has made no provision for U.S. income taxes on undistributed earnings of certain foreign subsidiaries because it is the Company's intention to permanently reinvest such earnings in its foreign subsidiaries. If such earnings were distributed, the Company would be subject to additional U.S. income tax expense.

The Company maintains liabilities for uncertain tax positions and such liabilities relate primarily to estimated tax credits and are treated as a reduction of deferred tax assets for tax credit carryforward. These liabilities involve considerable judgment and estimation and are continuously monitored by management based on the best information available.

The aggregate changes in the balance of gross unrecognized tax benefits are as follows:

(In thousands)	
Balance at May 31, 2022	\$ 2,018
Increases related to prior year tax positions	90
Increases related to current year tax positions	168
Balance at May 31, 2023	2,276
Increases related to prior year tax positions	35
Decreases related to prior year tax positions	(28)
Increases related to current year tax positions	233
Decreases related to current year tax positions	(32)
Balance at May 31, 2024	2,484
Decreases related to prior year tax positions	(23)
Balance at May 30, 2025	\$ 2,461

As of May 30, 2025 and May 31, 2024, the total amount of unrecognized tax benefits was approximately \$2.5 million and \$2.5 million, respectively. The unrecognized tax benefit of \$2.5 million would impact the effective tax rate, if recognized. The Company had zero accrued interest and accrued penalties related to unrecognized tax benefit as of May 30, 2025. The Company does not expect its unrecognized tax benefits to change materially over the next 12 months. The Company policy is to recognize interest and penalties in income tax expense.

The Company's federal and state income tax returns are subject to possible examination by the taxing authorities until the expiration of the related statutes of limitations on those tax returns. In general, the federal income tax returns have a three-year statute of limitations, and the state income tax returns have a four-year statute of limitations. The Company's foreign income tax returns are also subject to examination by the foreign tax authorities with the longest statute of limitations period of four-year. The Company is not currently under audit with the Internal Revenue Service, or any foreign, state or local jurisdictions, nor has it been notified of any other potential future income tax audit.

7. LEASES

The Company leases its manufacturing and office space under operating leases. The principal administrative and production facility is located in Fremont, California, in a 51,289 square foot building. The Company entered into a non-cancelable operating lease agreement for its United States manufacturing and office facility, which was amended in December 2022 to extend the lease term to September 2030. The total commitments, net of tenant incentives of up to \$0.3 million, under the modified lease are \$8.6 million. The modified lease contains an option to further extend the lease for five years. The lease modification resulted in an increase in the Company's operating lease right-of-use assets and operating lease liabilities of \$5.9 million each in December 2022. In April 2025, it became reasonably certain that the Company would exercise the five-year lease extension option ending in September 2035 due to the remodeling of the Fremont manufacturing and administrative office. As a result, the lease modification increased the Company's operating lease right-of-use assets and operating lease liabilities by \$4.6 million each. The Company leases a 492 square foot sales and support office in Utting, Germany. The lease, which began on February 1, 1992, contains an automatic twelve months renewal. The Company leases a facility in the Philippines located in a 6,458 square foot building in Clark Freeport Zone, Pampanga. The lease, amended in 2023, began on November 1, 2023 and expires on June 30, 2029 with an option to renew for another three or five years at the prevailing market rate. Under the lease agreements, the Company is responsible for payments of utilities, taxes and insurance. In connection with the acquisition of Incal, the Company assumed the lease obligation for Incal's office located in Fremont, California, which expires on July 31, 2026. Management decided to vacate the Incal office in May 2025 following the relocation of employees to the Company's principal facilities in Fremont to consolidate the Company's California operations. As a result of this decision and the associated change in the facility's intended use, the Company determined that the carrying value of the right-of-use asset associated with the Incal facility was no longer recoverable and recorded an impairment charge of \$0.5 million as of May 30, 2025. The charge is reflected in restructuring charges in the consolidated statements of operations.

The Company has only operating leases for real estate including corporate offices, warehouse space and certain equipment. A lease with an initial term of 12 months or less is generally not recorded on the consolidated balance sheets, unless the arrangement includes an option to purchase the underlying asset, or renew the arrangement that the Company is reasonably certain to exercise. The Company recognizes lease expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term for short-term leases that the Company does not record on its consolidated balance sheets. The Company's operating leases have remaining lease terms of one year to ten years.

The Company determines whether an arrangement is or contains a lease based on the unique facts and circumstances present at the inception of the arrangement. Operating lease liabilities and their corresponding right-of-use assets are recorded based on the present value of lease payments over the expected lease term. The interest rate implicit in lease contracts is typically not readily determinable. As such, the Company utilizes the appropriate incremental borrowing rate, which is the rate incurred to borrow on a collateralized basis over a similar term at an amount equal to the lease payments in a similar economic environment. Certain adjustments to the right-of-use asset may be required for items such as initial direct costs paid or incentives received.

As of May 30, 2025, the weighted average remaining lease term for the Company's operating leases was 9.9 years and the weighted average discount rate was 6.95%.

The Company's operating lease cost was \$1.6 million, \$1.2 million, and \$0.9 million for the years ended May 30, 2025, May 31, 2024, and May 31, 2023.

The following table presents supplemental cash flow information related to the Company's operating leases:

(In thousands)	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023
Operating cash flows paid for operating leases	\$ 1,239	\$ 916	\$ 835
Right of use assets obtained in exchange for operating leases liabilities	\$ 4,619	\$ 318	\$ 5,855

The following table presents the maturities of the Company's operating lease liabilities as of May 30, 2025:

(In thousands)	Operating Leases
Fiscal year	
2026	\$ 1,635
2027	1,350
2028	1,316
2029	1,361
2030	1,341
Thereafter	8,327
Total future minimum operating lease payments	15,330
Less: imputed interest	(4,500)
Present value of operating lease liabilities	\$ 10,830

8. RETIREMENT PLAN

The Company maintains a defined contribution savings plan named AEHR Test Systems 401(k) Savings & Retirement Plan (the “401(k) Plan”) to provide retirement savings to all qualified employees of the Company. The 401(k) Plan is intended to be qualified under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The 401(k) Plan is funded by voluntary pre-tax contributions from employees. Contributions are invested, as directed by the participant, in investment funds available under the 401(k) Plan. Effective July 1, 2024, the Company implemented a discretionary matching contribution under its 401(k) Plan. All matching contributions are 100% vested immediately. The Company’s matching contributions to the 401(k) Plan totaled \$0.3 million during fiscal 2025. No matching contributions were made during fiscal years 2024 and 2023.

9. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Commitment

Purchase obligations consist of non-cancelable significant contractual obligations. As of May 30, 2025, the Company’s unconditional purchase obligations, which have a remaining term in excess of 12 months, are not material.

Contingencies

The Company may, from time to time, be involved in legal proceedings arising in the ordinary course of business. While there can be no assurances as to the ultimate outcome of any litigation involving the Company, management does not believe any pending legal proceedings will result in judgment or settlement that will have a material adverse effect on the Company’s consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

On December 3, 2024, a putative shareholder class action lawsuit captioned Lucid Alternative Fund, LP v. Aehr Test Systems, Inc. was filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California against the Company. The lawsuit alleged, in part, that the Company and certain of its executives made materially false and misleading statements regarding the Company’s earnings guidance and other financial projections for 2024. The lawsuit sought unspecified monetary damages and purported to represent purchasers of the Company’s securities between January 9, 2024 and March 24, 2024. On February 3, 2025, Lucid and individual investor Yue Guo each filed motions requesting appointment as lead plaintiff. On March 19, 2025, the court appointed Yue Guo, who is represented by Rosen Law, as lead plaintiff in the shareholder class action. On April 4, 2025, the court ordered lead plaintiff to file an amended complaint or designate the existing complaint as operative by May 16, 2025; defendants to file their anticipated motion to dismiss by June 6, 2025; lead plaintiff to respond to the motion by June 27, 2025; and defendants to reply by July 11, 2025. The court scheduled a hearing on defendants’ motion to dismiss for August 8, 2025. On May 16, 2025, the court-appointed lead plaintiff elected to dismiss the case voluntarily, with all parties to bear their own fees and costs. The Court subsequently closed the case. Additionally, two shareholder derivative complaints were filed, alleging breaches of fiduciary duties and other misconduct by certain directors and officers of the Company. The derivative complaints were consolidated before the same judge as the putative shareholder class action lawsuit under the caption *In re Aehr Test Systems, Inc. Stockholder Derivative Litigation*, No. 3:24-cv-09236-SI. On April 28, 2025, the court entered an order staying the consolidated action pending resolution of any motion(s) to dismiss, including any related appeal(s), in the *Lucid* litigation. On June 9, 2025, the court dismissed the derivative action without prejudice pursuant to the parties’ stipulation. The Company believes the claims in all three lawsuits were without merit. Following the voluntary dismissal of the shareholder class action and the court’s dismissal of the consolidated derivative action, no related proceedings are currently pending.

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On October 16, 2024, the Company filed a complaint with the China Suzhou Intermediate Court to protect its intellectual property rights in China against Suzhou Semight Instruments Co., Ltd. ("Semight") and its related entities and/or distributors, alleging infringement of the Company's two patents related to wafer burn-in systems and wafer reliability test systems. The Company is seeking injunctive relief, claiming that Semight's actions have infringed upon its intellectual property rights and caused substantial harm to its business. The Company believes its claims are valid and is vigorously pursuing its legal remedies. At this stage, the outcome of the litigation is uncertain, and the Company is unable to predict the likelihood of success or estimate the potential financial impact, if any, on its consolidated financial statements. The Company has also incurred and expects to continue to incur legal expenses related to this matter. On November 15 and December 6, 2024, Semight filed a petition for invalidation to the two aforementioned Chinese patents with the Department of National Intellectual Properties in Beijing, respectively. The oral hearings for both of the patents have been held, and the decision has been issued for both patents that upholds part of the claims. In addition, the Company received a suspension ruling from Suzhou Intermediate People's Court on the infringement proceedings, pending the outcome of the validity rulings. With both patents having been upheld, the suspended infringement proceedings are expected to resume shortly.

In the normal course of business to facilitate sales of its products, the Company indemnifies other parties, including customers, with respect to certain matters, for example, including against losses arising from a breach of representations or covenants, or from intellectual property infringement or other claims. These agreements may limit the time within which an indemnification claim can be made and the amount of the claim. In addition, the Company has entered into indemnification agreements with its officers and directors, and the Company's bylaws contain similar indemnification obligations to the Company's agents.

It is not possible to determine the maximum potential amount under these indemnification agreements due to the limited history of prior indemnification claims and the unique facts and circumstances involved in each particular agreement. To date, payments made by the Company under these agreements have not had a material impact on the Company's operating results, financial position or cash flow.

10. EQUITY

On August 25, 2021, the Board of Directors authorized management to take actions necessary for the execution of a \$75 million shelf registration. A Registration Statement on Form S-3 was filed with the SEC on September 3, 2021. A Prospectus Supplement for sales of \$25 million of common stock pursuant to an "At the Market" ("ATM") offering program was subsequently filed on September 17, 2021. The Company sold 1,696,729 shares of common stock at an average selling price of \$14.73 per share between September and October 2021. The gross proceeds to the Company were \$25 million, before commission fees of \$0.7 million and offering expenses of \$0.3 million. Another Prospectus Supplement for an ATM sale of \$25 million of common stock was subsequently filed on February 8, 2023. The Company sold 208,917 shares of common stock at an average selling price of \$34.78 per share in February 2023. The gross proceeds to the Company during the quarter ended February 28, 2023 were \$7.3 million, before commissions of \$0.2 million and offering expenses of \$0.2 million. The 2021 registration statement expired in September 2024.

On October 15, 2024, the Board of Directors authorized management to execute a new \$100 million shelf registration, and a Registration Statement on Form S-3 was filed with the SEC. Additionally, a Prospectus Supplement for sales of \$40 million of common stock pursuant to an ATM offering program was subsequently filed on October 29, 2025. No proceeds were raised from the ATM during fiscal 2025. The remaining amount of the ATM offering program was \$40 million as of May 30, 2025.

11. REVENUE

Disaggregation of Revenue

The following tables show revenues by major product categories. Within each product category, contract terms, conditions and economic factors affecting the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty around revenue recognition and cash flow are substantially similar.

The Company's revenues by product category are as follows:

(In thousands)	Year Ended		
	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023
Systems	\$ 21,978	\$ 24,169	\$ 38,844
Contactors	30,848	37,560	21,873
Services	6,142	4,489	4,244
	<u>\$ 58,968</u>	<u>\$ 66,218</u>	<u>\$ 64,961</u>

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The following presents information about the Company's operations in different geographic areas. Net revenues are based on ship-to locations:

(In thousands)	Year Ended		
	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023
Asia	\$ 37,095	\$ 58,076	\$ 55,609
United States	17,673	3,532	9,289
Europe	4,200	4,610	63
	<u>\$ 58,968</u>	<u>\$ 66,218</u>	<u>\$ 64,961</u>

With the exception of the amount of service contracts and extended warranties, the Company's product category revenues are recognized at point in time when control transfers to customers. The following presents revenue based on timing of recognition:

(In thousands)	Year Ended		
	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023
Timing of revenue recognition:			
Products and services transferred at a point in time	\$ 57,745	\$ 64,590	\$ 63,531
Services transferred over time	1,223	1,628	1,430
	<u>\$ 58,968</u>	<u>\$ 66,218</u>	<u>\$ 64,961</u>

Contract Balances

Accounts receivable are recognized in the period the Company delivers goods and provides services or when the Company's right to consideration is unconditional. Contract assets include unbilled receivables which represent revenues that are earned in advance of scheduled billings to customers. These amounts are primarily related to product sales where transfer of control has occurred but the Company has not yet invoiced. As of May 30, 2025 and May 31, 2024, unbilled receivables were \$3.6 million and \$0.2 million, respectively, and were included in prepaid expenses and other current assets on the accompanying consolidated balance sheets.

Contract liabilities include payments received in advance of performance under a contract and are satisfied as the associated revenue is recognized. Contract liabilities as of May 30, 2025 and May 31, 2024 were \$2.0 million and \$1.4 million, respectively, and were included in deferred revenue, short-term and deferred revenue, long-term on the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. During the fiscal years ended May 30, 2025 and May 31, 2024, the Company recognized \$1.3 million and \$2.8 million, respectively, of revenues that were included in contract liabilities as of May 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

Remaining Performance Obligations

As of May 30, 2025, the remaining performance obligations, exclusive of customer deposits, which were comprised of deferred service contracts and extended warranty contracts not yet delivered, are not material. The foregoing excludes the value of the remaining performance obligations that have original durations of one year or less, and also excludes information about variable consideration allocated entirely to a wholly unsatisfied performance obligation.

Costs to Obtain or Fulfill a Contract

The Company generally expenses sales commissions when incurred as a component of selling, general and administrative expense as the amortization period is typically less than one year. Additionally, the majority of the Company's cost of fulfillment as a manufacturer of products is classified as inventory and fixed assets, which are accounted for under the respective guidance for those asset types. Other costs of contract fulfillment are immaterial due to the nature of the Company's products and their respective manufacturing process.

12. EMPLOYEE STOCK PLANS

2023 Equity Incentive Plan

On October 23, 2023, the shareholders of the Company approved the 2023 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2023 Plan") to replace the Company's 2016 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2016 Plan") and reserved a total of 1,500,000 shares of common stock under the 2023 Plan.

The 2023 Plan permits grants to employees of share-based awards, including stock options, RSUs, PRSUs, restricted shares, performance restricted shares. Full value awards, which are equity awards other than options, stock appreciation rights or other awards that are based solely on an increase in value of the shares following the grant date, when granted or forfeited will be counted as the same number of common stock shares added or deducted to the remaining available shares for issuance under the 2023 Plan.

2016 Equity Incentive Plan

In October 2016, the Company's 2016 Plan was approved by the Company's shareholders. The 2016 Plan replaced the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan and would continue in effect until 2026. The exercise price of each stock option equals the market value of the Company's common stock on the date of grant. Options typically vest over four years, subject to the grantee's continued service with the Company through the scheduled vesting date, and expire in seven years from the grant date. A total of 4,848,000 shares of common stock have been reserved for issuance under the Company's 2016 Plan. Full value awards, which are equity awards other than options, stock appreciation rights or other awards that are based solely on an increase in value of the shares following the grant date, when granted or forfeited will be counted as two times the number of shares added or deducted to the remaining available shares for issuance under the 2016 Plan.

The following table summarizes the total stock-based compensation expense for the fiscal years ended May 30, 2025, May 31, 2024, and May 31, 2023:

(In thousands, except per share data)	Year Ended		
	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023
Cost of sales	\$ 737	\$ 330	\$ 331
Research and development	1,476	639	706
Selling, general and administrative	2,949	1,549	1,711
Net effect on net income (loss)	<u>\$ 5,162</u>	<u>\$ 2,518</u>	<u>\$ 2,748</u>
Effect on net income (loss) per share:			
Basic	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.10
Diluted	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.09

As of May 30, 2025 and May 31, 2024, stock-based compensation totaling \$0.3 million and \$0.3 million, respectively, was capitalized as part of inventory.

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The following table presents the combined stock activities and the total number of shares available for grant under the Company's equity incentive plans:

(in thousands)	Available Shares for Grant
Balance, May 31, 2022	735
Options granted	(110)
RSUs granted	(674)
RSUs cancelled	60
Options terminated	16
Balance, May 31, 2023	27
Shares issued under 2023 Equity Incentive Plan	1,500
Shares retired under 2016 Equity Incentive Plan	(95)
Options granted	(4)
RSUs granted	(221)
RSUs cancelled	144
Options terminated	12
Balance, May 31, 2024	1,363
RSUs granted	(634)
RSUs cancelled	70
Options terminated	2
Balance, May 30, 2025	801

Restricted Stock Units, Performance Restricted Stock Units and Restricted Stock Awards

The Company's nonvested RSU, PRSU and restricted stock awards granted to employees and members of the Company's Board of Directors for the fiscal year ended May 30, 2025 were as follows:

	Number of Shares (in thousands)	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value Per Share	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term (In Years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (in thousands)
Unvested, May 31, 2024	294	\$ 20.08	2.3	\$ 3,381
Granted (1)	634	14.74		
Vested	(194)	15.10		
Forfeited (2)	(70)	15.75		
Unvested, May 30, 2025	664	\$ 16.89	2.1	\$ 6,330

(1) Includes 277,000 original performance-based awards, of which 80,000 performance-based awards have target achievement goals whereby the grantee can earn up to 200% of the original award (up to 161,000 shares) if the maximum target goals are met. During the year ended May 30, 2025, 23,000 shares were earned as a result of target goals being met in excess of 100% achievement. The remaining awards are earned at 100% if the target goals are achieved.

(2) Includes 54,000 performance-based awards for which target goals have not been achieved.

During fiscal 2025, the Company recorded stock-based compensation related to RSUs, PRSUs, performance restricted shares and restricted shares of \$3.7 million. As of May 30, 2025, the total unrecognized compensation expense related to unvested RSU, PRSU and restricted shares was \$6.9 million. This expense will be amortized on a straight-line basis over a weighted average period of approximately 2.1 years.

Stock Options

The following table summarized the stock option transactions during fiscal 2025:

	Number of Shares (in thousands)	Weighted Average Exercise Price Per Share	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term (In Years)	Aggregated Intrinsic Value (in thousands)
Balances, May 31, 2024	702	\$ 4.37	3.3	\$ 5,320
Options terminated	(2)			
Options exercised	(55)			
Balances, May 30, 2025	645	\$ 4.47	2.3	\$ 3,619
Options exercisable, May 30, 2025	585	\$ 3.85	2.1	\$ 3,531
Options exercisable and expected to vest	645	\$ 4.47	2.3	\$ 3,619

The fair value of the Company's stock options granted to employees was estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes model and the straight-line attribution approach with the following weighted average assumptions:

	Year Ended	
	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023
Expected term (in years)	5	5-6
Volatility	93%	86%
Risk-free interest rates	4.34%	3.12%
Weighted average grant date fair value	\$ 36.02	\$ 6.29

No options were granted during the year ended May 30, 2025. The total intrinsic values of options exercised were \$0.6 million, \$9.5 million, and \$17.1 million during fiscal 2025, 2024, and 2023, respectively.

During fiscal year 2025, the Company recorded stock-based compensation related to its stock options of \$0.5 million. As of May 30, 2025, the Company had \$0.4 million of total unrecognized compensation expense related to unvested stock options granted and outstanding which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average remaining period of 1.3 years.

Employee Stock Purchase Plan

The ESPP permits employees to purchase common stock at a discount through payroll withholdings at certain specified dates (purchase period) within a defined offering period. The purchase price is 85.0% of the fair market value of the common stock at the end of the purchase period and is intended to qualify as an "employee stock purchase plan" under Section 423 of the Internal Revenue Code.

For the fiscal years ended May 30, 2025, May 31, 2024, and May 31, 2023, approximately 116,000, 72,000, and 211,000 shares of common stock were issued under the ESPP. As of May 30, 2025, 210,000 shares remain available for issuance under the ESPP.

The fair value of each purchase right under the ESPP was estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes model with the following weighted average assumptions:

	Year Ended		
	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023
Expected term (in years)	0.5 - 2.0	0.5 - 2.0	0.5 - 2.0
Volatility	80% - 95%	70% - 94%	91% - 203%
Risk-free interest rates	3.61% - 4.36%	4.72% - 5.53%	3.97% - 4.94%
Weighted average grant date fair value	\$ 2.01	\$ 6.30	\$ 13.60

During fiscal years 2025, 2024, and 2023, the Company recorded stock-based compensation related to its ESPP of \$1.0 million, \$0.8 million, and \$0.8 million, respectively.

As of May 30, 2025, the total unrecognized compensation expense related to purchase rights under the ESPP was \$1.0 million. This expense will be amortized on a straight-line basis over a weighted average period of approximately 1.3 years.

Employee Stock Ownership Plan

The Company had a non-contributory, trustee employee stock ownership plan or Employee Stock Ownership Plan (“ESOP”) for full-time and part-time employees. The Company can contribute either shares of the Company’s stock or cash to the ESOP. During the fiscal years ended May 30, 2025, May 31, 2024, and May 31, 2023, the Company contributed 26,064, 9,085, and 29,832 shares to the ESOP. As a result, the Company recognized stock-based compensation expense totaling zero, \$0.3 million, and \$0.3 million during the fiscal years ended May 30, 2025, May 31, 2024, and May 31, 2023, respectively. Shares held in the ESOP are included in the net income (loss) per share calculation. The Company terminated its ESOP plan in fiscal year 2025 and began to provide a matching contribution to the participants of the 401(k) Plan.

13. RESTRUCTURING CHARGES

In the fourth quarter of fiscal 2025, the Company initiated a restructuring plan to consolidate facilities and optimize cost structure in order to more effectively support the Company’s long-term strategic objectives. Restructuring charges relate to impairment of long-lived assets that will no longer be used in operations, including right-of-use assets and facility-related property, contract termination costs and facility exit-related costs.

The following table presents restructuring charges included in the Consolidated Statements of Operations:

	Year Ended
(In thousands)	May 30,
	2025
Asset impairments	\$ 584
Contract termination	188
Facility exit-related	92
Total	<u>\$ 864</u>

There were no restructuring charges for the years ended May 31, 2024 and 2023.

The Company recorded a restructuring liability of \$0.2 million as of May 30, 2025, primarily related to contract termination costs, which is included as a component of accrued expenses and other current liabilities.

14. NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE

Basic net income (loss) per share is determined using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted net income per share is determined using the weighted average number of common shares and potential common shares (representing the hypothetical number of incremental shares issuable under the assumed exercise of outstanding stock options, and vesting of outstanding RSUs and ESPP shares) during the period using the treasury stock method. The calculation of dilutive shares outstanding excludes securities that would have an antidilutive effect on net income per share.

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The following table presents the computation of basic and diluted net income (loss) per share:

(In thousands, except per share data)	Year Ended		
	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023
Numerator:			
Net income (loss)	\$ (3,910)	\$ 33,156	\$ 14,557
Denominator:			
Basic weighted average shares outstanding	29,581	28,818	27,785
Dilutive effect of common equivalent shares outstanding	-	799	1,430
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding	29,581	29,617	29,215
Net income (loss) per share - Basic	\$ (0.13)	\$ 1.15	\$ 0.52
Net income (loss) per share - Diluted	\$ (0.13)	\$ 1.12	\$ 0.50
Antidilutive employee share-based awards, excluded	1,781	351	5

15. ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE LOSS

Changes in the components of accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax, were as follows:

(In thousands)	Cumulative translation adjustment	Unrealized loss on investments, net	Total
Balance as of May 31, 2023	\$ (138)	\$ (17)	\$ (155)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	(20)	17	(3)
Balance as of May 31, 2024	(158)	-	(158)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	32		32
Balance as of May 30, 2025	\$ (126)	\$ -	\$ (126)

16. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Company's chief executive officer, who is the chief operating decision maker ("CODM"), reviews discrete financial information presented at the consolidated basis, to assess performance and allocate resources. There are no segment managers who are held accountable for operations or operating results below the consolidated unit level. Accordingly, the Company has only one reportable segment. The information for revenue category by type, geography and timing of revenue recognition, is summarized in Note 11, "Revenue."

The CODM reviews consolidated expense information under the categories that are reported on the Consolidated Statement of Operations, for the purpose of allocating resources and evaluating financial performance.

Property and equipment information is based on the physical location of the assets. The following table presents property and equipment information for geographic areas:

(In thousands)	May 30, 2025	May 31, 2024
United States	\$ 8,892	\$ 3,128
International	77	125
Total property and equipment, net	\$ 8,969	\$ 3,253

As of May 30, 2025, the operating lease right-of-use assets of \$9.3 million and \$0.3 million were allocated to the United States and international locations, respectively. As of May 31, 2024, operating lease right-of-use assets of \$5.4 million and \$0.3 million were allocated to the United States and international locations, respectively.

17. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On July 4, 2025, the One Big Beautiful Bill Act was enacted. Among other changes, it permanently extends several corporate tax provisions formerly expiring in 2025, alters depreciation/amortization rules (including full R&D expensing and bonus depreciation), modifies interest deductibility limits, and discontinues or phases out certain energy tax credits. The company is currently evaluating the impacts on its financial statements including its effective tax rate and deferred tax assets and liabilities in future years.

Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

None.

Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

(a) Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures.

Our management evaluated, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act, as of the end of the period covered by this Annual Report on Form 10-K. Based on this evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective to ensure that information we are required to disclose in reports that we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in Securities and Exchange Commission rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow for timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

(b) Management's report on internal control over financial reporting.

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) of the Exchange Act. Under the supervision and with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, our management conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting based upon the framework in "*Internal Control – Integrated Framework*" (2013 Framework) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Our assessment excluded internal control over financial reporting at Incal Technology, Inc, which was acquired on July 31, 2024 and whose revenue constitutes 31.5% of the Company's consolidated revenue for the year ended May 30, 2025. We will include this acquired entity in our assessment of the effectiveness of internal controls over financial reporting in the fiscal year 2026 annual management report, the annual management report following the first anniversary of the acquisition. Based on our evaluation under the framework set forth in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework (2013)*, our management has concluded that the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective as of May 30, 2025.

(c) Changes in internal controls over financial reporting.

There were no changes in our internal controls over financial reporting that occurred during the period covered by this Annual Report on Form 10-K that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal controls over financial reporting.

Item 9B. Other Information

Change in Fiscal Year

On July 11, 2024, the Board of Directors approved a change in the Company's fiscal year-end from May 31 to a 4-4-5 fiscal calendar ending on the Friday closest to May 31. The change is being made to better align financial reporting with operational cycles.

The change in fiscal year did not impact the Company's previously issued consolidated financial statements or tax reporting. The new fiscal year began on June 1, 2024, and ended on May 30, 2025, following the 4-4-5 calendar format.

Amended and Restated Bylaws

On February 24, 2025, the Board of Directors of the Company approved and adopted the Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Company (the "Amended and Restated Bylaws"), effective immediately. Among other things, the Amended and Restated Bylaws (i) added advance notice provisions for the nomination of directors or the proposal of other business at stockholder meetings, and (ii) made other administrative, modernizing, clarifying, and conforming changes. These changes were previously disclosed in a Form 8-K filed on February 28, 2025. Refer to the 8-K for further details.

Insider Adoption or Termination of Trading Arrangements

On May 14, 2025, Gayn Erickson, President and Chief Executive Officer, adopted a Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense of Rule 10b5-1(c) for the sale of up to 291,088 shares of the Company's common stock until May 14, 2027.

Item 9C. Disclosure Regarding Foreign Jurisdiction that Prevent Inspections

Not applicable.

PART III

Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance

The information required by this item is incorporated by reference to our Proxy Statement to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with our 2025 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

We have adopted an insider trading policy governing the purchase, sale, and other dispositions of our securities by our directors, officers, employees and other individuals associated with us that we believe is reasonably designed to promote compliance with insider trading laws, rules and regulations, and any applicable listing standards. A copy of our insider trading policy is filed as Exhibit 19.1 to this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Item 11. Executive Compensation

The information required by this item is incorporated by reference to our Proxy Statement to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with our 2025 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters

The information required by this item is incorporated by reference to our Proxy Statement to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with our 2025 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence

The information required by this item is incorporated by reference to our Proxy Statement to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with our 2025 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services

The information required by this item is incorporated by reference to our Proxy Statement to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with our 2025 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

PART IV

Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules

(a) The following documents are filed as part of this Report:

1. Financial Statements
See Index under Item 8.
2. Financial Statement Schedule
None.
3. Exhibits
See Item 15(b) below.

(b) Exhibits

The following exhibits are filed as part of or incorporated by reference into this Report:

Exhibit No.	Description
3.1(1)	Restated Articles of Incorporation of Registrant.
3.2(2)	Amended and Restated Bylaws of Registrant.
4.1(3)	Form of Common Stock certificate.
4.2(4)	Registration Rights Agreement by and among the Company and the Investors (as defined therein), dated as of September 22, 2016.
4.3(5)	Description of Securities
10.1(6)	Amended and Restated 2006 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.*
10.2(7)	2016 Equity Incentive Plan.*
10.3(8)	Form of Indemnification Agreement entered into between Registrant and its directors and executive officers.*
10.4(9)	Form of Change of Control Agreement.*
10.5(10)	Lease dated August 3, 1999 for facilities located at Building C, 400 Kato Terrace, Fremont, California.
10.6(11)	First Amendment dated May 06, 2008 for facilities located at 400 Kato Terrace, Fremont, California.
10.7(12)	Second Amendment dated November 7, 2014 for facilities located at 400 Kato Terrace, Fremont, California.
10.8(13)	Third Amendment dated February 27, 2018 for facilities located at 400 Kato Terrace, Fremont, California.
10.9(14)	Offer Letter dated January 3, 2012, between the Company and Gayn Erickson.*
10.10(15)	Offer Letter dated March 5, 2013, between the Company and Rhea Posedel.*
10.11(16)	Form of Change in Control and Severance Agreement by and between AeHR Test Systems and its executive officers.*
10.12(17)	Amended and Restated Change of Control Severance Agreement dated March 5, 2013, between the Company and Rhea J. Posedel.*
10.13(18)	Form of 2016 Equity Incentive Plan Stock Option Award Agreement.*

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10.14(19)	Form of 2016 Equity Incentive Plan Restricted Stock Unit Award.*
10.15(20)	Purchase Agreement by and among the Company and the Investors (as defined therein), dated as of September 22, 2016.
10.16(21)	Equity Distribution Agreement, dated as of September 17, 2021, by and between Craig-Hallum Capital Group LLC and Aehr Test Systems
10.17(22)	Equity Distribution Agreement, dated as of February 7, 2023, by and among William Blair & Company L.L.C., Craig-Hallum Capital Group LLC and Aehr Test Systems
10.18(23)	Fourth Amendment dated December 5, 2022 for facilities located at 400 Kato Terrace, Fremont, California.
10.19(24)	2023 Equity Incentive Plan
19.1	Aehr Test Systems Insider Trading Policy (filed herewith).
21.1(25)	Subsidiaries of the Company.
23.1	Consent of BPM LLP - Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm (filed herewith).
24.1	Power of Attorney (incorporated by reference to the signature page of this Annual Report on Form 10-K).
31.1	Certification Statement of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302(a) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (filed herewith).
31.2	Certification Statement of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302(a) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (filed herewith).
32.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (furnished herewith).
32.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (furnished herewith).
97.1(26)	Aehr Test Systems Policy for Recovery of Erroneously Awarded Compensation, effective as of August 14, 2023
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as Inline XBRL and contained in Exhibit 101)

- (1) Incorporated by reference to the same-numbered exhibit previously filed with the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed June 11, 1997 (File No. 333-28987).
- (2) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 previously filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed February 28, 2025 (File No. 000-22893).
- (3) Incorporated by reference to the same-numbered exhibit previously filed with Amendment No.1 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed July 17, 1997 (File No. 333-28987).
- (4) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 previously filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed September 28, 2016 (File No. 000-22893).
- (5) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.3 previously filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed August 27, 2021 (File No. 000-22893).
- (6) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 previously filed with the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed November 14, 2016 (File No. 333-214589).
- (7) Incorporated by reference to Appendix A of the Company's Definitive Proxy Statement filed September 26, 2019 (File No. 333-214589).
- (8) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 previously filed with Amendment No.1 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed July 17, 1997 (File No. 333-28987).
- (9) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.14 previously filed with the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended May 31, 2001 filed August 29, 2001 (File No. 000-22893).
- (10) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.12 exhibit previously filed with the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended May 31, 1999 filed August 30, 1999 (File No. 000-22893).
- (11) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.15 previously filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed May 9, 2008 (File No. 000-22893).
- (12) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 previously filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed November 12, 2014 (File No. 000-22893).
- (13) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 previously filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed March 2, 2018 (File No. 000-22893).
- (14) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.1 previously filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed January 9, 2012 (File No. 000-22893).
- (15) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.1 previously filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed March 8, 2013 (File No. 000-22893).
- (16) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.1 previously filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed September 6, 2024 (File No. 000-22893).
- (17) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.2 previously filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed March 8, 2013 (File No. 000-22893).
- (18) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.19 previously filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed August 29, 2017 (File No. 000-22893).
- (19) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.20 previously filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed August 29, 2017 (File No. 000-22893).
- (20) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 previously filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed September 28, 2016 (File No. 000-22893).
- (21) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1.1 previously filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed September 17, 2021 (File No. 000-22893).
- (22) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.3 previously filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed August 27, 2021 (File No. 000-22893).
- (23) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 previously filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed December 5, 2022 (File No. 000-22893).

- (24) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 of the Company's S-8 filed October 27, 2023 (File No. 333-275202).
- (25) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 21.1 previously filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed August 27, 2021 (File No. 000-22893).
- (26) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 97 previously filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed July 30, 2024 (File No. 000-22893).

* Management contracts or compensation plans or arrangements in which directors or executive officers are eligible to participate.

Item 16. Form 10-K Summary

None.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Annual Report on Form 10-K to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: July 28, 2025

AEHR TEST SYSTEMS

By: /s/ GAYN ERICKSON

Gayn Erickson

PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

(Principal Executive Officer)

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Gayn Erickson and Chris P. Siu, jointly and severally, his attorneys-in-fact, each with the power of substitution, for him in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments to this Annual Report on Form 10-K, and to file the same, with exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, hereby ratifying and confirming all that each of said attorneys-in-fact, or his substitute or substitutes, may do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1934, this Annual Report on Form 10-K has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
<u>/s/ RHEA J. POSEDEL</u> Rhea J. Posedel	Chairman	<u>July 28, 2025</u>
<u>/s/ GAYN ERICKSON</u> Gayn Erickson	President, Chief Executive Officer, and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	<u>July 28, 2025</u>
<u>/s/ CHRIS P. SIU</u> Chris P. Siu	Executive Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	<u>July 28, 2025</u>
<u>/s/ FARIBA DANESH</u> Fariba Danesh	Director	<u>July 28, 2025</u>
<u>/s/ LAURA OLIPHANT</u> Laura Oliphant	Director	<u>July 28, 2025</u>
<u>/s/ GEOFFREY G. SCOTT</u> Geoffrey G. Scott	Director	<u>July 28, 2025</u>
<u>/s/ HOWARD T. SLAYEN</u> Howard T. Slayen	Director	<u>July 28, 2025</u>

BY-LAWS
OF
AEHR TEST SYSTEMS

(As Amended as of February 24, 2025)

ARTICLE I
CORPORATE OFFICES

1.1 **PRINCIPAL OFFICE.**

The board of directors shall fix the location of the principal executive office of the corporation at any place within or outside the State of California. If the principal executive office is located outside such state, and the corporation has one or more business offices in such state, the board of directors shall fix and designate a principal business office in the State of California.

1.2 **OTHER OFFICES.**

The board of directors may at any time establish branch or subordinate offices at any place or places where the corporation is qualified to do business.

ARTICLE II
MEETINGS OF SHAREHOLDERS

2.1 **PLACE OF MEETINGS.**

Meetings of shareholders shall be held at any place within or outside the State of California designated by the board of directors. In the absence of any such designation, shareholders' meetings shall be held at the principal executive office of the corporation.

2.2 **ANNUAL MEETING.**

The annual meeting of shareholders shall be held each year on a date and at a time designated by the board of directors. In the absence of such designation, the annual meeting of shareholders shall be held on the first Wednesday of October in each year at 4:00 p.m. However, if such day falls on a legal holiday, then the meeting shall be held at the same time and place on the next succeeding full business day. At the meeting, directors shall be elected, and any other proper business within the powers of the shareholders may be transacted.

2.3 SPECIAL MEETING.

A special meeting of the shareholders may be called at any time by the board of directors, or by the chairman of the board, or by the president, or by one or more shareholders holding shares in the aggregate entitled to cast not less than ten percent (10%) of the votes at that meeting.

If a special meeting is called by any person or persons other than the board of directors, the request shall be in writing, specifying the time of such meeting and the general nature of the business proposed to be transacted, and shall be delivered personally or sent by registered mail or other facsimile transmission to the chairman of the board, the president, any vice president or the secretary of the corporation. The officer receiving the request shall cause notice to be promptly given to the shareholders entitled to vote, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 2.4 and 2.5 of these by-laws, that a meeting will be held at the time requested by the person or persons calling the meeting, not less than thirty-five (35) nor more than sixty (60) days after the receipt of the request. If the notice is not given within twenty (20) days after receipt of the request, the person or persons requesting the meeting may give the notice. Nothing contained in this paragraph of this Section 2.3 shall be construed as limiting, fixing or affecting the time when a meeting of shareholders called by action of the board of directors may be held.

2.4 NOTICE OF SHAREHOLDERS' MEETINGS.

All notices of meetings of shareholders shall be sent or otherwise given in accordance with Section 2.5 of these by-laws not less than ten (10) nor more than sixty (60) days before the date of the meeting. The notice shall specify the place, date and hour of the meeting and (i) in the case of a special meeting, the general nature of the business to be transacted (no business other than that specified in the notice may be transacted) or (ii) in the case of the annual meeting, those matters which the board of directors, at the time of giving the notice, intends to present for action by the shareholders. The notice of any meeting at which directors are to be elected shall include the name of any nominee or nominees whom, at the time of the notice, management intends to present for election.

If action is proposed to be taken at any meeting for approval of (i) a contract or transaction in which a director has a direct or indirect financial interest, pursuant to Section 310 of the Corporations Code of California (the "Code"), (ii) an amendment of the articles of incorporation, pursuant to Section 902 of the Code, (iii) a reorganization of the corporation, pursuant to Section 1201 of the Code, (iv) a voluntary dissolution of the corporation, pursuant to Section 1900 of the Code, or (v) a distribution in dissolution other than in accordance with the rights of outstanding preferred shares, pursuant to Section 2007 of the Code, the notice shall also state the general nature of that proposal.

2.5 MANNER OF GIVING NOTICE; AFFIDAVIT OF NOTICE.

Notice of any meeting of shareholders shall be given either personally, by electronic transmission, by first-class mail or other written communication, charges prepaid, addressed to the shareholder at the address of that shareholder appearing on the books of the corporation or given by the shareholder to the corporation for the purpose of notice. If no such address appears on the corporation's books or is given, notice shall be deemed to have been given if sent to that shareholder by first-class mail or other written communication to the corporation's principal executive office, or if published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the county where that office is located. Notice shall be deemed to have been given at the time when delivered personally or deposited in the mail or other means of written communication. Notice shall be deemed to have been given at the time of transmission when delivered via electronic transmission.

If any notice addressed to a shareholder at the address of that shareholder appearing on the books of the corporation is returned to the corporation by the United States Postal Service marked to indicate that the United States Postal Service is unable to deliver the notice to the shareholder at that address, all future notices or reports shall be deemed to have been duly given without further mailing if the same shall be available to the shareholder on written demand of the shareholder at the principal executive office of the corporation for a period of one (1) year from the date of the giving of the notice.

An affidavit of the mailing or other means of giving any notice of any shareholders' meeting, executed by the secretary, assistant secretary or any transfer agent of the corporation giving the notice, shall be prima facie evidence of the giving of such notice.

2.6 QUORUM.

The presence in person or by proxy of the holders of a majority of the shares entitled to vote thereat constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings of shareholders. The shareholders present at a duly called or held meeting at which a quorum is present may continue to do business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal of enough shareholders to leave less than a quorum, if any action taken (other than adjournment) is approved by at least a majority of the shares required to constitute a quorum.

2.7 ADJOURNED MEETING; NOTICE.

Any shareholders' meeting, annual or special, whether or not a quorum is present, may be adjourned from time to time by the vote of the majority of the shares represented at that meeting, either in person or by proxy, but in the absence of a quorum, no other business may be transacted at that meeting, except as provided in Section 2.6 of these by-laws.

When any meeting of shareholders, either annual or special, is adjourned to another time or place, notice need not be given of the adjourned meeting if the time and place are announced at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken, unless a new record date for the adjourned meeting is fixed, or unless the adjournment is for more than forty-five (45) days from the date set for the original meeting, in which case notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given. Notice of any such adjourned meeting shall be given to each shareholder of record entitled to vote at the adjourned meeting in accordance with the provisions of Sections 2.4 and 2.5 of these by-laws. At any adjourned meeting the corporation may transact any business which might have been transacted at the original meeting.

2.8 VOTING.

The shareholders entitled to vote at any meeting of shareholders shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.11 of these by-laws, subject to the provisions of Sections 700 through 711, inclusive, of the Code.

The shareholders' vote may be by voice vote or by ballot; provided, however, that any election for directors must be by ballot if demanded by any shareholder before the voting has begun.

On any matter other than the election of directors, any shareholder may vote part of the shares in favor of the proposal and refrain from voting the remaining shares or vote them against the proposal, but, if the shareholder fails to specify the number of shares which the shareholder is voting affirmatively, it will be conclusively presumed that the shareholder's approving vote is with respect to all shares which the shareholder is entitled to vote.

If a quorum is present, the affirmative vote of the majority of the shares represented at the meeting and entitled to vote on any matter (other than the election of directors) shall be the act of the shareholders, unless the vote of a greater number, or voting by classes, is required by the Code or by the articles of incorporation.

At a shareholders' meeting at which directors are to be elected, no shareholder shall be entitled to cumulate votes (i.e. cast for any one or more candidates a number of votes greater than the number of the shareholder's shares) unless the candidates' names have been placed in nomination prior to commencement of the voting and a shareholder has given notice prior to commencement of the voting of the shareholder's intention to cumulate votes. If any shareholder has given such a notice, then every shareholder entitled to vote may cumulate votes for candidates placed in nomination and give one candidate a number of votes equal to the number of directors to be elected multiplied by the number of votes to which that shareholder's shares are entitled, or distribute the shareholder's votes on the same principle among any or all of the candidates, as the shareholder thinks fit. The candidates receiving the highest number of votes, up to the number of directors to be elected, shall be elected.

2.9 VALIDATION OF MEETINGS: WAIVER OF NOTICE; CONSENT.

The transactions of any meeting of shareholders, either annual or special, however called and noticed, and wherever held, shall be as valid as though had at a meeting duly held after regular call and notice, if a quorum be present either in person or by proxy, and if, either before or after the meeting, each person entitled to vote, who was not present in person or by proxy, signs a written waiver of notice or a consent to the holding of the meeting or an approval of the minutes thereof. The waiver of notice or consent need not specify either the business to be transacted or the purpose of any annual or special meeting of shareholders, except that if action is taken or proposed to be taken for approval of any of those matters specified in the second paragraph of Section 2.4 of these by-laws, the waiver of notice or consent shall state the general nature of the proposal. All such waivers, consents and approvals shall be filed with the corporate records or made a part of the minutes of the meeting.

Attendance by a person at a meeting shall also constitute a waiver of notice of that meeting, except when the person objects, at the beginning of the meeting, to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened, and except that attendance at a meeting is not a waiver of any right to object to the consideration of a matter not included in the notice of the meeting, if that objection is expressly made at the meeting.

2.10 SHAREHOLDER ACTION BY WRITTEN CONSENT WITHOUT A MEETING.

Any action which may be taken at any annual or special meeting of shareholders may be taken without a meeting and without prior notice, if a consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken, is signed by the holders of outstanding shares having not less than the minimum number of votes that would be necessary to authorize or take that action at a meeting at which all shares entitled to vote on that action were present and voted.

In the case of election of directors, such a consent shall be effective only if signed by the holders of all outstanding shares entitled to vote for the election of directors; provided, however, that a director may be elected at any time to fill a vacancy on the board of directors that has not been filled by the directors, by the written consent of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares entitled to vote for the election of directors.

All such consents shall be maintained in the corporate records. Any shareholder giving a written consent, or the shareholder's proxy holders, or a transferee of the shares, or a personal representative of the shareholder, or their respective proxy holders, may revoke the consent by a writing received by the secretary of the corporation before written consents of the number of shares required to authorize the proposed action have been filed with the secretary.

If the consents of all shareholders entitled to vote have not been solicited in writing, and if the unanimous written consent of all such shareholders shall not have been received, the secretary shall give prompt notice of the corporate action approved by the shareholders without a meeting. Such notice shall be given in the manner specified in Section 2.5 of these by-laws. In the case of approval of (i) a contract or transaction in which a director has a direct or indirect financial interest, pursuant to Section 310 of the Code, (ii) indemnification of a corporate "agent", pursuant to Section 317 of the Code, (iii) a reorganization of the corporation, pursuant to Section 1201 of the Code, and (iv) a distribution in dissolution other than in accordance with the rights of outstanding preferred shares, pursuant to Section 2007 of the Code, the notice shall be given at least ten (10) days before the consummation of any action authorized by that approval.

2.11 RECORD DATE FOR SHAREHOLDER NOTICE, VOTING AND GIVING CONSENTS.

For purposes of determining the shareholders entitled to notice of any meeting or to vote thereat or entitled to give consent to corporate action without a meeting, the board of directors may fix, in advance, a record date, which shall not be more than sixty (60) days nor less than ten (10) days before the date of any such meeting nor more than sixty (60) days before any such action without a meeting, and in such event only shareholders of record on the date so fixed are entitled to notice and to vote or to give consents, as the case may be, notwithstanding any transfer of any shares on the books of the corporation after the record date, except as otherwise provided in the Code.

If the board of directors does not so fix a record date:

(a) the record date for determining shareholders entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of shareholders shall be at the close of business on the business day next preceding the day on which notice is given or, if notice is waived, at the close of business on the business day next preceding the day on which the meeting is held; and

(b) the record date for determining shareholders entitled to give consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting, (i) when no prior action by the board has been taken, shall be the day on which the first written consent is given or (ii) when prior action by the board has been taken, shall be the day on which the board adopts the resolution relating to that action, or the sixtieth (60th) day before the date of such other action, whichever is later.

The record date for any other purpose shall be as provided in Article VIII of these by-laws.

2.12 NOTICE OF BUSINESS TO BE BROUGHT BEFORE A MEETING.

(a) To the extent permitted by applicable law, at an annual meeting of the shareholders, only such business shall be conducted as is a proper matter for shareholder action under California law and as shall have been properly brought before the meeting in accordance with the procedures below. To be properly brought before an annual meeting, business must be (i) specified in a notice of meeting given by or at the direction of the board, (ii) if not specified in a notice of meeting, otherwise brought before the meeting by the board or the chairman of the board or (iii) otherwise properly brought before the meeting by a shareholder present in person who (A) (1) was a record owner of shares of the corporation both at the time of giving the notice provided for in this Section 2.12 and at the time of the meeting, (2) is entitled to vote at the meeting, and (3) has complied with this Section 2.12 in all applicable respects or (B) properly made such proposal in accordance with Rule 14a-8 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder (as so amended and inclusive of such rules and regulations, the "Exchange Act"). The foregoing clause (iii) shall be the exclusive means for a shareholder to propose business to be brought before an annual meeting of the shareholders. For purposes of this Section 2.12, "present in person" shall mean that the shareholder proposing that the business be brought before the annual meeting of the corporation, or a qualified representative of such proposing shareholder, appear at such annual meeting. A "qualified representative" of such proposing shareholder shall be a duly authorized officer, manager or partner of such shareholder or any other person authorized by a writing executed by such shareholder or an electronic transmission delivered by such shareholder to act for such shareholder as proxy at the meeting of shareholders and such person must produce such writing or electronic transmission, or a reliable reproduction of the writing or electronic transmission, at the meeting of shareholders. Shareholders seeking to nominate persons for election to the board must comply with Section 2.13 and this Section 2.12 shall not be applicable to nominations except as expressly provided in Section 2.13.

(b) Without qualification, for business to be properly brought before an annual meeting by a shareholder, the shareholder must (i) provide Timely Notice (as defined below) thereof in writing and in proper form to the Secretary of the corporation and (ii) provide any updates or supplements to such notice at the times and in the forms required by this Section 2.12. To be timely, a shareholder's notice must be delivered to, or mailed and received at, the principal executive offices of the corporation not less than one hundred twenty (120th) days nor more than one hundred fifty (150) days prior to the one-year anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting; provided, however, that if the date of the annual meeting is more than thirty (30) days before or more than sixty (60) days after such anniversary date, notice by the shareholder to be timely must be so delivered, or mailed and received, not earlier than the one hundred fiftieth (150) day prior to such annual meeting and not later than (i) the one hundred twentieth (120th) day prior to such annual meeting or, (ii) if later, the tenth (10th) day following the day on which public disclosure of the date of such annual meeting was first made by the corporation (such notice within such time periods, "Timely Notice"). In no event shall any adjournment or postponement of an annual meeting or the announcement thereof commence a new time period for the giving of Timely Notice as described above.

(c) To be in proper form for purposes of this Section 2.12, a shareholder's notice to the Secretary shall set forth:

(i) As to each Proposing Person (as defined below), (A) the name and address of such Proposing Person (including, if applicable, the name and address that appear on the corporation's books and records), (B) the class or series and number of shares of the corporation that are, directly or indirectly, owned of record or beneficially owned (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act) by such Proposing Person, except that such Proposing Person shall in all events be deemed to beneficially own any shares of any class or series of the corporation as to which such Proposing Person has a right to acquire beneficial ownership at any time in the future, (C) the date or dates such shares were acquired, (D) the investment intent of such acquisition and (E) any pledge by such Proposing Person with respect to any of such shares (the disclosures to be made pursuant to the foregoing clauses (A) through (E) are referred to as "Shareholder Information");

(ii) As to each Proposing Person, (A) the material terms and conditions of any "derivative security" (as such term is defined in Rule 16a-1(c) under the Exchange Act) that constitutes a "call equivalent position" (as such term is defined in Rule 16a-1(b) under the Exchange Act) or a "put equivalent position" (as such term is defined in Rule 16a-1(h) under the Exchange Act) or other derivative or synthetic arrangement in respect of any class or series of shares of the corporation ("Synthetic Equity Position") that is, directly or indirectly, held or maintained by, held for the benefit of, or involving such Proposing Person, including, without limitation, (i) any option, warrant, convertible security, stock appreciation right, future or similar right with an exercise or conversion privilege or a settlement payment or mechanism at a price related to any class or series of shares of the corporation or with a value derived in whole or in part from the value of any class or series of shares of the corporation, (ii) any derivative or synthetic arrangement having the characteristics of a long position or a short position in any class or series of shares of the corporation, including, without limitation, a stock loan transaction, a stock borrow transaction, or a share repurchase transaction or (iii) any contract, derivative, swap or other transaction or series of transactions designed to (x) produce economic benefits and risks that correspond substantially to the ownership of any class or series of shares of the corporation, (y) mitigate any loss relating to, reduce the economic risk (of ownership or otherwise) of, or manage the risk of share price decrease in, any class or series of shares of the corporation, or (z) increase or decrease the voting power in respect of any class or series of shares of the corporation of such Proposing Person, including, without limitation, due to the fact that the value of such contract, derivative, swap or other transaction or series of transactions is determined by reference to the price, value or volatility of any class or series of shares of the corporation, whether or not such instrument, contract or right shall be subject to settlement in the underlying class or series of shares of the corporation, through the delivery of cash or other property, or otherwise, and without regard to whether the holder thereof may have entered into transactions that hedge or mitigate the economic effect of such instrument, contract or right, or any other direct or indirect opportunity to profit or share in any profit derived from any increase or decrease in the price or value of any class or series of shares of the corporation; provided that, for the purposes of the definition of "Synthetic Equity Position," the term "derivative security" shall also include any security or instrument that would not otherwise constitute a "derivative security" as a result of any feature that would make any conversion, exercise or similar right or privilege of such security or instrument becoming determinable only at some future date or upon the happening of a future occurrence, in which case the determination of the amount of securities into which such security or instrument would be convertible or exercisable shall be made assuming that such security or instrument is immediately convertible or exercisable at the time of such determination; and, provided, further, that any Proposing Person satisfying the requirements of Rule 13d-1(b)(1) under the Exchange Act (other than a Proposing Person that so satisfies Rule 13d-1(b)(1) under the Exchange Act solely by reason of Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E)) shall not be required to disclose any Synthetic Equity Position that is, directly or indirectly, held or maintained by, held for the benefit of, or involving such Proposing Person as a hedge with respect to a bona fide derivatives trade or position of such Proposing Person arising in the ordinary course of such Proposing Person's business as a derivatives dealer, (B) any material pending or threatened legal proceeding in which such Proposing Person is a party or material participant involving the corporation or any of its officers or directors, or any affiliate of the corporation, (C) any other material relationship between such Proposing Person, on the one hand, and the corporation or any affiliate of the corporation, on the other hand, (D) any direct or indirect material interest in any material contract or agreement of such Proposing Person with the corporation or any affiliate of the corporation (including, in any such case, any employment agreement, collective bargaining agreement or consulting agreement), (E) any proportionate interest in shares of the corporation or a Synthetic Equity Position held, directly or indirectly, by a general or limited partnership, limited liability company or similar entity in which any such Proposing Person (1) is a general partner or, directly or indirectly, beneficially owns an interest in a general partner of such general or limited partnership or (2) is the manager, managing member or, directly or indirectly, beneficially owns an interest in the manager or managing member of such limited liability company or similar entity; (F) a representation that such Proposing Person intends or is part of a group which intends to deliver a proxy statement or form of proxy to holders of at least the percentage of the corporation's outstanding capital stock required to approve or adopt the proposal or otherwise solicit proxies from shareholders in support of such proposal and (G) any other information relating to such Proposing Person that would be required to be disclosed in a proxy statement or other filing required to be made in connection with solicitations of proxies or consents by such Proposing Person in support of the business proposed to be brought before the meeting pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act (the disclosures to be made pursuant to the foregoing clauses (A) through (G) are referred to as "Disclosable Interests"); provided, however, that Disclosable Interests shall not include any such disclosures with respect to the ordinary course business activities of any broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee who is a Proposing Person solely as a result of being the shareholder directed to prepare and submit the notice required by these by-laws on behalf of a beneficial owner; and

(iii) As to each item of business that the shareholder proposes to bring before the annual meeting, (A) a brief description of the business desired to be brought before the annual meeting, the reasons for conducting such business at the annual meeting and any material interest in such business of each Proposing Person, (B) the text of the proposal or business (including the text of any resolutions proposed for consideration and in the event that such business includes a proposal to amend the by-laws, the language of the proposed amendment), (C) a reasonably detailed description of all agreements, arrangements and understandings (x) between or among any of the Proposing Persons or (y) between or among any Proposing Person and any other person or entity (including their names) in connection with the proposal of such business by such shareholder, and (D) any other information relating to such item of business that would be required to be disclosed in a proxy statement or other filing required to be made in connection with solicitations of proxies in support of the business proposed to be brought before the meeting pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act; provided, however, that the disclosures required by this paragraph (iii) shall not include any disclosures with respect to any broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee who is a Proposing Person solely as a result of being the shareholder directed to prepare and submit the notice required by these by-laws on behalf of a beneficial owner.

For purposes of this Section 2.12, the term “Proposing Person” shall mean (i) the shareholder providing the notice of business proposed to be brought before an annual meeting, (ii) the beneficial owner or beneficial owners, if different, on whose behalf the notice of the business proposed to be brought before the annual meeting is made, and (iii) any participant (as defined in paragraphs (a)(ii)-(vi) of Instruction 3 to Item 4 of Schedule 14A) with such shareholder in such solicitation.

(d) The board may request that any Proposing Person furnish such additional information as may be reasonably required by the board. Such Proposing Person shall provide such additional information within ten (10) days after it has been requested by the board.

(e) A Proposing Person shall update and supplement its notice to the corporation of its intent to propose business at an annual meeting, if necessary, so that the information provided or required to be provided in such notice pursuant to this Section 2.12 shall be true and correct as of the record date for shareholders entitled to vote at the meeting and as of the date that is ten (10) business days prior to the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof, and such update and supplement shall be delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the corporation not later than five (5) business days after the record date for shareholders entitled to vote at the meeting (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of such record date), and not later than eight (8) business days prior to the date for the meeting or, if practicable, any adjournment or postponement thereof (and, if not practicable, on the first practicable date prior to the date to which the meeting has been adjourned or postponed) (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of ten (10) business days prior to the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof). For the avoidance of doubt, the obligation to update and supplement as set forth in this paragraph or any other Section of these by-laws shall not limit the corporation’s rights with respect to any deficiencies in any notice provided by a shareholder, extend any applicable deadlines hereunder or enable or be deemed to permit a shareholder who has previously submitted notice hereunder to amend or update any proposal or to submit any new proposal, including by changing or adding matters, business or resolutions proposed to be brought before a meeting of the shareholders.

(f) Notwithstanding anything in these by-laws to the contrary, no business shall be conducted at an annual meeting that is not properly brought before the meeting in accordance with this Section 2.12. The presiding officer of the meeting shall, if the facts warrant, determine that the business was not properly brought before the meeting in accordance with this Section 2.12, and if he or she should so determine, he or she shall so declare to the meeting and any such business not properly brought before the meeting shall not be transacted.

(g) This Section 2.12 is expressly intended to apply to any business proposed to be brought before an annual meeting of shareholders other than any proposal made in accordance with Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act and included in the corporation's proxy statement. In addition to the requirements of this Section 2.12 with respect to any business proposed to be brought before an annual meeting, each Proposing Person shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Exchange Act with respect to any such business. Nothing in this Section 2.12 shall be deemed to affect the rights of shareholders to request inclusion of proposals in the corporation's proxy statement pursuant to Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act.

(h) For purposes of these by-laws, "public disclosure" shall mean disclosure in a press release reported by a national news service or in a document publicly filed by the corporation with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Sections 13, 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act.

2.13 NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS FOR ELECTION TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

(a) Nominations of any person for election to the board at an annual meeting or at a special meeting (but only if the election of directors is a matter specified in the notice of meeting given by or at the direction of the person calling such special meeting) may be made at such meeting only (i) by or at the direction of the board, including by any committee or persons authorized to do so by the board or these by-laws, or (ii) by a shareholder present in person who (A) was a record owner of shares of the corporation both at the time of giving the notice provided for in this Section 2.13 and at the time of the meeting, (B) is entitled to vote at the meeting, and (C) has complied with this Section 2.13 as to such notice and nomination. For purposes of this Section 2.13, "present in person" shall mean that the shareholder nominating any person for election to the board at the meeting of the corporation, or a qualified representative of such shareholder, appear at such meeting. A "qualified representative" of such proposing shareholder shall be a duly authorized officer, manager or partner of such shareholder or any other person authorized by a writing executed by such shareholder or an electronic transmission delivered by such shareholder to act for such shareholder as proxy at the meeting of shareholders and such person must produce such writing or electronic transmission, or a reliable reproduction of the writing or electronic transmission, at the meeting of shareholders. The foregoing clause (ii) shall be the exclusive means for a shareholder to make any nomination of a person or persons for election to the board at an annual meeting or special meeting.

(b) (i) Without qualification, for a shareholder to make any nomination of a person or persons for election to the board at an annual meeting, the shareholder must (1) provide Timely Notice (as defined in Section 2.12) thereof in writing and in proper form to the Secretary of the corporation, (2) provide the information, agreements and questionnaires with respect to such shareholder and its candidate for nomination as required to be set forth by this Section 2.13 and (3) provide any updates or supplements to such notice at the times and in the forms required by this Section 2.13.

(ii) Without qualification, if the election of directors is a matter specified in the notice of meeting given by or at the direction of the person calling a special meeting, then for a shareholder to make any nomination of a person or persons for election to the board at a special meeting, the shareholder must (i) provide timely notice thereof in writing and in proper form to the Secretary of the corporation at the principal executive offices of the corporation, (ii) provide the information with respect to such shareholder and its candidate for nomination as required by this Section 2.13 and (iii) provide any updates or supplements to such notice at the times and in the forms required by this Section 2.13. To be timely, a shareholder's notice for nominations to be made at a special meeting must be delivered to, or mailed and received at, the principal executive offices of the corporation not earlier than the one hundred fiftieth (150th) day prior to such special meeting and not later than the one hundred twentieth (120th) day prior to such special meeting or, if later, the tenth (10th) day following the day on which public disclosure (as defined in Section 2.12) of the date of such special meeting was first made.

(iii) In no event shall any adjournment or postponement of an annual meeting or special meeting or the announcement thereof commence a new time period for the giving of a shareholder's notice as described above.

(iv) In no event may a Nominating Person provide Timely Notice with respect to a greater number of director candidates than are subject to election by shareholders at the applicable meeting. If the corporation shall, subsequent to such notice, increase the number of directors subject to election at the meeting, such notice as to any additional nominees shall be due on the later of (i) the conclusion of the time period for Timely Notice, (ii) the date set forth in Section 2.13(b)(ii) or (iii) the tenth day following the date of public disclosure (as defined in Section 2.12) of such increase.

(c) To be in proper form for purposes of this Section 2.13, a shareholder's notice to the Secretary shall set forth:

(i) As to each Nominating Person (as defined below), the Shareholder Information (as defined in Section 2.12(c)(i)), except that for purposes of this Section 2.13 the term "Nominating Person" shall be substituted for the term "Proposing Person" in all places it appears in Section 2.12(c)(i));

(ii) As to each Nominating Person, any Disclosable Interests (as defined in Section 2.12(c)(ii)), except that for purposes of this Section 2.13 the term "Nominating Person" shall be substituted for the term "Proposing Person" in all places it appears in Section 2.12(c)(ii) and the disclosure with respect to the business to be brought before the meeting in Section 2.12(c)(ii) shall be made with respect to the election of directors at the meeting; and provided that, in lieu of including the information set forth in Section 2.12(c)(ii)(F), the Nominating Person's notice for purposes of this Section 2.13 shall include a representation as to whether the Nominating Person intends or is part of a group which intends to deliver a proxy statement and solicit the holders of shares representing at least 67% of the voting power of shares entitled to vote on the election of directors in support of director nominees other than the corporation's nominees in accordance with Rule 14a-19 promulgated under the Exchange Act; and

(iii) As to each candidate whom a Nominating Person proposes to nominate for election as a director, (A) all information relating to such candidate for nomination that is required to be disclosed in a proxy statement or other filings required to be made in connection with solicitations of proxies for election of directors in a contested election pursuant to Section 14(a) under the Exchange Act (including such candidate's written consent to being named in a proxy statement and accompanying proxy card relating to the corporation's next meeting of shareholders at which directors are to be elected and to serving as a director for a full term if elected), (B) a description of any direct or indirect material interest in any material contract or agreement between or among any Nominating Person, on the one hand, and each candidate for nomination or his or her respective associates or any other participants in such solicitation, on the other hand, including, without limitation, all information that would be required to be disclosed pursuant to Item 404 under Regulation S-K if such Nominating Person were the "registrant" for purposes of such rule and the candidate for nomination were a director or executive officer of such registrant (the disclosures to be made pursuant to the foregoing clauses (A) and (B) are referred to as "Nominee Information"), (C) a completed written questionnaire (in the form provided by the corporation upon written request of any shareholder of record therefor) with respect to the background, qualifications, stock ownership and independence of such proposed nominee and (D) a written representation and agreement (in the form provided by the corporation upon written request of any shareholder of record therefor) that such candidate for nomination (i) is not and, if elected as a director during his or her term of office, will not become a party to (x) any agreement, arrangement or understanding with, and has not given and will not give any commitment or assurance to, any person or entity as to how such proposed nominee, if elected as a director of the corporation, will act or vote on any issue or question (a "Voting Commitment") or (y) any Voting Commitment that could limit or interfere with such proposed nominee's ability to comply, if elected as a director of the corporation, with such proposed nominee's fiduciary duties under applicable law, (ii) is not, and will not become a party to, any agreement, arrangement or understanding with any person or entity other than the corporation with respect to any direct or indirect compensation or reimbursement for service as a director that has not been disclosed to the corporation, (iii) if elected as a director of the corporation, will comply with all applicable corporate governance, conflict of interest, confidentiality, stock ownership and trading and other policies and guidelines of the corporation applicable to directors and in effect during such person's term in office as a director (and, if requested by any candidate for nomination, the Secretary of the corporation shall provide to such candidate for nomination all such policies and guidelines then in effect), and (iv) if elected as a director of the corporation, intends to serve the entire term until the next meeting at which such candidate would face re-election.

For purposes of this Section 2.13, the term "Nominating Person" shall mean (i) the shareholder providing the notice of the nomination proposed to be made at the meeting, (ii) the beneficial owner or beneficial owners, if different, on whose behalf the notice of the nomination proposed to be made at the meeting is made, and (iii) any participant (as defined in paragraphs (a)(ii)-(vi) of Instruction 3 to Item 4 of Schedule 14A) with such shareholder in such solicitation.

(d) The board may request that any Nominating Person furnish such additional information as may be reasonably required by the board. Such Nominating Person shall provide such additional information within ten (10) days after it has been requested by the board.

(e) The board may also require any proposed candidate for nomination as a director to furnish such other information as may reasonably be requested by the board in writing prior to the meeting of shareholders at which such candidate's nomination is to be acted upon and related to such candidate's eligibility. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the board may request such other information in order for the board to determine the eligibility of such candidate for nomination to be an independent director of the corporation or to comply with the director qualification standards and additional selection criteria in accordance with the corporation's corporate governance guidelines. Such other information shall be delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the corporation (or any other office specified by the corporation in any public announcement) not later than five (5) business days after the request by the board has been delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Nominating Person.

(f) A shareholder providing notice of any nomination proposed to be made at a meeting and any candidate for nomination as a director shall further update and supplement such notice or the materials delivered pursuant to this Section 2.13, as applicable, if necessary, so that the information provided or required to be provided in such notice or by such candidate, as applicable, pursuant to this Section 2.13 shall be true and correct as of the record date for shareholders entitled to vote at the meeting and as of the date that is ten (10) business days prior to the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof, and such update and supplement shall be delivered to, or mailed and received by, the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the corporation not later than five (5) business days after the record date for shareholders entitled to vote at the meeting (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of such record date), and not later than eight (8) business days prior to the date for the meeting or, if practicable, any adjournment or postponement thereof (and, if not practicable, on the first practicable date prior to the date to which the meeting has been adjourned or postponed) (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of ten (10) business days prior to the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof). For the avoidance of doubt, the obligation to update and supplement as set forth in this paragraph or any other Section of these by-laws shall not limit the corporation's rights with respect to any deficiencies in any notice provided by a shareholder, extend any applicable deadlines hereunder or enable or be deemed to permit a shareholder who has previously submitted notice hereunder to amend or update any nomination, including by changing or adding nominees, or to submit any new nomination, or submit any new proposal, matters, business or resolutions proposed to be brought before a meeting of the shareholders.

(g) In addition to the requirements of this Section 2.13 with respect to any nomination proposed to be made at a meeting, each Nominating Person shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Exchange Act with respect to any such nominations. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 2.13, unless otherwise required by law, (i) no Nominating Person shall solicit proxies in support of director nominees other than the corporation's nominees unless such Nominating Person has complied with Rule 14a-19 promulgated under the Exchange Act in connection with the solicitation of such proxies, including the provision to the corporation of notices required thereunder in a timely manner and (ii) if any Nominating Person (1) provides notice pursuant to Rule 14a-19(b) promulgated under the Exchange Act and (2) subsequently fails to comply with the requirements of Rule 14a-19(a)(2) or Rule 14a-19(a)(3) promulgated under the Exchange Act, including the provision to the corporation of notices required thereunder in a timely manner, or fails to timely provide reasonable evidence sufficient to satisfy the corporation that such Nominating Person has met the requirements of Rule 14a-19(a)(3) promulgated under the Exchange Act in accordance with the following sentence, then the nomination of each such proposed nominee shall be disregarded, notwithstanding that the nominee is included as a nominee in the corporation's proxy statement, notice of meeting or other proxy materials for any annual meeting (or any supplement thereto) and notwithstanding that proxies or votes in respect of the election of such proposed nominees may have been received by the corporation (which proxies and votes shall be disregarded). If any Nominating Person provides notice pursuant to Rule 14a-19(b) promulgated under the Exchange Act, such Nominating Person shall deliver to the corporation, no later than seven (7) business days prior to the applicable meeting, reasonable evidence that it has met the requirements of Rule 14a-19(a)(3) promulgated under the Exchange Act.

(h) No candidate nominated pursuant to Section 2.13(a)(ii) shall be eligible for nomination as a director of the corporation unless such candidate for nomination and the Nominating Person seeking to place such candidate's name in nomination has complied with this Section 2.13, as applicable. The presiding officer at the meeting shall, if the facts warrant, determine that a nomination was not properly made in accordance with this Section 2.13, and if he or she should so determine, he or she shall so declare such determination to the meeting, the defective nomination shall be disregarded and any ballots cast for the candidate in question (but in the case of any form of ballot listing other qualified nominees, only the ballots cast for the nominee in question) shall be void and of no force or effect.

(i) Notwithstanding anything in these by-laws to the contrary, no candidate for nomination shall be eligible to be seated as a director of the corporation unless nominated and elected in accordance with this Section 2.13.

2.14 PROXIES.

Every person entitled to vote for directors, or on any other matter, shall have the right to do so either in person or by one or more agents authorized by a written proxy signed by the person and filed with the secretary of the corporation. A proxy shall be deemed signed if the shareholder's name is placed on the proxy (whether by manual signature, typewriting or otherwise) by the shareholder or the shareholder's attorney-in-fact. A validly executed proxy which does not state that it is irrevocable shall continue in full force and effect unless (i) revoked by the person executing it, before the vote pursuant to that proxy, by a writing delivered to the corporation stating that the proxy is revoked, or by a subsequent proxy executed by, or attendance at the meeting and voting in person by, the person executing the proxy or (ii) written notice of the death or incapacity of the maker of that proxy is received by the corporation before the vote pursuant to that proxy is counted; provided, however, that no proxy shall be valid after the expiration of eleven (11) months from the date of the proxy, unless otherwise provided in the proxy. The revocability of a proxy that states on its face that it is irrevocable shall be governed by the provisions of Sections 705(e) and 705(f) of the Code.

2.15 INSPECTORS OF ELECTION.

Before any meeting of shareholders, the board of directors may appoint an inspector or inspectors of election to act at the meeting or its adjournment. If no inspector of election is so appointed, the chairman of the meeting may, and on the request of any shareholder or a shareholder's proxy shall, appoint an inspector or inspectors of election to act at the meeting. The number of inspectors shall be either one (1) or three (3). If inspectors are appointed at a meeting pursuant to the request of one (1) or more shareholders or proxies, the holders of a majority of shares or their proxies present at the meeting shall determine whether one (1) or three (3) inspectors are to be appointed. If any person appointed as inspector fails to appear or fails or refuses to act, the chairman of the meeting may, and upon the request of any shareholder or a shareholder's proxy shall, appoint a person to fill that vacancy.

The duties of such inspectors shall be as prescribed by Section 707(b) of the Code and shall include:

- (a) Determine the number of shares outstanding and the voting power of each, the number of shares represented at the meeting, the existence of a quorum, and the authenticity, validity and effect of proxies;
- (b) Receive votes, ballots or consents;
- (c) Hear and determine all challenges and questions in any way arising in connection with the right to vote;
- (d) Count and tabulate all votes or consents;
- (e) Determine when the polls shall close;
- (f) Determine the result; and
- (g) Do any other acts that may be proper to conduct the election or vote with fairness to all shareholders.

ARTICLE III

DIRECTORS

3.1 POWERS.

Subject to the provisions of the Code and any limitations in the articles of incorporation and these by-laws relating to action required to be approved by the shareholders or by the outstanding shares, the business and affairs of the corporation shall be managed and all corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the direction of the board of directors.

3.2 NUMBER AND QUALIFICATION OF DIRECTORS.

The number of directors of the corporation shall be not less than four (4) nor more than seven (7). The exact number of directors shall be fixed from time to time, within the limits specified above, by a resolution duly adopted by the board of directors. The indefinite number of directors may be changed, or a definite number fixed without provision for an indefinite number, by a duly adopted amendment to this by-law duly adopted by the vote or written consent of holders of a majority of the outstanding shares entitled to vote; provided, however, that an amendment reducing the number of the minimum number of directors to a number less than five (5) cannot be adopted if the votes cast against its adoption at a meeting of the shareholders, or the shares not consenting in the case of action by written consent, are equal to more than sixteen and two-thirds percent (16 2/3%) of the outstanding shares entitled to vote thereon. No amendment may change the stated maximum number of authorized directors to a number greater than two (2) times the stated minimum number of directors minus one (1).

3.3 ELECTION AND TERM OF OFFICE OF DIRECTORS.

Directors shall be elected at each annual meeting of shareholders to hold office until the next such annual meeting. Each director, including a director elected to fill a vacancy, shall hold office until the expiration of the term for which elected and until a successor has been elected and qualified.

3.4 VACANCIES.

Vacancies in the board of directors may be filled by a majority of the remaining directors, though less than a quorum, or by a sole remaining director, except that a vacancy created by the removal of a director by the vote or written consent of the shareholders or by court order may be filled only by the vote of a majority of the shares entitled to vote thereon represented at a duly held meeting at which a quorum is present, or by the written consent of holders of a majority of the outstanding shares entitled to vote thereon. Each director so elected shall hold office until the next annual meeting of the shareholders and until a successor has been elected and qualified.

A vacancy or vacancies in the board of directors shall be deemed to exist in the event of the death, resignation or removal of any director, or if the board of directors by resolution declares vacant the office of a director who has been declared of unsound mind by an order of court or convicted of a felony, or if the authorized number of directors is increased, or if the shareholders fail, at any meeting of shareholders at which any director or directors are elected, to elect the number of directors to be elected at that meeting.

The shareholders may elect a director or directors at any time to fill any vacancy or vacancies not filled by the directors, but any such election, if by written consent, shall require the consent of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares entitled to vote thereon.

Any director may resign effective on giving written notice to the chairman of the board, the president, the secretary or the board of directors, unless the notice specifies a later time for that resignation to become effective. If the resignation of a director is effective at a future time, the board of directors may elect a successor to take office when the resignation becomes effective.

No reduction of the authorized number of directors shall have the effect of removing any director before that director's term of office expires.

3.5 PLACE OF MEETINGS; MEETINGS BY TELEPHONE.

Regular meetings of the board of directors may be held at any place within or outside the State of California that has been designated from time to time by resolution of the board. In the absence of such a designation, regular meetings shall be held at the principal executive office of the corporation. Special meetings of the board may be held at any place within or outside the State of California that has been designated in the notice of the meeting or, if not stated in the notice or if there is no notice, at the principal executive office of the corporation.

Any meeting, regular or special, may be held by conference telephone or similar communication equipment, so long as all directors participating in the meeting can hear one another; and all such directors shall be deemed to be present in person at the meeting.

3.6 REGULAR MEETINGS.

Regular meetings of the board of directors may be held without notice if the times of such meetings are fixed by the board of directors.

3.7 SPECIAL MEETINGS.

Special meetings of the board of directors for any purpose or purposes may be called at any time by the chairman of the board, the president, any vice president, the secretary or any two directors.

Notice of the time and place of special meetings shall be delivered personally, by telephone or by electronic transmission (in any manner permissible under the Code) to each director or sent by first-class mail, charges prepaid, addressed to each director at that director's address as it is shown on the records of the corporation. If the notice is mailed, it shall be deposited in the United States mail at least four (4) days before the time of the holding of the meeting. If the notice is delivered personally, or by telephone or electronic transmission, it shall be delivered personally or by telephone or electronic transmission at least forty-eight (48) hours before the time of the holding of the meeting. Any oral notice given personally or by telephone may be communicated either to the director or to a person at the office of the director who the person giving the notice has reason to believe will promptly communicate it to the director. The notice need not specify the purpose or the place of the meeting, if the meeting is to be held at the principal executive office of the corporation.

3.8 QUORUM.

A majority of the authorized number of directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, except to adjourn as provided in Section 3.10 of these by-laws. Every act or decision done or made by a majority of the directors present at a duly held meeting at which a quorum is present shall be regarded as the act of the board of directors, subject to the provisions of Section 310 of the Code (as to approval of contracts or transactions in which a director has a direct or indirect material financial interest), Section 311 of the Code (as to appointment of committees) and Section 317(e) of the Code (as to indemnification of directors).

A meeting at which a quorum is initially present may continue to transact business notwithstanding the withdrawal of directors, if any action taken is approved by at least a majority of the required quorum for that meeting.

3.9 WAIVER OF NOTICE.

The transactions of any meeting of the board of directors, however called and noticed or wherever held, shall be as valid as though had at a meeting duly held after regular call and notice if a quorum is present and if, either before or after the meeting, each of the directors not present signs a written waiver of notice, a consent to holding the meeting or an approval of the minutes thereof. The waiver of notice or consent need not specify the purpose of the meeting. All such waivers, consents and approvals shall be filed with the corporate records or made a part of the minutes of the meeting. Notice of a meeting shall also be deemed given to any director who attends the meeting without protesting, before or at its commencement, the lack of notice to that director.

3.10 ADJOURNMENT.

A majority of the directors present, whether or not constituting a quorum, may adjourn any meeting to another time and place.

3.11 NOTICE OF ADJOURNMENT.

Notice of the time and place of holding an adjourned meeting need not be given, unless the meeting is adjourned for more than twenty-four (24) hours, in which case notice of the time and place shall be given before the time of the adjourned meeting, in the manner specified in Section 3.7 of these by-laws, to the directors who were not present at the time of the adjournment.

3.12 ACTION WITHOUT MEETING.

Any action required or permitted to be taken by the board of directors may be taken without a meeting, if all members of the board shall individually or collectively consent in writing to that action. Such action by written consent shall have the same force and effect as a unanimous vote of the board of directors. Such written consent and any counterparts thereof shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the board.

3.13 FEES AND COMPENSATION OF DIRECTORS.

Directors and members of committees may receive such compensation, if any, for their services, and such reimbursement of expenses, as may be fixed or determined by resolution of the board of directors. This Section 3.13 shall not be construed to preclude any director from serving the corporation in any other capacity as an officer, agent, employee or otherwise, and receiving compensation for those services.

ARTICLE IV

COMMITTEES

4.1 COMMITTEES OF DIRECTORS.

The board of directors may, by resolution adopted by a majority of the authorized number of directors, designate one (1) or more committees, each consisting of two or more directors, to serve at the pleasure of the board. The board may designate one (1) or more directors as alternate members of any committee, who may replace any absent member at any meeting of the committee. Any committee, to the extent provided in the resolution of the board, shall have all the authority of the board, except with respect to:

- (a) the approval of any action which, under the Code, also requires shareholders' approval or approval of the outstanding shares;
- (b) the filling of vacancies in the board of directors or in any committee;
- (c) the fixing of compensation of the directors for serving on the board or any committee;
- (d) the amendment or repeal of these by-laws or the adoption of new by-laws;

(e) the amendment or repeal of any resolution of the board of directors which by its express terms is not so amendable or repealable;

(f) a distribution to the shareholders of the corporation, except at a rate or in a periodic amount or within a price range determined by the board of directors; or

(g) the appointment of any other committees of the board of directors or the members of such committees.

4.2 MEETINGS AND ACTION OF COMMITTEES.

Meetings and actions of committees shall be governed by, and held and taken in accordance with, the provisions of Article III of these by-laws, Section 3.5 (place of meetings), Section 3.6 (regular meetings), Section 3.7 (special meetings and notice), Section 3.8 (quorum.), Section 3.9 (waiver of notice), Section 3.10 (adjournment), Section 3.11 (notice of adjournment) and Section 3.12 (action without meeting), with such changes in the context of those by-laws as are necessary to substitute the committee and its members for the board of directors and its members, except that the time of regular meetings of committees may be determined either by resolution of the board of directors or by resolution of the committee; special meetings of committees may also be called by resolution of the board of directors; and notice of special meetings of committees shall also be given to all alternate members, who shall have the right to attend all meetings of the committee. The board of directors may adopt rules for the government of any committee not inconsistent with the provisions of these by-laws.

ARTICLE V

OFFICERS

5.1 OFFICERS.

The officers of the corporation shall be a president, a secretary, and a chief financial officer. The corporation may also have, at the discretion of the board of directors, a chairman of the board, one or more vice presidents, one or more assistant secretaries, one or more assistant treasurers, and such other officers as may be appointed in accordance with the provisions of Section 5.3 of these by-laws. Any number of offices may be held by the same person.

5.2 ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The officers of the corporation, except such officers as may be appointed in accordance with the provisions of Section 5.3 or Section 5.5 of these by-laws, shall be chosen by the board, subject to the rights, if any, of an officer under any contract of employment.

5.3 SUBORDINATE OFFICERS.

The board of directors may appoint, or may empower the president to appoint, such other officers as the business of the corporation may require, each of whom shall hold office for such period, have such authority and perform such duties as are provided in these by-laws or as the board of directors may from time to time determine.

5.4 REMOVAL AND RESIGNATION OF OFFICERS.

Subject to the rights, if any, of an officer under any contract of employment, any officer may be removed, either with or without cause, by the board of directors at any regular or special meeting of the board or, except in case of an officer chosen by the board of directors, by any officer upon whom such power of removal may be conferred by the board of directors.

Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the corporation. Any resignation shall take effect at the date of the receipt of that notice or at any later time specified in that notice; and, unless otherwise specified in that notice, the acceptance of the resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective. Any resignation is without prejudice to the rights, if any, of the corporation under any contract to which the officer is a party.

5.5 VACANCIES IN OFFICES.

A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification or any other cause shall be filled in the manner prescribed in these by-laws for regular appointments to that office.

5.6 CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD.

The chairman of the board, if such an officer be elected, shall, if present, preside at meetings of the board of directors and exercise and perform such other powers and duties as may be from time to time assigned to him by the board of directors or prescribed by these by-laws. If there is no president, the chairman of the board shall also be the chief executive officer of the corporation and shall have the powers and duties prescribed in Section 5.7 of these by-laws.

5.7 PRESIDENT.

Subject to such supervisory powers, if any, as may be given by the board of directors to the chairman of the board, if there be such an officer, the president shall be the chief executive officer of the corporation and shall, subject to the control of the board of directors, have general supervision, direction and control of the business and the officers of the corporation. He shall preside at all meetings of the shareholders and, in the absence of the chairman of the board, or if there be none, at all meetings of the board of directors. He shall have the general powers and duties of management usually vested in the office of president of a corporation, and shall have such other powers and duties as may be prescribed by the board of directors or these by-laws.

5.8 VICE PRESIDENTS.

In the absence or disability of the president, the vice presidents, if any, in order of their rank as fixed by the board of directors or, if not ranked, a vice president designated by the board of directors, shall perform all the duties of the president and when so acting shall have all the powers of, and be subject to all the restrictions upon, the president. The vice presidents shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as from time to time may be prescribed for them respectively by the board of directors, these by-laws, the president or the chairman of the board.

5.9 SECRETARY.

The secretary shall keep or cause to be kept, at the principal executive office of the corporation, or such other place as the board of directors may direct, a book of minutes of all meetings and actions of directors, committees of directors, and shareholders, with the time and place of holding, whether regular or special (and, if special, how authorized and the notice given), the names of those present at directors' meetings or committee meetings, the number of shares present or represented at shareholders' meetings, and the proceedings thereof.

The secretary shall keep, or cause to be kept, at the principal executive office of the corporation or at the office of the corporation's transfer agent or registrar, as determined by resolution of the board of directors, a share register, or a duplicate share register, showing the names of all shareholders and their addresses, the number and classes of shares held by each, the number and date of certificates evidencing such shares, and the number and date of cancellation of every certificate surrendered for cancellation.

The secretary shall give, or cause to be given, notice of all meetings of the shareholders and of the board of directors required by these by-laws or by law to be given, and he shall keep the seal of the corporation, if one be adopted, in safe custody and shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the board of directors or by these by-laws.

5.10 CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER.

The chief financial officer shall keep and maintain, or cause to be kept and maintained, adequate and correct books and records of accounts of the properties and business transactions of the corporation, including accounts of its assets, liabilities, receipts, disbursements, gains, losses, capital, retained earnings, and shares. The books of account shall at all reasonable times be open to inspection by any director.

The chief financial officer shall deposit all money and other valuables in the name and to the credit of the corporation with such depositaries as may be designated by the board of directors. He shall disburse the funds of the corporation as may be ordered by the board of directors, shall render to the president and directors, whenever they request it, an account of all of his transactions as chief financial officer and of the financial condition of the corporation, and shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the board of directors or these by-laws.

ARTICLE VI

INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS, AND OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES

AND OTHER AGENTS

6.1 INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS.

The corporation shall, to the maximum extent and in the manner permitted by the Code, indemnify each of its directors and officers against expenses (as defined in Section 317(a) of the Code), judgments, fines, settlements, and other amounts actually and reasonably incurred in connection with any proceeding (as defined in Section 317(a) of the Code), arising by reason of the fact that such person is or was an agent of the corporation. For purposes of this Article VI, a "director" or "officer" of the corporation includes any person (i) who is or was a director or officer of the corporation, (ii) who is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director or officer of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, or (iii) who was a director or officer of a corporation which was a predecessor corporation of the corporation or of another enterprise at the request of such predecessor corporation.

6.2 INDEMNIFICATION OF OTHERS.

The corporation shall have the power, to the extent and in the manner permitted by the Code, to indemnify each of its employees and agents (other than directors and officers) against expenses (as defined in Section 317(a) of the Code), judgments, fines, settlements, and other amounts actually and reasonably incurred in connection with any proceeding (as defined in Section 317(a) of the Code), arising by reason of the fact that such person is or was an agent of the corporation. For purposes of this Article VI, an "employee" or "agent" of the corporation (other than a director or officer) includes any person (i) who is or was an employee or agent of the corporation, (ii) who is or was serving at the request of the corporation as an employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, or (iii) who was an employee or agent of a corporation which was a predecessor corporation of the corporation or of another enterprise at the request of such predecessor corporation.

6.3 PAYMENT OF EXPENSES IN ADVANCE.

Expenses incurred in defending any civil or criminal action or proceeding for which indemnification is required pursuant to Section 6.1 or for which indemnification is permitted pursuant to Section 6.2 following authorization thereof by the Board of Directors shall be paid by the corporation in advance of the final disposition of such action or proceeding upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of the indemnified party to repay such amount if it shall ultimately be determined that the indemnified party is not entitled to be indemnified as authorized in this Article VI.

6.4 INDEMNITY NOT EXCLUSIVE.

The indemnification provided by this Article VI shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which those seeking indemnification may be entitled under any bylaw, agreement, vote of shareholders or disinterested directors or otherwise, both as to action in an official capacity and as to action in another capacity while holding such office, to the extent that such additional rights to indemnification are authorized in the Articles of Incorporation.

6.5 INSURANCE INDEMNIFICATION.

The corporation shall have the power to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation against any liability asserted against or incurred by such person in such capacity or arising out of such person's status as such, whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify him against such liability under the provisions of this Article VI.

6.6 CONFLICTS.

No indemnification or advance shall be made under this Article VI, except where such indemnification or advance is mandated by law or the order, judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, in any circumstance where it appears:

(a) That it would be inconsistent with a provision of the Articles of Incorporation, these by-laws, a resolution of the shareholders or an agreement in effect at the time of the accrual of the alleged cause of the action asserted in the proceeding in which the expenses were incurred or other amounts were paid, which prohibits or otherwise limits indemnification; or

(b) That it would be inconsistent with any condition expressly imposed by a court in approving a settlement.

ARTICLE VII

RECORDS AND REPORTS

7.1 MAINTENANCE AND INSPECTION OF SHARE REGISTER.

The corporation shall keep at its principal executive office, or at the office of its transfer agent or registrar, if either be appointed and as determined by resolution of the board of directors, a record of its shareholders, giving the names and addresses of all shareholders and the number and class of shares held by each shareholder.

A shareholder or shareholders of the corporation holding at least five percent (5%) in the aggregate of the outstanding voting shares of the corporation or who holds at least one percent (1%) of such voting shares and has filed a Schedule 14B with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to the election of directors, may (i) inspect and copy the records of shareholders' names and addresses and shareholdings during usual business hours on five (5) days' prior written demand on the corporation, (ii) obtain from the transfer agent of the corporation, on written demand and on the tender of such transfer agent's usual charges for such list, a list of the names and addresses of the shareholders who are entitled to vote for the election of directors, and their shareholdings, as of the most recent record date for which that list has been compiled or as of a date specified by the shareholder after the date of demand. Such list shall be made available to any such shareholder by the transfer agent on or before the later of five (5) days after the demand is received or five (5) days after the date specified in the demand as the date as of which the list is to be compiled.

The record of shareholders shall also be open to inspection on the written demand of any shareholder or holder of a voting trust certificate, at any time during usual business hours, for a purpose reasonably related to the holder's interests as a shareholder or as the holder of a voting trust certificate.

Any inspection and copying under this Section 7.1 may be made in person or by an agent or attorney of the shareholder or holder of a voting trust certificate making the demand.

7.2 MAINTENANCE AND INSPECTION OF BY-LAWS.

The corporation shall keep at its principal executive office, or if its principal executive office is not in the State of California, at its principal business office in such state, the original or a copy of these by-laws as amended to date, which by-laws shall be open to inspection by the shareholders at all reasonable times during office hours. If the principal executive office of the corporation is outside the State of California and the corporation has no principal business office in such state, the secretary shall, upon the written request of any shareholder, furnish to that shareholder a copy of these by-laws as amended to date.

7.3 MAINTENANCE AND INSPECTION OF OTHER CORPORATE RECORDS.

The accounting books and records, and the minutes of proceedings of the shareholders and the board of directors and any committee or committees of the board of directors, shall be kept at such place or places designated by the board of directors or, in absence of such designation, at the principal executive office of the corporation. The minutes shall be kept in written form and the accounting books and records shall be kept either in written form or in any other form capable of being converted into written form.

The minutes and accounting books and records shall be open to inspection upon the written demand of any shareholder or holder of a voting trust certificate, at any reasonable time during usual business hours, for a purpose reasonably related to the holder's interests as a shareholder or as the holder of a voting trust certificate. The inspection may be made in person or by an agent or attorney, and shall include the right to copy and make extracts. Such rights of inspection shall extend to the records of each subsidiary corporation of the corporation.

7.4 INSPECTION BY DIRECTORS.

Every director shall have the absolute right at any reasonable time to inspect all books, records and documents of every kind and the physical properties of the corporation and each of its subsidiary corporations. Such inspection by a director may be made in person or by an agent or attorney, and the right of inspection includes the right to copy and make extracts of documents.

7.5 ANNUAL REPORT TO SHAREHOLDERS; WAIVER.

The board of directors shall cause an annual report to be sent to the shareholders not later than one hundred twenty (120) days after the close of the fiscal year adopted by the corporation. Such report shall be sent at least fifteen (15) days before the annual meeting of shareholders to be held during the next fiscal year and in the manner specified in Section 2.5 of these by-laws for giving notice to shareholders of the corporation.

The annual report shall contain a balance sheet as of the end of the fiscal year and an income statement and statement of changes in financial position for the fiscal year, accompanied by any report of independent accountants or, if there is no such report, the certificate of an authorized officer of the corporation that the statements were prepared without audit from the books and records of the corporation.

The foregoing requirement of an annual report may be waived by the board so long as the shares of the corporation are held by less than one hundred (100) holders of record.

7.6 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

A copy of any annual financial statement and any income statement of the corporation for each quarterly period of each fiscal year, and any accompanying balance sheet of the corporation as of the end of each such period, that has been prepared by the corporation shall be kept on file in the principal executive office of the corporation for twelve (12) months; and each such statement shall be exhibited at all reasonable times to any shareholder demanding an examination of any such statement or a copy shall be mailed to any such shareholder.

If a shareholder or shareholders holding at least five percent (5%) of the outstanding shares of any class of stock of the corporation makes a written request to the corporation for an income statement of the corporation for the three-month, six-month or nine-month period of the then current fiscal year ended more than thirty (30) days before the date of the request, and for a balance sheet of the corporation as of the end of that period, the chief financial officer shall cause that statement to be prepared, if not already prepared, and shall deliver personally or mail that statement or statements to the person making the request within thirty (30) days after the receipt of the request. If the corporation has not sent to the shareholders its annual report for the last fiscal year, such report shall likewise be delivered or mailed to the shareholder or shareholders within thirty (30) days after the request.

The corporation shall also, on the written request of any shareholder, mail to the shareholder a copy of the last annual, semi-annual or quarterly income statement which it has prepared, and a balance sheet as of the end of that period.

The quarterly income statements and balance sheets referred to in this section shall be accompanied by the report, if any, of any independent accountants engaged by the corporation or the certificate of an authorized officer of the corporation that the financial statements were prepared without audit from the books and records of the corporation.

ARTICLE VIII

GENERAL MATTERS

8.1 RECORD DATE FOR PURPOSES OTHER THAN NOTICE AND VOTING.

For purposes of determining the shareholders entitled to receive payment of any dividend or other distribution or allotment of any rights or entitled to exercise any rights in respect of any other lawful action (other than action by shareholders by written consent without a meeting), the board of directors may fix, in advance, a record date, which shall not be more than sixty (60) days before any such action, and in that case only shareholders of record on the date so fixed are entitled to receive the dividend, distribution or allotment of rights, or to exercise such rights, as the case may be, notwithstanding any transfer of any shares on the books of the corporation after the record date so fixed, except as otherwise provided in the Code.

If the board of directors does not so fix a record date, the record date for determining shareholders for any such purpose shall be at the close of business on the day on which the board adopts the applicable resolution or the sixtieth (60th) day before the date of that action, whichever is later.

8.2 CHECKS, DRAFTS, EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS.

All checks, drafts, or other orders for payment of money, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness, issued in the name of or payable to the corporation, shall be signed or endorsed by such person or persons and in such manner as, from time to time, shall be determined by resolution of the board of directors.

8.3 CORPORATE CONTRACTS AND INSTRUMENTS: HOW EXECUTED.

The board of directors, except as otherwise provided in these by-laws, may authorize any officer or officers, or agent or agents, to enter into any contract or execute any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the corporation, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances; and, unless so authorized or ratified by the board of directors or within the agency power of an officer, no officer, agent or employee shall have any power or authority to bind the corporation by any contract or engagement or to pledge its credit or to render it liable for any purpose or for any amount.

8.4 CERTIFICATES FOR SHARES.

A certificate or certificates for shares of the corporation shall be issued to each shareholder when any of such shares are fully paid, and the board of directors may authorize the issuance of certificates or shares as partly paid provided that these certificates shall state the amount of the consideration to be paid for them and the amount paid. All certificates shall be signed in the name of the corporation by the chairman or vice chairman of the board or the president or a vice president and by the chief financial officer or an assistant treasurer or the secretary or any assistant secretary, certifying the number of shares and the class or series of shares owned by the shareholder. Any or all of the signatures on the certificate may be facsimile. In case any officer, transfer agent or registrar who has signed or whose facsimile signature has been placed on a certificate has ceased to be that such officer, transfer agent or registrar before such certificate is issued, it may be issued by the corporation with the same effect as if such person were an officer, transfer agent or registrar at the date of issue.

Notwithstanding the foregoing paragraph, the corporation may adopt a system of issuance, recordation and transfer of its shares by electronic or other means not involving any issuance of certificates, including provisions for notice to purchasers in substitution for the required statements on certificates under Sections 417, 418 and 1302 of the Code, and as may be required by the commissioner in administering the California Corporate Securities Law of 1968, which system (1) has been approved by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, (2) is authorized in any statute of the United States, or (3) is in accordance with Division 8 of the California Commercial Code. Any system so adopted shall not become effective as to issued and outstanding certificated securities until the certificates therefor have been surrendered to the corporation.

8.5 LOST CERTIFICATES.

Except as provided in this Section 8.5, no new certificates for shares shall be issued to replace a previously issued certificate unless the latter is surrendered to the corporation and cancelled at the same time. The board of directors may, in case any share certificate or certificate for any other security is lost, stolen or destroyed, authorize the issuance of replacement certificates on such terms and conditions as the board may require, including provision for indemnification of the corporation secured by a bond or other adequate security sufficient to protect the corporation against any claim that may be made against it, including any expense or liability, on account of the alleged loss, theft or destruction of the certificate or the issuance of the replacement certificate.

8.6 CONSTRUCTION AND DEFINITIONS.

Unless the context requires otherwise, the general provisions, rules of construction and definitions in the Code shall govern the construction of these by-laws. Without limiting the generality of this provision, the singular number includes the plural, the Plural number includes the singular, and the term "person" includes both a corporation and a natural person.

ARTICLE IX

AMENDMENTS

9.1 AMENDMENT BY SHAREHOLDERS.

New by-laws may be adopted or these by-laws may be amended or repealed by the vote or written consent of holders of a majority of the outstanding shares entitled to vote; provided, however, that if the articles of incorporation of the corporation set forth the number of authorized directors of the corporation, the authorized number of directors may be changed only by an amendment of the articles of incorporation.

9.2 AMENDMENT BY DIRECTORS.

Subject to the rights of the shareholders as provided in Section 9.1 of these by-laws, by-laws, other than a by-law or an amendment of a by-law changing the authorized number of directors (except to fix the authorized number of directors pursuant to a by-law providing for a variable number of directors), may be adopted, amended, or repealed by the board of directors.

SUBSIDIARIES OF AEHR TEST SYSTEMS

1. Aehr Test Systems GmbH, incorporated in Germany
2. Aehr Test Systems Philippines Inc., incorporated in Philippines
3. Aehr Test Systems Japan Limited., incorporated in Japan

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements on Form S-3 (No.333-282661) and the Registration Statements on Form S-8 (No. 333-275202, 333-268413, 333-261147, 333-250175, 333-235105, 333-228509, 333-214589, 333-208130, 333-200442, 333-184865, 333-177954, 333-163100, 333-155389, 333-138249, 333-119636, 333-52592 and 333-40577) of Aehr Test Systems of our report dated July 28, 2025 relating to the consolidated financial statements, which appears in this Form 10-K.

/s/ BPM LLP

San Jose, California

July 28, 2025

**CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
PURSUANT TO SECTION 302(a) OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT**

I, Gayn Erickson, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of Aehr Test Systems;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

By: /s/ GAYN ERICKSON

Gayn Erickson
President and Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: July 28, 2025

**CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
PURSUANT TO SECTION 302(a) OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT**

I, Chris P. Siu, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of Aehr Test Systems;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

By: /s/ CHRIS P. SIU

Chris P. Siu
Executive Vice President of Finance,
and Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

Date: July 28, 2025

**CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Gayn Erickson, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that the Annual Report of Aehr Test Systems on Form 10-K for the period ended May 30, 2025 fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and that information contained in such Annual Report on Form 10-K fairly presents in all material respects the financial condition and results of operations of Aehr Test Systems.

By: /s/ GAYN ERICKSON

Gayn Erickson
President and Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: July 28, 2025

**CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Chris P. Siu, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that the Annual Report of Aehr Test Systems on Form 10-K for the period ended May 30, 2025 fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and that information contained in such Annual Report on Form 10-K fairly presents in all material respects the financial condition and results of operations of Aehr Test Systems.

By: /s/ CHRIS P. SIU

Chris P. Siu

Executive Vice President of Finance,
and Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

Date: July 28, 2025



INSIDER TRADING POLICY

I. PURPOSE

Aehr Test Systems (together with its subsidiaries, the “*Company*”) has adopted this Insider Trading Policy (this “*Policy*”) to help its directors, officers and employees comply with insider trading laws, to prevent even the appearance of improper insider trading and to promote compliance with the Company’s obligation under Item 408 of Regulation S-K to publicly disclose information related to its insider trading policies and practices and the use of certain trading arrangements by Company insiders.

II. SCOPE

This Policy applies to all directors, officers and employees of the Company (“controlling persons”), as well as agents (such as consultants and independent contractors), their respective family members and others in their households (collectively referred to as “Insiders”), and any other individuals the Compliance Officer (defined below) may designate as Insiders because they have access to material nonpublic information concerning the Company.

Except as discussed in the section entitled “**Limited Exceptions**,” this Policy applies to *all* transactions *involving* the securities of the Company or the securities of other companies as to which the insiders possess material nonpublic information obtained in the course of their services with the Company. This Policy therefore applies to purchases, sales, gifts, and other transfers of common stock, options, warrants, preferred stock, debt securities (such as debentures, bonds and notes) and other securities. This Policy also applies to any arrangements that affect economic exposure to changes in the prices of these securities. These arrangements may include, among other things, transactions in derivative securities (such as exchange-traded put or call options), hedging transactions, and short sales. This Policy also applies to any offers with respect to the transactions discussed above. The insiders should note that there are no exceptions from insider trading laws or this Policy based on the size of the transaction.

The insiders are expected to comply with this Policy until such time as they are no longer affiliated with the Company and they no longer possess any material nonpublic information subject to this Policy. In addition, if the insiders are subject to a trading blackout under this Policy at the time they cease to be affiliated with the Company, they are expected to abide by the applicable trading restrictions until at least the end of the relevant blackout period.

There may be instances where the insiders suffer financial harm or other hardship or are otherwise required to forego a planned transaction because of the restrictions imposed by this Policy. Personal financial emergencies or other personal circumstances are not mitigating factors under securities laws and will not excuse a failure to comply with this Policy.

III. SPECIFIC GUIDANCE

A. Generally Prohibited Activities. The prohibitions below apply to actions an Insider may take directly or indirectly through family members or other persons or entities.

1. Trading in Company Securities.
 - a. No Insider may buy, sell, or otherwise transact in Company securities while being aware of material nonpublic information concerning the Company.
 - b. No Insider may buy, sell, or otherwise transact in Company securities during any special trading blackout period applicable to such Insider as designated by the Compliance Officer.
 - c. Charitable donations of Company securities may be permitted during a blackout period, provided that the Insider notifies the Compliance Officer.
 - d. Gifting Company securities to insiders' family members may be permitted during a blackout period. However, the recipient may not sell the securities until the next trading window is open.
2. Tipping. Providing material nonpublic information to another person who may trade or advise others to trade on the basis of that information is known as "tipping" and is illegal. Therefore, no Insider may "tip" or provide material nonpublic information concerning the Company to any person other than a director, officer or employee of the Company, unless required as part of that Insider's regular duties for the Company and authorized by the Compliance Officer.
3. Giving Trading Advice. No Insider may give trading advice of any kind about the Company to anyone, whether or not such Insider is aware of material nonpublic information about the Company, except that Insiders should advise other Insiders not to trade if such trading might violate the law or this Policy.
4. Engaging in Short Sales. No Insider may engage in short sales of Company securities. A short sale is the sale of a security that the seller does not own at the time of the trade.
5. Lending Securities for Short-Sales Facilitation. No Insider may lend Company securities to financial institutions to facilitate trading strategies which involve short sales.
6. Engaging in Derivative Transactions. No Insider may engage in transactions in puts, calls or other derivative instruments that relate to or involve Company securities. Such transactions are, in effect, bets on short-term movements in the Company's stock price and therefore create the appearance that the transaction is based on nonpublic information.
7. Hedging. No Insider may engage in hedging transactions involving Company securities, including forward sale or purchase contracts, equity swaps, collars or exchange funds. Such transactions are speculative in nature and therefore create the appearance that the transaction is based on nonpublic information.
8. Trading on Margin or Pledging. No Insider may hold Company securities in a margin account or pledge (or hypothecate) Company securities as collateral for a loan. Margin sales or foreclosure sales may occur at a time when the Insider is aware of material nonpublic information or otherwise is not permitted to trade in Company securities.
9. Trading in Securities of Other Companies. No Insider may, while in possession of material nonpublic information about any other public company gained in the course of employment with the Company, (a) buy, sell, or otherwise transact in the securities of the other public company, (b) "tip" or disclose such material nonpublic information concerning that company to anyone, or (c) give trading advice of any kind to anyone concerning the other public company.

B. Additional Restrictions Applicable to Section 16 Individuals and Key Employees.

1. No Section 16 Individual or Key Employee (each as defined below) may buy, sell, or otherwise transact in Company securities outside of the Company trading window described in Section V.B below.
2. No Section 16 Individual may trade in Company securities unless the trade(s) have been approved by the Compliance Officer in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section V.C.1 below.

IV. DETERMINING WHETHER INFORMATION IS MATERIAL AND NONPUBLIC

A. Definition of “Material” Information.

1. There is no bright line test for determining whether particular information is material. Such a determination depends on the facts and circumstances unique to each situation and cannot be made solely based on the potential financial impact of the information.
2. In general, information about the Company should be considered “material” if:
 - A reasonable investor would consider the information significant when deciding whether to buy or sell Company securities; or
 - The information, if disclosed, could be viewed by a reasonable investor as having significantly altered the total mix of information available in the marketplace about the Company.Put simply, if the information could reasonably be expected to affect the price of the Company’s stock, it should be considered material.
3. It is important to remember that whether information is material will be viewed by enforcement authorities with the benefit of hindsight. In other words, if the price of the Company’s stock changed as a result of the information having been made public, it will likely be considered material by enforcement authorities.
4. While it is not possible to identify every type of information that could be deemed “material,” the following matters ordinarily should be considered material:
 - Projections of future earnings or losses, or other earnings guidance, or changes in projections or guidance.
 - Financial performance, especially quarterly and year-end earnings or significant changes in financial performance or liquidity.
 - Potential significant mergers and acquisitions or the sale of significant assets or subsidiaries.
 - New major contracts, orders, suppliers, customers, or finance sources, or the loss thereof.
 - Major discoveries or significant changes or developments in products or product lines, research or technologies.
 - Significant changes or developments in supplies or inventory, including significant product defects, recalls or product returns.
 - Stock splits, public or private securities/debt offerings, or changes in dividend policies or amounts.
 - Significant changes in senior management.
 - Actual or threatened major litigation, or the resolution of such litigation.
 - An imminent change in the Company’s credit rating by a rating agency.
 - The contents of forthcoming publications that may affect the market price of Company securities.
 - Significant breaches of information technology systems or other events impacting cybersecurity.

B. Definition of “Nonpublic” Information.

Information is “nonpublic” if it has not been disseminated to investors through a widely circulated news or wire service (such as Dow Jones, Bloomberg, PR Newswire, etc.) or through a public filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”). For the purposes of this Policy, information will not be considered public until after the close of trading on the first full trading day following the Company’s widespread public release of the information.

C. Consult the Compliance Officer for Guidance.

Any Insider who is unsure whether the information that he or she possesses is material or nonpublic should consult the Compliance Officer for guidance before trading in any Company securities.

D. Confidentiality of nonpublic information

The unauthorized use or disclosure of nonpublic information relating to the Company or other companies is prohibited. All nonpublic information the insiders acquire in the course of their services with the Company may only be used for legitimate Company business purposes. In addition, nonpublic information of others should be handled in accordance with the terms of any relevant nondisclosure agreements, and the use of any such nonpublic information should be limited to the purpose for which it was disclosed.

The insiders must use all reasonable efforts to safeguard nonpublic information in the Company's possession. They may not disclose nonpublic information about the Company or any other company, unless required by law, or unless (i) disclosure is required for legitimate Company business purposes, (ii) the insiders are authorized to disclose the information and (iii) appropriate steps have been taken to prevent misuse of that information (including entering an appropriate nondisclosure agreement that restricts the disclosure and use of the information, if applicable). This restriction also applies to internal communications within the Company and to communications with agents of the Company. In cases where disclosing nonpublic information to third parties is required, the insiders should coordinate with the Compliance Officer.

E. No trading on material nonpublic information

Except as discussed in the section entitled "**Limited Exceptions**," the insiders may not, directly or indirectly through others, engage in any transaction involving the Company's securities *while aware of* material nonpublic information relating to the Company. It is not an excuse that the insiders did not "use" the information in their transaction.

Similarly, the insiders may not engage in transactions involving the securities of any other company if they are aware of material nonpublic information about that company (except to the extent the transactions are analogous to those presented in the section entitled "**Limited Exceptions**"). For example, the insiders may be involved in a proposed transaction involving a prospective business relationship or transaction with another company. If information about that transaction constitutes material nonpublic information for that other company, the insiders would be prohibited from engaging in transactions involving the securities of that other company (as well as transactions involving Company securities, if that information is material to the Company). It is important to note that "materiality" is different for different companies. Information that is not material to the Company may be material to another company.

F. No disclosing material nonpublic information for the benefit of others

The insiders may not disclose material nonpublic information concerning the Company or any other company to friends, family members or any other person or entity not authorized to receive such information where such person or entity may benefit by trading on the basis of such information. In addition, the insiders may not make recommendations or express opinions on the basis of material nonpublic information as to trading in the securities of companies to which such information relates. They are prohibited from engaging in these actions whether or not they derive any profit or personal benefit from doing so.

G. Responding to outside inquiries for information

In the event the insiders receive an inquiry from someone outside of the Company, such as a stock analyst, for information, they should refer the inquiry to the Chief Financial Officer. The Company is required under Regulation FD (Fair Disclosure) of the U.S. federal securities laws to avoid the selective disclosure of material nonpublic information. In general, the regulation provides that when a public company discloses material nonpublic information, it must provide broad, non-exclusionary access to the information. Violations of this regulation can subject the company to SEC enforcement actions, which may result in injunctions and severe monetary penalties. The Company has established procedures for releasing material information in a manner that is designed to achieve broad public dissemination of the information immediately upon its release in compliance with applicable law.

IV.1 TRADING BLACKOUT PERIODS

To limit the likelihood of trading at times when there is a significant risk of insider trading exposure, the Company has instituted quarterly trading blackout periods and may institute special trading blackout periods from time to time.

It is important to note that whether or not the insiders are subject to blackout periods, they remain subject to the prohibitions on trading on the basis of material nonpublic information and any other applicable restrictions in this Policy.

A. Quarterly blackout periods

Except as discussed in the section entitled “**Limited Exceptions**,” directors, executive officers and other employees and agents identified by the Company must refrain from conducting transactions involving the Company’s securities during quarterly blackout periods. Even if the insiders are not specifically identified as being subject to quarterly blackout periods, they should exercise caution when engaging in transactions during quarterly blackout periods because of the heightened risk of insider trading exposure.

Quarterly blackout periods begin at the close of trading of the 15th calendar day prior to the last Friday of the third month of each fiscal quarter and end at the start of the second full trading day following the date of public disclosure of the financial results for that fiscal quarter. This period is a particularly sensitive time for transactions involving the Company’s securities from the perspective of compliance with applicable securities laws due to the fact that, during this period, individuals may often possess or have access to material nonpublic information relevant to the expected financial results for the quarter.

Individuals subject to quarterly blackout periods are listed on **Schedule I**. From time to time, the Company may identify other persons who should be subject to quarterly blackout periods, and the Compliance Officer may update and revise **Schedule I** as appropriate.

B. Special blackout periods

From time to time, the Company may also prohibit directors, officers, employees and agents from engaging in transactions involving the Company’s securities when, in the judgment of the Compliance Officer, a trading blackout is warranted. The Company will generally impose special blackout periods when there are material developments known to the Company that have not yet been disclosed to the public. For example, the Company may impose a special blackout period in anticipation of announcing interim earnings guidance or a significant transaction or business development. However, special blackout periods may be declared for any reason.

The Company will notify those persons subject a special blackout period. Each person who has been so identified and notified by the Company may not engage in any transaction involving the Company's securities until instructed otherwise by the Compliance Officer and should not disclose to others the fact of such suspension of trading.

C. No "safe harbors"

There are no unconditional "safe harbors" for trades made at particular times, and all persons subject to this Policy should exercise good judgment at all times. Even when a quarterly blackout period is not in effect, the insiders may be prohibited from engaging in transactions involving the Company's securities because they possess material nonpublic information, are subject to a special blackout period or are otherwise restricted under this Policy.

IV.2 PRE-CLEARANCE OF TRADES

Except as discussed in the section entitled "**Limited Exceptions**," directors and executive officers must refrain from engaging in any transaction involving the Company's securities without first obtaining pre-clearance of the transaction from the Compliance Officer. In addition, the Company has determined that certain other employees and agents of the Company that may have regular or special access to material nonpublic information should refrain from engaging in any transaction involving the Company's securities without first obtaining pre-clearance of the transaction from the Compliance Officer. The Compliance Officer may not engage in a transaction involving the Company's securities unless the Chief Executive Officer has pre-cleared the transaction. Individuals subject to pre-clearance requirements are listed on **Schedule I**. From time to time, the Company may identify other persons who should be subject to the pre-clearance requirements set forth above, and the Compliance Officer may update and revise **Schedule I** as appropriate.

The pre-clearance must be in writing and trades pre-cleared must occur within 10 business days of written approval.

These pre-clearance procedures are intended to decrease insider trading risks associated with transactions by individuals with regular or special access to material nonpublic information. In addition, requiring pre-clearance of transactions by directors and officers facilitates compliance with Rule 144 resale restrictions under the Securities Act, the liability and reporting provisions of Section 16 under the Exchange Act and Regulation BTR (Blackout Trading Restriction). Pre-clearance of a trade, however, is not a defense to a claim of insider trading and does not excuse the insiders from otherwise complying with insider trading laws or this Policy.

The Compliance Officer is under no obligation to approve a transaction submitted for pre-clearance and may determine not to permit the transaction.

IV.3 LIMITED EXCEPTIONS

The following are certain limited exceptions to the restrictions imposed by the Company under this Policy. Please be aware that even if a transaction is subject to an exception to this Policy, the insiders will need to separately assess whether the transaction complies with applicable law. For example, even if a transaction is indicated as exempt from this Policy, the insiders may need to comply with the "short-swing" trading restrictions under Section 16 of the Exchange Act, to the extent applicable. They are responsible for complying with applicable law at all times.

A. Transactions pursuant to a trading plan that complies with SEC rules

The SEC has enacted rules that provide an affirmative defense against alleged violations of U.S. federal insider trading laws for transactions pursuant to trading plans that meet certain requirements. In general, these rules, as set forth in Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act, provide for an affirmative defense if the insiders enter into a contract, provide instructions or adopt a written plan for trading securities when they are not aware of material nonpublic information. The contract, instructions or plan must (i) specify the amount, price and date of the transaction, (ii) specify an objective method for determining the amount, price and date of the transaction and/or (iii) place any subsequent discretion for determining the amount, price and date of the transaction in another person who is not, at the time of the transaction, aware of material nonpublic information.

Transactions made pursuant to a written trading plan that (i) complies with the affirmative defense set forth in Rule 10b5-1 and (ii) is approved by the Compliance Officer, are not subject to the restrictions in this Policy against trades made while aware of material nonpublic information or to the pre-clearance procedures or blackout periods established under this Policy. In approving a trading plan, the Compliance Officer may, in furtherance of the objectives expressed in this Policy, impose criteria in addition to those set forth in Rule 10b5-1. The insider should therefore confer with the Compliance Officer prior to entering into any trading plan. The SEC rules regarding trading plans are complex and must be complied with completely to be effective. The description provided above is only a summary, and the Company strongly advises that the insiders consult with their legal advisors if they intend to adopt a trading plan. While trading plans are subject to review and approval by the Company, the individual adopting the trading plan is ultimately responsible for compliance with Rule 10b5-1 and ensuring that the trading plan complies with this Policy.

Trading plans must be filed with the Compliance Officer and must be accompanied with an executed certificate stating that the trading plan complies with Rule 10b5-1 and any other criteria established by the Company. The Company may publicly disclose information regarding trading plans that the insiders may enter.

B. Receipt and vesting of stock options, restricted stock and stock appreciation rights

The trading restrictions under this Policy do not apply to the acceptance or purchase of stock options, restricted stock or stock appreciation rights issued or offered by the Company. The trading restrictions under this Policy also do not apply to the vesting, cancellation or forfeiture of stock options, restricted stock or stock appreciation rights in accordance with applicable plans and agreements.

C. Exercise of stock options for cash

The trading restrictions under this Policy do not apply to (i) cash exercise of stock options, (“purchase of stock options”), (ii) cashless exercise, (“same day sale”), of only stock options which will expire during blackout period, (iii) sell shares to cover payroll tax upon vesting of restricted stock unit or restricted shares. However, the trading restrictions under this Policy do apply to (i) the sale of any securities issued upon the exercise of a stock option, (ii) a cashless exercise of a stock option, which are not yet expire during blackout period, through a broker, since this involves selling a portion of the underlying shares to cover the costs of exercise, and (iii) any other market sale for the purpose of generating the cash needed to pay the exercise price of an option.

D. Purchases from the employee stock purchase plan

The trading restrictions in this Policy do not apply to elections with respect to participation in the Company's employee stock purchase plan or to purchases of securities under the plan. However, the trading restrictions do apply to any subsequent sales of any such securities.

E. Stock splits, stock dividends and similar transactions

The trading restrictions under this Policy do not apply to a change in the number of securities held as a result of a stock split or stock dividend applying equally to all securities of a class, or similar transactions.

F. Non-Section 16 Individuals' sales of stock to cover withholding taxes upon RSU vesting

The trading restrictions under this Policy do not apply to stock sold to satisfy withholding taxes requirement upon vesting of RSUs by non-Section 16 individuals (see definition below).

G. Change in form of ownership

Transactions that involve merely a change in the form in which the insiders own securities are permissible. The Insider should notify the Compliance Officer for such a change.

H. Other exceptions

Any other exception from this Policy must be approved by the Compliance Officer, in consultation with the Board of Directors or an independent committee of the Board of Directors.

V. ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS FOR SECTION 16 INDIVIDUALS AND KEY EMPLOYEES

A. Definitions of Section 16 Individuals and Key Employees.

1. "Section 16 Individual" – Each member of the Company's Board of Directors ("Board"), those officers of the Company designated by the Board as "Section 16 officers" of the Company, and their respective family members and others in their households.
2. "Key Employees" – The following individuals are Key Employees because of their position with the Company and their possible access to material nonpublic information:
 - Active employees of the Company who have met or currently meet the eligibility requirements to receive annual stock option and/or restricted stock unit awards from the Compensation and Human Capital Committee of the Board (the "Committee"); and
 - Any other individual designated from time to time by the Compliance Officer, the Board or the Committee as a Key Employee.

Employees and other individuals who are recipients of stock option and/or restricted stock unit awards from the Committee that are broad-based or special awards from the CEO or other authorized officer under a pool of stock options or restricted stock units established by the Committee shall not be considered Key Employees unless they also meet one or more of the conditions set forth in the preceding two bullets.

B. The Trading Window.

1. Trading Only While Trading Window is Open. Section 16 Individuals and Key Employees may buy, sell, donate or otherwise transact in Company securities only while the Company's trading window is open. In general, the Company's trading window opens after the close of trading on the first full trading day following the Company's public announcement of quarterly earnings, and remains through the last trading day of the second calendar month of the then-current fiscal quarter.
2. No Trading While Aware of Material Nonpublic Information. Notwithstanding the provisions of the immediately preceding section, any Section 16 Individual or Key Employee who is in possession of material nonpublic information regarding the Company may not trade in Company securities during an open trading window until the close of trading on the first full trading day following the Company's widespread public release of such information.
3. Exceptions for Hardship Cases. The Compliance Officer may, on a case-by-case basis, authorize trading in Company securities outside of the applicable trading windows (but not during special trading blackout periods) due to financial hardship or other hardships, but only in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section V.C.2 below; provided that no hardship exceptions may be authorized with respect to the cooling-off periods set forth in Section VII.B.5.

C. Procedures for approving trades by Section 16 Individuals and Hardship Cases.

1. Section 16 Individual Trades. No Section 16 Individual may trade in Company securities until:
 - the individual has notified the Compliance Officer in writing of the amount and nature of the proposed trade(s);
 - the individual has certified to the Compliance Officer in writing, no more than three business days prior to the proposed trade(s), that he or she is not aware of material nonpublic information regarding the Company; and
 - the Compliance Officer has approved the proposed trade(s).

The notice and certification required by this Section V.C.1, and the Compliance Officer's approval thereof, shall be given using the form attached hereto as Exhibit A. During the approval period identified in the notice and certification, provided that the facts remain correct, the Section 16 Individual may execute the trade set forth in such notice and certification. Once the approval period identified in the notice and certification has expired, a new notice and certification pursuant to this Section V.C.1 must be given in order for the Section 16 Individual to trade in Company securities.
2. Hardship Trades. The Compliance Officer may, on a case-by-case basis, authorize trading in Company securities outside of an applicable trading window due to financial hardship or other hardships only after:
 - the person trading has notified the Compliance Officer in writing of the circumstances of the hardship and the amount and nature of the proposed trade(s), and
 - the person trading has certified to the Compliance Officer in writing no earlier than two business days prior to the proposed trade(s) that he or she is not aware of material nonpublic information concerning the Company.

3. Compliance Officer Trades. If the Compliance Officer desires to complete any trades involving Company securities, he or she must first obtain the approval of the Chief Executive Officer or the Chief Financial Officer of the Company.
4. No Obligation to Approve Trades. The existence of the foregoing approval procedures does not in any way obligate the Compliance Officer (or, in the case of any trade by the Compliance Officer, the Chief Executive Officer or the Chief Financial Officer of the Company) to approve any trades requested by Section 16 Individuals, hardship applicants or the Compliance Officer.

VI. COMPLIANCE OFFICER

The Company has designated its Chief Financial Officer as the individual responsible for administration of this Policy (the “Compliance Officer”). The duties of the Compliance Officer include the following:

- Administering this Policy and monitoring and enforcing compliance with all Policy provisions and procedures.
- Reviewing and either approving or denying all proposed trades by Section 16 Individuals in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section V.C.1 above.
- After discussing with the blackout assessment team, designating and announcing special trading blackout periods during which certain Insiders may not trade in Company securities.
- Providing copies of this Policy and other appropriate materials to all new Insiders.
- Administering, monitoring and enforcing compliance with all federal and state insider trading laws and regulations.
- Revising the Policy as necessary to reflect changes in federal or state insider trading laws and regulations, or as otherwise deemed necessary or appropriate.

The Compliance Officer may designate one or more individuals who may perform the Compliance Officer’s duties in the event that the Compliance Officer is unable or unavailable to perform such duties.

VII. RULE 10b5-1 TRADING PLANS

A. General Information.

Under Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, an individual has an affirmative defense against an allegation of insider trading if he or she demonstrates that the purchase, sale or trade in question took place pursuant to a binding contract, specific instruction or written plan that was put into place before he or she became aware of material nonpublic information. Such contracts, irrevocable instructions and plans are commonly referred to as Rule 10b5-1 plans and must satisfy several conditions set forth in Rule 10b5-1.

Rule 10b5-1 plans have the obvious advantage of protecting against insider trading liability. However, they also require advance commitments regarding the amounts, prices and timing of purchases or sales of Company securities and thus limit flexibility and discretion. In addition, once a Rule 10b5-1 plan has been adopted, it is generally not permissible to amend or modify such plan without complying with new conditions and timing limitations set forth in Rule 10b5-1. Accordingly, while some individuals may find Rule 10b5-1 plans attractive, they may not be suitable for all Insiders.

B. Specific Requirements.

1. Pre-Approval. For a Rule 10b5-1 plan to serve as an adequate defense against an allegation of insider trading, a number of legal requirements must be satisfied. Accordingly, anyone wishing to establish a Rule 10b5-1 plan must first receive approval from the Compliance Officer or his or her designee. Section 16 Individuals wanting to establish a Rule 10b5-1 plan must also satisfy the notification and certification requirements set forth in Section V.C.1 above.
2. Material Nonpublic Information and Special Blackouts. An individual desiring to enter into a Rule 10b5-1 plan must enter into the plan at a time when he or she is not aware of any material nonpublic information about the Company or otherwise subject to a special trading blackout
3. Trading Window. Section 16 Individuals and Key Employees may establish a Rule 10b5-1 plan only when the Company's trading window is open.
4. Limitations on Number of Rule 10b5-1 Plans. An individual may not establish overlapping Rule 10b5-1 plans and must limit the use of single-trade plans (*i.e.*, a plan covering a single trading event) to one during any consecutive 12-month period, in each case subject to the accommodations set forth in Rule 10b5-1.
5. Cooling-Off Periods.
 - Section 16 Individuals must observe a cooling-off period between the date a Rule 10b5-1 plan is adopted or modified and the date of the first transaction under the plan following such adoption or modification equal to the later of (i) 90 days and (ii) 2 business days following the disclosure in Forms 10-K or 10-Q of the Company's financial results for the fiscal quarter in which the plan was adopted or modified (but not to exceed 120 days following plan adoption or modification).
 - All other employees who are not subject to Section VII.B.5.a must observe a cooling-off period between the date a Rule 10b5-1 plan is adopted or modified and the date of the first transaction under the plan following such adoption or modification equal to at least 30 days.

VIII. POST-TERMINATION TRANSACTIONS

This Policy continues to apply to transactions in the Company's securities after termination of service to the Company. If an individual is in possession of material nonpublic information when his or her service terminates, or if the Company's trading window is closed at the time of termination, that individual may not trade in the Company's securities until any such material nonpublic information has become public or is no longer material and/or the Company's trading window has opened. The pre-clearance procedures specified in Section V.C.1 above, however, will cease to apply to transactions in the Company's securities upon the opening of the Company's trading window and/or expiration of any special trading blackout period, at which point the provisions set forth in Section V.B.1 above shall no longer apply.

IX. POTENTIAL PENALTIES AND DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS

A. Civil and Criminal Penalties.

The consequences of prohibited insider trading or tipping can be severe. Persons violating insider trading or tipping rules may be required to disgorge the profit made or the loss avoided by the trading, pay the loss suffered by the person who purchased securities from or sold securities to the Insider or tippee, pay significant civil and/or criminal penalties, and serve a lengthy jail term. The Company in such circumstances may also be required to pay major civil or criminal penalties.

Potential penalties for insider trading violations under U.S. federal securities laws include:

- damages in a private lawsuit;
- disgorging any profits made or losses avoided;
- imprisonment for up to 20 years;
- criminal fines of up to \$5 million for individuals and \$25 million for entities;
- civil fines of up to three times the profit gained or loss avoided;
- a bar against serving as an officer or director of a public company; and
- an injunction against future violations.

B. Controlling person liability.

As of the effective date of this Policy, the penalty for “controlling person” liability is a civil fine of up to the greater of \$1,000,000 or three times the profit gained or loss avoided as a result of the insider trading violations, as well as potential criminal fines and imprisonment.

C. Company Discipline.

Violation of this Policy or federal or state insider trading or tipping laws by any Insider may, in the case of a director, subject the director to dismissal proceedings and, in the case of an officer or employee, subject the officer or employee to disciplinary action by the Company up to and including termination for cause.

D. Reporting of Violations.

The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the “**SEC**”), the National Association of Securities Dealers and The Nasdaq Stock Market use sophisticated electronic surveillance techniques to investigate and detect insider trading, and the SEC and the U.S. Department of Justice pursue insider trading violations vigorously. Cases involving trading through foreign accounts, trading by family members and friends and trading involving only a small number of shares have been successfully prosecuted.

It is the insiders’ responsibility to help enforce this Policy. They should be alert to possible violations and promptly report violations or suspected violations of this Policy to the Compliance Officer. If their situation requires that their identity be kept secret, their anonymity will be preserved to the greatest extent reasonably possible. If they wish to remain anonymous, send a letter addressed to the Compliance Officer at 400 Kato Terrace, Fremont, CA 94539. If the insiders make an anonymous report, please provide as much detail as possible, including any evidence that they believe may be relevant to the issue.

Any Insider who violates this Policy or any federal or state law governing insider trading or tipping or knows of any such violation by any other Insider, must report the violation immediately to the Compliance Officer. Upon determining that any such violation has occurred, the Compliance Officer, in consultation with the Chair of the Audit Committee of the Board, will determine whether the Company should release any material nonpublic information, and, when required by applicable law, shall cause the Company to report the violation to the SEC or other appropriate governmental authority.

X. MISCELLANEOUS

This Policy will be delivered to all directors, officers, employees and designated outsiders upon its adoption by the Company and to all new directors, officers, employees and designated outsiders at the start of their employment or relationship with the Company. Upon first receiving a copy of this Policy or any revised versions, each Section 16 Individual and Key Employee must sign an acknowledgment that he or she has received a copy of this Policy and agrees to comply with its terms.