
Global Unichip Corp. (GUC) Reports Financial Results for 2Q'08

Company's revenues continue to set new record high for 9 consecutive quarters

Hsinchu -- August 15, 2008 -- Global Unichip Corporation (TAIEX: 3443) today announced financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2008.

2Q'08 Financial Results Highlights:

- Revenues were NT\$2,285 million, up NT\$647 million, or 39 percent, from a year ago. Compared with the previous quarter, revenues increased NT\$101 million, or 5 percent;
- Gross profit was NT\$457 million, or 20.0 percent of revenues. This was up NT\$6 million quarter-over-quarter;
- Total net income attributable to shareholders was NT\$192 million, up NT\$5 million, or 2.7% from the previous quarter;
- Earnings per share were NT\$1.67, representing an increase of 3.1% from the previous quarter.

Detailed financial reports and previous period financial reports are presented on our Investor Relations web page at [http:// www.globalunichip.com](http://www.globalunichip.com).

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I. Revenues Analysis

NRE By Technology	2Q'07	1Q'08	2Q'08
65nm	28%	22%	27%
90nm	23%	26%	37%
0.13um	21%	37%	24%
0.18um Above	28%	15%	12%

Turn Key By Technology	2Q'07	1Q'08	2Q'08
65nm	0%	0%	1%
90nm	0%	9%	8%
0.13um	69%	69%	71%
0.18um Above	31%	22%	20%

By Technology	2Q'07	1Q'08	2Q'08
65nm	5%	4%	4%
90nm	4%	12%	12%
0.13um	60%	64%	65%
0.18um Above	31%	20%	19%

By Application	2Q'07	1Q'08	2Q'08
Communication	55%	61%	62%
Consumer	40%	35%	32%
Computer	3%	3%	2%
Others	2%	1%	4%

By Region	2Q'07	1Q'08	2Q'08
USA	65%	78%	74%
Japan	25%	12%	12%
Taiwan	5%	4%	4%
China	2%	3%	4%
Europe	2%	1%	3%
Korea	1%	2%	3%

In NRE segment, revenues from 65nm reached 27% of total sales in 2Q'08, up from 22% in 1Q'08 and slightly declined 1% from a year ago. As a result of continued solid ramp for our 90nm technology, revenues from 90nm contributed 37% of total NRE revenues in 2Q'08, up from 26% in 1Q'08 and 23% from a year ago.

In Turnkey segment, revenues from advanced process technologies (90nm and 65nm) contributed for 9% of total sales in 2Q'08, remained the same level from the previous quarter, up 9% from a year ago.

Overall, revenues from 65nm and 90nm accounted for 4% and 12% of total sales in 2Q'08, respectively, maintain the same level with the previous quarter.

Revenues from communication continued to grow sequentially and increased by 7% from a year ago. Overall, communication, consumer, and computer represented 62%, 32%, and 2% of total sales in 2Q'08, respectively.

Geographically, revenues from the USA accounted for 74% of sales in 2Q'08. Meanwhile, sales from Japan, Taiwan, China, Europe, and Korea accounted for 12%, 4%, 4%, 3%, and 3% of sales, respectively.

II. Operating Results Review:

Unit: NT\$M

	2Q'08 w/ PSE (1)	1Q'08 w/ PSE (1)	QoQ	2Q'08 w/o PSE	2Q'07 (1)	YoY
Net Sales	2,285	2,184	5%	2,285	1,638	39%
NRE	265	319	-17%	265	278	-5%
Turn Key	1,978	1,836	8%	1,978	1,340	48%
Others	42	29	45%	42	20	110%
Gross Margin	457	451	1%	464	340	36%
%	20.0%	20.6%		20.3%	20.8%	
SG&A Exp	(101)	(95)	6%	(85)	(69)	23%
R&D Exp	(165)	(166)	-1%	(138)	(116)	19%
Operating Income	191	190	1%	241	155	55%
%	8.4%	8.7%		10.5%	9.5%	
Non-OP Income (Exp.)	16	10		16	(6)	
Income Tax	(15)	(13)		(20)	(4)	
Net Income	192	187	3%	237	145	63%
%	8.4%	8.6%		10.4%	8.9%	
EPS (NT\$)	1.67	1.62		2.06	1.27	

(1) Reported number

We have three reportable segments: NRE, Turnkey, and Others. Sales from NRE accounted for 12% of our revenues in 2Q'08. Turnkey delivered solid revenue growth in this quarter. Continued to grow sequentially and increased 48% from a year ago.

This is the 9th consecutive quarters that our revenues continue to set the record high.

Gross profit for 2Q'08 was NT\$457 million, which represents a quarter-over-quarter increase of 1.3%. Second quarter gross margin was 20.0%, slightly lower than 20.6% of gross margin reported in the first quarter of 2008, primarily due to unfavorable impact of product mix.

Total PSE impact on gross margin was 0.3 percent in 2Q'08, maintained the same level with 1Q'08.

Operating expenses were NT\$165 million for R&D and NT\$101 million for SG&A.

Operating expenses during the second quarter increased primarily due to our continued investments in headcount and advanced EDA tool.

Overall, total PSE impact on operating margin was 2.1 percent in 2Q'08.

Total net income attributable to shareholders was NT\$192 million, up 2.7% from the previous quarter.

III. Financial Condition Review

Selected Items from Balance Sheets (In NT\$M)	2Q'08		1Q'08		2Q'07	
	Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%
Cash & Available-for-Sale Financial Assets	968	24%	1,115	27%	619	22%
Accounts Receivable-net	934	23%	921	23%	703	24%
Inventory	1,203	29%	1,062	26%	726	25%
Other Current Assets	164	4%	189	5%	133	5%
Current Assets	3,269	80%	3,287	81%	2,181	76%
L-T Investments	33	1%	12	0%	10	0%
Net PP&E	466	11%	435	11%	402	14%
Other Assets	337	8%	327	8%	273	10%
Total Assets	4,105	100%	4,063	100%	2,866	100%
Accounts Payable	853	21%	1,022	25%	449	16%
Current Portion of L-T Loans	1	0%	1	0%	3	0%
Accrued Liabilities & Other Current Liabilities	991	3%	528	4%	475	4%
Current Liabilities	1,845	38%	1,551	38%	927	33%
L-T Liabilities	18	1%	19	1%	43	1%
Total Liabilities	1,863	39%	1,570	39%	970	34%
Total Shareholders' Equity	2,242	61%	2,493	61%	1,896	66%
Key Indices						
A/R Turnover Days	36		36		43	
Inventory Turnover Days	52		50		50	
Current Ratio (x)	1.77		2.12		2.35	
Net Working Capital	1,425		1,736		1,254	

As of 06/30/2008, total cash and cash equivalent and total current assets were NT\$968 million and NT\$3,269 million, respectively. Accounts receivable were NT\$934 million. This was an increase of NT\$13 million from the previous quarter due to increase in revenues. Inventory was NT\$1,203 million. This was an increase of NT\$141 million sequentially.

Total liabilities increased by NT\$893 million from the previous quarter primarily as a result of the changes in operating liabilities, cash dividends and bonus payable.

Net working capital stood at NT\$1,425 million. Current ratio declined to 1.77.

A/R turnover days were 36, maintained the same level with the previous quarter.

Days of inventory were 52, compared with 50 from the previous quarter, a slightly increase but maintained at acceptable level.

IV. Cash Flow Analysis

In NT\$M	2Q'08	1Q'08	2Q'07
- Net Income	192	187	145
- Depreciation & Amortization	63	57	49
- Other OP Sources (uses)	(318)	(87)	(377)
From Operation	(63)	157	(183)
- Acquisition of Fixed Assets	(73)	(32)	(100)
- Available-for-Sale Financial Assets	1	1	115
- Other Investing Sources (uses)	(13)	(20)	0
From Investment	(85)	(51)	15
- Repayment of L-T Loans	(1)	(1)	(1)
- Other Financing Sources (uses)	2	3	2
From Financing	1	2	1
Net Cash Position Change	(147)	109	(167)
Beginning Cash Balance	1,115	1,006	786
Ending Cash Balance	968	1,115	619

During the second quarter of 2008, cash outflow from operating activities totaled NT\$63 million. This was primarily the result of NT\$192 million in net income and NT\$63 million in depreciation and amortization, offset in part by NT\$318 million in net cash used by changes in operating assets and liabilities.

Net cash used in investing activities totaled NT\$85 million, mainly due to capital expenditures of NT\$73 million, partially offset by NT\$12 million in other investing uses.

We generated NT\$ 1 million from financing activities during the quarter.

As a result, GUC's ended this quarter with a cash balance of NT\$968 million.

V. Recap of Recent Announcements & Achievements

- We announced the first full services SiP production flow in the Fabless ASIC industry.
- We have established very sophisticated design methodology and infrastructure capable of handling more than 50 million gates of design complexity in 65nm, 40nm technologies.
- We have started the 1st 32 nm test-chip.
- We won Deloitte Taiwan Technology Fast 50 Award with 339% growth in revenues and 586% in profits during 2005-2007.
- We were ranked No.3 of 50 Best Operating Performance Companies by Common Wealth Magazine.

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Profile

Founded in 1988, Global Unichip Corporation (GUC) has since been a pioneer in the SoC (System on Chip) Design Foundry industry. GUC is a publicly traded company on the Taiwan Stock Exchange under the symbol 3443. The company is headquartered in Hsinchu of Taiwan, with design centers and branch offices in China, Europe, Japan, Korea and the U.S. GUC provides total solutions from silicon-proven IPs to complex time-to-market SoC turnkey services. GUC is committed to providing the most advanced and the best price-performance silicon solutions through close partnership with tsmc, GUC's major shareholder, and other key packaging and testing power houses. With state of the art EDA tools, advanced methodologies, and experienced technical team, GUC ensures the highest quality and lowest risks to achieve first silicon success. GUC offers services to customers throughout Greater China, Japan, Korea, North America, and Europe. Our track-record in complex SoC designs has brought benefits to customers in time to revenue at the lowest risk.

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