Lam Research Corporation Reports Financial Results for the Quarter Ended December 23, 2012

FREMONT, CA -- (Marketwire) -- 01/23/13 -- Lam Research Corp. (NASDAQ: LRCX)

- Reported revenue of \$860.9 million for the December 2012 quarter, down 5% from the prior quarter
- Reported GAAP gross margin of 36.6%, GAAP operating margin of 0.5% and GAAP EPS of \$0.04
- Delivered non-GAAP gross margin of 44.2%, operating margin of 11.5%, and EPS of \$0.45
- Repurchased 10 million shares of common stock, completing approximately \$1.4 billion of \$1.6 billion in announced buybacks

Lam Research Corp. (NASDAQ: LRCX) today announced financial results for the quarter ended December 23, 2012. Highlights for the quarter were as follows:

Lam Research Corporation

Financial Highlights for the Quarter Ended December 23, 2012

(in thousands, except per share data and percentages)

U.S. GAAP Non-GAAP

Revenue: \$ 860,886 \$ 860,886

Operating Margin: 0.5% 11.5%

Net Income: \$ 6,408 \$ 77,278

Diluted EPS: \$ 0.04 \$ 0.45

Revenue for the period was \$860.9 million, gross margin was \$315.4 million, or 36.6% of revenue, operating expenses were \$311.4 million, and net income was \$6.4 million, or \$0.04 per diluted share on a GAAP basis. This compares to revenue of \$906.9 million, gross margin of \$333.9 million, or 36.8%, operating expenses

of \$317.2 million, and net income of \$2.8 million, or \$0.02 per diluted share, for the September 2012 quarter. Shipments for the December 2012 quarter were \$803 million, compared to \$935 million during the September 2012 quarter.

In addition to U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) results, this commentary contains non-GAAP financial measures. The Company's non-GAAP results for both the December 2012 and September 2012 quarters exclude costs associated with the fair value impact of acquisition-related inventory, amortization related to intangible assets acquired in the Novellus transaction, certain acquisition and integration-related costs, the amortization of convertible note discounts, and rationalization of certain product configurations. Additionally, the December 2012 quarter non-GAAP results exclude restructuring charges and tax benefits on successful resolution of certain tax matters. See "Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" below for additional information.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

On a non-GAAP basis, net income was \$77.3 million, or \$0.45 per diluted share, in the December 2012 quarter compared to \$97.0 million, or \$0.53 per diluted share, for the September 2012 quarter. Gross margin for the December 2012 quarter was \$380.5 million, or 44.2%, compared to \$402.3 million, or 44.4%, for the September 2012 quarter. Gross margin performance reflected unfavorable factory utilization as well as product and customer-mix changes. Non-GAAP operating expenses for the December 2012 quarter decreased to \$281.5 million compared with the September quarter of \$284.3 million. This was primarily due to lower incentive compensation stemming from decreased business volumes and reductions in field and support-group spending.

"Lam closed calendar year 2012 by delivering solid financial performance for the December quarter and strong execution against our integration plans," stated Martin Anstice, Lam's president and chief executive officer. "In the latter part of 2012, demand for semiconductor equipment declined, particularly in the NAND memory segment. Although we expect these conditions will continue in the near-term we remain optimistic in the long-term about the catalysts and inflections for growth. In this environment, we remain committed to funding new technology investments and positioning next-generation products with customers, and at the same time, retaining day-to-day discipline necessary to deliver predictable operating performance."

Cash and cash equivalents, short-term investments and restricted cash and investment balances decreased to \$2.7 billion as planned at the end of the December 2012 quarter, compared to \$2.9 billion at the end of the September 2012 quarter. This decrease was primarily the result of approximately \$355 million of stock repurchases, offset by approximately \$193 million in cash flow from operating activities during the December 2012 quarter. Deferred revenue and deferred profit balances at the end of the December 2012 quarter decreased to \$282.0 million and \$169.0 million, respectively, as compared to \$363.5 million and \$208.1 million, respectively, at the end of the September 2012 quarter. Lam's deferred revenue balance does not include shipments to Japanese customers, to whom title does not transfer until customer acceptance. Shipments to Japanese customers are classified as inventory at cost until the time of acceptance. The anticipated future revenue from shipments to Japanese customers was approximately \$45.7 million as of December 23, 2012.

The geographic distribution of shipments and revenue during the December 2012 quarter is shown in the following table:

Region	Shipments	Revenue
North America	29%	24%
Europe	9%	8%
Japan	14%	10%
Korea	12%	12%
Taiwan	22%	26%
Asia Pacific	14%	20%

Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Management uses non-GAAP gross margin, operating income, operating expenses, operating margin, net income, and net income per diluted share to evaluate the Company's operating and financial results. The Company believes the presentation of non-GAAP results is useful to investors for analyzing business trends and comparing performance to prior periods, along with enhancing the investors' ability to view the Company's results from management's perspective. Tables presenting reconciliations of non-GAAP results to U.S. GAAP results are included at the end of this press release and on the Company's web site at http://investor.lamresearch.com.

Caution Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

Statements made in this press release that are not of historical fact are forward-looking statements and are subject to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forwardlooking statements relate to, but are not limited to, the anticipated revenue from shipments to Japanese customers, our expectations for growth and future demand for semiconductor equipment, and our plans pertaining to expense management, funding technology investments and positioning our products with customer as well as our ability to execute on those plans. Some factors that may affect these forward-looking statements include: business conditions in the consumer electronics industry, the semiconductor industry and the overall economy; the strength of the financial performance of our existing and prospective customers; the introduction of new and innovative technologies; the occurrence and pace of technology transitions and conversions; the actions of our competitors, consumers, semiconductor companies and key suppliers and subcontractors; and the success of research and development and sales and marketing programs. These forward-looking statements are based on current expectations and are subject to uncertainties and changes in condition, significance, value and effect as well as other risks detailed in documents filed by us with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including specifically our report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 24, 2012 and Form 10-Q for the three months ended September 23, 2012. These uncertainties and changes could cause actual results to vary from expectations. The Company undertakes no obligation to update the information or statements made in this press release.

About Lam Research

Lam Research Corp. is a major supplier of innovative wafer fabrication equipment and services to the worldwide semiconductor industry. For more than 30 years, the Company has driven continuous improvements in chip performance, power consumption, and cost, contributing to the global proliferation of smartphones, computers, tablets, and other electronic products. Lam Research has been the leading supplier of high-throughput plasma etch equipment for more than a decade and expanded its product offerings in 2008 to include single-wafer clean systems. The Company added thin-film deposition and wafer surface preparation technologies to its product portfolio in 2012 with the acquisition of Novellus Systems, Inc. Headquartered in Fremont, Calif., Lam Research maintains a global network of service facilities throughout North America, Asia, and Europe to rapidly meet the needs of its global customer base. It is an S&P 500® company whose common stock trades on the NASDAQ Global Select Market(SM) under the symbol LRCX. For more information, please visit http://www.lamresearch.com.

Consolidated Financial Tables Follow.

LAM RESEARCH CORPOR	ATION			
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS				
(in thousands, except per share data and percentages)				
(unaudited)				
Three Months Ended	Six Months Ended			

December September December December

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23, 2012 23, 2012 25, 2011 23, 012 25, 2011
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Revenue \$ 860,886 \$ 906,888 \$ 583,981 \$1,767,774 \$1,264,417

Cost of goods

sold 545,472 573,002 350,014 1,118,474 746,567

Cost of goods

sold -

restructuring

and

impairments - - (859) - (859)

Total cost

of goods

sold 545,472 573,002 349,155 1,118,474 745,708

Gross margin 315,414 333,886 234,826 649,300 518,709

Gross margin

as a

percent of

revenue 36.6% 36.8% 40.2% 36.7% 41.0%

Research and

development 165,951 163,311 104,024 329,262 206,583

Selling, general

and

administrative 144,400 153,863 83,256 298,263 163,456

Restructuring

and impairments 1,021 - - 1,021 1,725

Total

operating

expenses 311,372 317,174 187,280 628,546 371,764

Operating

income 4,042 16,712 47,546 20,754 146,945

Operating

margin as a

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percent of
 revenue
       0.5% 1.8%
                 8.1% 1.2% 11.6%
Other income
(expense), net (13,390) (9,938) (7,785) (23,328) (19,858)
     ------
 Income
 (loss)
 before
 income
      (9,348) 6,774 39,761 (2,574) 127,087
 taxes
Income tax
expense
      (15,756) 4,006 6,549 (11,750) 22,037
(benefit)
     ------
 Net income $ 6,408 $ 2,768 $ 33,212 $ 9,176 $ 105,050
     Net income per
share:
Basic net
income per
share $ 0.04 $ 0.02 $ 0.28 $ 0.05 $ 0.87
     Diluted net
income per
share $ 0.04 $ 0.02 $ 0.27 $ 0.05 $ 0.86
     Number of shares
used in per
share
calculations:
      170,699 179,928 119,739 175,314 121,435
Basic
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173,027 181,926 120,873 177,490 122,382

Diluted

LAM RESEARCH CORPORATION

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(in thousands)

December 23, September 23, June 24,

2012 2012 2012

(unaudited) (unaudited) (1)

ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents \$ 1,190,189 \$ 1,411,466 \$ 1,564,752

Short-term investments 1,330,498 1,312,767 1,297,931

Accounts receivable, net 590,925 640,217 765,818

Inventories 530,272 567,920 632,853

Deferred income taxes 139,300 136,556 47,782

Other current assets 65,224 100,490 105,973

Total current assets 3,846,408 4,169,416 4,415,109

Property and equipment, net 590,547 593,202 584,596

Restricted cash and investments 166,166 166,196 166,335

Deferred income taxes 344 - -

Goodwill and intangible assets 2,608,221 2,642,770 2,686,730

Other assets 151,478 152,762 151,882

Total assets \$ 7,363,164 \$ 7,724,346 \$ 8,004,652

LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS'

EQUITY

Current liabilities \$ 825,482 \$ 854,257 \$ 1,426,928

Long-term debt, convertible notes,

and capital leases \$ 1,286,729 \$ 1,278,792 \$ 761,783

Income taxes payable 260,063 282,844 274,240

Other long-term liabilities 294,300 296,807 219,577

	2,666,574 2,712,700 2,682,528
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Senior convertible note	es - 190,343
Stockholders' equity	4,696,590 5,011,646 5,131,781
Total liabilities and	
stockholders' equity	\$ 7,363,164 \$ 7,724,346 \$ 8,004,652
(1) Derived from audit	red financial statements
LAM R	ESEARCH CORPORATION
	CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
	thousands)
	naudited)
Three I	Months Ended Six Months Ended
December	September December December
23, 2012	23, 2012 25, 2011 23, 2012 25, 2011
 CASH FLOWS FROM	
OPERATING	
ACTIVITIES:	
	08 \$ 2,768 \$ 33,212 \$ 9,176 \$ 105,050
Adjustments to	
reconcile net	
income to net	

activities:
Depreciation

cash provided

by operating

and

amortization 78,388 74,816 22,372 153,204 43,732

Deferred

income taxes (7,320) (12,017) (633) (19,337) (633)

Restructuring

and

impairment

charges, net 1,021 - (859) 1,021 866

Equity-based

compensation

expense 24,027 24,414 18,224 48,441 35,968

Income tax

benefit on

equity-based

compensation

plans - - 470 - 1,129

Excess tax

benefit on

equity-based

compensation

plans - - (204) - (2,155)

Amortization

of

convertible

note discount 7,843 7,752 6,671 15,595 13,264

Impairment of

investment - - - - 1,724

Other, net 13,673 11,050 1,083 24,723 2,506

Changes in

operating

assets and

liabilities: 69,186 140,479 88,680 209,665 54,465

Net cash

provided by

operating

activities 193,226 249,262 169,016 442,488 255,916

CASH FLOWS FROM

INVESTING

ACTIVITIES:

Capital

expenditures

and intangible

assets (38,924) (43,965) (26,682) (82,889) (42,414)

Cash acquired in

(paid for)

business

acquisition (8,716) - - (8,716) -

Net

sales/maturitie

s (purchases)

of available-

for-sale

securities (23,250) (16,638) (4,194) (39,888) (89,453)

Purchase of

equity method

investment - - (10,740) - (10,740)

Receipt of loan

payment - - 8,375 - 8,375

Proceeds from

sale of assets 660 - 2,677 660 2,677

Transfer of

restricted cash

and investments 33 146 3 179 20

Net cash

provided by

(used for)

investing

activities (70,197) (60,457) (30,561) (130,654) (131,535)

CASH FLOWS FROM

FINANCING

ACTIVITIES:

Principal

payments on

long-term debt

and capital

lease

obligations (115) (665) (1,576) (780) (3,140)

Excess tax

benefit on

equity-based

compensation

plans - - 204 - 2,155

Net cash

received in

settlement

(paid in

advance for)

stock

repurchase

contracts - - 51,005 - (23,995)

Treasury stock

purchases (355,010) (355,079) (20,642) (710,089) (92,695)

Reissuances of

treasury stock

related to

employee stock

purchase plan - 9,925 - 9,925 8,858

Proceeds from

issuance of

common stock 6,583 951 1,311 7,534 1,475

Net cash

used for financing activities (348,542) (344,868) 30,302 (693,410) (107,342) Effect of exchange rate changes on cash 4,236 2,777 (1,147) 7,013 (2,243) Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash (221,277) (153,286) 167,610 (374,563) 14,796 equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period 1,411,466 1,564,752 1,339,318 1,564,752 1,492,132 -----Cash and cash

equivalents at

end of period \$1,190,189 \$1,411,466 \$1,506,928 \$1,190,189 \$1,506,928

Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP Net Income to Non-GAAP Net Income

(in thousands, except per share data)

(unaudited)

Three Months Three Months

Ended Ended

December 23, September 23,

2012 2012

U.S. GAAP net income \$ 6,408 \$ 2,768

Pre-tax non-GAAP items:

Costs associated with rationalization of

certain product configurations - cost of

goods sold 17,434 3,210

Amortization related to intangible assets

acquired in Novellus transaction - cost of

goods sold 20,745 20,715

Acquisition-related inventory fair value

impact - cost of goods sold 26,882 43,842

Integration costs - cost of goods sold - 694

Integration costs - operating expenses 8,971 13,500

Amortization related to intangible assets

acquired in Novellus transaction -

operating expenses 19,438 19,418

Restructuring charges - operating expenses 1,021 -

Costs associated with rationalization of

certain product configurations - operating

expenses 443 -

Amortization of convertible note discount,

Lam notes - other income (expense), net 6,992 6,910

Amortization of convertible note discount,

Novellus assumed notes - other income

(expense), net 821 842

Net tax benefit on non-GAAP items (14,883) (14,886)

Net tax benefit on successful resolution of

certain tax matters (16,994) -

Non-GAAP net income \$ 77,278 \$ 97,013

Non-GAAP net income per diluted share \$ 0.45 \$ 0.53

Number of shares used for diluted per share

calculation 173,027 181,926

Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP Gross Margin, Operating Expenses and Operating

Income to Non-GAAP Gross Margin, Operating Expenses and Operating Income

(unaudited)

Three Months Three Months

Ended Ended

December 23, September 23,

2012 2012

U.S. GAAP gross margin \$ 315,414 \$ 333,886

Pre-tax non-GAAP items:

Costs associated with rationalization of

certain product configurations - cost of

goods sold 17,434 3,210

Amortization related to intangible assets

acquired in Novellus transaction - cost of

goods sold 20,745 20,715

Acquisition-related inventory fair value

impact - cost of goods sold 26,882 43,842

Integration costs - cost of goods sold - 694

Non-GAAP gross margin \$ 380,475 \$ 402,347

U.S. GAAP gross margin as a percentage of

revenue 36.6% 36.8%

Non-GAAP gross margin as a percentage of

revenue 44.2% 44.4%

U.S. GAAP operating expenses \$311,372 \$317,174

Pre-tax non-GAAP items:

Integration costs - operating expenses (8,971) (13,500)

Amortization related to intangible assets

acquired in Novellus transaction -

operating expenses (19,438) (19,418)

Restructuring charges - operating expenses (1,021) -

Costs associated with rationalization of

certain product configurations - operating

expenses	(443)	-		
Non-GAAP operating expenses	\$	281,499 \$	284,256	
=====		=== ====		==
Non-GAAP operating income	\$	98,976 \$	118,091	
=====		=== ====		==
Non-GAAP operating margin as a perce	nt of			

11.5%

13.0%

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