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MKS Instruments Reports Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2017 Financial Results

- 2017 was a record year in revenue and GAAP and Non-GAAP EPS
 - Annual revenue increased 30% compared to pro-forma 2016 to a record \$1.9 billion
 - Annual semiconductor revenue increased 45% on a pro-forma basis to a record \$1.1 billion
 - · Annual revenue in advanced markets increased 14% on a pro-forma basis to a record \$820 million
 - Light and Motion set new quarterly and annual revenue records and in Q4'17 exceeded \$200 million in revenue for the first time
- Our 2018 January Operating Model shows a 33% increase in Non-GAAP EPS compared to the October 2017 Operating Model

ANDOVER, Mass., Jan. 31, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- MKS Instruments, Inc. (NASDAQ:MKSI), a global provider of technologies that enable advanced processes and improve productivity, today reported fourth quarter and full year 2017 financial results.

GAAP Financial Results ¹								
	C	24	Full	Year				
	2017		2017	2016				
Net revenues (\$ millions)	\$512	\$405	\$1,916	\$1,295				
Operating margin	23.4%	15.4%	21.2%	12.1%				
Net income (\$ millions)	\$77.6	\$45.5	\$339.1	\$104.8				
Diluted EPS	\$1.41	\$0.83	\$6.16	\$1.94				

Non-GAAP Financial Results¹

	Q	4	Full	Year
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Net revenues (\$ millions)	\$512	\$405	\$1,916	\$1,295
Operating margin	25.9%	20.6%	24.6%	18.7%
Net earnings (\$ millions)	\$94.6	\$57.2	\$328.2	\$164.0
Diluted EPS	\$1.71	\$1.05	\$5.96	\$3.03

¹ The full year 2016 results include the results of Newport Corporation (now the Light and Motion segment) since its acquisition on April 29, 2016.

Fourth Quarter Financial Results

Sales were \$512 million, an increase of 5% from \$486 million in the third quarter of 2017, and an increase of 26% from \$405 million in the fourth quarter of 2016.

Fourth quarter net income was \$77.6 million, or \$1.41 per diluted share, compared to net income of \$76.0 million, or \$1.38 per diluted share in the third quarter of 2017, and \$45.5 million, or \$0.83 per diluted share in the fourth quarter of 2016.

Non-GAAP net earnings, which exclude special charges and credits, were \$94.6 million, or \$1.71 per diluted share, compared to \$85.9 million, or \$1.56 per diluted share in the third quarter of 2017, and \$57.2 million, or \$1.05 per diluted share in the fourth quarter of 2016.

Sales to semiconductor customers were \$284 million, an increase of 1% compared to a strong third quarter of 2017, and sales to advanced markets were \$228 million in the quarter, an increase of 11% sequentially driven largely by strong growth from our Light and Motion Division.

Sales in the Vacuum and Analysis segment, the historic MKS business, set a quarterly record of \$311 million, driven by very strong sales to semiconductor customers. Sales in the Light and Motion segment, the historic Newport business, also set a quarterly record of \$201 million.

Additional Financial Information

The Company had \$543 million in cash and short-term investments as of December 31, 2017 and \$398 million outstanding under its Term Loan. During the fourth quarter, the Company made another voluntary Term Loan repayment of \$50 million and paid a dividend of \$9.8 million or \$0.18 per diluted share.

Full Year Results

Sales were a record \$1.92 billion, an increase of 30% from \$1.47 billion in 2016 on a pro-forma basis (assuming the acquisition of Newport Corporation had occurred as of the beginning of 2016), driven by strong sales to both semiconductor customers as well as customers in thin film manufacturing, industrial manufacturing, and health and life sciences. Sales to semiconductor customers were \$1.1 billion, an increase of 45% compared to 2016, also on a pro-forma basis, while sales to advanced markets were \$820 million, an increase of 14%.

Sales in the Vacuum and Analysis segment were \$1.2 billion, an increase of 38% from \$872 million in 2016, driven by very strong sales to semiconductor customers, which increased nearly 50% from 2016.

Sales in the Light and Motion segment were \$709 million, an increase of 18% from \$602 million in 2016, on a pro-forma basis driven by both sales to semiconductor customers as well as industrial manufacturing customers.

"We are very pleased with our fourth quarter and full year 2017 results, which set new records for revenue and profitability, in both of our segments," said Gerald Colella, Chief Executive Officer and President. Mr. Colella added, "This strong performance reflects our focused strategy of achieving sustainable and profitable growth by providing customers with innovative technology solutions, continuing to streamline all aspects of our operations, and investing in high-growth solutions and markets. Moreover, our ability to successfully grow and integrate Newport into the existing MKS business helped us deliver these strong results and positions us for future success."

"The acquisition of Newport Corporation coupled with our organic growth has enabled us to nearly double non-GAAP EPS in 2017 compared to 2016," said Seth Bagshaw, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Bagshaw added "These achievements are reflected in our newly published January 2018 Operating Model, which demonstrates our continued and long standing efforts to drive improvements in our operating leverage. Furthermore, recently enacted U.S. Federal tax reform legislation is positive for MKS and is expected to result in a significant reduction in our effective tax rate while providing more long term flexibility in our use of cash."

First Quarter 2018 Outlook

Based on current business levels, the Company expects that sales in the first quarter of 2018 may range from \$510 to \$550 million, and at these volumes, GAAP net income could range from \$1.68 to \$1.95 per diluted share and non-GAAP net earnings could range from \$1.86 to \$2.12 per diluted share. This financial guidance incorporates assumptions made based upon the Company's current interpretation of the 2017 Tax Cut and Jobs Act, and may change as additional clarification and implementation guidance is issued.

January 2018 Operating Model

The Company also published an updated operating model, which reflects an illustrative revenue level of \$2.2 billion, improvements in gross margin, lower interest expense, and the expected impact of the 2017 Tax Cut and Jobs Act. As a result of these improvements, non-GAAP EPS in the model increased by 33% to \$8.55 compared to \$6.42 in the prior operating model, published in October of 2017, and represents an improvement in non-GAAP EPS of more than 80% compared to the model entering 2017.

A conference call with management will be held on Thursday, February 1, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. (Eastern Time). To participate in the conference call, please dial (877) 212-6076 for domestic callers and (707) 287-9331 for international callers, and an operator will connect you. Participants will need to provide the operator with the Conference ID of 5595206, which has been reserved for this call. A live and archived webcast of the call will be available on the Company's website at <u>www.mksinst.com</u>.

About MKS Instruments

MKS Instruments, Inc. is a global provider of instruments, subsystems and process control solutions that measure, control, power, monitor, and analyze critical parameters of advanced manufacturing processes to improve process performance and productivity. The Company's products are derived from core competencies in pressure measurement and control, flow measurement and control, gas and vapor delivery, gas composition analysis, residual gas analysis, leak detection, control technology, ozone generation and delivery, RF & DC power, reactive gas generation, vacuum technology, lasers, photonics, sub-micron positioning, vibration isolation, and optics. MKS' primary markets include semiconductor capital equipment, general industrial, life sciences, and research. Additional information can be found at <u>www.mksinst.com</u>.

Use of Non-GAAP Financial Results

Non-GAAP amounts exclude amortization of acquired intangible assets, asset impairments, costs associated with completed and announced acquisitions, acquisition integration costs, restructuring charges, certain excess and obsolete inventory charges, fees and expenses related to re-pricing of the Company's term loan, amortization of debt issuance costs, net proceeds from an insurance policy, costs associated with the sale of a business, the tax effects of the 2017 Tax Cut and Jobs Act, the tax effect of legal entity restructurings, other discrete tax benefits and charges, and the related tax effect of these adjustments. These non-GAAP measures are not in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America (GAAP). MKS' management believes the presentation of these non-GAAP financial measures is useful to investors for comparing prior periods and analyzing ongoing business trends and operating results. Annualized GAAP interest expense based upon \$780 million principal outstanding and using the LIBOR based interest rate spread in effect on April 29, 2016, was \$44 million and included \$5 million in debt issuance cost. Annualized GAAP interest expense based upon \$398 million in principal currently outstanding and LIBOR plus 200 basis points would be \$17.5 million and includes \$4 million of debt issuance cost.

SAFE HARBOR FOR FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 regarding the future financial performance, business prospects and growth of MKS as well as expected synergies and cost savings from the acquisition of Newport Corporation. These statements are only predictions based on current assumptions and expectations. Actual events or results may differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements set forth herein. Among the important factors that could cause actual events to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements are the conditions affecting the markets in which MKS operates, including the fluctuations in capital spending in the semiconductor industry and other advanced manufacturing markets, fluctuations in net sales to major customers, the Company's ability to successfully integrate Newport's operations and employees, unexpected risks, costs, charges or expenses resulting from the Newport acquisition or other acquisitions, the terms of the term loan financing, fluctuations in interest rates, the impact of the 2017 Tax Cut and Jobs Act as additional clarification and implementation guidance is issued with respect thereto, the Company's ability to successfully grow the business, potential fluctuations in guarterly results, dependence on new product development, rapid technological and market change, acquisition strategy, manufacturing and sourcing risks, volatility of stock price, international operations, financial risk management, and the other factors described in MKS' most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 filed with SEC. MKS is under no obligation to, and expressly disclaims any obligation to, update or alter these forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise after the date of this press release.

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> MKS Instruments, Inc. Unaudited Consolidated Statements of Operations (In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended						
	De	cember 31,	De	cember 31,	Se	eptember 30,	
		2017		2016		2017	
Net revenues:							
Products	\$	463,851	\$	359,765	\$	434,710	
Services		47,949		45,375		51,557	
Total net revenues		511,800		405,140		486,267	
Cost of revenues:							
Products		242,008		194,716		225,174	
Services		31,466		27,016		33,098	
Total cost of revenues		273,474		221,732		258,272	
Gross profit		238,326		183,408		227,995	
Research and development		33,045		32,870		32,548	
Selling, general and administrative		72,510		67,626		71,839	
Acquisition and integration costs		634		2,089		2,466	
Restructuring		1,324		618		10	
Asset impairment		-		5,000		-	
Amortization of intangible assets		10,797		12,691	_	10,977	
Income from operations		120,016		62,514		110,155	
Interest income		1,125		702		873	
Interest expense		7,989		10,085		7,172	
Other expense, net		2,155		3,575		2,485	
Income from operations before income taxes		110,997		49,556		101,371	
Provision for income taxes		33,359		4,069		25,377	
Net income	\$	77,638	\$	45,487	\$	75,994	
Net income per share:							
Basic	\$	1.43	\$	0.85	\$	1.40	
Diluted	\$	1.41	\$	0.83	\$	1.38	
Cash dividends per common share	\$	0.18	\$	0.17	\$	0.175	
Weighted average shares outstanding:							
Basic		54,318		53,617		54,282	
Diluted		55,236		54,518		55,101	
The following supplemental Non-GAAP earnings information is presented							
to aid in understanding MKS' operating results:							
Net income	\$	77,638	\$	45,487	\$	75,994	
Adjustments:							
Acquisition and integration costs (Note 1)		634		2,089		2,466	
Fees and expenses relating to re-pricing of term loan (Note 2)		-		526		492	
Amortization of debt issuance costs (Note 3)		3,983		2,430		2,314	
Restructuring (Note 4)		1,324		618		10	
Asset impairment (Note 5)		-		5,000		-	
Amortization of intangible assets		10,797		12,691		10,977	
Windfall tax benefit on stock-based compensation (Note 6) Withholding tax on dividende (Note 7)		(658)		-		(594)	
Withholding tax on dividends (Note 7) Tax benefit from a legal entity restructuring (Note 8)		-		1,362 (6,570)		-	
Deferred tax adjustment (Note 9)		- (24,546)		(0,570)		-	
Transition tax on accumulated foreign earnings (Note 10)		(24,546) 28,658		-		-	
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Non-GAAP net earnings Non-GAAP net earnings per share Weighted average shares outstanding Income from operations	\$ \$ \$	94,616 1.71 55,236	\$ \$	57,196 1.05	\$\$	85,870
Weighted average shares outstanding			\$	1.05	\$	
	\$	55,236				1.56
Income from operations	\$			54,518		55,101
		120,016	\$	62,514	\$	110,155
Adjustments:						
Acquisition and integration costs (Note 1)		634		2,089		2,466
Fees and expenses relating to re-pricing of term loan (Note 2)		-		526		492
Restructuring (Note 4)		1,324		618		10
Asset impairment (Note 5)		-		5,000		-
Amortization of intangible assets		10,797		12,691		10,977
Non-GAAP income from operations	\$	132,771	\$	83,438	\$	124,100
Non-GAAP operating margin percentage		25.9%		20.6%		25.5%
Interest expense	\$	7,989	\$	10,085	\$	7,172
Amortization of debt issuance costs (Note 3)		3,983		2,430	. <u> </u>	2,314
Non-GAAP interest expense	\$	4,006	\$	7,655	\$	4,858
Net income	\$	77,638	\$	45,487	\$	75,994
Interest expense, net	·	6,864	Ť	9,383	•	6,299
Provision for income taxes		33,359		4,069		25,377
Depreciation		9,208		9,478		9,153
Amortization		10,797		12,691		10,977
EBITDA	\$	137,866	\$	81,108	\$	127,800
Stock-based compensation		4,544		5,402		4,846
Acquisition and integration costs (Note 1)		634		2,089		2,466
Fees and expenses relating to re-pricing of term loan (Note 2)		-		526		492
Restructuring (Note 4)		1,324		618		10
Asset impairment (Note 5)		-		5,000		-
Other adjustments		839		817		836
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	145,207	\$	95,560	\$	136,450

Note 1: We recorded acquisition and integration costs related to the Newport Corporation acquisition, which closed during the second quarter of 2016.

Note 2: We recorded fees and expenses related to the re-pricing of our Term Loan Credit Agreement during the three month periods ended September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016.

Note 3: We recorded additional interest expense related to the amortization of debt issuance costs affiliated with our Term Loan Credit Agreement and ABL Facility.

Note 4: We recorded restructuring costs, primarily related to the consolidation of two manufacturing plants during the three months ended December 31, 2017. We recorded restructuring costs related to one of our international facilities during the three months ended December 31, 2016.

Note 5: We recorded an asset impairment charge related to a minority interest investment in a privately held company during the three months ended December 31, 2016.

Note 6: We recorded windfall tax benefits on the vesting of stock-based compensation during the three months ended December 31, 2017 and September 30, 2017, respectively, relating to the implementation of a new accounting standard issued by the Financial Statement Accounting Standards Board (Accounting Standards Update 2016-09).

Note 7: We recorded withholding tax on intercompany dividends during the three months ended December 31, 2016.

Note 8: We recorded a tax benefit related to a legal entity restructuring during the three months ended December 31, 2016.

Note 9: We recorded a deferred tax adjustment, which also includes the reversal of a tax accrual on a French dividend, related to U.S. tax reform legislation during the three months ended December 31, 2017.

Note 10*: We recorded a transition tax on accumulated foreign earnings related to the 2017 Tax Cut and Jobs Act during the three months ended December 31, 2017.

Note 11*: We recorded a tax adjustment resulting from the 2017 Tax Cut and Jobs Act, related to the sale of our Data Analytics Solutions business during the three months ended December 31, 2017.

Note 12*: We recorded an accrual for tax expense on a potential distribution to a subsidiary, related to the 2017 Tax Cut and Jobs Act during the three months ended December 31, 2017.

*The computation of the one-time tax on our offshore earnings pursuant to the 2017 Tax Cut and Jobs Act (the "Tax Act") as well as our net deferred tax liability is based on our current understanding and assumptions regarding the impact of the Tax Act, and may change as additional clarification and implementation guidance is issued and as the interpretation of the Tax Act evolves over time.

MKS Instruments, Inc. Unaudited Consolidated Statements of Operations (In thousands, except per share data)

		onths Ended mber 31,
	2017	2016
Net revenues:		
Products	\$ 1,723,433	\$ 1,134,013
Services	192,544	161,329
Total net revenues	1,915,977	1,295,342
Cost of revenues:		
Products	901,546	627,850
Services	122,980	101,873
Total cost of revenues	1,024,526	729,723
Gross profit	891,451	565,619
Research and development	132,555	110,579
Selling, general and administrative	290,548	229,171
Acquisition and integration costs	5,332	27,279
Restructuring	3,920	642
Asset impairment	6,719	5,000
Amortization of intangible assets	45,743	35,681
Income from operations	406,634	157,267
Interest income	3,021	2,560
Interest expense	30,990	30,611
Gain on sale of business	74,856	-
Other expense, net	5,896	1,239
Income from operations before income taxes	447,625	127,977
Provision for income taxes	108,493	23,168
Net income	\$ 339,132	\$ 104,809

Net income per share: Basic Diluted Cash dividends per common share Weighted average shares outstanding: Basic Diluted The following supplemental Non-GAAP earnings information is presented to aid in understanding MKS' operating results: Net income Adjustments: Acquisition and integration costs (Note 1) Acquisition inventory step-up (Note 2) Expenses related to sale of a business (Note 3) Excess and obsolete inventory charge (Note 4) Fees and expenses relating to re-pricing of term loan (Note 5) Amortization of debt issuance costs (Note 6) Restructuring (Note 7)	\$ \$ \$	6.26 6.16 0.71 54,137 55,074 339,132 5,332 - 859	\$ \$ \$	1.96 1.94 0.68 53,472 54,051 104,809 27,279
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Fees and expenses relating to re-pricing of term loan (Note 5) Amortization of debt issuance costs (Note 6)		1,160		-
Amortization of debt issuance costs (Note 6)		492		1,239
Restructuring (Note 7)		9,405		6,897
		3,920		642
Asset impairment (Note 8)		6,719		5,000
Gain on sale of business (Note 9)		(74,856)		-
Net proceeds from an insurance policy (Note 10)		-		(1,323)
Amortization of intangible assets		45,743		35,681
Taxes related to the sale of a business (Note 11)		2,876		-
Windfall tax benefit on stock-based compensation (Note 12)		(11,071)		-
Withholding tax on dividends (Note 13)		-		1,362
Tax benefit from a legal entity restructuring (Note 14)		-		(5,038)
Deferred tax adjustment (Note 15)		(24,546)		-
Transition tax on accumulated foreign earnings (Note 16)		28,658		-
Accrued tax on MKS subsidiary distribution (Note 17)		14,000		-
Pro-forma tax adjustments		(19,639)		(27,617)
Non-GAAP net earnings	\$	328,184	\$	164,021
Non-GAAP net earnings per share	\$	5.96	\$	3.03
Weighted average shares outstanding		55,074		54,051
Weighted average shares outstanding		55,014		54,001
Income from operations	\$	406,634	\$	157,267
Adjustments:				
Acquisition and integration costs (Note 1)		5,332		27,279
Acquisition inventory step-up (Note 2)		-		15,090
Expenses related to the sale of a business (Note 3)		859		-
Excess and obsolete inventory charge (Note 4)		1,160		-
Fees and expenses relating to re-pricing of term loan (Note 5)		492		1,239
Restructuring (Note 7)		3,920		642
Asset impairment (Note 8)		6,719		5,000
Amortization of intangible assets		45,743		35,681
Non-GAAP income from operations	\$	470,859	\$	242,198
Non-GAAP operating margin percentage		24.6%		18.7%
Gross profit	\$	891,451	\$	565,619
Acquisition inventory step-up (Note 2)		-		15,090

Excess and obsolete inventory charge (Note 4)	 1,160	 -
Non-GAAP gross profit	\$ 892,611	\$ 580,709
Non-GAAP gross profit percentage	 46.6%	 44.8%
Interest expense Amortization of debt issuance costs (Note 6)	\$ 30,990 9,405	\$ 30,611 6,897
Non-GAAP interest expense	\$ 21,585	\$ 23,714
Net income Interest expense, net	\$ 339,132 27,969	\$ 104,809 28,051
Provision for income taxes	108,493	23,168
Depreciation Amortization	36,813 45,743	30,245 35,681
EBITDA	\$ 558,150	\$ 221,954
Stock-based compensation	 24,378	 25,228
Acquisition and integration costs (Note 1)	5,332	27,279
Acquisition inventory step-up (Note 2)	-	15,090
Expenses related to the sale of a business (Note 3)	859	-
Excess and obsolete inventory charge (Note 4)	1,160	-
Fees and expenses relating to re-pricing of term loan (Note 5)	492	1,239
Restructuring (Note 7)	3,920	642
Asset impairment (Note 8)	6,719	5,000
Gain on sale of business (Note 9)	(74,856)	-
Net proceeds from an insurance policy (Note 10)	-	(1,323)
Other adjustments	 3,244	 2,312
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 529,398	\$ 297,421

Note 1: We recorded acquisition and integration costs related to the Newport Corporation acquisition, which closed during the second quarter of 2016.

Note 2: We recorded a charge in cost of sales related to the step-up of inventory to fair value as a result of the Newport Corporation acquisition during the twelve months ended December 31, 2016.

Note 3: We recorded legal, consulting and compensation related expenses related to the sale of a business, during the twelve months ended December 31, 2017.

Note 4: We recorded excess and obsolete inventory charges in cost of sales related to the discontinuation of a product line in connection with the consolidation of two manufacturing plants during the twelve months ended December 31, 2017.

Note 5: We recorded fees and expenses related to re-pricings of our Term Loan Credit Agreement.

Note 6: We recorded additional interest expense related to the amortization of debt issuance costs affiliated with our Term Loan Credit Agreement and ABL Facility.

Note 7: We recorded restructuring costs related to the consolidation of two manufacturing plants, a restructuring of one of our international facilities and the consolidation of sales offices during the twelve months ended December 31, 2017. We recorded restructuring costs related to one of our international facilities during the twelve months ended December 31, 2016.

Note 8: We recorded an asset impairment charge, primarily related to the write-off of goodwill and intangible assets, in conjunction with the consolidation of two manufacturing plants during the twelve months ended December 31, 2017. We recorded an impairment charge related to a minority interest investment in a privately held company during the twelve months ended December 31, 2016.

Note 9: We recorded a gain on the sale of our Data Analytics Solutions business during the twelve months ended December 31, 2017.

Note 10: We recorded net proceeds from a Company owned life insurance policy during the twelve months ended December 31, 2016.

Note 11: We recorded taxes related to the sale of our Data Analytics Solutions business during the twelve months ended December 31, 2017.

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MKS Instruments, Inc. Unaudited Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (In thousands, except per share data)

		ed	
	December 31,	December 31,	September 30,
	2017	2016	2017
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net income	\$ 77,638	\$ 45,487	\$ 75,994
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	20,006	22,169	20,130
Amortization of debt issuance costs and original issue discount	4,314	2,812	2,643
Stock-based compensation	4,544	5,402	4,845
Provision for excess and obsolete inventory	4,864	4,994	4,347
Provision for doubtful accounts	175	943	139
Deferred income taxes	(16,528)	(29,255)	(1,157)
Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation	-	(790)	-
Asset impairment	-	5,000	-
Other	(7)	131	36
Changes in operating assets and liabilities	(14,220)	(4,172)	(8,014)
Net cash provided by operating activities	80,786	52,721	98,963
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Purchases of investments	(30,545)	(152,383)	(129,430)
Sales of investments	9,993	1,404	18,252
Maturities of investments	40,563	12,311	31,545
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(13,431)	(7,164)	(8,118)
Other	66	232	-
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	6,646	(145,600)	(87,751)
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Restricted cash	(177)	316	5,163
Payments of short-term borrowings	(16,435)		(4,020)
Proceeds from short and long-term borrowings	15,394	4,438	4,522
Payments of long-term borrowings	(50,000)	(41,570)	(125,000)
Dividend payments	(9,775)	,	(9,500)

Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation Net proceeds related to employee stock awards	- 2,504	790 1,186	- (1,306)
Net cash used in financing activities	 (58,489)	(47,405)	(130,141)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(1,152)	2,033	2,076
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	 27,791	(138,251)	(116,853)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	305,977	366,874	422,830
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 333,768 \$	228,623	\$ 305,977

MKS Instruments, Inc. Unaudited Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (In thousands, except per share data)

	Twelve Months Ended						
	December 31,	December 31,					
	2017	2016					
Cash flows from operating activities:							
Net income	\$ 339,132	\$ 104,809					
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:							
Depreciation and amortization	82,556	65,926					
Amortization of inventory step-up adjustment to fair value	-	15,090					
Amortization of debt issuance costs and original issue discount	10,699	9,265					
Stock-based compensation	24,378	25,228					
Provision for excess and obsolete inventory	20,213	16,039					
Provision for doubtful accounts	825	1,109					
Deferred income taxes	(9,886)	(38,822)					
Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation	-	(1,468)					
Asset impairment	6,719	5,000					
Gain on sale of business	(74,856)	-					
Other	824	256					
Changes in operating assets and liabilities	(45,382)	(22,334)					
Net cash provided by operating activities	355,222	180,098					
Cash flows from investing activities:							
Net proceeds from the sale of a business	72,509	-					
Acquisition of business, net of cash acquired	-	(939,591)					
Purchases of investments	(229,557)	(268,458)					
Sales of investments	53,564	338,996					
Maturities of investments	157,342	160,917					
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(31,287)	(19,123)					
Other	66	273					
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	22,637	(726,986)					
Cash flows from financing activities:							
Restricted cash	4,835	(5,860)					
Payments of short-term borrowings	(29,711)	(11,742)					
Proceeds from short-term borrowings	28,360	18,964					
Payments of long-term borrowings	(228,141)	(153,395)					
Proceeds from long-term borrowings	191	744,653					
Repurchases of common stock	-	(1,545)					
Dividend payments	(38,178)	(36,361)					

Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation Net proceeds related to employee stock awards	- (12,215)	1,468 (1,922)
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(274,859)	554,260
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	2,145	(6,323)
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	105,145	1,049
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	228,623	227,574
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 333,768 \$	228,623

MKS Instruments, Inc. Reconciliation of GAAP Income Tax Rate to Non-GAAP Income Tax Rate (In thousands)

	Three Months Ended December 31, 2017				Three Months Ended September 30, 2017									
	Income Before		Income Before		-	Provision (benefit) Effective Income Beford for Income	Income Before		ncome Before (benef		Provision Income Before (benefit) for Income		(benefit)	Effective
	Inc	ome Taxes		Taxes	Tax Rate	Inc	ome Taxes		Taxes	Tax Rate				
GAAP	\$	110,997	\$	33,359	30.1%	\$	101,371	\$	25,377	25.0%				
Adjustments:														
Acquisition and integration costs (Note 1)		634		-			2,466		-					
Fees and expenses relating to re- pricing of term loan (Note 5)		-		-			492		-					
Amortization of debt issuance costs (Note 6)		3,983		-			2,314		-					
Restructuring (Note 7)		1,324		-			10		-					
Amortization of intangible assets		10,797		-			10,977		-					
Windfall tax benefit on stock-based compensation (Note 10)		-		658			-		594					
Deferred tax adjustment (Note 15)		-		24,546			-		-					
Transition tax on accumulated foreign earnings (Note 16)		-		(28,658)			-		-					
Accrued tax on MKS subsidiary distribution (Note 17)		-		(14,000)			-		-					
Tax adjustment related to the sale of a business (Note 11)		-		12,131			-		-					
Tax effect of pro-forma adjustments		-		5,083			-		5,789					
Non-GAAP	\$	127,735	\$	33,119	25.9%	\$	117,630	\$	31,760	27.0%				

	Three Months Ended December 31, 2016						
	Incon	ne Before		ovision enefit)			
	Income Taxes			Income axes	Tax Rate		
GAAP	\$	49,556	\$	4,069		8.2%	

Adjustments:

Acquisition and integration costs (Note

1)	2,089	-		
Fees and expenses relating to re- pricing of term loan (Note 5)	526	-		
Amortization of debt issuance costs (Note 6)	2,430	-		
Restructuring (Note 7)	618	-		
Asset impairment (Note 8)	5,000	-		
Amortization of intangible assets	12,691	-		
Taxes related to a legal entity				
restructuring (Note 13)	-	6,570		
Withholding tax on dividends (Note 14)	-	(1,362)		
Tax effect of pro-forma adjustments	 -	 6,437		
Non-GAAP	\$ 72,910	\$ 15,714	2	21.6%

	Twelve Mo	onth	nths Ended December 31, 2017			T۱	er 31, 2016																																									
	Income Before		Provision (benefit) for Income		(benefit) for Income		(benefit)		(benefit) for Income		(benefit) for Income		(benefit) for Income		(benefit) for Income		(benefit) for Income		(benefit) for Income		(benefit) for Income		(benefit) for Income		(benefit) for Income		(benefit) for Income		(benefit) for Income		(benefit) for Income		(benefit) for Income		(benefit) for Income		(benefit) for Income		(benefit) for Income		(benefit) for Income		Effective Tax Rate		ome Before ome Taxes	Provision (benefit) for Income Taxes		Effective Tax Rate
	Income raxes			Taxes					Талез																																							
GAAP	\$ 447,625		\$	108,493	24.2%	\$	127,977	\$	23,168	18.1%																																						
Adjustments:																																																
Acquisition and integration costs (Note																																																
1)	5,332			-			27,279		-																																							
Acquisition inventory step-up (Note 2)	-			-			15,090		-																																							
Expenses related to the sale of a																																																
business (Note 3)	859			-			-		-																																							
Excess and obsolete inventory charge																																																
(Note 4)	1,160			-			-		-																																							
Fees and expenses relating to re-																																																
pricing of term loan (Note 5)	492			-			1,239		-																																							
Amortization of debt issuance costs																																																
(Note 6)	9,405			-			6,897		-																																							
Restructuring (Note 7)	3,920			-			642		-																																							
Asset impairment (Note 8)	6,719			-			5,000		-																																							
Gain on sale of business (Note 9)	(74,856)			-			-		-																																							
Amortization of intangible assets	45,743			-			35,681		-																																							
Windfall tax benefit on stock-based																																																
compensation (Note 10)	-			11,071			-		-																																							
Taxes related to the sale of a business																																																
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Net proceeds from an insurance policy																																																
(Note 12)	-			-			(1,323)		-																																							
Taxes related to a legal entity									=																																							
restructuring (Note 13)	-			-			-		5,038																																							
Withholding tax on dividends (Note 14)	-			-			-		(1,362)																																							
Deferred tax adjustment (Note 15)	-			24,546			-		-																																							
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earnings (Note 16)	-			(28,658)			-		-																																							
Accrued tax on MKS subsidiary				(14,000)																																												
distribution (Note 17)	-			(14,000)			-		-																																							
Tax effect of pro-forma adjustments	-			19,639			-		27,617																																							
Non-GAAP	\$ 446,399		\$	118,215	26.5%	\$	218,482	\$	54,461	24.9%																																						

Note 1: Acquisition and integration costs related to the Newport Corporation acquisition, which closed during the second quarter of 2016.

Note 2: We recorded a charge in cost of sales related to the step-up of inventory to fair value as a result of the Newport Corporation acquisition, during the twelve months ended December 31, 2016.

Note 3: We recorded expenses related to the sale of a business, during the twelve months ended December 31, 2017.

Note 4: We recorded excess and obsolete inventory charges in cost of sales related to the discontinuation of a product line in connection with the consolidation of two manufacturing plants, during the twelve months ended December 31, 2017.

Note 5: We recorded fees and expenses related to the re-pricing of our Term Loan Credit Agreement, during the three months ended September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016 and the twelve months ended December 31, 2017 and 2016.

Note 6: Amortization of debt issuance costs are affiliated with our Term Loan Credit Agreement and ABL Facility.

Note 7: We recorded restructuring costs primarily related to the consolidation of two manufacturing plants and costs related to a restructuring of one of our international facilities and the consolidation of sales offices during the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2017. We recorded restructuring costs related to the restructuring of one of our international facilities during the twelve months ended December 31, 2016.

Note 8: We recorded an asset impairment charge, during the twelve months ended December 31, 2017, primarily related to the write-off of goodwill and intangible assets, in conjunction with the consolidation of two manufacturing plants. We recorded an impairment charge during the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2016, related to a minority interest investment in a privately held company.

Note 9: We recorded a gain on the sale of our Data Analytics Solutions business during the twelve months ended December 31, 2017.

Note 10: We recorded a windfall tax benefit on the vesting of stock-based compensation, relating to the implementation of a new accounting standard issued by the Financial Statement Accounting Standards Board (Accounting Standards Update 2016-09).

Note 11: We recorded taxes related to the sale of our Data Analytics Solutions business during the twelve months ended December 31, 2017. The three months ended December 31, 2017 includes a tax adjustment related to the sale of our Data Analytics Solutions business resulting from U.S. tax reform legislation.

Note 12: We recorded net proceeds from a Company owned life insurance policy during the twelve months ended December 31, 2016.

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MKS Instruments, Inc. Reconciliation of Q1-18 Guidance - GAAP Net Income to Non-GAAP Net Earnings (In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2018									
		Low Guidance					High Guidance			
	\$	\$ Amount \$ Per Share		\$ Amount		\$Pe	er Share			
GAAP net income	\$	93,200	\$	1.68	\$	108,100	\$	1.95		
Amortization		11,000		0.20		11,000		0.20		
Deferred financing costs		900		0.02		900		0.02		

Tax effect of adjustments (Note 1)	 (2,200)	 (0.04)	 (2,300)	 (0.04)
Non-GAAP net earnings	\$ 102,900	\$ 1.86	\$ 117,700	\$ 2.12
Q1 -18 forecasted shares		55,400		55,400

Note 1: The Non-GAAP adjustments are tax effected at the applicable statutory rates and the difference between the GAAP and Non-GAAP tax rates.

MKS Instruments, Inc. Unaudited Consolidated Balance Sheet (In thousands)

	December 31, 2017			December 31, 2016		
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	333,768	\$	228,623		
Restricted cash		119		5,287		
Short-term investments		209,434		189,463		
Trade accounts receivable, net		300,308		248,757		
Inventories		339,081		275,869		
Other current assets		53,543		50,770		
Total current assets		1,236,253		998,769		
Property, plant and equipment, net		171,782		174,559		
Goodwill		591,047		588,585		
Intangible assets, net		366,398		408,004		
Long-term investments		10,655		9,858		
Other assets		37,883		32,467		
Total assets	\$	2,414,018	\$	2,212,242		
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY						
Short-term debt	\$	2,972	\$	10,993		
Accounts payable		82,518		69,337		
Accrued compensation		96,147		67,728		
Income taxes payable		25,106		22,794		
Deferred revenue		12,842		14,463		
Other current liabilities		73,945		51,985		
Total current liabilities		293,530		237,300		
Long-term debt, net		389,993		601,229		
Non-current deferred taxes		56,516		66,446		
Non-current accrued compensation		51,700		44,714		
Other liabilities		33,372		20,761		
Total liabilities		825,111		970,450		
Stockholders' equity:						
Common stock		113		113		
Additional paid-in capital		789,644		777,482		

Retained earnings	795,698	494,744
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	3,452	 (30,547)
Total stockholders' equity	1,588,907	 1,241,792
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 2,414,018	\$ 2,212,242



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