UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 3, 2010

Axcelis Technologies, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000-30941 (Commission File Number) **34-1818596** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

01915

(Zip Code)

108 Cherry Hill Drive, Beverly, Massachusetts

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (978) 787-4000

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On November 3, 2010, Axcelis Technologies, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release regarding its financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2010. The Company's press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated by reference herein

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (d) Exhibits
- 99.1 Press Release dated November 3, 2010. Filed herewith.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: November 3, 2010

Axcelis Technologies, Inc.

By: /s/ STEPHEN G. BASSETT Stephen G. Bassett Executive Vice President

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer



AXCELIS ANNOUNCES FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THIRD QUARTER 2010

Company Reports 77% Increase in Systems Revenues, and 48% Jump in Systems Orders

BEVERLY, Mass. — November 3, 2010—Axcelis Technologies, Inc. (Nasdaq: ACLS) today announced financial results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2010. The Company reported third quarter revenue of \$75.1 million, compared to \$58.2 million for the second quarter of 2010, a 29% increase over the prior quarter. Net loss for the quarter was \$6.3 million, or \$0.06 per share, of which \$1.5 million (\$0.01 per share) is attributable to non-cash foreign exchange losses. This compares to a net loss for the second quarter of 2010 of \$4.5 million, or \$0.04 per share. Loss from operations improved 6.6% over the second quarter. The Company reported a 77% increase in systems revenues and a 48% jump in systems orders over the previous quarter. Cash and cash equivalents, including restricted cash, were \$52.9 million at September 30, 2010. The Company ended the quarter with working capital of \$156.0 million.

"Momentum across our product lines continues to build. Ongoing innovation in ion implantation and plasma cleaning technology has propelled significant growth in our revenues and orders across all industry segments," said Mary Puma, chairman and CEO. "Our outstanding win rate demonstrates that customers see value in our combination of enabling process technology and industry leading productivity. We're confident this will continue to translate into market share gains. Our strategy and business model support a return to profitability beginning with the fourth quarter of 2010."

Third Quarter 2010 Conference Call

The Company will host a conference call today at 5:00 pm ET to discuss results for the third quarter 2010. The call will be available to interested listeners via an audio webcast that can be accessed through Axcelis' home page at www.axcelis.com, or by dialing 1-888-713-4199 (1-617-213-4861 outside North America). Participants calling into the conference call will be requested to provide the company name, Axcelis Technologies and pass code: 70472378. Webcast and telephone replays will be available from 8 pm ET on November 3, 2010 until 11:59 pm on February 1, 2011. Dial 1- 888-286-8010 (1-617-801-6888 outside North America), and enter conference ID code# 32926165.

Safe Harbor Statement

This document contains forward-looking statements under the SEC safe harbor provisions. These statements, which include our guidance for future financial performance, are based on management's current expectations and should be viewed with caution. They are subject to various risks and uncertainties, many of which are outside the control of the Company, including the timing of orders and shipments, the conversion of orders to revenue in any particular quarter, or at all, our ability to implement successfully our profit plans, the continuing demand for semiconductor equipment, relative market growth, continuity of business relationships with and purchases by major customers, competitive pressure on sales and pricing, increases in material and other production costs that cannot be recouped in product pricing and global economic, political and financial conditions. These risks and other risk factors relating to Axcelis are described more fully in the most recent Form 10-K filed by Axcelis and in other documents filed from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

About Axcelis

Axcelis Technologies, Inc. (Nasdaq: ACLS) headquartered in Beverly, Massachusetts, provides innovative, high-productivity solutions for the semiconductor industry. Axcelis is dedicated to developing enabling process applications through the design, manufacture and complete life support of ion implantation and cleaning systems. The company's Internet address is: www.axcelis.com.

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Axcelis Technologies, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Operations In thousands, except per share amounts (Unaudited)

		nths ended nber 30, 2009		ths ended <u>ber 30,</u> 2009	
Revenue					
Product	\$ 66,162	\$ 25,871	\$ 157,133	\$ 69,369	
Service	8,944	9,132	24,676	24,527	
Royalties from SEN		4	—	389	
	75,106	35,007	181,809	94,285	
Cost of revenue					
Product	47,848	21,681	111,858	62,571	
Service	5,788	5,506	15,606	15,001	

	53,636	27,1	87	127,464	77,572
Gross profit	21,470	7,8	20	54,345	16,713
Operating expenses	21,470	7,0	20	54,545	10,715
Research and development	9,872	7,6	10	28,482	24,935
Sales and marketing	7,151	5,7		20,402	18,864
General and administrative	7,885	7,8		23,049	27,075
Restructuring charges	7,005	,	30	23,045	5,528
Restructuring charges	 24,908	21,6		71,892	 76,402
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Loss from operations	(3,438)	(13,8	32)	(17,547)	(59,689)
Other income (expense)					
Gain on sale of SEN	_			_	1,080
Equity loss of SEN				_	(3,238)
Interest income	15		59	69	152
Interest expense				_	(1,676)
Other, net	(1,996)	(1,6	81)	(2,061)	(3,197)
	 (1,981)	(1,6	22)	(1,992)	 (6,879)
Loss before income taxes	(5,419)	(15,4	54)	(19,539)	(66,568)
Income taxes	 854	4	44	2,364	 864
Net loss	\$ (6,273)	\$ (15,8	<u>98)</u>	(21,903)	\$ (67,432)
Net loss per share					
Basic and diluted net loss per share	\$ (0.06)	\$ (0.	15) \$	(0.21)	\$ (0.65)
Shares used in computing basic and diluted net loss per share					
Weighted average common shares	 104,628	103,8	50	104,307	 103,475
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Axcelis Technologies, Inc. Consolidated Balance Sheets In thousands (Unaudited)

	Se	eptember 30, 2010	D	ecember 31, 2009
ASSETS				
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	49,116	\$	45,020
Restricted cash		3,742		4,918
Accounts receivable, net		40,957		19,094
Inventories, net		103,579		114,558
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	_	13,046		10,016
Total current assets		210,440		193,606
Property, plant and equipment, net		38,904		40,868
Long-term restricted cash		_		2,245
Other assets		9,004		13,884
	\$	258,348	\$	250,603
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$	25,507	\$	9,680
Accrued compensation	Ψ	10,828	Ψ	9,267
Warranty		1,629		638
Income taxes		1,725		1,499
Deferred revenue		10,170		5,127
Other current liabilities		4,561		3,546
Total current liabilities		54,420		29,757
Long-term deferred revenue		1,365		563
Other long-term liabilities		4,023		3,884
		1,020		5,001
Stockholders' equity				
Preferred stock				
Common stock		105		104
Additional paid-in capital		492,343		488,321
Treasury stock		(1,218)		(1,218)

Accumulated deficit	(297,850)	(275,947)
Accumulated other comprehensive income	5,160	5,139
	198,540	 216,399
	\$ 258,348	\$ 250,603

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Axcelis Technologies, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Cash Flow In thousands (Unaudited)

		Nine months ended September 30,		
	2	010		2009
Cash flows from operating activities				
Net loss	\$	(21,903)	\$	(67,432)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used for operating activities				
Undistributed loss of SEN				3,238
Depreciation and amortization		5,367		5,593
Gain on sale of SEN				(1,080)
Accretion of premium on convertible debt		—		133
Stock-based compensation expense		2,953		3,594
Provision for excess inventory		1,734		9,268
Changes in operating assets & liabilities				
Accounts receivable		(21,890)		1,097
Inventories		9,282		18,091
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		(2,747)		6,468
Accounts payable & other current liabilities		20,386		(12,908)
Deferred revenue		5,852		(3,650)
Income taxes		201		480
Other assets and liabilities		2,357		(710)
Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities		1,592		(37,818)
Cash flows from investing activities				
Expenditures for property, plant, and equipment		(761)		(381)
Decrease in restricted cash		3,421		1,666
Proceeds from sale of SEN				132,847
Payments related to sale of SEN				(10,590)
Net cash provided by investing activities		2,660		123,542
Cash flows from financing activities				-
Repayment of convertible debt				(83,344)
Financing fees and other expenses		(523)		_
Proceeds from exercise of stock options		104		
Proceeds from Employee Stock Purchase Plan		206		65
Net cash used for financing activities		(213)		(83,279)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash		57		1,105
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		4,096		3,550
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		45,020		37,694
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	49,116	\$	41,244

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