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 5, 2020

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.)

108 Cherry Hill Drive, Beverly, Massachusetts (Address of principal executive offices) **01915** (Zip Code)

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 (see General Instruction A.2.):

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

□ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company \Box

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. \Box

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	ACLS	NASDAQ Global Select Market

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On November 5, 2020, Axcelis Technologies, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release regarding its financial results for its quarter ended September 30, 2020. 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.

Description
a File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

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 5, 2020

Axcelis Technologies, Inc.

By: /s/ KEVIN J. BREWER

Kevin J. Brewer Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

News Release



AXCELIS ANNOUNCES FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THIRD QUARTER 2020

Company Reports Strong Earnings Driven by Robust Gross Margins

BEVERLY, Mass. — Nov. 5, 2020—<u>Axcelis Technologies</u>, Inc. (Nasdaq: ACLS) today announced financial results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2020.

The Company reported third quarter revenue of \$110.4 million, compared to \$123 million for the second quarter of 2020. Operating profit for the quarter was \$13.9 million, compared to \$16.4 million for the second quarter. Net income for the quarter was \$10.8 million, or \$0.32 per diluted share, compared to net income for the second quarter of \$13.3 million, or \$0.39 per diluted share. Gross margin for the quarter was 43.6%, compared to 42.2% in the second quarter. Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash were \$212.7 million on September 30, 2020, compared to \$197 million on June 30, 2020.

President and CEO Mary Puma commented, "We are pleased with our third quarter performance, which met or exceeded guidance and consensus. The Company delivered strong earnings driven by robust gross margins. We continue to expand our large and diverse customer base in key market segments, with new penetrations of the Purion H and new Purion product extensions. We are exiting 2020 with good momentum, positioning us well to capitalize on the expectation that 2021 will be a strong investment year and for the achievement of our \$550 and \$650 million dollar target models over the next several years."

Business Outlook

For the fourth quarter ending December 31, 2020, Axcelis expects revenues to be approximately \$110 million with gross margin around 41%. Fourth quarter operating profit is forecasted to be approximately \$10 million with earnings per diluted share of approximately \$0.21.

Third Quarter 2020 Conference Call

The Company will host a call to discuss the results for the third quarter 2020 on Friday, November 6, 2020 at 8:30 am ET. The call will be available to interested listeners via an audio webcast that can be accessed through the Investors page of Axcelis' website at <u>www.axcelis.com</u>. If you would like to ask a question, the dial in number is 866.588.8911 (707.294.1561 outside North America). Participants calling into the conference call will be requested to provide the company name, Axcelis Technologies, and Conference ID: 1999553. Please dial in at least 15 minutes in advance to ensure a timely connection to the call. Webcast replays will be available for 30 days following the call.

News Release



Safe Harbor Statement

This press release and the conference call contain forward-looking statements under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act safe harbor provisions. These statements, which include our expectations for spending in our industry and 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 that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements, many of which are outside the control of the Company, including that customer decisions to place orders or our product shipments may not occur when we expect, that orders may not be converted to revenue in any particular quarter, or at all, whether demand will continue for the semiconductor equipment we produce or, if not, whether we can successfully meet changing market requirements, and whether we will be able to maintain continuity of business relationships with and purchases by major customers. Increased competitive pressure on sales and pricing, increases in material and other production costs that cannot be recouped in product pricing and instability caused by changing global economic, political or financial conditions could also cause actual results to differ materially from those in our forward-looking statements. 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 (Nasdaq: ACLS), headquartered in Beverly, Mass., has been providing innovative, high-productivity solutions for the semiconductor industry for over 40 years. Axcelis is dedicated to developing enabling process applications through the design, manufacture and complete life cycle support of ion implantation systems, one of the most critical and enabling steps in the IC manufacturing process. Learn more about Axcelis at www.axcelis.com.

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

	Three months ended September 30,			Nine months ended September 30,			
	 2020		2019		2020		2019
Revenue:							
Product	\$ 104,799	\$	64,290	\$	334,126	\$	217,201
Services	 5,606		5,163		18,235		18,034
Total revenue	110,405		69,453		352,361		235,235
Cost of revenue:							
Product	56,427		33,587		189,118		118,105
Services	5,817		5,285		17,634		17,294
Total cost of revenue	 62,244		38,872		206,752		135,399
Gross profit	 48,161		30,581		145,609		99,836
Operating expenses:							
Research and development	14,867		12,930		45,513		40,335
Sales and marketing	9,763		8,057		27,404		25,411
General and administrative	9,649		7,707		28,726		23,097
Total operating expenses	 34,279		28,694		101,643		88,843
Income from operations	 13,882		1,887		43,966		10,993
Other (expense) income:							
Interest income	106		687		658		2,373
Interest expense	(1,296)		(1,308)		(3,898)		(3,849)
Other, net	900		(890)		701		(1,252)
Total other expense	 (290)		(1,511)		(2,539)		(2,728)
Income before income taxes	 13,592		376		41,427		8,265
Income tax provision (benefit)	2,807		(328)		6,119		943
Net income	\$ 10,785	\$	704	\$	35,308	\$	7,322
Net income per share:	 						
Basic	\$ 0.32	\$	0.02	\$	1.06	\$	0.22
Diluted	\$ 0.32	\$	0.02	\$	1.04	\$	0.22
Shares used in computing net income per share:	 						
Basic weighted average common shares	 33,477		32,344		33,159		32,584
Diluted weighted average common shares	 34,174	_	33,323		34,070		33,821



Axcelis Technologies, Inc. Consolidated Balance Sheets (In thousands, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

	September 30, 2020		December 31, 2019	
ASSETS				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	· · · · · ·	\$	139,881
Accounts receivable, net		45,161		83,753
Inventories, net		159,658		140,364
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		18,982		11,681
Total current assets		435,768		375,679
Property, plant and equipment, net		29,199		25,328
Operating lease assets		4,655		5,849
Finance lease assets, net		20,872		21,880
Long-term restricted cash		750		6,653
Deferred income taxes		58,247		68,060
Other assets		41,165		44,645
Total assets	\$	590,656	\$	548,094
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$		\$	25,341
Accrued compensation		18,856		7,631
Warranty		4,151		2,759
Income taxes		328		294
Deferred revenue		13,118		24,601
Current portion of finance lease obligation		705		399
Other current liabilities		7,965		7,639
Total current liabilities		69,383		68,664
Long-term finance lease obligation		47,593		48,149
Long-term deferred revenue		3,851		4,650
Other long-term liabilities		9,166		7,204
Total liabilities		129,993		128,667
Stockholders' equity:				
Common stock, \$0.001 par value, 75,000 shares authorized; 33,491 shares issued and outstanding at September				
30, 2020; 32,585 shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2019		33		33
Additional paid-in capital		566,195		559,878
Accumulated deficit		(106,643)		(140,226)
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		1,078		(258)
Total stockholders' equity		460,663		419,427
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	590,656	\$	548,094
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