UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(MARK ONE)

☑ **QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the quarterly period ended August 1, 2021

OR

☐ **TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the transition period from __________ to __________

Broadcom Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	**001-38449**	**35-2617337**
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	**(Commission file Number)**	**(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)**

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(Address, including zip code, of principal executive offices and registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes ☑ No o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes ☑ No o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer	☑	Accelerated filer	☐	Non-accelerated filer	☐	Smaller reporting company	☐	Emerging growth company	☐

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. o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes ☐ No ☑

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, $0.001 par value	AVGO	The NASDAQ Global Select Market
8.00% Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A, $0.001 par value	AVGOP	The NASDAQ Global Select Market

As of August 27, 2021, there were 411,616,288 shares of our common stock outstanding.

BROADCOM INC.
Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q
For the Quarterly Period Ended August 1, 2021

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PART I — FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements — Unaudited

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BROADCOM INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS — UNAUDITED

	August 1, 2021	November 1, 2020
	(In millions, except par value)	
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 11,105	$ 7,618
Trade accounts receivable, net	2,234	2,297
Inventory	1,160	1,003
Other current assets	1,137	977
Total current assets	15,636	11,895
Long-term assets:		
Property, plant and equipment, net	2,370	2,509
Goodwill	43,457	43,447
Intangible assets, net	12,719	16,782
Other long-term assets	1,698	1,300
Total assets	$ 75,880	$ 75,933
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	$ 968	$ 836
Employee compensation and benefits	893	877
Current portion of long-term debt	279	827
Other current liabilities	4,361	3,831
Total current liabilities	6,501	6,371
Long-term liabilities:		
Long-term debt	40,178	40,235
Other long-term liabilities	4,834	5,426
Total liabilities	51,513	52,032
Commitments and contingencies (Note 11)		
Preferred stock dividend obligation	27	27
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, $0.001 par value; 100 shares authorized; 8.00% Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A, 4 shares issued and outstanding; aggregate liquidation value of $3,738 as of August 1, 2021 and November 1, 2020	—	—
Common stock, $0.001 par value; 2,900 shares authorized; 412 and 407 shares issued and outstanding as of August 1, 2021 and November 1, 2020, respectively	—	—
Additional paid-in capital	24,126	23,982
Retained earnings	320	—
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(106)	(108)
Total stockholders' equity	24,340	23,874
Total liabilities and equity	$ 75,880	$ 75,933

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

BROADCOM INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS — UNAUDITED

	Fiscal Quarter Ended		Three Fiscal Quarters Ended	
	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020
	(In millions, except per share data)			
Net revenue:				
Products	$ 5,064	$ 4,125	$ 15,128	$ 12,582
Subscriptions and services	1,714	1,696	4,915	4,839
Total net revenue	6,778	5,821	20,043	17,421
Cost of revenue:				
Cost of products sold	1,572	1,383	4,792	4,290
Cost of subscriptions and services	157	154	450	475
Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets	851	953	2,578	2,857
Restructuring charges	1	15	17	30
Total cost of revenue	2,581	2,505	7,837	7,652
Gross margin	4,197	3,316	12,206	9,769
Research and development	1,205	1,228	3,654	3,786
Selling, general and administrative	346	428	1,010	1,530
Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets	494	600	1,482	1,802
Restructuring, impairment and disposal charges	26	52	122	163
Total operating expenses	2,071	2,308	6,268	7,281
Operating income	2,126	1,008	5,938	2,488
Interest expense	(415)	(464)	(1,451)	(1,357)
Other income, net	15	49	109	175
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	1,726	593	4,596	1,306
Benefit from income taxes	(150)	(96)	(151)	(331)
Income from continuing operations	1,876	689	4,747	1,637
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	—	(1)	—	(1)
Net income	1,876	688	4,747	1,636
Dividends on preferred stock	(74)	(74)	(224)	(223)
Net income attributable to common stock	$ 1,802	$ 614	$ 4,523	$ 1,413
Basic income per share attributable to common stock:				
Income per share from continuing operations	$ 4.38	$ 1.53	$ 11.06	$ 3.53
Loss per share from discontinued operations	—	(0.01)	—	(0.01)
Net income per share	$ 4.38	$ 1.52	$ 11.06	$ 3.52
Diluted income per share attributable to common stock:				
Income per share from continuing operations	$ 4.20	$ 1.46	$ 10.54	$ 3.37
Loss per share from discontinued operations	—	(0.01)	—	(0.01)
Net income per share	$ 4.20	$ 1.45	$ 10.54	$ 3.36
Weighted-average shares used in per share calculations:				
Basic	411	403	409	401
Diluted	429	422	429	420

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BROADCOM INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME — UNAUDITED

	Fiscal Quarter Ended		Three Fiscal Quarters Ended	
	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020
	(In millions)			
Net income	$ 1,876	$ 688	$ 4,747	$ 1,636
Other comprehensive income, net of tax:				
Change in actuarial loss and prior service costs associated with defined benefit pension plans and post-retirement benefit plans	—	—	2	1
Other comprehensive income, net of tax	—	—	2	1
Comprehensive income	$ 1,876	$ 688	$ 4,749	$ 1,637

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BROADCOM INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS — UNAUDITED

	Three Fiscal Quarters Ended	
	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020
	(In millions)	
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	$ 4,747	$ 1,636
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Amortization of intangible and right-of-use assets	4,135	4,746
Depreciation	405	431
Stock-based compensation	1,290	1,527
Deferred taxes and other non-cash taxes	(762)	(683)
Loss on debt extinguishment	198	153
Gain on investments	(90)	—
Non-cash restructuring, impairment and disposal charges	35	32
Non-cash interest expense	67	83
Other	(8)	(43)
Changes in assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions and disposals:		
Trade accounts receivable, net	50	590
Inventory	(157)	(98)
Accounts payable	142	227
Employee compensation and benefits	14	75
Other current assets and current liabilities	363	462
Other long-term assets and long-term liabilities	(206)	(425)
Net cash provided by operating activities	10,223	8,713
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Acquisitions of businesses, net of cash acquired	(8)	(10,872)
Proceeds from sales of businesses	—	218
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(355)	(361)
Proceeds from disposals of property, plant and equipment	4	10
Proceeds from sale of investment	67	—
Other	(3)	(4)
Net cash used in investing activities	(295)	(11,009)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from long-term borrowings	9,904	27,802
Payments on debt obligations	(10,733)	(15,814)
Other borrowings, net	—	(1,285)
Payments of dividends	(4,651)	(4,139)
Shares repurchased for tax withholdings on vesting of equity awards	(1,033)	(580)
Issuance of common stock	113	174
Other	(41)	(60)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(6,441)	6,098
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	3,487	3,802
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	7,618	5,055
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	$ 11,105	$ 8,857

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BROADCOM INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY — UNAUDITED
Three Fiscal Quarters Ended August 1, 2021

	8.00% Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock		Common Stock					
	Shares	Par Value	Shares	Par Value	Additional Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Total Stockholders' Equity
					(In millions)			
Balance as of November 1, 2020	4	$ —	407	$ —	$ 23,982	$ —	$ (108)	$ 23,874
Net income	—	—	—	—	—	1,378	—	1,378
Other comprehensive income	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Dividends to common stockholders	—	—	—	—	(164)	(1,304)	—	(1,468)
Dividends to preferred stockholders	—	—	—	—	—	(74)	—	(74)
Common stock issued	—	—	2	—	35	—	—	35
Stock-based compensation	—	—	—	—	444	—	—	444
Shares repurchased for tax withholdings on vesting of equity awards	—	—	(1)	—	(217)	—	—	(217)
Balance as of January 31, 2021	4	—	408	—	24,080	—	(107)	23,973
Net income	—	—	—	—	—	1,493	—	1,493
Other comprehensive income	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Dividends to common stockholders	—	—	—	—	(60)	(1,417)	—	(1,477)
Dividends to preferred stockholders	—	—	—	—	—	(76)	—	(76)
Common stock issued	—	—	3	—	71	—	—	71
Stock-based compensation	—	—	—	—	425	—	—	425
Shares repurchased for tax withholdings on vesting of equity awards	—	—	(1)	—	(471)	—	—	(471)
Balance as of May 2, 2021	4	—	410	—	24,045	—	(106)	23,939
Net income	—	—	—	—	—	1,876	—	1,876
Dividends to common stockholders	—	—	—	—	—	(1,482)	—	(1,482)
Dividends to preferred stockholders	—	—	—	—	—	(74)	—	(74)
Common stock issued	—	—	2	—	7	—	—	7
Stock-based compensation	—	—	—	—	421	—	—	421
Shares repurchased for tax withholdings on vesting of equity awards	—	—	—	—	(347)	—	—	(347)
Balance as of August 1, 2021	4	$ —	412	$ —	$ 24,126	$ 320	$ (106)	$ 24,340

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BROADCOM INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY — UNAUDITED
Three Fiscal Quarters Ended August 2, 2020

	8.00% Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock			Common Stock										
	Shares		Par Value	Shares		Par Value		Additional Paid-in Capital		Retained Earnings		Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss		Total Stockholders' Equity
								(In millions)						
Balance as of November 3, 2019	4	$	—	398	$	—	$	25,081	$	—	$	(140)	$	24,941
Net income	—		—	—		—		—		385		—		385
Cumulative effect of accounting change	—		—	—		—		—		(10)		8		(2)
Fair value of partially vested equity awards assumed in connection with an acquisition	—		—	—		—		1		—		—		1
Dividends to common stockholders	—		—	—		—		(996)		(301)		—		(1,297)
Dividends to preferred stockholders	—		—	—		—		—		(74)		—		(74)
Common stock issued	—		—	2		—		37		—		—		37
Stock-based compensation	—		—	—		—		545		—		—		545
Shares repurchased for tax withholdings on vesting of equity awards	—		—	(1)		—		(168)		—		—		(168)
Balance as of February 2, 2020	4		—	399		—		24,500		—		(132)		24,368
Net income	—		—	—		—		—		563		—		563
Other comprehensive income	—		—	—		—		—		—		1		1
Dividends to common stockholders	—		—	—		—		(818)		(488)		—		(1,306)
Dividends to preferred stockholders	—		—	—		—		—		(75)		—		(75)
Common stock issued	—		—	4		—		91		—		—		91
Stock-based compensation	—		—	—		—		517		—		—		517
Shares repurchased for tax withholdings on vesting of equity awards	—		—	(1)		—		(217)		—		—		(217)
Balance as of May 3, 2020	4		—	402		—		24,073		—		(131)		23,942
Net income	—		—	—		—		—		688		—		688
Dividends to common stockholders	—		—	—		—		(698)		(614)		—		(1,312)
Dividends to preferred stockholders	—		—	—		—		—		(74)		—		(74)
Common stock issued	—		—	2		—		46		—		—		46
Stock-based compensation	—		—	—		—		465		—		—		465
Shares repurchased for tax withholdings on vesting of equity awards	—		—	—		—		(198)		—		—		(198)
Balance as of August 2, 2020	4	$	—	404	$	—	$	23,688	$	—	$	(131)	$	23,557

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BROADCOM INC.

NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Overview, Basis of Presentation and Significant Accounting Policies

Overview

Broadcom Inc. (“Broadcom”), a Delaware corporation, is a global technology leader that designs, develops and supplies a broad range of semiconductor and infrastructure software solutions. We develop semiconductor devices with a focus on complex digital and mixed signal complementary metal oxide semiconductor based devices and analog III-V based products. We have a history of innovation in the semiconductor industry and offer thousands of products that are used in end products such as enterprise and data center networking, home connectivity, set-top boxes, broadband access, telecommunication equipment, smartphones and base stations, data center servers and storage systems, factory automation, power generation and alternative energy systems, and electronic displays. Our infrastructure software solutions enable customers to plan, develop, automate, manage and secure applications across mainframe, distributed, mobile and cloud platforms. Our portfolio of mainframe and BizOps software solutions enables customers to leverage the benefits of agility, automation, insights, resiliency and security in managing business processes and technology investments. We offer a cyber security solutions portfolio, including endpoint, network, information and identity security solutions. We also offer mission critical fibre channel storage area networking (“FC SAN”) products and related software in the form of modules, switches and subsystems incorporating multiple semiconductor products. Unless stated otherwise or the context otherwise requires, references to “Broadcom,” “we,” “our” and “us” mean Broadcom and its consolidated subsidiaries. We have two reportable segments: semiconductor solutions and infrastructure software.

Basis of Presentation

We operate on a 52- or 53-week fiscal year ending on the Sunday closest to October 31 in a 52-week year and the first Sunday in November in a 53-week year. Our fiscal year ending October 31, 2021 (“fiscal year 2021”) is a 52-week fiscal year. The first quarter of our fiscal year 2021 ended on January 31, 2021, the second quarter ended on May 2, 2021 and the third quarter ended on August 1, 2021. Our fiscal year ended November 1, 2020 (“fiscal year 2020”) was also a 52-week fiscal year.

The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Broadcom and its subsidiaries, and have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States (“GAAP”) for interim financial information. The financial information included herein is unaudited, and reflects all adjustments which are, in the opinion of our management, of a normal recurring nature and necessary for a fair statement of the results for the periods presented. The November 1, 2020 condensed consolidated balance sheet data were derived from Broadcom’s audited consolidated financial statements included in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for fiscal year 2020 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. All intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation. The operating results for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for fiscal year 2021, or for any other future period.

Significant Accounting Policies

Use of estimates. The preparation of condensed consolidated financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the condensed consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. The inputs into certain of these estimates and assumptions include the consideration of the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. Actual results could differ materially from these estimates, and such differences could affect the results of operations reported in future periods. As the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic continues to develop, many of these estimates could require increased judgment and carry a higher degree of variability and volatility, and may change materially in future periods.

2. Revenue from Contracts with Customers

We account for a contract with a customer when both parties have approved the contract and are committed to perform their respective obligations, each party’s rights can be identified, payment terms can be identified, the contract has commercial substance, and it is probable we will collect substantially all of the consideration we are entitled to. Revenue is recognized when, or as, performance obligations are satisfied by transferring control of a promised product or service to a customer.

Disaggregation

We have considered (1) information that is regularly reviewed by our Chief Executive Officer, who has been identified as the Chief Operating Decision Maker (the "CODM") as defined by the authoritative guidance on segment reporting, in evaluating financial performance and (2) disclosures presented outside of our financial statements in our earnings releases and used in investor presentations to disaggregate revenues. The principal category we use to disaggregate revenues is the nature of our products and subscriptions and services, as presented in our condensed consolidated statements of operations. In addition, revenues by reportable segment are presented in Note 10. "Segment Information".

The following tables present revenue disaggregated by type of revenue and by region for the periods presented:

	Fiscal Quarter Ended August 1, 2021			
	Americas	Asia Pacific	Europe, the Middle East and Africa	Total
	(In millions)			
Products	$ 438	$ 4,129	$ 497	$ 5,064
Subscriptions and services [(a)]	1,150	192	372	1,714
Total	$ 1,588	$ 4,321	$ 869	$ 6,778

	Fiscal Quarter Ended August 2, 2020			
	Americas	Asia Pacific	Europe, the Middle East and Africa	Total
	(In millions)			
Products	$ 410	$ 3,393	$ 322	$ 4,125
Subscriptions and services [(a)]	1,000	349	347	1,696
Total	$ 1,410	$ 3,742	$ 669	$ 5,821

	Three Fiscal Quarters Ended August 1, 2021			
	Americas	Asia Pacific	Europe, the Middle East and Africa	Total
	(In millions)			
Products	$ 1,299	$ 12,484	$ 1,345	$ 15,128
Subscriptions and services [(a)]	3,204	576	1,135	4,915
Total	$ 4,503	$ 13,060	$ 2,480	$ 20,043

	Three Fiscal Quarters Ended August 2, 2020			
	Americas	Asia Pacific	Europe, the Middle East and Africa	Total
	(In millions)			
Products	$ 1,340	$ 10,282	$ 960	$ 12,582
Subscriptions and services [(a)]	3,075	680	1,084	4,839
Total	$ 4,415	$ 10,962	$ 2,044	$ 17,421

(a) Subscriptions and services predominantly include software licenses with termination for convenience clauses.

Although we recognize revenue for the majority of our products when title and control transfer in Penang, Malaysia, we disclose net revenue by region based primarily on the geographic shipment location or delivery location specified by our distributors, original equipment manufacturer customers, contract manufacturers, channel partners, or software customers.

Contract Balances

Contract assets and contract liabilities balances were as follows:

	Contract Assets	Contract Liabilities
	(In millions)	
Balance as of November 1, 2020	$ 158	$ 3,443
Balance as of August 1, 2021	$ 142	$ 3,628

Changes in our contract assets and contract liabilities primarily result from the timing difference between our performance and the customer's payment. We fulfill our obligations under a contract with a customer by transferring products and services in exchange for consideration from the customer. We recognize a contract asset when we transfer products or services to a customer and the right to consideration is conditional on something other than the passage of time. Accounts receivable are recorded when the customer has been billed or the right to consideration is unconditional. We recognize contract liabilities when we have received consideration or an amount of consideration is due from the customer and we have a future obligation to transfer products or services. Contract liabilities include amounts billed or collected and advanced payments on contracts or arrangements, which may include termination for convenience provisions. The amount of revenue recognized during the three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021 that was included in the contract liabilities balance as of November 1, 2020 was $2,330 million. The amount of revenue recognized during the three fiscal quarters ended August 2, 2020 that was included in the contract liabilities balance as of November 3, 2019 was $1,315 million.

Remaining Performance Obligations

Revenue allocated to remaining performance obligations represents the transaction price allocated to unsatisfied or partially unsatisfied performance obligations. Remaining performance obligations include unearned revenue and amounts that will be invoiced and recognized as revenue in future periods, but do not include contracts for software, subscriptions or services where the customer is not committed. The customer is not considered committed when termination for convenience without payment of a substantive penalty exists, either contractually or through customary business practice. The majority of our customer software contracts include termination for convenience clauses without a substantive penalty and are not considered committed. Additionally, as a practical expedient, we have not included contracts that have an original duration of one year or less, nor have we included contracts with sales-based or usage-based royalties promised in exchange for a license of intellectual property ("IP").

Certain multi-year customer contracts in our semiconductor solutions segment contain firmly committed amounts and the remaining performance obligations under these contracts as of August 1, 2021 were approximately $12.1 billion. We expect approximately 31% of this amount to be recognized as revenue over the next 12 months. Although the majority of our software contracts are not deemed to be committed, our customers generally do not exercise their termination for convenience rights. In addition, the majority of our contracts for products, subscriptions and services have a duration of one year or less. Accordingly, our remaining performance obligations disclosed above are not indicative of revenue for future periods.

3. Acquisitions

Acquisition of the Symantec Corporation Enterprise Security Business

On November 4, 2019, we completed the purchase of certain assets and assumed certain liabilities of the Symantec Corporation Enterprise Security business (the “Symantec Business”), which was an established leader in cyber security, for $10.7 billion in cash (the “Symantec Asset Purchase”). We acquired the Symantec Business to expand our footprint of mission critical infrastructure software with our existing customer base.

Unaudited Pro Forma Information

The following unaudited pro forma financial information presents combined results of operations for the periods presented, as if we had completed the Symantec Asset Purchase as of the beginning of our fiscal year ended November 3, 2019 (“fiscal year 2019”). The unaudited pro forma information includes adjustments to amortization and depreciation for intangible assets and property, plant and equipment acquired, adjustments to interest expense for the additional indebtedness incurred to complete the acquisition, restructuring charges related to the acquisition and transaction costs. The unaudited pro forma information presented below is for informational purposes only and is not necessarily indicative of our consolidated results of operations of the combined business had the acquisition actually occurred at the beginning of fiscal year 2019 or of the results of our future operations of the combined business.

	Fiscal Quarter Ended	Three Fiscal Quarters Ended
	August 2, 2020	August 2, 2020
	(In millions)	
Pro forma net revenue	$ 5,687	$ 16,894
Pro forma net income attributable to common stock	$ 549	$ 1,181

Other Acquisitions

During the fiscal quarter ended February 2, 2020, we also completed three other acquisitions qualifying as business combinations for total consideration of $201 million, of which $109 million was allocated to goodwill and $46 million was allocated to intangible assets. These acquisitions are not material, individually or in the aggregate, to our condensed consolidated statements of operations.

4. Supplemental Financial Information

Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents included $3,880 million and $2,471 million of time deposits and $1,555 million and $790 million of money-market funds as of August 1, 2021 and November 1, 2020, respectively. For time deposits, carrying value approximates fair value due to the short-term nature of the instruments. The fair value of money-market funds, which was consistent with their carrying value, was determined using unadjusted prices in active, accessible markets for identical assets, and as such, they were classified as Level 1 assets in the fair value hierarchy.

Accounts Receivable Factoring

We sell certain of our trade accounts receivable on a non-recourse basis to third-party financial institutions pursuant to factoring arrangements. We account for these transactions as sales of receivables and present cash proceeds as cash provided by operating activities in the condensed consolidated statements of cash flows. Total trade accounts receivable sold under the factoring arrangements were $1,000 million and $2,827 million during the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021, respectively, and $927 million and $2,754 million for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 2, 2020, respectively. Factoring fees for the sales of receivables were recorded in other income, net and were not material for any of the periods presented.

Inventory

	August 1, 2021	November 1, 2020
	(In millions)	
Finished goods	$ 329	$ 323
Work-in-process	673	558
Raw materials	158	122
Total inventory	$ 1,160	$ 1,003

Other Current Assets

	August 1, 2021	November 1, 2020
	(In millions)	
Prepaid expenses	$ 509	$ 387
Other (miscellaneous)	628	590
Total other current assets	$ 1,137	$ 977

Other Current Liabilities

	August 1, 2021	November 1, 2020
	(In millions)	
Contract liabilities	$ 3,008	$ 2,620
Tax liabilities	492	440
Interest payable	471	304
Other (miscellaneous)	390	467
Total other current liabilities	$ 4,361	$ 3,831

Other Long-Term Liabilities

	August 1, 2021	November 1, 2020
	(In millions)	
Unrecognized tax benefits	$ 3,282	$ 3,185
Contract liabilities	620	823
Other (miscellaneous)	932	1,418
Total other long-term liabilities	$ 4,834	$ 5,426

Supplemental Cash Flow Information

	Fiscal Quarter Ended		Three Fiscal Quarters Ended	
	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020
	(In millions)			
Cash paid for interest	$ 253	$ 269	$ 994	$ 1,025
Cash paid for income taxes	$ 167	$ 44	$ 607	$ 299

As of August 1, 2021 and August 2, 2020, $20 million and $37 million, respectively, of unpaid purchases of property, plant and equipment were included in accounts payable. Amounts reported as unpaid purchases are presented as cash outflows from investing activities for purchases of property, plant and equipment in the condensed consolidated statements of cash flows in the period in which they are paid.

5. Goodwill and Intangible Assets

Goodwill

	Semiconductor Solutions	Infrastructure Software	Total
		(In millions)	
Balance as of November 1, 2020	$ 25,959	$ 17,488	$ 43,447
Acquisition	—	10	10
Balance as of August 1, 2021	$ 25,959	$ 17,498	$ 43,457

Intangible Assets

	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Net Book Value
		(In millions)	
As of August 1, 2021:			
Purchased technology	$ 24,132	$ (16,498)	$ 7,634
Customer contracts and related relationships	8,392	(4,218)	4,174
Order backlog	2,579	(2,223)	356
Trade names	797	(378)	419
Other	248	(131)	117
Intangible assets subject to amortization	36,148	(23,448)	12,700
In-process research and development	19	—	19
Total	$ 36,167	$ (23,448)	$ 12,719
As of November 1, 2020:			
Purchased technology	$ 24,119	$ (13,925)	$ 10,194
Customer contracts and related relationships	8,389	(3,179)	5,210
Order backlog	2,579	(1,836)	743
Trade names	797	(322)	475
Other	252	(117)	135
Intangible assets subject to amortization	36,136	(19,379)	16,757
In-process research and development	25	—	25
Total	$ 36,161	$ (19,379)	$ 16,782

Based on the amount of intangible assets subject to amortization at August 1, 2021, the expected amortization expense for each of the next five years and thereafter was as follows:

Fiscal Year:	Expected Amortization Expense
	(In millions)
2021 (remainder)	$ 1,347
2022	4,367
2023	3,239
2024	2,369
2025	659
Thereafter	719
Total	$ 12,700

The weighted-average remaining amortization periods by intangible asset category were as follows:

Amortizable intangible assets:	**August 1, 2021**
	(In years)
Purchased technology	4
Customer contracts and related relationships	3
Order backlog	2
Trade names	9
Other	9

6. Net Income Per Share

Basic net income per share is computed by dividing net income attributable to common stock by the weighted-average number of shares of common stock outstanding during the period. Diluted net income per share is computed by dividing net income attributable to common stock by the weighted-average number of shares of common stock and potentially dilutive shares of common stock outstanding during the period.

Diluted shares outstanding include the dilutive effect of unvested restricted stock units ("RSUs"), in-the-money stock options and employee stock purchase plan rights under the Broadcom Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as amended ("ESPP"), (collectively referred to as "equity awards"), as well as Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock, as defined in Note 8. "Stockholders' Equity." Potentially dilutive shares whose effect would have been antidilutive are excluded from the computation of diluted net income per share.

The dilutive effect of equity awards is calculated based on the average stock price for each fiscal period, using the treasury stock method. Under the treasury stock method, the amount the employee must pay for exercising stock options and purchasing shares under the ESPP and the amount of compensation cost for future service that we have not yet recognized are collectively assumed to be used to repurchase shares. The dilutive effect of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock is calculated using the if-converted method. The if-converted method assumes that these securities were converted at the beginning of the reporting period to the extent that the effect is dilutive.

For each of the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021 and August 2, 2020, diluted net income per share excluded the potentially dilutive effect of 12 million shares of common stock issuable upon the conversion of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock as their effect was antidilutive.

The following is a reconciliation of the numerators and denominators of the basic and diluted net income per share computations for the periods presented:

	Fiscal Quarter Ended		Three Fiscal Quarters Ended	
	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020
	(In millions, except per share data)			
Numerator:				
Income from continuing operations	$ 1,876	$ 689	$ 4,747	$ 1,637
Dividends on preferred stock	(74)	(74)	(224)	(223)
Income from continuing operations attributable to common stock	1,802	615	4,523	1,414
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income taxes, attributable to common stock	—	(1)	—	(1)
Net income attributable to common stock	$ 1,802	$ 614	$ 4,523	$ 1,413
Denominator:				
Weighted-average shares outstanding - basic	411	403	409	401
Dilutive effect of equity awards	18	19	20	19
Weighted-average shares outstanding - diluted	429	422	429	420
Basic income per share attributable to common stock:				
Income per share from continuing operations	$ 4.38	$ 1.53	$ 11.06	$ 3.53
Loss per share from discontinued operations	—	(0.01)	—	(0.01)
Net income per share	$ 4.38	$ 1.52	$ 11.06	$ 3.52
Diluted income per share attributable to common stock:				
Income per share from continuing operations	$ 4.20	$ 1.46	$ 10.54	$ 3.37
Loss per share from discontinued operations	—	(0.01)	—	(0.01)
Net income per share	$ 4.20	$ 1.45	$ 10.54	$ 3.36

7. Borrowings

	Effective Interest Rate	August 1, 2021	November 1, 2020
		(In millions, except percentages)	
March 2021 Senior Notes - fixed rate			
3.419% notes due April 2033	4.66 %	$ 2,250	$ —
3.469% notes due April 2034	4.63 %	3,250	—
		5,500	—
January 2021 Senior Notes - fixed rate			
1.950% notes due February 2028	2.10 %	750	—
2.450% notes due February 2031	2.56 %	2,750	—
2.600% notes due February 2033	2.70 %	1,750	—
3.500% notes due February 2041	3.60 %	3,000	—
3.750% notes due February 2051	3.84 %	1,750	—
		10,000	—
June 2020 Senior Notes - fixed rate			
3.459% notes due September 2026	4.19 %	1,695	1,695
4.110% notes due September 2028	5.02 %	2,222	2,222
		3,917	3,917
May 2020 Senior Notes - fixed rate			
2.250% notes due November 2023	2.40 %	105	1,000
3.150% notes due November 2025	3.29 %	1,418	2,250
4.150% notes due November 2030	4.27 %	2,750	2,750
4.300% notes due November 2032	4.39 %	2,000	2,000
		6,273	8,000
April 2020 Senior Notes - fixed rate			
4.700% notes due April 2025	4.88 %	1,247	2,250
5.000% notes due April 2030	5.18 %	2,250	2,250
		3,497	4,500
November 2019 Term Loans - floating rate			
LIBOR plus 1.125% term loan due November 2022	1.54 %	—	1,819
LIBOR plus 1.250% term loan due November 2024	1.56 %	—	4,069
		—	5,888
April 2019 Senior Notes - fixed rate			
3.125% notes due April 2021	3.61 %	—	525
3.125% notes due October 2022	3.53 %	—	693
3.625% notes due October 2024	3.98 %	622	1,044
4.250% notes due April 2026	4.54 %	1,183	2,500
4.750% notes due April 2029	4.95 %	3,000	3,000
		4,805	7,762
2017 Senior Notes - fixed rate			
2.200% notes due January 2021	2.41 %	—	282
3.000% notes due January 2022	3.21 %	255	842
2.650% notes due January 2023	2.78 %	260	1,000
3.625% notes due January 2024	3.74 %	829	1,352

	Effective Interest Rate	August 1, 2021	November 1, 2020
		(In millions, except percentages)	
3.125% notes due January 2025	3.23 %	585	1,000
3.875% notes due January 2027	4.02 %	3,813	4,800
3.500% notes due January 2028	3.60 %	1,250	1,250
		6,992	10,526
Assumed CA Senior Notes - fixed rate			
3.600% notes due August 2022	4.07 %	—	283
4.500% notes due August 2023	4.10 %	143	250
4.700% notes due March 2027	5.15 %	350	350
		493	883
Other borrowings			
2.500% - 4.500% senior notes due August 2022 - August 2034	2.59% - 4.55%	22	22
Total principal amount outstanding		41,499	41,498
Less: Unamortized discount and issuance costs		(1,100)	(504)
Total debt		$ 40,399	$ 40,994

As of August 1, 2021 and November 1, 2020, short-term finance lease liabilities of $24 million and $20 million, respectively, were included in the current portion of long-term debt and long-term finance lease liabilities of $34 million and $48 million, respectively, were included in long-term debt.

March 2021 Senior Notes

In March 2021, we completed our private offers to exchange $5.5 billion of certain of our outstanding notes maturing between 2024 and 2027 (the “Exchange Offer”) for $2,250 million of 3.419% new senior unsecured notes due April 2033 and $3,250 million of 3.469% new senior unsecured notes due April 2034 (collectively, the “March 2021 Senior Notes”). As a result of the Exchange Offer, we paid premiums of $581 million, which were included in unamortized discount and issuance costs. At our option, we may redeem or purchase, in whole or in part, any of the March 2021 Senior Notes prior to their respective maturities, subject to a specified make-whole premium determined in accordance with the indenture governing the March 2021 Senior Notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest. In the event of a change in control, note holders will have the right to require us to repurchase their notes at a price equal to 101% of the principal amount of such notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest. As of August 1, 2021, the March 2021 Senior Notes were recorded as long-term debt, net of discount and issuance costs, which are amortized to interest expense over the respective terms of these borrowings.

In connection with the Exchange Offer, Broadcom Corporation and Broadcom Technologies Inc. were automatically and unconditionally released from their guarantees in accordance with the respective indentures governing the January 2021 Senior Notes, June 2020 Senior Notes, May 2020 Senior Notes, April 2020 Senior Notes, and April 2019 Senior Notes.

January 2021 Senior Notes

In January 2021, we issued $10 billion of senior unsecured notes (the “January 2021 Senior Notes”). At our option, we may redeem or purchase, in whole or in part, any of the January 2021 Senior Notes prior to their respective maturities, subject to a specified make-whole premium determined in accordance with the indenture governing the January 2021 Senior Notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest. In the event of a change in control, note holders will have the right to require us to repurchase their notes at a price equal to 101% of the principal amount of such notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest. As of August 1, 2021, the January 2021 Senior Notes were recorded as long-term debt, net of discount and issuance costs, which are amortized to interest expense over the respective terms of these borrowings.

During the fiscal quarter ended January 31, 2021, we used the net proceeds from the January 2021 Senior Notes to repay an aggregate of $5,888 million, or the outstanding balance, of our unsecured term A-3 facility and unsecured term A-5 facility under the credit agreement entered into on November 4, 2019 (the “November 2019 Credit Agreement”). Additionally, pursuant to a cash tender offer that we announced on January 4, 2021 (the “Tender Offer”), we early settled and repurchased $2,902 million of certain of our outstanding notes maturing between 2021 and 2023. As a result of these transactions, we incurred premiums of $128 million and wrote off $44 million of unamortized discount and issuance costs, both of which were included in interest expense. We also repaid $282 million of our 2.200% notes upon maturity in January 2021.

During the fiscal quarter ended May 2, 2021, we completed the Tender Offer and repurchased an additional $9 million of certain outstanding notes maturing between 2021 and 2023. Using the remaining proceeds from the January 2021 Senior Notes, we repurchased $606 million, or the outstanding balances, of our 3.125% notes due April 2021, 3.125% notes due October 2022, and 3.600% notes due August 2022 and repurchased $314 million of our 3.000% notes due January 2022. As a result of these repurchases, we incurred premiums of $23 million.

January 2021 Credit Agreement

In January 2021, we entered into a credit agreement (the "January 2021 Credit Agreement"), which provides for a five-year $7.5 billion unsecured revolving credit facility (the "Revolving Facility"), of which $500 million is available for the issuance of multi-currency letters of credit. The issuance of letters of credit and certain other instruments would reduce the aggregate amount otherwise available under the Revolving Facility for revolving loans. Subject to the terms of the January 2021 Credit Agreement, we are permitted to borrow, repay and reborrow revolving loans at any time prior to the earlier of (a) January 19, 2026 and (b) the date of termination in whole of the revolving lenders' commitments under the January 2021 Credit Agreement. In connection with the January 2021 Credit Agreement, we terminated the credit agreement entered into on May 7, 2019, which provided for a five-year $5 billion unsecured revolving credit facility, and the November 2019 Credit Agreement. As of August 1, 2021, we had no borrowings outstanding under the Revolving Facility.

Commercial Paper

In February 2019, we established a commercial paper program pursuant to which we may issue unsecured commercial paper notes ("Commercial Paper") in principal amount of up to $2 billion outstanding at any time with maturities of up to 397 days from the date of issue. Commercial Paper is sold under customary terms in the commercial paper market and may be issued at a discount from par or, alternatively, may be sold at par and bear interest at rates dictated by market conditions at the time of their issuance. The discount associated with the Commercial Paper is amortized to interest expense over its term. Outstanding Commercial Paper reduces the amount that would otherwise be available to borrow for general corporate purposes under the Revolving Facility. As our commercial paper program is supported by the Revolving Facility, we have the ability and intent to continuously refinance Commercial Paper. As of August 1, 2021 and November 1, 2020, we had no Commercial Paper outstanding.

Fair Value of Debt

As of August 1, 2021, the estimated aggregate fair value of debt was $45,379 million. The fair value of our senior notes was determined using quoted prices from less active markets. All of our debt obligations are categorized as Level 2 instruments.

Future Principal Payments of Debt

The future scheduled principal payments of debt as of August 1, 2021 were as follows:

Fiscal Year:	**Future Scheduled Principal Payments**
	(In millions)
2021 (remainder)	$ —
2022	264
2023	403
2024	1,563
2025	1,832
Thereafter	37,437
Total	$ 41,499

As of August 1, 2021 and November 1, 2020, we accrued interest payable of $471 million and $304 million, respectively, and were in compliance with all debt covenants.

8. Stockholders' Equity

Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock

On September 30, 2019, we completed an offering of approximately 4 million shares of 8.00% Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A, $0.001 par value per share ("Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock").

On September 30, 2022, unless earlier converted, each outstanding share of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock will automatically convert into shares of our common stock at a rate between the then minimum and maximum conversion rates. At any time prior to September 30, 2022, holders may elect to convert each share of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock into shares of our common stock at the then minimum conversion rate. The conversion rates are subject to anti-dilution adjustments. As of August 1, 2021, the minimum conversion rate was 3.0763 and the maximum conversion rate was 3.5957.

As of each August 1, 2021 and November 1, 2020, we recognized $27 million of accrued preferred stock dividends, which were presented as temporary equity on our condensed consolidated balance sheets.

Cash Dividends Declared and Paid

	Fiscal Quarter Ended		Three Fiscal Quarters Ended	
	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020
	(In millions, except per share data)			
Dividends per share to common stockholders	$ 3.60	$ 3.25	$ 10.80	$ 9.75
Dividends to common stockholders	$ 1,482	$ 1,312	$ 4,427	$ 3,915
Dividends per share to preferred stockholders	$ 20.00	$ 20.00	$ 60.00	$ 60.00
Dividends to preferred stockholders	$ 74	$ 74	$ 224	$ 224

Stock-Based Compensation Expense

	Fiscal Quarter Ended		Three Fiscal Quarters Ended	
	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020
	(In millions)			
Cost of products sold	$ 18	$ 26	$ 59	$ 84
Cost of subscriptions and services	18	11	47	37
Research and development	285	337	920	1,101
Selling, general and administrative	100	91	264	305
Total stock-based compensation expense	$ 421	$ 465	$ 1,290	$ 1,527

As of August 1, 2021, the total unrecognized compensation cost related to unvested stock-based awards was $3,334 million, which is expected to be recognized over the remaining weighted-average service period of 3.1 years.

Equity Incentive Award Plans

During the fiscal quarter ended May 2, 2021, our stockholders approved the amendment and restatement of our 2012 stock incentive plan, now called Broadcom Inc. 2012 Stock Incentive Plan (the “Amended 2012 Plan”). Under the Amended 2012 Plan, we may grant to all employees stock options and stock appreciation rights with an exercise price that is no less than the fair market value on the date of grant, and time- and market-based RSUs. The Amended 2012 Plan reduced the number of shares available for new equity award grants to 20 million shares and removed the annual share replenishment provision. We will make no further equity award grants under our LSI Corporation 2003 Equity Incentive Plan.

A summary of time- and market-based RSU activity is as follows:

	Number of RSUs Outstanding	Weighted-Average Grant Date Fair Value Per Share
	(In millions, except per share data)	
Balance as of November 1, 2020	32	$ 188.35
Granted	1	$ 404.43
Vested	(6)	$ 211.74
Forfeited	(2)	$ 187.68
Balance as of August 1, 2021	25	$ 200.55

The aggregate fair value of time- and market-based RSUs that vested during the three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021 was $2,888 million, which represented the market value of our common stock on the date that the RSUs vested. The number of RSUs vested included shares of common stock that we withheld for settlement of employees’ tax obligations due upon the vesting of RSUs.

9. Income Taxes

The benefit from income taxes was $150 million and $151 million for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021, respectively, compared to $96 million and $331 million for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 2, 2020, respectively.

The benefit from income taxes for the fiscal quarter ended August 1, 2021 was primarily due to excess tax benefits from stock-based awards, the recognition of gross unrecognized tax benefits as a result of lapses of statutes of limitations and audit settlements, and the jurisdictional mix of income and expense.

The benefit from income taxes for three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021 reflected excess tax benefits from stock-based awards and the recognition of gross unrecognized tax benefits as a result of lapses of statutes of limitations and audit settlements, offset in part by higher taxes on income from continuing operations.

The benefit from income taxes for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 2, 2020 was primarily due to the jurisdictional mix of income and expense, the remeasurement of certain foreign deferred tax assets and liabilities, and excess tax benefits from stock-based awards.

Uncertain Tax Positions

The balance of gross unrecognized tax benefits was $4,893 million and $4,748 million as of August 1, 2021 and November 1, 2020, respectively.

Accrued interest and penalties are included in other long-term liabilities on the condensed consolidated balance sheets. As of August 1, 2021 and November 1, 2020, the combined amount of cumulative accrued interest and penalties was approximately $354 million and $340 million, respectively.

As of August 1, 2021 and November 1, 2020, approximately $5,247 million and $5,088 million, respectively, of the unrecognized tax benefits, including accrued interest and penalties, would affect our effective tax rate if favorably resolved.

We are subject to U.S. income tax examination for fiscal years 2016 and later. Certain of our acquired companies are subject to tax examinations in major jurisdictions outside of the U.S. for fiscal years 2008 and later. It is possible that our existing unrecognized tax benefits may change up to $277 million as a result of lapses of the statute of limitations for certain audit periods and/or audit examinations expected to be completed within the next 12 months.

10. Segment Information

Reportable Segments

We have two reportable segments: semiconductor solutions and infrastructure software. Each segment represents components for which separate financial information is available that is utilized on a regular basis by the CODM in determining how to allocate resources and evaluate performance. The reportable segments are determined based on several factors including, but not limited to, customer base, homogeneity of products, technology, delivery channels and similar economic characteristics.

Semiconductor solutions. We provide semiconductor solutions for managing the movement of data in data center, telecom, enterprise and embedded networking applications. We provide a broad variety of radio frequency semiconductor devices, wireless connectivity solutions and custom touch controllers for mobile applications. We also provide semiconductor solutions for enabling the set-top box and broadband access markets and for enabling secure movement of digital data to and from host machines, such as servers, personal computers and storage systems, to the underlying storage devices, such as hard disk drives and solid state drives. We also provide a broad variety of products for the general industrial and automotive markets. Our semiconductor solutions segment also includes our IP licensing.

Infrastructure software. We provide a portfolio of software solutions that enables customers to plan, develop, automate, manage and secure applications across mainframe, distributed, mobile and cloud platforms. Our portfolio of mainframe and BizOps software solutions enables customers to leverage the benefits of agility, automation, insights, resiliency and security in managing business processes and technology investments. Our cyber security solutions portfolio includes endpoint, network, information and identity security solutions. We also offer mission critical FC SAN products and related software.

Our CODM assesses the performance of each segment and allocates resources to each segment based on net revenue and operating results and does not evaluate each segment using discrete asset information. Operating results by segment include items that are directly attributable to each segment and also include shared expenses such as global operations, including manufacturing support, logistics and quality control, expenses associated with selling, general and administrative activities, facilities and information technology (“IT”) expenses. Shared expenses are primarily allocated based on revenue and headcount.

During the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2020, we refined our allocation methodology for certain selling, general and administrative expenses to more closely align these costs with the segment benefiting from the shared expenses. Prior period segment results have been recast to conform to the current presentation.

Unallocated Expenses

Unallocated expenses include amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets, stock-based compensation expense, restructuring, impairment and disposal charges, acquisition-related costs, charges related to inventory step-up to fair value, and other costs, which are not used in evaluating the results of, or in allocating resources to, our segments. Acquisition-related costs include transaction costs and any costs directly related to the acquisition and integration of acquired businesses.

Depreciation expense directly attributable to each reportable segment is included in the operating results of each segment. However, the CODM does not evaluate depreciation expense by operating segment and, therefore, it is not separately presented. There was no inter-segment revenue for any of the periods presented. The accounting policies of the segments are the same as those described in the “Summary of Significant Accounting Policies” included in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for fiscal year 2020.

	Fiscal Quarter Ended		Three Fiscal Quarters Ended	
	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020
	(In millions)			
Net revenue:				
Semiconductor solutions	$ 5,021	$ 4,219	$ 14,749	$ 12,437
Infrastructure software	1,757	1,602	5,294	4,984
Total net revenue	$ 6,778	$ 5,821	$ 20,043	$ 17,421
Operating income:				
Semiconductor solutions	$ 2,720	$ 2,112	$ 7,828	$ 6,046
Infrastructure software	1,226	1,069	3,700	3,250
Unallocated expenses	(1,820)	(2,173)	(5,590)	(6,808)
Total operating income	$ 2,126	$ 1,008	$ 5,938	$ 2,488

Significant Customer Information

We sell our products through our direct sales force and a select network of distributors and channel partners globally. One customer accounted for 12% of our net accounts receivable balance as of August 1, 2021, while no customer accounted for more than 10% of our net accounts receivable balance as of November 1, 2020.

One customer accounted for 16% and 17% of our net revenue for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021, respectively, and 12% of our net revenue for the three fiscal quarters ended August 2, 2020, while no customer accounted for more than 10% of our net revenue for the fiscal quarter ended August 2, 2020. Net revenue from this customer was included in our semiconductor solutions segment.

11. Commitments and Contingencies

Commitments

The following table summarizes contractual obligations and commitments as of August 1, 2021 that materially changed from the end of fiscal year 2020:

Fiscal Year:	Debt Principal, Interest and Fees	Purchase Commitments	Other Contractual Commitments
		(In millions)	
2021 (remainder)	$ 558	$ 1,305	$ 54
2022	1,819	78	239
2023	1,950	58	226
2024	3,084	—	162
2025	3,276	—	74
Thereafter	46,048	—	248
Total	$ 56,735	$ 1,441	$ 1,003

Debt Principal, Interest and Fees. Represents principal, interest and fees on our borrowings.

Purchase Commitments. Represents unconditional purchase obligations that include agreements to purchase goods or services, primarily inventory, that are enforceable and legally binding on us and that specify all significant terms, including fixed or minimum quantities to be purchased, fixed, minimum or variable price provisions, and the approximate timing of the transaction. Purchase obligations exclude agreements that are cancelable without penalty.

Other Contractual Commitments. Represents amounts payable pursuant to agreements related to IT, human resources, and other service agreements.

Due to the inherent uncertainty with respect to the timing of future cash outflows associated with our unrecognized tax benefits at August 1, 2021, we are unable to reliably estimate the timing of cash settlement with the respective taxing authorities. Therefore, $3,282 million of unrecognized tax benefits and accrued interest classified within other long-term liabilities on our condensed consolidated balance sheet as of August 1, 2021 have been excluded from the table above.

Standby Letters of Credit

As of August 1, 2021 and November 1, 2020, we had standby letters of credit of $52 million and $65 million, respectively. Standby letters of credit are financial guarantees provided by third parties for leases, customs, taxes and certain self-insured risks. If the guarantees are called, we must reimburse the provider of the guarantees.

Contingencies

From time to time, we are involved in litigation that we believe is of the type common to companies engaged in our lines of business, including commercial disputes, employment issues, tax disputes and disputes involving claims by third parties that our activities infringe their patent, copyright, trademark or other IP rights, as well as regulatory investigations or inquiries. Legal proceedings and regulatory investigations or inquiries are often complex, may require the expenditure of significant funds and other resources, and the outcome of such proceedings is inherently uncertain, with material adverse outcomes possible. IP property claims generally involve the demand by a third-party that we cease the manufacture, use or sale of the allegedly infringing products, processes or technologies and/or pay substantial damages or royalties for past, present and future use of the allegedly infringing IP. Claims that our products or processes infringe or misappropriate any third-party IP rights (including claims arising through our contractual indemnification of our customers) often involve highly complex, technical issues, the outcome of which is inherently uncertain. Moreover, from time to time, we pursue litigation to assert our IP rights. Regardless of the merit or resolution of any such litigation, complex IP litigation is generally costly and diverts the efforts and attention of our management and technical personnel.

Lawsuits Relating to California Institute of Technology

California Institute of Technology ("Caltech") filed a complaint against Broadcom and Apple Inc. on May 26, 2016 in the United States District Court for the Central District of California (the “U.S. Central District Court”), and an amended complaint adding Cypress Semiconductor Corporation as a defendant on August 15, 2016. The amended complaint alleged that chips that support certain error correction codes as specified in IEEE Standards 802.11n and 802.11ac willfully infringed four patents related to error correction coding: U.S. Patent Nos. 7,116,710; 7,421,032; 7,916,781; and 8,284,833 (“’833 patent”). Prior to trial, Caltech dismissed its claims against Cypress and withdrew its infringement allegations as to ‘833 patent. The complaint sought a preliminary and permanent injunction, damages, pre- and post-judgment interest, as well as attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses. The trial was held in January 2020, and on January 29, 2020, the jury issued its verdict finding infringement and awarding Caltech past damages of $270.2 million from Broadcom and $837.8 million from Apple, for which Apple is seeking indemnification from Broadcom. On August 3, 2020, the U.S. Central District Court issued its judgment, awarding Caltech past damages in the amounts awarded by the jury, as well as pre- and post-judgment interest. Additionally, the U.S. Central District Court awarded Caltech an unspecified amount of ongoing royalties to be determined after the anticipated appeals process is resolved. Neither the jury nor the U.S. Central District Court found willful infringement, which if it had, could have resulted in enhanced damages up to three times the amount awarded. Broadcom and Apple have appealed to the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit (the "Federal Circuit Court") and oral arguments were heard on September 1, 2021. We are unable to predict the date on which the Federal Circuit Court will issue its decision.

We believe that the evidence and the law do not support the U.S. Central District Court's findings of infringement or the award of damages, including ongoing royalties, and do not believe a material loss is probable at this time. We believe that there are strong grounds for appeal, and we intend to vigorously challenge the U.S. Central District Court's judgment and rulings. As a result, we have not recorded a reserve with respect to this litigation, in accordance with the applicable accounting standards. We believe the low end of the possible range of loss is zero, but we cannot reasonably estimate the ultimate outcome, as a number of factors (including the appeal by Broadcom and Apple) could significantly change the assessment of damages.

Other Matters

In addition to the matters discussed above, we are currently engaged in a number of legal actions in the ordinary course of our business.

Contingency Assessment

We do not believe, based on currently available facts and circumstances, that the final outcome of any pending legal proceedings or ongoing regulatory investigations, taken individually or as a whole, will have a material adverse effect on our condensed consolidated financial statements. However, lawsuits may involve complex questions of fact and law and may require the expenditure of significant funds and other resources to defend. The results of litigation or regulatory investigations are inherently uncertain, and material adverse outcomes are possible. From time to time, we may enter into confidential discussions regarding the potential settlement of such lawsuits. Any settlement of pending litigation could require us to incur substantial costs and other ongoing expenses, such as future royalty payments in the case of an intellectual property dispute.

During the periods presented, no material amounts have been accrued or disclosed in the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements with respect to loss contingencies associated with any other legal proceedings or regulatory investigations, as potential losses for such matters are not considered probable and ranges of losses are not reasonably estimable. These matters are subject to many uncertainties and the ultimate outcomes are not predictable. There can be no assurances that the actual amounts required to satisfy any liabilities arising from the matters described above will not have a material adverse effect on our condensed consolidated financial statements.

Other Indemnifications

As is customary in our industry and as provided for in local law in the U.S. and other jurisdictions, many of our standard contracts provide remedies to our customers and others with whom we enter into contracts, such as defense, settlement, or payment of judgment for IP claims related to the use of our products. From time to time, we indemnify customers, as well as our suppliers, contractors, lessors, lessees, companies that purchase our businesses or assets and others with whom we enter into contracts, against combinations of loss, expense, or liability arising from various triggering events related to the sale and the use of our products, the use of their goods and services, the use of facilities and state of our owned facilities, the state of the assets and businesses that we sell and other matters covered by such contracts, usually up to a specified maximum amount. In addition, from time to time we also provide protection to these parties against claims related to undiscovered liabilities, additional product liabilities or environmental obligations. In our experience, claims made under such indemnifications are rare and the associated estimated fair value of the liability is not material.

12. Restructuring Charges

The following is a summary of significant restructuring expense recognized primarily in operating expenses:

- During fiscal year 2021, we initiated cost reduction activities associated with plans to align our workforce with strategic business activities and to improve efficiencies in our operations. As a result, we recognized $25 million and $123 million of restructuring expense primarily related to employee termination costs during the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021, respectively.

- We recognized $64 million and $173 million of restructuring expense primarily related to employee termination costs during the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 2, 2020, respectively. The restructuring expense during the fiscal quarter ended August 2, 2020 was primarily related to cost reduction activities associated with the Symantec Asset Purchase. The restructuring expense during the three fiscal quarters ended August 2, 2020 was related to cost reduction activities related to the Symantec Asset Purchase of $151 million and cost reduction activities related to our acquisition of CA, Inc. of $22 million.

The following table summarizes the significant activities within, and components of, the restructuring liabilities during the three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021:

	Employee Termination Costs	Other Exit Costs	Total
		(In millions)	
Balance as of November 1, 2020	$ 34	$ —	$ 34
Restructuring charges	89	10	99
Utilization	(117)	(10)	(127)
Balance as of August 1, 2021 [(a)]	$ 6	$ —	$ 6

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(a) We expect the majority of the employee termination costs balance to be paid within the next three months.

Restructuring, impairment and disposal charges in our condensed consolidated statement of operations for the three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021 included $24 million for the write-down of certain lease-related right-of-use assets and other lease-related charges. As of August 1, 2021, short-term and long-term lease liabilities included $69 million of liabilities related to restructuring activities.

13. Subsequent Events

Preferred Stock Cash Dividends Declared

On September 1, 2021, our Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of $20.00 per share on our Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock, payable on September 30, 2021 to stockholders of record on September 15, 2021.

Common Stock Cash Dividends Declared

On September 1, 2021, our Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of $3.60 per share on our common stock, payable on September 30, 2021 to stockholders of record on September 22, 2021.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The following discussion and analysis of the financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and the related notes thereto included elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q ("Form 10-Q") and the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto and management's discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations for the fiscal year ended November 1, 2020 ("fiscal year 2020") included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for fiscal year 2020 ("2020 Annual Report on Form 10-K"). References to "Broadcom," "we," "our" and "us" are to Broadcom Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries, unless otherwise specified or the context otherwise requires. This Form 10-Q may contain predictions, estimates and other forward-looking statements that involve a number of risks and uncertainties, which are made under the safe harbor provisions of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). These forward-looking statements may include the potential impact of the COVID-19 pandemic; projections of financial information; statements about historical results that may suggest trends for our business; statements of the plans, strategies and objectives of management for future operations; and statements of expectation or belief regarding future events (including any acquisitions we may make), technology developments, our products, product sales, expenses, liquidity, cash flow and growth rates, customer concentration and relationships, or enforceability of our intellectual property ("IP") rights. Such statements are based on current expectations, estimates, forecasts and projections of our industry performance and macroeconomic conditions, based on management's judgment, beliefs, current trends and market conditions, and involve risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in the forward-looking statements. We derive most of our forward-looking statements from our operating budgets and forecasts, which are based upon many detailed assumptions. While we believe that our assumptions are reasonable, we caution that it is very difficult to predict the impact of known factors, and it is impossible for us to anticipate all factors that could affect our actual results. Accordingly, we caution you not to place undue reliance on these statements. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from our expectations are disclosed under "Risk Factors" in Part II, Item 1A of this Form 10-Q, and in other documents we file from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). All of the forward-looking statements in this Form 10-Q are qualified in their entirety by reference to the factors listed above and those discussed under the heading "Risk Factors" below. We undertake no intent or obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as otherwise required by law.

Overview

We are a global technology leader that designs, develops and supplies a broad range of semiconductor and infrastructure software solutions. We develop semiconductor devices with a focus on complex digital and mixed signal complementary metal oxide semiconductor based devices and analog III-V based products. We have a history of innovation in the semiconductor industry and offer thousands of products that are used in end products such as enterprise and data center networking, home connectivity, set-top boxes, broadband access, telecommunication equipment, smartphones and base stations, data center servers and storage systems, factory automation, power generation and alternative energy systems, and electronic displays. Our infrastructure software solutions enable customers to plan, develop, automate, manage and secure applications across mainframe, distributed, mobile and cloud platforms. Our portfolio of mainframe and BizOps software solutions enables customers to leverage the benefits of agility, automation, insights, resiliency and security in managing business processes and technology investments. We offer a cyber security solutions portfolio, including endpoint, network, information and identity security solutions. We also offer mission critical fibre channel storage area networking ("FC SAN") products and related software in the form of modules, switches and subsystems incorporating multiple semiconductor products.

We have two reportable segments: semiconductor solutions and infrastructure software. Our semiconductor solutions segment includes all of our product lines and IP licensing. Our infrastructure software segment includes our mainframe, BizOps and cyber security solutions, and our FC SAN business.

During the fourth quarter of our fiscal year 2020, we refined our allocation methodology for certain selling, general and administrative expenses to more closely align these costs with the segment benefiting from the shared expenses. Prior period segment results have been recast to conform to the current presentation.

Quarterly Highlights

Highlights during the fiscal quarter ended August 1, 2021 include the following:

- We generated $3,541 million of cash from operations.
- We paid $1,556 million in cash dividends.

COVID-19 Update

In response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and the various resulting government directives, we have taken extensive measures to protect the health and safety of our employees and contractors at our facilities. We modified our workplace practices globally, which resulted in some of our employees working remotely for an extended period of time. While we have implemented a phased-in return of employees to many of our facilities, we may need to modify our business practices and policies. We continue to monitor the implications of the COVID-19 pandemic on our business, as well as our customers' and suppliers' businesses.

The demand environment for our semiconductor products was consistent with our expectations for the third quarter of our fiscal year ending October 31, 2021 ("fiscal year 2021"), with continued demand for products and infrastructure to support a dramatic increase around the world in remote or tele-work and learning due to COVID-19. While we continue to see robust demand in this area, the macroeconomic environment remains uncertain and it may not be sustainable over the longer term. To date, the impact of COVID-19 on the demand environment for our software products has been limited. On the product supply side, we continue to experience various constraints in our supply chain due to the pandemic, including with respect to wafers and substrates. While supply lead times have stabilized, we continue to have difficulties in obtaining some necessary components and inputs in a timely manner to meet increased demand.

We have also taken various actions to de-risk our business in light of the ongoing uncertainty. In addition, we have continued to strengthen our balance sheet, including closely managing working capital and our debt instruments.

Overall, in light of the changing nature and continuing uncertainty around the COVID-19 pandemic, our ability to predict the impact of COVID-19 on our business in future periods remains limited. The effects of the pandemic on our business are unlikely to be fully realized, or reflected in our financial results, until future periods.

Critical Accounting Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. We base our estimates and assumptions on current facts, historical experience and various other factors that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities and the accrual of costs and expenses that are not readily apparent from other sources. Our actual financial results may differ materially and adversely from our estimates. Our critical accounting policies are those that affect our historical financial statements materially and involve difficult, subjective or complex judgments by management. Those policies include revenue recognition, business combinations, valuation of long-lived assets, intangible assets and goodwill, inventory valuation, income taxes, retirement and post-retirement benefit plan assumptions, stock-based compensation expense, and employee bonus programs.

There were no significant changes in our critical accounting policies during the three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021 compared to those previously disclosed in "Critical Accounting Estimates" in "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" included in the 2020 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Results of Operations

Fiscal Quarter and Three Fiscal Quarters Ended August 1, 2021 Compared to Fiscal Quarter and Three Fiscal Quarters Ended August 2, 2020

The following tables set forth our results of operations for the periods presented:

	Fiscal Quarter Ended			
	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020
	(In millions)		(As a percentage of net revenue)	
Statements of Operations Data:				
Net revenue:				
Products	$ 5,064	$ 4,125	75 %	71 %
Subscriptions and services	1,714	1,696	25	29
Total net revenue	6,778	5,821	100	100
Cost of revenue:				
Cost of products sold	1,572	1,383	23	24
Cost of subscriptions and services	157	154	2	3
Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets	851	953	13	16
Restructuring charges	1	15	—	—
Total cost of revenue	2,581	2,505	38	43
Gross margin	4,197	3,316	62	57
Research and development	1,205	1,228	18	21
Selling, general and administrative	346	428	5	8
Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets	494	600	8	10
Restructuring, impairment and disposal charges	26	52	—	1
Total operating expenses	2,071	2,308	31	40
Operating income	$ 2,126	$ 1,008	31 %	17 %

	Three Fiscal Quarters Ended			
	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020
	(In millions)		(As a percentage of net revenue)	
Statements of Operations Data:				
Net revenue:				
Products	$ 15,128	$ 12,582	75 %	72 %
Subscriptions and services	4,915	4,839	25	28
Total net revenue	20,043	17,421	100	100
Cost of revenue:				
Cost of products sold	4,792	4,290	24	25
Cost of subscriptions and services	450	475	2	3
Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets	2,578	2,857	13	16
Restructuring charges	17	30	—	—
Total cost of revenue	7,837	7,652	39	44
Gross margin	12,206	9,769	61	56
Research and development	3,654	3,786	18	22
Selling, general and administrative	1,010	1,530	5	9
Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets	1,482	1,802	7	10
Restructuring, impairment and disposal charges	122	163	1	1
Total operating expenses	6,268	7,281	31	42
Operating income	$ 5,938	$ 2,488	30 %	14 %

Net Revenue

Historically, a relatively small number of customers have accounted for a significant portion of our net revenue. Direct sales to WT Microelectronics, a distributor, accounted for 16% and 17% of our net revenue for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021, respectively, and 12% of our net revenue for the three fiscal quarters ended August 2, 2020. No customer accounted for more than 10% of our net revenue for the fiscal quarter ended August 2, 2020.

We believe aggregate sales to our top five end customers, through all channels, accounted for approximately 35% of our net revenue for each of the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021 and approximately 25% and 30% of our net revenue for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 2, 2020, respectively. We believe aggregate sales to Apple Inc., through all channels, accounted for approximately 20% of our net revenue for each of the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021, and approximately 10% and 15% of our net revenue for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 2, 2020, respectively. We expect to continue to experience significant customer concentration in future periods. The loss of, or significant decrease in demand from, any of our top five end customers could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

From time to time, some of our key semiconductor customers place large orders or delay orders, causing our quarterly net revenue to fluctuate significantly. This is particularly true of our wireless products as fluctuations may be magnified by the timing of launches, and seasonal variations in sales, of mobile handsets. The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and related challenges and uncertainties may also cause our net revenue to fluctuate significantly and adversely affect our results of operations, as discussed above. Additionally, export restrictions on one of our larger customers have had, and may continue to have, an adverse impact on our revenue.

The following tables set forth net revenue by segment for the periods presented:

Net Revenue by Segment	Fiscal Quarter Ended				Three Fiscal Quarters Ended			
	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020	$ Change	% Change	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020	$ Change	% Change
	(In millions, except for percentages)							
Semiconductor solutions	$ 5,021	$ 4,219	$ 802	19 %	$ 14,749	$ 12,437	$ 2,312	19 %
Infrastructure software	1,757	1,602	155	10 %	5,294	4,984	310	6 %
Total net revenue	$ 6,778	$ 5,821	$ 957	16 %	$ 20,043	$ 17,421	$ 2,622	15 %

Net Revenue by Segment	Fiscal Quarter Ended		Three Fiscal Quarters Ended	
	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020
	(As a percentage of net revenue)			
Semiconductor solutions	74 %	72 %	74 %	71 %
Infrastructure software	26	28	26	29
Total net revenue	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %

Fiscal quarter ended August 1, 2021 compared to corresponding prior year period. Net revenue from our semiconductor solutions segment increased primarily due to higher demand for our wireless content in mobile handsets, as well as the delayed production ramp of a new mobile handset by a major customer, which resulted in lower shipments in the prior year fiscal period. Net revenue from our semiconductor solutions segment also increased due to higher demand for our networking products driven by service providers' continued investments, as well as higher demand for our wireless connectivity products. Net revenue from our infrastructure software segment increased primarily due to higher demand for our FC SAN products and mainframe solutions.

Three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021 compared to corresponding prior year period. Net revenue from our semiconductor solutions segment increased primarily due to higher demand for our wireless content in mobile handsets, as well as the delayed production ramp of a new mobile handset by a major customer, which resulted in lower shipments in the prior year fiscal period. Net revenue from our semiconductor solutions segment also increased due to higher demand for our networking products driven by service providers' continued investments, as well as higher demand for our wireless connectivity products, partially offset by lower demand for our server storage products. Net revenue from our infrastructure software segment increased primarily due to higher demand for our FC SAN products, mainframe and cyber security solutions.

Gross Margin

Gross margin was $4,197 million for the fiscal quarter ended August 1, 2021 compared to $3,316 million for the fiscal quarter ended August 2, 2020 and $12,206 million for the three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021 compared to $9,769 million for the three fiscal quarters ended August 2, 2020. As a percentage of net revenue, gross margin was 62% and 61% of net revenue for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021, respectively, and 57% and 56% of net revenue for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 2, 2020, respectively.

The increases in gross margin were primarily due to lower amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets and favorable margin within our semiconductor solutions segment due to increased demand compared to the prior year fiscal periods.

Research and Development Expense

Research and development expense decreased $23 million, or 2%, and $132 million, or 3%, for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021, respectively, compared to the prior year fiscal periods. The decreases were primarily due to lower stock-based compensation expense reflecting the full vesting of certain equity awards and the effects of forfeitures, partially offset by higher variable employee compensation expense.

Selling, General and Administrative Expense

Selling, general and administrative expense decreased $82 million, or 19%, and $520 million, or 34%, for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021, respectively, compared to the prior year fiscal periods. The decreases were primarily due to higher acquisition-related costs incurred in the prior year fiscal periods as a result of our acquisition of the Symantec Corporation Enterprise Security business (the “Symantec Business”). The decreases were also due to lower compensation expense reflecting the full benefit of the completed Symantec Business integration. In addition, fiscal year 2020 included non-recurring litigation settlements.

Amortization of Acquisition-Related Intangible Assets

Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets recognized in operating expenses decreased $106 million and $320 million for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021, respectively, compared to the prior year fiscal periods. The decreases were primarily due to lower amortization of certain intangible assets from our acquisition of CA, Inc.

Restructuring, Impairment and Disposal Charges

Restructuring, impairment and disposal charges recognized in operating expenses decreased $26 million and $41 million for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021, respectively, compared to the prior year fiscal periods. The decreases were primarily due to higher employee termination costs in the prior year fiscal periods from cost reduction activities related to our acquisition of the Symantec Business.

Stock-Based Compensation Expense

Total stock-based compensation expense was $421 million and $1,290 million for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021, respectively, compared to $465 million and $1,527 million for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 2, 2020, respectively. The decreases primarily reflect the full vesting of certain equity awards and the effect of forfeitures.

The following table sets forth the total unrecognized compensation cost related to unvested stock-based awards outstanding and expected to vest as of August 1, 2021.

Fiscal Year:	**Unrecognized Compensation Cost, Net of Expected Forfeitures**
	(In millions)
2021 (remainder)	$ 413
2022	1,279
2023	896
2024	522
2025	199
Thereafter	25
Total	$ 3,334

During the first quarter of fiscal year ended November 3, 2019 ("fiscal year 2019"), the Compensation Committee of our Board of Directors approved a broad-based program of multi-year equity grants of time- and market-based restricted stock units (the "Multi-Year Equity Awards") in lieu of our annual employee equity awards historically granted on March 15 of each year. Each Multi-Year Equity Award vests on the same basis as four annual grants made March 15 of each year, beginning in fiscal year 2019, with successive four-year vesting periods. We recognize stock-based compensation expense related to the Multi-Year Equity Awards from the grant date through their respective vesting date, ranging from 4 years to 7 years.

Segment Operating Results

	Fiscal Quarter Ended				Three Fiscal Quarters Ended			
Operating Income by Segment	**August 1, 2021**	**August 2, 2020**	**$ Change**	**% Change**	**August 1, 2021**	**August 2, 2020**	**$ Change**	**% Change**
	(In millions, except for percentages)							
Semiconductor solutions	$ 2,720	$ 2,112	$ 608	29 %	$ 7,828	$ 6,046	$ 1,782	29 %
Infrastructure software	1,226	1,069	157	15 %	3,700	3,250	450	14 %
Unallocated expenses	(1,820)	(2,173)	353	(16)%	(5,590)	(6,808)	1,218	(18)%
Total operating income	$ 2,126	$ 1,008	$ 1,118	111 %	$ 5,938	$ 2,488	$ 3,450	139 %

Fiscal quarter ended August 1, 2021 compared to corresponding prior year period. Operating income from our semiconductor solutions segment increased primarily due to higher demand for our wireless content in mobile handsets, as well as the delayed production ramp of a new mobile handset by a major customer, which resulted in lower shipments in the prior year fiscal period. Operating income from our semiconductor solutions segment also increased due to higher demand for our networking and wireless connectivity products, as well as higher gross margin. Operating income from our infrastructure software segment increased primarily due to higher demand for our FC SAN products and mainframe solutions.

Three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021 compared to corresponding prior year period. Operating income from our semiconductor solutions segment increased primarily due to higher demand for our wireless content in mobile handsets, as well as the delayed production ramp of a new mobile handset by a major customer, which resulted in lower shipments in the prior year fiscal period. Operating income from our semiconductor solutions segment also increased due to higher demand for our networking and wireless connectivity products, as well as higher gross margin, partially offset by lower demand for our server storage products. Operating income from our infrastructure software segment increased primarily due to higher demand for our FC SAN products, mainframe and cyber security solutions.

Unallocated expenses include amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets; stock-based compensation expense; restructuring, impairment and disposal charges; acquisition-related costs; and other costs that are not used in evaluating the results of, or in allocating resources to, our segments. Unallocated expenses decreased 16% and 18% for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021, respectively, compared to prior year fiscal periods. The decreases were primarily due to lower amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets, acquisition-related costs and stock-based compensation expense.

Non-Operating Income and Expenses

Interest expense. Interest expense was $415 million and $1,451 million for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021, respectively, and $464 million and $1,357 million for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 2, 2020, respectively. The decrease for the fiscal quarter ended August 1, 2021 was primarily due to losses on extinguishment of debt related to refinancing activities incurred in the prior year fiscal period. The increase for the three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021 was primarily due to higher losses on extinguishment of debt related to refinancing activities and higher interest expense.

Other income, net. Other income, net, includes interest income, gains or losses on investments, foreign currency remeasurement and other miscellaneous items. Other income, net, was $109 million and $175 million for the three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021 and August 2, 2020, respectively. The decrease was primarily due to a $116 million non-recurring gain from the lapse of a tax indemnification arrangement included in the prior year fiscal period, offset in part by an increase in gains on investments in the current year fiscal period.

Benefit from income taxes. The benefit from income taxes was $150 million and $151 million for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021, respectively, and $96 million and $331 million for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 2, 2020, respectively.

The benefit from income taxes for the fiscal quarter ended August 1, 2021 was primarily due to excess tax benefits from stock-based awards, the recognition of gross unrecognized tax benefits as a result of lapses of statutes of limitations and audit settlements, and the jurisdictional mix of income and expense. The benefit from income taxes for the three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021 reflected excess tax benefits from stock-based awards and the recognition of gross unrecognized tax benefits as a result of lapses of statutes of limitations and audit settlements, offset in part by higher taxes on income from continuing operations.

The benefit from income taxes for the fiscal quarter and three fiscal quarters ended August 2, 2020 was primarily due to the jurisdictional mix of income and expense, the remeasurement of certain foreign deferred tax assets and liabilities and excess tax benefits from stock-based awards.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

The following section discusses our principal liquidity and capital resources as well as our principal liquidity requirements and uses of cash. Our cash and cash equivalents are maintained in highly liquid investments with remaining maturities of 90 days or less at the time of purchase. We believe our cash equivalents are liquid and accessible.

Our primary sources of liquidity as of August 1, 2021 consisted of: (i) $11,105 million in cash and cash equivalents, (ii) cash we expect to generate from operations and (iii) available capacity under our $7.5 billion unsecured revolving credit facility (the “Revolving Facility”). In addition, we may also generate cash from the sale of assets and debt or equity financing from time to time.

Our short-term and long-term liquidity requirements primarily arise from: (i) business acquisitions and investments we may make from time to time, (ii) working capital requirements, (iii) research and development and capital expenditure needs, (iv) cash dividend payments (if and when declared by our Board of Directors), (v) interest and principal payments related to our $41,499 million of outstanding indebtedness and (vi) payment of income taxes. Our ability to fund these requirements will depend, in part, on our future cash flows, which are determined by our future operating performance and, therefore, subject to prevailing global macroeconomic conditions and financial, business and other factors, some of which are beyond our control. We expect our capital expenditures for fiscal year 2021 to be slightly higher than fiscal year 2020.

We believe that our cash and cash equivalents on hand, cash flows from operations, and the Revolving Facility will provide sufficient liquidity to operate our business and fund our current and assumed obligations for at least the next 12 months.

From time to time, we engage in discussions with third parties regarding potential acquisitions of, or investments in, businesses, technologies and product lines. Any such transaction, or evaluation of potential transactions, could require significant use of our cash and cash equivalents, or require us to increase our borrowings to fund such transactions. If we do not have sufficient cash to fund our operations or finance growth opportunities, including acquisitions, or unanticipated capital expenditures, our business and financial condition could suffer. In such circumstances, we may also seek to obtain new debt or equity financing. However, we cannot assure you that such additional financing will be available on terms acceptable to us or at all. Our ability to service our senior unsecured notes and any other indebtedness we may incur will depend on our ability to generate cash in the future. We may also elect to sell additional debt or equity securities for reasons other than those specified above.

In addition, we may, at any time and from time to time, seek to retire or purchase our outstanding debt through cash tenders and/or exchanges for equity or debt, in open-market purchases, privately negotiated transactions or otherwise. Such tenders, exchanges or purchases, if any, will be upon such terms and at such prices as we may determine, and will depend on prevailing market conditions, our liquidity requirements, contractual restrictions and other factors. The amounts involved may be material.

Working Capital

Working capital increased to $9,135 million at August 1, 2021 from $5,524 million at November 1, 2020. The increase was primarily attributable to the following:

- Cash and cash equivalents increased to $11,105 million at August 1, 2021 from $7,618 million at November 1, 2020, primarily due to $10,223 million in net cash provided by operating activities and $9,904 million in proceeds from long-term borrowings. These increases were partially offset by $10,733 million of debt payments, $4,651 million of dividend payments, and $1,033 million of employee withholding tax payments related to net settled equity awards.
- Current portion of long-term debt decreased to $279 million at August 1, 2021 from $827 million at November 1, 2020 due to repayments of certain debt instruments.
- Other current assets increased to $1,137 million at August 1, 2021 from $977 million at November 1, 2020, primarily due to increases in prepaid taxes.

- Inventory increased to $1,160 million at August 1, 2021 from $1,003 million at November 1, 2020, primarily to support customer demand.

These increases in working capital were offset in part by the following:

- Other current liabilities increased to $4,361 million at August 1, 2021 from $3,831 million at November 1, 2020, primarily due to increases in contract liabilities and interest payable.
- Accounts payable increased to $968 million at August 1, 2021 from $836 million at November 1, 2020, primarily due to the timing of payments.

Working capital increased to $6,979 million at August 2, 2020 from $3,018 million at November 3, 2019. The increase was attributable to the following:

- Cash and cash equivalents increased to $8,857 million at August 2, 2020 from $5,055 million at November 3, 2019, primarily due to $27,802 million in proceeds from long-term borrowings and $8,713 million in net cash provided by operating activities. These increases were partially offset by $17,099 million of debt repayments, $10.7 billion of our acquisition of the Symantec Business (the “Symantec Asset Purchase”), and $4,139 million of dividend payments.
- Inventory increased to $1,081 million at August 2, 2020 from $874 million at November 3, 2019, primarily due to the timing of customer product ramps.
- Other current assets increased to $1,059 million at August 2, 2020 from $729 million at November 3, 2019, primarily due to increases in prepaid taxes and short-term investments.
- Current portion of long-term debt decreased to $822 million at August 2, 2020 from $2,787 million at November 3, 2019, primarily due to repayment of certain debt instruments, partially offset by certain debt instruments becoming due within the next twelve months.

These increases in working capital were offset in part by the following:

- Accounts receivable decreased to $2,684 million at August 2, 2020 from $3,259 million at November 3, 2019, primarily due to revenue linearity and $552 million of additional receivables sold through factoring arrangements.
- Accounts payable increased to $1,092 million at August 2, 2020 from $855 million at November 3, 2019, primarily due to the timing of vendor payments.
- Other current liabilities increased to $4,056 million at August 2, 2020 from $2,616 million at November 3, 2019, primarily due to increases in contract liabilities, interest payable, lease liabilities resulting from the adoption of the new lease standard, and higher taxes payable, partially offset by repayments of notional pooling liabilities.

Capital Returns

	Three Fiscal Quarters Ended	
Cash Dividends Declared and Paid	**August 1, 2021**	**August 2, 2020**
	(In millions, except per share data)	
Dividends per share to common stockholders	$ 10.80	$ 9.75
Dividends to common stockholders	$ 4,427	$ 3,915
Dividends per share to preferred stockholders	$ 60.00	$ 60.00
Dividends to preferred stockholders	$ 224	$ 224

During the three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021 and August 2, 2020, we paid approximately $1,033 million and $580 million, respectively, in employee withholding taxes due upon the vesting of net settled equity awards. We withheld approximately 2 million shares of common stock from employees in connection with such net share settlements during each of the three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021 and August 2, 2020.

Cash Flows

	Three Fiscal Quarters Ended	
	August 1, 2021	August 2, 2020
	(In millions)	
Net cash provided by operating activities	$ 10,223	$ 8,713
Net cash used in investing activities	(295)	(11,009)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(6,441)	6,098
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	$ 3,487	$ 3,802

Operating Activities

Cash provided by operating activities consisted of net income adjusted for certain non-cash and other items and changes in assets and liabilities. The $1,510 million increase in cash provided by operations during the three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021 compared to the prior year fiscal period was due to $3,111 million higher net income, offset by a $976 million decrease in amortization of intangible assets and stock-based compensation and other adjustments, as well as a $625 million decrease resulting from changes in operating assets and liabilities.

Investing Activities

Cash flows from investing activities primarily consisted of cash used for acquisitions and capital expenditures. The $10,714 million decrease in cash used in investing activities during the three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021 compared to the prior year fiscal period was primarily related to a $10,864 million decrease in cash paid for acquisitions.

Financing Activities

Cash flows from financing activities primarily consisted of proceeds and payments related to our long-term borrowings, dividend payments and employee withholding tax payments related to net settled equity awards. The $12,539 million change in cash related to financing activities during the three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021 compared to the prior year fiscal period was primarily due to an $11,532 million change in net borrowing activities, a $512 million increase in dividend payments and a $453 million increase in employee withholding tax payments related to net settled equity awards.

Indebtedness

See Note 7. “Borrowings” in Part I, Item 1 of this Form 10-Q for additional information related to our indebtedness.

Summarized Obligor Group Financial Information

Pursuant to indentures dated January 19, 2017 and October 17, 2017 (collectively, the “2017 Indentures”), Broadcom Cayman Finance Limited (subsequently merged into Broadcom Technologies Inc. (“BTI”) during fiscal year 2019 with BTI remaining as the surviving entity) and Broadcom Corporation (“BRCM” and with BTI, collectively, the “2017 Senior Notes Co-Issuers”) issued $13,550 million and $4,000 million aggregate principal amount of notes, respectively (collectively, the “2017 Senior Notes”). Substantially all of the 2017 Senior Notes have been registered with the SEC.

We may redeem all or a portion of our 2017 Senior Notes at any time prior to their maturity, subject to a specified make-whole premium as set forth in the 2017 Indentures. In the event of a change of control triggering event, holders of our 2017 Senior Notes will have the right to require us to purchase for cash, all or a portion of their 2017 Senior Notes at a redemption price of 101% of the aggregate principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest. The 2017 Indentures also contain covenants that restrict, among other things, the ability of Broadcom and its subsidiaries to incur certain secured debt and to consummate certain sale and leaseback transactions and restrict the ability of Broadcom, BRCM and BTI (collectively, the “Obligor Group”) to merge, consolidate or sell all or substantially all of their assets.

Broadcom and BTI fully and unconditionally guarantee, jointly and severally, on an unsecured, unsubordinated basis, the 2017 Senior Notes. Because the guarantees are not secured, they are effectively subordinated to any existing and future secured indebtedness of the guarantors to the extent of the value of the collateral securing that indebtedness. The guarantee by Broadcom and BTI will be automatically and unconditionally released upon the sale, exchange, disposition or other transfer of all or substantially all of the assets of such guarantor if any of these events occurs in compliance with the 2017 Indentures. The guarantee by Broadcom (1) will also be automatically and unconditionally released at such time as: (A) the 2017 Senior Notes Co-Issuers, in their sole discretion, determine that such guarantee is no longer required by Rule 3-10(a), as applicable, of Regulation S-X to except the 2017 Senior Notes Co-Issuers’ financial statements from being required to be filed pursuant to Rule 3-10(a) of Regulation S-X or otherwise facilitate a reduction in its financial reporting obligations or (B) either of the 2017 Senior Notes Co-Issuers becomes subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and (2) may, at the election of the 2017

Senior Notes Co-Issuers, be unconditionally released at such time as Broadcom is eligible to suspend its reporting obligation under the Exchange Act.

In March 2021, we completed the settlement of our private offers to exchange $5.5 billion of certain of our outstanding notes maturing between 2024 and 2027 (the "Exchange Offer") for $2,250 million of 3.419% new senior unsecured notes due April 2033 and $3,250 million of 3.469% new senior unsecured notes due April 2034. In connection with the Exchange Offer, BRCM and BTI were automatically and unconditionally released from their guarantees in accordance with the respective indentures governing the January 2021 Senior Notes, June 2020 Senior Notes, May 2020 Senior Notes, April 2020 Senior Notes, and April 2019 Senior Notes.

The following tables set forth the summarized financial information of the Obligor Group on a combined basis. This summarized financial information excludes any subsidiaries that are not issuers or guarantors (the "Non-Obligor Group"). Intercompany balances and transactions between members of the Obligor Group have been eliminated.

Summarized Balance Sheet Information	August 1, 2021	November 1, 2020
	(In millions)	
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Amount due from Non-Obligor Group	$ 1,228	$ 1,889
Other current assets	9,153	4,091
Total current assets	$ 10,381	$ 5,980
Long-term assets:		
Amount due from Non-Obligor Group, long-term	$ 5,825	$ 8,220
Goodwill	1,380	1,360
Other long-term assets	1,530	1,318
Total long-term assets	$ 8,735	$ 10,898
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities:		
Amount due to Non-Obligor Group	$ 7,726	$ 7,147
Current portion of long-term debt	255	807
Other current liabilities	587	601
Total current liabilities	$ 8,568	$ 8,555
Long-term liabilities:		
Amount due to Non-Obligor Group, long-term	$ 484	$ —
Long-term debt	39,658	39,311
Other long-term liabilities	2,658	2,477
Total long-term liabilities	$ 42,800	$ 41,788

Summarized Statement of Operations Information	Three Fiscal Quarters Ended August 1, 2021
	(In millions)
Intercompany revenue with Non-Obligor Group	$ 1,311
Intercompany gross margin	$ 1,186
Net loss [(a)]	$ (983)

(a) In addition to intercompany gross margin, there were $691 million of intercompany transactions included in net loss.

Contractual Commitments

See Note 11. "Commitments and Contingencies" in Part I, Item 1 of this Form 10-Q.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We had no material off-balance sheet arrangements at August 1, 2021 as defined in Item 303(a)(4)(ii) of Regulation S-K under the Exchange Act.

Indemnifications

See Note 11. “Commitments and Contingencies” in Part I, Item 1 of this Form 10-Q.

Accounting Changes and Recent Accounting Standards

For a description of accounting changes and recent accounting standards, including the expected dates of adoption and estimated effects, if any, in our condensed consolidated financial statements, see Note 1. “Overview, Basis of Presentation and Significant Accounting Policies” in Part I, Item 1 of this Form 10-Q.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

There have been no material changes in market risk from the information presented in Part II, Item 7A. “Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk,” in the 2020 Annual Report on Form 10-K other than those noted below.

Interest Rate Risk

As of August 1, 2021, we do not have any outstanding debt that is subject to floating interest rates.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

(a) *Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures.* Our management, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer (“CEO”) and Chief Financial Officer (“CFO”), evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of August 1, 2021. We maintain disclosure controls and procedures that are intended to ensure that the information required to be disclosed in our Exchange Act filings is properly and timely recorded, processed, summarized and reported. These disclosure controls and procedures are also intended to ensure that information is accumulated and communicated to management, including our CEO and CFO, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures. Based on this evaluation, our CEO and CFO concluded that, as of August 1, 2021, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective at the reasonable assurance level.

In designing and evaluating our disclosure controls and procedures, our management recognized that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving their desired control objectives, and our management is required to apply its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures.

(b) *Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting.* There was no change in our internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with the evaluation required by Rules 13a-15(d) and 15d-15(d) of the Exchange Act that occurred during the period covered by this report that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting. Although we have modified our workplace practices globally due to the COVID-19 pandemic, resulting in some of our employees working remotely, this has not materially affected our internal controls over financial reporting. We are continually monitoring and assessing the COVID-19 situation on our internal controls to minimize the impact on their design and operating effectiveness.

PART II — OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

The information set forth under Note 11. “Commitments and Contingencies” included in Part I, Item 1 of this Form 10-Q, is incorporated herein by reference. For additional discussion of certain risks associated with legal proceedings, see “Risk Factors” immediately below.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

Our business, operations and financial results are subject to various risks and uncertainties, including those described below, that could adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations, cash flows, and the trading price of our common stock and preferred stock. Many of the following risks and uncertainties are, and will continue to be, exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic and any worsening of the global business and economic environment as a result. The following material factors, among others, could cause our actual results to differ materially from historical results and those expressed in forward-looking statements made by us or on our behalf in filings with the SEC, press releases, communications with investors and oral statements.

Risk Factors Summary

The following is a summary of the principal risks that could adversely affect our business, operations and financial results.

Risks Related to Our Business

- The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted and will likely continue to disrupt normal business activity.
- The majority of our sales come from a small number of customers and a reduction in demand or loss of one or more of our significant customers may adversely affect our business.
- Dependence on contract manufacturing and suppliers of critical components within our supply chain may adversely affect our ability to bring products to market.
- We purchase a significant amount of the materials used in our products from a limited number of suppliers.
- Our business is subject to various governmental regulations and trade restrictions. Compliance with these regulations may cause us to incur significant expense and, if we fail to maintain compliance, we may be forced to cease manufacture and distribution of certain products or subjected to administrative proceedings and civil or criminal penalties.
- Adverse global economic conditions could have a negative effect on us.
- Global political and economic conditions and other factors related to our international operations could adversely affect us.
- We are subject to risks associated with our distributors and other channel partners, including product inventory levels and product sell-through.
- Our dependence on senior management and if we are unable to attract and retain qualified personnel, we may not be able to execute our business strategy effectively.
- We may pursue acquisitions, investments, joint ventures and dispositions, which could adversely affect our results of operations.
- We may be involved in legal proceedings, including IP, securities litigation, and employee-related claims.
- Our operating results are subject to substantial quarterly and annual fluctuations.
- Failure to adjust our manufacturing and supply chain to accurately meet customer demand could adversely affect our results of operations.
- We operate in the highly cyclical semiconductor industry, which is subject to significant downturns.
- Winning business in the semiconductor solutions industry is subject to a lengthy process that often requires us to incur significant expense, from which we may ultimately generate no revenue.
- Competition in our industries could prevent us from growing our revenue.
- A prolonged disruption of our manufacturing facilities, research and development facilities, warehouses or other significant operations, or those of our suppliers, could have a material adverse effect on us.
- We may be unable to maintain appropriate manufacturing capacity or product yields at our own manufacturing facilities.
- Any failure of our information technology (“IT”) systems or one or more of our corporate infrastructure vendors to provide necessary services could have a material adverse effect on our business.
- Our ability to maintain or improve gross margin.
- Our ability to protect the significant amount of IP in our business.
- Incompatibility of our software products with operating environments, platforms, or third-party products, demand for our products and services could decrease.
- Failure to enter into software license agreements on a satisfactory basis could adversely affect us.
- Licensed third party software used in our products may not be available to us in the future, which may delay product development and production or cause us to incur additional expense.
- Use of open source code sources, which, under certain circumstances could materially adversely affect us.
- We are subject to warranty claims, product recalls and product liability.
- The complexity of our products could result in unforeseen delays or expense or undetected defects or bugs.
- We make substantial investments in research and development and unsuccessful investments could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.
- We collect, use, store, or otherwise process personal information, which subjects us to privacy and data security laws and contractual commitments, and our actual or perceived failure to comply with such laws and commitments could harm our business.

- We are subject to environmental, health and safety laws, which could increase our costs, restrict our operations and require expenditures.
- Social and environmental responsibility regulations, policies and provisions, as well as customer and investor demands, may make our supply chain more complex and may adversely affect our relationships with customers and investors.
- The average selling prices of semiconductor products in our markets have often decreased rapidly and may do so in the future.
- A breach of our security systems may have a material adverse effect on our business.
- Fluctuations in foreign exchange rates could result in losses.

Risks Relating to Taxes

- Changes in tax legislation or policies could materially impact our financial position and results of operations.
- Our corporate income taxes could significantly increase if we are unable to maintain our tax concessions or if our assumptions and interpretations regarding tax laws and concessions prove to be incorrect.
- Our income taxes and overall cash tax costs are affected by a number of factors that could materially, adversely affect financial results.

Risks Relating to Our Indebtedness

- Our substantial indebtedness could adversely affect our financial health and our ability to execute our business strategy.
- The instruments governing our indebtedness impose certain restrictions on our business.
- Servicing our debt requires a significant amount of cash, and we may not have sufficient cash flows from our business to pay our substantial debt.

Risks Relating to Owning Our Common Stock

- Volatility of our stock price could result in substantial losses for our investors as well as class action litigation against us and our management.
- A substantial amount of our stock is held by a small number of large investors.
- There can be no assurance that we will continue to declare cash dividends.

For a more complete discussion of the material risks facing our business, see below.

Risks Related to Our Business

The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted and will likely continue to disrupt normal business activity, which may have an adverse effect on our results of operations.

The global spread of COVID-19 and the efforts to control it have disrupted, and reduced the efficiency of, normal business activities in much of the world. The pandemic has resulted in authorities around the world implementing numerous unprecedented measures such as travel restrictions, quarantines, shelter in place orders, factory and office shutdowns and vaccine. These measures have impacted, and will likely continue to impact, our workforce and operations, and those of our customers, contract manufacturers (“CMs”), suppliers and logistics providers.

We have been, and expect to continue, experiencing some disruption to parts of our global semiconductor supply chain, including procuring necessary components and inputs, such as wafers and substrates, in a timely fashion, with suppliers increasing lead times or placing products on allocation and raising prices. In addition, our primary warehouse and a number of our key suppliers, particularly assembly and test service providers, are in Malaysia. While our Malaysia warehouse has remained fully operational, many of the facilities of our key suppliers and other service providers were shut down or operated at reduced capacity for extended periods. This resulted in significant logistical challenges and product delays, which could recur in the event of any future closures of, or periods of reduced operations at, our warehouse or the facilities of our suppliers and providers. Any similar disruption at our Fort Collins, Colorado manufacturing facility would severely impact our ability to manufacture our film bulk acoustic resonator (“FBAR”) products and adversely affect our wireless business. In addition, disruptions to commercial transportation infrastructure have increased delivery times for materials and components to our facilities, transfers of our products to our key suppliers and, in some cases, our ability to timely ship our products to customers. As a result of these supply chain disruptions, we have increased customer order lead times and placed some products on allocation. We are also largely building semiconductor products to order as demand continues to outpace supply. This may limit our ability to fulfill orders and we may be unable to satisfy all of the demand for our products, which may adversely affect our relationships with our customers.

In response to governmental directives and recommended safety measures, we modified our workplace practices globally, which has resulted in many of our employees working remotely for extended periods of time. Working remotely for extended periods may reduce our employees' efficiency and productivity, which may cause product development delays, hamper new product innovation and have other unforeseen adverse effects on our business. While we have implemented a phased-in return of employees to some of our facilities, we may need to modify our business practices and policies in a manner that may adversely impact our business, especially if the spread of COVID-19 (including any variants) worsen significantly. In addition, if a significant number of our employees, or employees and third parties performing key functions, including our CEO and members of our board of directors, become ill, our business may be further adversely impacted. While we have implemented personal safety measures at all of our facilities where our employees are working onsite, existing and new precautionary measures could negatively impact our operations. In addition, any actions we take may not be sufficient to mitigate the risk of infection and could result in a significant number of COVID-19-related claims. Changes to state workers' compensation laws, such as those in California, may increase our potential liability for such claims.

While we continue to see robust demand in our semiconductor solutions segment and enhanced profitability driven by the supply imbalance, and have seen little impact to our software business from the COVID-19 pandemic, the environment remains uncertain with limited visibility and it may not be sustainable over the longer term. The degree to which the pandemic ultimately impacts our business and results of operations will depend on future developments beyond our control, including the extent of actions to contain the virus (including any variants), availability and efficacy of the vaccines or other treatments, public acceptance of the vaccines (including boosters), and how quickly and to what extent normal economic and operating conditions can resume.

The majority of our sales come from a small number of customers and a reduction in demand or loss of one or more of our significant customers may adversely affect our business.

We are dependent on a small number of end customers, original equipment manufacturer ("OEMs"), their respective CMs, and certain distributors for a majority of our business, revenue and results of operations. For the three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021, sales to distributors accounted for 53% of our net revenue. We believe aggregate sales, through all channels, to Apple and our top five end customers, accounted for approximately 20% and approximately 35% of our net revenue for the three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021, respectively. This customer concentration increases the risk of quarterly fluctuations in our operating results and our sensitivity to any material, adverse developments experienced by our significant customers.

The terms and conditions under which we do business with most of our semiconductor customers generally do not include commitments by those customers to purchase any specific quantities of products from us. Even in those instances where we enter into an arrangement under which a customer agrees to source an agreed portion of its product needs from us (provided we meet our contractual obligations), the arrangement often includes pricing schedules or methodologies that apply regardless of the volume of products purchased, and those customers may not purchase the amount of product we expect. As a result, we may not generate the amount of revenue or achieve the level of profitability we expect under such arrangements. Moreover, our top customers' purchasing power has, in some cases, given them the ability to make greater demands on us with regard to pricing and contractual terms in general. We expect this trend to continue, which may adversely affect our gross margin on certain products and, should we fail to perform under these arrangements, we could also be liable for significant monetary damages.

The loss of, or any substantial reduction in sales to, any of our major customers could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

Dependence on contract manufacturing and suppliers of critical components within our supply chain may adversely affect our ability to bring products to market, damage our reputation and adversely affect our results of operations.

We operate a primarily outsourced manufacturing business model that principally utilizes CMs, such as third-party wafer foundries and module assembly and test capabilities. Our semiconductor products require wafer manufacturers with state-of-the-art fabrication equipment and techniques, and most of our products are designed to be manufactured in a specific process, typically at one particular fab or foundry, either our own or with a particular CM.

We depend on our CMs to allocate sufficient manufacturing capacity to meet our needs, to produce products of acceptable quality at acceptable yields, and to deliver those products to us on a timely basis. We do not generally have long-term capacity commitments with our CMs and substantially all of our manufacturing services are on a purchase order basis with no obligation to provide us with any specified minimum quantities of product. Further, from time to time, our CMs will cease to, or will become unable to, manufacture a component for us. As the lead time needed to identify, qualify and establish reliable production at acceptable yields, with a new CM is typically lengthy, there is often no readily available alternative source and there may be other constraints on our ability to change CMs. In addition, qualifying such CMs is often expensive, and they may not produce products as cost-effectively as our current suppliers. In any such circumstances, we may be unable to meet our customer demand and may fail to meet our contractual obligations. This could result in litigation for alleged failure to meet our obligations and the payment of significant damages by us to our customers, and our net revenue could decline, adversely affecting our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We utilize Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Limited ("TSMC") to produce the substantial majority of our semiconductor wafers. TSMC manufactured approximately 88% of the wafers manufactured by our CMs during the three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021. Our wafer requirements represent a significant portion of the total production capacity of TSMC. However, TSMC also fabricates wafers for other companies, including certain of our competitors, and could choose or be required to prioritize capacity for other customers or reduce or eliminate deliveries to us on short notice, or raise their prices to us, all of which could result in loss of revenue opportunities, damage our relationships with our customers, and harm our results of operations and gross margin.

Any substantial disruption in TSMC's supply of wafers to us, or in the other contract manufacturing services that we utilize, as a result of a natural disaster, climate change, water shortages, political unrest, military conflict, geopolitical turmoil, trade tensions, government orders, medical epidemics, such as the COVID-19 pandemic, economic instability, equipment failure or other cause, could materially harm our business, customer relationships and results of operations.

We also depend on our CMs to timely develop new, advanced manufacturing processes, including, in the case of wafer fabrication, transitions to smaller geometry process technologies. If these new processes are not timely developed or we do not have sufficient access to them, we may be unable to maintain or increase our manufacturing efficiency to the same extent as our competitors or to deliver products to our customers, which could result in loss of revenue opportunities and damage our relationships with our customers.

We purchase a significant amount of the materials used in our products from a limited number of suppliers.

Our manufacturing processes and those of our CMs rely on many materials, including silicon, gallium arsenide and indium phosphide ("InP") wafers, copper lead frames, precious and rare earth metals, mold compound, ceramic packages and various chemicals and gases. We purchase a significant portion of our materials, components and finished goods used in our products from a few materials providers, some of which are single source suppliers. As certain materials are highly specialized, the lead time needed to identify and qualify a new supplier is typically lengthy and there is often no readily available alternative source. During the three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021, we purchased approximately two-thirds of the materials for our manufacturing processes from five materials providers. We do not generally have long-term contracts with our materials providers and substantially all of our purchases are on a purchase order basis. Suppliers may extend lead times, limit supplies, place products on allocation or increase prices due to commodity price increases, capacity constraints or other factors and could lead to interruption of supply or increased demand in the industry. For example, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we have experienced some supply constraints, including with respect to wafers and substrates. Additionally, the supply of these materials may be negatively impacted by increased trade tensions between the U.S. and its trading partners, particularly China. In the event that we cannot timely obtain sufficient quantities of materials or at reasonable prices, the quality of the material deteriorates or we are not able to pass on higher materials or energy costs to our customers, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be adversely impacted and such events could result in loss of revenue opportunities and impact our relationships with our customers.

Our business is subject to various governmental regulations, and compliance with these regulations may cause us to incur significant expense. If we fail to maintain compliance with applicable regulations, we may be forced to cease the manufacture and distribution of certain products, and we could be subject to administrative proceedings and civil or criminal penalties.

Our business is subject to various domestic and international laws and other legal requirements, including anti-competition and import/export regulations, such as the U.S. Export Administration Regulations, and applicable executive orders. These laws, regulations and orders are complex, may change frequently and with limited notice, have generally and may continue to become more stringent and have intensified over time. We may be required to incur significant expense to comply with, or to remedy violations of, these regulations. In addition, if our customers fail to comply with these regulations, we may be required to suspend sales to these customers, which could damage our reputation and negatively impact our results of operations. The U.S. government may also add companies to its restricted entity list and/or technologies to its list of prohibited exports to specific countries, which have had and will continue to have an adverse affect on our ability to sell our products and our revenue. For example, Huawei, one of our customers, is subject to certain U.S. export restrictions, which has required us to suspend sales to Huawei until we obtain licenses from the U.S. Department of Commerce. We may be unable to obtain or maintain the necessary licenses to allow us to export products to them. These restrictive governmental actions and any similar measures that may be imposed on U.S. companies by other governments, especially in light of ongoing trade tensions with China, will likely limit or prevent us from doing business with certain of our customers or suppliers and harm our ability to compete effectively or otherwise negatively affect our ability to sell our products, and adversely affect our business and results of operations.

In addition, the manufacture and distribution of our semiconductors must comply with various laws and adapt to changes in regulatory requirements as they occur. For example, if a country in which our products are manufactured or sold sets technical standards that are not widely shared, it may require us to stop distributing our products commercially until they comply with such new standards, lead certain of our customers to suspend imports of their products into that country, require manufacturers in that country to manufacture products with different technical standards and disrupt cross-border manufacturing relationships, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. If we fail to comply with these requirements, we could also be required to pay civil penalties or face criminal prosecution.

Our products and operations are also subject to the rules of industrial standards bodies, like the International Standards Organization, as well as regulation by other agencies, such as the U.S. Federal Trade Commission (“FTC”). From time to time, we may also be involved or required to participate in regulatory investigations or inquiries, such as the ongoing investigations by the FTC and the Korean Fair Trade Commission into certain of our contracting and business practices, which may evolve into legal or other administrative proceedings. Growing public concern over concentration of economic power in corporations is likely to result in increased anti-competition legislation, regulation, administrative rule making, and enforcement activity. Involvement in regulatory investigations or inquiries, can be costly, lengthy, complex and time consuming, diverting the attention and energies of our management and technical personnel.

If any pending or future governmental investigations result in an unfavorable resolution, we could be required to cease the manufacture and sale of the subject products or technology, pay fines or disgorge profits or other payments, and/or cease certain conduct and/or modify our contracting or business practices, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

In addition, we may be obligated to indemnify our current or former directors or employees, or former directors or employees of companies that we have acquired, in connection with regulatory investigations. These liabilities could be substantial and may include, among other things, the cost of government, law enforcement or regulatory investigations and civil or criminal fines and penalties.

Adverse global economic conditions could have a negative effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition and liquidity.

A general slowdown in the global economy or in a particular region or industry, an increase in trade tensions with U.S. trading partners or a tightening of the credit markets could negatively impact our business, financial condition and liquidity. Adverse global economic conditions have from time to time caused or exacerbated significant slowdowns in the industries and markets in which we operate, which have adversely affected our business and results of operations. In recent periods, investor and customer concerns about the global economic outlook have adversely affected market and business conditions in general. Macroeconomic weakness and uncertainty also make it more difficult for us to accurately forecast revenue, gross margin and expenses, and may make it more difficult to raise or refinance debt. An escalation of trade tensions between the U.S. and China has resulted in trade restrictions and increased tariffs that harm our ability to participate in Chinese markets or compete effectively with Chinese companies. Sustained uncertainty about, or worsening of, current global economic conditions and further escalation of trade tensions between the U.S. and its trading partners, especially China, and possible decoupling of the U.S. and China economies, could result in a global economic slowdown and long-term changes to global trade. Such events may also (i) cause our customers and consumers to reduce, delay or forgo technology spending, (ii) result in customers sourcing products from other suppliers not subject to such restrictions or tariffs, (iii) lead to the insolvency or consolidation of key suppliers and customers, and (iv) intensify pricing pressures. Any or all of these factors could negatively affect demand for our products and our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Global political and economic conditions and other factors related to our international operations could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

A majority of our products are produced, sourced and sold internationally and our international revenue represents a significant percentage of our overall revenue. In addition, as of August 1, 2021, approximately 48% of our employees were located outside the U.S. Multiple factors relating to our international operations and to particular countries in which we operate could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. These factors include:

- changes in political, regulatory, legal or economic conditions or geopolitical turmoil, including terrorism, war or political or military coups, or civil disturbances or political instability foreign and domestic;
- restrictive governmental actions, such as restrictions on the transfer or repatriation of funds and foreign investments, data privacy regulations and trade protection measures, including increasing protectionism, import/export restrictions, import/export duties and quotas, trade sanctions and customs duties and tariffs, all of which have increased in recent years;

- difficulty in obtaining product distribution and support, and transportation delays;
- potential inability to localize software products for a significant number of international markets;
- difficulty in conducting due diligence with respect to business partners in certain international markets;
- public health or safety concerns, medical epidemics or pandemics, such as COVID-19, and other natural- or man-made disasters;
- nationalization of businesses and expropriation of assets; and
- changes in U.S. and foreign tax laws.

A significant legal risk associated with conducting business internationally is compliance with the various and differing laws and regulations of the many countries in which we do business. In addition, the laws in various countries are constantly evolving and may, in some cases, conflict with each other. Although our policies prohibit us, our employees and our agents from engaging in unethical business practices, there can be no assurance that all of our employees, distributors or other agents will refrain from acting in violation of our related anti-corruption or other policies and procedures. Any such violation could have a material adverse effect on our business.

We are subject to risks associated with our distributors and other channel partners, including product inventory levels and product sell-through.

We sell our products through a direct sales force and a select network of distributors and other channel partners globally. Sales to distributors accounted for 53% of our net revenue in the three fiscal quarters ended August 1, 2021 and are subject to a number of risks, including:

- fluctuations in demand based on our distributors' product inventory levels and end customer demand in a given quarter;
- our distributors and other channel partners are generally not subject to minimum sales requirements or any obligation to market our products to their customers;
- our distributors and other channel partners agreements are generally nonexclusive and may be terminated at any time without cause;
- our lack of control over the timing of delivery of our products to end customers; and
- our distributors and other channel partners may market and distribute competing products and may place greater emphasis on the sale of these products.

In addition, we are selling our semiconductor products through an increasingly limited number of distributors, which exposes us to additional customer concentration and related credit risks.

We do not always have a direct relationship with the end customers of our products. As a result, our semiconductor products may be used in applications for which they were not necessarily designed or tested, including, for example, medical devices, and they may not perform as anticipated in such applications. In such event, failure of even a small number of parts could result in significant liabilities to us, damage our reputation and harm our business and results of operations.

Our business would be adversely affected by the departure of existing members of our senior management team.

Our success depends, in large part, on the continued contributions of our senior management team, and in particular, the services of Mr. Hock E. Tan, our President and Chief Executive Officer. Effective succession planning is also important for our long-term success. Failure to ensure effective transfers of knowledge and smooth transitions involving senior management could hinder our strategic planning and execution. None of our senior management is bound by written employment contracts. In addition, we do not currently maintain key person life insurance covering our senior management. The loss of any of our senior management could harm our ability to implement our business strategy and respond to the rapidly changing market conditions in which we operate.

If we are unable to attract and retain qualified personnel, especially our engineering and technical personnel, we may not be able to execute our business strategy effectively.

Our future success depends on our ability to attract, retain and motivate qualified personnel. We also seek to employ talented engineering and technical personnel (including cyber security experts), as well as effective sales professionals, through acquisitions we may make from time to time or otherwise. As the source of our technological and product innovations, our engineering and technical personnel are a significant asset. Competition for these employees is significant in many areas of the world in which we operate, particularly in Silicon Valley and Southeast Asia where qualified engineers are in high demand. In addition, current or future immigration laws may make it more difficult to hire or retain qualified engineers, further limiting the pool of available talent. Further, our employees may decide not to continue working for us and may leave with little or no notice. We believe equity awards provide a powerful long-term retention incentive and have historically granted these awards to the substantial majority of our employees. However, the amendments to our 2012 Stock Incentive Plan approved by our stockholders at our 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders significantly reduced the number of shares available for equity awards. As a result, we may need to change our current equity granting philosophy, which could impair our efforts to attract and retain necessary personnel. Any inability to retain, attract or motivate such personnel could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We may pursue acquisitions, investments, joint ventures and dispositions, which could adversely affect our results of operations.

Our growth strategy includes acquiring or investing in businesses that offer complementary products, services and technologies, or enhance our market coverage or technological capabilities.

Any acquisitions we may undertake and their integration involve risks and uncertainties, such as:

- unexpected delays, challenges and related expenses, and disruption of our business;
- diversion of management’s attention from daily operations and the pursuit of other opportunities;
- incurring significant restructuring charges and amortization expense, assuming liabilities (some of which may be unexpected) and ongoing or new lawsuits related to the transaction or otherwise, potential impairment of acquired goodwill and other intangible assets, and increasing our expenses and working capital requirements;
- the potential for deficiencies in internal controls at the acquired business, as well as implementing our own management information systems, operating systems and internal controls for the acquired operations;
- our due diligence process may fail to identify significant issues with the acquired company’s products, financial disclosures, accounting practices, legal, tax and other contingencies, compliance with local laws and regulations (and interpretations thereof) in the U.S. and multiple international jurisdictions;
- additional acquisition-related debt, which could increase our leverage and potentially negatively affect our credit ratings resulting in more restrictive borrowing terms or increased borrowing costs thereby limiting our ability to borrow;
- dilution of stock ownership of existing stockholders;
- difficulties integrating the acquired business or company and in managing and retaining acquired employees, vendors and customers; and
- inaccuracies in our original estimates and assumptions used to assess a transaction, which may result in us not realizing the expected financial or strategic benefits of any such transaction.

In addition, the current and the proposed changes to the U.S. and foreign regulatory approval process and requirements in connection with an acquisition may cause approvals to take longer than anticipated to obtain, not be forthcoming or contain burdensome conditions, which may jeopardize, delay or reduce the anticipated benefits of the transaction to us and could impede the execution of our business strategy.

From time to time, we may also seek to divest or wind down portions of our business, either acquired or otherwise, or we may exit minority investments, any of which could materially affect our cash flows and results of operations. Such dispositions involve risks and uncertainties, including our ability to sell such businesses on terms acceptable to us, or at all, disruption to other parts of our business, potential loss of employees or customers, or exposure to unanticipated liabilities or ongoing obligations to us following any such dispositions. In addition, dispositions may include the transfer of technology and/or the licensing of certain IP rights to third-party purchasers, which could limit our ability to utilize such IP rights or assert these rights against such third-party purchasers or other third parties.

We may be involved in legal proceedings, including IP, securities litigation, and employee-related claims, which could, among other things, divert efforts of management and result in significant expense and loss of our IP rights.

We are often involved in legal proceedings, including cases involving our IP rights and those of others, commercial matters, acquisition-related suits, securities class action suits, employee-related claims and other actions. Litigation or settlement of such actions, regardless of their merit, can be costly, lengthy, complex and time consuming, diverting the attention and energies of our management and technical personnel.

The industries in which we operate are characterized by companies holding large numbers of patents, copyrights, trademarks and trade secrets and by the vigorous pursuit, protection and enforcement of IP rights, including actions by patent-holding companies that do not make or sell products. From time to time, third parties assert against us and our customers and distributors their IP rights to technologies that are important to our business. For example, in August 2020 judgment was entered against Broadcom and Apple for infringement of certain patents pursuant to which California Institute of Technology was awarded past damages of $270.2 million from Broadcom and $837.8 million from Apple, for which Apple is seeking indemnification from Broadcom. Although we are appealing this judgment, there are no assurances that we will be successful.

Many of our customer agreements, and in some cases our asset sale agreements, and/or the laws of certain jurisdictions may require us to indemnify our customers or purchasers for third-party IP infringement claims, including costs to defend those claims, and payment of damages in the case of adverse rulings. However, our CMs and suppliers may or may not be required to indemnify us should we or our customers be subject to such third-party claims. Claims of this sort could also harm our relationships with our customers and might deter future customers from doing business with us. If any pending or future proceedings result in an adverse outcome, we could be required to:

- cease the manufacture, use or sale of the infringing products, processes or technology and/or make changes to our processes or products;
- pay substantial damages for past, present and future use of the infringing technology, including up to treble damages if willful infringement is found;
- expend significant resources to develop non-infringing technology;
- license technology from the third-party claiming infringement, which license may not be available on commercially reasonable terms, or at all;
- enter into cross-licenses with our competitors, which could weaken our overall IP portfolio and our ability to compete in particular product categories;
- pay substantial damages to our direct or end customers to discontinue use or replace infringing technology with non-infringing technology; or
- relinquish IP rights associated with one or more of our patent claims.

Any of the foregoing results could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

In addition, we may be obligated to indemnify our current or former directors or employees, or former directors or employees of companies that we have acquired, in connection with such litigation. These liabilities could be substantial and may include, among other things, the cost of defending lawsuits against these individuals, as well as stockholder derivative suits; civil or criminal fines and penalties; legal and other expenses; and expenses associated with the remedial measure, if any, which may be imposed.

Our operating results are subject to substantial quarterly and annual fluctuations.

Our operating results have fluctuated in the past and are likely to fluctuate in the future. These fluctuations may occur on a quarterly and annual basis and are due to a number of factors, many of which are beyond our control. In addition to many of the risks described elsewhere in this “Risk Factors” section, these factors include, among others:

- the timing of launches by our customers of new product in which our products are included and changes in end-user demand for our customers’ the products;
- fluctuations in the levels of component or product inventories held by our customers;
- the shift to cloud-based IT solutions and services, such as hyperscale computing, which may adversely affect the timing and volume of sales of our products for use in traditional enterprise data centers;
- the timing of new software contracts and renewals, as well as the timing of any terminations of software contracts that require us to refund to customers any pre-paid amounts under the contract;
- our ability to timely develop, introduce and market new products and technologies;
- the timing and extent of our software license and subscription revenue, and other non-product revenue;
- new product announcements and introductions by us or our competitors;
- seasonality or other fluctuations in demand in our markets;
- timing and amount of research and development and related new product expenditures, and the timing of receipt of any research and development grant monies; and

- timing of any regulatory changes, particularly with respect to trade sanctions and customs duties and tariffs, and tax reform.

The foregoing factors are often difficult to predict, and these, as well as other factors, could materially adversely affect our quarterly or annual operating results. In addition, a significant amount of our operating expenses are relatively fixed in nature. Any failure to adjust spending quickly enough to compensate for a revenue shortfall could magnify the adverse impact of such revenue shortfall on our results of operations. As a result, we believe that quarter-to-quarter comparisons of our revenue and operating results may not be meaningful or a reliable indicator of our future performance. If our operating results in one or more future quarters fail to meet the expectations of securities analysts or investors, a significant decline in the trading price of our common stock may occur, which may happen immediately or over time.

Failure to adjust our manufacturing and supply chain to accurately meet customer demand could adversely affect our results of operations.

We make significant decisions, including determining the levels of business that we will seek and accept, production schedules, levels of reliance on contract manufacturing and outsourcing, internal fabrication utilization and other resource requirements, based on our estimates of customer requirements, which may not be accurate.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, we have moved largely to a build to order model and have extended customer lead times substantially in light of supply chain challenges. More typically, however, to ensure the availability of our semiconductor products we start manufacturing based on customer forecasts, which are not binding. As a result, we incur inventory and manufacturing costs in advance of anticipated sales that may be substantially lower than expected. If actual demand for our products is lower than forecast, we may also experience higher inventory carrying and operating costs and product obsolescence. Because certain of our sales, research and development, and internal manufacturing overhead expenses are relatively fixed, a reduction in customer demand may also decrease our gross margin and operating income.

Conversely, customers often require rapid increases in production on short notice. We may be unable to secure sufficient materials or contract manufacturing or test capacity to meet such increases in demand. This could damage our customer relationships, reduce revenue growth and margins, subject us to additional liabilities, harm our reputation, and prevent us from taking advantage of opportunities.

We operate in the highly cyclical semiconductor industry, which is subject to significant downturns.

The semiconductor industry is highly cyclical and is characterized by constant and rapid technological change and price erosion, evolving technical standards, frequent new product introductions, short product life cycles (for semiconductors and for many of the end products in which they are used) and wide fluctuations in product supply and demand. From time to time, these factors, together with changes in general economic conditions, cause significant upturns and downturns in the industry in general, and in our business in particular. Periods of industry downturns have been characterized by diminished demand for end-user products, high inventory levels and periods of inventory adjustment, under-utilization of manufacturing capacity, changes in revenue mix and accelerated erosion of average selling prices. We expect our business to continue to be subject to cyclical downturns even when overall economic conditions are relatively stable. If we cannot offset industry or market downturns, our net revenue may decline and our financial condition and results of operations may suffer.

Winning business in the semiconductor solutions industry is subject to a lengthy process that often requires us to incur significant expense, from which we may ultimately generate no revenue.

Our semiconductor business is dependent on us winning competitive bid selection processes, known as “design wins”. These selection processes are typically lengthy and can require us to dedicate significant development expenditures and scarce engineering resources in pursuit of a single customer opportunity. Failure to obtain a particular design win may prevent us from obtaining design wins in subsequent generations of a particular product. This can result in lost revenue and can weaken our position in future selection processes.

Winning a product design does not guarantee sales to a customer. A delay or cancellation of a customer’s plans could materially and adversely affect our financial results, as we incur significant expense in the design process and may generate little or no revenue from it. In addition, the timing of design wins is unpredictable and implementing production for a major design win, or multiple design wins at the same time, may strain our resources and those of our CMs. In such event, we may be forced to dedicate significant additional resources and incur additional costs and expenses. Further, often customers will only purchase limited numbers of evaluation units until they qualify the products and/or the manufacturing line for those products. The qualification process can take significant time and resources. Delays in qualification or failure to qualify our products may cause a customer to discontinue use of our products and result in a significant loss of revenue. Finally, customers could choose at any time to stop using our products or could fail to successfully market and sell their products, which could reduce demand for our products, and cause us to hold excess inventory, materially adversely affecting our business, financial condition and results of operations. These risks are exacerbated by the fact that many of our products, and the end products into which our products are incorporated, often have very short life cycles.

Competition in our industries could prevent us from growing our revenue.

The industries in which we operate are highly competitive and characterized by rapid technological changes, evolving industry standards, changes in customer requirements, often aggressive pricing practices and, in some cases, new delivery methods. We expect competition in these industries to continue to increase as existing competitors improve or expand their product offerings or as new competitors enter our markets.

Some of our competitors have longer operating histories, greater name recognition, a larger installed customer base, larger technical staffs, more established relationships with vendors or suppliers, or greater manufacturing, distribution, financial, research and development, technical and marketing resources than us. We also face competition from numerous smaller companies that specialize in specific aspects of the highly fragmented software industry, open source authors who may provide software and IP for free, competitors who may offer their products through try-and-buy or freemium models, and customers who may develop competing products.

In addition, the trend toward consolidation is changing the competitive landscape. We expect this trend to continue, which may result in combined competitors having greater resources than us. Some of our competitors may also receive financial and other support from their home country government or may have a greater presence in key markets, a larger customer base, a more comprehensive IP portfolio or better patent protection than us.

The actions of our competitors, in the areas of pricing and product bundling in particular, could have a substantial adverse impact on us. Further, competitors may leverage their superior market position, as well as IP or other proprietary information, including interface, interoperability or technical information, in new and emerging technologies and platforms that may inhibit our ability to compete effectively. If we are unable to compete successfully, we may lose market share for our products or incur significant reduction in our gross margins, either of which could have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

A prolonged disruption of our manufacturing facilities, research and development facilities, warehouses or other significant operations, or those of our suppliers, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Although we operate a primarily outsourced manufacturing business model, we also rely on our own manufacturing facilities, in particular in Fort Collins, Colorado, Singapore, and Breinigsville, Pennsylvania. We use these internal fabrication facilities for products utilizing our innovative and proprietary processes. Our Fort Collins and Breinigsville facilities are the sole sources for the FBAR components used in many of our wireless devices and for the InP-based wafers used in our fibre optics products, respectively. Many of our facilities, and those of our CMs and suppliers, are located in California and the Pacific Rim region, which have above average seismic activity and severe weather activity. In addition, a significant majority of our research and development personnel are located the Czech Republic, India, Israel, Singapore and the U.S., with the expertise of the personnel at each such location tending to be focused on one or two specific areas, and our primary warehouse is in Malaysia.

A prolonged disruption at or shut-down of one or more of our manufacturing facilities or warehouses, especially our Colorado, Singapore, Malaysia and Pennsylvania facilities, or those of our CMs or suppliers, due to natural- or man-made disasters or other events outside of our control, such as equipment malfunction or widespread outbreaks of acute illness, including COVID-19, or for any other reason, would limit our capacity to meet customer demands and delay new product development until a replacement facility and equipment, if necessary, were found. Any such event would likely disrupt our operations, delay production, shipments and revenue, result in us being unable to timely satisfy customer demand, expose us to claims by our customers, result in significant expense to repair or replace our affected facilities, and, in some instances, could significantly curtail our research and development efforts in a particular product area or target market. As a result, we could forgo revenue opportunities, potentially lose market share, damage our customer relationships and be subject to litigation and additional liabilities, all of which could materially and adversely affect our business. Although we purchase insurance to mitigate certain losses, such insurance often carries a high deductible amount and any uninsured losses could negatively affect our operating results. In addition, even if we were able to promptly resume production of our affected products, if our customers cannot timely resume their own manufacturing following such an event, they may cancel or scale back their orders from us and this may in turn adversely affect our results of operations. Such events could also result in increased fixed costs relative to the revenue we generate and adversely affect our results of operations.

We may be unable to maintain appropriate manufacturing capacity or product yields at our own manufacturing facilities, which could adversely affect our relationships with our customers, and our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We must maintain appropriate capacity and product yields at our own manufacturing facilities to meet anticipated customer demand. From time to time, this requires us to invest in expansion or improvements of those facilities, which often involves substantial cost and other risks. Such expanded manufacturing capacity may still be insufficient, or may not come online soon enough, to meet customer demand and we may have to put customers on product allocation, forgo sales or lose customers as a result. Conversely, if we overestimate customer demand, we would experience excess capacity and fixed costs at these facilities will not be fully absorbed, all of which could adversely affect our results of operations. Similarly, reduced product yields, due to design or manufacturing issues or otherwise, may involve significant time and cost to remedy and cause delays in our ability to supply product to our customers, all of which could cause us to forgo sales, incur liabilities or lose customers, and harm our results of operations.

In addition, current and future government restrictions imposed as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic that limit our manufacturing capabilities could severely impact our ability to manufacture our proprietary products, adversely affecting our wireless business.

Any failure of our IT systems or one or more of our corporate infrastructure vendors to provide necessary services could have a material adverse effect on our business.

Our business depends on various IT systems and outsourced IT services. We rely on third-party vendors to provide critical corporate infrastructure services and to adequately address cyber security threats to their own systems. Services provided by these third parties include services related to financial reporting, product orders and shipping, human resources, benefit plan administration, IT network development and network monitoring. While we may be entitled to damages if our vendors fail to perform under their agreements with us, any award may be insufficient to cover the actual costs incurred by us and, as a result of a vendor’s failure to perform, we may be unable to collect any damages.

Any failure of these internal or third-party systems and services to operate effectively could disrupt our operations and could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our gross margin is dependent on a number of factors, including our product mix, price erosion, acquisitions we may make, level of capacity utilization and commodity prices.

Our gross margin is highly dependent on product mix, which is susceptible to seasonal and other fluctuations in our markets. A shift in sales mix away from our higher margin products, as well as the timing and amount of our software licensing and non-product revenue, could adversely affect our future gross margin percentages. In addition, increased competition and the existence of product alternatives, more complex engineering requirements, lower demand or reductions in our technological lead compared to our competitors, and other factors may lead to further price erosion, lower revenue and lower margin.

In addition, semiconductor manufacturing requires significant capital investment, leading to high fixed costs, including depreciation expense. If we are unable to utilize our owned manufacturing facilities at a high level, the fixed costs associated with these facilities will not be fully absorbed, resulting in higher average unit costs and a lower gross margin. Furthermore, fluctuations in commodity prices could negatively impact our margins. We do not hedge our exposure to commodity prices, some of which are very volatile, and sudden or prolonged increases in commodities prices may adversely affect our gross margin.

Our gross margin may also be adversely affected if businesses or companies that we acquire have different gross margin profiles and by expenses related to such acquisitions.

We utilize a significant amount of IP in our business. If we are unable or fail to protect our IP, our business could be adversely affected.

Our success depends in part upon protecting our IP. To accomplish this, we rely on a combination of IP rights, including patents, copyrights, trademarks and trade secrets, as well as customary contractual protections with our customers, suppliers, employees and consultants. We may be required to spend significant resources to monitor and protect our IP rights, including the unauthorized use of our products, usage rates of the software seat licenses and subscriptions that we sell, and even with significant expenditures, we may not be able to protect the IP rights that are valuable to our business. We are unable to predict or assure that:

- our IP rights will not lapse or be invalidated, circumvented, challenged, or, in the case of third-party IP rights licensed to us, be licensed to others;
- our IP rights will provide competitive advantages to us;
- rights previously granted by third parties to IP licensed or assigned to us, including portfolio cross-licenses, will not hamper our ability to assert our IP rights or hinder the settlement of currently pending or future disputes;
- any of our pending or future patent, trademark or copyright applications will be issued or have the coverage originally sought;
- our IP rights will be enforced in certain jurisdictions where competition may be intense or where legal protection may be weak; or
- we have sufficient IP rights to protect our products or our business.

Effective IP protection may be unavailable or more limited in other jurisdictions, relative to those protections available in the U.S., and may not be applied for or may be abandoned in one or more relevant jurisdictions. In addition, when patents expire, we lose the protection and competitive advantages they provided to us.

We also generate revenue from licensing royalty payments and from technology claim settlements relating to certain of our IP. Licensing of our IP rights, particularly exclusive licenses, may limit our ability to assert those IP rights against third parties, including the licensee of those rights. In addition, we may acquire companies with IP that is subject to licensing obligations to other third parties. These licensing obligations may extend to our own IP following any such acquisition and may limit our ability to assert our IP rights. From time to time, we pursue litigation to assert our IP rights, including, in some cases, against our customers and suppliers. Claims of this sort could also harm our relationships with our customers and might deter future customers from doing business with us. Conversely, third parties may pursue IP litigation against us, including as a result of our IP licensing business. An adverse decision in such types of legal action could limit our ability to assert our IP rights and limit the value of our technology, including the loss of opportunities to sell or license our technology to others or to collect royalty payments, which could otherwise negatively impact our business, financial condition and results of operations.

From time to time, we may need to obtain additional IP licenses or renew existing license agreements. We are unable to predict whether these license agreements can be obtained or renewed on acceptable terms or at all.

If our software products do not remain compatible with ever-changing operating environments, platforms, or third-party products, demand for our products and services could decrease, which could materially adversely affect our business.

We may be required to make substantial modification of our products to maintain compatibility with operating systems, systems software and computer hardware used by our customers or to provide our customers with desired features or capabilities. We must also continually address the challenges of dynamic and accelerating market trends and competitive developments, such as the emergence of advanced persistent threats in the security space to compete effectively. There can be no assurance that we will be able to adapt our products in response to these developments.

Further, our software solutions interact with a variety of software and hardware developed by third parties. If we lose access to third-party code and specifications for the development of code, this could negatively impact our ability to develop compatible software. In addition, if software providers and hardware manufacturers, including some of our largest vendors, adopt new policies restricting the use or availability of their code or technical documentation for their operating systems, applications, or hardware, or otherwise impose unfavorable terms and conditions for such access, this could result in higher research and development costs for the enhancement and modification of our existing products or development of new products. Any additional restrictions could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and operating results and cash flow.

Failure to enter into software license agreements on a satisfactory basis could materially adversely affect our business.

Many of our existing customers have multi-year enterprise software license agreements, some of which involve substantial aggregate fee amounts. Customer renewal rates may decline or fluctuate as a result of a number of factors, including the level of customer satisfaction with our solutions or customer support, customer budgets and the pricing of our solutions as compared with the solutions offered by our competitors, any of which may cause our revenue to grow more slowly than expected, if at all. The failure to renew customer agreements of similar scope, on terms that are commercially attractive to us, could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and operating results and cash flow.

Certain software that we use in our products is licensed from third parties and may not be available to us in the future, which may delay product development and production or cause us to incur additional expense.

Some of our solutions contain software licensed from third parties, some of which may not be available to us in the future on terms that are acceptable to us or allow our products to remain competitive. The loss of these licenses or the inability to maintain any of them on commercially acceptable terms could delay development of future products or the enhancement of existing products.

Certain software we use is from open source code sources, which, under certain circumstances could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition, operating results and cash flow.

Some of our products contain software from open source code sources, the use of which may subject us to certain conditions, including the obligation to offer such products for no cost or to make the proprietary source code of those products publicly available. Further, although some open source vendors provide warranty and support agreements, it is common for such software to be available "as-is" with no warranty, indemnity or support. Although we monitor our use of such open source code to avoid subjecting our products to unintended conditions, such use, under certain circumstances, could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and operating results and cash flow, including if we are required to take remedial action that may divert resources away from our development efforts.

We are subject to warranty claims, product recalls and product liability.

From time to time, we may be subject to warranty or product liability claims that may lead to significant expense. Our customer contracts typically contain warranty and indemnification provisions, and in certain cases may also contain liquidated damages provisions, relating to product quality issues. The potential liabilities associated with such provisions are significant, and in some cases, including in agreements with some of our largest customers, are potentially unlimited. Any such liabilities may greatly exceed any revenue we receive from the relevant products. Costs, payments or damages incurred or paid by us in connection with warranty and product liability claims and product recalls could materially adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations. We may also be exposed to such claims as a result of any acquisition we may undertake in the future.

Product liability insurance is subject to significant deductibles and there is no guarantee that such insurance will be available or adequate to protect against all such claims, or we may elect to self-insure with respect to certain matters. For example, it is possible for one of our customers to recall a product containing one of our semiconductor devices. In such an event, we may incur significant costs and expenses, including among others, replacement costs, contract damage claims from our customers and reputational harm. Although we maintain reserves for reasonably estimable liabilities and purchase product liability insurance, our reserves may be inadequate to cover the uninsured portion of such claims. Conversely, in some cases, amounts we reserve may ultimately exceed our actual liability for particular claims and may need to be reversed.

The complexity of our products could result in unforeseen delays or expense or undetected defects or bugs, which could adversely affect the market acceptance of new products, damage our reputation with current or prospective customers, and materially and adversely affect our operating costs.

Highly complex products, such as those we offer, may contain defects and bugs when they are first introduced or as new versions, software documentation or enhancements are released, or their release may be delayed due to unforeseen difficulties during product development. If any of our products or third-party components used in our products, contain defects or bugs, or have reliability, quality or compatibility problems, we may not be able to successfully design workarounds. Furthermore, if any of these problems are not discovered until after we have commenced commercial production or deployment of a new product, we may be required to incur additional development costs and product recall, repair or replacement costs. Significant technical challenges also arise with our software products because our customers license and deploy our products across a variety of computer platforms and integrate them with a number of third-party software applications and databases. As a result, if there is system-wide failure or an actual or perceived breach of information integrity, security or availability occurs in one of our end-user customer's system, it may be difficult to determine which product is at fault and we could ultimately be harmed by the failure of another supplier's product. Consequently, our reputation may be damaged and customers may be reluctant to buy our products, which could materially and adversely affect our ability to retain existing customers and attract new customers. To resolve these problems, we may have to invest significant capital and other resources and we would likely lose, or experience a delay in, market acceptance of the affected product or products. These problems may also result in claims against us by our customers or others. For example, if a delay in the manufacture and delivery of our products causes the delay of a customer's end-product delivery, we may be required, under the terms of our agreement with that customer, to compensate the customer for the adverse effects of such delays. As a result, our financial results could be materially adversely affected.

We make substantial investments in research and development and unsuccessful investments could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

The industries in which we compete are characterized by rapid technological change, changes in customer requirements, frequent new product introductions and enhancements, short product cycles and evolving industry standards, and new delivery methods. In addition, semiconductor products transition over time to increasingly smaller line width geometries and failure to successfully transition to smaller geometry process technologies could impair our competitive position. In order to remain competitive, we have made, and expect to continue to make, significant investments in research and development. If we fail to develop new and enhanced products and technologies, if we focus on technologies that do not become widely adopted, or if new competitive technologies that we do not support become widely accepted, demand for our products may be reduced. Increased investments in research and development or unsuccessful research and development efforts could cause our cost structure to fall out of alignment with demand for our products, which would have a negative impact on our financial results.

We collect, use, store, or otherwise process personal information, which subjects us to privacy and data security laws and contractual commitments, and our actual or perceived failure to comply with such laws and commitments could harm our business.

We collect, use and store (collectively, "process") a high volume, variety and velocity of certain personal information in connection with the operation of our business. This creates various levels of privacy risks across different parts of our business, depending on the type of personal information, the jurisdiction in question and the purpose of their processing. The personal information we process is subject to an increasing number of federal, state, local, and foreign laws and regulations regarding privacy and data security, as well as contractual commitments. Privacy legislation and other data protection regulations, enforcement and policy activity in this area are expanding rapidly in many jurisdictions and creating a complex regulatory compliance environment. Sectoral legislation, certification requirements and technical standards applying to certain categories of our customers, such as those is the financial services or public sector, are likely to further exacerbate this trend. The cost of complying with and implementing these privacy-related and data governance measures could be significant as they may create additional burdensome security, business process, business record or data localization requirements. Concerns about government interference, sovereignty, expanding privacy, cyber security and data governance legislation could adversely affect our customers and our products and services, particularly in cloud computing, artificial intelligence and our own data management practices. The theft, loss or misuse of personal data collected, used, stored or transferred by us to run our business could result in significantly increased business and security costs or costs related to defending legal claims. Any inadvertent failure or perceived failure by us to comply with privacy, data governance or cyber security obligations may result in governmental enforcement actions, litigation, substantial fines and damages, and could cause our customers to lose trust in us, which could have an adverse effect on our reputation and business.

We are subject to environmental, health and safety laws, which could increase our costs, restrict our operations and require expenditures that could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition.

We are subject to a variety of international laws and regulations relating to the use, disposal, clean-up of and human exposure to hazardous materials. Compliance with environmental, health and safety requirements could, among other things, require us to modify our manufacturing processes, restrict our ability to expand our facilities, or require us to acquire pollution control equipment, all of which can be very costly. Any failure by us to comply with such requirements could result in the limitation or suspension of the manufacture of our products and could result in litigation against us and the payment of significant fines and damages by us in the event of a significant adverse judgment. In addition, complying with any cleanup or remediation obligations for which we are or become responsible could be costly and have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Changing requirements relating to the materials composition of our semiconductor products, including the restrictions on lead and certain other substances in electronic products sold in various countries, including the U.S., China and Japan, and in the European Union, increase the complexity and costs of our product design and procurement operations and may require us to re-engineer our products. Such re-engineering may result in excess inventory or other additional costs and could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations. We may also experience claims from employees from time to time with regard to exposure to hazardous materials or other workplace related environmental claims.

Social and environmental responsibility regulations, policies and provisions, as well as customer and investor demands, may make our supply chain more complex and may adversely affect our relationships with customers and investors.

There is an increasing focus on corporate social and environmental responsibility in the semiconductor industry, particularly with OEMs that manufacture consumer electronics. A number of our customers have adopted, or may adopt, procurement policies that include social and environmental responsibility provisions or requirements that their suppliers should comply with, or they may seek to include such provisions or requirements in their procurement terms and conditions. An increasing number of investors are also requiring companies to disclose corporate social and environmental policies, practices and metrics. Legal and regulatory requirements, as well as investor expectations, on corporate social responsibility practices and disclosure, are subject to change, can be unpredictable, and may be difficult and expensive for us to comply with, given the complexity of our supply chain and our significant outsourced manufacturing. If we are unable to comply, or are unable to cause our suppliers or CMs to comply, with such policies or provisions or meet the requirements of our customers and our investors, a customer may stop purchasing products from us or an investor may sell their shares, and may take legal action against us, which could harm our reputation, revenue and results of operations.

In addition, as part of their corporate social and environmental responsibility programs, an increasing number of OEMs are seeking to source products that do not contain minerals sourced from areas where proceeds from the sale of such minerals are likely to be used to fund armed conflicts, such as in the Democratic Republic of Congo. This could adversely affect the sourcing, availability and pricing of minerals used in the manufacture of semiconductor devices, including our products. As a result, we may face difficulties in satisfying these customers' demands, which may harm our sales and operating results.

The average selling prices of semiconductor products in our markets have often decreased rapidly and may do so in the future, which could harm our revenue and gross profit.

The semiconductor products we develop and sell are used for high volume applications. As a result, the prices of those products have often decreased rapidly. Gross profit on our products may be negatively affected by, among other things, pricing pressures from our customers. In the past, we have reduced the average selling prices of our products in anticipation of future competitive pricing pressures, new product introductions by us or our competitors and other factors. In addition, some of our customer agreements provide for volume-based pricing and product pricing roadmaps, which can also reduce the average selling prices of our products over time. Our margins and financial results will suffer if we are unable to offset any reductions in our average selling prices by increasing our sales volumes, reducing manufacturing costs, or developing new and higher value-added products on a timely basis.

A breach of our security systems may have a material adverse effect on our business.

Our security systems are designed to protect and secure our facilities and our customers', suppliers' and employees' confidential information, as well as our own proprietary information. However, we are also dependent on a number of third-party cloud-based and other service providers of critical corporate infrastructure services relating to, among other things, human resources, electronic communication services and certain finance functions, and we are, out of necessity, dependent on the security systems of these providers. In addition, all software, including the security technologies produced by us have had occasionally in the past, and may have in the future, vulnerabilities that, if left unmanaged, could reduce the overall level of security.

Accidental or willful security breaches or other unauthorized access of our facilities, our information systems or the systems of our service providers, or the existence of computer viruses or malware (such as ransomware) in our or their data or software could expose us to a risk of information loss, business disruption, and misappropriation of proprietary and confidential information, including information relating to our products or customers and the personal information of our employees. We have, from time to time, been subject to or there have been attempts of unauthorized network intrusions and malware on our own IT networks. As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, remote access to our networks and systems has increased substantially. While we have taken steps to secure our networks and systems, we may be more vulnerable to a successful cyber-attack or information security incident when our workforce works remotely.

Certain aspects of our software products are intended to manage and secure IT infrastructures and environments, and as a result, we expect these products to be ongoing targets of cyber security attacks. Open source code or other third-party software used in these products could also be targeted. Additionally, we use third-party data centers, which may also be subject to hacking or accidental incidents. Although we continually seek to improve our countermeasures to prevent such incidents, we may be unable to anticipate every scenario and it is possible that certain cyber threats or vulnerabilities will be undetected or unmitigated in time to prevent an attack or an accidental incident on us and our customers. Cyber security attacks could require significant expenditures of our capital and diversion of our resources. Additionally, efforts by malicious cyber actors or others could cause interruptions, delays or cessation of our product licensing, or modification of our software, which could cause us to lose existing or potential customers. A successful cyber security attack involving our products and IT infrastructure could also negatively impact the market perception of their effectiveness and adversely affect our reputation, relationship with our customers and our financial results.

Any theft, accidental loss or misuse of confidential, personally identifiable or proprietary information could disrupt our business and result in, among other things, unfavorable publicity, damage to our reputation, loss of our trade secrets and other competitive information, difficulty in marketing our products, allegations by our customers that we have not performed our contractual obligations, litigation by affected parties and possible financial obligations for liabilities and damages related to the theft or misuse of such information, as well as fines and other sanctions resulting from any related breaches of data privacy regulations (such as the General Data Protection Regulation), any of which could have a material adverse effect on our business, profitability and financial condition. Interruptions in our operations and services or disruptions to the functionality provided by our software could adversely impact our revenues or cause customers to cease doing business with us. In addition, our business would be harmed if any of the events of this nature caused our customers and potential customers to believe our services are unreliable. Our operations are dependent upon our ability to protect our technology infrastructure against damage from business continuity events that could have a significant disruptive effect on our operations. Since the techniques used to obtain unauthorized access to systems or to otherwise sabotage them, change frequently and are often not recognized until launched against a target, we may be unable to anticipate these techniques or to implement adequate preventative measures.

Fluctuations in foreign exchange rates could result in losses.

We operate global businesses and our consolidated financial results are reported in U.S. dollars. However, some of the revenue and expenses of our foreign subsidiaries are denominated in local currencies. Fluctuations in foreign exchange rates against the U.S. dollar could result in substantial changes in reported revenues and operating results due to the foreign exchange impact of translating these transactions into U.S. dollars.

In the normal course of business, we employ various hedging strategies to partially mitigate these risks, including the use of derivative instruments. These strategies may not be effective in protecting us against the effects of fluctuations in foreign exchange rates. As a result, fluctuations in foreign exchange rates could result in financial losses.

Risks Related to Our Taxes

Changes in tax legislation or policies could materially impact our financial position and results of operations.

Corporate tax reform, anti-base-erosion rules and tax transparency continue to be high priorities in many jurisdictions. As a result, policies regarding corporate income and other taxes in numerous jurisdictions are under heightened scrutiny and tax reform legislation has been, and will likely continue to be, proposed or enacted in a number of jurisdictions in which we operate.

After enactment of the U.S. Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, most of our income is taxable in the U.S. with a significant portion taxable under the Global Intangible Low-Taxed Income ("GILTI") regime. Beginning in fiscal year 2027, the deduction allowable under the GILTI regime will decrease from 50% to 37.5%, which will increase the effective tax rate imposed on our income. Further, if the U.S. tax rate increases or the deduction allowable under the GILTI regime is further reduced or eliminated, our provision for income taxes, net income, and cash flows would be adversely impacted.

In addition, many countries are implementing legislation and other guidance to align their international tax rules with the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development's ("OECD") Base Erosion and Profit Shifting recommendations and action plan that aim to standardize and modernize global corporate tax policy, including changes to cross-border tax, transfer pricing documentation rules, and nexus-based tax incentive practices. The OECD is also continuing discussions surrounding fundamental changes in allocation of profits among tax jurisdictions in which companies do business, as well as the implementation of a global minimum tax (namely the "Pillar One" and "Pillar Two" proposals). As a result of this heightened scrutiny, prior decisions by tax authorities regarding treatments and positions of corporate income taxes could be subject to enforcement activities, and legislative investigation and inquiry, which could also result in changes in tax policies or prior tax rulings. Any such changes may also result in the taxes we previously paid being subject to change. Further, many jurisdictions have passed, and may pass additional legislation, intended to alleviate the economic burdens of COVID-19 and to fund economic recovery and growth, including various temporary tax incentives or relief and restricted tax measures, which could result in future tax increases. We cannot predict the extent to which the COVID-19 pandemic will impact our tax liabilities and are continuing to evaluate the impact of the new legislation to our financial statements.

Any substantial changes in domestic or international corporate tax policies, regulations or guidance, enforcement activities or legislative initiatives may materially adversely affect our business, the amount of taxes we are required to pay and our financial condition and results of operations generally.

If the tax incentives or tax holiday arrangements we have negotiated change or cease to be in effect or applicable for any reason, or if our assumptions and interpretations regarding tax laws and incentives or holiday arrangements prove to be incorrect, our corporate income taxes could significantly increase.

Our operations are currently structured to benefit from the various tax incentives extended to us in various jurisdictions to encourage investment or employment. For example, absent our principal tax incentives from the Singapore Economic Development Board, which is scheduled to expire in 2025, the corporate income tax rate that would otherwise apply to our Singapore taxable income would be 17%. We also have a tax holiday on our qualifying income in Malaysia, which is scheduled to expire in fiscal year 2028. Each tax incentive and tax holiday is subject to our compliance with various operating and other conditions and may, in some instances, be amended or terminated prior to their scheduled termination date by the relevant governmental authority. If we cannot, or elect not to, comply with the operating conditions included in any particular tax incentive or tax holiday, we could, in some instances, be required to refund previously realized material tax benefits, or if such tax incentive or tax holiday is terminated prior to its expiration absent a new incentive applying, we will lose the related tax benefits earlier than scheduled. In addition, we may be required, or elect, to modify our operational structure and tax strategy in order to keep an incentive, which could result in a decrease in the benefits of the incentive. Our tax incentives and tax holiday, before taking into consideration U.S. foreign tax credits, increased the benefit from income taxes by approximately $833 million in the aggregate and increased diluted net income per share by $1.98 for fiscal year 2020.

Our interpretations and conclusions regarding the tax incentives are not binding on any taxing authority, and if our assumptions about tax and other laws are incorrect or if these tax incentives are substantially modified or rescinded, we could suffer material adverse tax and other financial consequences, which would increase our expenses, reduce our profitability and adversely affect our cash flows.

Our income taxes and overall cash tax costs are affected by a number of factors that could materially, adversely affect financial results.

Significant judgment is required in determining our worldwide income taxes. In the ordinary course of our business, there are many transactions where the ultimate tax determination is uncertain. Additionally, our calculations of income taxes payable currently and on a deferred basis are based on our interpretations of applicable tax laws in the jurisdictions in which we are required to file tax returns. Although we believe our tax estimates are reasonable, there is no assurance that the final determination of our income tax liability will not be materially different than what is reflected in our income tax provisions and accruals.

Our income taxes are subject to volatility and could be adversely affected by numerous factors including:

- reorganization or restructuring of our businesses, tangible and intangible assets, outstanding indebtedness and corporate structure;
- jurisdictional mix of our income and assets;
- changes in the allocation of income and expenses, including adjustments related to changes in our corporate structure, acquisitions or tax law;
- changes in U.S and foreign tax laws and regulations, changes to the taxation of earnings of foreign subsidiaries, taxation of U.S. income generated from foreign sources, the deductibility of expenses attributable to income and foreign tax credit rules;
- tax effects of increases in non-deductible employee compensation; and
- changes in tax accounting rules or principles and in the valuation of deferred tax assets and liabilities.

We have adopted transfer pricing policies that call for the provision of services, the sale of products, the arrangement of financing and the grant of licenses from one affiliate to another at prices that we believe are negotiated on an arm's length basis. Our taxable income is dependent upon acceptance by local authorities that our operational practices and intercompany transfer pricing are on an arm's length basis. Due to inconsistencies in application of the arm's length standard among taxing authorities, as well as lack of comprehensive treaty-based protection, transfer pricing challenges by tax authorities could, if successful, result in adjustments for prior or future years. The effects of any such changes could subject us to higher taxes and our earnings, results of operations and cash flow would be adversely affected.

In addition, we are subject to, and are under, tax audit in various jurisdictions, and such jurisdictions may assess additional income tax against us. Although we believe our tax positions are reasonable, the final determination of tax audits could be materially different from our income tax provisions and accruals. The ultimate result of an audit could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and cash flows in the period or periods for which that determination is made.

The Internal Revenue Service may not agree that prior to our redomiciliation into the U.S., our predecessor, Broadcom Limited should have been treated as a foreign corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

Although Broadcom Limited, our predecessor, was a Singapore entity, the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") may assert that following our acquisition of BRCM, Broadcom Limited should have been treated as a U.S. corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 7874 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). If the IRS were to determine that under Section 7874 of the Code, the former shareholders of BRCM held at least 60% of the vote or value of the ordinary shares of Broadcom Limited immediately after our acquisition of BRCM, such percentage referred to as the "Section 7874 Percentage," Broadcom Limited would be treated as a "surrogate foreign corporation" and several limitations could then apply to BRCM. For example, BRCM would be prohibited from using its net operating losses, foreign tax credits or other tax attributes to offset the income or gain recognized by reason of the transfer of property to a foreign related person during the 10-year period following our acquisition of BRCM or any income received or accrued during such period by reason of a license of any property by BRCM to a foreign related person. Moreover, in such case, Section 4985 of the Code and rules related thereto would impose an excise tax on the value of certain stock compensation held directly or indirectly by certain BRCM “disqualified individuals” (including former officers and directors of BRCM) at a rate equal to 15%, but only if a gain is otherwise recognized by BRCM former shareholders as a result of our acquisition of BRCM. If the IRS were to determine the Section 7874 Percentage was 80% or more, then Broadcom Limited would be treated as a U.S. corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

While we believe the Section 7874 Percentage was significantly less than 60%, determining the Section 7874 Percentage is complex and is subject to factual and legal uncertainties. There can be no assurance that the IRS will agree with our position.

Risks Related to Our Indebtedness

Our substantial indebtedness could adversely affect our financial health and our ability to execute our business strategy.

As of August 1, 2021, the aggregate indebtedness under our senior notes was $41,499 million. We expect to maintain significant levels of indebtedness going forward.

Our substantial indebtedness could have important consequences including:

- increasing our vulnerability to adverse general economic and industry conditions;
- exposing us to interest rate risk due to our variable rate term facilities, which we do not typically hedge against;
- limiting our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, changes in the economy and the semiconductor industry;
- placing us at a competitive disadvantage compared to our competitors with less indebtedness;
- making it more difficult to borrow additional funds in the future to fund growth, acquisitions, working capital, capital expenditures and other purposes; and
- potentially requiring us to dedicate a substantial portion of our cash flow from operations to payments on our indebtedness, thereby reducing the availability of our cash flow to fund our other business needs.

We receive debt ratings from the major credit rating agencies in the U.S. Factors that may impact our credit ratings include debt levels, planned asset purchases or sales and near-term and long-term production growth opportunities. Liquidity, asset quality, cost structure, reserve mix and commodity pricing levels could also be considered by the rating agencies. While we are focused on maintaining investment grade ratings from these agencies, we may be unable to do so. Any downgrade in our credit rating or the ratings of our indebtedness, or adverse conditions in the debt capital markets, could:

- adversely affect the trading price of, or market for, our debt securities;
- increase interest expense under our term facilities;
- increase the cost of, and adversely affect our ability to refinance, our existing debt; and
- adversely affect our ability to raise additional debt.

The instruments governing our indebtedness impose certain restrictions on our business.

The instruments governing our indebtedness contain certain covenants imposing restrictions on our business. These restrictions may affect our ability to operate our business, to plan for, or react to, changes in the market conditions or our capital needs and may limit our ability to take advantage of potential business opportunities as they arise. The restrictions placed on us include maintenance of an interest coverage ratio and limitations on our ability to incur certain secured debt, enter into certain sale and lease-back transactions and consolidate, merge, sell or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of our assets. In addition, the instruments contain customary events of default upon the occurrence of which, after any applicable grace period, the indebtedness could be declared immediately due and payable. In such event, we may not have sufficient available cash to repay such debt at the time it becomes due, or be able to refinance such debt on acceptable terms or at all. Any of the foregoing could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Servicing our debt requires a significant amount of cash, and we may not have sufficient cash flow from our business to pay our substantial debt.

Our ability to make scheduled payments of the principal of, to pay interest on, and to refinance our debt, depends on our future performance, which is subject to economic, financial, competitive and other factors. Our business may not continue to generate cash flow from operations in the future sufficient to satisfy our obligations under our current indebtedness and any future indebtedness we may incur and to make necessary capital expenditures. If we are unable to generate such cash flow, we may be required to adopt one or more alternatives, such as reducing or delaying investments or capital expenditures, selling assets, refinancing or obtaining additional equity capital on terms that may be onerous or highly dilutive. Our ability to refinance our outstanding indebtedness or future indebtedness will depend on the capital markets and our financial condition at such time. We may not be able to engage in any of these activities or engage in these activities on desirable terms when needed, which could result in a default on our indebtedness.

Risks Related to Owning Our Common Stock

At times, our stock price has been volatile and it may fluctuate substantially in the future, which could result in substantial losses for our investors as well as class action litigation against us and our management which could cause us to incur substantial costs and divert our management's attention and resources.

The trading price of our common stock has, at times, fluctuated significantly and could be subject to wide fluctuations in response to any of the risk factors listed in this "Risk Factors" section, and others, including:

- issuance of new or updated research or other reports by securities analysts;
- fluctuations in the valuation and results of operations of our significant customers as well as companies perceived by investors to be comparable to us;
- announcements of proposed acquisitions by us or our competitors;
- announcements of, or expectations of, additional debt or equity financing transactions;
- stock price and volume fluctuations attributable to inconsistent trading volume levels of our common stock;
- issuance, and subsequent sale, of common stock upon conversion of our 8.00% Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A ("Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock");
- hedging or arbitrage trading activity involving our Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock or common stock; and
- unsubstantiated news reports or other inaccurate publicity regarding us or our business.

These fluctuations are often unrelated or disproportionate to our operating performance. Broad market and industry fluctuations, as well as general economic, political and market conditions such as recessions, interest rate changes or currency fluctuations, may negatively impact the market price of our common stock. You may not realize any return on your investment in us and may lose some or all of your investment. In the past, companies that have experienced volatility in the market price of their stock have been subject to securities class action litigation. We may be the target of this type of litigation in the future. We are also the subject of a number of lawsuits stemming from our acquisitions. Securities litigation against us, including the lawsuits related to such transactions, could result in substantial costs and divert our management's attention from other business concerns, which could seriously harm our business.

A substantial amount of our stock is held by a small number of large investors and significant sales of our common stock by one or more of these holders could cause our stock price to fall.

As of June 30, 2021, we believe 10 of our 20 largest holders of common stock were active institutional investors who held approximately 31% of our outstanding shares of common stock in the aggregate, with Capital World Investors being our largest stockholder with approximately 10% of our outstanding shares of common stock. These investors may sell their shares at any time for a variety of reasons and such sales could depress the market price of our common stock. In addition, any such sales of our common stock by these entities could also impair our ability to raise capital through the sale of additional equity securities.

There can be no assurance that we will continue to declare cash dividends.

Our Board of Directors has adopted a dividend policy pursuant to which we currently pay a cash dividend on our common stock on a quarterly basis. The declaration and payment of any dividend is subject to the approval of our Board of Directors and our dividend may be discontinued or reduced at any time. Because we are a holding company, our ability to pay cash dividends is also limited by restrictions or limitations on our ability to obtain sufficient funds through dividends from subsidiaries. In addition, any payment of dividends on our common stock is subject to and conditioned upon our payment of quarterly dividends on our Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock. There can be no assurance that we will declare cash dividends in the future in any particular amounts, or at all.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

On December 17, 2020, as partial consideration for shares of an acquired business, we issued 36,232 restricted shares of our common stock, $0.001 par value (the "Restricted Stock"), valued at approximately $14 million to stockholders of the acquired business. The restrictions on the Restricted Stock will lapse with respect to one-fourth of the initial number of shares issued to a stockholder on a quarterly basis starting on March 15, 2021 and subject to the stockholder's continued employment with us through the respective dates. The Restricted Stock was issued in reliance upon an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, set forth in Section 4(a)(2) thereof.

Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

During the fiscal quarter ended August 1, 2021, we paid approximately $347 million in employee withholding taxes due upon the vesting of net settled equity awards. We withheld less than 1 million shares of common stock from employees in connection with such net share settlement at an average price of $469.44 per share. These shares may be deemed to be "issuer purchases" of shares.

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

None.

Item 5. Other Information

None.

Item 6. Exhibits

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Description	Incorporated by Reference Herein		Filed Herewith
		Form	Filing Date	
2.1#	Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of July 11, 2018, by and among Broadcom Inc., Collie Acquisition Corp. and CA, Inc.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	July 12, 2018	
2.2#	Asset Purchase Agreement, dated August 8, 2019, by and between Broadcom Inc. and Symantec Corporation.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	August 9, 2019	
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K12B (Commission File No.001-38449)	April 4, 2018	
3.2	Certificate of Designation of the 8.00% Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	September 30, 2019	
3.3	Amended and Restated Bylaws.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K12B (Commission File No. 001-38449)	April 4, 2018	
4.1	Form of Common Stock Certificate.	Broadcom Inc. Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (Commission File No. 001-38449)	June 14, 2018	
4.2	Form of Certificate of the 8.00% Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A (included in the Exhibit 3.2).	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	September 30, 2019	
4.3	Description of Common Stock.	Broadcom Inc. Annual Report on Form 10-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	December 20, 2019	
4.4	Description of 8.00% Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A.	Broadcom Inc. Annual Report on Form 10-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	December 20, 2019	
4.5	Indenture, dated as of January 19, 2017, by and among the Broadcom Corporation and Broadcom Cayman Finance Limited (the "Co-Issuers"), the Company, Broadcom Cayman L.P., and BC Luxembourg S.à r.l., as guarantors, and Wilmington Trust, National Association, as trustee.	Broadcom Limited Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-37690)	January 20, 2017	
4.6	Supplement Indenture to the January 2017 Indenture, dated as of April 9, 2018.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	April 9, 2018	
4.7	Second Supplement Indenture to the January 2017 Indenture, dated as of January 25, 2019.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	January 25, 2019	
4.8	Form of 2.375% Senior Note due 2020 (included in Exhibit 4.5).	Broadcom Limited Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-37690)	January 20, 2017	
4.9	Form of 3.000% Senior Note due 2022 (included in Exhibit 4.5).	Broadcom Limited Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-37690)	January 20, 2017	
4.10	Form of 3.625% Senior Note due 2024 (included in Exhibit 4.5).	Broadcom Limited Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-37690)	January 20, 2017	
4.11	Form of 3.875% Senior Note due 2027 (included in Exhibit 4.5).	Broadcom Limited Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-37690)	January 20, 2017	
4.12	Indenture, dated as of October 17, 2017, by and among the Co-Issuers, the Company and Broadcom Cayman L.P., as guarantors, and Wilmington Trust, National Association, as trustee.	Broadcom Limited Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-37690)	October 17, 2017	
4.13	Supplemental Indenture to October 2017 Indenture, dated as of April 9, 2018.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	April 9, 2018	
4.14	Second Supplemental Indenture to October 2017 Indenture, dates as of January 25, 2019.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	January 25, 2019	
4.15	Form of 2.200% Senior Note due 2021 (included in Exhibit 4.12).	Broadcom Limited Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-37690)	October 17, 2017	
4.16	Form of 2.650% Senior Note due 2023 (included in Exhibit 4.12).	Broadcom Limited Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-37690)	October 17, 2017	
4.17	Form of 3.125% Senior Note due 2025 (included in Exhibit 4.12).	Broadcom Limited Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-37690)	October 17, 2017	
4.18	Form of 3.500% Senior Note due 2028 (included in Exhibit 4.12).	Broadcom Limited Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-37690)	October 17, 2017	
4.19	Indenture, dated as of April 5, 2019, by and among the Company, as Issuer, Broadcom Technologies Inc., Broadcom Corporation and Broadcom Cayman Finance Limited (the "2019 Guarantors"), and Wilmington Trust, National Association, as trustee.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	April 5, 2019	
4.20	Form of 3.125% Senior Notes due 2021 (included in Exhibit 4.19).	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K12B (Commission File No. 001-38449)	April 5, 2019	
4.21	Form of 3.125% Senior Notes due 2022 (included in Exhibit 4.19).	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	April 5, 2019	
4.22	Form of 3.625% Senior Notes due 2024 (included in Exhibit 4.19).	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	April 5, 2019	
4.23	Form of 4.250% Senior Notes due 2026 (included in Exhibit 4.19).	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	April 5, 2019	
4.24	Form of 4.750% Senior Notes due 2029 (included in Exhibit 4.19).	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	April 5, 2019	

4.25	Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of April 5, 2019, by and among the Company, the 2019 Guarantors and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, as representatives of the several initial purchasers of the 2019 Senior Notes.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	April 5, 2019	
4.26	Indenture, dated as of April 9, 2020, by and among the Company, as Issuer, Broadcom Technologies Inc. and Broadcom Corporation (the "2020 Guarantors"), and Wilmington Trust, National Association, as trustee.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	April 9, 2020	
4.27	Form of 4.700% Senior Notes due 2025 (included in Exhibit 4.26).	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	April 9, 2020	
4.28	Form of 5.000% Senior Notes due 2030 (included in Exhibit 4.26).	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	April 9, 2020	
4.29	Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of April 9, 2020, by and among the Company, the 2020 Guarantors and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, as representative of the several initial purchasers of the April 2020 Senior Notes.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	April 9, 2020	
4.30	Indenture, dated as of May 8, 2020, by and among the Company, as Issuer, the 2020 Guarantors, and Wilmington Trust, National Association, as trustee.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	May 8, 2020	
4.31	Form of 2.250% Senior Notes due 2023 (included in Exhibit 4.30).	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	May 8, 2020	
4.32	Form of 3.150% Senior Notes due 2025 (included in Exhibit 4.30).	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	May 8, 2020	
4.33	Form of 4.150% Senior Notes due 2030 (included in Exhibit 4.30).	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	May 8, 2020	
4.34	Form of 4.300% Senior Notes due 2032 (included in Exhibit 4.30).	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	May 8, 2020	
4.35	Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of May 8, 2020, by and among the Company, the 2020 Guarantors and Citigroup Global Markets Inc., HSBC Securities (USA) Inc., J.P. Morgan Securities LLC and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as representatives of the several initial purchasers of the May 8, 2020 Senior Notes.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	May 8, 2020	
4.36	Indenture, dated as of May 21, 2020, by and among the Company, the 2020 Guarantors and Wilmington Trust, National Association, as trustee.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	May 21, 2020	
4.37	Form of 3.459% Senior Notes due 2026 (included in Exhibit 4.36).	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	May 21, 2020	
4.38	Form of 4.110% Senior Notes due 2028 (included in Exhibit 4.36).	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	May 21, 2020	
4.39	Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of May 21, 2020, by and among the Company, the 2020 Guarantors and Barclays Capital Inc. and Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, as dealer-managers in connection with the May 21, 2020 Senior Notes.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	May 21, 2020	
4.40	Indenture, dated as of January 19, 2021, by and among the Company, the 2020 Guarantors and Wilmington Trust, National Association, as Trustee.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	January 19, 2021	
4.41	Form of 1.950% Senior Notes due 2028 (included in Exhibit 4.40).	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	January 19, 2021	
4.42	Form of 2.450% Senior Notes due 2031 (included in Exhibit 4.40).	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	January 19, 2021	
4.43	Form of 2.600% Senior Notes due 2033 (included in Exhibit 4.40).	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	January 19, 2021	
4.44	Form of 3.500% Senior Notes due 2041 (included in Exhibit 4.40).	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	January 19, 2021	
4.45	Form of 3.750% Senior Notes due 2051 (included in Exhibit 4.40).	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	January 19, 2021	
4.46	Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of January 19, 2021, by and among the Company, the 2020 Guarantors and Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, BNP Paribas Securities Corp., RBC Capital Markets, LLC, SMBC Nikko Securities America, Inc., and Truist Securities, Inc., as representatives of the several initial purchasers of the January 2021 Senior Notes.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	January 19, 2021	
4.47	Indenture, dated as of March 31, 2021, by and between the Company and Wilmington Trust, National Association, as Trustee.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	March 31, 2021	
4.48	Form of 3.419% Senior Notes due 2033 (included in Exhibit 4.47)	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	March 31, 2021	
4.49	Form of 3.469% Senior Notes due 2034 (included in Exhibit 4.47)	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	March 31, 2021	
4.50	Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of March 31, 2021, by and among the Company and BofA Securities, Inc. and HSBC Securities (USA) Inc., as dealer-managers in connection with the March 2021 Senior Notes.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	March 31, 2021	
10.1+	Policy on Acceleration of Executive Staff Equity Awards in the Event of Permanent Disability.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	June 3, 2021	
10.2+	Policy on Acceleration of Equity Awards in the Event of Death.	Broadcom Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-38449)	June 3, 2021	
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer of Broadcom Inc. Pursuant to Rule 13a-14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, As Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.			X
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer of Broadcom Inc. Pursuant to Rule 13a-14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, As Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.			X
32.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer of Broadcom Inc.			X

32.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer of Broadcom Inc. Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, As Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.	X
32.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer of Broadcom Inc. Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, As Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.	X
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document - the instance document does not appear in the Interactive Data File because its XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document.	X
101.SCH	XBRL Schema Document	X
101.CAL	XBRL Calculation Linkbase Document	X
101.DEF	XBRL Definition Linkbase Document	X
101.LAB	XBRL Labels Linkbase Document	X
101.PRE	XBRL Presentation Linkbase Document	X
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File - the cover page interactive data file does not appear in the Interactive Data File because its XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document.	X

Schedules have been omitted pursuant to Item 601(b)(2) of Regulation S-K. Broadcom Inc. hereby undertakes to furnish supplementally copies of any omitted schedules upon request by the SEC.

\+ Indicates a management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

SIGNATURES

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 thereunto duly authorized.

BROADCOM INC.

By: /s/ Kirsten M. Spears

Kirsten M. Spears

Chief Financial Officer

Date: September 9, 2021

EXHIBIT 31.1

CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF
THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Hock E. Tan, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Broadcom Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
    a. Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
    b. Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
    c. Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
    d. Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
    a. All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
    b. Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: September 9, 2021

/s/ Hock E. Tan

Hock E. Tan
Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

EXHIBIT 31.2

CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF
THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Kirsten M. Spears, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Broadcom Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
   a. Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
   b. Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
   c. Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
   d. Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
   a. All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
   b. Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: September 9, 2021

/s/ Kirsten M. Spears

Kirsten M. Spears
Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial Officer)

EXHIBIT 32.1

CERTIFICATION OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Broadcom Inc. (the “Company”) for the fiscal quarter ended August 1, 2021 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the “Report”), the undersigned, Hock E. Tan, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, hereby certifies, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, that:

(1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

(2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: September 9, 2021

/s/ Hock E. Tan

Hock E. Tan
Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

The foregoing certification is being furnished solely pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350 and is not being filed as part of the Report or as a separate disclosure document.

EXHIBIT 32.2

CERTIFICATION OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Broadcom Inc. (the "Company") for the fiscal quarter ended August 1, 2021 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), the undersigned, Kirsten M. Spears, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, hereby certifies, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, that:

(1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

(2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: September 9, 2021

/s/ Kirsten M. Spears

Kirsten M. Spears
Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial Officer)

The foregoing certification is being furnished solely pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350 and is not being filed as part of the Report or as a separate disclosure document.