Advanced Energy Announces Third Quarter 2018 Results

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- Q3 Revenue was \$173.1 million
- Q3 GAAP EPS from continuing operations was \$0.90
- Q3 Non-GAAP EPS from continuing operations was \$1.05

FORT COLLINS, Colo., Oct. 29, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Advanced Energy Industries, Inc. (Nasdaq: AEIS), today announced financial results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2018.

"As expected, near-term delays in capital spending by some semiconductor manufacturers impacted our revenues from semiconductor markets," said Yuval Wasserman, president and CEO. "However, revenues from our Industrial markets reached another record high, reflecting the benefits of our diversified growth strategy, including our acquisition of LumaSense Technologies. We expect our fourth quarter to be impacted by the continued pause in semiconductor capital spending and by seasonally lower activity in our Industrial markets. However, we believe the long-term drivers in both markets to be intact. In addition, our customer focus and commitment to innovation should allow us to grow faster than the market."

Third Quarter Results

Sales were \$173.1 million in the third quarter of 2018 compared with \$196.0 million in the second quarter of 2018 and \$176.6 million in the third quarter of 2017. The acquisition of LumaSense contributed \$5.6 million in revenue in the third quarter.

GAAP income from continuing operations was \$35.2 million or \$0.90 per diluted share in the third quarter of 2018 compared with \$46.4 million or \$1.17 per diluted share in the second quarter of 2018, and \$83.8 million or \$2.09 per diluted share in the third quarter of 2017. Third quarter 2017 results included a nonrecurring tax benefit of \$40.2 million associated with the solar inverter business.

Non-GAAP income from continuing operations was \$41.2 million or \$1.05 per diluted share in the third quarter of 2018, including approximately \$0.01 per diluted share from LumaSense. This compared with \$49.4 million or \$1.25 per diluted share in the second quarter of 2018, and \$48.0 million or \$1.19 per diluted share in the third quarter of 2017. A reconciliation of non-GAAP measures is provided in the tables below.

The company generated \$30.6 million of operating cash from continuing operations in the third quarter of 2018. During the quarter the company repurchased approximately 533 thousand shares for \$31.0 million.

Discontinued Operations

The company's financial statements for all periods presented reflect results for the continuing precision power business, with the discontinued inverter business included in discontinued operations for all purposes. Further financial detail regarding the amounts related to the discontinued inverter business are available in the company's 2017 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Fourth Quarter 2018 Guidance

Based on the company's current view, beliefs and assumptions, its guidance for the fourth quarter of 2018 is within the following ranges and does not incorporate any potential adjustments during the measurement period associated with U.S. tax reform.

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Revenues	\$150M - \$160M
GAAP operating margins from continuing operations	12.8% - 17.5%
GAAP EPS from continuing operations	\$0.48 - \$0.66
Non-GAAP operating margins from continuing operations	20.0% - 22.0%
Non-GAAP EPS from continuing operations	\$0.70 - \$0.80

Third Quarter 2018 Conference Call

Management will host a conference call tomorrow morning, Tuesday, October 30, 2018 at 6:30 a.m. Mountain Time/ 8:30 a.m. Eastern Time to discuss Advanced Energy's financial results. Domestic callers may access this conference call by dialing 855-232-8958. International callers may access the call by dialing 315-625-6980. Participants will need to provide the operator with the Conference ID Number 8489318, which has been reserved for this call. For a replay of this teleconference, please call 855-859-2056 or 404-537-3406 and enter Conference ID Number 8489318. The replay will be available for one week following the conference call. A webcast will also be available on the company's Investor Relations web page at http://ir.advanced-energy.com.

About Advanced Energy

Advanced Energy (Nasdaq: AEIS) is a global leader in the design and manufacturing of highly engineered, precision power conversion, measurement and control solutions for mission-critical applications and processes. AE's power solutions enable customer innovation in complex semiconductor and industrial manufacturing applications. With engineering know-how and responsive service and support around the globe, the company builds collaborative partnerships to meet technology advances, propel growth for its customers and innovate the future of power. Advanced Energy has devoted more than three decades to perfecting power for its global customers and is headquartered in Fort Collins, Colorado, USA. For more information, visit www.advancedenergy.com.

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Non-GAAP Measures

This release includes GAAP and non-GAAP income and per-share earnings data and other GAAP and non-GAAP financial information. Advanced Energy's non-GAAP measures exclude the impact of non-cash related charges such as stock-based compensation and amortization of intangible assets, as well as non-recurring items such as acquisition-related costs and restructuring expenses. Additionally, the third quarter non-GAAP results exclude estimated income tax expense associated with U.S. tax reform. The non-GAAP measures included in this release are not in accordance with,

or an alternative for, similar measures calculated under generally accepted accounting principles and may be different from non-GAAP measures used by other companies. In addition, these non-GAAP measures are not based on any comprehensive set of accounting rules or principles. Advanced Energy believes that these non-GAAP measures provide useful information to management and investors to evaluate business performance without the impacts of certain non-cash charges and other charges which are not part of the company's usual operations. The company uses these non-GAAP measures to assess performance against business objectives, make business decisions, develop budgets, forecast future periods, assess trends and evaluate financial impacts of various scenarios. In addition, management's incentive plans include these non-GAAP measures as criteria for achievements. Additionally, the company believes that these non-GAAP measures, in combination with its financial results calculated in accordance with GAAP, provide investors with additional perspective. While some of the excluded items may be incurred and reflected in the company's GAAP financial results in the foreseeable future, the company believes that the items excluded from certain non-GAAP measures do not accurately reflect the underlying performance of its continuing operations for the period in which they are incurred. The use of non-GAAP measures has limitations in that such measures do not reflect all of the amounts associated with the company's results of operations as determined in accordance with GAAP, and these measures should only be used to evaluate the company's results of operations in conjunction with the corresponding GAAP measures. Please refer to the Form 8-K regarding this release furnished today to the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Forward-Looking Statements

The company's guidance with respect to anticipated financial results for the fourth quarter ending December 31, 2018, potential future growth and profitability, our future business mix, expectations regarding future market trends and the company's future performance within specific markets (e.g., statements regarding anticipated semiconductor and industrial market growth) and other statements herein or made on the above-announced conference call that are not historical information are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Forward-looking statements are subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such statements. Such risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to: (a) the effects of global macroeconomic conditions upon demand for our products and services; (b) the volatility and cyclicality of the industries the company serves, particularly the semiconductor industry; (c) delays in capital spending by end-users in our served markets; (d) the accuracy of the company's estimates related to fulfilling solar inverter product warranty and postwarranty obligations; (e) the company's ability to realize its plan to avoid additional costs after the solar inverter wind-down; (f) the accuracy of the company's assumptions on which its financial statement projections are based; (g) the impact of product price changes, which may result from a variety of factors; (h) the timing of orders received from customers; (i) the company's ability to realize benefits from cost improvement efforts including avoided costs, restructuring plans and inorganic growth; (j) the company's ability to obtain in a timely manner the materials necessary to manufacture its products; (k) unanticipated changes to management's estimates, reserves or allowances; (1) changes and adjustments to the tax expense and benefits related to the recently enacted U.S. tax reform; and (m) the effects of recent U.S. government trade restrictions, Chinese retaliatory trade actions, and other governmental action related to tariffs upon demand for our products and services and the U.S. economy. These and other risks are described in Advanced Energy's Form 10-K, Forms 10-Q and other reports and statements filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). These reports and statements are available on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. Copies may also be obtained from Advanced Energy's investor relations page at http://ir.advanced-energy.com or by contacting Advanced Energy's investor relations at 970-407-6555. Forward-looking statements are made and based on information available to the company on the date of this press release. Aspirational goals and targets discussed on the conference call or in the presentation materials should not be interpreted in any respect as guidance. The company assumes no obligation to update the information in this press release.

ADVANCED ENERGY INDUSTRIES, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED) (in thousands, except per share data)

	-			June 30, 2018		Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018 2017				
Sales:										
Product	\$144,843	3	\$152,363	3	\$169,235	5	\$485,287	7	\$424,47	8
Service	28,239		24,212		26,797		79,444		67,320	
Total sales	173,082		176,575		196,032		564,731		491,798	
Cost of sales:										
Product	73,019		72,146		80,953		233,778		198,754	
Service	14,524		12,195		13,844		40,534		34,838	
Total cost of sales	87,543		84,341		94,797		274,312		233,592	
Gross profit	85,539		92,234		101,235		290,419		258,206	
-	49.4	%	52.2	%	51.6	%	51.4	%	52.5	%
Operating expenses:										
Research and development	18,451		14,629		19,195		55,283		41,742	
Selling, general and administrative	25,386		24,692		24,758		78,792		70,580	
Amortization of intangible assets	1,437		1,240		1,264		3,958		3,176	
Restructuring expense	403						403			
Total operating expenses	45,677		40,561		45,217		138,436		115,498	
Operating income	39,862		51,673		56,018		151,983		142,708	
Other income (expense), net	401		153		(485)	(58)	(3,138))
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	40,263		51,826		55,533		151,925		139,570	
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	5,106		(31,968)	9,133		23,998		(25,538)
Income from continuing operations, net of income taxes	35,157		83,794		46,400		127,927		165,108	
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	(371)	70		5		(226)	2,343	
Net income	34,786		83,864		46,405		127,701		167,451	
Income from continuing operations attributable to noncontrolling interest	7		_		44		82		_	
Net income attributable to Advanced Energy Industries, Inc.	\$34,779		\$83,864		\$46,361		\$127,619)	\$167,45	1
Basic weighted-average common shares outstanding	38,970		39,786		39,349		39,309		39,787	
Diluted weighted-average common shares outstanding	39,195		40,172		39,603		39,594		40,207	

Earnings per share attributable to Advanced Energy Industries, Inc:

ADVANCED ENERGY INDUSTRIES, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands)

ASSETS	September 30, 2018 Unaudited	December 31, 2017
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$338,673	\$407,283
Marketable securities	3,058	3,104
Accounts and other receivable, net	110,440	87,429
Inventories, net	110,327	78,450
Income taxes receivable	4,229	1,295
Other current assets	9,777	8,129
Current assets of discontinued operations	8,273	9,535
Total current assets	584,777	595,225
Property and equipment, net	30,174	17,795
Deposits and other assets	5,608	3,051
Goodwill and intangibles, net	157,884	87,311
Deferred income tax assets	44,112	18,841
Non-current assets of discontinued operations	11,077	11,085
Total assets	\$833,632	\$733,308
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$45,620	\$48,177
Other accrued expenses	73,081	50,092

Current liabilities of discontinued operations	5,895	7,850
Total current liabilities	124,596	106,119
Non-current liabilities of continuing operations	97,894	91,271
Non-current liabilities of discontinued operations	11,567	15,277
Long-term liabilities	109,461	106,548
Total liabilities	234,057	212,667
Advanced Energy stockholders' equity	599,062	520,641
Noncontrolling interest	513	
Stockholders' equity	599,575	520,641
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$833,632	\$733,308

December 31, 2017 amounts are derived from the December 31, 2017 audited Consolidated Financial Statements.

ADVANCED ENERGY INDUSTRIES, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (in thousands)

	Nine Months Ended Septem 30,			r
	2018		2017	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:				
Net income	\$127,701		\$167,451	
Income from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	(226)	2,343	
Income from continuing operations, net of income taxes	127,927		165,108	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization	9,488		6,792	
Stock-based compensation expense	7,461		10,707	
Provision for deferred income taxes			(26,185)
Loss on foreign exchange hedge			3,489	
Net loss on disposal of assets	167		106	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of assets acquired	(26,560)	(19,710)
Net cash provided by operating activities from continuing operations	118,483		140,307	
Net cash used in operating activities from discontinued operations	(4,550)	(7,293)
Net cash provided by operating activities	113,933		133,014	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:				
Purchases of marketable securities	(93)	(86)
Proceeds from sale of marketable securities	6		1,883	
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(93,801)	(17,347)
Purchase of foreign exchange hedge			(3,489)

Purchases of property and equipment	(16,586)	(5,646)
Net cash used in investing activities from continuing operations	(110,474)	(24,685)
Net cash used in investing activities from discontinued operations	_		_	
Net cash used in investing activities	(110,474)	(24,685)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:				
Purchase and retirement of common stock	(69,021)	(24,998)
Net payments related to stock-based award activities	(2,636)	(1,902)
Net cash used in financing activities from continuing operations	(71,657)	(26,900)
Net cash used in financing activities from discontinued operations	_		_	
Net cash used in financing activities	(71,657)	(26,900)
EFFECT OF CURRENCY TRANSLATION ON CASH	(722)	1,138	
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(68,920)	82,567	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, beginning of period	415,037		289,517	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, end of period	346,117		372,084	
Less cash and cash equivalents from discontinued operations	7,444		5,512	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS, end of period	\$338,673		\$366,572	

ADVANCED ENERGY INDUSTRIES, INC. SELECTED OTHER DATA (UNAUDITED) (in thousands)

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP measure - operating expenses and operating income, excluding certain items	Three Mo	nths Ended	Nine Months Ended				
	September 2018	r 30, 2017	June 30, 2018	September 2018	30, 2017		
Gross profit from continuing operations, as reported	\$85,539	\$92,234	\$101,235	\$290,419	\$258,206		
Adjustments to gross profit:							
Stock-based compensation	76	334	149	576	1,048		
Facility transition and relocation costs	725	_	249	974			
Acquisition-related costs	158	_		158			
Non-GAAP gross profit from continuing operations	86,498	92,568	101,633	292,127	259,254		
Operating expenses from continuing operations, as reported Adjustments:	45,677	40,561	45,217	138,436	115,498		
Amortization of intangible assets	(1,437)	(1,240)	(1,264)	(3,958)	(3,176)		
Stock-based compensation	,	` '	` '	(6,885)	(9,659)		

Acquisition-related costs	(705)		(255)	(1,310)	(150)
Facility expansion and relocation costs	(29)	_	(13)	(518)		
Restructuring charges	(403)	_	_		(403)	_	
Non-GAAP operating expenses from continuing operations	42,155		36,202	41,891		125,362		102,513	
Non-GAAP operating income from continuing operations	\$44,343		\$56,366	\$59,742		\$166,765		\$156,741	L

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP measure - operating expenses and operating income, excluding certain items	Three Months Ended						Nine Months Ended					
, G	Septem 2018	ıbe	r 30, 2017		June 3 2018	80,	Septer 2018	mbe	r 30, 2017			
Gross profit from continuing operations, as reported		%	52.2	%	51.6	%	51.4	%	52.5	%		
Adjustments to gross profit:												
Stock-based compensation			0.2		0.1		0.1		0.2			
Facility transition and relocation costs	0.5				0.1		0.2					
Acquisition-related costs	0.1		_									
Non-GAAP gross profit from continuing operations	50.0		52.4		51.8		51.7		52.7			
Operating expenses from continuing operations, as reported Adjustments:	26.4		23.0		23.1		24.5		23.5			
Amortization of intangible assets	(0.8)	(0.7)	(0.6)	(0.7)	(0.6)		
Stock-based compensation	(0.6)	(1.8)	(1.1)	(1.2)	(2.1)		
Acquisition-related costs	(0.4)	(1.0)	(0.1))	(0.2))	(2.1)		
Facility expansion and relocation costs	(0.4	,			(0.1)	(0.2)				
Restructuring charges	(0.2	`					(0.1))				
Non-GAAP operating expenses from	(0.2)					(0.1)				
continuing operations	24.4		20.5		21.3		22.2		20.8			
Non-GAAP operating income from continuing operations	25.6	%	31.9	%	30.5	%	29.5	%	31.9	%		

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP measure - income excluding certain items	Three Mo	nths Ended	Nine Months Ended			
	September 2018	30, 2017	June 30, 2018	September 2018	30, 2017	
Income from continuing operations, less noncontrolling interest, net of income taxes Adjustments:	\$35,150	\$83,794	\$46,356	\$127,845	\$165,108	
Amortization of intangible assets	1,437	1,240	1,264	3,958	3,176	

Stock-based compensation	1,024	3,453	1,943	7,461	10,707
Acquisition-related costs	863	_	255	1,468	150
Facility expansion and relocation costs	754	_	262	1,492	
Restructuring charges	403	_	_	403	
Nonrecurring tax (benefit) expense associated with inverter business	_	(40,194) —	_	(40,194)
Loss on foreign exchange hedge	_	_	_		3,489
Incremental expense associated with start-up of the Asia regional headquarters	_	1,133	_	_	1,133
Tax Cuts and Jobs Act Impact	2,398			4,251	
Tax effect of Non-GAAP adjustments	(843)	(1,426) (704	(2,890)	(4,451)
Non-GAAP income from continuing operations, net of income taxes	\$41,186	\$48,000	\$49,376	\$143,988	\$139,118

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP measure - per share earnings excluding certain items	Three Months Ended			Nine Months Ended		
	September 2018	r 30, 2017	June 30, 2018	September 2018	r 30, 2017	
Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations, as reported Add back:	\$\$0.90	\$2.09	\$1.17	\$3.23	\$4.11	
per share impact of Non-GAAP adjustments, net of tax	0.15	(0.90)	0.08	0.41	(0.65)
Non-GAAP per share earnings from continuing operations	\$1.05	\$1.19	\$1.25	\$3.64	\$3.46	

Reconciliation of Q4 2018 Guidance

	Low End		High End	
Revenue	\$150 million \$160 mill		\$160 million	
Reconciliation of Non-GAAP operating margin				
GAAP operating margin	12.8	%	17.5	%
Stock-based compensation	1.5	%	1.3	%
Amortization of intangible assets	1.3	%	1.1	%
Restructuring and other	4.4	%	2.1	%
Non-GAAP operating margin	20.0	%	22.0	%
Reconciliation of Non-GAAP earnings per share				
GAAP earnings per share	\$0.48		\$0.66	
Stock-based compensation	0.06		0.05	
Amortization of intangible assets	0.05		0.05	
Restructuring and other	0.17		0.08	

Tax effects of excluded items	(0.06))	(0.04))
Non-GAAP earnings per share	\$0.70		\$0.80	
Source: Advanced Energy Industries, Inc.				