Advanced Energy Announces Third Quarter 2017 Results

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- Q3 Revenue increased 39.5% y/y and 6.5% q/q to \$176.6 million
- Q3 GAAP EPS from continuing operations was \$2.09
- Q3 Non-GAAP EPS from continuing operations was \$1.19
- Completed Excelsys acquisition and \$25M share repurchase

FORT COLLINS, Colo., Oct. 30, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Advanced Energy Industries, Inc. (Nasdaq:AEIS), today announced financial results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2017. The company reported third quarter sales of \$176.6 million. Third quarter GAAP income from continuing operations was \$83.8 million, or \$2.09 per diluted share. Non-GAAP income from continuing operations was \$48.0 million, or \$1.19 per diluted share.

"The growing importance of AE's advanced power products drove our seventh quarter of strong results. Our Industrial business reached a five-year high, while semiconductors and service continued to benefit from multiple technology drivers, leading to total revenue growth of 40% over last year," said Yuval Wasserman, president and CEO. "AE's track record of outperformance, together with our continual investment in innovation to support our customers' roadmaps and the expansion of our product portfolio through acquisitions, is unlocking strategic opportunities to create sustainable value for our customers and shareholders."

Third Quarter Results

Sales were \$176.6 million compared with \$165.9 million in the second quarter of 2017 and \$126.6 million in the third quarter of 2016.

GAAP income from continuing operations was \$83.8 million or \$2.09 per diluted share in the third quarter of 2017 compared with \$45.9 million or \$1.14 per diluted share in the prior quarter, and \$29.0 million or \$0.73 per diluted share in the third quarter of 2016. Third quarter 2017 GAAP income included a nonrecurring tax benefit of \$40.2 million associated with the solar inverter business.

Non-GAAP income from continuing operations was \$48.0 million or \$1.19 per diluted share in the third quarter of 2017 compared with \$49.2 million or \$1.22 per diluted share in the prior quarter, and \$30.8 million or \$0.77 per diluted share in the same period last year. A reconciliation of non-GAAP measures is provided in the tables below.

The company generated \$33.7 million of operating cash from continuing operations in the third quarter.

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 both the balance sheet and income statement. Further financial detail regarding the

amounts related to the discontinued inverter business are available in the company's 2016 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Fourth Quarter 2017 Guidance

Based on the company's current view, beliefs and assumptions, guidance for the fourth quarter of 2017 is within the following ranges:

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	Q4 2017
Revenues	\$172M - \$182M
GAAP operating margins from continuing operations	28% - 30%
GAAP EPS from continuing operations	\$1.08 - \$1.18
Non-GAAP operating margins from continuing operations	30% - 32%
Non-GAAP EPS from continuing operations	\$1.15 - \$1.25

Third Quarter 2017 Conference Call

Management will host a conference call tomorrow morning, Tuesday, October 31, 2017 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 96121678, 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 96121678. 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 innovative power and control technologies for high-growth, precision power solutions for thin films processes and industrial applications. Advanced Energy is headquartered in Fort Collins, Colorado, with dedicated support and service locations around the world. For more information, go to www.advanced-energy.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. For the fourth quarter ending December 31, 2017 guidance, the company expects stock based compensation of \$3 million and amortization of intangibles of \$1 million. 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 noncash 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, 2017, 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; and (k) unanticipated changes to management's estimates, reserves or allowances. 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)

	Three M Septemb 2017		hs Ended 80, 2016		June 30, 2017		Nine Months September 3 2017			
Sales:										
Product	\$ 152,363	3	\$ 107,650)	\$ 143,288	3	\$ 424,478	3	\$ 294,695	5
Service	24,212		18,902		22,584		67,320		53,666	
Total sales	176,575		126,552		165,872		491,798		348,361	
Cost of sales:										
Product	72,146		49,835		66,491		198,754		137,984	
Service	12,195		10,594		12,240		34,838		28,748	
Total cost of sales	84,341		60,429		78,731		233,592		166,732	
Gross profit	92,234		66,123		87,141		258,206		181,629	
	52.2	%	52.2	%	52.5	%	52.5	%	52.1	%
Operating expenses:										
Research and development	14,629		11,293		14,610		41,742		33,324	
Selling, general and administrative	24,692		19,421		23,790		70,580		56,814	
Amortization of intangible assets	1,240		1,048		974		3,176		3,180	
Total operating expenses	40,561		31,762		39,374		115,498		93,318	
Operating income	51,673		34,361		47,767		142,708		88,311	
Other (expense) income, net	153		(55)	(83)	(3,138)	1,138	
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	51,826		34,306		47,684		139,570		89,449	
Provision for income taxes	(31,968)	5,268		1,811		(25,538)	12,937	
Income from continuing operations, net of income taxes	83,794		29,038		45,873		165,108		76,512	
Income from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	70		1,323		179		2,343		6,661	
Net income	\$ 83,864		\$ 30,361		\$ 46,052		\$ 167,452	1	\$ 83,173	
Basic weighted-average common shares outstanding	39,786		39,681		39,849		39,787		39,723	

Diluted earnings per share	\$ 2.09	\$ 0.76	\$ 1.14	\$ 4.16	\$ 2.08
Basic earnings per share	\$ 2.11	\$ 0.77	\$ 1.16	\$ 4.21	\$ 2.09
Net income:					
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.17
Discontinued operations: Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.17
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 2.09	\$ 0.73	\$ 1.14	\$ 4.11	\$ 1.91
Basic earnings per share	\$ 2.11	\$ 0.73	\$ 1.15	\$ 4.15	\$ 1.93
Continuing operations:					
Earnings per share:					
Diluted weighted-average common shares outstanding	40,172	39,967	40,250	40,207	40,015

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

	September 30, 2017	December 31, 2016
ASSETS	Unaudited	
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 366,572	\$ 281,953
Marketable securities	3,046	4,737
Accounts receivable, net	74,993	75,667
Inventories, net	73,520	55,770
Income taxes receivable	6,380	1,482
Other current assets	8,678	9,324
Current assets of discontinued operations	7,770	9,401
Total current assets	540,959	438,334
Property and equipment, net	15,736	13,337
Deposits and other	2,432	1,835
Goodwill and intangibles, net	87,944	70,196

Deferred income tax assets	58,59	00	32,197		
Non-current assets of discontinued operations	15,63	80	15,63	30	
Total assets	\$	721,291	\$	571,529	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$	41,275	\$	46,255	
Other accrued expenses	40,05	54	35,37	'2	
Current liabilities of discontinued operations	9,667		13,419		
Total current liabilities	90,99	06	95,046		
Non-current liabilities of continuing operations	65,62	.2	63,25	52	
Non-current liabilities of discontinued operations	16,28	37	21,157		
Long-term liabilities	81,90	19	84,409		
Total liabilities	172,9	005	179,4	55	
Stockholders' equity	548,3	886	392,0	74	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	721,291	\$	571,529	

December 31, 2016 amounts are derived from the December 31, 2016 audited Consolidated Financial Statements.

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

	Nine Months End September 30,		
	2017	2016	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Net income	\$ 167,451	\$ 83,173	
Income from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	2,343	6,661	
Income from continuing operations, net of income taxes	165,108	76,512	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	6,792	5,938	
Stock-based compensation expense	10,707	4,299	
Provision for deferred income taxes	(26,185)	_	

Loss on foreign exchange hedge	3,489		_	
Net loss on disposal of assets	106		259	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of assets acquired	(19,710)	(4,343)
Net cash provided by operating activities from continuing operations	140,307		82,665	
Net cash used in operating activities from discontinued operations	(7,293)	(4,538)
Net cash provided by operating activities	133,014		78,127	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:				
Purchases of marketable securities	(86)	(745)
Proceeds from sale of marketable securities	1,883		7,161	
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(17,347)	_	
Purchase of foreign exchange hedge	(3,489)		
Purchases of property and equipment	(5,646)	(4,524)
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities from continuing operations	(24,685)	1,892	
Net cash used in investing activities from discontinued operations	—			
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities	(24,685)	1,892	
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:				
Purchase and retirement of common stock	(24,998)	_	
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	(1,904)	1,753	
Other financing activities	2		(3)
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities from continuing operations	(26,900)	1,750	
Net cash used in financing activities from discontinued operations	_		(24)
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(26,900)	1,726	
EFFECT OF CURRENCY TRANSLATION ON CASH	1,138		(550)
INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	82,567		81,195	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, beginning of period	289,517		169,720	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, end of period	372,084		250,915	
Less cash and cash equivalents from discontinued operations	5,512		6,623	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS, end of period	\$ 366,572	2	\$ 244,292	2

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

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP measure - operating expenses and operating income, excluding certain items

Three Months Ended Nine Months Ended

 September 30,
 June 30,
 September 30,

 2017
 2016
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 2016

Gross Profit from continuing operations, as reported	\$ 92,234		\$ 66,123		\$ 87,141		\$ 258,206		\$ 181,629)
Operating expenses from continuing operations, as reported	40,561		31,762		39,374		115,498		93,318	
Adjustments:										
Stock-based compensation	(3,453)	(1,301)	(3,856)	(10,707)	(4,299)
Amortization of intangible assets	(1,240)	(1,048)	(974)	(3,176)	(3,180)
Acquisition-related costs	_		_		(150)	(150)	_	
Non-GAAP operating expenses from continuing operations	35,868		29,413		34,394		101,465		85,839	
Non-GAAP operating income from continuing operations	\$ 56,366		\$ 36,710)	\$ 52,747	,	\$ 156,741	L	\$ 95,790	

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP measure - operating expenses and operating income, excluding certain items	Sentember 30		Ended	Nine Months Ended		
			June 30,	September 30,		
	2017	2016	2017	2017	2016	
Gross Profit from continuing operations, as reported	52.2 %	52.2 %	52.5 %	52.5 %	52.1 %	
Operating expenses from continuing operations, as reported	23.0	25.1	23.7	23.5	26.8	
Adjustments:						
Stock-based compensation	(2.0)	(1.1)	(2.3)	(2.3)	(1.3)	
Amortization of intangible assets	(0.7)	(8.0)	(0.6)	(0.6)	(0.9)	
Acquisition-related costs			(0.1)			
Non-GAAP operating expenses from continuing operations	20.3	23.2	20.7	20.6	24.6	
Non-GAAP operating income from continuing operations	31.9 %	29.0 %	31.8 %	31.9 %	27.5 %	

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP measure - income excluding certain items	Three Mo	nths Ended	Nine Months Ended				
	September 2017	r 30, 2016	June 30, 2017	September 2017	30, 2016		
Income from continuing operations, net of income taxes, as reported Adjustments:	\$ 83,794	\$ 29,038	\$ 45,873	\$ 165,108	\$ 76,512		

Stock-based compensation	3,453	1,301	3,856	10,707	4,299
Amortization of intangible assets	1,240	1,048	974	3,176	3,180
Loss on foreign exchange hedge				3,489	
Acquisition-related costs			150	150	
Incremental expense associated with start-up of the Asia regional headquarters	1,133	_	_	1,133	_
Nonrecurring tax benefit associated with inverter business	(40,194)		_	(40,194)	_
Tax effect of Non-GAAP adjustments	(1,426)	(608)	(1,629)	(4,451)	(1,973)
Non-GAAP income from continuing operations, net of income taxes	\$ 48,000	\$ 30,779	\$ 49,224	\$ 139,118	\$ 82,018

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP measure - per share earnings excluding certain items	Three Months Ended			Nine Months Ended		
	September 30,		June 30,	e September		
	2017	2016	2017	2017	2016	
Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations, as reported Add back:	\$ 2.09	\$ 0.73	\$ 1.14	\$ 4.11	\$ 1.91	
per share impact of Non-GAAP adjustments, net of tax	(0.90)	0.04	0.08	(0.65)	0.14	
Non-GAAP per share earnings from continuing operations	\$ 1.19	\$ 0.77	\$ 1.22	\$ 3.46	\$ 2.05	

Reconciliation of Q4 2017 Guidance

	Low End		High End	
Revenue	\$172 million		\$182 million	
Reconciliation of Non-GAAP operating margin				
GAAP operating margin	28	%	30	%
Stock-based compensation	1	%	1	%
Amortization of intangible assets	1	%	1	%
Non-GAAP operating margin	30	%	32	%
Reconciliation of Non-GAAP earnings per share				
GAAP earnings per share	\$ 1.08		\$ 1.18	
Stock-based compensation	0.07		0.07	
Amortization of intangible assets	0.07		0.07	
Amortization of illiangible assets	0.04		0.04	

Tax effects of excluded items (0.04) (0.04)

Non-GAAP earnings per share \$ 1.15 \$ 1.25

Source: Advanced Energy Industries, Inc.