

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC
Form 10-K405
June 01, 2001

=====

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-K

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)
OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1934

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 3, 2001 COMMISSION FILE NUMBER 0-12182

CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC.
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

DELAWARE
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

95-3647070
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

460 CALLE SAN PABLO, CAMARILLO, CALIFORNIA
(Address of principal executive offices)

93012
(Zip Code)

REGISTRANT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE: (805) 987-9000

SECURITIES REGISTERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OF THE ACT:

TITLE OF EACH CLASS

NAME OF EACH EXCHANGE

None

None

SECURITIES REGISTERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(g) OF THE ACT:

\$.01 PAR VALUE COMMON STOCK
(Title of Class)

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, and (2) has been subject to such filing
requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes /X/ No
 --- ---

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item
405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the
best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements
incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this
Form 10-K. [X]

The aggregate market value of the voting stock of the Registrant held by
non-affiliates of the Registrant as of May 22, 2001 was approximately
\$67,931,284.

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

There were 13,600,701 shares of the Registrant's Common Stock outstanding as of May 22, 2001.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the Registrant's definitive Proxy Statement for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on July 20, 2001 are incorporated by reference into Part III, Items 11, 12 and 13 of this Form 10-K. This Proxy Statement will be filed within 120 days after the end of the fiscal year covered by this report.

=====

PART I

ITEM 1. BUSINESS

THE COMPANY

California Amplifier, Inc. (the "Company") was incorporated in 1981. Since its inception, the Company has been engaged in the design, manufacture and marketing of microwave components used in both defense and commercial markets, primarily relating to the amplification and conversion of microwave signals used in various reception applications. In 1990, the Company discontinued its involvement in its defense business and focused its business strategy on two major product lines: Satellite Television and Wireless Cable products. In January 1998, the Company reorganized into the following business units: Satellite Products, Wireless Cable Products, and Voice and Data Products. In September 1999, the Company combined its Wireless Cable and Voice and Data Products into a separate business unit, Wireless Access Products, to more keenly focus its resources on the emerging two-way fixed wireless broadband market.

In addition, the Company has a 50.5% ownership interest in Micro Pulse, Inc. (Micro Pulse), a company who designs, manufactures and markets antennas for various wireless applications, primarily for Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) applications.

SATELLITE PRODUCTS

Satellite dishes are used for the reception of video, audio and data transmitted from orbiting satellites. The Company's products, which are components of the dish assembly, are used in both commercial satellite dish applications and home satellite dishes. The Company's Satellite product sales to date have been primarily generated from sales of integrated downconverters, amplifiers and feedhorns used in home satellite dish and cable headend dish applications.

The satellite dish is a parabolic reflector antenna. Microwave signals transmitted primarily in Ku-band or C-band for video and data transmission, are transmitted from orbiting satellites toward the earth's surface. The dish reflects the microwaves back to a focal point where a feedhorn collects the microwaves transferring the signals into an amplifier/downconverter. The microwave amplifier amplifies the microwave signal millions of times for further processing. The downconverter changes the frequency into an intermediate frequency so that the receiver and television can process the signal and create a picture.

Since its inception in 1983 the Company has been a leading supplier of C-band downconverters and amplifiers for the "large backyard dish" to markets worldwide, but primarily to markets in the United States in the 1980's and

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

1990's, and Brazil and the Middle East in the mid 1990's. With the Company's 1998 reorganization into separate business units, the Satellite Products business unit focused its resources on Ku-DBS applications, as well as a broad line of C-band and Ku-band commercial applications. In April 1999, the Company purchased substantially all of the satellite television products from Gardiner Communications Corp. This acquisition allowed the Company immediate entry into the U.S. Ku-band Direct Broadcast Satellite mainstream consumer market, and provides the Company with the opportunity to service certain satellite markets in Europe, and Asia, both of which position the Company to be a more significant supplier to key markets around the world.

In fiscal year 2000, approximately 80% of the Company's satellite product sales were Ku-DBS products, while approximately 20% were C-band consumer and commercial products. The Company believes Ku-DBS products will continue to comprise a significant percentage of satellite product sales as the Company focuses on the DBS market opportunities in the United States, Europe, Latin America and Asia.

2

WIRELESS ACCESS PRODUCTS

The Company's legacy Wireless Access products relate primarily to microwave downconverter/amplifier receive products similar in function to its satellite products for wireless cable video reception, except that the microwave programming is transmitted from a terrestrial tower instead of a satellite. The Company's product focus has shifted to two-way transceiver products for use in "last-mile" wireless access to homes and businesses. The market and product background will be outlined below:

WIRELESS CABLE VIDEO

Wireless Cable television operates in many ways similar to coaxial cable multichannel television transmission. The key difference is that Wireless Cable does not have cable connecting the headend/transmission site to each home, but instead uses a microwave frequency band (MMDS) to transmit programming within a local service area. The signal can generally be received by subscribers within a 25-40 mile omni-directional radius of the transmission tower depending on the transmitter power; however, the subscriber must have a direct line-of-sight or "view" between the tower and the receive antenna. Typically, 65%-80% of the homes within the service area will be able to receive the wireless signal, with the remainder shadowed from the transmitter. The percentage of line-of-sight homes is affected by the tower elevation, local topography and the subscriber antenna height.

In 1995, the Wireless Cable industry in the United States generated a great deal of interest with Tele-TV, a consortium comprised of Bell Atlantic, NYNEX and Pacific Telesis, which announced its intention to deliver video to customers using Wireless Cable digital compression technology. Initial projections for a digital subscriber rollout by Tele-TV were 2.0 million subscribers within three years of introduction. In late 1996, the Tele-TV consortium announced that certain members had changed their strategic emphasis and were not going forward with their Wireless Cable plans. In 1996, BellSouth announced its plan to use digital Wireless Cable technology to deliver video services in the southeastern region of the United States, and launched video programming services in Atlanta, New Orleans, Orlando, Daytona Beach, and Jacksonville. In 2000, BellSouth re-evaluated its video programming delivery service, and are currently working with DBS satellite operators to deliver video services. This will allow BellSouth to consider other uses for its MMDS spectrum.

The Tele-TV participation in Wireless Cable television was viewed by many

industry experts as the beginning of well financed companies entering the Wireless Cable market through acquisition or alliances with existing domestic, multiple system operators. The decision by the Tele-TV partners to re-assess their video delivery strategy, combined with other factors, resulted in a significant slowdown in the domestic Wireless Cable market. Independent operators were confronted with limited financing alternatives, negative cash flow from operations with their current subscriber levels, and the decision of whether to expand subscriber counts using analog equipment prior to the availability of digital equipment. Additionally, the quality and breadth of programming offered by satellite programmers put analog wireless cable operators at a distinct disadvantage. These factors, coupled with the U.S. household market opportunities becoming more focused on Internet services, has resulted in the MMDS industry largely abandoning one-way video services for two-way fixed Internet and telephony applications (see Wireless Access Products).

Internationally, the Wireless Cable industry has experienced significant growth in response to increasing worldwide demand for multichannel television and the increased availability of a variety of programming such as HBO, CNN, MTV, ESPN and Disney. The Company believes that Wireless Cable technology, in many instances, is better suited than traditional cable to provide multichannel television to the consumer, especially in less developed countries and in areas that are not densely populated. The lack of a need for a cable network allows Wireless Cable operators to commence broadcasting more quickly, with less of an initial investment than for traditional cable, and to quickly expand throughout a service area. To date, Wireless Cable systems have been launched throughout the world, including major systems in Canada, Mexico, Venezuela, Brazil, Argentina, Paraguay, Chile, Qatar, Thailand, Malaysia, Nigeria, Australia, Czech Republic, Russia and Ireland. Similar launches in these countries, and other geographical areas, are expected to continue as programming is made available to these areas. Because the international markets do not have a high percentage of pay television subscribers to television households, and are not dominated by a single method of delivery, as cable is in the United States, the potential for Wireless Cable as a programming delivery method internationally is still significant if capital becomes available for operators to roll-out systems. In addition, many operators/MMDS spectrum owners may re-assess their video strategy and focus on two-way Internet and telephony services as the United States market has initiated as described below.

TWO-WAY TRANSCEIVER PRODUCTS

Terrestrial Wireless Cable operators owned significant wireless spectrum in the 2.5 to 2.7 gigahertz range. As worldwide markets move toward wireless communications, wireless cable operators have considered using a portion or all of the video bandwidth for voice (telephony) or data (Internet access) applications.

By deploying MMDS two-way wireless technology, operators can offer a high-speed data service alternative for bridging the critical "last mile" between networks and customers. There are key distinctions between MMDS and the two most prevalent traditional high-speed pipelines, cable and digital subscriber line (DSL), typically provided by local cable or telephone companies. MMDS not only allows rapid deployment of this new wireless alternative at relatively low build out costs, it extends high-speed access to rural and suburban markets that are not served or are underserved by cable or DSL. Essentially, operators will establish two-way transmissions to and from central headends, homes, and businesses operating in many instances like cellular systems. The Company currently provides outdoor transceivers, which the system operator installs on the subscriber's home or business rooftop. The transceivers interface with an indoor modem which is connected to PCs or LANs, and send and

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

receive data to/from the base stations and provide access to the Internet. The network management system manages and controls the traffic transmitted over the broadband wireless system.

Beginning in March 1999, MCI WorldCom and Sprint began making debt and equity investments in many of the U.S. multi-system operators, essentially acquiring over 60% of the MMDS spectrum in major cities throughout the United States. In conjunction with these acquisitions, the companies announced their intention to initiate a broad-based roll-out of fixed wireless services to consumers in approximately 100 U.S. cities by the end of 2001. As of May 2001, Sprint was operating in 13 cities, and MCI WorldCom in 3 cities. Both companies have re-evaluated their previous roll-out strategies, and are awaiting next generation non-line-of-sight technologies before finalizing their deployment strategies. The Company is currently co-developing integrated non-line-of-sight transceiver/modem equipment in which Sprint has expressed significant interest. However, there can be no assurances that these development efforts will be successful.

ANTENNA PRODUCTS

In January 1993, the Company purchased a 50% ownership interest in Micro Pulse for \$500,000, and in fiscal year 1998 increased its ownership to a 50.5% controlling interest. Micro Pulse designs, manufactures and markets antennas and amplifiers used principally in GPS applications. Such products are used in surveying applications, vehicle tracking and marine and airborne navigation.

During fiscal years 2001, 2000, and 1999 Satellite products accounted for 68.1%, 69.9%, and 33.7% of the Company's sales, respectively. Wireless access products accounted for 25.6%, 22.0%, and 54.8% of the Company's sales, respectively. Antenna products, which represent sales by Micro Pulse, accounted for 6.3%, 8.1%, and 11.5% of the Company's consolidated sales in fiscal years 2001, 2000, and 1999, respectively.

For additional information regarding the Company's sales by segment and geographical area, see Note 11 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

4

MANUFACTURING

The Company currently manufactures and assembles its products in Camarillo, California and under a subcontract arrangement in China. In fiscal years 2000 and 2001, the Company also manufactured and assembled satellite DBS products in Garland, Texas. Manufacturing operations consist of placing hundreds of electronic devices onto printed circuit boards, assembling one or more boards into primarily aluminum housings, tuning microwave circuits, and testing of final assembled products.

Electronic devices, components and made-to-order assemblies used in the Company's products are generally obtained from a number of suppliers, although certain materials are obtained from a limited number of sources. Some devices or components are standard items while others are manufactured to the Company's specifications by its suppliers. The Company attempts to operate without substantial levels of raw materials by depending on certain key suppliers to provide material on a "just-in-time" basis. The Company believes that most raw materials are available from alternative suppliers. However, any significant interruption in the delivery of such items could have an adverse effect on the Company's operations. During the second half of fiscal year 2000, and during the first quarter of fiscal year 2001, the Company experienced difficulty in receiving timely delivery of certain key components which, to some extent, affected shipments and manufacturing productivity. There can be no assurances that such electronic component shortages will not occur again nor to what extent

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

these shortages impact production.

ISO 9001 INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATION

In August 1995, the Company became registered to ISO 9001, the international standard for conformance to quality excellence in meeting market needs in all areas including product design, manufacturing, quality assurance and marketing. The registration assessment was performed by Underwriter's Laboratory, Inc., according to the ISO 9001:1994 International Standard. Continuous assessments to maintain certification are performed semi-annually, and the Company has maintained its certification through each audit evaluation, most recently March 22, 2001.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Each of the markets the Company competes in are characterized by technological change, evolving industry standards, and new product requirements to meet market growth. During the last three years, the Company has focused its research and development resources primarily on: Satellite DBS products, two-way MMDS transceivers, two-way MMDS integrated transceiver/modems. In addition, development resources were allocated to broaden existing product lines, reduce product costs and improve performance by product redesign efforts.

Research and development expenses were \$6,979,000, \$5,540,000, and \$4,764,000, during fiscal years 2001, 2000, and 1999, respectively.

SALES AND MARKETING

The Company sells its wireless access products directly to system operators as well as through distributors and system integrators. The Company sells its Satellite products through satellite equipment distributors, but, from time to time, sells certain products to manufacturers for incorporation into complete satellite dish systems, or directly to DBS operators.

The Company's sales and marketing functions for each business unit are centralized in its Camarillo California, USA, corporate headquarters. In addition, the Company has sales offices and personnel in Paris, France; Sao Paulo, Brazil; as well as some sales activity in its Hong Kong, China material procurement operation. The Company may add additional sales offices and employees as market conditions warrant, in market areas that require additional sales and customer support not adequately served by a major distributor or reseller.

Micro Pulse sales and marketing functions are centralized in its Camarillo California, USA corporate headquarters. In addition, Micro Pulse also utilizes sales representatives to identify markets and customers, and to sell its products.

See also Note 11 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for segment and geographical sales information.

COMPETITION

The markets in which the Company competes are highly competitive. In addition, if the markets for the Company's products continue to grow, the Company anticipates increased competition from new companies entering such markets, some of whom may have financial and technical resources substantially greater than those of the Company. Furthermore, because some of the Company's products may not be proprietary, they may be duplicated by low-cost producers, resulting in price and margin pressures.

The Company believes that competition in its markets is based primarily on

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

price, performance, reputation, product reliability and technical support. In the terrestrial Wireless Access market, the Company has supplier relationships with major operators in various regions of the world, and believes that its pricing, accompanied by product performance, reliability, low field failure rate, and its ongoing technical support, are currently competitive advantages to the Company. In the Satellite Television market, its reputation for performance and quality allows the Company a competitive advantage if pricing of its products is comparable to its competitors. Its acquisition of rights to U.S. DBS products in 1999 allowed the Company immediate entry into the U.S. DBS market where it maintains a leadership position. In the GPS and wireless antenna markets Micro Pulse relies upon its reputation for innovation, quality and its quick time to market with new design requirements.

The Company's continued success in these markets, however, will depend upon its ability to continue to design and manufacture quality products at competitive prices.

BACKLOG

The Company's products are sold to customers that do not usually enter into long-term purchase agreements, and as a result, the Company's backlog at any date is not significant to the annualized sales trends. In addition, because of customer order modifications, cancellations, or orders requiring wire transfers or letters of credit from international customers, the Company's backlog as of any particular date, may not be indicative of sales for any future period. Moreover, the lack of backlog beyond any ninety-day period makes it more difficult for the Company to forecast its sales over longer timeframes.

PATENTS, TRADEMARKS AND LICENSES

The Company's timely application of its technology and its design, development and marketing capabilities have been of substantially greater importance to its business than patents or licenses.

The Company currently has sixteen patents ranging from design features for downconverter and antenna products, to its MultiCipher broadband scrambling system. Those that relate to its downconverter products do not give the Company any significant advantage since other manufacturers using different design approaches can offer similar microwave products in the marketplace. The Company does believe, however, that certain Wireless Cable antenna patented designs, and the broadband scrambling technology for encoding and decoding multi-channel television signals used in the MultiCipher system are important and may result in a competitive advantage for the Company.

In October 2000, the Company obtained an exclusive field use license for U.S. patent No. 4,907,291, which relates to simultaneous two-way microwave communication.

The Company currently has nine other patents pending.

California Amplifier(R) and MultiCipher(R) are federally registered trademarks of the Company. The Company has also filed for trademark protection for its MultiCipher Plus product line.

EMPLOYEES

At March 3, 2001, the Company had 363 employees, including contract employees, and Micro Pulse had 71 employees. None of the Company's employees are represented by a labor union.

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

ITEM 2. PROPERTIES

The Company's corporate headquarters and its primary manufacturing operations are located in three adjacent facilities in Camarillo, California (approximately 60 miles north of Los Angeles) totaling approximately 94,000 square feet. The leases on all three facilities expire in 2004. The Company also has offices in Paris, France; Sao Paulo, Brazil; and Hong Kong, China. See also Note 9 to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Micro Pulse's corporate headquarters and manufacturing facility is located on approximately 18,579 square feet of leased space in Camarillo, California, which Micro Pulse rents on a month-to-month basis.

ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

YOURISH CLASS ACTIONS AND RLI INSURANCE COMPANY LITIGATION

On June 11, 1997, the Company and certain of its directors and officers had two legal actions filed against them, one in the United States District Court, Central District of California, entitled YOURISH V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., ET AL., Case No. 97-4293 CBM (Mcx), and the other in the Superior Court for the State of California, County of Ventura, entitled YOURISH V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC. ET AL., Case No. CIV 173569. On June 30, 1997, another legal action was filed against the same defendants in the Superior Court for the State of California, County of Ventura, entitled BURNS, ET AL., V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., ET AL., Case No. CIV 173981. All three actions were purported class actions on behalf of purchasers of the common stock of the Company between September 12, 1995 and August 8, 1996. The actions claimed that the defendants engaged in a scheme to make false and misleading statements and omit to disclose material adverse facts to the public concerning the Company, allegedly causing the Company's stock price to artificially rise, and thereby allegedly allowing the individual defendants to sell stock at inflated prices. Plaintiffs claimed that the purported stockholder class was damaged when the price of the stock declined upon disclosure of the alleged adverse facts. On September 21, 1998, the Federal legal action was dismissed in the United States District Court. The dismissal was upheld by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit on October 8, 1999.

On March 27, 2000 the trial began for the lawsuit filed in the Superior Court for the State of California, County of Ventura, entitled YOURISH V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., ET AL., Case No. CIV 173569. On March 29, 2000 the parties reached a settlement. The terms of the settlement called for the issuance by the Company of 187,500 shares of stock along with a cash payment of \$3.5 million, funded in part by insurance proceeds, for a total settlement of approximately \$11.0 million. Of the total settlement, \$9.5 million was accrued in the consolidated financial statements for the year ended February 26, 2000. By Order dated September 14, 2000, the court approved the terms of the settlement and dismissed the action with prejudice. As of March 3, 2001, the Company had issued 65,625 of the 187,500 shares and paid \$2.5 million of the \$3.5 million with one of its insurance carriers paying the remaining \$1.0 million. As of March 3, 2001 \$4.8 million was accrued in the consolidated financial statements primarily related to the remaining 121,875 shares still to be issued under the settlement agreement.

In connection with the settlement of the YOURISH action, the Company and certain of its former and current officers and directors have filed a lawsuit (CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., ET AL. V. RLI INSURANCE COMPANY, ET AL., Ventura County Superior Court Case No. CIV196258), against one of its insurance carriers to recover \$2.0 million of coverage the insurance carrier has stated was not covered under its policy of insurance. The insurance carrier filed a Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings seeking judgment on the basis, INTER ALIA, that the claims in the YOURISH action for alleged violations of Sections 25400 and 25500

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

of the California Corporation Code were not insurable as a matter of law pursuant to Insurance Code Section 533. The Plaintiffs opposed the motion and a hearing was held on September 22, 2000. On October 18, 2000, the Court entered an Order on granting the motion for judgment on the pleadings. Judgment was entered on November 9, 2000, and Notice of Entry of Judgment given on November 15, 2000. California Amplifier filed a Notice of Appeal on November 21, 2000 and the appeal has been fully briefed by both parties. No hearing date has been set to argue the appeal.

7

ANDREW CORPORATION LITIGATION

On March 7, 2000, the Company announced that it had received a complaint of patent infringement from Andrew Corporation (Andrew). The complaint, filed against California Amplifier in U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas, alleges that certain California Amplifier products infringe Andrew's patent rights. The complaint was served with this initial pleading on or about June 5, 2000. A first amended complaint was filed by Andrew on June 28, 2000. On July 18, 2000, Andrew filed a motion for preliminary injunction seeking to enjoin the Company from selling the products that Andrew claims infringe its patent rights. During the briefing period regarding the preliminary injunction, Andrew filed a motion to strike the Company's preliminary injunction opposition brief. Also during this briefing period, the Company secured an exclusive license, with enforcement rights, to a certain patent that the Company believes both invalidates Andrew's '052 patent and applies to Andrew's competing products. The Company has commenced patent litigation against Andrew in the United States District Court for the Central District of California under this patent, in an action styled CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC. AND NEC CORPORATION V. ANDREW CORPORATION, Case No. CV-01-01391 AHM (RZx) ("The California Action").

California Amplifier successfully defeated the motion to strike, and Andrew's reply relating to the preliminary injunction brief was filed on March 16, 2001. The preliminary injunction hearing was scheduled for April 12-13, 2001, but the hearing was removed from the Court's schedule due to ongoing settlement negotiations between the parties. The Company believes that the litigation will be resolved in the near future. If it is not, then the Company will continue to defend itself vigorously.

2001 SECURITIES LITIGATION

Following the announcement by the Company on March 29, 2001 of the resignation of its Controller and the possible overstatement of net income for the fiscal year ended February 26, 2000 and the subsequent restatement of fiscal year 2000 and the interim periods of fiscal years 2000 and 2001, the Company and certain of its officers and directors have been named defendants in twenty putative class actions in federal court:

(A) JOHN MICHAEL ROBERTS AND DAVID SCIORSCI, ON BEHALF OF THEMSELVES AND ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED, PLAINTIFFS V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., DEFENDANT, United States District Court, Central District of California, Western Division, Case No. CV-01-02988 MMM (RNBx). This action alleges violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

(B) MIKE ROGERS, ON HIS OWN BEHALF AND ON BEHALF OF ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED, PLAINTIFF V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., FRED STURM, AND MICHAEL R. FERRON, DEFENDANTS, United States District Court, Central District of California, Western Division, Case No. CV-01-02992 ER (JWJx). This action alleges violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

(C) JAMES LEONHARD, ON HIS OWN BEHALF AND ON BEHALF OF ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED, PLAINTIFF V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., FRED STURM AND MICHAEL R. FERRON, DEFENDANTS, United States District Court, Central District of California, Western Division, Case No. CV-01-03046 ER (CWx). This action alleges violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

(D) STEPHEN W. BROCK, ON HIS OWN BEHALF AND ON BEHALF OF ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED, PLAINTIFF V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., FRED STURM, AND MICHAEL R. FERRON, DEFENDANTS, United States District Court, Central District of California, Western Division, Case No. SACV-01-373 DOC (ANx). This action alleges violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

(E) EDWARD KALL, ON HIS OWN BEHALF AND ON BEHALF OF ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED, PLAINTIFF V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., FRED STURM, AND MICHAEL R. FERRON, DEFENDANTS, United States District Court, Central District of California, Western Division, Case No. SACV-01-382 DOC (ANx). This action alleges violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

8

(F) RICHARD TAYLOR, INDIVIDUALLY AND ON BEHALF OF ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED, PLAINTIFF V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., FRED STURM, AND MICHAEL R. FERRON, DEFENDANTS, United States District Court, Central District of California, Western Division, Case No. CV-01-03112 MRP (AIJx). This action alleges violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

(G) MICHAEL SEBANI, ON BEHALF OF HIMSELF AND ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED, PLAINTIFF V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., DEFENDANT, United States District Court, Central District of California, Western Division, Case No. CV-01-03187 FMC (CWx). This action alleges violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

(H) PETER CHERVIN, ON BEHALF OF HIMSELF AND ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED, PLAINTIFF V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., DEFENDANT, United States District Court, Central District of California, Western Division, Case No. CV-01-03300 (Ex). This action alleges violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

(I) BRIAN ABRAMSON, ON BEHALF OF HIMSELF AND ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED, PLAINTIFF V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., DEFENDANT, United States District Court, Central District of California, Western Division, Case No. CV-01-03322 MRP (DNBx). This action alleges violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

(J) ORLANDO MARTINEZ, ON BEHALF OF HIMSELF AND ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED, PLAINTIFF V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., DEFENDANT, United States District Court, Central District of California, Western Division, Case No. CV-01-03329 NM (SHx). This action alleges violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

(K) CHARLES MEDALIE, ON BEHALF OF HIMSELF AND ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

SITUATED, PLAINTIFF V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., DEFENDANT, United States District Court, Central District of California, Western Division, Case No. CV-01-03379 CBM (BQRx). This action alleges violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

(L) DENNIS M. MCCARTHY, ON BEHALF OF HIMSELF AND ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED, PLAINTIFF V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., DEFENDANT, United States District Court, Central District of California, Western Division, Case No. CV-01-03441 WJR (MANx). This action alleges violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

(M) RONALD E. BEARD, ON BEHALF OF HIMSELF AND ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED, PLAINTIFF V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., DEFENDANT, United States District Court, Central District of California, Western Division, Case No. CV-01-03507 GAF (CTx). This action alleges violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

(N) DAVID G. HESS, INDIVIDUALLY AND ON BEHALF OF ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED, PLAINTIFF V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., FRED STURM, MICHAEL R. FERRON, AND JOHN DOE DEFENDANTS, United States District Court, Central District of California, Western Division, Case No. CV-01-03508 DT (CWx). This action alleges violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

(O) RICHARD BRADFORD BREWER, ON HIS OWN BEHALF AND ON BEHALF OF ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED, PLAINTIFF V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., FRED STURM, AND MICHAEL R. FERRON, DEFENDANTS, United States District Court, Central District of California, Western Division, Case No. CV-01-03511 AHM (RZ). This action alleges violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

(P) YOUSEF MACHOUR, ON BEHALF OF HIMSELF AND ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED, PLAINTIFF V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., DEFENDANT, United States District Court, Central District of California, Western Division, Case No. CV-01-03587 CM (BQRx). This action alleges violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

9

(Q) JAMES WELCH, ON BEHALF OF HIMSELF AND ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED, PLAINTIFF V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., DEFENDANT, United States District Court, Central District of California, Western Division, Case No. CV-01-03758 SVW (MANx). This action alleges violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

(R) JAMES S. THOMAS, ON BEHALF OF HIMSELF AND ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED, PLAINTIFF V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., FRED STURM, AND MICHAEL R. FERRON, DEFENDANTS, United States District Court, Central District of California, Western Division, Case No. CV-01-03774 TJH (MANx). This action alleges violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

(S) GREG MOCCIA, ON BEHALF OF HIMSELF AND ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED, PLAINTIFF V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., DEFENDANT, United States District Court, Central District of California, Western Division, Case No. CV-01-03776 FMC (MANx). This action alleges violations of Sections 10(b)

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

(T) CHADRAKANT ITCHHAPORIA, ON BEHALF OF HIMSELF AND ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED, PLAINTIFF V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., DEFENDANT, United States District Court, Central District of California, Western Division, Case No. CV-01-03896 DDP (Mcx). This action alleges violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

Sixteen of the class actions seek to represent a class of purchasers of the Company's common stock for the period between April 6 or 7, 2000 to March 28, 2001. Four of the class actions seek to represent a class of purchasers of the Company's common stock for the period between June 10 or 11, 1999 to March 28 or 29, 2001 (TAYLOR, WELCH, MOCCIA, AND ITCHHAPORIA). All of the complaints cite to the Company's March 29, 2001 announcement regarding the resignation of the Company's corporate controller and statement that net income for the fiscal year ended February 26, 2000 may have been overstated by as much as \$2.2 million. The complaints generally allege that the defendants artificially inflated the price of California Amplifier stock during the class period by allegedly making false representations about the Company's financial results or failing to disclose adverse facts about its financial results. The complaints also allege without specific facts that the individual defendants knew or were reckless in making the alleged false statements about the Company's financial results.

The twenty actions are expected to be consolidated into a single action pursuant to stipulation of the parties. The Company expects to move to dismiss the complaints after they are consolidated and a lead plaintiffs' counsel appointed, and intends to defend the actions vigorously. At this time it is not possible to determine the outcome of these actions.

ITEM 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

During the three months ended March 3, 2001, no matters were submitted to a vote of the Company's security holders.

10

PART II

ITEM 5. MARKET FOR THE REGISTRANT'S COMMON STOCK AND RELATED SECURITY HOLDER MATTERS

The Company's Common Stock trades on The Nasdaq Stock Market under the symbol "CAMP." The following table sets forth for each fiscal period indicating the high and low sale prices for the Company's Common Stock, as reported by Nasdaq:

	LOW	HIGH
FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 3, 2001:		
1st Quarter	\$14.50	\$49.
2nd Quarter	19.25	63.
3rd Quarter	15.50	45.
4th Quarter	5.44	19.

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

FISCAL YEAR ENDED FEBRUARY 26, 2000:

1st Quarter	\$ 1.69	\$ 5.
2nd Quarter	4.06	14.
3rd Quarter	11.18	25.
4th Quarter	22.25	45.

At May 22, 2001 the number of stockholders of record of the Company's Common Stock was 242. The number of stockholders of record does not include the number of persons having beneficial ownership held in "street name" which are estimated to approximate 14,500.

The Company has never paid a cash dividend and has no current plans to pay cash dividends on its Common Stock.

On March 29, 2001, subsequent to the Company's announcement that it was investigating improper adjustments made by the corporate controller to the Company's accounting records, NASDAQ halted trading of the Company's common stock.

On May 3, 2001, the Company announced that it had received notification from NASDAQ that due to the Company's failure to comply with filing requirements requiring audited financial statements to be included in its annual report, NASDAQ intended to delist the shares of the Company's common stock at the opening of business on May 8, 2001. The Company presented testimony at the NASDAQ hearing held on May 25, 2001 regarding the continued listing of the Company's common stock on NASDAQ. The Company believes that it provided satisfactory answers to the questions raised and was advised that the hearing panel is expected to issue a ruling on the matter some time in June 2001. In the interim, trading in the common stock will remain halted.

11

ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The following table sets forth certain selected financial data which has been derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company for each of the respective years. The selected financial data should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes thereto and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations included elsewhere herein.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS DATA:
(in thousands, except per share data)

	YEARS ENDED		
	MAR. 3, 2001	FEB. 26, 2000 (1)	FEB. 27, 1999
Sales	\$ 124,979	\$ 86,417	\$ 37,547
Income (loss) before taxes	8,098	(7,908)	(2,217)

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

Net income (loss)	5,209	(5,064)	(1,436)
Diluted net income (loss) per share	0.37	(0.42)	(0.12)

(1) Fiscal year 2000 includes a \$9.5 million charge for settlement of litigation. Excluding this charge net income would have been approximately \$1,019,000, or \$.08 per fully diluted share.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS DATA:
(in thousands)

	AS OF EACH YEAR END		
	2001	2000	1999
Total assets	\$ 49,812	\$ 51,497	\$ 25,549
Working capital	20,491	4,472	15,478
Long-term debt, net of current portion	4,500	145	517
Stockholders' equity	29,624	18,281	20,065

12

ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, the percentage of sales represented by items included in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations:

	YEARS ENDED	
	MAR. 3, 2001	FEB. 26, 2000

Sales:

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

Satellite Products	68.1%	69.9%
Wireless Access Products	25.6	22.0
Antenna Products	6.3	8.1

Total sales	100.0	100.0
Gross margin	21.2	20.6
Research and development	5.6	6.4
Selling	3.3	5.7
General and administrative	5.2	6.2

Income (loss) from operations	7.1	2.3
Settlement of litigation	---	(11.0)
Other income (expense), net	(.3)	(.2)
Minority interest share in (income) loss of Micro Pulse	(.3)	(.3)

Income (loss) before (provision for) benefit from income taxes	6.5	(9.2)
(Provision for) benefit from income taxes	(2.3)	3.3

Net income (loss)	4.2%	(5.9)%
=====		

13

FISCAL YEARS 2001 AND 2000

Sales increased \$38.6 million, or 44.6%, from \$86.4 million in fiscal year 2000 to \$125.0 million in fiscal year 2001. The fiscal year 2001 sales increase resulted primarily from increases in each of the Company's three major sales categories.

Sales of Satellite products increased \$24.7, or 40.9%, from \$60.4 million to \$85.1 million. Sales of Wireless Access products increased \$13.0 million, or 68.4%, from \$19.0 million to \$32.0 million. Sales of Antenna products, which represent total sales by Micro Pulse, increased \$862,000, or 12.3%, from \$7.0 million to \$7.9 million.

The \$24.7 million or 40.9% sales increase in Satellite products resulted primarily from increased sales of U.S. DBA products. The Company experienced significant year-to-year sales growth (\$28.7 million increase) in the first half of fiscal year 2001 as compared to the first half of fiscal year 2000, offset by a negative comparison (\$4.0 million decrease) for the second half year-to-year comparisons. The reductions of shipments of satellite DBS products in the second half of fiscal year 2000 reflects a slowing of subscriber additions, reduction in inventory levels by operators, in addition to the elimination of single output downconverters from their product offering. A delay by the Company of a new product introduction contributed \$3.4 million of the fourth quarter sales decrease. This product began shipments of small volume in the Company's first quarter of fiscal year 2002.

The \$13.0 million sales increase in Wireless Access products results from increased sales of two-way wireless transceivers, offset by reductions in the Company's legacy wireless cable video products.

The \$862,000 sales increase in sales of Antenna products resulted primarily from Micro Pulse expanding its customer base for certain other antenna applications.

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

Gross profits increased \$8.7 million, or 48.6%, from \$17.8 million in fiscal year 2000 to \$26.5 million in fiscal year 2001. The increase in gross profits occurred primarily because of the increase in sales, and slightly higher product gross margins.

Gross margins increased from 20.6% in fiscal year 2000 to 21.2% in fiscal year 2001. The increase in gross margins relates to increased sales of Wireless Access products at higher gross margins of 32.6% while Satellite product gross margins remained relatively consistent with the prior year at 15.2%. See also Note 11 to notes to the consolidated financial statements included elsewhere herein.

Research and development expenses increased by \$1.5 million, from \$5.5 million in fiscal year 2000 to \$7.0 million in fiscal year 2001. The increase results primarily to additional design personnel in the Wireless Access business unit to focus on the development of wireless two-way MMDS transceivers, and salary increases to ensure engineers' compensation is competitive with current market conditions.

Selling expenses decreased by \$793,000 from \$4.9 million in fiscal year 2000 to \$4.1 in fiscal year 2001. The decrease relates primarily to reductions in discretionary marketing expense, offset by additions in personnel and salary increases.

General and administrative expenses increased by \$1.2 million from \$5.4 million in fiscal year 2000 to \$6.6 million in fiscal year 2001. The increase results primarily from increases in legal and professional fees.

Income from operations increased by \$6.9 million from \$2.0 million in fiscal year 2000 to \$8.9 million in fiscal year 2001. The principal reasons for the improvement are as described above: a \$38.6 million increase in sales, a \$8.7 million increase in gross profits, offset by a \$1.8 million increase in operating expenses.

The \$9.5 million settlement of litigation in fiscal year 2000 relates to the settlement of the class action lawsuit filed in June 1997. See Note 10 to notes to consolidated financial statements included elsewhere herein.

The (provision for) benefit from income taxes for fiscal years 2001 and 2000 was approximately 36% of income (loss) before taxes.

14

For the reasons outlined above, net income for fiscal year 2001 increased \$10.3 million from a loss of \$5.1 million in fiscal year 2000 to net income of \$5.2 million in fiscal year 2001.

FISCAL YEARS 2000 AND 1999

Sales increased \$48.9 million, or 130%, from \$37.5 million in fiscal year 1999 to \$86.4 million in fiscal year 2000. The fiscal year 2000 sales increase resulted primarily from the significant increase in sales of satellite products.

Sales of Satellite products increased \$47.8, or 377%, from \$12.7 million to \$60.4 million. Sales of Wireless access products decreased \$1.6 million, or 7.6%, from \$20.6 million to \$19.0 million. Sales of Antenna products, which represent total sales by Micro Pulse, increased \$2.7 million, or 63%, from \$4.3 million to \$7.0 million.

The \$47.8 million increase in Satellite products sales resulted primarily from significantly higher unit sales of U.S. DBS products, which were acquired

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

from Gardiner Communications in April 1999.

The \$1.6 million decrease in Wireless Access products sales was a result of approximately \$3.0 million decrease in sales of wireless cable video products, offset by a \$1.5 million increase in sales of two-way transceiver products.

The \$2.7 million sales increase in sales of Antenna products resulted primarily from Micro Pulse expanding its customer base for certain GPS applications with a resulting increase in units sold.

Gross profits increased \$7.3 million, or 69%, from \$10.5 million in fiscal year 1999 to \$17.8 million in fiscal year 2000. The increase in gross profits occurred because of a 130% increase in sales offset by lower product gross margins of 20.6%, as a result of sales of lower margin satellite DBS products which represented a larger percentage of total sales in fiscal year 2000 as compared to fiscal year 1999.

Gross margins decreased from 28.1% in fiscal year 1999 to 20.6% in fiscal year 2000. The decrease in gross margins relates primarily to the fact that approximately 70% of total sales were sales of satellite products with gross margins of approximately 15.1%. The Satellite products gross margins for fiscal year 2000 were negatively impacted by significantly lower product gross margins in the third and fourth quarter of fiscal year 2000. Factors affecting satellite product gross margins in the third and fourth quarter of fiscal year 2000 were as follows: competitive pricing, higher than anticipated labor and overhead costs to initiate production of DBS products in two factories beginning in September 1999, higher pricing for critical components used in manufacturing of the product, and assembly line shut downs because of electronic component shortages. Wireless Access products gross margins of 31.5%, although higher than satellite products, were impacted negatively by excess manufacturing capacity. See also Note 11 Segment and Geographic Data to Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere herein.

Research and development expenses increased by \$776,000, from \$4.8 million in fiscal year 1999 to \$5.5 million in fiscal year 2000. The increase results from additional personnel to support the new satellite products, and company-wide salary increases to remain competitive with industry compensation trends. As a percentage of sales, however, research and development expenses decreased to 6.4% from 12.7% in fiscal year 1999. This is primarily a result of the significant increase in sales and the fact that in prior years the Company maintained research and development regardless of lower sales in the near-term.

Selling expenses increased by \$436,000 from \$4.4 million in fiscal year 1999 to \$4.9 million in fiscal year 2000. The increase relates primarily to increases in salaries and additions in personnel to support increased satellite sales.

General and administrative expenses increased by \$1.5 million from \$3.9 million in fiscal year 1999 to \$5.4 million in fiscal year 2000. The increase results primarily from increases in incentive bonuses, legal fees, and additions relating to the acquisition of Gardiner, including goodwill amortization.

15

Each of the functional operating expenses declined as a percentage of sales due to the 130% increase in total sales, so it is difficult to analyze such costs from year-to-year as a percentage of sales.

Income (loss) from operations increased by \$4.6 million from a loss of \$2.5 million in fiscal year 1999 to income of \$2.0 million in fiscal year 2000.

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

The settlement of litigation relates to the class action litigation filed in June 1997. See also Note 10 to notes to consolidated financial statements included elsewhere herein.

The benefit from income taxes was \$2.8 million, or 36% of the loss before taxes in fiscal year 2000, relatively consistent with the tax rate of 35.2% in fiscal year 1999.

For the reasons outlined above, the net loss for fiscal year 2000 was \$5.1 million, as compared to a net loss of \$1.4 million in fiscal year 1999.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

As of March 3, 2001, the Company had cash and cash equivalents on hand of \$10.0 million and \$8.0 million available under a working capital credit facility as described below.

In September 2000, the Company finalized a new banking arrangement with U.S. Bank. Under the agreement, the Company borrowed \$5.0 million under a term loan interest only at Libor plus 2.2%, until September 2001 at which time the loan converts to a five-year term loan. In addition, the Company's working capital credit facility was increased to \$8.0 million. The credit facility contains certain financial covenants and ratios the Company is required to maintain. At March 3, 2001, the Company was not in compliance with certain debt covenants under the working capital credit facility, but there were no borrowings outstanding. In May 2001, the bank amended the covenants retroactive to November 2000. In addition, the Bank agreed to amend the debt covenants for fiscal 2002.

The Company believes that cash flow from operations together with the funds available under its credit facility, are sufficient to support operations and capital equipment requirements over the next twelve months.

The Company believes that inflation and foreign currency exchange rates have not had a material effect on its operations. The Company believes that fiscal year 2002 will not be impacted significantly by foreign exchange since a significant portion of the Company's fiscal year 2002 projected sales are to U.S. markets, or to international markets where its sales are negotiated in U.S. dollars. Import tariffs in countries such as Brazil and China have made it more difficult to compete with in-country manufacturers.

NEW AUTHORITATIVE PRONOUNCEMENTS

In June 1998 and June 1999, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," and SFAS No. 137, which delayed the effective date of SFAS No. 133. Management does not expect adoption of this standard to have a material impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In December 1999, the SEC staff released Staff Accounting Bulletin (SAB) No. 101, "Revenue Recognition in Financial Statements," to provide guidance on the recognition, presentation and disclosure of revenue in financial statements. The adoption of SAB No. 101 did not have a material impact on the Company's revenue recognition and results of operations.

In May 2001, the FASB reached a consensus on portions of its Business Combination Project. Under terms of the consensus, the Company will stop amortizing goodwill at the close of fiscal year 2002.

ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURE ABOUT MARKET RISK

The Company's primary market risk exposure is interest rate risk. As of March 3, 2001, the Company's term debt and credit facility with its bank are

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

subject to variable interest rates. The Company monitors its debt and interest bearing cash equivalents levels to mitigate the risk of interest rate fluctuations. A fluctuation of one percent in interest rates would have an annual impact of less than \$50,000 on the Company's Statement of Operations.

16

SAFE HARBOR STATEMENT

Forward looking statements in this Form 10-K which include, without limitation, statements relating to the Company's plans, strategies, objectives, expectations, intentions, projections and other information regarding future performance, are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The words "believes," "anticipates," "expects," and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements reflect the Company's current views with respect to future events and financial performance and are subject to certain risks and uncertainties, including, without limitation, product demand, market growth, new competition, competitive pricing and continued pricing declines in the DBS market, supplier constraints, manufacturing yields, meeting demand with multiple facilities, timing and market acceptance of new product introductions, new technologies, the outcome of pending litigation, and other risks and uncertainties that are detailed from time to time in the Company's periodic reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, copies of which may be obtained from the Company upon request. Such risks and uncertainties could cause actual results to differ materially from historical results or those anticipated. Although the Company believes the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are based upon reasonable assumptions, it can give no assurance that its expectations will be attained. The Company undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

The financial statements and related financial information required to be filed hereunder are indexed on page 22 of this report and are incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9. DISAGREEMENTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

None.

ITEM 10. DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

The directors and executive officers of the Company are as follows:

NAME	AGE	POSITION
Ira Coron (1)	72	Chairman of the Board of Directors
Fred M. Sturm	43	Chief Executive Officer, President
Philip Cox	61	Vice President, Wireless Products
Michael R. Ferron	46	Vice President, Finance, Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Secretary

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

Robert Hannah	40	Vice President, Satellite Products
Kris Kelkar	37	Vice President, Wireless Access Pro
Richard B. Gold	46	Director
Arthur H. Hausman (1) (2)	77	Director
Frank Perna, Jr. (2)	63	Director
Thomas L. Ringer (2)	69	Director

(1) Member of Compensation Committee.

(2) Member of Audit Committee.

17

IRA CORON has been Chairman of the Board for California Amplifier, Inc. since March of 1994, and in addition was the Chief Executive Officer until 1997 and remained an officer of the Company until February 1999. From 1989 to 1994 he was an independent management consultant to several companies and venture capital firms. He retired from TRW, Inc., after serving in numerous senior management positions from June 1967 to July 1989 among which was Vice President and General Manager of TRW's Electronic Components Group. He also served as a member of the Executive Committee of the Wireless Communications Association.

FRED M. STURM was appointed Chief Executive Officer, President and Director in August 1997. Prior to joining the Company from 1990 to 1997, Mr. Sturm was President of Chloride Power Systems (USA), and Managing Director of Chloride Safety, Security, and Power Conversion (UK), both of which are part of Chloride Group, PLC (LSE: CHLD). From 1979 to 1990, he held a variety of general management positions with M/A-Com and TRW Electronics, which served RF and microwave markets.

PHILIP COX joined the Company in July 1996. In January 1998, in conjunction with the reorganization previously mentioned, Mr. Cox was appointed Vice President, Wireless Products and most recently Vice President Sales, Wireless Access Products. Prior to July 1996, he held various sales and marketing positions with Signal Technology and M/A-Com.

MICHAEL R. FERRON joined the Company as Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer in October 1990 and was appointed Corporate Secretary in March 1991. Prior to October 1990, Mr. Ferron was employed by the accounting firms of Deloitte & Touche (1987-1990) and Arthur Young & Company (1977-1987).

ROBERT HANNAH joined the Company as Vice President of Engineering in April 1995. In January 1998, in conjunction with the reorganization previously mentioned, Mr. Hannah was appointed Vice President, Satellite Products. Prior to April 1995, Mr. Hannah held various positions with Hughes, most recently the position of Technical Manager at Hughes Network Systems.

KRIS KELKAR was appointed Senior Vice President of Sales and Marketing in April 1995 and Vice President, Marketing in April 1997. In January 1998, in conjunction with the reorganization previously mentioned, Mr. Kelkar was appointed Vice President, Voice and Data Products, and, most recently, Vice President, Wireless Access Products. Prior to April 1995, he held various positions with General Instrument Corporation, the most recent Vice President of International Marketing for General Instrument's Communications Division.

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

RICHARD B. GOLD became a director of California Amplifier, Inc. in December 2000. Mr. Gold has been the President and Chief Executive Officer of Genoa Corporation, a privately-held optical communications equipment company, since January 1999. From November 1991 through December 1998, Mr. Gold held various senior-level executive positions with Pacific Monolithics, Inc., a supplier of wireless communications equipment, including Vice President -- Engineering, Chief Operating Officer and, from January 1997 through December 1998, President and Chief Executive Officer. In October 1998, Pacific Monolithics filed a voluntary petition for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. From 1987 through 1991, Mr. Gold was Executive Director of the Massachusetts Microelectronics Center, a non-profit education and research consortium. Mr. Gold currently is a member of the Board of Directors of Nucentrix Broadband Networks, Inc., a fixed broadband wireless Internet provider.

ARTHUR H. HAUSMAN has been a director of the Company since 1987. Mr. Hausman is Chairman Emeritus of the Board of Ampex Corporation. He served as Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer of Ampex, having been with Ampex for 27 years until his retirement in 1988. He currently serves as a director of Drexler Technology Corporation, and director emeritus of TCI, Inc. He was appointed by President Reagan to the President's Export Council, to the Council's Executive Committee and to the Chairmanship of the Export Administration Subordinate Committee of the Council for the period 1985 to 1989.

FRANK PERNA, JR. has been a director since May 2000. From 1990 to 1993, Mr. Perna was Chief Executive Officer of MagneTek. From 1994 to 1998 Mr. Perna was Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of EOS Corporation, and from 1998 to the present as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of MSC Software. Mr. Perna

18

also serves as Chairman of the Board of Software.com, as a director of Intellisys, and on the board of Trustees of Kettering University.

THOMAS L. RINGER has been a director of the Company since August 1996. Since 1990, Mr. Ringer has been actively involved as a member of the boards of directors for various companies. Mr. Ringer is currently Chairman of Wedbush Morgan Securities, Inc., Chairman of M.S. Aerospace, Inc., Chairman of Document Sciences Corporation, Chairman of Wedbush Capital Corporation, and Chairman of the Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship. Prior to 1990, Mr. Ringer served as Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Recognition Equipment, Inc., President and Chief Executive Officer of Fujitsu Systems of America, Inc., and President and Chief Executive Officer of Computer Machinery Corporation.

Each director holds office until the next annual meeting of stockholders or until his successor has been duly elected and qualified. Each non-employee director receives an annual stock option grant to purchase 8,000 shares at the fair-market-value at time of grant, which vest over a one-year period, a monthly fee of \$1,250, and reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses in attending the Company's Board of Directors meetings. There are no family relationships among any directors or executive officers of the Company.

The Company has a Compensation Committee which reviews and makes recommendations to the Board of Directors with respect to the compensation of the Company's executive officers and to administer the Company's Stock Option Plans.

The Company also has an Audit Committee which reviews the scope of audit procedures employed by the Company's independent auditors, approves the audit fee charged by the independent auditors, and reviews the audit reports rendered

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

by the Company's independent auditors. The Audit Committee reports to the Board of Directors with respect to such matters and recommends the selection of independent auditors.

Officers are appointed by and serve at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

Incorporated by reference from the information under the captions "Executive Compensation" in the Company's definitive proxy statement for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on July 20, 2001.

ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT

Incorporated by reference from the information under the caption "Stock Ownership" in the Company's definitive proxy statement for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on July 20, 2001.

ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS

Incorporated by reference from the information contained under the caption "Certain Relationships and Related Transactions" in the Company's definitive proxy statement for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on July 20, 2001.

19

PART IV

ITEM 14. EXHIBITS, FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K.

- (a) FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. Reference is made to the Index to Consolidated Financial Statements on page 22 of this report.
- (b) FORM 8-K. The Company made no filings on Form 8-K during the three months ended March 3, 2001.
- (c) EXHIBITS. Reference is made to the Index to Exhibits on pages 41-42 of this report.

20

SIGNATURES

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC.

By: /s/ Fred M. Sturm
Chief Executive Officer

Dated: June 1, 2001

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

SIGNATURES	CAPACITIES IN WHICH SERVED
/s/ Ira Coron	Chairman of the Board of Directors
/s/ Fred M. Sturm	Chief Executive Officer, President and Director
/s/ Richard B. Gold	Director
/s/ Arthur H. Hausman	Director
/s/ Frank Perna, Jr.	Director
/s/ Thomas L. Ringer	Director
/s/ Michael R. Ferron	Vice President, Finance, Chief Financial Officer (Principal Accounting Officer) and Corporate Secretary

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC.

INDEX TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

	PAGE
REPORT OF INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS	23
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:	
Consolidated Balance Sheets	24
Consolidated Statements of Operations	25
Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity and Comprehensive Income (Loss)	26
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows	27
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements	28-40

22

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

To California Amplifier, Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of California Amplifier, Inc. (a Delaware corporation) and subsidiaries as of March 3, 2001 and February 26, 2000, and the related consolidated statements of operations, stockholders' equity and comprehensive income (loss), and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended March 3, 2001. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly,

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

in all material respects, the financial position of California Amplifier, Inc. and subsidiaries as of March 3, 2001 and February 26, 2000, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended March 3, 2001 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

ARTHUR ANDERSEN LLP

Los Angeles, California
May 30, 2001

23

CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC.
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PAR VALUE)

	MAR. 3, 2001

ASSETS	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 10,009
Accounts receivable, net of allowance of \$467 at March 3, 2001 and \$473 at February 26, 2000	12,370
Inventories	10,373
Deferred tax asset	2,256
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	515

Total current assets	35,523
Property and equipment, at cost, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization	10,231
Goodwill, net of accumulated amortization of \$495 at March 3, 2001 and \$225 at February 26, 2000	3,557
Other assets	501

	\$ 49,812
=====	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$ 5,677
Accrued liabilities	8,711
Short-term debt and current portion of long-term debt	644

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

Total current liabilities	15,032
Long-term debt, net of current portion	4,500
Minority interest share in net assets of Micro Pulse, Inc.	656
Commitments and contingencies	
Stockholders' equity:	
Preferred stock, 3,000 shares authorized; no shares issued and outstanding	---
Common stock, \$.01 par value; 30,000 shares authorized; 13,602 shares outstanding in March 2001 and 12,658 shares outstanding in February 2000	136
Additional paid-in capital	23,975
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(699)
Retained earnings	6,212
Total stockholders' equity	29,624
	\$ 49,812

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

24

CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT NET LOSS PER SHARE)

	YEARS ENDED	
	MAR. 3, 2001	FEB. 26, 2000
Sales	\$ 124,979	\$ 86,417
Cost of sales	98,474	68,580
Gross profit	26,505	17,837
Research and development	6,979	5,540
Selling	4,084	4,877
General and administrative	6,567	5,395
Income (loss) from operations	8,875	2,025
Settlement of litigation	---	(9,500)
Other income (expense), net	(386)	(131)
Minority interest share in (income) loss of		

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

Micro Pulse	(391)	(302)
Income (loss) before income taxes	8,098	(7,908)
(Provision for) benefit from income taxes	(2,889)	2,844
Net income (loss)	\$ 5,209	\$ (5,064)
Net income (loss) per share:		
Basic	\$.39	\$ (.42)
Diluted	\$.37	\$ (.42)
Shares used in per share calculation:		
Basic	13,365	12,072
Dilluted	14,217	12,072

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

25

CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY
AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)
(IN THOUSANDS)

	COMMON STOCK		ADDITIONAL PAID-IN CAPITAL	RETAINED EARNINGS
	SHARES	AMOUNT		
Balances at February 28, 1998	11,771	\$ 118	\$14,025	\$ 7,503
Comprehensive loss:				
Net loss	---	---	---	(1,436)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	---	---	---	---
Exercise of stock options	14	---	25	---
Balances at February 27, 1999	11,785	118	14,050	6,067
Comprehensive loss:				
Net loss	---	---	---	(5,064)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	---	---	---	---
Exercise of stock options	873	9	3,327	---

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

Balances at February 26, 2000	12,658	127	17,377	1,003
Comprehensive income:				
Net income	---	---	---	5,209
Foreign currency translation adjustment	---	---	---	---
Issuances of common stock	591	6	4,391	---
Exercise of stock options	353	3	2,207	---
Balances at March 3, 2001	13,602	\$ 136	\$23,975	\$ 6,212

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

26

CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(IN THOUSANDS)

	YEARS ENDED	
	MAR. 3, 2001	FEB. 26, 2000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net income (loss)	\$ 5,209	\$ (5,064)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Non-cash litigation charge	---	9,500
Provision for doubtful accounts	144	37
Depreciation and amortization	4,250	2,990
(Gain) loss on sale and disposal of property and equipment	(41)	3
Minority interest share in net income (loss) of Micro Pulse, net of tax	314	228
Deferred tax asset	2,608	(4,252)
Change in assets and liabilities, net of effect of Gardiner acquisition in 2000:		
Accounts receivable	3,524	(11,252)
Inventories	2,520	(6,267)
Prepaid expenses and other assets	184	263
Accounts payable	(8,981)	10,014
Accrued liabilities	(2,222)	4,615
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	7,509	815
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

Purchases of property and equipment	(4,337)	(5,357)
Net assets acquired from Gardiner	---	(6,170)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment	51	7
<hr/>		
NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(4,286)	(11,520)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Debt borrowings	5,000	1,500
Debt repayments	(2,742)	(596)
Exercise of stock options	2,210	3,336
<hr/>		
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES	4,468	4,240
EFFECT OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES	(473)	(56)
<hr/>		
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	7,218	(6,521)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	2,791	9,312
<hr/>		
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$10,009	\$ 2,791
<hr/>		

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

27

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. GENERAL

California Amplifier, Inc. (the "Company") designs, manufactures and markets microwave equipment used in the reception of video transmitted from satellites and wireless terrestrial transmission sites, and two-way wireless transceivers used in the emerging fixed point wireless voice (telephony) and data (Internet) applications.

The Company also has a 50.5% controlling interest in Micro Pulse, Inc. ("Micro Pulse"), a company that designs, manufactures and markets antennas and amplifiers used principally in global positioning systems. (See Note 2).

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

PRINCIPLES OF CONSOLIDATION

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company (a Delaware corporation) and its wholly-owned subsidiaries, California Amplifier s.a.r.l., the Company's subsidiary in France, Cal Amp FSC, Inc., a foreign sales corporation, and Cal Amp Limited, the Company's Hong Kong subsidiary since April 1999. The consolidated financial statements also include the accounts of Micro Pulse. The Company holds a 50.5% controlling interest in Micro Pulse. All significant intercompany transactions have been eliminated.

FISCAL YEAR

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

The Company reports results on the basis of a 52/53 week accounting calendar ending on the last Saturday of February or the first Saturday of March. Fiscal year 2001 consisted of 53 weeks. Fiscal years 2000 and 1999 each consisted of 52 weeks.

REVENUE RECOGNITION

The Company recognizes revenue when persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, delivery has occurred, the sales price is fixed and determinable and collection is probable. Generally, these criteria are met at the time product is shipped.

In the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2001, the Company adopted Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF), Issue No. 00-10, Accounting for Shipping and Handling Fees and Costs. In accordance with the requirements of this pronouncement, the Company includes shipping and handling fees billed to customers as sales. Prior to the adoption of this pronouncement such amounts were excluded from sales and netted against the associated costs in costs of sales. The retroactive adoption of this pronouncement will increase sales and cost of sales, but has no impact on gross profits for any period presented. Shipping and handling fees included in sales for fiscal years 2001, 2000 and 1999 were \$446,000, \$567,000, and \$407,000, respectively.

USE OF ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States 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 financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The Company considers all liquid investments with an original maturity of less than three months to be cash equivalents.

28

CONCENTRATION OF RISK

At March 3, 2001 and February 26, 2000 the Company had cash and cash equivalents in three U.S. banks, some in excess of Federally insured amounts. Cash and cash equivalents in U.S. and foreign banks is as follows (in 000's):

	2001	2000
U.S. banks	\$ 8,983	\$ 2,166
Foreign banks	1,026	625
	\$ 10,009	\$ 2,791

The following table summarizes accounts receivable balances due from

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

customers (designated by letter) which are greater than 10% of consolidated accounts receivable at March 3, 2001 and February 26, 2000 (in 000's):

	Mar. 3, 2001	Feb. 26, 2000
A	\$ 2,219 (17.9%)	\$ 4,486 (28.0%)
B	2,549 (20.6%)	*
C	2,376 (19.2%)	*
D	*	2,471 (15.4%)
E	*	1,658 (10.3%)

*less than 10% of consolidated accounts receivable. All customers are Satellite Products customers except B which is a Wireless Access customer.

See also Note 11 - Segments and Geographical Data for major customer sales data.

ALLOWANCE FOR DOUBTFUL ACCOUNTS

The Company has established a reserve for potential write-offs relating to noncollectibility of accounts receivable. In fiscal years 2001, 2000, and 1999, \$144,000, \$37,000, and \$96,000 was charged to expense, respectively. Amounts charged to the allowance account for bad debt write-offs and costs relating to product returns were \$150,000, \$99,000, and \$411,000 in fiscal years 2001, 2000, and 1999, respectively.

INVENTORIES

Inventories include costs of materials, labor and manufacturing overhead and are stated at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out) or market, and consist of the following (in 000's):

	Mar. 3, 2001	Feb.26, 2000
Raw materials	\$ 7,174	\$ 10,147
Work in process	251	1,073
Finished goods	2,948	1,673
	\$ 10,373	\$ 12,893

PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment is stated at cost and consists of the following (in 000's):

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

2001

Machinery and equipment	\$ 19,79
Furniture and computers	4,56
Tooling	3,84
Leasehold improvements	1,40
	29,59
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	(19,36)
	\$ 10,23

The Company follows the policy of capitalizing expenditures which materially increase asset lives, and charging ordinary maintenance and repairs to operations, as incurred. When assets are sold or disposed of, the cost and related accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts and any resulting gain or loss is included in income (loss) from operations.

Depreciation and amortization are based upon the estimated useful lives of the related assets using the straight-line method. Useful lives range from two to five years, and in the case of leasehold improvements over the life of the lease.

GOODWILL

Goodwill represents the excess of purchase price and related costs over the value assigned to the net tangible assets of businesses acquired. Goodwill is amortized on a straight-line basis over 15 years. The Company continually evaluates whether events and circumstances have occurred that indicate the remaining estimated useful life of goodwill might warrant revision or that the remaining balance of goodwill may not be recoverable. When factors indicate that goodwill should be evaluated for possible impairment, the Company uses an estimate of undiscounted future net cash flows over the remaining life of goodwill to determine if impairment has occurred. Assets are grouped at the lowest level for which there are identifiable cash flows that are largely independent from other asset groups. The Company uses discounted future expected net cash flows to determine the amount of impairment loss. No impairment losses were recorded in fiscal years 2001, 2000, or 1999. Amortization expense was \$270,000 in fiscal year 2001 and \$225,000 in fiscal year 2000. In May 2001, the FASB reached a consensus on portions of its Business Combinations Project. Under terms of the consensus, the Company will stop amortizing goodwill at the close of fiscal year 2002.

ACCOUNTING FOR LONG-LIVED ASSETS

The Company reviews property and equipment and other long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amounts of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability is measured by comparison of carrying amount to future net cash flows an asset is expected to generate. If an asset is considered to be impaired, the impairment to be recognized is measured by the amount at which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds the projected discounted future cash flows arising from the asset.

DISCLOSURES ABOUT FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instrument for which it is practicable to estimate:

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

Cash and cash equivalents, Accounts receivable and Accounts payable - The carrying amount is a reasonable estimate of fair value.

Long-term debt - The carrying value approximates fair value since the interest rate on the long-term loan approximates the rate which is currently available to the Company for the issuance of debt with similar terms and maturities.

WARRANTY

The Company warrants its products against defects over periods ranging from three to fifteen months. An accrual for estimated future costs relating to products returned under warranty is recorded as an expense when products are shipped. Warranty expense was \$333,000, \$201,000, and \$377,000, in fiscal years 2001, 2000, and 1999, respectively. Amounts charged against accrued warranty for the actual costs of maintaining the Company's warranty program were \$348,000, \$284,000, and \$487,000 in fiscal years 2001, 2000, and 1999, respectively.

FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

The financial statements of the Company's Paris, France subsidiary are translated into United States dollars using current or historical exchange rates, as appropriate, with gains or losses included in the accumulated other comprehensive loss account in the stockholders' equity section of the consolidated balance sheets. Foreign

30

currency translation adjustments are the Company's only component of comprehensive income (loss), which includes all non-owner changes in stockholders' equity. The Hong Kong subsidiary's functional currency is the United States Dollar.

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE

Basic net income (loss) per share is computed by dividing reported earnings available to common stockholders by weighted average number of shares outstanding. Diluted net income per share increases the weighted average number of shares outstanding for the dilutive effect of stock options, warrants, and convertible debt arrangements. The diluted loss per share for fiscal years 2000 and 1999 does not include the effects of stock options, warrants, and convertible debt arrangements since the inclusion would be anti-dilutive and reduce the loss per share.

For fiscal years 2001, 2000, and 1999 there were 488,000, 1,357,000, and 175,000 options, respectively, not considered in the diluted weighted average shares calculation since their inclusion would be anti-dilutive.

STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION:

In fiscal years 2001, 2000, and 1999, the Company paid interest and incurred interest expense of \$479,000, \$382,000, and \$199,000, respectively.

In fiscal years 2001 and 2000 the Company paid income taxes of \$14,000 and \$21,000, respectively. No income taxes were paid in fiscal year 1999.

NONCASH INVESTING AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES:

In fiscal year 2001, the Company issued 525,000 shares of common stock at \$4.25

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

per share as a reduction in debt. These amounts have been excluded from the statement of cash flows.

In fiscal year 2001, the Company issued 65,625 shares of common stock at \$33.00 per share as a reduction in accrued liabilities. These amounts have been excluded from the statement of cash flows.

In fiscal year 2000, the Company issued a \$3,100,000 promissory note in connection with the Gardiner acquisition. This promissory note and a corresponding amount of net assets acquired from Gardiner have been excluded from the statement of cash flows.

In fiscal year 2000, the Company recorded a noncash charge of \$9,500,000 relating to the settlement of litigation. In connection with this charge, the Company recorded a non-cash income tax benefit of \$3,606,000.

ACCOUNTING FOR STOCK OPTIONS

As allowed by Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 123, the Company has elected to continue to measure compensation cost under Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees" APB No. 25 and comply with the pro forma disclosure requirements of the standard (see Note 8).

NEW AUTHORITATIVE PRONOUNCEMENTS

In June 1998 and June 1999, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," and SFAS No. 137, which delayed the effective date of SFAS No. 133. Management does not expect adoption of this standard to have a material impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In December 1999, the SEC staff released Staff Accounting Bulletin (SAB) No. 101, "Revenue Recognition in Financial Statements," to provide guidance on the recognition, presentation and disclosure of revenue in financial statements. The adoption of SAB No. 101 did not have a material impact on the Company's revenue recognition and results of operations.

31

RECLASSIFICATIONS

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation.

3. ACQUISITION AND PRO FORMA RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

On April 19, 1999, the Company acquired the technology and product rights to substantially all of Gardiner Communications Corp.'s (Gardiner) products, inventory, and manufacturing and development related equipment. The total purchase price, including assumption of certain liabilities and certain costs incurred in connection with the acquisition was approximately \$9.3 million. The Company paid \$6.2 million in cash, and Gardiner received a \$3.1 million, 8% one year convertible promissory note due April 19, 2000. In April 2000, a portion of the debt was converted into 525,000 shares of the Company's common stock at \$4.25 per share, which approximated the market value at the date of the acquisition, and the remaining balance was paid in cash. As part of the purchase, the Company recorded Goodwill of \$4.1 million which is being amortized over 15 years. The purchase price was allocated as follows (in 000's):

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

Inventory and prepaid expenses	\$ 2,900
Equipment	2,700
Goodwill	4,100
Assumption of liabilities and cost of acquisition	(400)

Total purchase price	\$ 9,300
	=====

The following unaudited pro forma statements combines the operations of the Company and Gardiner as if the acquisition had occurred at the beginning of each of the respective periods (in 000's except per share data):

		YEAR ENDED FEBRUARY 26, 2000		
		AS REPORTED	PRO FORMA	AS
Sales		\$ 86,417	\$ 88,417	\$
Net income (loss)		(5,064)	(4,904)	
Net income (loss) per share	Basic	(.42)	(.41)	
	Diluted	(.42)	(.41)	
Shares used in per share calculation				
	Basic	12,072	12,072	
	Diluted	12,072	12,072	

4. ACCRUED LIABILITIES

Accrued liabilities consist of the following (in 000's):

	Mar
	2

Accrued settlement for litigation	\$4
Payroll and related expenses	1
Customer prepayments	1
Warranty	
Income taxes	
Other accrued liabilities	

	\$8
=====	

5. SHORT-TERM BORROWINGS AND CREDIT FACILITIES

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

In April 1999, in conjunction with the Gardiner acquisition (Note 3), the Company issued a \$3.1 million one-year convertible promissory note bearing interest at 8% due on April 19, 2000. In April 2000, a portion of the note was converted into 525,000 shares of common stock at \$4.25 per share and the remaining balance was paid in cash.

At February 26,2000, the Company had borrowed \$1.5 million from U.S. Bank at the bank's prime rate under a working capital credit facility.

In September 2000, the working capital facility with U.S. Bank was increased to \$8.0 million. Borrowings outstanding bear interest at the bank's prime rate (8.5% at March 3, 2001) and are secured by substantially all of the Company's assets, excluding the assets secured by other debt arrangements (see Note 6). At March 3, 2001, no amounts were outstanding under this credit facility and \$8 million was available for borrowing. The credit facility contains certain financial covenants and ratios that the Company is required to maintain. At March 3, 2001, the Company was not in compliance with certain covenants but in May 2001 the covenants were amended retroactive to November 2000.

6. LONG-TERM DEBT

Long-term debt consists of the following (in 000's):

	Mar.
	20

Note payable to U.S. Bank interest at Libor plus 2.2% (7.45% at March 3, 2001) principal due over sixty payments beginning September 2001.	\$5,
Notes payable to a bank, secured by equipment, bearing interest at libor plus 2.55% (7.80% at March 3, 2001) payable monthly through January 2002	---
	5,
Less portion due within one year	(

Long-term debt	\$ 4,
=====	

Annual maturities on long-term debt as of March 3, 2001, are as follows
(in 000's):

2002	\$ 644
2003	1,000
2004	1,000
2005	1,000
2006	1,000
Thereafter	500

	\$ 5,144
=====	

7. INCOME TAXES

The Company's income (loss) before tax for fiscal years 2001, 2000 and 1999 are as follows (in 000's):

	2001	2000	1999
Domestic	\$ 6,898	\$ (8,309)	\$ (2,436)
Foreign	1,200	401	219
	\$ 8,098	\$ (7,908)	\$ (2,217)

The (provision for) benefit from income taxes for fiscal years 2001, 2000, and 1999, are as follows (in 000's):

	2001	2000	1999
Current - Federal	\$ 20	\$ (610)	\$ 352
- State	(11)	(133)	---
- Foreign	(290)	(161)	26
Deferred - Federal	(2,353)	3,185	343
- State	(294)	563	60
- Foreign	39	---	---
	\$ (2,889)	\$ 2,844	\$ 781

Differences between the (provision for) benefit from income taxes and income taxes computed using the statutory federal income tax rate for fiscal years 2001, 2000, and 1999 are as follows (in 000's):

	2001	2000
Income tax at statutory federal rate (34%)	\$ (2,753)	\$ 2,681
State income taxes, net of federal income tax effect	(210)	153
Foreign taxes	---	(161)
Valuation reserve	(157)	---
Research and development credit	---	---
Other, net	231	171

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

\$ (2,889)

\$ 2,844

The components of the net deferred income tax asset for fiscal years 2001 and 2000 are as follows (in 000's):

	Mar 20

Depreciation	\$
Warranties	
Compensation accrual	
Inventory reserve	
Allowance for doubtful accounts	
Research and development credit	2
Litigation settlement accrual	1
Tax loss carryforward	8
Tax credits	
Other, net	

Valuation allowance	14 (12)

	\$ 2
=====	

The Company establishes a valuation allowance in accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes." The Company continually reviews the adequacy of the valuation allowance and recognizes the benefits from its deferred tax assets only when an analysis of both positive and negative factors indicate that it is more likely than not that the benefits will be realized. Based on the Company's analysis of its operating performance and the estimated realizability of its deferred tax assets, the Company has recorded valuation allowances of approximately \$12.5 million and \$8.8 million at March 3, 2001 and February 26, 2000, respectively. Approximately \$8.9 million of the valuation allowance at March 3, 2001 is related to tax assets generated upon the exercise of non-qualified stock options. As such, any future benefit from the recognition of this deferred tax asset will be an adjustment to the valuation allowance and additional paid-in capital.

At March 3, 2001, the Company has net operating loss carryforwards of approximately \$25.6 million and \$8.7 million for Federal and state purposes expiring at various dates through 2021 and 2006, respectively.

8. STOCK OPTIONS

The Company has two stock option plans for its employees, the 1989 Key Employee Stock Option Plan ("1989 Plan"), and the 1999 Stock Option Plan ("1999 Plan"). Under the 1999 Plan, stock options can be granted at prices not less than 100% of the fair market value at the date of grant. Option grants are exercisable at the discretion of the Compensation Committee, but usually over a four-year vesting period. The 1989 Plan expired in May 1999 and no additional options may be granted under this plan. Under provisions of the 1989 Stock Option Plan, all

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

options vest upon a change in control of ownership of the Company.

The following table summarizes the option activity for fiscal years 2001, 2000, and 1999 (in 000's except dollar amounts):

	Number Shares	Weighted Average Option Price

Outstanding at February 28, 1998	1,869	\$ 4.16
Granted	340	2.23
Exercised	(14)	1.98
Canceled	(178)	3.81

Outstanding at February 27, 1999	2,017	3.88
Granted	706	19.25
Exercised	(873)	3.82
Canceled	(165)	3.74

Outstanding at February 26, 2000	1,685	10.36
Granted	564	28.78
Exercised	(353)	6.27
Canceled	(102)	29.84

Outstanding at March 3, 2001	1,794	\$ 15.85
=====		

Options outstanding at March 3, 2001 and related weighted average price and life information is as follows:

Range of Exercise Prices	Total Options Outstanding	Weighted Average Remaining Life (Years)	Total Weighted Average Exercise Price	Options Exercisab

\$ 1.50-\$1.88	226,500	7.6	\$ 1.80	80,
2.06- 2.76	289,650	6.9	2.27	181,
3.50- 4.88	250,000	6.0	3.97	166,
5.00- 7.22	189,788	6.1	6.73	138,
8.00-12.25	122,815	8.2	9.81	69,
13.69-19.88	149,000	9.4	19.40	9,
20.19-27.44	156,834	8.9	25.55	81,
28.00-40.00	225,000	9.0	38.91	55,
43.50-50.56	184,000	9.1	44.73	

\$1.50-\$50.56	1,793,587	7.7	\$15.85	783,
=====				

The weighted average theoretical value for options granted during the year was \$26.28, \$9.43, and \$1.77 for fiscal years 2001, 2000, and 1999, respectively.

The number of common stock options available for grant at the end of each fiscal year were 500,000, 500,000, and 175,225 for 2001, 2000 and 1999, respectively.

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

As permitted by SFAS No. 123, the Company continues to apply the accounting rules of APB No. 25 governing the recognition of compensation expense from its Stock Option Plans. Such accounting rules measure compensation

35

expense on the first date at which both the number of shares and the exercise price are known. Under the Company's plans, this would typically be the grant date. To the extent that the exercise price equals or exceeds the market value of the stock on the grant date, no expense is recognized. As options are generally granted at exercise prices not less than the fair market value on the date of grant, no compensation expense is recognized under this accounting treatment in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations.

The fair value of options at date of grant was estimated using the Black-Scholes model with the following assumptions:

	2001 -----	2000 -----
Expected life (years)	5 to 10	10
Dividend yield	---	---

The range for interest rates is 4.15% - 6.82%, and the range for volatility is 49% - 147%. The estimated stock-based compensation cost calculated using the assumptions indicated totaled \$6,369,000, \$846,000, and \$949,000 in fiscal years 2001, 2000, and 1999, respectively. This would result in pro forma net income (loss) and net income (loss) per share, resulting from the increased compensation cost, of \$1,113,000 or \$.08 per share, (\$5,605,000) or (\$.46) per share, and (\$2,043,000) or (\$.17) per share in fiscal year 2001, 2000, and 1999, respectively. The effect of stock-based compensation on net income (loss) for fiscal 2001, 2000, and 1999, may not be representative of the effect on pro forma net income or loss in future years because compensation expense related to grants made prior to fiscal 1996 is not considered.

9. COMMITMENTS

The Company leases its corporate and manufacturing facilities under operating leases that expire in February 2004. The lease agreement for its corporate facility requires the Company to pay all property taxes and insurance premiums associated with the coverage of the facility.

In addition, the Company leases a manufacturing facility in Garland, Texas; and sales offices in Paris, France; Sao Paulo, Brazil; and Hong Kong, China, under certain lease arrangements. The Company also leases certain equipment used in the manufacturing operation under operating lease arrangements.

The following table represents the future minimum rent payments required under all operating leases with terms in excess of one year as of March 3, 2001 (in 000's):

Fiscal Year:

2002

2003
2004

Rent expense for fiscal years 2001, 2000, and 1999, was \$842,000, \$732,000, and \$780,000, respectively.

10. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

YOURISH CLASS ACTIONS AND RLI INSURANCE COMPANY LITIGATION

On June 11, 1997, the Company and certain of its directors and officers had two legal actions filed against them, one in the United States District Court, Central District of California, entitled YOURISH V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., ET AL., Case No. 97-4293 CBM (Mcx), and the other in the Superior Court for the State of California, County of Ventura, entitled YOURISH V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC. ET AL., Case No. CIV 173569. On June 30, 1997, another legal action was filed against the same defendants in the Superior Court for the State of California, County of Ventura, entitled BURNS, ET AL., V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., ET AL., Case No. CIV 173981. All three actions were purported class actions on behalf of purchasers of the common stock of the Company between September 12, 1995 and August 8, 1996. The actions claimed that the defendants engaged in a scheme to make false and misleading statements and omit to disclose material adverse facts to the public concerning the Company, allegedly causing

36

the Company's stock price to artificially rise, and thereby allegedly allowing the individual defendants to sell stock at inflated prices. Plaintiffs claimed that the purported stockholder class was damaged when the price of the stock declined upon disclosure of the alleged adverse facts. On September 21, 1998, the Federal legal action was dismissed in the United States District Court. The dismissal was upheld by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit on October 8, 1999.

On March 27, 2000 the trial began for the lawsuit filed in the Superior Court for the State of California, County of Ventura, entitled YOURISH V. CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., ET AL., Case No. CIV 173569. On March 29, 2000 the parties reached a settlement. The terms of the settlement called for the issuance by the Company of 187,500 shares of stock along with a cash payment of \$3.5 million, funded in part by insurance proceeds, for a total settlement of approximately \$11.0 million. Of the total settlement, \$9.5 million was accrued in the consolidated financial statements for the year ended February 26, 2000. By Order dated September 14, 2000, the court approved the terms of the settlement and dismissed the action with prejudice. As of March 3, 2001, the Company had issued 65,625 of the 187,500 shares and paid \$2.5 million of the \$3.5 million and one of its insurance carriers paying the remaining \$1.0 million. As of March 3, 2001 \$4.8 million was accrued in the consolidated financial statements primarily related to the remaining 121,875 shares still to be issued under the settlement agreement.

In connection with the settlement of the YOURISH action, the Company and certain of its former and current officers and directors have filed a lawsuit (CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC., ET AL. V. RLI INSURANCE COMPANY, ET AL., Ventura County Superior Court Case No. CIV196258), against one of its insurance carriers to recover \$2.0 million of coverage the insurance carrier has stated was not covered under its policy of insurance. The insurance carrier filed a

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings seeking judgment on the basis, INTER ALIA, that the claims in the YOURISH action for alleged violations of Sections 25400 and 25500 of the California Corporation Code were not insurable as a matter of law pursuant to Insurance Code Section 533. The Plaintiffs opposed the motion and a hearing was held on September 22, 2000. On October 18, 2000, the Court entered an Order on granting the motion for judgment on the pleadings. Judgment was entered on November 9, 2000, and Notice of Entry of Judgment given on November 15, 2000. California Amplifier filed a Notice of Appeal on November 21, 2000 and the appeal has been fully briefed by both parties. No hearing date has been set to argue the appeal.

ANDREW CORPORATION LITIGATION

On March 7, 2000, the Company announced that it had received a complaint of patent infringement from Andrew Corporation (Andrew). The complaint, filed against California Amplifier in U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas, alleges that certain California Amplifier products infringe Andrew's patent rights. The complaint was served with this initial pleading on or about June 5, 2000. A first amended complaint was filed by Andrew on June 28, 2000. On July 18, 2000, Andrew filed a motion for preliminary injunction seeking to enjoin the Company from selling the products that Andrew claims infringe its patent rights. During the briefing period regarding the preliminary injunction, Andrew filed a motion to strike the Company's preliminary injunction opposition brief. Also during this briefing period, the Company secured an exclusive license, with enforcement rights, to a certain patent that the Company believes both invalidates Andrew's '052 patent and applies to Andrew's competing products. The Company has commenced patent litigation against Andrew in the United States District Court for the Central District of California under this patent, in an action styled CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER, INC. AND NEC CORPORATION V. ANDREW CORPORATION, Case No. CV-01-01391 AHM (RZx) ("The California Action").

California Amplifier successfully defeated the motion to strike, and Andrew's reply relating to the preliminary injunction brief was filed on March 16, 2001. The preliminary injunction hearing was scheduled for April 12-13, 2001, but the hearing was removed from the Court's schedule due to ongoing settlement negotiations between the parties. The Company believes that the litigation will be resolved in the near future. If it is not, then the Company will continue to defend itself vigorously.

2001 SECURITIES LITIGATION

Following the announcement by the Company on March 29, 2001 of the resignation of its Controller and the possible overstatement of net income for the fiscal year ended February 26, 2000 and the subsequent restatement of fiscal year 2000 and the interim periods of fiscal years 2000 and 2001, the Company and certain of its officers and directors have been named defendants in twenty putative class actions in federal court. The complaints generally allege that the defendants artificially inflated the price of California Amplifier stock during the class period

37

by allegedly making false representations about the Company's financial results or failing to disclose adverse facts about its financial results. The complaints also allege without specific facts that the individual defendants knew or were reckless in making the alleged false statements about the Company's financial results. The twenty actions are expected to be consolidated into a single action pursuant to stipulation of the parties. The Company expects to move to dismiss the complaints after they are consolidated and a lead plaintiffs' counsel appointed, and intends to defend the actions vigorously. At this time it is not possible to determine the outcome of these actions.

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

The Company has also been named as a defendant in other matters in the ordinary course of business. Management believes the resolution of these other matters will not have a material effect on the Company's financial position and results of operations.

11. SEGMENT AND GEOGRAPHIC DATA

In conjunction with the Company's reorganization into separate business units in January 1998, the Company adopted SFAS No. 131 "Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information" in fiscal year 1999. The adoption of this standard had no effect on the Company's financial position or results of operations, but did change the presentation of segment information presented below (in 000's except margin data):

FISCAL YEAR 2001:

	SATELLITE	WIRELESS ACCESS	ANTENNA
Sales	\$ 85,107	\$ 32,022	\$ 7,850
Gross Profit	12,920	10,433	3,152
Gross Margin	15.2%	32.6%	40.2%
Income (loss) before tax	8,719	5,259	398
Identifiable Assets	22,146	8,262	2,359

FISCAL YEAR 2000:

	SATELLITE	WIRELESS ACCESS	ANTENNA
Sales	\$ 60,411	\$ 19,018	\$ 6,988
Gross Profit	9,146	5,987	2,704
Gross Margin	15.1%	31.5%	38.7%
Income (loss) before tax	5,440	752	309
Identifiable Assets	21,773	8,349	2,436

FISCAL YEAR 1999:

	SATELLITE	WIRELESS ACCESS	ANTENNA
Sales	\$12,658	\$ 20,590	\$ 4,299
Gross Profit	3,377	5,837	1,331
Gross Margin	26.7%	28.3%	31.0%
Income (loss) before taxes	850	557	(518)
Identifiable Assets	4,146	7,347	1,582

The Company does not have significant long-lived assets outside the United States.

Sales information by geographical area for each of the three years in the period ended March 3, 2001 is as follows (000's):

	2001	
United States	\$ 101,614	\$
Canada	11,220	
Latin America	2,661	
Europe	2,895	
Middle East	1,447	
Africa	2,895	
Asia	2,247	
Australia	---	
	\$ 124,979	\$

In fiscal years 2001 and 2000, one Satellite Products customer accounted for 22.4%, and 19.3% of sales, respectively, and another Satellite Products customer accounted for 20.6% and 10.3% of sales, respectively. A third Satellite Products customer accounted for 17.3% of sales in fiscal year 2000. No customer accounted for 10% or more of consolidated sales in fiscal year 1999.

12. QUARTERLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION (unaudited)

The following summarizes certain quarterly statement of operations data for each of the quarters in fiscal years 2001 and 2000 (in 000's, except percentages and per share data):

	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter
Sales	\$ 31,953	\$ 33,811	\$ 32,738
Gross profits	6,787	6,839	7,394
Gross margins	21.2%	20.2%	22.6%
Net income	1,540	1,419	1,850
Net income per diluted share	0.11	0.10	0.13

	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter
Sales	\$ 13,019	\$ 18,860	\$ 26,712
Gross profits	3,643	5,252	3,236
Gross margins	28.0%	27.8%	12.1%

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

Net income (loss)	239	933	(572)
Income (loss) per diluted share	0.02	0.07	(0.05)

=====

13. FINANCIAL STATEMENT RESTATEMENT

On March 29, 2001, the Company announced that during preparation for the Company's fiscal 2001 audit, its corporate controller had abruptly resigned and advised management by letter that he had made certain improper adjustments to the Company's accounting records that caused a reduction in recorded expenses. The results of the internal investigation revealed that the controller had reduced expenses through the posting of improper adjustments, and irregularities in the consolidation of its Hong Kong procurement subsidiary. The effect of such irregularities (and certain other less significant items uncovered as part of the restatement) was to understate the net loss for the year ended February 26, 2000 by approximately \$3.7 million, and overstate net income for the nine months ended November 25, 2000 by approximately \$1.8 million. The results of operations for fiscal year 2000 and the three interim periods in the period ended November 25, 2000 included in these financial statements reflect the restated financial statements. In connection with the restatement, the Company reassessed the realizability of the deferred tax asset. The Company concluded that the deferred tax asset, specifically as it relates to the future tax deductibility for the exercise of non-qualified stock options, should be reduced for amounts previously

39

recognized in fiscal years 2000 and 2001. Accordingly, deferred taxes and stockholders' equity were reduced by \$5,800,000 in fiscal year 2000 and by an additional \$3,775,000 for the nine months ended November 25, 2000.

The amended Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the year ended February 26, 2000, and the quarterly reports on Form 10-Q/A for the periods May 29, 1999 through November 25, 2000 were filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 23, 2001.

14. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On March 29, 2001, subsequent to the Company's announcement that it was investigating improper adjustments made by the corporate controller to the Company's accounting records (see Note 13), NASDAQ halted trading of the Company's common stock.

On May 3, 2001, the Company announced that it had received notification from NASDAQ that due to the Company's failure to comply with filing requirements requiring audited financial statements to be included in its annual report, NASDAQ intended to delist the shares of the Company's common stock at the opening of business on May 8, 2001. The Company presented testimony at the NASDAQ hearing held on May 25, 2001 regarding the continued listing of the Company's common stock on NASDAQ. The Company believes that it provided satisfactory answers to the questions raised and was advised that the hearing panel is expected to issue a ruling on the matter some time in June 2001. In the interim, trading in the common stock will remain halted.

On May 4, 2001, the Company announced that it had received notice from the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) that the SEC is conducting an informal inquiry into the circumstances that caused the Company to restate its financial statements. The Company intends to cooperate with the SEC inquiry.

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

- 3.1 Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant, as amended, filed as Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (33-59702) and by this reference is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.
- 3.1.1 Amendment to Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant, as filed with the Delaware Secretary of State on September 19, 1996, filed as Exhibit 3.1.1 to the Registrant's Interim Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended August 31, 1996.
- 3.2 Bylaws of the Registrant, as amended, filed as Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant's Form 8-K dated February 27, 1992 and by this reference is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.
- 10.1 1984 Key Employee Stock Option Plan filed as Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (2-87042) and by this reference is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.
- 10.2 Form of Incentive Stock Option Agreement filed as Exhibit 10.2 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (2-87042) and by this reference is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.
- 10.3 Form of Nonqualified Stock Option Agreement filed as Exhibit 10.3 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (2-87042) and by this reference is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.
- 10.4 1989 Key Employee Stock Option Plan filed as Exhibit 4.4 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (33-31427) and by this reference is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.
- 10.4.1 Amendment No. 1 to the 1989 Key Employee Stock Option Plan filed as Exhibit 4.7 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (33-36944) and by this reference is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.
- 10.4.2 Amendment No. 2 to the 1989 Key Employee Stock Option Plan filed as Exhibit 4.8 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (33-72704) and by this reference is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.
- 10.4.3 Amendment No. 3 to the 1989 Key Employee Stock Option Plan filed as Exhibit 4.10 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (33-60879) and by this reference is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.
- 10.4.4 The 1999 Stock Option Plan filed as Exhibit 4.1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (333-93097) and by this reference is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.
- 10.5 Form of Incentive Stock Option Agreement filed as Exhibit 4.6 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (33-31427) and by this reference is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

- 10.6 Form of Nonqualified Stock Option Agreement filed as Exhibit 4.6 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (33-31427) and by this reference is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.
- 10.7 Form of Option Agreement for Non-Employee Directors filed as Exhibit 4.9 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (33-36944) and by this reference is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.
- 10.8 Letter Agreements regarding sale of the building dated July 18, 1988, filed as an exhibit to Form 8-K, dated February 27, 1989, filed as an exhibit to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 28, 1989 and by this reference is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.
- 10.9 Building Lease and Rider on building between the Registrant and Calle San Pablo Property Co. dated January 31, 1989, filed as an exhibit to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 28, 1989 and by this reference is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

41

- 10.9.1 Amendment of Lease on building between the Registrant and Calle San Pablo Property Co. dated February 9, 1995, filed as an exhibit to this Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 4, 1995.
- 10.10 Form of Indemnity Agreement filed as an exhibit to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 29, 1988 and by this reference is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.
- 10.11 Stockholder Rights Plan filed as an exhibit to the Registrant's Form 8-K dated September 5, 1991 and by this reference is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.
- 10.12 Distribution Agreement between Registrant and Pan Asian Systems, Ltd., dated July 3, 1992 filed as Exhibit 10.17 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (33-59702) and by this reference is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.
- 10.13 Stock Purchase Agreement dated December 31, 1992 by and among Registrant, Peter J. Connolly, Steven G. Ow and Toni Ow, and The Peter J. Connolly Charitable Remainder Unitrust dated June 15, 1992 filed as Exhibit 10.20 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (33-59702) and by this reference is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.
- 10.24 Commercial Security Agreement between Registrant and California United Bank dated July 26, 1995, filed as Exhibit 10.24 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 2, 1996.
- 10.25 First Amendment to Business Loan Agreement between Registrant and California United Bank, dated July 26, 1995, filed as Exhibit 10.25 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 2, 1996.
- 10.26 Promissory Note between Registrant and California United Bank dated August 6, 1996, filed as an exhibit to this Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 1, 1997.
- 10.27 Second Amendment to Business Loan Agreement between Registrant and California United Bank, dated August 6, 1996, filed as an exhibit to

Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC - Form 10-K405

this Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 1, 1997.

- 10.28 Building Lease on building between the Registrant and The Jennings Bypass Trust, dated September 11, 1996, filed as an exhibit to this Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 1, 1997.
- 10.29 Land Purchase Agreement on land between the Registrant and Rhoda-May A. Dallas Trust, dated February 13, 1996, filed as an exhibit to this Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 1, 1997.
- 10.30 Loan Agreement between Registrant and California United Bank, dated August 22, 1997, filed as Exhibit 10.30 to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended August 30, 1997.
- 10.31 Change in Terms Agreement between Registrant and California United Bank, dated August 22, 1997, and filed as Exhibit 10.31 to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended August 30, 1997.
- 23.1 Consent of Independent Public Accountants.