Operator Intro: Welcome to Himax Technologies’ second quarter 2009 financial results conference call. At this time, all participants are in a listen-only mode. Later we will conduct a question and answer session. At that time, if you have a question, you will need to press star 1 on your push button phone. The call is scheduled for one hour.

As a reminder, this conference is being recorded today. A replay will be available 2 hours after the call today, through noon on Thursday, August 13, 2009 in Taiwan. The replay dial-in number is 1-201-612-7415 with account number 3055 and conference ID number 327791. The replay will also be accessible at www.himax.com.tw.

Joseph Villalta

Thank you, operator. Welcome everyone to Himax’s second quarter 2009 earnings call. Joining us from the company are Mr. Jordan Wu, President and Chief Executive Officer, and Mr. Max Chan, Chief Financial Officer. After the company’s prepared comments, we will have time for any questions today.

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Before we begin the formal remarks, I’d like to remind everyone that some of the statements in this conference call, including statements regarding expected future financial results, industry growth and the Taiwan listing plan, are forward-looking statements that involve a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual events or results to differ materially from those described in this conference call.

Factors that could cause actual results and the Taiwan listing plan to differ include, but not limited to, general business and economic conditions and the state of the semiconductor industry; market acceptance and competitiveness of the driver and non-driver products developed by the Company; demand for end-use applications products; reliance on a small group of principal customers; the uncertainty of continued success in technological innovations; our ability to develop and protect our intellectual property; pricing pressures including declines in
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Except for the Company’s full year of 2008 financials which were provided on the Company’s 20-F, filed with the SEC on May 15, 2009, the financial information included in this conference call is unaudited and consolidated, and prepared in accordance with US GAAP. Such financial information is generated internally and has not been subjected to the same review and scrutiny, including internal auditing procedures and audit by independent auditors, to which we subject our annual consolidated financial statements, and may vary materially from the audited consolidated financial information for the same period. Any evaluation of the financial information included in this conference call should also take into account our published audited consolidated financial statements and the notes to those statements. In addition, the financial information included in this conference call is not necessarily indicative of our results for any future period.

The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

At this time, I would now like to turn the call over to Mr. Jordan Wu. Please go ahead, sir.

Mr. Jordan Wu

Thank you Joseph and thank you everyone for joining us on today’s call.
I will start with brief highlights of our overall performance during the quarter. Then I will provide our outlook for the third quarter of 2009. Our CFO, Max Chan, will then give you further details on our financial performance.

While our revenue and shipment growth in the second quarter was, to some extent, limited by the availability of glass substrate for TFT-LCD panels and was below our expectation, we are pleased to have met our gross margin and EPS guidance, amid a still challenging and uncertain macroeconomic environment.

Our second quarter revenues came in at $184.9 million, representing a 25.1% decline year-over-year and a 47.2% growth, sequentially.

Revenues from large panel display drivers were $136.8 million, down 32.6% from a year ago and up 53.6% sequentially. Large panel drivers accounted for 74.0% of our total revenues for the second quarter, as compared to 82.2% a year ago and 70.9% for the previous quarter.

Revenues from small- and medium-sized applications were $37.6 million, up 22.9% from the same period last year and up 29.8% sequentially. Small- and medium-sized applications accounted for 20.3% of our total revenues for the second quarter as compared to 12.4% for the same period last year and 23.0% for the previous quarter.

Revenues from our non-driver businesses were $10.5 million, down 20.4% year-over-year and up 37.9%, sequentially. The non-driver businesses accounted for 5.7% of our total revenues as compared to 5.4% a year ago and 6.1% for the previous quarter.

Demand for our display drivers rebounded strongly in the second quarter, particularly for TV applications. However, the shortage in certain components for TFT-LCD panels, most notably the glass substrate, had limited the growth momentum in our customers' panel shipment and demand for our display drivers.

Our GAAP gross margin for the second quarter was 20.8%, as compared to 20.9% in the previous quarter and was in line with our guidance of a flattish gross margin.
For the second quarter, GAAP net income was $15.4 million and earnings per share was 8 cents, also in line with our guidance of 7 to 9 cents. Our GAAP net income and EPS were $37.7 million and 20 cents, respectively, a year earlier, and $4.4 million and 2 cents, respectively, in the previous quarter.

Product-wise, we are leveraging our worldwide leadership in TFT-LCD display drivers to further expand our product portfolio into other display-related semiconductors. Last week, we announced our white LED driver line for the fast-growing netbook and notebook LED backlight market. According to industry research, white LED is expected to replace CCFL completely for netbook and notebook applications in the next couple of years. Looking forward, we expect to launch an integrated white LED driver with power management function at around the end of 2009, and will continue to develop products suitable for larger panel applications, namely LCD monitors and LCD TVs.

We also continue to make progress in our other non-driver products and remain optimistic on the long-term outlook. One of our LCOS microdisplays, HX7027, has won the 2009 Outstanding Photonics Product Award by PIDA, the Photonics Industry and Technology Development Association, in Taiwan. At the recent Computex Taipei 2009, a vast majority of the pico projectors exhibited were based on Himax’s solutions – an indication of our leading position in this emerging market segment.

Our TV chipset and monitor scaler line, which has been developed under Himax Media Solutions, a subsidiary of Himax, is ramping up revenues quickly as a result of increasing design-in activities and adoptions at a number of Chinese TV and monitor manufacturers, including certain tier-one brands.

While we will focus primarily on customer design-wins and developing a more thorough product portfolio in 2009, we believe that our non-driver products would further grow in both dollar terms and as a percentage of total sales in the long run.

On June 11, we announced plans for a dual listing on the Taiwan Stock Exchange, which is expected to take place at around the end of 2009 or beginning of 2010. Taiwan plays an integral and critical role in the world’s semiconductor and TFT-LCD panel supply chains and has attracted abundant institutional investment funds focusing on technology investments. Over the past few years, we have been keeping a close dialogue with investors in Taiwan and other parts
of Asia, who have expressed strong interest in trading Himax shares within their time zone. We believe a Taiwan listing would provide a more convenient trading platform for these Asian-based investors and would help our corporate valuation to be fully reflected through the more active stock trades.

To comply with Taiwan listing requirements, our Board of Directors has proposed certain revisions to our Memorandum and Articles of Associations, a recapitalization, and a corresponding ADS ratio change in relation to the recapitalization, all to take effect on Monday, August 10, before the NASDAQ market opens. Max, our CFO, will elaborate more on those proposed changes in our pursuit of a dual listing on the Taiwan Stock Exchange.

Before providing our third quarter 2009 guidance, I would like to share with you some recent observations.

Firstly, the shortage of glass substrate for TFT-LCD panels is expected to continue in the third quarter of 2009, which is a factor of uncertainty for our third quarter guidance. Secondly, the capacity tightness for certain of our semiconductor subcontractors, particularly the backend packaging and testing houses, would increase our costs of revenues and may negatively impact our gross margin.

Please be reminded that our third quarter guidance on GAAP earnings per ADS have taken into account our 2009 restricted awards grant scheduled at the end of September. The 2009 restricted awards is assumed to be valued at around $10 to 14 million, of which approximately 50% to 70% to be vested and expensed immediately on the grant date. Max will also elaborate more on this during his comments.

For the third quarter, we expect revenues to grow by double-digit percentage points sequentially, gross margin to decline slightly, and GAAP earnings per ADS to be in the range of 4 to 6 cents.

**Now let me turn over to Max Chan, our CFO, for further details on our quarterly financials.**

**Mr. Max Chan**

Thank you, Jordan. I will now provide additional details for our second quarter financial results.
For the second quarter, our GAAP operating expenses were $23.6 million, down 16.5% from $28.3 million a year ago and up 10.3% from $21.4 million for the previous quarter.

For the second quarter, GAAP net income was $15.4 million and earnings per share was 8 cents, down from $37.7 million and 20 cents, for the same period last year and up from $4.4 million and 2 cents, for the previous quarter.

While revenues rebounded strongly, we continued to manage our costs and expenses, with GAAP net income and EPS more than tripling sequentially in the second quarter, thanks to our well-managed operating expenses and a favorable foreign exchange movement.

Excluding share-based compensation and acquisition-related charges, our non-GAAP gross margin for the second quarter was 20.8%, as compared to 25.6% a year ago and 20.9% a quarter ago. Non-GAAP operating income for the second quarter was $17.7 million, down from $37.8 million for the same period last year and up from $7.7 million for the previous quarter.

Non-GAAP net income was $17.9 million, or 10 cents per share, down from $39.8 million, or 21 cents per share for the same period last year, and up from $7.0 million, or 4 cents per share for the previous quarter.

Share-based compensation and acquisition-related charges for the second quarter were $2.1 million and $0.4 million, respectively.

As Jordan pointed out earlier, we are pursuing a dual listing on the Taiwan Stock Exchange which is expected to take place at around end of 2009 or beginning of 2010. Himax is a Cayman-incorporated company which has listed its American Depositary Shares, or ADSs, on the NASDAQ, since the end of March 2006, with each ADS representing one ordinary share. We plan to list all of our outstanding ordinary shares on the Taiwan Stock Exchange, while maintaining our ADS listing on the NASDAQ. Our ordinary shares and ADSs will remain mutually fungible after the dual listing, subject to certain procedures and fees.

To comply with Taiwan listing requirements and to ensure sufficient float on the Taiwan Stock Exchange upon the dual listing, the Board has proposed some necessary revisions to our
Memorandum and Articles of Associations and a recapitalization plan to effect a change in the par value of our ordinary shares from $0.0001 per share to $0.30, or approximately NT$10, per share, and an increase in the number of ordinary shares outstanding to double the current amount.

Concurrently with the recapitalization plan, if approved at the Annual General Meeting, we will take into effect an ADS ratio change to have one ADS represent two ordinary shares, as compared to the current ratio of one ADS representing one ordinary share. As a result of the ADS ratio change, the percentage ownership of our share capital represented by each ADS, immediately before and after the proposed recapitalization and ADS ratio change, will remain unchanged. The proposed recapitalization and ADS ratio change, subjective to shareholders’ approval and certain SEC filing requirements, will become effective on Monday, August 10, before market opens.

While we are required by the Taiwan listing requirements to issue certain new shares on the Taiwan Stock Exchange upon our dual listing, we continue to buy and cancel ADSs on the NASDAQ, per our previously approved $50 million buy-back program, for anti-dilution purposes. As of August 4, 2009, we have purchased approximately 8.7 million ADSs for $18.8 million.

As an annual practice, our 2009 restricted awards will be granted to employees at the end of September. The total value of awards is expected to be in the range of $10 to $14 million, of which about 50% to 70% would be vested and expensed immediately on the grant date, with the balance being vested in three equal installments in three years and amortized over three years accordingly. Please note our third quarter guidance of GAAP earnings per ADS have taken into account the expensing of our 2009 restricted awards grant scheduled at the end of September.

After distributing a cash dividend of $55.5 million, or $0.30 per share, our cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities available for sale were $139.2 million at the end of June 2009, a 37.8% increase from $101.0 million a year ago.

Capital expenditures for the second quarter were $2.9 million.

The third quarter guidance that Jordan provided earlier is based on the assumption of having 185 million diluted weighted average shares, with each ADS representing one share.
Operator, that concludes our prepared remarks. We can now take any questions.

Jordan's closing remarks

Thank you everyone for taking time to join today's call. We look forward to talking to you again at our next earnings call in early November.