



HIMAX REPORTS FIRST QUARTER 2008 RESULTS

- First quarter 2008 gross margin increased to 25.3% - marks sixth consecutive quarter of improvement
- Better-than-expected profit – EPS of \$0.18, 100% growth year-over-year

Tainan, Taiwan, April 30, 2008 - Himax Technologies, Inc. (“Himax” or “Company”) (NASDAQ: HIMX) today reported financial results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2008.

Net revenues for the first quarter of 2008 was \$231.6 million, representing 25.3% growth year-over-year and a 13.3% decline sequentially.

Gross margin was 25.3% in the first quarter of 2008, up 580 basis points year-over-year and up 60 basis points sequentially.

Operating margin was 13.7% in the first quarter of 2008. Operating income was \$31.7 million, up from \$16.8 million in the same period last year, and down from \$42.4 million in the previous quarter.

Net income for the first quarter of 2008 was \$34.1 million, up from \$18.0 million in the same period last year, and down from \$46.0 million in the previous quarter. This represents earnings per diluted share of \$0.18, compared to \$0.09 in the first quarter of 2007, and \$0.23 in the fourth quarter of 2007.

Excluding share-based compensation and acquisition-related charges, non-GAAP operating margin was 14.9% in the first quarter of 2008. Non-GAAP operating income was \$34.6 million, up from \$19.2 million in the same period last year, and down from \$44.4 million in the previous quarter.

Non-GAAP net income was \$37.0 million, up from \$20.4 million in the same period last year, and down from \$48.0 million in the previous quarter. This represents earnings per diluted share of \$0.19, compared to \$0.10 in the first quarter of 2007, and \$0.24 in the fourth quarter of 2007.

Share-based compensation was \$2.4 million, compared to \$1.5 million in the first quarter of 2007, and \$1.6 million in the fourth quarter of 2007. Acquisition-related charges were \$0.5 million, compared to \$0.9 million in the first quarter of 2007, and \$0.5 million in the fourth quarter of 2007.

Reconciliation of gross margin, operating margin and diluted EPS excluding share-based compensation and acquisition-related charges, a non-GAAP financial measure, to GAAP gross margin, GAAP operating margin and diluted GAAP EPS, most comparable GAAP figure, is set out in the attached reconciliation schedule.

Jordan Wu, President and Chief Executive Officer of Himax, commented, “The appreciation of NT dollars had relatively little impact on our financials, as virtually all of our revenues and costs of goods sold are priced in US dollars and we keep and report our books in US dollars. Our first quarter revenues, gross margin and EPS all came in above our guidance. Our revenues declined by 13.3% sequentially, which reflects the seasonally lower demand in the first quarter and fewer working days in the holiday month of February. We were able to improve our gross margin for the

sixth consecutive quarter, which was the result of our continued efforts in reducing our unit cost that more than offset our ASP decline.”

Mr. Wu continued, “We maintain an optimistic long term view for our non-driver products, which include LCOS microdisplays, timing controllers, monitor scalars, TV chipsets, and power management ICs. We are encouraged by the progress we made in these product segments over the past couple of quarters. Some of these products, such as timing controller, are already in mass production and we have continued to be awarded with new design-wins. In other product areas we are either in early stage of mass production or undergoing advanced stage of anchor customer design-in. We continue to allocate a significant amount of engineering resources to all these new product areas. Upon mass production, all of them will enjoy higher gross margins as compared to display driver IC products.”

Looking forward, Mr. Wu added, “We expect revenues to increase sequentially in the second quarter of 2008, primarily due to normal seasonality in the second quarter. We expect revenues to grow by around mid- to high- single digit, gross margin to remain flat or decline within one percentage point and diluted GAAP EPS to be in the range of \$0.16 - \$0.18.”

Investor Conference Call / Webcast Details

The Company’s management will review detailed first quarter 2008 results on Tuesday, April 29, 2008 at 7:00 PM EDT (7:00 AM, Wednesday, April 30, Taiwan time). The conference call-in number is +1-201-689-8560 (international) and +1-877-407-0784 (U.S. domestic). A live webcast of the conference call will be available on the Company’s website at www.himax.com.tw. The playback will be available beginning two hours after the conclusion of the conference call and will be accessible by dialing +1-201-612-7415 (international) and 1-877-660-6853 (U.S. domestic). The account number to access the replay is 3055 and the confirmation ID number is 281980.

About Himax Technologies, Inc.

Himax Technologies, Inc. designs, develops, and markets semiconductors that are critical components of flat panel displays. The Company’s principal products are display drivers for large-sized TFT-LCD panels, which are used in desktop monitors, notebook computers and televisions, and display drivers for small- and medium-sized TFT-LCD panels, which are used in mobile handsets and consumer electronics products such as digital cameras, mobile gaming devices and car navigation displays. In addition, the Company is expanding its product offering to include LCD TV chipset solution, power management ICs and LCOS microdisplays. Based in Tainan, Taiwan, the Company has regional offices in Hsinchu and Taipei, Taiwan; Ninbo, Foshan, Suzhou and Shenzhen, China; Yokohama, Japan; Anyangsi Kyungkido, and Matsusaka, South Korea; and Irvine California, USA.

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Forward-Looking Statements:

Certain statements in this press release, including statements regarding expected future financial results and industry growth, 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 press release. Factors that could cause actual results to differ include general business and economic conditions and the state of the semiconductor industry; level of competition; demand for end-use applications products; reliance on a small group of principal customers; continued success in technological innovations; development of alternative flat panel display technologies; ability to develop and protect our intellectual property; pricing pressures including declines in average selling prices; changes in customer order patterns;

shortages in supply of key components; changes in environmental laws and regulations; exchange rate fluctuations; regulatory approvals for further investments in our subsidiaries; and other risks described from time to time in the Company's SEC filings, including its Form 20-F dated June 22, 2007, as amended. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

– Tables Attached –

Himax Technologies, Inc.
Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income
(These interim financials do not fully comply with US GAAP because they omit all interim disclosure required by US GAAP.)
(Amounts in Thousands of U.S. Dollars, Except Per Share Data)

	Three Months Ended March 31,		Three Months Ended December 31,
	2008	2007	2007
Revenues			
Revenues from third parties, net	\$77,461	\$75,836	\$101,195
Revenues from related parties, net	154,127	109,055	165,905
	231,588	184,891	267,100
Costs and expenses:			
Cost of revenues	172,949	148,830	201,255
Research and development	20,546	14,800	17,607
General and administrative	3,870	3,000	3,790
Sales and marketing	2,558	1,501	2,080
Total costs and expenses	199,923	168,131	224,732
Operating income	31,665	16,760	42,368
Non operating income (loss):			
Interest income	777	1,382	1,108
Foreign exchange gains (losses), net	1,370	(490)	164
Other income, net	92	42	209
	2,239	934	1,481
Income before income taxes and minority interest	33,904	17,694	43,849
Income tax expense (benefit)	702	---	(1,860)
Income before minority interest	33,202	17,694	45,709
Minority interest, net of tax	935	325	253
Net income	\$34,137	\$18,019	\$45,962
Basic earnings per ordinary share and ADS	\$0.18	\$0.09	\$0.23
Diluted earnings per ordinary share and ADS	\$0.18	\$0.09	\$0.23
Basic Weighted Average Outstanding Shares	191,542	195,761	196,327
Diluted Weighted Average Outstanding Shares	192,429	195,968	197,264

Himax Technologies, Inc.
Unaudited Supplemental Financial Information
(Amounts in Thousands of U.S. Dollars)

The amount of share-based compensation included in applicable costs and expenses categories is summarized as follows:	Three Months Ended March 31,		Three Months Ended December 31,
	2008	2007	2007
Share-based compensation			
Cost of revenues	\$28	\$25	\$17
Research and development	1,872	1,187	1,210
General and administrative	233	151	162
Sales and marketing	241	156	170
Total	\$2,374	\$1,519	\$1,559

The amount of acquisition-related charges included in applicable expenses categories is summarized as follows:

Research and development	\$240	\$789	\$210
Sales and marketing	289	98	251
Total	\$529	\$887	\$461

Himax Technologies, Inc.
Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets
(Amounts in Thousands of U.S. Dollars, Except Per Share Data)

	March 31, 2008	December 31, 2007	March 31, 2007
Assets			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$125,835	\$94,780	\$111,838
Marketable securities available-for-sale	15,216	15,208	12,783
Restricted cash equivalents and marketable securities	2,049	97	106
Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts, sales returns and discounts	85,795	88,682	108,147
Accounts receivable from related parties, less allowance for doubtful accounts, sales returns and discounts	179,801	194,902	105,740
Inventories	122,437	116,550	119,379
Deferred income taxes	13,520	12,671	7,401
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	9,420	15,371	10,276
Total current assets	\$554,073	\$538,261	\$475,670
Property, plant and equipment, net	46,523	46,180	45,767
Deferred income taxes	22,109	20,725	11,964
Goodwill	22,331	22,331	28,565
Intangible assets, net	12,185	12,721	7,300
Investments in non-marketable securities	11,619	7,138	817
Refundable deposits and prepaid pension costs	874	859	618
	115,641	109,954	95,031
Total assets	\$669,714	\$648,215	\$570,701
Liabilities, minority interest and stockholders' equity			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$135,163	\$147,221	\$121,459
Income tax payable	21,106	19,146	12,150
Other accrued expenses and other current liabilities	19,106	19,232	16,987
Total current liabilities	\$175,375	\$185,599	\$150,596
Accrued pension liability	\$233	\$218	\$196
Total liabilities	\$175,608	\$185,817	\$150,792
Minority interest	\$8,296	\$11,089	\$1,980
Stockholders' equity:			
Ordinary shares, US\$0.0001 par value, 500,000,000 shares authorized; 190,905,649, 191,979,691, and 197,656,063 shares issued and outstanding at March 31, 2008, December 31, 2007, and March 31, 2007, respectively	19	19	20
Additional paid-in capital	235,402	235,894	257,678
Accumulated other comprehensive income(loss)	849	(7)	(305)
Unappropriated retained earnings	249,540	215,403	160,536
Total stockholders' equity	\$485,810	\$451,309	\$417,929
Total liabilities, minority interest and stockholders' equity	\$669,714	\$648,215	\$570,701

Himax Technologies, Inc.
Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
(Amounts in Thousands of U.S. Dollars)

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2008	2007	Three Months Ended December 31, 2007
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net income	\$34,137	\$18,019	\$45,962
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	2,939	2,026	2,892
Write-off of in-process research and development	---	700	---
Share-based compensation expenses	2,374	1,519	1,559
Minority interest, net of tax	(935)	(325)	(253)
Loss (gain) on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(6)	35	---
Gain on disposal of long-lived assets held for sale	(113)	---	---
Gain on sale of subsidiary shares and investments in non-marketable securities, net	(64)	(21)	(160)
Gain on sale of marketable securities, net	(6)	(30)	(28)
Deferred income taxes	(2,167)	---	(13,891)
Inventories write downs	5,099	2,719	3,754
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Accounts receivable	2,919	6,084	12,698
Accounts receivable from related parties	15,105	11,514	(16,708)
Inventories	(10,923)	(20,404)	5,686
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	5,830	(85)	(1,912)
Accounts payable	(12,083)	416	(12,988)
Income tax payable	1,960	---	11,813
Other accrued expenses and other current liabilities	(109)	(6,290)	2,826
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>43,957</u>	<u>15,877</u>	<u>41,250</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(2,263)	(6,483)	(3,138)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment and long-lived assets held for sale	264	---	3
Purchase of available-for-sale marketable securities	(22,550)	(17,581)	(11,028)
Sales and maturities of available-for-sale marketable securities	22,957	13,639	12,002
Cash acquired (paid) in acquisition	---	6,197	(36)
Proceeds from sale of subsidiary shares and investments in non-marketable securities by Himax Technologies Limited	9	34	253
Purchase of investments in non-marketable securities	(4,481)	---	(4,531)
Purchase of subsidiary shares from minority interest	(29)	(17)	(120)
Increase in refundable deposits	(26)	(16)	(20)
Release (pledge) of restricted cash equivalents and marketable securities	(1,952)	2	100
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(8,071)</u>	<u>(4,225)</u>	<u>(6,515)</u>

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Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
(Amounts in Thousands of U.S. Dollars)

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2008	2007	Three Months Ended December 31, 2007
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Distribution of cash dividends	\$---	\$---	\$(39,710)
Proceeds from issuance of new shares by subsidiaries	89	1,217	8,307
Payments to acquire of ordinary shares for retirement	(5,364)	(10,841)	(27,879)
Net cash used in financing activities	<u>(5,275)</u>	<u>(9,624)</u>	<u>(59,282)</u>
Effect of exchange rate changes	444	57	81
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	31,055	2,085	(24,466)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	94,780	109,753	119,246
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	<u><u>\$125,835</u></u>	<u><u>\$111,838</u></u>	<u><u>\$94,780</u></u>
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:			
Cash paid during the period for income taxes	<u>\$31</u>	<u>\$17</u>	<u>\$32</u>
Supplemental disclosures of non-cash investing and financing activities:			
Payable for purchase of equipment and construction in progress	<u>\$476</u>	<u>\$1,384</u>	<u>\$(242)</u>
Fair value of ordinary shares issued by Himax Technologies, Inc. in the acquisition of Wisepal Technologies, Inc.	<u>\$---</u>	<u>\$45,031</u>	<u>\$---</u>
Fair value of additional ordinary shares to be issued by Himax Technologies, Inc. pursuant to the contingent consideration provision in the acquisition of Wisepal Technologies, Inc.	<u>\$---</u>	<u>\$---</u>	<u>\$1,688</u>

Himax Technologies, Inc.
Unaudited Supplemental Data – Reconciliation Schedule
(Amounts in Thousands of U.S. Dollars)

Gross Margin and Operating Margin Excluding Share-based Compensation and Acquisition-Related Charges:

	Three Months Ended March 31,		Three Months Ended December 31,
	2008	2007	2007
Revenues	\$231,588	\$184,891	\$267,100
Gross profit	58,639	36,061	65,845
Add: Share-based compensation – Cost of revenues	28	25	17
Gross profit excluding share-based compensation	58,667	36,086	65,862
Gross margin excluding share-based compensation	25.3%	19.5%	24.7%
Operating income	31,665	16,760	42,368
Add: Share-based compensation	2,374	1,519	1,559
Operating income excluding share-based compensation	34,039	18,279	43,927
Add: Acquisition-related charges –Intangible assets amortization	529	187	461
–In-process R&D write off	---	700	---
Operating income excluding share-based compensation and acquisition-related charges	34,568	19,166	44,388
Operating margin excluding share-based compensation and acquisition-related charges	14.9%	10.4%	16.6%
Net income excluding share-based compensation and acquisition-related charges	37,040	20,425	47,982
Net margin excluding share-based compensation and acquisition-related charges	16.0%	11.0%	18.0%

*Gross margin excluding share-based compensation equals gross profit excluding share-based compensation divided by revenues

*Operating margin excluding share-based compensation and acquisition-related charges equals operating income excluding share-based compensation and acquisition-related charges divided by revenues

*Net margin excluding share-based compensation and acquisition-related charges equals net income excluding share-based compensation and acquisition-related charges divided by revenues

Diluted Earnings Per Share Excluding Share-based Compensation and Acquisition-Related Charges:

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2008
Diluted GAAP EPS	\$0.18
Add: Estimated share-based compensation per diluted share	\$0.01
Add: Estimated acquisition-related charges per diluted share	\$--
Diluted non GAAP EPS excluding share-based compensation and acquisition-related charges	\$0.19
Numbers do not add up due to rounding	