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# Qualcomm Announces Third Quarter Fiscal 2015 Results Revenues \$5.8 billion GAAP EPS \$0.73, Non-GAAP EPS \$0.99

- Record \$6.2 billion of Capital Returned to Stockholders -

- Announces Strategic Realignment Plan -

SAN DIEGO - July 22, 2015 - Qualcomm Incorporated (Nasdaq: QCOM), a leading developer and innovator of advanced wireless technologies, products and services, today announced results for the third quarter of fiscal 2015 ended June 28, 2015.

"Our fiscal third quarter revenues, MSM chip shipments and EPS were within prior expectations, and we took a significant step towards our increased capital return commitments through the initiation of a \$5 billion accelerated share repurchase as part of our plan to repurchase an additional \$10 billion in stock by March 2016," said Steve Mollenkopf, CEO of Qualcomm Incorporated. "During the quarter, we also launched a comprehensive review of our cost structure and announced today a Strategic Realignment Plan designed to improve execution, enhance financial performance and drive profitable growth. Importantly, the changes we are announcing today are designed to enable us to right-size our cost structure and reposition Qualcomm for improved financial and operating performance. We will continue to invest to build upon our technology leadership position and capitalize on the significant long-term opportunities before us in order to create sustainable long-term value for stockholders."

Additional details on the Strategic Realignment Plan were released today by Qualcomm in a separate news release.

## Third Quarter Results (GAAP)\*

	Q3 Fiscal 2015	Q3 Fiscal 2014	Year-Over- Year Change	Q2 Fiscal 2015	Sequential Change
Revenues <sup>1</sup>	\$5.8B	\$6.8B	(14%)	\$6.9B	(15%)
Operating income <sup>1</sup>	\$1.2B	\$2.1B	(40%)	\$1.3B	(8%)
Net income <sup>2</sup>	\$1.2B	\$2.2B	(47%)	\$1.1B	+12%
Diluted earnings per share <sup>2</sup>	\$0.73	\$1.31	(44%)	\$0.63	+16%
Operating cash flow	\$2.1B	\$2.7B	(21%)	(\$0.7B)	N/M

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Throughout this news release, revenues, operating expenses, operating income, earnings before tax (EBT) and effective tax rates are from continuing operations (i.e., before adjustments for noncontrolling interests and discontinued operations), unless otherwise stated.

# Non-GAAP Third Quarter Results\*

	Q3 Fiscal 2015	Q3 Fiscal 2014	Year-Over- Year Change	Q2 Fiscal 2015	Sequential Change
Revenues	\$5.8B	\$6.8B	(14%)	\$6.9B	(15%)
Operating income	\$1.7B	\$2.4B	(30%)	\$2.7B	(37%)
Net income	\$1.6B	\$2.5B	(35%)	\$2.3B	(31%)
Diluted earnings per share	\$0.99	\$1.44	(31%)	\$1.40	(29%)

Non-GAAP results exclude the QSI (Qualcomm Strategic Initiatives) segment and certain share-based compensation, acquisition-related items, tax items and other items. Beginning in the first quarter of fiscal 2015, we changed our methodology for reporting Non-GAAP results to exclude third-party acquisition and integration services costs and certain other items, which may include major restructuring and restructuring-related costs, goodwill and long-lived asset impairment charges and litigation settlements and/or damages. Detailed reconciliations between GAAP and Non-GAAP results are included within this news release.

- \* The following should be considered in regards to the year-over-year and sequential comparisons:
  - The third quarter of fiscal 2015 GAAP results included:
    - \$142 million of charges, or \$0.08 per share, that resulted from an impairment of goodwill and long-lived assets related to one of our display businesses.
  - The second quarter of fiscal 2015 GAAP results included:
    - \$975 million charge, or \$0.58 per share, related to the resolution reached with the China
       National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC) regarding its investigation of us
       under China's Anti-Monopoly Law; and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Throughout this news release, net income and diluted earnings per share are attributable to Qualcomm (i.e., after adjustments for noncontrolling interests and discontinued operations), unless otherwise stated.

- Operating cash flow also was impacted by the prepayment of \$950 million to secure longterm capacity commitments at a supplier of our integrated circuit products.
- The third quarter of fiscal 2014 Non-GAAP and GAAP results included:
  - \$208 million of income, or \$0.12 per share, of which \$184 million was recorded in other income, due to the reversal of accruals related to our litigation with ParkerVision; and
  - \$164 million of charges, or \$0.08 per share, that resulted from an impairment of goodwill and long-lived assets related to one of our display businesses.

# **Third Quarter Key Business Metrics**

	Q3 Fiscal 2015	Q3 Fiscal 2014	Year-Over-Year Change (1)	Q2 Fiscal 2015	Sequential Change (1)
MSM <sup>TM</sup> chip shipments	225M	225M	<u></u> %	233M	(3%)
Total reported device sales (2)	\$60.4B	\$58.1B	+4%	\$75.8B	(20%)
Est. reported 3G/4G device shipments (approx.) (2)	289M - 293M	250M - 254M	+15%	384M - 388M	(25%)
Est. reported 3G/4G average selling price (approx.) (2)	\$205 - \$211	\$228 - \$234	(10%)	\$193 - \$199	+6%

- (1) The midpoints of the estimated ranges are used for comparison purposes only and do not indicate a higher degree of confidence in the midpoints.
- (2) The third quarter of fiscal 2014 and 2015 are based on sales by our licensees in the March quarter as reported to us in the June quarter, and the second quarter of fiscal 2015 is based on sales by our licensees in the December quarter as reported to us in the March quarter.

#### Cash and Marketable Securities

Our cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities totaled \$35.2 billion at the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2015, compared to \$32.7 billion a year ago and \$29.6 billion at the end of the second quarter of fiscal 2015. In May 2015, we issued an aggregate principal amount of \$10.0 billion of unsecured floating-and fixed-rate notes.

#### **Return of Capital to Stockholders**

During the third quarter of fiscal 2015, we returned \$6.2 billion to stockholders, including \$5.4 billion through repurchases of 63.7 million shares of common stock (which includes the 57.7 million shares initially delivered under the \$5 billion accelerated share repurchase agreements (ASR Agreements)) and \$757 million, or \$0.48 per share, of cash dividends paid. The final number and the average purchase price of the shares to be delivered under the ASR Agreements will be determined upon settlement of the transactions, which is expected to occur in or before November 2015. Since June 28, 2015, we repurchased and retired 8.0 million shares of common stock for \$510 million. On July 7, 2015, we announced a cash dividend of \$0.48 per share payable on September 23, 2015 to stockholders of record as of the close of business on September 2, 2015.

#### **Effective Income Tax Rates**

Our fiscal 2015 annual effective income tax rates are estimated to be approximately 19 percent for GAAP and approximately 18 percent for Non-GAAP, both of which include the United States federal research and development (R&D) tax credit generated through December 31, 2014, the date on which the credit expired. The effective income tax rates for the third quarter of fiscal 2015 were 15 percent for both GAAP and Non-GAAP. Our estimated annual tax rates for fiscal 2015 GAAP and Non-GAAP decreased from our prior estimates of 21 percent and 19 percent, respectively, primarily resulting from an increase in the allocation of expenses to our United States operations.

#### **Business Outlook**

The following statements are forward looking, and actual results may differ materially. The "Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements" in this news release provides a description of certain risks that we face, and our most recent annual and quarterly reports on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) provide a more complete description of risks.

Our outlook does not include provisions for future asset impairments or for pending legal matters, other than future legal amounts that are probable and estimable. Further, due to their nature, certain income and expense items, such as realized investment and certain derivative gains or losses, cannot be accurately forecast. Accordingly, we only include such items in our financial outlook to the extent they are reasonably certain; however, actual results may differ materially from the outlook. Our outlook includes an estimate of the benefit related to stock repurchases that we plan to complete.

We have not included any estimates related to the proposed acquisition of CSR plc in our fiscal 2015 outlook. The acquisition is expected to close by the end of the summer of 2015. We expect the acquisition to be accretive to Non-GAAP earnings per share in fiscal 2016, the first full year of combined operations.

# Strategic Realignment Plan

Today, we announced a Strategic Realignment Plan designed to improve execution, enhance financial performance and drive profitable growth as we work to create sustainable long-term value for stockholders. As part of this, among other actions, we are implementing a cost reduction plan to reduce our annual costs from fiscal 2015 levels of \$7.3 billion (adjusted for variable compensation) by

approximately \$1.1 billion through a series of targeted reductions that will not jeopardize our growth objectives or core technology roadmap. We also plan to reduce annual share-based compensation grants by approximately \$300 million. We expect these cost initiatives to be fully implemented by the end of fiscal 2016. In connection with this plan, we expect to incur approximately \$350 million to \$450 million in restructuring and restructuring-related charges, of which approximately \$100 million to \$200 million is included in our fourth quarter fiscal 2015 GAAP EPS guidance. Refer to the full text of that release on our investor relations website at: <a href="http://investor.qualcomm.com/results.cfm">http://investor.qualcomm.com/results.cfm</a>

#### QCT Outlook

We have reduced our outlook for our semiconductor business, QCT, in the fiscal fourth quarter compared to our prior expectations driven primarily by factors impacting premium-tier demand, including:

- Increased concentration within the premium tier causing reduced demand for certain OEM devices that include our chipset;
- Lower demand for our premium-tier chipsets from a vertical customer; and
- Lower sell through in China of certain handset models using our premium-tier chipsets.

# QTL Outlook

In the second quarter of fiscal 2015, we reached a resolution with the NDRC regarding its investigation and agreed to implement a rectification plan that modifies certain of our business practices in China. However, we continue to believe that certain licensees in China are not fully complying with their contractual obligations to report their sales of licensed products to us (which includes 3G/4G units that we believe are not being reported by certain licensees). We continue to make progress, with licensees executing agreements based on the new China terms, and with several other licensees informing us that they intend to retain the terms of their existing agreements. Negotiations with certain other licensees are ongoing, and we expect it will take some time to conclude these negotiations. We believe that the conclusion of new agreements with these licensees will result in improved reporting by these licensees, including with respect to sales of three-mode devices (i.e., devices that implement GSM, TD-SCDMA, and LTE) sold in China. Our current outlook for our licensing business, QTL, also reflects the following:

• We expect global 3G/4G device shipments to be approximately 1.52 billion to 1.6 billion for calendar year 2015. At this time, we are not providing a forecast for calendar year 2015 reported 3G/4G device shipments.

• Our guidance for estimated fiscal fourth quarter and fiscal 2015 3G/4G total reported device sales includes an estimate of some prior period activity (i.e., devices shipped in prior periods) that may be reported to us.

The following table summarizes GAAP and Non-GAAP guidance based on the current outlook. The Non-GAAP outlook presented below is consistent with the presentation of Non-GAAP results included elsewhere herein.

#### **Qualcomm's Business Outlook Summary**

	Q4 FY14 Results	Current Guidance Q4 FY15 Estimates (1)
Revenues	\$6.7B	\$4.7B - \$5.7B
Year-over-year change		decrease 15% - 30%
Non-GAAP diluted earnings per share (EPS)	\$1.26	\$0.75 - \$0.95
Year-over-year change		decrease 25% - 40%
Diluted EPS attributable to QSI	\$0.02	(\$0.01)
Diluted EPS attributable to share-based compensation	(\$0.12)	(\$0.13)
Diluted EPS attributable to other items	(\$0.05)	(\$0.05) - (\$0.10)
GAAP diluted EPS	\$1.11	\$0.51 - \$0.76
Year-over-year change		decrease 32% - 54%
Metrics		
MSM chip shipments	236M	170M - 190M
Year-over-year change		decrease 19% - 28%
Total reported device sales* (2)	approx. \$57.4B	approx. \$60.5B - \$66.5B (3
Year-over-year change		increase 5% - 16%
*Est. sales in June quarter, reported in September quarter		

	FY 2014 Results	Prior Guidance FY 2015 Estimates	Current Guidance FY 2015 Estimates (1)
Revenues	\$26.5B	\$25.0B - \$27.0B	\$24.5B - \$25.5B
Year-over-year change		decrease 6% - increase 2%	decrease 4% - 8%
Non-GAAP diluted EPS	\$5.27	\$4.60 - \$5.00	\$4.50 - \$4.70
Year-over-year change		decrease 5% - 13%	decrease 11% - 15%
Diluted EPS attributable to QSI	\$0.01	(\$0.04)	(\$0.04)
Diluted EPS attributable to share-based compensation	(\$0.50)	(\$0.54)	(\$0.52)
Diluted EPS attributable to other items	(\$0.13)	(\$0.74)	(\$0.84) - (\$0.89)
GAAP diluted EPS	\$4.65	\$3.28 - \$3.68	\$3.05 - \$3.30
Year-over-year change		decrease 21% - 29%	decrease 29% - 34%
Metrics			
Total reported device sales* (2)	approx. \$243.6B	approx. \$255.0B - \$275.0B (3)	approx. \$253.0B - \$259.0B (3)
Year-over-year change		increase 5% - 13%	increase 4% - 6%
*Est. sales in Sept. to June quarters, reported in Dec. to Sept. quarters			

- (1) Our guidance range for GAAP for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2015 includes an estimate of restructuring and restructuring-related charges of \$100 million to \$200 million; these charges are excluded from our Non-GAAP guidance.
- (2) Total reported device sales is the sum of all reported sales in U.S. dollars (as reported to us by our licensees) of all licensed CDMA-based, OFDMA-based and CDMA/OFDMA multimode subscriber devices (including handsets, modules, modem cards and other subscriber devices) by our licensees during a particular period (collectively, 3G/4G devices). The reported quarterly estimated ranges of average selling prices (ASPs) and unit shipments are determined based on the information as reported to us by our licensees during the relevant period and our own estimates of the selling prices and unit shipments for licensees that do not provide such information. Not all licensees report sales, selling prices and/or unit shipments the same way (e.g., some licensees report sales net of permitted deductions, including transportation, insurance, packing costs and other items, while other licensees report sales and then identify the amount of permitted deductions in their reports), and the way in which licensees report such information may change from time to time. In addition, certain licensees may not report (in the quarter in which they are contractually obligated to report) their sales of certain types of subscriber units, which (as a result of audits, legal actions or for other reasons) may be reported in a subsequent quarter. Accordingly, total reported device sales, estimated unit shipments and estimated ASPs for a particular period may include prior period activity that was not reported by the licensee until such particular period.
- (3) Our guidance range for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2015 and fiscal 2015 total reported device sales reflects estimated 3G/4G total reported device sales that we currently expect to be reported to us, which includes an estimate of some prior period activity (i.e., devices shipped in prior periods) that may be reported to us.

Sums may not equal totals due to rounding.

## **Results of Business Segments**

The following table reconciles our Non-GAAP results to our GAAP results (\$ in millions, except per share data):

Q3 - FISCAL 2015 Revenues	QCT		Reconciling	N CAAD	OCI	Share-Based	Other Items	CAAD
Revenues		QTL	Items (a)	Non-GAAP	QSI	Compensation	(b) (c) (d)	GAAP
	\$3,853	\$1,931	\$48	\$5,832	s—	\$ <u></u>	\$—	\$5,832
	(22%)	7%	340 4%	(14%)	<b>5</b> —	<b>3</b> —	<b>3</b> —	(14%)
Change from prior year Change from prior quarter	(13%)	(20%)	4% 4%	(14%)				(14%)
Cost of equipment and services revenues	(13/0)	(20/0)	4/0	\$2,386	<b>s</b> —	\$10	\$55	\$2,451
Research and development				1,226	2	176	3	1,407
Selling, general and administrative				491	19	85		577
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Other expenses				-	(021)	(0271)		
Operating income (loss)				\$1,709	(\$21)	(\$271)	(\$182)	\$1,235
Change from prior year				(30%)	N/M N/M	1%	N/M 84%	(40%)
Change from prior quarter Investment income, net				(37%) <b>\$191</b> (e)		(9%) f) \$—	\$4% <b>\$</b> —	(8%) <b>\$163</b>
EBT	\$289	\$1,654	(643)		( )	. ,	,	*
		\$1,054 7%	(\$43) N/M	\$1,900	(\$49) N/M	(\$271) 1%	(\$182) N/M	\$1,398
Change from prior year Change from prior quarter	(74%) (61%)	(23%)	N/M N/M	(33%) (35%)	(53%)	(9%)		(44%) (9%)
EBT as % of revenues	8%	86%	N/M	33%	(33/0)	(970)	04/0	24%
Net income (loss)	0 /0	00 /0	14/141	\$1,611	(\$26)	(\$213)	(@1 <b>99</b> )	\$1,184
· ,				(35%)	(\$20) N/M	(\$213)	(\$188) N/M	(47%)
Change from prior year Change from prior quarter				(33%)	N/M 4%	(3%)		12%
Diluted EPS				\$0.99	(\$0.02)	(\$0.13)	(\$0.12)	\$0.73
Change from prior year				(31%)	N/M	7%	N/M	(44%)
Change from prior quarter				(29%)	— %	(8%)		16%
Diluted shares used				1,629	1,629	1,629	1,629	1,629
Q2 - FISCAL 2015	-			1,025	1,025	1,02)	1,025	1,025
Revenues	\$4,434	\$2,414	\$46	\$6,894	<u>s</u> —			\$6,894
Operating income (loss)	Ψ1,101	Ψ2,111	\$10	2,707	(4)	(249)	(1,118)	1,336
EBT	\$750	\$2,162	\$26	2,938	(32)	(249)	(1,118)	1,539
Net income (loss)	\$150	\$2,102	\$20	2,339	(27)	(206)	(1,053)	1,053
Diluted EPS				\$1.40	(\$0.02)	(\$0.12)	(\$0.63)	\$0.63
Diluted EFS Diluted shares used				1,667	1.667	1,667	1.667	1,667
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Revenues	\$4,957	\$1,803	\$46	\$6,806	<b>\$</b> —	<b>\$</b> —	<b>\$</b> —	\$6,806
Operating income (loss)				2,425	(5)	(274)	(71)	2,075
EBT	\$1,116	\$1,550	\$177	2,843	(1)	(274)	(71)	2,497
Net income (loss)				2,470	_	(232)	_	2,238
Diluted EPS				\$1.44	\$0.00	(\$0.14)	\$0.00	\$1.31
Diluted shares used				1,714	1,714	1,714	1,714	1,714
Q4 - FISCAL 2014								
Revenues	\$4,849	\$1,795	\$48	\$6,692	<b>\$</b> —	\$—	<b>\$</b> —	\$6,692
Operating income (loss)				2,323	(3)	(252)	(76)	1,992
EBT	\$1,045	\$1,536	(\$30)	2,551	29	(252)	(76)	2,252
Net income (loss)				2,143	28	(199)	(78)	1,894
Diluted EPS				\$1.26	\$0.02	(\$0.12)	(\$0.05)	\$1.11
Diluted shares used				1,701	1,701	1,701	1,701	1,701

- (a) Non-GAAP reconciling items related to revenues consisted primarily of nonreportable segment revenues less intersegment eliminations. Non-GAAP reconciling items related to earnings before taxes consisted primarily of certain research and development expenses, selling, general and administrative expenses, other expenses or income and certain investment income that are not allocated to the segments for management reporting purposes; nonreportable segment results; and the elimination of intersegment profit.
- (b) Beginning in the first quarter of fiscal 2015, we changed our methodology for reporting Non-GAAP results to exclude third-party acquisition and integration services costs and certain other items, which may include major restructuring and restructuring-related costs, goodwill and long-lived asset impairment charges and litigation settlements and/or damages. In the third quarter of fiscal 2015, other items excluded from Non-GAAP EBT included impairment charges of \$131 million and \$11 million related to goodwill and intangible assets, respectively, \$78 million of acquisition-related items and \$6 million of severance costs related to restructurings, partially offset by a \$44 million gain on the sale of certain assets.
- (c) In the third quarter of fiscal 2015, the tax expense in the "Other Items" column included a \$4 million tax expense to reconcile the tax provision for each column to the total GAAP tax provision for the quarter, a \$1 million tax expense for the tax effect of other items in EBT and a \$1 million tax expense for the tax effect of acquisition-related items. At fiscal year end, the quarterly tax provision (benefit) for each column equals the annual tax provision (benefit) for each column computed in accordance with GAAP. In interim quarters, the sum of these provisions (benefits) may not equal the total GAAP tax provision, and this difference is included in the tax provision (benefit) in the "Other Items" column. In interim quarters of prior fiscal years, this difference was allocated to the tax provisions (benefits) among the columns. See the "Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Tax Rates to GAAP Tax Rates" herein.
- (d) Details of amounts included in the "Other Items" column for prior periods are included in the releases for those periods.
- (e) Included \$127 million in interest and dividend income, \$109 million in net realized gains on investments and \$1 million in other net investment income, partially offset by \$32 million in interest expense and \$14 million in other-than-temporary losses on investments.
- (f) Included \$41 million in other-than-temporary losses on investments, partially offset by \$13 million in other net investment income.

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9 MONTHS - FISCAL 2015		,					· ·		•	
Revenues	\$13,529	\$6,162	\$134	\$19,825	П	<b>\$</b> —		<b>\$</b> —	<b>\$</b> —	\$19,825
Change from prior year	(2%)	7%	(35%)	%						%
Cost of equipment and services revenues				\$7,909		<b>\$</b> —		\$33	\$184	\$8,126
Research and development				3,582		5		508	38	4,133
Selling, general and administrative				1,366		27		252	44	1,689
Other expenses				20	- 1	_		_	1,221	1,241
Operating income (loss)				\$6,948		(\$32)	(9	5793)	(\$1,487)	\$4,636
Change from prior year				5%		(100%)		2%	N/M	(17%)
Investment income, net				\$650 (	(i)	(\$50)	(j)	<b>\$</b> —	<b>\$</b> —	\$600
EBT	\$2,185	\$5,395	\$18	\$7,598		(\$82)	(5	5793)	(\$1,487)	\$5,236
Change from prior year	(21%)	7%	N/M	%		N/M		2%	N/M	(20%)
EBT as % of revenues	16%	88%	N/M	38%						26%
Net income (loss)				\$6,213		(\$53)	(5	6648)	(\$1,303)	\$4,209
Change from prior year				(10%)		N/M		1%	N/M	(31%)
Diluted EPS				\$3.74		(\$0.03)	(\$	0.39)	(\$0.78)	\$2.53
Change from prior year				(7%)		N/M		(3%)	) N/M	(28%)
Diluted shares used				1,661		1,661		1,661	1,661	1,661
9 MONTHS - FISCAL 2014					_					
Revenues	\$13,816	\$5,774	\$205	\$19,795		<b>\$</b> —		<b>\$</b> —	<b>\$</b> —	\$19,795
Operating income (loss)				6,611		(16)		(806)	(231)	5,558
EBT	\$2,762	\$5,054	(\$217)	7,599		(36)		(806)	(231)	6,526
Discontinued operations, net of tax				430		_		_	_	430
Net income (loss)				6,888		(13)		(655)	(147)	6,073
Diluted EPS				\$4.01		(\$0.01)		0.38)	(\$0.08)	\$3.53
Diluted shares used				1,718	_	1,718		1,718	1,718	1,718
12 MONTHS - FISCAL 2014					┙					
Revenues	\$18,665	\$7,569	\$253	\$26,487		<b>\$</b> —		<b>\$</b> —	<b>\$</b> —	\$26,487
Operating income (loss)				8,933		(18)		,059)	(306)	7,550
EBT	\$3,807	\$6,590	(\$247)	10,150		(7)	(1	,059)	(306)	8,778
Discontinued operations, net of tax				430		_		_	_	430
Net income (loss)				9,032		15		(856)	(224)	7,967
Diluted EPS				\$5.27		\$0.01		0.50)	(\$0.13)	\$4.65
Diluted shares used				1,714		1,714		1,714	1,714	1,714

- (g) In the nine months ended June 28, 2015, other items excluded from Non-GAAP EBT included \$975 million related to the resolution reached with the NDRC, \$240 million of acquisition-related items, \$235 million related to goodwill impairment charges, \$43 million of severance costs related to restructurings and \$38 million in impairment charges related to intangible assets, partially offset by a \$44 million gain on the sale of certain assets.
- (h) In the nine months ended June 28, 2015, the tax benefit in the "Other Items" column included a \$101 million tax benefit related to fiscal 2014 as a result of the retroactive reinstatement of the federal R&D tax credit, a \$61 million tax benefit as a result of an agreement reached with the Internal Revenue Service related to Atheros' pre-acquisition tax returns, a \$25 million tax benefit for the tax effect of other items in EBT and a \$3 million tax benefit related to fiscal 2014 as a result of the retroactive reinstatement of other tax laws, partially offset by a \$6 million tax expense to reconcile the tax provisions for each column to the total GAAP tax provision for the nine months ended June 28, 2015. See the "Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Tax Rates to GAAP Tax Rates" herein.
- (i) Included \$397 million in interest and dividend income, \$371 million in net realized gains on investments and \$6 million in other net investment income, partially offset by \$90 million in other-than-temporary losses on investments and \$34 million in interest expense.
- (j) Included \$71 million in other-than-temporary losses on investments and \$18 million in equity in losses of investees, partially offset by \$28 million in net realized gains on investments and \$11 million in other net investment income.

N/M - Not Meaningful

Sums may not equal totals due to rounding.

# Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Tax Rates to GAAP Tax Rates (Unaudited)

Three Mont	Three Months Ended June 28, 2015											
(\$ in millions)	Non-GAAP Results Q				Share-Based Compensation		Other Items		GAAP Results			
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	\$	1,900	\$	(49)	\$	(271)	\$	(182)	\$	1,398		
Income tax (expense) benefit		(289)		22		58		(6)		(215)		
Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$	1,611	\$	(27)	\$	(213)	\$	(188)	\$	1,183		
Tax rate		15%		45%		21%		(3%)		15%		

Nine Month	ıs End	ed June 28,	2015							
(\$ in millions)		n-GAAP Results	QSI		Share-Based Compensation		Other Items		GAAP Results	
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	\$	7,598	\$	(82)	\$	(793)	\$	(1,487)	\$	5,236
Income tax (expense) benefit		(1,385)		27		145		184		(1,029)
Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$	6,213	\$	(55)	\$	(648)	\$	(1,303)	\$	4,207
Tax rate		18%		33%		18%		12%		20%

#### **Conference Call**

Qualcomm's fiscal third quarter 2015 earnings conference call will be broadcast live on July 22, 2015, beginning at 1:45 p.m. Pacific Time (PT) at <a href="http://investor.qualcomm.com/events.cfm">http://investor.qualcomm.com/events.cfm</a>. This conference call will include a discussion of "Non-GAAP financial measures" as defined in Regulation G. The most directly comparable GAAP financial measures and information reconciling these Non-GAAP financial measures to the Company's financial results prepared in accordance with GAAP, as well as other financial and statistical information to be discussed on the conference call, will be posted at <a href="www.qualcomm.com/events.cfm">www.qualcomm.com/events.cfm</a> and via telephone following the live call for 30 days thereafter. To listen to the replay via telephone, U.S. callers may dial (855) 859-2056 and international callers may dial (404) 537-3406. Callers should use reservation number 78002754.

### **Note Regarding Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

The Non-GAAP financial information presented herein should be considered in addition to, not as a substitute for, or superior to, financial measures calculated in accordance with GAAP. In addition, "Non-GAAP" is not a term defined by GAAP, and as a result, the Company's measure of Non-GAAP results might be different than similarly titled measures used by other companies. Reconciliations between GAAP and Non-GAAP results are presented herein.

The Company uses Non-GAAP financial information (i) to evaluate, assess and benchmark the Company's operating results on a consistent and comparable basis; (ii) to measure the performance and efficiency of the Company's ongoing core operating businesses, including the QCT (Qualcomm CDMA Technologies) and QTL (Qualcomm Technology Licensing) segments; and (iii) to compare the performance and efficiency of these segments against each other and against competitors. Non-GAAP measurements used by the Company include revenues, cost of equipment and services revenues, R&D expenses, SG&A expenses, other expenses, operating income, net investment income, income or earnings before income taxes, effective tax rate, net income and diluted earnings per share. The Company is able to assess what it believes is a more meaningful and comparable set of financial performance measures for the Company and its business segments by using Non-GAAP information. As a result, management compensation decisions and the review of executive compensation by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors focus primarily on Non-GAAP financial measures applicable to the Company and its business segments. The Company presents Non-GAAP financial information to provide greater transparency to investors with respect to its use of such information in financial and operational decision-making.

Non-GAAP information used by management excludes QSI and certain share-based compensation, acquisition-related items, tax items and other items.

- QSI is excluded because the Company expects to exit its strategic investments in the foreseeable
  future, and the effects of fluctuations in the value of such investments and realized gains or losses are
  viewed by management as unrelated to the Company's operational performance.
- Share-based compensation expense primarily relates to restricted stock units. Non-cash share-based
  compensation is excluded because management views such expenses as unrelated to the operating
  activities of the Company's ongoing core businesses.
- Certain other items are excluded because management views such expenses as unrelated to the operating activities of the Company's ongoing core businesses, as follows:
  - Acquisition-related items include amortization of certain intangible assets, recognition of the
    step-up of inventories to fair value and the related tax effects of these items starting with
    acquisitions completed in the third quarter of fiscal 2011, as well as any tax effects from
    restructuring the ownership of such acquired assets. Additionally, the Company excludes
    expenses related to the termination of contracts that limit the use of the acquired intellectual
    property. Starting in the first quarter of fiscal 2015, the Company excludes third-party

- acquisition and integration services costs. Prior year amounts have not been reclassified to conform to the current presentation.
- Starting in the first quarter of fiscal 2015, the Company excludes certain other items that
  management views as unrelated to the Company's ongoing business, such as major
  restructuring and restructuring-related costs, goodwill and long-lived asset impairments and
  litigation settlements and/or damages. Prior year amounts have not been reclassified to
  conform to the current presentation.
- Certain tax items that are unrelated to the fiscal year in which they are recorded are excluded in order to provide a clearer understanding of the Company's ongoing Non-GAAP tax rate and after tax earnings. Also, the provision (benefit) to reconcile the tax provisions (benefits) for each column to the total GAAP tax provision for the quarter is excluded. At fiscal year end, the quarterly tax provision (benefit) for each column equals the annual tax provision (benefit) for each column computed in accordance with GAAP. In interim quarters, the sum of these provisions (benefits) may not equal the total GAAP tax provision, and this difference is included in the tax provision (benefit) in the "Other Items" column. In interim quarters of prior fiscal years, this difference was allocated to the tax provisions (benefits) among the columns.

### **About Qualcomm**

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# **Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

In addition to the historical information contained herein, this news release contains forward-looking statements that are inherently subject to risks and uncertainties, including but not limited to statements regarding our capital return commitments, including our plan to repurchase an additional \$10 billion in stock by March 2016, our ASR program, including the final number and average purchase price of shares to be delivered thereunder and the timing thereof, and the benefit to our outlook related to stock repurchases we intend to complete; our reduced outlook for our semiconductor business and the factors

driving the reduced outlook; our Strategic Realignment Plan and the actions and goals related thereto, including our cost reduction plan and our expectations regarding reducing annual costs and share-based compensation, as well as the restructuring and restructuring-related charges we expect to incur and the timing thereof; our intent to continue to invest to build upon our technology leadership position and capitalize on the long-term opportunities before us; our proposed acquisition of CSR plc, including the expected timing and financial impact of, and our ability to complete, the acquisition; certain licensees in China not fully complying with their contractual obligations to report their sales of licensed products to us; progress with licensees executing agreements based on the new China terms and with several other licensees informing us that they intend to retain the terms of their existing agreements, our expectations that it will take some time to conclude negotiations with certain other licensees, and our belief that the conclusion of new agreements with these licensees will result in improved reporting by these licensees, including with respect to sales of three-mode devices; our business outlook; and our estimates and guidance related to revenues, GAAP and Non-GAAP diluted earnings per share, MSM chip shipments, total reported device sales, global 3G/4G and reported 3G/4G device shipments, 3G/4G average selling prices and effective income tax rates. Forward-looking statements are generally identified by words such as "estimates," "guidance," "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "plans," "believes," "seeks" and similar expressions. Actual results may differ materially from those referred to in the forward-looking statements due to a number of important factors, including but not limited to risks associated with commercial network deployments, expansions and upgrades of CDMA, OFDMA and other communications technologies, our customers' and licensees' sales of products and services based on these technologies and our ability to drive our customers' demand for our products and services; competition in an environment of rapid technological change; our dependence on a small number of customers and licensees; the continued and future success of our licensing programs; attacks on our licensing business model, including current and future legal proceedings or actions of governmental or quasi-governmental bodies or standards or industry organizations; the enforcement and protection of our intellectual property rights; government regulations and policies, or adverse rulings in enforcement or other proceedings; the commercial success of our new technologies, products and services; the execution of our Strategic Realignment Plan; claims by third parties that we infringe their intellectual property; acquisitions (including the possibility that the CSR acquisition may not be completed timely, if at all), strategic transactions and investments; our dependence on a limited number of third-party suppliers; our stock price and earnings volatility; our indebtedness; our ability to attract and retain qualified employees; global economic conditions that impact the mobile communications industry; foreign currency fluctuations and failures in our products or services or in the products or services of our

customers or licensees, including those resulting from security vulnerabilities, defects or errors. These and other risks are set forth in the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the third quarter ended June 28, 2015 filed with the SEC. Our reports filed with the SEC are available on our website at <a href="https://www.qualcomm.com">www.qualcomm.com</a>. We undertake no obligation to update, or continue to provide information with respect to, any forward-looking statement or risk factor, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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# Qualcomm Incorporated CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (In millions, except per share data) (Unaudited)

	J	une 28, 2015	Sept	ember 28, 2014
ASSETS Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	9.987	¢	7,907
Marketable securities	Ф	11,344	Ф	9,658
Accounts receivable, net		1,961		2,412
Inventories		1,583		1,458
Deferred tax assets		472		577
Other current assets		581		401
Total current assets		25,928		22,413
Marketable securities		13,894		, -
Deferred tax assets				14,457
		1,275		1,174
Property, plant and equipment, net		2,574		2,487
Goodwill		4,259		4,488
Other intangible assets, net		2,405		2,580
Other assets	Φ.	1,960		975
Total assets	\$	52,295	\$	48,574
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Trade accounts payable	\$	1,412	\$	2,183
Payroll and other benefits related liabilities	Ψ	697	Ψ	802
Unearned revenues		680		785
Short-term debt		1.000		_
Other current liabilities		2,294		2,243
Total current liabilities		6,083		6,013
Unearned revenues		2,576		2,967
Long-term debt		9,913		2,707
Other liabilities		527		428
Total liabilities		19.099		9,408
Total natifics		17,077		7,400
Stockholders' equity:				
Qualcomm stockholders' equity:				
Preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value; 8 shares authorized; none outstanding		_		_
Common stock and paid-in capital, \$0.0001 par value; 6,000 shares authorized; 1,578 and 1,669 shares issued and outstanding, respectively		_		7,736
Retained earnings		32,699		30,799
Accumulated other comprehensive income		503		634
Total Qualcomm stockholders' equity		33,202		39,169
Noncontrolling interests		(6)		(3)
Total stockholders' equity		33,196		39.166
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	52,295	\$	48,574

# Qualcomm Incorporated CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (In millions, except per share data) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended					<b>Nine Months Ended</b>				
	J	une 28, 2015		June 29, 2014		June 28, 2015		June 29, 2014		
Revenues:										
Equipment and services	\$	3,840	\$	4,922	\$	13,459	\$	13,803		
Licensing		1,992		1,884		6,366		5,992		
Total revenues		5,832		6,806		19,825		19,795		
Costs and expenses:										
Cost of equipment and services revenues		2,451		2,740		8,126		7,929		
Research and development		1,407		1,429		4,133		4,113		
Selling, general and administrative		577		582		1,689		1,745		
Other		162		(20)		1,241		450		
Total costs and expenses		4,597		4,731		15,189		14,237		
Operating income		1,235		2,075		4,636	_	5,558		
Investment income, net		163		422		600		968		
Income from continuing operations before income taxes		1,398		2,497		5,236	_	6,526		
Income tax expense		(215)		(260)		(1,029)		(886)		
Income from continuing operations		1,183		2,237		4,207		5,640		
Discontinued operations, net of income taxes		_		_		_		430		
Net income		1,183		2,237		4,207		6,070		
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests		1		1		2		3		
Net income attributable to Qualcomm	\$	1,184	\$	2,238	\$	4,209	\$	6,073		
					_		_			
Basic earnings per share attributable to Qualcomm:										
Continuing operations	\$	0.74	\$	1.33	\$	2.57	\$	3.35		
Discontinued operations		_		_		_		0.25		
Net income	\$	0.74	\$	1.33	\$	2.57	\$	3.60		
Diluted earnings per share attributable to Qualcomm:										
Continuing operations	\$	0.73	\$	1.31	\$	2.53	\$	3.28		
Discontinued operations		_		_		_		0.25		
Net income	\$	0.73	\$	1.31	\$	2.53	\$	3.53		
Shares used in per share calculations:	_				_					
Basic		1,608		1,683		1,638		1,686		
Diluted		1,629		1,714		1,661		1,718		
Dividends per share announced	\$	0.48	\$	0.42	\$	1.32	\$	1.12		

# Qualcomm Incorporated CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (In millions) (Unaudited)

		Three Mor	nth	s Ended		Nine Mont	hs	ıs Ended		
	J	une 28, 2015		June 29, 2014		June 28, 2015		June 29, 2014		
Operating Activities:	Φ.	4.400	Φ.	2 22 7	Φ.	4.00=	٨	C 0.70		
Net income	\$	1,183	\$	2,237	\$	4,207	\$	6,070		
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:										
Depreciation and amortization expense		297		292		888		853		
Gain on sale of discontinued operations		_		_		_		(665)		
Long-lived asset and goodwill impairment charges		166		164		304		642		
Income tax provision in excess of (less than) income tax payments		86		(24)		159		244		
Non-cash portion of share-based compensation expense		271		274		793		806		
Incremental tax benefits from share-based compensation		(20)		(70)		(98)		(239)		
Net realized gains on marketable securities and other investments		(122)		(298)		(399)		(685)		
Impairment losses on marketable securities and other investments		55		11		161		170		
Other items, net		2		15		(29)		(5)		
Changes in assets and liabilities:										
Accounts receivable, net		100		139		438		43		
Inventories		281		(37)		(122)		116		
Other assets		241		9		(897)		136		
Trade accounts payable		(261)		286		(769)		321		
Payroll, benefits and other liabilities		(1)		(235)		(406)		(337)		
Unearned revenues		(162)		(90)		(408)		(202)		
Net cash provided by operating activities		2,116		2,673		3,822		7,268		
Investing Activities:										
Capital expenditures		(366)		(158)		(815)		(955)		
Purchases of available-for-sale securities		(4,360)		(2,488)		(13,118)		(10,315)		
Proceeds from sales and maturities of available-for-sale securities		3,266		4,060		11,897		9,744		
Purchases of trading securities		(339)		(1,054)		(1,034)		(2,868)		
Proceeds from sales and maturities of trading securities		298		826		1,008		2,619		
Purchases of other marketable securities		_		(220)		_		(220)		
Proceeds from sale of discontinued operations, net of cash sold		_		_		_		788		
Proceeds from sales of property, plant and equipment		128		36		161		37		
Acquisitions and other investments, net of cash acquired		(130)		(100)		(308)		(447)		
Other items, net		(27)		4		(11)		65		
Net cash (used) provided by investing activities		(1,530)		906		(2,220)		(1,552)		
Financing Activities:										
Proceeds from short-term debt		1,718		_		2,813		_		
Proceeds from long-term debt		9,937		_		9,937		_		
Repayment of short-term debt		(1,813)		_		(1,814)		_		
Proceeds from issuance of common stock		154		194		571		1,147		
Repurchases and retirements of common stock		(5,405)		(1,350)		(9,016)		(3,354)		
Dividends paid		(757)		(706)		(2,142)		(1,884)		
Incremental tax benefits from share-based compensation		20		70		98		239		
Other items, net		50		(184)		41		(65)		
Net cash provided (used) by financing activities		3,904		(1,976)		488		(3,917)		
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		5,501		4		(10)		3		
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		4,495		1,607		2,080		1,802		
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		5,492		6,337		7,907		6,142		
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	9,987	Ф	7,944	\$		\$	7,944		