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Fiscal Q3 2021 Earnings Call FieldReport

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FY 21 Q3 and YTD Highlights

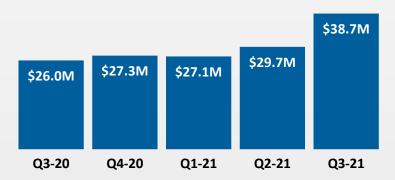
Third Quarter of Fiscal 2021:

- Net sales of \$38.7M, up 49% y/o/y
- **Gross profit** up 59% to \$17.1M (44.2% of net sales)
- **Net income** of \$6.1M or \$0.44 per diluted share
- Order backlog increased 377% to \$40.3M
- Cash and investments: \$58.9M

First Nine Months of Fiscal 2021:

- Net sales of \$95.5M, up 45% y/o/y
- Gross profit of \$41.4M (43.4% of net sales), up 55% y/o/y
- **Net income** of \$12.9M or \$0.94 per diluted share, up 204% from \$4.2M or \$0.31 per diluted share last year

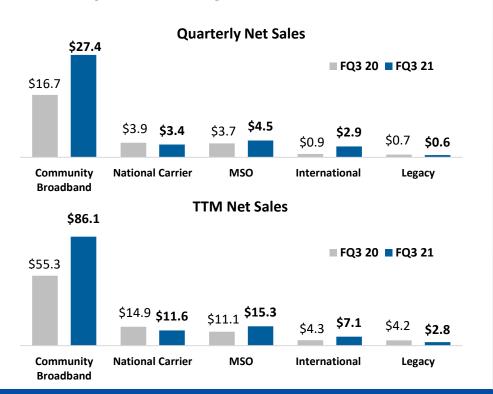
Quarterly Net Sales



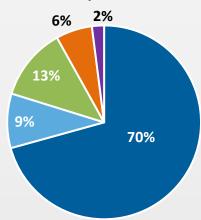
Trailing-Twelve Month (TTM) Net Sales



FY 21 Q3 & TTM Net Sales Comparison by Market



TTM Net Sales Composition Ended 6/30/21¹



Community Broadband (*Tier 2 & 3, utilities, municipalities, and alternative carriers*)

National Carrier (Tier 1 Wireline and all Wireless Markets)

MSO (Cable TV)

International (Canada, Mexico, and Caribbean Markets)

Legacy (Legacy contract manufacturing and misc. sales)

All dollar figures in millions

1) Based on net sales of \$122.8 million and Point of Sales (POS) reporting from distributors who resell our product line into these markets.





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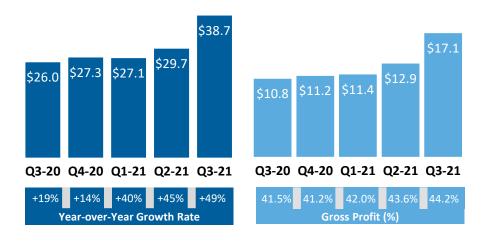
Quarterly Financial Performance

Net Sales



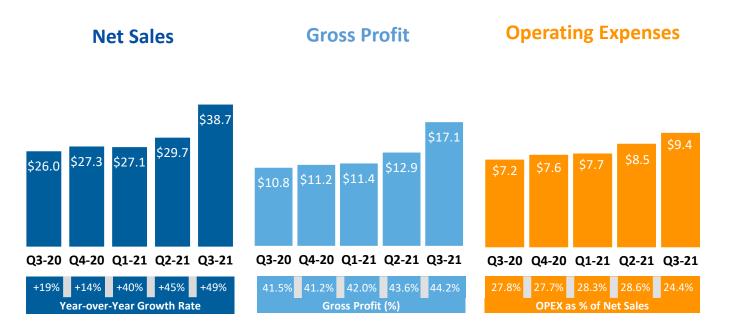
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Net Sales Gross Profit

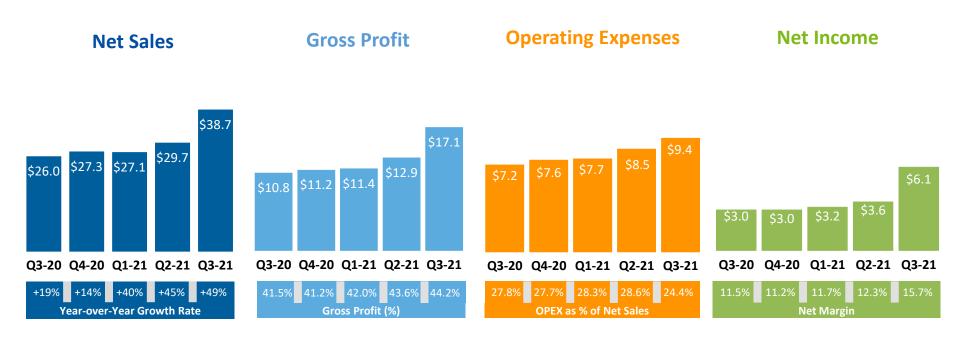




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COVID-19 Operational Update

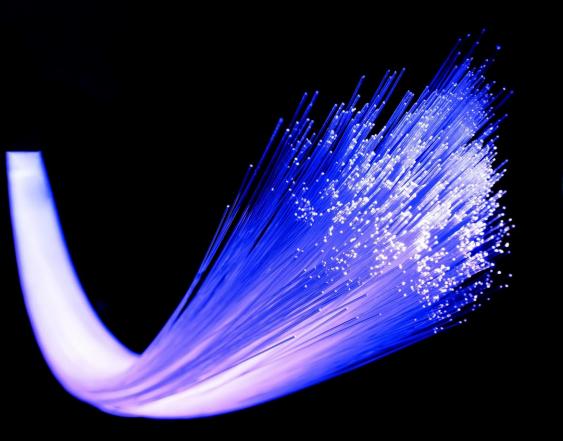
- Critical manufacturer status
- Operating at normal capacity and adhering to state and federal government social distancing guidelines
- Enhanced safety measures for on-site production personnel
- Majority of supply chain remains operational
- Maintaining higher minimum stocking levels on component level inventory to ensure customer needs are met



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Clearfield "Now of Age" Plan

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Accelerating our Operating Cadence

- Active investment in systems and processes to enable our agile work environment
- Speed of delivery in every part of our organization is paramount to our success

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Amplifying Bold and Disruptive Growth

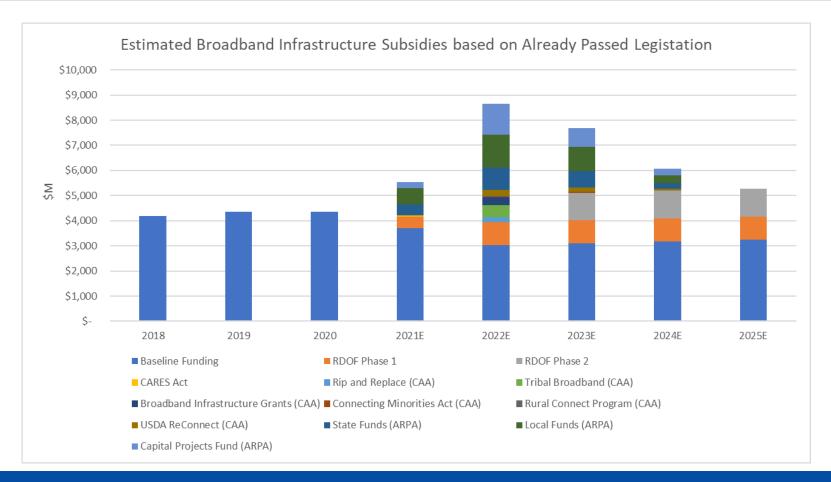
- Leveraging Community Broadband for One-Fiber Backhaul
- Removing obstacles for the integration of wireline and wireless networks
- Bringing fiber management expertise to 5G, NG-PON, and edge computing

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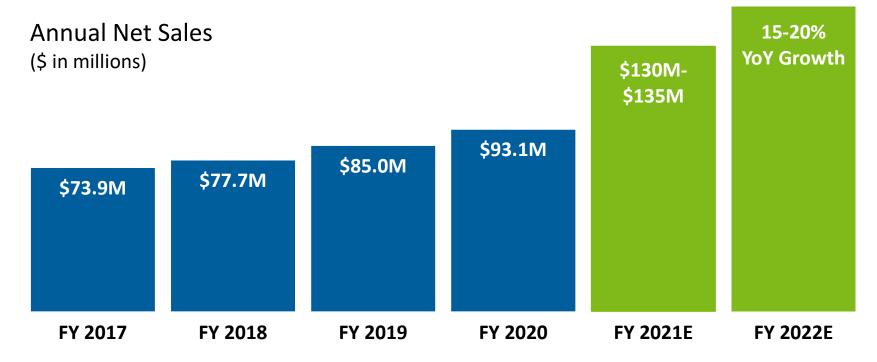
Augmenting Capacity for Ongoing Growth

- Investing in products, manufacturing and supply chain to increase competitiveness and reduce costs
- Building upon Asian partnerships for faster product innovation and cost reduction programs





Financial Outlook



FY 2021 guidance issued and effective as of July. 22, 2021; growth rate is based on midpoint of net sales guidance range

Key Takeaways



Proven business model and management execution

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Year history of **profitability** and **positive free cash flow**



Strong competitive position in a rapidly growing multi-billion-dollar fiber-fed broadband industry



Enhanced management team and expansion of total addressable market



Healthy balance sheet: \$58.9M in cash and investments







Q&A

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Enabling the Lifestyle that Better Broadband Provides













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