

### Semtech Announces Third Quarter of Fiscal Year 2018 Results

CAMARILLO, Calif., Nov. 29, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Semtech Corporation (Nasdaq:SMTC), a leading supplier of high-performance analog, mixed-signal semiconductors and advanced algorithms, today reported unaudited financial results for its third quarter of fiscal year 2018, which ended October 29, 2017. Net sales computed in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), were \$150.3 million, after being reduced by \$6.2 million of share-based compensation associated with the previously-announced issuance of a Warrant to Comcast. Excluding the offset associated with the Warrant, net sales were \$156.6 million ("non-GAAP net sales").

### **Highlights for the Third Fiscal Quarter 2018**

- Q3 net sales increased 10% Y/Y
- Q3 non-GAAP net sales increased 11% Y/Y
- Fiscal year 2018, nine-months net sales increased 11% while non-GAAP net sales increased 13%
- Protection Products Group net sales grew 10% Q/Q and 23% Y/Y
- Record quarterly net sales of LoRa<sup>©</sup> products

#### Results on a GAAP basis for the Third Fiscal Quarter 2018

- Net sales were \$150.3 million
- □ Gross margin was 59.5%
- □ SG&A expenses were \$36.6 million
- R&D expenses were \$27.6 million
- Operating margin was 11.7%
- Net income was \$13.3 million or \$0.20 per diluted share

To facilitate a complete understanding of comparable financial performance between periods, the Company also presents performance results net of certain non-cash items and items that are not considered reflective of the Company's core results over time. The Company's non-GAAP measures of net sales, gross margin, net income, earnings per diluted share, and free cash flow exclude certain items as described below under "Non-GAAP Financial Measures."

**Results on a non-GAAP basis for the Third Fiscal Quarter 2018** (see the list of non-GAAP items and the reconciliation of these to the most relevant GAAP items set forth in the tables below):

- Non-GAAP net sales were \$156.6 million
- Non-GAAP gross margin was 61.3%
- Non-GAAP SG&A expenses were \$28.0 million
- Non-GAAP R&D expenses were \$25.1 million
- Non-GAAP operating margin was 27.4%
- Non-GAAP net income was \$36.5 million or \$0.54 per diluted share

Mohan Maheswaran, Semtech's President and Chief Executive Officer stated, "We are pleased with the strong momentum from our key growth initiatives through the first three quarters of the year. Non-GAAP net sales increased 13% through the first nine-months of fiscal 2018, while non-GAAP operating income increased at nearly 3 times that rate, demonstrating the leverage of the model." Maheswaran continued, "Despite the outlook for a more seasonal pattern for fiscal Q4, we expect the momentum from our strategic growth engines in the IoT, high-performance mobile and data center markets to contribute to a record annual financial performance for fiscal 2018 and provide a platform for growth again in fiscal year 2019."

#### **GAAP Fourth Quarter of Fiscal Year 2018 Outlook**

- Net sales are expected to be in the range of \$131.5 million to \$135.5 million
- Gross margin is expected to be in the range of 58.8% to 59.9%
- SG&A expense is expected to be in the range of \$33.9 million to \$34.9 million
- R&D expense is expected to be in the range of \$25.8 million to \$26.8 million
- Intangible amortization expense is expected to be approximately \$7.5 million
- Interest and other expense is expected to be approximately \$2.0 million

- Tax rate is expected to be in the range of 31% to 35%
- Earnings per diluted share are expected to be in the range of \$0.08 to \$0.10
- Fully-diluted share count is expected to be approximately 68.0 million shares
- Share-based compensation is expected to be approximately \$16.0 million, categorized as follows: \$6.5 million for net sales associated with the Comcast Warrant, \$0.3 million cost of sales, \$2.3 million R&D and \$6.9 million SG&A
- Capital expenditures are expected to be approximately \$7.0 million
- Depreciation expense is expected to be approximately \$5.3 million

#### Non-GAAP Fourth Quarter of Fiscal Year 2018 Outlook

- Non-GAAP net sales are expected to be in the range of \$138.0 million to \$142.0 million
- Non-GAAP gross margin is expected to be in the range of 61.0% to 62.0%
- Non-GAAP SG&A expense is expected to be in the range of \$26.0 million to \$27.0 million
- Non-GAAP R&D expense is expected to be in the range of \$23.0 million to \$24.0 million
- Non-GAAP Interest and other expense is expected to be approximately \$2.0 million
- Non-GAAP tax rate is expected to be in the range of 16% to 20%
- Non-GAAP earnings per diluted share are expected to be in the range of \$0.40 to \$0.42

#### **Webcast and Conference Call**

Semtech will be hosting a conference call today to discuss its third quarter of fiscal year 2018 results at 2:00 p.m. Pacific time. An audio webcast will be available on Semtech's website at <a href="https://www.semtech.com">www.semtech.com</a> under the "Investor Relations" section. A replay of the call will be available through December 29, 2017 at the same website or by calling (855) 859-2056 and entering conference ID 81686674.

#### **Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

To supplement the Company's consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP, this release includes a non-GAAP presentation of net sales, gross margin, net income, earnings per diluted share, and free cash flow. The Company's measure of free cash flow is calculated as cash flow from operations less net capital expenditures. The Company's non-GAAP measures of net sales, gross margin, net income and earnings per diluted share exclude the following items, if any:

- Share-based compensation, including the Warrant-related impact
- Amortization of purchased intangibles and impairments
- Restructuring, transaction and other acquisition or disposition-related expenses and gains on dispositions
- Litigation expenses or dispute settlement charges or gains
- Escheat or environmental reserves

To provide additional insight into the Company's fourth fiscal quarter outlook, this release also includes a presentation of forward-looking non-GAAP measures including net sales, gross margin, effective tax rate and earnings per diluted share.

These non-GAAP financial measures are adjusted to exclude the items identified above because such items are either operating expenses which would not otherwise have been incurred by the Company in the normal course of the Company's business operations or are not reflective of the Company's core results over time. These excluded items may include recurring as well as non-recurring items, and no inference should be made that all of these adjustments, charges, costs or expenses are unusual, infrequent or non-recurring. For example: certain restructuring and integration-related expenses (which consist of employee termination costs, facility closure or lease termination costs, and contract termination costs) may be considered recurring given the Company's ongoing efforts to be more cost effective and efficient; certain acquisition and disposition-related adjustments or expenses may be deemed recurring given the Company's regular evaluation of potential transactions and investments; and certain litigation expenses or dispute settlement charges or gains (which may include estimated losses for which we may have established a reserve, as well as any actual settlements, judgments, or other resolutions against, or in favor of, the Company related to litigation, arbitration, disputes or similar matters, and insurance recoveries received by the Company related to such matters) may be viewed as recurring given that the Company may from time to time be involved in, and may resolve, litigation, arbitration, disputes, and similar matters.

Notwithstanding that certain adjustments, charges, costs or expenses may be considered recurring, in order to provide meaningful comparisons, the Company believes that it is appropriate to exclude such items because they are not reflective of the Company's core results and tend to vary based on timing, frequency and magnitude.

These non-GAAP financial measures are provided to enhance the user's overall understanding of the Company's comparable financial performance between periods. In addition, the Company's management generally excludes the items noted above when managing and evaluating the performance of the business. The financial statements provided with this

release include reconciliations of these non-GAAP measures to their most comparable GAAP results for the second and third quarters of fiscal year 2018 and the third quarter of fiscal year 2017, along with a reconciliation of forward-looking earnings per diluted share to its most comparable GAAP measure for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2018. The Company is unable to include a reconciliation of the forward-looking non-GAAP measure of the non-GAAP tax rate to the corresponding GAAP measure as this is not available without unreasonable efforts due to the high variability and low visibility with respect to the charges which are excluded from this non-GAAP measure. We expect the variability of the above charges to have a potentially significant impact on our GAAP financial results. These additional non-GAAP financial measures should not be considered substitutes for any measures derived in accordance with GAAP and may be inconsistent with similar measures presented by other companies.

### **Forward-Looking and Cautionary Statements**

This press release contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the "safe harbor" provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended, based on the Company's current expectations, estimates and projections about its operations, industry, financial condition, performance, results of operations, and liquidity. Forward-looking statements are statements other than historical information or statements of current condition and relate to matters such as future financial performance including the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2018 outlook, future operational performance, the anticipated impact of specific items on future earnings, and the Company's plans, objectives and expectations. Statements containing words such as "may," "believes," "anticipates," "expects," "intends," "plans," "projects," "estimates," "should," "will," "designed to," "projections," or "business outlook," or other similar expressions constitute forward-looking statements.

Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results and events to differ materially from those projected. Potential factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to: the Company's ability to forecast its effective tax rates due to changing income in higher or lower tax jurisdictions and other factors that contribute to the volatility of the Company's effective tax rates and impact anticipated tax benefits; the Company's ability to manage expenses to achieve anticipated shifts in demand among target customers, and other comparable changes or protracted weakness in projected or anticipated markets; competitive changes in the marketplace including, but not limited to, the pace of growth or adoption rates of applicable products or technologies; shifts in focus among target customers, and other comparable changes in projected or anticipated end-user markets; the Company's ability to integrate its acquisitions and realize expected synergies and benefits from its acquisitions and dispositions; the Company's ability to accurately forecast the amount and timing of the share-based compensation associated with the vesting of the Warrant issued to Comcast; the continuation and/or pace of key trends considered to be main contributors to the Company's growth, such as demand for increased network bandwidth and connectivity, demand for increasing energy efficiency in the Company's products or end-use applications of the products, and demand for increasing miniaturization of electronic components; adequate supply of components and materials from the Company's suppliers, to include disruptions due to natural causes or disasters, weather, or other extraordinary events; the Company's ability to forecast and achieve anticipated net sales and earnings estimates in light of periodic economic uncertainty, to include impacts arising from European, Asian and global economic dynamics; and the amount and timing of expenditures for capital equipment. Additionally, forward-looking statements should be considered in conjunction with the cautionary statements contained in the risk factors disclosed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 29, 2017, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, and other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and in material incorporated therein, including, without limitation, information under the captions "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and "Risk Factors". In light of the significant risks and uncertainties inherent in the forward-looking information included herein that may cause actual performance and results to differ materially from those predicted, any such forward-looking information should not be regarded as representations or guarantees by the Company of future performance or results, or that its objectives or plans will be achieved or that any of its operating expectations or financial forecasts will be realized. Reported results should not be considered an indication of future performance. Investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any forwardlooking information contained herein, which reflect management's analysis only as of the date hereof. Except as required by law, the Company assumes no obligation to publicly release the results of any update or revision to any forward-looking statements that may be made to reflect new information, events or circumstances after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated or future events, or otherwise.

#### **About Semtech**

Semtech Corporation is a leading supplier of high performance analog, mixed-signal semiconductors and advanced algorithms for high-end consumer, enterprise computing, communications and industrial equipment. Products are designed to benefit the engineering community as well as the global community. The Company is dedicated to reducing the impact it, and its products, have on the environment. Internal green programs seek to reduce waste through material and manufacturing control, use of green technology and designing for resource reduction. Publicly traded since 1967, Semtech is listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol SMTC. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.semtech.com">http://www.semtech.com</a>.

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## SEMTECH CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(Table in thousands - except per share amount)

	Three Months Ended							Nine Months Ended			
	Od	ctober 29,		July 30,	O	ctober 30,	Oc	tober 29,	0	ctober 30,	
		2017		2017		2016		2017		2016	
	(	Q3 2018		Q2 2018	Q2 2018 Q3 2017		Q3 2018		_(	Q3 2017	
	(Unaudited) (Unaudited) (U		(U	naudited)	(Uı	naudited)	(U	Inaudited)			
Net sales	\$	150,304	\$	153,127	\$	137,185	\$	447,233	\$	404,241	
Cost of sales		60,885		60,891		56,120		180,663		162,877	
Gross profit		89,419		92,236		81,065		266,570		241,364	
Operating costs and expenses:		·		·		,		·		,	
Selling, general and administrative		36,568		39,237		35,116		109,820		101,654	
Product development and engineering		27,631		27,432		25,600		81,046		77,097	
Intangible amortization		7,453		6,675		6,286		20,414		19,017	
(Gain) loss on disposition of business operations		-		-		(25,036)		375		(25,036)	
Changes in the fair value of contingent earn-out obligations		188		-		-		188		(162)	
Total operating costs and expenses		71,840		73,344		41,966		211,843		172,570	
Operating income		17,579		18,892		39,099		54,727		68,794	
Interest expense, net		(2,032)		(2,029)		(1,890)		(6,107)		(5,857)	
Non-operating income (expense), net		1,267		(204)		(690)		431		(871)	
Income before taxes and equity in net losses of equity method											
investments		16,814		16,659		36,519		49,051		62,066	
Provision for taxes		3,272		4,095		5,743		11,124		15,424	
Net income before equity in net losses of equity method investments		13,542		12,564		30,776		37,927		46,642	
Equity in net losses of equity method investments		(204)		-		-		(204)		-	
Net income	\$	13,338	\$	12,564	\$	30,776	\$	37,723	\$	46,642	
Earnings per share:											
Basic	\$	0.20	\$	0.19	\$	0.47	\$	0.57	\$	0.71	
Diluted	\$	0.20	\$	0.19	\$	0.46	\$	0.56		0.71	
Weighted average number of shares used in computing earnings per share:											
Basic		66,194		65,763		65,549		65,932		65,331	
Diluted		67,817		67,470		66,206		67,555		65,899	

# SEMTECH CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Table in thousands)

	0	ctober 29, 2017	Ja	January 29, 2017			
	(L	Jnaudited)					
ASSETS							
Current assets:							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	291,125	\$	297,134			
Accounts receivable, net		66,456		51,441			
Inventories		71,249		65,872			
Prepaid taxes		5,274		5,563			
Other current assets		15,741		18,418			
Total current assets		449,845		438,428			

Non-current assets:				
Property, plant and equipment, net		123,360		108,910
Deferred tax assets		5,848		5,493
Goodwill		341,890		329,703
Other intangible assets, net		67,660		61,773
Other assets	_	82,354	_	67,235
Total assets	\$	1,070,957	\$	1,011,542
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	39,832	\$	41,960
Accrued liabilities		51,398		54,524
Deferred revenue		12,729		12,059
Current portion, long term debt		14,462		14,432
Total current liabilities		118,421		122,975
Non-current liabilities:				
Deferred tax liabilities		8,687		6,881
Long term debt, less current portion		215,674		226,524
Other long-term liabilities		63,516		49,899
Stockholders' equity		664,659	_	605,263
Total liabilities & stockholders' equity	\$	1,070,957	\$	1,011,542

## SEMTECH CORPORATION CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Table in thousands)

		Nine Months Ended				
	0	ctober 29,	October 30, 2016 (Unaudited)			
		2017				
	(U	Inaudited)				
Net income	\$	37,723	\$	46,642		
Net cash provided by operating activities		72,850		84,694		
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities		(51,894)		15,598		
Net cash used in financing activities		(26,965)		(14,163)		
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents		(6,009)		86,129		
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		297,134		211,810		
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	291,125	\$	297,939		

## SEMTECH CORPORATION SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION - NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED GAAP STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(Tables in thousands - except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended						1	Nine Mon	ne Months Ended			
	Oc	October 29, July 30, October 30,		October 29,		Oc	tober 30,					
		2017 2017			2016	2017		2017			2016	
Share-based Payments	C	Q3 2018		C	23 2017	7 Q3 2018			3 2017			
	(Ur	naudited)	(Ur	naudited)	(Uı	naudited)	(Un	audited)	(Ur	naudited)		
Revenue offset	\$	6,249	\$	3,197	\$	3,669	\$	14,726	\$	3,669		
Cost of sales		316		281		360		1,161		1,108		
Selling, general and administrative		6,589		10,055		3,965		22,200		12,001		
Product development and engineering		2,202		1,992		1,401		6,079		4,420		
Share-based compensation	\$	15,356	\$	15,525	\$	9,395	\$	44,166	\$	21,198		

	Three Months Ended							Nine Months Ended			
	Ос	tober 29,		July 30,	0	ctober 30,	Oc	tober 29,	Oc	tober 30,	
		2017		2017	_	2016		2017		2016	
Gross Profit - Reconciliation GAAP to Non-GAAP		3 2018		22 2018	_(	Q3 2017		23 2018		23 2017	
	(Ur	naudited)	(U	naudited)	(U	Inaudited)	(Unaudited) (		(Uı	naudited)	
GAAP gross profit	\$	89,419	\$	92,236	\$	81,065	\$	266,570	\$	241,364	
Adjustments to GAAP gross profit:											
Revenue: share-based payment - Comcast Warrant		6,249		3,197		3,669		14,726		3,669	
Cost of sales: other share-based payments		316	_	281	_	360	_	1,161	_	1,108	
Non-GAAP gross profit	\$	95,984	<b>\$</b>	95,714	<u>\$</u>	85,094	<u>*</u>	282,457	<b>\$</b>	246,141	
				onths End				Nine Mon			
	Oc	tober 29,	•	July 30,	O	ctober 30,	Oc		Oc	•	
N		2017		2017 Q2 2018	—	2016 Q3 2017		2017		2016	
Net Income - Reconciliation GAAP to Non-GAAP		(3 2018 naudited)		naudited)	_	naudited)		23 2018 naudited)		(3 2017 naudited)	
GAAP net income	\$	13,338	\$	12,564	\$	30,776	\$	37,723	\$	46,642	
Adjustments to GAAP net income:	¢	15 256	¢.	15 505	φ	0.205	¢.	44.166	ф	24 400	
Share-based compensation Intangible amortization	\$	15,356 7,453	Ф	15,525 6,675	Ф	9,395 6,286	Ф	44,166 20,414	Ф	21,198 19,017	
(Gain) loss on disposition of business operations		7,433		0,075		(25,036)		375		(25,036)	
Transaction and integration related, including debt refinance costs		858		1,026		1,671		2,651		4,094	
Acquisition related earn-out		604		416		603		1,579		1,820	
Environmental and other reserves		21		43		1,123		82		2,123	
Litigation cost net of recoveries		955		279		50		1,284		381	
Investment loss (gain)		365		(750)		(413)		(385)		(2,138)	
Equity in net losses of equity method investments		204		-		-		204		-	
Total Non-GAAP adjustments before taxes		25,816		23,214		(6,321)		70,370		21,459	
Associated tax effect		(2,696)		(3,532)		(196)		(10,048)		(1,580)	
Total of supplemental information net of taxes		23,120		19,682		(6,517)		60,322		19,879	
Non-GAAP net income	\$	36,458	\$	32,246	\$	24,259	\$	98,045	\$	66,521	
Diluted GAAP earnings per share	\$	0.20	\$	0.19	\$	0.46	\$	0.56	\$	0.71	
Adjustments per above		0.34		0.29	_	(0.09)		0.89		0.30	
Diluted non-GAAP earnings per share	\$	0.54	\$	0.48	\$	0.37	\$	1.45	\$	1.01	
				onths End		-tabar 20	_	Nine Mon			
	OC	tober 29, 2017	,	July 30, 2017	U	ctober 30, 2016	OC	2017	Oc	2016	
Tax Impact Associated With Supplemental Information		3 2018		Q2 2018	_	Q3 2017		Q3 2018		23 2017	
Tax impact Associated with Supplemental information		naudited)		naudited)	_	naudited)	_		_		
Adjustments to GAAP net income:	(0.	iadaitea)	(0	nadantoa)	(0	nadanoa)	(0.	nadanoa)	(0.	iadaitoa)	
Share-based compensation	\$	4,474	\$	3,937	\$	2,769	\$	12,565	\$	5,694	
Valuation allowance against deferred tax assets	•	(4,057)		(2,225)		2,309	-	(8,638)		(3,377)	
Other		2,279		1,820		(4,882)		6,121		(737)	
Total of associated tax effect	\$	2,696	\$	3,532	\$	196	\$	10,048	\$	1,580	
		Thr	ee N	onths End	ed						

Three Months Ended										
October 29,	July 30,	October 30,								
2017	2017	2016								
Q3 2018	Q2 2018	Q3 2017								
(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)								

## Free Cash Flow:

Free Cash Flow:	\$ 18,988 \$	21,860 \$	30,821
Net Capital Expenditures	(7,866)	(13,777)	(8,406)
Cash Flow from Operations	\$ 26,854 \$	35,637 \$	39,227

### **Q4FY18 EPS Guidance Range Reconciliation**

GAAP to Non-GAAP Reconciliation (net of tax)

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GAAP EPS	0.08	0.10
Share-based compensation expense	0.22	0.22
Transaction, restructuring, and acquisition related expenses	0.01	0.01
Amortization of acquired intangibles	0.09	0.09
Non-GAAP EPS	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.42

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