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STRUCTURED INVESTMENTS
Opportunities in U.S. Equities

Contingent Income Auto-Callable Securities due February 12, 2021
With the Coupon and Payment at Maturity Subject to the Performance of the Common Stock of United Continental Holdings, Inc.
Principal at Risk Securities
Contingent Income Auto-Callable Securities do not guarantee the payment of interest or the repayment of principal. Instead, the securities offer the opportunity for investors to earn a contingent quarterly coupon equal to 2.30% of the stated principal amount (9.20% per annum), but only with respect to each determination date on which the determination closing price of the underlying stock, or the final share price, as applicable, is greater than or equal to 70% of the initial share price, which we refer to as the downside threshold level. In addition, if the determination closing price of the underlying stock is greater than or equal to the redemption threshold level (which will be equal to 100% of the initial share price) on any determination date, the securities will be automatically redeemed for an amount per security equal to the stated principal amount and the contingent quarterly coupon. At maturity, if the securities have not previously been redeemed and the final share price is greater than or equal to the downside threshold level, the payment at maturity will be the stated principal amount and the contingent quarterly coupon with respect to the final determination date. However, if the final share price of the underlying stock is below the downside threshold level on the final determination date, investors will be fully exposed to the decrease in the underlying stock on a 1 to 1 basis and will receive a payment at maturity that is less than 70% of the stated principal amount and could be zero. Moreover, if on any determination date the determination closing price of the underlying stock, or the final share price, as applicable, is less than the downside threshold level, you will not receive any contingent quarterly coupon for that quarterly period. Accordingly, investors in the securities must be willing to accept the risk of losing their entire principal and also the risk of not receiving any contingent quarterly coupon. The securities are for investors who are willing to risk their principal and seek an opportunity to earn interest at a potentially above-market rate in exchange for the risk of receiving few or no contingent quarterly coupons over the term of the securities. Investors will not participate in any appreciation of the underlying stock. The securities are senior unsecured obligations of Royal Bank of Canada, issued as part of Royal Bank of Canada's Series G Senior Global Medium-Term Notes program. All payments on the securities are subject to the credit risk of Royal Bank of Canada.
SUMMARY TERMS

Issuer:	Royal Bank of Canada
Underlying stock:	Common stock of United Continental Holdings, Inc. (Bloomberg symbol: "UAL")
Aggregate principal amount:	$
Stated principal amount:	$10 per security
Issue price:	$10 per security
Pricing date:	February 9, 2018
Original issue date:	February 14, 2018 (3 business days after the pricing date)
Maturity date:	February 12, 2021, subject to adjustment as described in "Additional Information About the Securities" below.
Early redemption:	

	If, on any of the first eleven determination dates, the determination closing price of the underlying stock is greater than or equal to the redemption threshold level, the securities will be automatically redeemed for an early redemption payment on the third business day following the related determination date. No further payments will be made on the securities once they have been redeemed.
Redemption threshold level:	100% of the initial share price
Early redemption payment:	The early redemption payment will be an amount equal to (i) the stated principal amount plus (ii) the contingent quarterly coupon with respect to the related determination date.
Determination closing price:	The closing price of the underlying stock on any determination date other than the final determination date times the adjustment factor on that determination date
Contingent quarterly coupon:	• If, on any determination date, the determination closing price or the final share price, as applicable, is greater than or equal to the downside threshold level, we will pay a contingent quarterly coupon of $0.23 (2.30% of the stated principal amount, or 9.20% per annum) per security on the related contingent payment date. • If, on any determination date, the determination closing price or the final share price, as applicable, is less than the downside threshold level, no contingent quarterly coupon will be made with respect to that determination date.
Determination dates:	May 9, 2018, August 9, 2018, November 9, 2018, February 11, 2019, May 9, 2019, August 9, 2019, November 11, 2019, February 10, 2020, May 11, 2020, August 10, 2020, November 9, 2020 and February 9, 2021, subject to postponement for non-trading days and certain market disruption events as described in "Additional Information About the Securities" below. We also refer to February 9, 2021 as the final determination date.
Contingent payment dates:	With respect to each determination date other than the final determination date, the third business day after the related determination date. The payment of the contingent quarterly coupon, if any, with respect to the final determination date will be made on the maturity date.
Payment at maturity:	· If the final share price is greater than or equal to the downside threshold level: (i) the stated principal amount plus (ii) the contingent quarterly coupon with respect to the final determination date · If the final share price is less than the downside threshold level: (i) the stated principal amount multiplied by (ii) the share performance factor
Share performance factor:	Final share price divided by the initial share price
Adjustment factor:	1.0, subject to adjustment in the event of certain corporate events affecting the underlying stock
Downside threshold level:	$, which is equal to 70.00% of the initial share price
Initial share price:	$, which is the closing price of the underlying stock on the pricing date
Final share price:	The closing price of the underlying stock on the final determination date times the adjustment factor on that date
CUSIP/ISIN:	78013Q400 / US78013Q4001
Listing:	The securities will not be listed on any securities exchange.
Agent:	RBC Capital Markets, LLC ("RBCCM"). See "Supplemental information regarding plan of distribution; conflicts of interest."

Commissions and issue price:	Price to public	Agent's commissions	Proceeds to issuer
Per security	$10.00	$0.20[1]	
		$0.05[2]	$9.75
Total	$	$	$

(1) RBCCM, acting as agent for Royal Bank of Canada, will receive a fee of $0.25 per $10 stated principal amount and will pay to Morgan Stanley Wealth Management ("MSWM") a fixed sales commission of $0.20 for each security that MSWM sells. See "Supplemental information regarding plan of distribution; conflicts of interest."

(2) Of the amount per $10 stated principal amount received by RBCCM, acting as agent for Royal Bank of Canada, RBCCM will pay MSWM a structuring fee of $0.05 for each security.

The pricing date, original issue date and other dates set forth above are subject to change, and will be set forth in the pricing supplement relating to the securities. The initial estimated value of the securities as of the date of this document is $9.5932 per $10 in principal amount, which is less than the price to public. The pricing supplement relating to the securities will set forth our estimate of the initial value of the securities as of the pricing date, which will not be more than $0.30 less than this amount. The actual value of the securities at any time will reflect many factors, cannot be predicted with accuracy, and may be less than this amount.

The securities involve risks not associated with an investment in ordinary debt securities. See “Risk Factors” beginning on page 7.

The Securities and Exchange Commission and state securities regulators have not approved or disapproved these securities, or determined if this document or the accompanying prospectus supplement and prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The securities will not constitute deposits insured by the Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation, the U.S. Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (the “FDIC”) or any other Canadian or U.S. government agency or instrumentality.

You should read this document together with the related prospectus supplement and prospectus, each of which can be accessed via the hyperlinks below. Please also see “Additional Information About the Securities” at the end of this document.

Prospectus Supplement dated January 8, 2016

Prospectus dated January 8, 2016

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Investment Summary

The Contingent Income Auto-Callable Securities due February 12, 2021 with the Coupon and Payment at Maturity Subject to the Performance of the Common Stock of United Continental Holdings, Inc., which we refer to as the "securities," provide an opportunity for investors to earn a contingent quarterly coupon, which is an amount equal to $0.23 (2.30% of the stated principal amount, or 9.20% per annum) per security, with respect to each quarterly determination date on which the determination closing price or the final share price, as applicable, is greater than or equal to 70.00% of the initial share price, which we refer to as the downside threshold level. The contingent quarterly coupon, if any, will be payable quarterly on the contingent payment date, which is the third business day after the related determination date. It is possible that the closing price of the underlying stock could remain below the downside threshold level for extended periods of time or even throughout the term of the securities so that you may receive few or no contingent quarterly coupons.

If the determination closing price is greater than or equal to the redemption threshold level on any of the first eleven determination dates, the securities will be automatically redeemed for an early redemption payment equal to the stated principal amount plus the contingent quarterly coupon with respect to the related determination date. If the securities have not previously been redeemed and the final share price is greater than or equal to the downside threshold level, the payment at maturity will also be the sum of the stated principal amount and the contingent quarterly coupon with respect to the related determination date. However, if the securities have not previously been redeemed and the final share price is less than the downside threshold level, investors will be exposed to the decline in the closing price of the underlying stock, as compared to the initial share price, on a 1 to 1 basis and will receive a payment at maturity that is less than 70% of the stated principal amount of the securities and could be zero. Investors in the securities must be willing to accept the risk of losing their entire principal and also the risk of not receiving any contingent quarterly coupon. In addition, investors will not participate in any appreciation of the underlying stock.

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Key Investment Rationale
The securities offer investors an opportunity to earn a contingent quarterly coupon equal to 2.30% of the stated principal amount (9.20% per annum) with respect to each determination date on which the determination closing price or the final share price, as applicable, is greater than or equal to 70% of the initial share price, which we refer to as the downside threshold level. The securities may be redeemed prior to maturity for the stated principal amount per security plus the applicable contingent quarterly coupon, and the payment at maturity will vary depending on the final share price, as follows:

Scenario 1	On any of the first eleven determination dates, the determination closing price is greater than or equal to the redemption threshold level. § The securities will be automatically redeemed for (i) the stated principal amount plus (ii) the contingent quarterly coupon with respect to the related determination date. § Investors will not participate in any appreciation of the underlying stock from the initial share price.
Scenario 2	The securities are not automatically redeemed prior to maturity and the final share price is greater than or equal to the downside threshold level. § The payment due at maturity will be (i) the stated principal amount plus (ii) the contingent quarterly coupon with respect to the final determination date. § Investors will not participate in any appreciation of the underlying stock from the initial share price.
Scenario 3	The securities are not automatically redeemed prior to maturity and the final share price is less than the downside threshold level. § The payment due at maturity will be (i) the stated principal amount multiplied by (ii) the share performance factor. § Investors will lose a significant portion, and may lose all, of their principal amount in this scenario.

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How the Securities Work
The following diagrams illustrate the potential outcomes for the securities depending on (1) the determination closing price and (2) the final share price.
Diagram #1: First Eleven Determination Dates
Diagram #2: Payment at Maturity if No Automatic Early Redemption Occurs

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Hypothetical Examples
The examples below are based on the following terms:

Hypothetical Initial Share Price:	$100.00
Hypothetical Downside Threshold Level:	$70.00, which is 70% of the hypothetical initial share price
Hypothetical Adjustment Factor:	1.0
Contingent Quarterly Coupon:	$0.23 (2.30% of the stated principal amount, or 9.20% per annum)
Stated Principal Amount:	$10 per security
Redemption Threshold Level:	$100.00, which is equal to 100% of the hypothetical initial share price

In Examples 1 and 2, the closing price of the underlying stock fluctuates over the term of the securities and the determination closing price of the underlying stock is greater than or equal to the redemption threshold level on one of the first eleven determination dates. Because the determination closing price is greater than or equal to the redemption threshold level on one of the first eleven determination dates, the securities are automatically redeemed following the relevant determination date. In Examples 3 and 4, the determination closing price on the first eleven determination dates is less than the redemption threshold level, and, consequently, the securities are not automatically redeemed prior to, and remain outstanding until, maturity.

	Example 1			Example 2		
Determination Dates	Hypothetical Determination Closing Price (or Final Share Price)	Contingent Quarterly Coupon	Early Redemption Payment*	Hypothetical Determination Closing Price (or Final Share Price)	Contingent Quarterly Coupon	Early Redemption Payment
#1	$105.00	-*	$10.23	$90.00	$0.23	N/A
#2	N/A	N/A	N/A	$91.00	$0.23	N/A
#3	N/A	N/A	N/A	$92.00	$0.23	N/A
#4	N/A	N/A	N/A	$93.00	$0.23	N/A
#5	N/A	N/A	N/A	$94.00	$0.23	N/A
#6	N/A	N/A	N/A	$95.00	$0.23	N/A
#7	N/A	N/A	N/A	$96.00	$0.23	N/A
#8	N/A	N/A	N/A	$97.00	$0.23	N/A
#9	N/A	N/A	N/A	$98.00	$0.23	N/A
#10	N/A	N/A	N/A	$99.00	$0.23	N/A
#11	N/A	N/A	N/A	$110.00	-*	$10.23
Final Determination Date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

* The Early Redemption Payment includes the unpaid contingent quarterly coupon with respect to the determination date on which the determination closing price is greater than or equal to the redemption threshold level and the securities are redeemed as a result.

§ In Example 1, the securities are automatically redeemed following the first determination date, as the determination closing price on the first determination date is greater than the redemption threshold level. You receive the early redemption payment, calculated as follows:

stated principal amount + contingent quarterly coupon = $10 + $0.23 = $10.23

In this example, the early redemption feature limits the term of your investment to approximately 3 months and you may not be able to reinvest at comparable terms or returns. If the securities are redeemed early, you will stop receiving contingent payments.

§ In Example 2, the securities are automatically redeemed following the eleventh determination date as the determination closing price on the eleventh determination date is greater than the redemption threshold level. As the determination closing prices on the first ten determination dates are greater than the downside threshold level, you will receive the contingent payment of $0.23 with respect to each such determination date. Following the eleventh determination date, you receive an early redemption payment of $10.23, which includes the contingent quarterly coupon with respect to the eleventh determination date.

In this example, the early redemption feature limits the term of your investment to approximately 33 months and you may not be able to reinvest at comparable terms or returns. If the securities are redeemed early, you will stop receiving contingent payments. Further, although the underlying stock has appreciated by 10.00% from its initial share price on the eleventh determination date, you receive only an early redemption payment of $10.23 per security and do not benefit from such appreciation.

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	Example 3			Example 4		
Determination Dates	Hypothetical Determination Closing Price (or Final Share Price)	Contingent Quarterly Coupon	Early Redemption Payment	Hypothetical Determination Closing Price (or Final Share Price)	Contingent Quarterly Coupon	Early Redemption Payment
#1	$62.00	$0	N/A	$62.00	$0	N/A
#2	$60.00	$0	N/A	$60.00	$0	N/A
#3	$58.00	$0	N/A	$58.00	$0	N/A
#4	$56.00	$0	N/A	$56.00	$0	N/A
#5	$54.00	$0	N/A	$54.00	$0	N/A
#6	$52.00	$0	N/A	$52.00	$0	N/A
#7	$50.00	$0	N/A	$50.00	$0	N/A
#8	$48.00	$0	N/A	$48.00	$0	N/A
#9	$46.00	$0	N/A	$46.00	$0	N/A
#10	$44.00	$0	N/A	$44.00	$0	N/A
#11	$42.00	$0	N/A	$42.00	$0	N/A
Final Determination Date	$40.00	$0	N/A	$76.00	-*	N/A
Payment at Maturity	$4.00			$10.23		

* The final contingent quarterly coupon, if any, will be paid at maturity.

Examples 3 and 4 illustrate the payment at maturity per security based on the final share price.

§ In Example 3, the closing price of the underlying stock remains below the downside threshold level on every determination date. As a result, you do not receive any contingent payments during the term of the securities and, at maturity, you are fully exposed to the decline in the closing price of the underlying stock. As the final share price is less than the downside threshold level, your payment at maturity is calculated as follows:

stated principal amount x share performance factor = $10 × ($40.00/$100.00) = $4.00

In this example, the amount you receive at maturity is significantly less than the stated principal amount.

§ In Example 4, the closing price of the underlying stock decreases to a final share price of $76.00. Although the final share price is less than the redemption threshold level, because the final share price is still not less than the downside threshold level, you receive the stated principal amount plus a contingent quarterly coupon with respect to the final determination date. Your payment at maturity is calculated as follows:

$10 + $0.23 = $10.23

In this example, although the final share price represents a 24.00% decline from the initial share price, you receive the stated principal amount per security plus the final contingent quarterly coupon, equal to a total payment of $10.23 per security at maturity, because the final share price is not less than the downside threshold level.

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Risk Factors

The following is a non-exhaustive list of certain key risk factors for investors in the securities. For further discussion of these and other risks, you should read the section entitled "Risk Factors" in the accompanying prospectus supplement and prospectus. You should also consult your investment, legal, tax, accounting and other advisers in connection with your investment in the securities.

- § The securities do not guarantee the return of any principal. The terms of the securities differ from those of ordinary debt securities in that the securities do not guarantee the payment of regular interest or the return of any of the principal amount at maturity. Instead, if the securities have not been automatically redeemed prior to maturity and if the final share price is less than the downside threshold level, you will be exposed to the decline in the closing price of the underlying stock, as compared to the initial share price, on a 1 to 1 basis and you will receive for each security that you hold at maturity an amount equal to the stated principal amount times the share performance factor. In this case, the payment at maturity will be less than 70% of the stated principal amount and could be zero.
- § The potential contingent repayment of principal represented by the downside threshold level applies only at maturity. You should be willing to hold the securities until maturity. Additionally, if the securities are not redeemed, at maturity, you will receive the stated principal amount (plus the contingent quarterly coupon with respect to the final determination date) only if the final share price is greater than or equal to the downside threshold level. If you are able to sell the securities prior to maturity, you may have to sell them for a loss relative to the principal amount, even if the price of the underlying stock is at or above the downside threshold level.
- § The contingent quarterly coupon, if any, is based solely on the determination closing price or the final share price, as applicable. Whether the contingent quarterly coupon will be made with respect to a determination date will be based on the determination closing price or the final share price, as applicable. As a result, you will not know whether you will receive the contingent quarterly coupon until the related determination date. Moreover, because the contingent quarterly coupon is based solely on the determination closing price on a specific determination date or the final share price, as applicable, if that determination closing price or final share price is less than the downside threshold level, you will not receive any contingent quarterly coupon with respect to that determination date, even if the closing price of the underlying stock was higher on other days during the term of the securities.
- § You will not receive any contingent quarterly coupon for any quarterly period where the determination closing price or the final share price, as applicable, is less than the downside threshold level. A contingent quarterly coupon will be made with respect to a quarterly period only if the determination closing price or final share price is greater than or equal to the downside threshold level. If the determination closing price or final share price remains below the downside threshold level on each determination date over the term of the securities, you will not receive any contingent quarterly coupons.
- § Your return on the securities may be lower than the return on a conventional debt security of comparable maturity. The return that you will receive on the securities, which could be negative, may be less than the return you could earn on other investments. Your investment may not reflect the full opportunity cost to you when you take into account factors that affect the time value of money, such as inflation.
- § Investors will not participate in any appreciation in the price of the underlying stock. Investors will not participate in any appreciation in the price of the underlying stock from the initial share price, and the return on the securities will be limited to the contingent quarterly coupon that is paid with respect to each determination date on which the determination closing price or the final share price, as applicable, is greater than or equal to the downside threshold level. The payment at maturity will not exceed the principal amount plus the final contingent quarterly coupon, if it is payable. It is possible that the closing price of the underlying stock could be below the downside threshold level on most or all of the determination dates so that you will receive few or no contingent quarterly coupons. If you do not earn sufficient contingent quarterly coupons over the term of the securities, the overall return on the securities may be less than the amount that would be paid on a conventional debt security of the issuer of comparable maturity.
- § The automatic early redemption feature may limit the term of your investment to approximately three months. If the securities are redeemed early, you may not be able to reinvest at comparable terms or returns. The term of your

investment in the securities may be limited to as short as approximately three months by the automatic early redemption feature of the securities. If the securities are redeemed prior to maturity, you will receive no more contingent quarterly coupons and may be forced to invest in a lower interest rate environment and may not be able to reinvest at comparable terms or returns.

§ The market price will be influenced by many unpredictable factors. Several factors will influence the value of the securities in the secondary market and the price at which RBCCM may be willing to purchase or sell the securities in the secondary market. Although we expect that generally the closing price of the underlying stock on any day may affect the value of the securities more than any other single factor, other factors that may influence the value of the securities include:

§ the trading price and volatility (frequency and magnitude of changes in value) of the underlying stock;

§ whether the determination closing price has been below the downside threshold level on any determination date;

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Note 5 Composition of Certain Balance Sheet Captions

(In thousands)	January 2, 2009	March 28, 2008
Accounts receivable, net:		
Billed	$ 85,966	$ 92,516
Unbilled	80,506	63,278
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(323)	(310)
	$ 166,149	$ 155,484
Inventories:		
Raw materials	$ 31,134	$ 21,091
Work in process	12,128	8,883
Finished goods	19,129	30,352
	$ 62,391	$ 60,326
Prepaid expenses and other current assets:		
Prepaid expenses	$ 12,493	$ 9,537
Other	8,890	6,396
	$ 21,383	$ 15,933
Property, equipment and satellite, net:		
Machinery and equipment (estimated useful life 2-5 years)	$ 55,610	$ 51,067
Computer equipment and software (estimated useful life 3 years)	44,452	43,700
Furniture and fixtures (estimated useful life 7 years)	9,598	9,192
Leasehold improvements (estimated useful life 2-11 years)	17,262	13,849
Land	3,124	3,124
Satellite under construction	85,241	8,136
Construction in progress	5,694	3,501
	220,981	132,569
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	(75,337)	(67,876)
	$ 145,644	$ 64,693
Other acquired intangible assets, net:		
Technology	$ 44,392	$ 44,392
Contracts and relationships	18,898	18,898
Non-compete agreement	9,076	9,076
Other intangibles	9,323	9,323
	81,689	81,689
Less accumulated amortization	(63,229)	(56,212)

	$	18,460	$	25,477
Other assets:				
Capitalized software costs, net	$	371	$	1,091
Patents, orbital slots and other licenses, net		3,771		3,188
Deferred income taxes		12,350		10,169
Other		5,494		4,443
	$	21,986	$	18,891
Accrued liabilities:				
Current portion of warranty reserve	$	7,353	$	6,550
Secured borrowing and accrued interest				5,015
Accrued vacation		9,493		9,374
Accrued wages and performance compensation		9,914		4,867
Collections in excess of revenues		31,694		37,252
Other		8,225		10,899
	$	66,679	$	73,957
Other liabilities:				
Accrued warranty	$	4,715	$	5,129
Unrecognized tax position liabilities		5,974		5,974
Deferred rent, long-term portion		5,700		4,387
Other		2,304		1,800
	$	18,693	$	17,290

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Note 6 Accounting for Goodwill and Intangible Assets

The Company accounts for its goodwill under SFAS No. 142 (SFAS 142), Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets. The SFAS 142 goodwill impairment model is a two-step process. First, it requires a comparison of the book value of net assets to the fair value of the reporting units that have goodwill assigned to them. Reporting units within the Company s government systems and commercial network segments have goodwill assigned to them. The Company estimates the fair values of the reporting units using discounted cash flows. The cash flow forecasts are adjusted by an appropriate discount rate in order to determine the present value of the cash flows. If the fair value is determined to be less than book value, a second step is performed to compute the amount of the impairment. In this process, a fair value for goodwill is estimated, based in part on the fair value of the reporting unit used in the first step, and is compared to its carrying value. The shortfall of the fair value below carrying value, if any, represents the amount of goodwill impairment.

The Company will continue to make assessments of impairment on an annual basis in the fourth quarter of its fiscal year or more frequently if specific triggering events occur. In assessing the value of goodwill, the Company must make assumptions regarding estimated future cash flows and other factors to determine the fair value of the reporting units. If these estimates or their related assumptions change in the future, the Company may be required to record impairment charges that would negatively impact operating results.

The other acquired intangible assets are amortized using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives of eight months to ten years. The technology intangible asset has several components with estimated useful lives of five to nine years, contracts and relationships intangible asset has several components with estimated useful lives of three to ten years, non-compete agreements have useful lives of three to five years and other amortizable assets have several components with estimated useful lives of eight months to ten years. Amortization expense was $2.3 million and $2.4 million for the three months ended January 2, 2009 and December 28, 2007, respectively, and $7.0 million and $7.2 million for the nine months ended January 2, 2009 and December 28, 2007, respectively.

Current and expected amortization expense for each of the following periods is as follows:

(In thousands)	**Amortization**
For the nine months ended January 2, 2009	$ 7,017
Expected for the remainder of fiscal year 2009	$ 1,804
Expected for fiscal year 2010	5,588
Expected for fiscal year 2011	4,826
Expected for fiscal year 2012	3,600
Expected for fiscal year 2013	1,047
Thereafter	1,595
	$ 18,460

Note 7 Line of Credit

On October 31, 2008, the Company entered into a three-year, $85.0 million revolving credit facility (the Credit Facility) in the form of the Third Amended and Restated Revolving Loan Agreement, which replaced an existing $60.0 million revolving credit facility. Borrowings under the Credit Facility are permitted up to a maximum amount of $85.0 million, including up to $25.0 million of letters of credit, and bear interest, at the Company s option, at either (a) the higher of the Federal Funds rate plus 0.50% or the administrative agent s prime rate as announced from time to time, or (b) at the London interbank offered rate plus, in the case of each of (a) and (b), an applicable margin that is based on the ratio of the Company s debt to EBITDA. The Credit Facility is collateralized by substantially all of the Company s personal property. At January 2, 2009, the Company had $6.0 million outstanding under standby letters of

credit, leaving borrowing availability under the Credit Facility of $79.0 million.

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The Credit Facility contains financial covenants regarding a maximum leverage ratio and a minimum interest coverage ratio. In addition the Credit Facility contains covenants that restrict, among other things, the Company s ability to incur additional debt, sell assets, make investments and acquisitions, make capital expenditures, grant liens, pay dividends and make certain other restricted payments. The Company was in compliance with its financial loan covenants under the Credit Facility as of January 2, 2009.

Note 8 Product Warranty

The Company provides limited warranties on its products for periods of up to five years. The Company records a liability for its warranty obligations when products are shipped or they are included in long-term construction contracts based upon an estimate of expected warranty costs. Amounts expected to be incurred within 12 months are classified as a current liability. For mature products, the warranty cost estimates are based on historical experience with the particular product. For newer products that do not have a history of warranty costs, the Company bases its estimates on its experience with the technology involved and the types of failures that may occur. It is possible that the Company s underlying assumptions will not reflect the actual experience and in that case, future adjustments will be made to the recorded warranty obligation. The following table reflects the change in the Company s warranty accrual during the nine months ended January 2, 2009 and December 28, 2007.

	For the nine months ended	
(In thousands)	**January 2, 2009**	**December 28, 2007**
Balance, beginning of period	$ 11,679	$ 9,863
Change in liability for warranties issued in period	6,532	5,900
Settlements made (in cash or in kind) during the period	(6,143)	(4,110)
Balance, end of period	$ 12,068	$ 11,653

Note 9 Commitments and Contingencies

The Company is subject to legal proceedings, claims and litigation arising in the ordinary course of business. While the outcome of such matters is not presently determinable, the Company believes that the resolution of such matters will not have a material adverse effect on its consolidated financial position, results of operations or liquidity; however, there can be no assurance that the ultimate resolution of these matters will not have a material impact on its consolidated financial position, results of operations or liquidity in any period.

Note 10 Income Taxes

The Company currently estimates its annual effective income tax rate to be approximately 18.9% for fiscal year 2009, as compared to the actual 28.1% effective income tax rate in fiscal year 2008. The reduction in the estimated annual effective tax rate is primarily due to the recording of research and development tax credits allowed for by the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008, enacted on October 3, 2008, extending the research and development tax credit from January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2009. The income tax provision of approximately 7.9% for the third quarter of fiscal year 2009 was lower than the expected annual effective tax rate primarily due to the expiration of the statute of limitations for certain previously filed tax returns resulting in the recognition of previously unrecognized tax benefits of approximately $1.1 million and benefit from settlement of prior year taxes of approximately $0.7 million.

For the three and nine months ended January 2, 2009, the Company s gross unrecognized tax benefits increased by $0.7 million and $2.6 million, respectively. In the next 12 months it is reasonably possible that the amount of unrecognized tax benefits will decrease by $2.6 million as a result of the expiration of the statute of limitations for previously filed tax returns.

Note 11 Segment Information

The Company s government systems, commercial networks and satellite services segments are primarily distinguished by the type of customer and the related contractual requirements. The more regulated government environment is subject to unique contractual requirements and possesses economic characteristics which differ from the commercial networks and satellite services segments. During the third and fourth quarters of fiscal year 2008, the Company made management and organizational structure changes due to a shift in product marketing and development strategies and consequently realigned the way management organizes and evaluates financial information internally for making operating decisions and assessing performance. The Company s satellite services segment is comprised of its expanding maritime and airborne broadband and enterprise VSAT services and ViaSat-1 satellite related activities. The Company s commercial networks segment comprises its former satellite networks and antenna systems segments, except for the

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satellite services segment. The Company s reporting segments, comprised of the government systems, commercial networks and satellite services segments, are determined consistently with the way management currently organizes and evaluates financial information internally for making operating decisions and assessing performance. The following segment information reflects prior periods recast to this organizational and reporting structure:

	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
(in thousands)	**January 2, 2009**	**December 28, 2007**	**January 2, 2009**	**December 28, 2007**
Revenues				
Government Systems	$ 93,757	$ 84,943	$ 279,704	$ 235,425
Commercial Networks	54,208	65,372	176,364	186,714
Satellite Services	2,397	1,738	6,535	5,101
Elimination of intersegment revenues				
Total revenues	150,362	152,053	462,603	427,240
Operating profits (losses)				
Government Systems	14,255	15,610	39,638	33,656
Commercial Networks	72	2,154	629	5,953
Satellite Services	(431)	(894)	(3,256)	(2,169)
Elimination of intersegment operating profits	(47)	56	(60)	56
Segment operating profit before corporate and amortization	13,849	16,926	36,951	37,496
Corporate	47	(40)	85	(296)
Amortization of intangibles	(2,337)	(2,389)	(7,017)	(7,173)
Income from operations	$ 11,559	$ 14,497	$ 30,019	$ 30,027

Amortization of intangibles by segment for the three and nine months ended January 2, 2009 and December 28, 2007 was as follows:

	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
(In thousands)	**January 2, 2009**	**December 28, 2007**	**January 2, 2009**	**December 28, 2007**
Government Systems	$ 272	$ 272	$ 816	$ 816
Commercial Networks	2,065	2,117	6,201	6,357
Satellite Services				
Total amortization of intangibles	$ 2,337	$ 2,389	$ 7,017	$ 7,173

Assets identifiable to segments include: accounts receivable, unbilled accounts receivable, inventory, acquired intangible assets and goodwill. Segment assets as of January 2, 2009 and March 28, 2008 were as follows:

(In thousands)	January 2, 2009	March 28, 2008
Segment assets		
Government Systems	$ 148,570	$ 139,979
Commercial Networks	162,910	166,858
Satellite Systems	1,749	1,016
Total segment assets	313,229	307,853
Corporate assets	271,566	243,241
Total assets	$ 584,795	$ 551,094

Net acquired intangible assets and goodwill included in segment assets as of January 2, 2009 and March 28, 2008 were as follows:

	Net intangible assets		Goodwill	
(In thousands)	January 2, 2009	March 28, 2008	January 2, 2009	March 28, 2008
Government Systems	$ 3,064	$ 3,880	$ 22,191	$ 22,191
Commercial Networks	15,396	21,597	44,216	44,216
Satellite Services				
Total	$ 18,460	$ 25,477	$ 66,407	$ 66,407

Revenue information by geographic area for the three and nine months ended January 2, 2009 and December 28, 2007 was as follows:

	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
(In thousands)	January 2, 2009	December 28, 2007	January 2, 2009	December 28, 2007
United States	$ 128,662	$ 125,164	$ 391,156	$ 349,196
Europe, Middle East and Africa	12,223	11,197	34,220	30,184
Asia, Pacific	5,489	5,548	20,991	21,074
North America other than United States	3,151	9,067	12,822	22,901
Central and Latin America	837	1,077	3,414	3,885
	$ 150,362	$ 152,053	$ 462,603	$ 427,240

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The Company distinguishes revenues from external customers by geographic areas based on customer location.

The net book value of long-lived assets located outside the United States was $0.3 million at January 2, 2009 and $0.4 million at March 28, 2008.

Note 12 Certain Relationships and Related-Party Transactions

Michael Targoff, a director of the Company since February 2003, currently serves as the Chief Executive Officer and the Vice Chairman of the board of directors of Loral Space & Communications, Inc. (Loral), the parent of Space Systems/Loral, Inc. (SS/L), and in October 2007 also became a director of Telesat Holdings Inc., a new entity formed in connection with Loral s acquisition of Telesat Canada described below. John Stenbit, a director of the Company since August 2004, also currently serves on the board of directors of Loral.

In October 2007, Loral and its Canadian partner, Public Sector Pension Investment Board (PSP), through Telesat Holdings Inc., a joint venture formed by Loral and PSP, completed the acquisition of 100% of the stock of Telesat Canada from BCE Inc. Loral acquired equity interests in Telesat Holdings Inc. representing 64% of the economic interests and 33 1/3% of the voting interests. PSP acquired 36% of the economic interests and 66 2/3% of the voting interests in Telesat Holdings Inc. (except with respect to the election of directors as to which it held a 30% voting interest). In connection with this transaction, Michael Targoff became a director on the board of the newly formed entity, Telesat Holdings Inc.

In January 2008, the Company entered into several agreements with SS/L, Loral and Telesat Canada related to the Company s anticipated high capacity satellite system. Under the satellite construction contract with SS/L, the Company purchased a new broadband satellite (ViaSat-1) designed by the Company and currently under construction by SS/L for approximately $209.1 million, subject to purchase price adjustments based on satellite performance. In addition, the Company entered into a beam sharing agreement with Loral, whereby Loral is responsible for contributing 15% of the total costs (estimated at approximately $60.0 million) associated with the ViaSat-1 satellite project. The Company s contract with SS/L for the construction of the ViaSat-1 satellite was approved by the disinterested members of the Company s Board of Directors, after a determination by the disinterested members of the Company s Board that the terms and conditions of the purchase were fair to the Company and in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders.

During the nine months ended January 2, 2009, related to the construction of the Company s anticipated high capacity satellite system, the Company paid $65.3 million to SS/L and had an outstanding payable as of January 2, 2009 of $9.5 million. As of March 28, 2008, the Company had a $3.8 million outstanding payable related to SS/L. In the normal course of business, the Company recognized $0.2 million and $3.4 million of revenue related to Telesat Canada for the three months ended January 2, 2009 and December 28, 2007, respectively, and $1.9 million and $9.6 million for the nine months ended January 2, 2009 and December 28, 2007, respectively. Accounts receivable due from Telesat Canada as of January 2, 2009 and March 28, 2008 were $2.9 million and $3.1 million, respectively.

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Item 2. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

Forward-Looking Statements

This Quarterly Report, including Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, contains forward-looking statements regarding future events and our future results that are subject to the safe harbors created under the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These statements are based on current expectations, estimates, forecasts, and projections about the industries in which we operate and the beliefs and assumptions of our management. We use words such as anticipate, believe, continue, could, estimate, expect, goal, intend, may, plan, project, seek, should, target, will, would, variations of such wo expressions to identify forward-looking statements. In addition, statements that refer to projections of earnings, revenue, costs or other financial items; anticipated growth and trends in our business or key markets; future growth and revenues from our products; anticipated performance of products or services; plans, objectives and strategies for future operations; and other characterizations of future events or circumstances, are forward-looking statements. Readers are cautioned that these forward-looking statements are only predictions and are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions that are difficult to predict. Therefore, actual results may differ materially and adversely from those expressed in any forward-looking statements. Factors that might cause such a difference include, but are not limited to, product design flaws or defects; our ability to successfully integrate acquired companies; our ability to perform under existing contracts and obtain additional contracts; our ability to develop new products that gain market acceptance; changes in product supply, pricing and customer or end user demand; changes in relationships with, or the financial condition of, key customers or suppliers; changes in government regulations; changes in economic conditions globally and in the communications markets in particular; increased competition; potential product liability, infringement and other claims; risks associated with owning and operating satellites (including ViaSat-1, our first broadband satellite); factors affecting the communications industry generally; and other factors identified elsewhere in this Quarterly Report and in our most recent reports on Forms 10-K, 10-Q and 8-K. We undertake no obligation to revise or update any forward-looking statements for any reason.

Overview

We are a leading producer of innovative satellite and other wireless communications and networking systems to government and commercial customers. Our ability to apply technologies between government and commercial customers, combined with our diversification of technologies, products and customers, provides us with a strong foundation to sustain and enhance our leadership in advanced wireless communications and networking technologies. Based on our history and extensive experience in complex defense communications systems, we have developed the capability to design and implement innovative communications solutions, which enhance bandwidth utilization by applying our sophisticated networking and digital signal processing techniques. Our goal is to leverage our advanced technology and capabilities to capture a considerable share of the networking and global satellite communications equipment and services segment for both government and commercial customers.

Our internal growth to date has historically been driven largely by our success in meeting the need for advanced communications products for our government and commercial customers. By developing cost-effective communications solutions incorporating our advanced technologies, we have continued to grow the markets for our products and services.

In fiscal year 2008, we announced a change in the composition of our segments to reflect the realignment of the organization with our recent strategic initiatives. We conduct our business through three segments: government systems, commercial networks and satellite services. Prior fiscal year information has been recast to facilitate comparisons to the newly established reportable segments.

Government Systems

Our government systems business encompasses specialized products principally serving defense customers and includes:

- Data links, including Multifunctional Information Distribution System (MIDS) terminals, MIDS Joint Tactical Radio System (MIDS JTRS) development and Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) technologies,

- Information security and assurance products and services, which enable military and government users to communicate secure information over secure and non-secure networks, and

- Government satellite communication systems and products, including UHF DAMA satellite communications products consisting of modems, terminals and network control systems, and innovative broadband solutions to government customers to increase available bandwidth using existing satellite capacity.

Serving government customers with cost-effective products and solutions continues to be a critical and core element of our overall business strategy.

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Commercial Networks

Our commercial networks segment offers an end-to-end capability to provide customers with a broad range of satellite communication and other wireless communications equipment solutions, including:

Consumer broadband products and solutions to customers based on DOCSIS® or DVB-RCS technology,

Mobile broadband products and systems for airborne, maritime and ground mobile broadband applications,

Enterprise Very Small Aperture Terminal (VSAT) networks products,

Satellite networking systems design and technology development, and

Antenna systems for commercial and defense applications.

With expertise in commercial satellite network engineering, gateway construction, and remote terminal manufacturing for all types of interactive communications services, we have the ability to take overall responsibility for designing, building, initially operating, and then handing over a fully operational, customized satellite network serving a variety of markets and applications. In addition, based on our advanced satellite technology and systems integration experience, we have developed products addressing five key broadband markets: enterprise, consumer, in-flight, maritime and ground mobile applications.

Satellite Services

Our satellite services segment encompasses three primary areas: managed broadband services, mobile broadband services and wholesale bandwidth services. For everyday enterprise networking or backup protection for primary networks, our managed broadband service provides a combination of terrestrial and satellite connections through an around-the-clock call center and network management operation to ensure customer network availability and reliable digital satellite communications. Our mobile broadband service includes network management services for our customers who utilize our Arclight-based mobile communication systems or our network management center. In 2008, we began construction of a high speed Ka-band satellite system in order to provide wholesale broadband and other services over North America. We currently plan to launch this satellite in the first half of 2011 and introduce service later in 2011.

Sources of Revenues

To date, our ability to grow and maintain our revenues has depended on our ability to identify and target markets where the customer places a high priority on the technology solution, and our ability to obtain additional sizable contract awards. Due to the nature of this process, it is difficult to predict the probability and timing of obtaining awards in these markets.

Our products are provided primarily through three types of contracts: fixed-price, time-and-materials and cost-reimbursement contracts. Fixed-price contracts, which require us to provide products and services under a contract at a specified price, comprised approximately 86.8% and 86.5% of our revenues for the three months ended January 2, 2009 and December 28, 2007, respectively, and 86.1% and 85.0% of our revenues for the nine months ended January 2, 2009 and December 28, 2007, respectively. The remainder of our annual revenue was derived from cost-reimbursement contracts (under which we are reimbursed for all actual costs incurred in performing the contract to the extent such costs are within the contract ceiling and allowable under the terms of the contract, plus a fee or profit) and from time-and-materials contracts (which reimburse us for the number of labor hours expended at an established hourly rate negotiated in the contract, plus the cost of materials utilized in providing such products or services).

Historically, a significant portion of our revenues has been derived from contracts for the research and development of products. The research and development efforts are conducted in direct response to the customer s specific requirements and, accordingly, expenditures related to such efforts are included in cost of sales when incurred and the related funding (which includes a profit component) is included in revenues. Revenues for our funded research and development were approximately $28.9 million or 19.2% and $29.9 million or 19.7% of our revenues in the three months ended January 2, 2009 and December 28, 2007, respectively. Revenues for our funded research and

development were approximately $93.3 million or 20.2% and $89.5 million or 21.0% of our revenues in the nine months ended January 2, 2009 and December 28, 2007, respectively.

We also incur independent research and development expenses, which are not directly funded by a third party. Independent research and development expenses consist primarily of salaries and other personnel-related expenses, supplies, prototype materials, testing and certification related to research and development programs. Independent research and development expenses were approximately 4.7% and 5.5% of revenues during the three months ended January 2, 2009 and December 28, 2007, respectively, and 5.1% and 5.7% of revenues during the nine months ended January 2, 2009 and December 28, 2007, respectively. As a government contractor, we are able to recover a portion of our independent research and development expenses pursuant to our government contracts.

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Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

The preparation of financial statements and related disclosures in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires us to make judgments, assumptions, and estimates that affect the amounts reported in our condensed consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. We consider the policies discussed below to be critical to an understanding of our financial statements because their application places the most significant demands on management s judgment, with financial reporting results relying on estimation about the effect of matters that are inherently uncertain. We describe the specific risks for these critical accounting policies in the following paragraphs. For all of these policies, we caution that future events rarely develop exactly as forecast, and the best estimates routinely require adjustment.

Revenue recognition

A substantial portion of our revenues are derived from long-term contracts requiring development and delivery of complex equipment built to customer specifications. Sales related to these contracts are accounted for under the percentage-of-completion method of accounting under the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants Statement of Position 81-1 (SOP 81-1), Accounting for Performance of Construction-Type and Certain Production-Type Contracts. Sales and earnings under these contracts are recorded either based on the ratio of actual costs incurred to date to total estimated costs expected to be incurred related to the contract or as products are shipped under the units-of-delivery method.

The percentage-of-completion method of accounting requires management to estimate the profit margin for each individual contract and to apply that profit margin on a uniform basis as sales are recorded under the contract. The estimation of profit margins requires management to make projections of the total sales to be generated and the total costs that will be incurred under a contract. These projections require management to make numerous assumptions and estimates relating to items such as the complexity of design and related development costs, performance of subcontractors, availability and cost of materials, labor productivity and cost, overhead and capital costs, and manufacturing efficiency. These contracts often include purchase options for additional quantities and customer change orders for additional or revised product functionality. Purchase options and change orders are accounted for either as an integral part of the original contract or separately depending upon the nature and value of the item. For contract claims or similar items, we apply judgment in estimating the amounts and assessing the potential for realization. These amounts are only included in contract value when they can be reliably estimated and realization is considered probable. Anticipated losses on contracts are recognized in full in the period in which losses become probable and estimable. During the three months ended January 2, 2009 and December 28, 2007, we recorded losses of approximately $0.2 million and $3.0 million, respectively, related to loss contracts. During the nine months ended January 2, 2009 and December 28, 2007, we recorded losses of approximately $1.6 million and $6.5 million, respectively, related to loss contracts.

Assuming the initial estimates of sales and costs under a contract are accurate, the percentage-of-completion method results in the profit margin being recorded evenly as revenue is recognized under the contract. Changes in these underlying estimates due to revisions in sales and future cost estimates or the exercise of contract options may result in profit margins being recognized unevenly over a contract as such changes are accounted for on a cumulative basis in the period estimates are revised.

We believe we have established appropriate systems and processes to enable us to reasonably estimate future cost on our programs through regular quarterly evaluations of contract costs, scheduling and technical matters by business unit personnel and management. Historically, in the aggregate, we have not experienced significant deviations in actual costs from estimated program costs, and when deviations that result in significant adjustments arise, we would disclose the related impact in Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations. However, these estimates require significant management judgment and a significant change in future cost estimates on one or more programs could have a material effect on our results of operations. A one percent variance in our future cost estimates on open fixed-price contracts as of January 2, 2009 would change our income before income taxes by approximately $0.4 million.

We also have contracts and purchase orders where revenue is recorded on delivery of products in accordance with Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 104 (SAB 104), Revenue Recognition. In this situation, contracts and customer

purchase orders are used to determine the existence of an arrangement. Shipping documents and customer acceptance, when applicable, are used to verify delivery. We assess whether the sales price is fixed or determinable based on the payment terms associated with the transaction and whether the sales price is subject to refund or adjustment, and assess collectability based primarily on the creditworthiness of the customer as determined by credit checks and analysis, as well as the customer s payment history.

When a sale involves multiple elements, such as sales of products that include services, the entire fee from the arrangement is allocated to each respective element based on its relative fair value in accordance with EITF 00-21, Accounting for Multiple Element Revenue Arrangements, and recognized when the applicable revenue recognition criteria for each element has been met. The amount of product and service revenue recognized is impacted by our judgments as to whether an arrangement includes multiple elements and, if so, whether sufficient objective and reliable evidence of fair value exists for those elements. Changes to the elements in an arrangement and our ability to establish evidence for those elements could affect the timing of revenue recognition.

Accounting for stock-based compensation

We grant options to purchase our common stock and award restricted stock units to our employees and directors under our equity compensation plans. Eligible employees can also purchase shares of our common stock at 85% of the lower of the fair market value on the first or the last day of each six-month offering period under our employee stock purchase plan. The benefits provided under these plans are stock-based payments subject to the provisions of revised SFAS 123R, Share-Based Payment. Stock-based compensation expense recognized under SFAS 123R for the three months ended January 2, 2009 and December 28, 2007 was $2.5 million and $1.9 million, respectively. Stock-based compensation expense recognized under SFAS 123R for the nine months ended January 2, 2009 and December 28, 2007 was $7.6 million and $5.6 million, respectively. At January 2, 2009, total unrecognized estimated compensation cost, net of estimated forfeitures, related to unvested stock options and restricted stock units was $7.5 million and $14.6 million, respectively, which are expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 2.3 years and 3.0 years, respectively. At January 2, 2009, there was no unrecognized estimated compensation cost related to our employee stock purchase plan.

Allowance for doubtful accounts

We make estimates of the collectability of our accounts receivable based on historical bad debts, customer creditworthiness and current economic trends when evaluating the adequacy of the allowance for doubtful accounts. Historically, our bad debts have been minimal; a contributing factor to this is that a significant portion of our sales has been to the United States government. More recently, commercial customers have comprised a larger part of our revenues. Our accounts receivable balance was $166.1 million, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of $0.3 million, and $155.5 million, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of $0.3 million, as of January 2, 2009 and March 28, 2008, respectively.

Warranty reserves

We provide limited warranties on our products for periods of up to five years. We record a liability for our warranty obligations when products are shipped or they are included in long-term construction contracts based upon an estimate of expected warranty costs. Amounts expected to be incurred within 12 months are classified as a current liability. For mature products, the warranty cost estimates are based on historical experience with the particular product. For newer products that do not have a history of warranty costs, we base our estimates on our experience with the technology involved and the types of failures that may occur. It is possible that our underlying assumptions will not reflect the actual experience, and in that case, future adjustments will be made to the recorded warranty obligation.

Goodwill and other intangible assets

We account for our goodwill under SFAS 142, Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets. The SFAS 142 goodwill impairment model is a two-step process. First, it requires a comparison of the book value of net assets to the fair value of the reporting units that have goodwill assigned to them. Reporting units within our government systems and commercial network segments have goodwill assigned to them. If the fair value is determined to be less than book value, a second step is performed to compute the amount of the impairment. In this process, a fair value for goodwill is estimated, based in part on the fair value of the reporting unit used in the first step, and is compared to its carrying value. The shortfall of the fair value below carrying value, if any, represents the amount of goodwill impairment. We test goodwill for impairment during the fourth quarter every fiscal year, and when an event occurs or circumstances change such that it is reasonably possible that an impairment may exist.

We estimate the fair values of the related operations using discounted cash flows and other indicators of fair value. We base the forecast of future cash flows on our best estimate of the future revenues and operating costs, which we derive primarily from existing firm orders, expected future orders, contracts with suppliers, labor agreements, and general market conditions. Changes in these forecasts could cause a particular reporting unit to either pass or fail the first step in the SFAS 142 goodwill impairment model, which could significantly influence whether a goodwill impairment needs to be recorded. We adjust the cash flow forecasts by an appropriate discount rate derived from our market capitalization plus a suitable control premium at the date of evaluation.

Property, equipment and satellite

Equipment, computers and software, furniture and fixtures and our satellite under construction are recorded at cost, net of accumulated depreciation. Costs are capitalized as incurred and for our satellite include construction, launch and insurance. Satellite construction costs, including launch services and insurance, are generally procured under long-term contracts that provide for payments by us over the contract periods. Satellite construction and launch services costs are capitalized to reflect progress toward completion, which typically coincides with contract milestone payment schedules. Insurance premiums related to satellite launches and subsequent in-orbit testing are capitalized and amortized over the estimated useful lives of the satellite. Performance incentives payable in future periods are dependent on the continued satisfactory performance of the satellite in service.

Impairment of long-lived assets (property, equipment and satellite and other intangible assets)

In accordance with SFAS No. 144 (SFAS 144) Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets, we assess potential impairments to our long-lived assets, including property, equipment and satellite and other intangible assets, when there is evidence that events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable. We recognize an impairment loss when the undiscounted cash flows expected to be generated by an asset (or group of assets) are less than the asset s carrying value. Any required impairment loss would be measured as the amount by which the asset s carrying value exceeds its fair value, and would be recorded as a reduction in the carrying value of the related asset and charged to results of operations. We have not identified any such impairment.

Income taxes

Management evaluates the realizability of our deferred tax assets and assesses the need for a valuation allowance on a quarterly basis. In accordance with SFAS 109, Accounting for Income Taxes, net deferred tax assets are reduced by a valuation allowance if, based on all the available evidence, it is more likely than not that some or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized.

On March 31, 2007, we adopted the provisions of FIN 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109. FIN 48 clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in an enterprise s financial statements in accordance with SFAS 109. FIN 48 prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return, and provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure and transition. For those benefits to be recognized, a tax position must be more likely than not to be sustained upon examination by taxing authorities. The amount recognized is measured as the largest amount of benefit that has a greater than fifty percent likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement.

We are subject to income taxes in the United States and numerous foreign jurisdictions. In the ordinary course of business, there are calculations and transactions where the ultimate tax determination is uncertain. In addition, changes in tax laws and regulations as well as adverse judicial rulings could adversely affect the income tax provision. We believe we have adequately provided for income tax issues not yet resolved with federal, state and foreign tax authorities. However, if these provided amounts prove to be more than what is necessary, the reversal of the reserves would result in tax benefits being recognized in the period in which we determine that provision for the liabilities is no longer necessary. If an ultimate tax assessment exceeds our estimate of tax liabilities, an additional charge to expense would result.

Results of Operations

The following table presents, as a percentage of total revenues, income statement data for the periods indicated.

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	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	January 2, 2009	December 28, 2007	January 2, 2009	December 28, 2007
Revenues	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Operating expenses:				
Cost of revenues	70.2	69.6	71.1	71.8
Selling, general and administrative	15.9	13.8	15.8	13.8
Independent research and development	4.7	5.5	5.1	5.7
Amortization of intangible assets	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.7
Income from operations	7.7	9.5	6.5	7.0
Income before income taxes	7.7	10.4	6.7	7.9
Net income	7.1	6.7	5.7	5.4

Three Months Ended January 2, 2009 vs. Three Months Ended December 28, 2007

Revenues

	Three months ended		Dollar	Percentage
(In millions, except percentages)	**January 2, 2009**	**December 28, 2007**	**increase (decrease)**	**increase (decrease)**
Revenues	$150.4	$ 152.1	$ (1.7)	(1.1)%

The slight decrease in revenues from $152.1 million to $150.4 million during the third quarter of fiscal year 2009 when compared to the same period last fiscal year was due to a decrease in revenue in our commercial networks segment, partially offset by an increase in revenue in our government systems segment. Our commercial networks segment revenue decrease of $11.2 million was primarily due to a reduction in sales of consumer broadband products of $13.8 million offset by an increase in sales of $4.4 million related to our mobile satellite systems. The revenue increase of $8.8 million in our government systems segment was primarily derived from higher sales of $6.7 million in next generation military satellite communication systems and $5.0 million from information assurance products, offset by a revenue decrease of $3.1 million from our majority-owned subsidiary, TrellisWare.

Cost of revenues

	Three months ended		Dollar	Percentage
(In millions, except percentages)	**January 2, 2009**	**December 28, 2007**	**increase (decrease)**	**increase (decrease)**
Cost of revenues	$105.5	$ 105.8	$ (0.3)	(0.3)%
Percentage of revenues	70.2%	69.6%		

Our quarterly cost of revenues decreased slightly from $105.8 million to $105.5 million during the third quarter of fiscal year 2009 when compared to the third quarter of fiscal year 2008, primarily due to our decreased revenues and lower margins earned on next generation broadband development programs. Cost of revenues may fluctuate in future periods depending on the mix of products sold and services provided, competition, new product introduction costs and other factors.

Selling, general and administrative expenses

Three months ended	Dollar increase	Percentage increase

(In millions, except percentages)	January 2, 2009	December 28, 2007	(increase)	(decrease)
Selling, general and administrative	$24.0	$ 20.9	$ 3.0	14.5%
Percentage of revenues	15.9%	13.8%		

The increase in selling, general and administrative (SG&A) expenses from $20.9 to $24.0 during the third quarter of fiscal year 2009 when compared to the third quarter of fiscal year 2008 was primarily comprised of higher selling and new business proposal costs of $1.8 million, higher stock-based compensation expense of $0.4 million and increased support costs of approximately $0.8 million. SG&A expenses consisted primarily of personnel costs and expenses for business development, marketing and sales, bid and proposal, facilities, finance, contract administration and general management. Some SG&A expenses are difficult to predict and vary based on specific government, commercial and satellite service sales opportunities.

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Independent research and development

(In millions, except percentages)	Three months ended January 2, 2009	Three months ended December 28, 2007	Dollar increase (decrease)	Percentage increase (decrease)
Independent research and development	$ 7.0	$ 8.4	$ (1.4)	(16.9)%
Percentage of revenues	4.7%	5.5%		

The decrease in independent research and development (IR&D) expenses of $1.4 million reflected a year-over-year decrease from the commercial networks segment of approximately $2.0 million. The lower IR&D expenses were principally due to a shift of some of our efforts from internal development projects to customer-funded development.

Amortization of acquired intangible assets

We amortize our intangible assets from prior acquisitions over their estimated useful lives ranging from eight months to ten years. Amortization of intangible assets will decrease each year as the intangible assets with shorter lives become fully amortized. Current and expected amortization expense for each of the following periods is as follows:

(In thousands)	Amortization
For the nine months ended January 2, 2009	$ 7,017
Expected for the remainder of fiscal year 2009	$ 1,804
Expected for fiscal year 2010	5,588
Expected for fiscal year 2011	4,826
Expected for fiscal year 2012	3,600
Expected for fiscal year 2013	1,047
Thereafter	1,595
	$ 18,460

Interest income

Interest income decreased to $0.1 million for the three months ended January 2, 2009, from $1.6 million for the three months ended December 28, 2007 due to lower interest rates on our investments and lower average invested cash balances during the third quarter year-over-year.

Interest expense

Interest expense decreased to $0.1 million for the three months ended January 2, 2009, compared to $0.3 million for the three months ended December 28, 2007. Commitment fees on our line of credit availability remained substantially the same for each period. We had no outstanding borrowings under our line of credit at January 2, 2009 or December 28, 2007.

Provision for income taxes

We currently estimate our annual effective income tax rate to be approximately 18.9% for fiscal year 2009, as compared to the actual effective income tax rate of 28.1% in fiscal year 2008. The income tax provision of approximately 7.9% for the third quarter of fiscal year 2009 was lower than the expected annual effective tax rate primarily due to the expiration of the statute of limitations for certain previously filed tax returns resulting in the recognition of previously unrecognized tax benefits of approximately $1.1 million and benefit from settlement of prior year taxes of approximately $0.7 million.

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Our Segment Results for the Three Months Ended January 2, 2009 vs. Three Months Ended December 28, 2007

Government Systems Segment

Revenues

	Three months ended		Dollar	Percentage
	January 2,	December 28,	increase	increase
(In millions, except percentages)	2009	2007	(decrease)	(decrease)
Revenues	$93.8	$ 84.9	$ 8.8	10.4%

Our government systems segment revenues increased by $8.8 million in the third quarter of fiscal year 2009 when compared to the same period last fiscal year primarily due to higher sales of $6.7 million in next generation military satellite communication systems and $5.0 million from information assurance products and development programs, offset by decreased revenues of $3.1 million from our majority-owned subsidiary, TrellisWare.

Segment operating profit

	Three months ended		Dollar	Percentage
	January 2,	December 28,	increase	increase
(In millions, except percentages)	2009	2007	(decrease)	(decrease)
Operating profit	$14.3	$ 15.6	$ (1.4)	(8.7)%
Percentage of segment revenue	15.2%	18.4%		

Our government systems segment operating profits decreased in the third quarter of fiscal year 2009 when compared to the same period last fiscal year. This decrease is primarily due to higher selling, support and new business proposal costs of $3.8 million and additional non-cash stock-based compensation expense of $0.3 million, which was partially offset by the effects from the $8.8 million revenue increase on operating profits.

Commercial Networks Segment

Revenues

	Three months ended		Dollar	Percentage
	January 2,	December 28,	increase	increase
(In millions, except percentages)	2009	2007	(decrease)	(decrease)
Revenues	$54.2	$ 65.4	$ (11.2)	(17.1)%

Our commercial networks segment revenues decreased in the third quarter of fiscal year 2009 when compared to the same period of fiscal year 2008 primarily due to a $13.8 million reduction in consumer broadband product sales offset by increased sales of $4.4 million related to mobile satellite systems.

Segment operating profit

	Three months ended		Dollar	Percentage
	January 2,	December 28,	increase	increase
(In millions, except percentages)	2009	2007	(decrease)	(decrease)
Operating profit	$ 0.1	$ 2.2	$ (2.1)	(96.7)%
Percentage of segment revenues	0.1%	3.3%		

Our commercial networks segment operating profit decreased in the third quarter of fiscal year 2009 when compared to the same period of fiscal year 2008 primarily due to lower revenues and related product contributions of $4.9 million, which was partially offset by lower IR&D and SG&A expenses of approximately $2.0 million and $0.8 million, respectively.

Satellite Services Segment

Revenues

	Three months ended		Dollar	Percentage
(In millions, except percentages)	**January 2, 2009**	**December 28, 2007**	**increase (decrease)**	**increase (decrease)**
Revenues	$ 2.4	$ 1.7	$ 0.7	37.9%

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Our satellite services segment revenues increased during the third quarter of fiscal year 2009 when compared to the same period of fiscal year 2008 primarily due to growth in our service arrangements supporting both the mobile broadband and enterprise managed networks services markets.

Segment operating loss

	Three months ended		Dollar	Percentage
(In millions, except percentages)	**January 2, 2009**	**December 28, 2007**	**increase (decrease)**	**increase (decrease)**
Operating loss	$ (0.4)	$ (0.9)	$ 0.5	51.8%
Percentage of segment revenues	(18.0)%	(51.4)%		

Our satellite services segment operating losses decreased in the third quarter of fiscal year 2009 when compared to the same period last fiscal year primarily due to the earnings related to the increased revenues of $0.7 million.

Nine Months Ended January 2, 2009 vs. Nine Months Ended December 28, 2007

Revenues

	Nine months ended		Dollar	Percentage
(In millions, except percentages)	**January 2, 2009**	**December 28, 2007**	**increase (decrease)**	**increase (decrease)**
Revenues	$462.6	$ 427.2	$ 35.4	8.3%

The increase in revenues from $427.2 million during the first nine months of fiscal year 2008 to $462.6 million during the first nine months of fiscal year 2009 was due to higher customer awards received during the first nine months of fiscal year 2009 of $604.5 million compared to $461.5 million in the same period of fiscal year 2008, and the conversion of a portion of those awards into revenues. Increased revenues were experienced in our government systems segment, which increased by $44.3 million, and our satellite services segments, which increased by $1.4 million, offset by a decrease in our commercial networks segment of $10.4 million. The revenue increase in our government systems segment was primarily derived from higher sales of $29.2 million in information assurance products and development programs, $17.0 million in next generation military satellite communication systems and $5.9 million in video data link systems, offset by a decrease in sales of $5.9 million in next generation tactical data link development and a decrease of $1.9 million in sales from our majority-owned subsidiary, TrellisWare. Our satellite services segment revenue increase of approximately $1.4 million was primarily derived from service arrangements supporting both the mobile broadband and enterprise managed networks services markets. Our commercial networks segment revenue decrease was mainly due to a reduction in sales of consumer broadband products of $27.6 million, offset by a $16.8 million increase in sales of mobile satellite systems.

Cost of revenues

	Nine months ended		Dollar	Percentage
(In millions, except percentages)	**January 2, 2009**	**December 28, 2007**	**increase (decrease)**	**increase (decrease)**
Cost of revenues	$329.1	$ 306.8	$ 22.3	7.3%
Percentage of revenues	71.1%	71.8%		

The increase in cost of revenues from $306.8 million during the first nine months of fiscal year 2008 to $329.1 million for the same period in fiscal year 2009 was primarily due to our increased revenues. However, we did experience a slight decrease in cost of revenues as a percentage of revenues from 71.8% for the first nine months of fiscal year 2008 to 71.1% for the same period in the current year. This improvement was primarily due to product cost reductions of approximately $4.5 million related to better program performance in our next generation military satellite communication systems in our government systems segment and better program performance in our antenna

systems product group of approximately $1.9 million, offset by an increase in cost of revenues of $4.6 million in our consumer broadband products principally from lower margin next generation broadband development programs for the first nine months of fiscal year 2009 compared to the same period last fiscal year. Cost of revenues for the nine months ended January 2, 2009 and December 28, 2007 included approximately $1.9 million and $1.4 million, respectively, in stock-based compensation expense. Cost of revenues may fluctuate in future periods depending on the mix of products sold and services provided, competition, new product introduction costs and other factors.

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Selling, general and administrative expenses

(In millions, except percentages)	Nine months ended January 2, 2009	Nine months ended December 28, 2007	Dollar increase (decrease)	Percentage increase (decrease)
Selling, general and administrative	$73.0	$ 59.1	$ 13.9	23.6%
Percentage of revenues	15.8%	13.8%		

The increase in SG&A expenses during the first nine months of fiscal year 2009 compared to the same period of fiscal year 2008 was primarily attributable to higher selling and new business proposal costs of approximately $5.2 million for new contract awards, increased support costs related to business expansion of approximately $5.8 million, increased support costs related to our ViaSat-1 satellite of $1.7 million and an increase of approximately $1.3 million in stock-based compensation expense. SG&A expenses consisted primarily of personnel costs and expenses for business development, marketing and sales, bid and proposal, facilities, finance, contract administration and general management. Some SG&A expenses are difficult to predict and vary based on specific government, commercial and satellite service sales opportunities.

Independent research and development

(In millions, except percentages)	Nine months ended January 2, 2009	Nine months ended December 28, 2007	Dollar increase (decrease)	Percentage increase (decrease)
Independent research and development	$23.5	$ 24.2	$ (0.7)	(3.0)%
Percentage of revenues	5.1%	5.7%		

The decrease in IR&D expenses reflects a year-over-year decrease in the commercial networks segment of $2.6 million for the first nine months of fiscal year 2009 when compared to the same period of fiscal year 2008 offset by an increase in the government systems segment of $1.9 million. The lower IR&D expenses were principally due to a shift of some of our efforts from internal development projects to customer-funded development.

Amortization of acquired intangible assets

The intangible assets from prior acquisitions are being amortized over estimated useful lives ranging from eight months to ten years. Amortization of intangible assets will decrease each year as the intangible assets with shorter lives become fully amortized. Current and expected amortization expense for each of the following periods is as follows:

(In thousands)	Amortization
For the nine months ended January 2, 2009	$ 7,017
Expected for the remainder of fiscal year 2009	$ 1,804
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Expected for fiscal year 2012	3,600
Expected for fiscal year 2013	1,047
Thereafter	1,595
	$ 18,460

Interest income

Interest income decreased to $1.4 million for the first nine months of fiscal year 2009 from $4.5 million for the same period in fiscal year 2008 due to lower interest rates on our investments and lower average invested cash

balances.

Interest Expense

Interest expense decreased to $0.3 million for the nine months ended January 2, 2009 from $0.6 million for the same period in fiscal year 2008. Commitment fees on our line of credit availability remained substantially the same for each period. We had no outstanding borrowings under our line of credit at January 2, 2009 or December 28, 2007.

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Provision for income taxes

We currently estimate our annual effective income tax rate to be approximately 18.9% for fiscal year 2009, as compared to the actual 28.1% effective income tax rate in fiscal year 2008. The reduction in the estimated annual effective tax rate is primarily due to the recording of research and development tax credits allowed for by the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008, enacted on October 3, 2008, extending the research and development tax credit from January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2009. The income tax provision of approximately 15.5% for the first nine months of fiscal year 2009 was lower than the expected annual effective tax rate primarily due to the recognition of previously unrecognized tax benefits of approximately $1.1 million and benefit from settlement of prior year taxes of $0.7 million.

Our Segment Results for the Nine Months Ended January 2, 2009 vs. Nine Months Ended December 28, 2007

Government Systems Segment

Revenues

(In millions, except percentages)	Nine months ended January 2, 2009	Nine months ended December 28, 2007	Dollar increase (decrease)	Percentage increase (decrease)
Revenues	$279.7	$ 235.4	$ 44.3	18.8%

Our government systems segment revenues increased primarily due to higher customer awards of $347.1 million in the first nine months of fiscal year 2009 compared to $248.4 million in same period of fiscal year 2008, and the conversion of a portion of those awards into revenues. The $44.3 million revenue increase was comprised of higher sales of $29.2 million in information assurance products and development programs, $17.0 million in next generation military satellite communication systems and $5.9 million in video data link systems, offset by a decrease in sales of $5.9 million in next generation tactical data link development and a decrease of $1.9 million in sales from our majority-owned subsidiary, TrellisWare.

Segment operating profit

(In millions, except percentages)	Nine months ended January 2, 2009	Nine months ended December 28, 2007	Dollar increase (decrease)	Percentage increase (decrease)
Operating profit	$39.6	$ 33.7	$ 6.0	17.8%
Percentage of segment revenues	14.2%	14.3%		

Government systems segment operating profits increased in the first nine months of fiscal year 2009 when compared to the same period of fiscal year 2008 primarily due to increased revenues and related product contributions of $15.9 million, offset by $8.1 million in higher selling, support and new business proposal costs and a $1.9 million increase in IR&D costs.

Commercial Networks Segment

Revenues

(In millions, except percentages)	Nine months ended January 2, 2009	Nine months ended December 28, 2007	Dollar increase (decrease)	Percentage increase (decrease)
Revenues	$176.4	$ 186.7	$ (10.4)	(5.5)%

The decrease in our commercial networks segment revenues in the first nine months of fiscal year 2009 when compared to the same period of fiscal year 2008 was primarily a result of reduced consumer broadband products sales of $27.6 million, offset by a $16.8 million increase in sales of mobile satellite systems.

Segment operating profit

(In millions, except percentages)	Nine months ended January 2, 2009	December 28, 2007	Dollar increase (decrease)	Percentage increase (decrease)
Operating profit	$ 0.6	$ 6.0	$ (5.3)	(89.4)%
Percentage of segment revenues	0.4%	3.2%		

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Our commercial networks segment operating profit decreased in the first nine months of fiscal year 2009 when compared to the same period of fiscal year 2008 due to higher selling and support costs of $4.3 million, an increase in cost of revenues of $4.6 million in our consumer broadband products principally from lower margin next generation broadband development programs and additional non-cash stock-based compensation expense of $0.9 million. This operating profit decrease was slightly offset by better program performance in our antenna systems product group totaling approximately $1.9 million.

Satellite Services Segment

Revenues

(In millions, except percentages)	Nine months ended January 2, 2009	Nine months ended December 28, 2007	Dollar increase (decrease)	Percentage increase (decrease)
Revenues	$ 6.5	$ 5.1	$ 1.4	28.1%

Our satellite services segment revenues increased in the first nine months of fiscal year 2009 when compared to the same period last fiscal year by approximately $1.4 million. These revenues were primarily derived from a growth in service arrangement awards supporting both the mobile broadband and enterprise managed networks services markets.

Segment operating loss

(In millions, except percentages)	Nine months ended January 2, 2009	Nine months ended December 28, 2007	Dollar increase (decrease)	Percentage increase (decrease)
Operating loss	$ (3.3)	$ (2.2)	$ (1.1)	(50.1)%
Percentage of segment revenues	(49.8)%	(42.5)%		

The increase in satellite services segment operating losses of $1.1 million in the first nine months of fiscal year 2009 when compared to the same period last fiscal year was primarily driven by a $1.7 million increase in legal and support costs related to our ViaSat-1 satellite, offset by $0.6 million in contributions from satellite services segment revenue growth, net of cost of revenues.

Backlog

As reflected in the table below, both funded and firm backlog increased during the first nine months of fiscal year 2009.

(In millions)	January 2, 2009	March 28, 2008
Firm backlog		
Government Systems segment	$ 274.3	$ 206.8
Commercial Networks segment	231.6	154.5
Satellite Services segment	10.5	13.1
Total	$ 516.4	$ 374.4
Funded backlog		
Government Systems segment	$ 240.2	$ 186.1
Commercial Networks segment	178.4	154.5
Satellite Services segment	10.5	13.1
Total	$ 429.1	$ 353.7

Contract options	$	39.8	$	39.3

The firm backlog does not include contract options. Of the $516.4 million in firm backlog, approximately $118.6 million is expected to be delivered during the remaining three months of fiscal year 2009, and the balance is expected to be delivered in fiscal year 2010 and thereafter. We include in our backlog only those orders for which we have accepted purchase orders. Compared to the last fiscal year, as more of our products have been placed into market, we have seen a greater percentage of awards from book and ship-type orders, resulting in backlog growth rate that is relatively lower than the previous three fiscal years.

Total new awards for commercial, government and satellite services products were $143.1 million and $604.5 million for the three and nine months ended January 2, 2009, respectively, compared to $136.0 million and $461.5 million for the three and nine months ended December 28, 2007, respectively.

Backlog is not necessarily indicative of future sales. A majority of our contracts can be terminated at the convenience of the customer since orders are often made substantially in advance of delivery, and our contracts typically provide that orders may be terminated with limited or no penalties. In addition, purchase orders may present product specifications that would require us to complete additional product development. A failure to develop products meeting such specifications could lead to a termination of the related contract.

The backlog amounts as presented are comprised of funded and unfunded components. Funded backlog represents the sum of contract amounts for which funds have been specifically obligated by customers to contracts. Unfunded backlog represents future amounts that customers may obligate over the specified contract performance periods. Our customers allocate funds for expenditures on long-term contracts on a periodic basis. Our ability to realize revenues from contracts in backlog is dependent upon adequate funding for such contracts. Although we do not control the funding of our contracts, our experience indicates that actual contract fundings have ultimately been approximately equal to the aggregate amounts of the contracts.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

We have financed our operations to date primarily with cash flows from operations, bank line of credit financing and equity financing. The general cash needs of our government systems, commercial networks and satellite services segments can vary significantly and depend on the type and mix of contracts in backlog (i.e., product or service, development or production, and timing of payments), the quality of the customer (i.e., United States government or commercial, domestic or international) and the duration of the contract. In addition, for all three of our segments, program performance significantly impacts the timing and amount of cash flows. If a program is performing and meeting its contractual requirements, then the cash flow requirements are usually lower.

The cash needs of the government systems segment tend to be more a function of the type of contract rather than customer quality. Also, United States government procurement regulations tend to restrict the timing of cash payments on the contract. In the commercial networks and satellite services segments, our cash needs are driven primarily by the quality of the customer and the type of contract. The quality of the customer will typically affect the specific contract cash flow and whether financing instruments are required by the customer. In addition, the commercial networks and satellite services financing environment tends to provide for more flexible payment terms with customers, including advance payments. In January 2008, we announced plans to have a high-capacity broadband satellite constructed and to develop the related ground network equipment. We estimate the costs prior to launch will be approximately $400.0 million depending on the roll-out of the ground segment.

Cash provided by operating activities for the first nine months of fiscal year 2009 was $31.5 million as compared to $46.1 million for the first nine months of fiscal year 2008. The $14.6 million decrease in cash provided by operating activities for the first nine months of fiscal year 2009 as compared to the first nine months of fiscal year 2008 was primarily attributable to a year-over-year net increase in cash used for net operating assets of $16.2 million, offset by higher year-over-year net income of $3.2 million. Combined billed and unbilled accounts receivable, net, increased by $10.7 million due to a $4.9 million increase in our government systems segment and a $5.8 million increase in our commercial networks segment spread across various customers. Collections in excess of revenue included in accrued liabilities decreased approximately $5.6 million as we progress towards completion of certain larger development projects and as we record the related revenues, as well as the timing of any additional milestones billings.

Cash used in investing activities for the first nine months of fiscal year 2009 was $93.9 million as compared to $35.2 million for the first nine months of fiscal year 2008. The increase in cash used in investing activities is primarily related to the construction of our ViaSat-1 satellite of approximately $71.5 million and other additional capital expenditures for equipment of approximately $19.2 million for the first nine months of fiscal year 2009 compared to approximately $13.6 million of capital expenditures for the same period of fiscal year 2008. In addition, cash used in investing activities for the first nine months of fiscal year 2009 included, in connection with the terms of our JAST acquisition, the cash payment of the remaining portion of the initial purchase price of approximately $0.8 million on

the first anniversary of the closing date. Cash used in investing activities for the first nine months of fiscal year 2008 included the purchase of approximately $11.8 million of short-term investments classified as held-to maturity, $8.7 million paid in cash to certain former Efficient Channel Coding, Inc. (ECC) stockholders under the terms of the acquisition agreement for ECC, $0.9 million in cash paid for the acquisition of JAST on the closing date under the terms of the JAST acquisition agreement, and $0.3 million paid in cash to former stockholders of Enerdyne Technologies, Inc. (Enerdyne) under the terms of the Enerdyne acquisition agreement.

Cash provided by financing activities for the first nine months of fiscal year 2009 was $1.6 million as compared to cash provided by financing activities for the first nine months of fiscal year 2008 of $6.7 million. The approximate $5.0 million decrease in cash inflows for the first nine months of fiscal year 2009 compared to the same period of last fiscal year is primarily related to the $4.7 million repayment of our secured borrowing at the beginning of fiscal year 2009, offset by $1.5 million in cash receipts related to the sale of stock in our majority-owned subsidiary, TrellisWare. During April 2008, TrellisWare issued additional shares of preferred stock and received $1.5 million in cash proceeds from other principal shareholders. We also invested $1.8 million in order to maintain the level of our percentage ownership interest. In addition, cash provided by financing activities for both periods included cash received from stock option exercises, employee stock purchase plan purchases and cash inflows related to the incremental tax benefit from stock-based compensation slightly offset by the repurchase of common stock related to net share settlement of certain employee tax liabilities in connection with the vesting of restricted stock unit awards.

In January 2008, we entered into several agreements with Space Systems/Loral, Inc. (SS/L), Loral Space & Communications, Inc. (Loral) and Telesat Canada (Telesat) related to our high capacity satellite system. Under the satellite construction contract with SS/L, we purchased a new broadband satellite (ViaSat-1) designed by us and currently under construction by SS/L for approximately $209.1 million, subject to purchase price adjustments based on satellite performance. The total cost of the satellite is $246.0 million, but, as part of the satellite purchase arrangements, Loral executed a separate contract with SS/L whereby Loral is purchasing the Canadian beams on the ViaSat-1 satellite for approximately $36.9 million (15% of the total satellite cost). In November 2008, we entered into an agreement with Arianespace to provide launch services for the ViaSat-1 satellite. The cost of the satellite launch is estimated at $107.8 million and may vary depending on the weight of the satellite at launch. We have entered into a beam sharing agreement with Loral, whereby Loral has agreed to reimburse us for 15% of the total costs associated with launch and launch insurance, for which the reimbursement amount is estimated to be approximately $23.1 million, and in-orbit insurance and satellite operating costs post launch.

The projected total cost of the ViaSat-1 project, including the satellite, launch, insurance and related gateway infrastructure, through satellite launch is estimated to be approximately $400.0 million, and will depend on the timing of the gateway infrastructure roll-out. We continually evaluate alternative strategies that would limit our total required investment. One alternative would limit our funding requirements to our cash and cash equivalents and the remaining amount may be funded by equity contributions from outside parties and/or debt collateralized by the satellite. Alternatively, if necessary, we believe we have adequate sources of funding for the project, which includes our cash on hand, the cash we expect to generate from operations over the next few years, and additional borrowing ability based on our financial position and low debt leverage. We believe this provides us flexibility to execute this project in an appropriate manner and/or obtain outside equity in the range indicated under terms that we consider reasonable.

We invest our cash in excess of current operating requirements in short-term, interest-bearing, investment-grade securities. At January 2, 2009, we had $63.7 million in cash and cash equivalents, $212.3 million in working capital and no outstanding borrowings under our line of credit. At March 28, 2008, we had $125.2 million in cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments, $248.3 million in working capital and no outstanding borrowings under our line of credit. Our cash and cash equivalents are held in accounts managed by third party financial institutions. To date, we have experienced no loss of access to our cash equivalents; however, there can be no assurance that access to our cash and cash equivalents will not be impacted by adverse conditions in the financial markets.

On October 31, 2008, we entered into a three-year, $85.0 million revolving credit facility (the Credit Facility) in the form of the Third Amended and Restated Revolving Loan Agreement, which replaced an existing $60.0 million revolving credit facility. Borrowings under the Credit Facility are permitted up to a maximum amount of $85.0 million, including up to $25.0 million of letters of credit, and bear interest, at our option, at either (a) the higher of the Federal Funds rate plus 0.50% or the administrative agent s prime rate as announced from time to time, or (b) at the London interbank offered rate plus, in the case of each of (a) and (b), an applicable margin that is based on the ratio of our debt to EBITDA. The Credit Facility is collateralized by substantially all of our personal property. At January 2, 2009, we had $6.0 million outstanding under standby letters of credit, leaving borrowing availability under the Credit Facility of $79.0 million.

The Credit Facility contains financial covenants regarding a maximum leverage ratio and a minimum interest coverage ratio. In addition, the Credit Facility contains covenants that restrict, among other things, our ability to incur additional debt, sell assets, make investments and acquisitions, make capital expenditures, grant liens, pay dividends and make certain other restricted payments.

To further enhance our liquidity position, we may obtain additional credit facilities or sell additional debt or equity securities. In April 2007, we filed a new universal shelf registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, for the future sale of up to an additional $200.0 million of debt securities, common stock, preferred stock, depositary shares and warrants, bringing the aggregate available under our universal shelf registration statements to up to $400.0 million. The securities may be offered from time to time, separately or together, directly by us or through underwriters at amounts, prices, interest rates and other terms to be determined at the time of the offering. The sale of additional securities could result in additional dilution of our stockholders.

Our future capital requirements will depend upon many factors, including the timing and amount of cash required for the ViaSat-1 satellite project pursuant to our contractual commitments, other future broadband satellite project we may engage in, expansion of our research and development and marketing efforts and the nature and timing of orders. Additionally, we will continue to evaluate possible acquisitions of, or investments in complementary businesses, products and technologies which may require the use of cash. We believe that our current cash balances and net cash expected to be provided by operating activities along with availability under our Credit Facility will be sufficient to meet our anticipated operating requirements for at least the next 12 months. To further enhance our liquidity position, we may obtain additional secured or unsecured credit facilities or sell additional debt or equity securities under our shelf registration statement.

Contractual Obligations

The following table sets forth a summary of our obligations under operating leases, irrevocable letters of credit, purchase commitments and other long-term liabilities for the periods indicated:

(In thousands)	Total	For the remainder of fiscal year 2009	For the fiscal years ending 2010-2011	2012-2013	Thereafter
Operating leases	$ 105,567	$ 3,342	$ 28,459	$ 24,943	$ 48,823
Standby letters of credit	6,001	6	5,583	412	
Purchase commitments including satellite related agreements	362,516	77,299	238,719	6,354	40,144
Total	$ 474,084	$ 80,647	$ 272,761	$ 31,709	$ 88,967

We purchase components from a variety of suppliers and use several subcontractors and contract manufacturers to provide design and manufacturing services for our products. During the normal course of business, we enter into agreements with subcontractors, contract manufacturers and suppliers that either allow them to procure inventory based upon criteria defined by us or that establish the parameters defining our requirements. We have also entered into agreements with suppliers for the construction of and operation of our ViaSat-1 satellite. In certain instances, these agreements allow us the option to cancel, reschedule and adjust our requirements based on our business needs prior to firm orders being placed. Consequently, only a portion of our reported purchase commitments arising from these agreements are firm, non-cancelable and unconditional commitments.

Our condensed consolidated balance sheets as of January 2, 2009 and March 28, 2008 included $18.7 million and $17.3 million, respectively, classified as Other liabilities. This caption primarily consists of our long-term warranty obligations, deferred lease credits and long-term unrecognized tax position liabilities. These remaining liabilities have been excluded from the above table as the timing and/or the amount of any cash payment is uncertain. See Note 10 of the notes to consolidated financial statements for additional information regarding our income taxes and related tax

positions and Note 8 for a discussion of our product warranties.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS 157, Fair Value Measurements. SFAS 157 defines fair value, establishes guidelines for measuring fair value, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. In February 2008, the FASB issued FSP FAS 157-1, Application of FASB Statement No. 157 to FASB Statement No. 13 and Other Accounting Pronouncements That Address Fair Value Measurement for Purpose of Lease Classification of Measurement under Statement 13, which amends SFAS 157 to exclude accounting pronouncements that address fair value measurements for purpose of lease classification or measurement under SFAS No. 13, Accounting for Leases. In February 2008, the FASB also issued FSP FAS 157-2, Effective Date of FASB Statement No. 157, which delays the effective date of SFAS 157 until the first fiscal year that begins after November 15, 2008 (our fiscal year 2010) for

all non-financial assets and non-financial liabilities, except for items that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis (at least annually). SFAS 157 does not require any new fair value measurements but rather eliminates inconsistencies in guidance found in various prior accounting pronouncements. SFAS 157 was effective for financial assets and liabilities beginning fiscal year 2009. We adopted this standard for financial assets and liabilities in the current fiscal year without any material impact to our consolidated financial statements. We are currently evaluating the impact that SFAS 157 may have on our consolidated financial statements and disclosures when it is applied to non-financial assets and non-financial liabilities that are not measured at fair value on a recurring basis beginning in first quarter of fiscal year 2010.

In October 2008, the FASB issued FSP SFAS 157-3 (FSP 157-3), Determining the Fair Value of a Financial Asset When the Market for That Asset Is Not Active, to clarify how an entity would determine fair value in an inactive market. FSP 157-3 was effective immediately, beginning with our financial statements for the quarter ended October 3, 2008. The application of the provisions of FSP 157-3 did not materially impact our consolidated financial statement disclosures.

In February 2007, the FASB issued SFAS 159, The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities, which permits entities to choose to measure many financial instruments and certain other items at fair value that are not currently required to be measured at fair value. As we did not elect to measure any of our financial instruments at fair value under the provisions of SFAS 159, the adoption of this statement effective March 29, 2008 did not have an impact on our consolidated financial statements.

In June 2007, the FASB ratified EITF 07-3, Accounting for Nonrefundable Advance Payments for Goods or Services to Be Used in Future Research and Development Activities. This issue provides that nonrefundable advance payments for goods or services that will be used or rendered for future research and development activities should be deferred and capitalized. Such amounts should be recognized as an expense as the related goods are delivered or the related services are performed. EITF 07-3 is effective for us in fiscal year 2009. We adopted this standard in the current fiscal year without any material impact to the consolidated financial statements.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS 141R, Business Combinations. The purpose of issuing the statement is to replace current guidance in SFAS 141 to better represent the economic value of a business combination transaction. The changes to be effected with SFAS 141R from the current guidance include, but are not limited to: (1) acquisition costs will be recognized as expenses separately from the acquisition; (2) known contractual contingencies at the time of the acquisition will be considered part of the liabilities acquired measured at their fair value; all other contingencies will be part of the liabilities acquired measured at their fair value only if it is more likely than not that they meet the definition of a liability; (3) contingent consideration based on the outcome of future events will be recognized and measured at the time of the acquisition; (4) business combinations achieved in stages (step acquisitions) will need to recognize the identifiable assets and liabilities, as well as non-controlling interests, in the acquiree, at the full amounts of their fair values; and (5) a bargain purchase (defined as a business combination in which the total acquisition-date fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired exceeds the fair value of the consideration transferred plus any non-controlling interest in the acquiree) will require that excess to be recognized as a gain attributable to the acquirer. SFAS 141R will be effective for us in fiscal year 2010. The standard applies prospectively to business combinations for which the acquisition date is on or after April 4, 2009, except that resolution of certain tax contingencies and adjustments to valuation allowances related to business combinations, which previously were adjusted to goodwill, will be adjusted to income tax expense for all such adjustments after April 4, 2009, regardless of the date of the original business combination. We are currently evaluating the impact that SFAS 141R may have on our consolidated financial statements and disclosures.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS 160, Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements an amendment of ARB No. 51. SFAS 160, which changes the accounting and reporting for business acquisitions and non-controlling interests in subsidiaries. The standard was issued to improve the relevance, comparability, and transparency of financial information provided to investors. Moreover, SFAS 160 eliminates the diversity that currently exists in accounting for transactions between an entity and non-controlling interests by requiring they be treated as equity transactions. SFAS 160 will be effective for us in fiscal year 2010. We are currently evaluating the impact that SFAS 160 may have on our consolidated financial statements and disclosures.

In March 2008, the FASB issued SFAS 161, Disclosures about Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, an Amendment of FASB Statement No. 133, which requires additional disclosures about the objectives of the derivative instruments and hedging activities, the method of accounting for such instruments under SFAS No. 133 and its related interpretations, and a tabular disclosure of the effects of such instruments and related hedged items on our financial position, financial performance, and cash flows. SFAS 161 is effective for interim periods beginning subsequent to November 15, 2008, commencing for us with respect to our fourth quarter of fiscal year 2009. We are currently assessing the potential impact that adoption of SFAS 161 may have on our consolidated financial statements and disclosures.

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Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We had no material off-balance sheet arrangements at January 2, 2009 as defined in Regulation S-K Item 303(a)(4) other than as discussed under Contractual Obligations above or disclosed in the notes to our financial statements included in this Quarterly Report or in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 28, 2008.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

Our financial instruments consist of cash and cash equivalents, short-term investments, trade accounts receivable, accounts payable, and short-term and long-term obligations, including the revolving line of credit. We consider investments in highly liquid instruments purchased with a remaining maturity of 90 days or less at the date of purchase to be cash equivalents. Our exposure to market risk for changes in interest rates relates primarily to cash equivalents, short-term investments and short-term obligations. As a result, we do not expect fluctuations in interest rates to have a material impact on the fair value of these securities.

As of January 2, 2009, there were no foreign currency exchange contracts outstanding. From time to time, we enter into foreign currency exchange contracts to reduce the foreign currency risk for amounts payable to vendors in Euros.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures designed to provide reasonable assurance of achieving the objective that information in our Exchange Act reports is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified and pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission s rules and forms. We carried out an evaluation, with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of January 2, 2009, the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report. Based on that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective at the reasonable assurance level as of January 2, 2009.

During the period covered by this Quarterly Report, there have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

We are subject to legal proceedings, claims, and litigation arising in the ordinary course of business. While the outcome of these matters is not presently determinable, we believe that the resolution of such matters will not have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position, results of operations or liquidity; however, there can be no assurance that the ultimate resolution of these matters will not have a material impact on our consolidated financial position, results of operations or liquidity in any period.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

In addition to the other information set forth in this Quarterly Report, you should carefully consider the factors discussed in Part I, Item 1A, Risk Factors in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 28, 2008 and the factors discussed in Part II, Item 1A, Risk Factors in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended October 3, 2008, which could materially affect our business, financial condition or future results. The risks described in our reports on Forms 10-K and 10-Q are not the only risks facing our company. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial also may materially adversely affect our business, financial condition, liquidity or future results.

Item 6. Exhibits

The Exhibit Index on page 36 is incorporated herein by reference as the list of exhibits required as part of this Quarterly Report.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

February 11, 2009	VIASAT, INC.
	/s/ Mark D. Dankberg Mark D. Dankberg Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)
	/s/ Ronald G. Wangerin Ronald G. Wangerin Vice President, Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

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Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description	Incorporated by Reference Form	File No.	Exhibit	Filing Date	Filed Herewith
10.1	Launch Services Agreement dated November 12, 2008 between Arianespace and ViaSat, Inc.					X
10.2	Third Amended and Restated Revolving Loan Agreement dated as of October 31, 2008 among Bank of America, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Union Bank of California, N.A. and ViaSat, Inc.	8-K	000-21767	10.1	11/05/2008	
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002					X
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002					X
32.1	Certifications Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002					X

Portions of this exhibit (indicated by asterisks) have been omitted pursuant to a request for confidential treatment pursuant to Rule 24b-2 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.