## PHOTRONICS INC

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PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT NO. 15
(To Prospectus Dated February 22, 2002)
\(\$ 200,000,000\)
Photronics, Inc.
4 3/4\% Convertible Subordinated Notes Due 2006
and
Common Stock Issuable Upon Conversion of the Notes
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This document supplements our prospectus dated February 22, 2002 relating to the resale of up to $\$ 200,000,000$ aggregate principal amount of our notes and the shares of our common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes, by certain holders of notes who are named as selling security holders in the prospectus.

You should read this prospectus supplement in conjunction with the prospectus. This prospectus supplement updates information in the prospectus, and, accordingly, to the extent inconsistent, the information in this prospectus supplement supersedes the information contained in the prospectus.

Investing in the notes involves risks. See "Risk Factors" beginning on page 7 of the prospectus.

NEITHER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION NOR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION HAS APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED OF THESE SECURITIES OR PASSED UPON THE ADEQUACY OR ACCURACY OF THIS PROSPECTUS. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

The date of this prospectus supplement is October 24, 2002.

The table of selling security holders beginning on page 36 of the prospectus is hereby amended to add the entity named below as selling security holder:

Principal<br>amount of notes

[^0]Name
$\qquad$
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| owned that | of notes | may be sold |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| may be sold | outstanding | (1) |

$\$ \quad 1,000,000$
*
27,027

After giving effect to the addition of the foregoing selling security holder and the addition of a new footnote (10), the section of the prospectus entitled "Selling Security Holders" reads as follows:

SELLING SECURITY HOLDERS

We originally issued the notes in a private placement in December 2001. The notes were resold by the initial purchasers of the notes to qualified institutional buyers under Rule 144 A under the Securities Act. Selling security holders may offer and sell the notes and the underlying common stock pursuant to this prospectus.

The following table sets forth information we have received as of October 24, 2002 about the principal amount of notes and the underlying common stock beneficially owned by each selling security holder that may be offered using this prospectus.



Trust (5)

British Virgin Islands Social Security Board

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    Principal
amount of notes
    beneficially Percentage
    owned that
    may be sold
may be sold
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    of notes
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    of notes
    outstanding

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outstanding
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$2,400,000$
1.20
CALAMOS (R) Investment Trust
(5)

CALAMOS (R) Convertible Growth and Income Fund - CALAMOS (R)
Investment Trust (5)
CALAMOS (R) Convertible
Portfolio - CALAMOS (R)Advisors 65,000
Trust (5)
CALAMOS (R) Convertible
Technology Fund - CALAMOS (R) 65,000
Investment Trust (5)
CALAMOS (R) Global Convertible
Fund - CALAMOS (R) Investment 70,000
Trust (5)
CALAMOS (R) Market Neutral Fund -
CALAMOS (R) Investment Trust (5)
Castle Convertible Fund, Inc.
Chrysler Corporation Master
Retirement Trust
CIBC World Markets
City of Albany Pension Plan (5)
City of Knoxville Pension System
(5)
City of New Orleans 203,000
City University of New York
Clarica Life Insurance Co.- U.S.
(5)
CALAMOS (R) Convertible Fund -

## Name

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2,400,000
1.20

Investment Trust (5)
CALAMOS (R) Convertible
Portfolio - CALAMOS (R)Advisors 65,000
Trust (5)
CALAMOS (R) Convertible
Technology Fund - CALAMOS (R) 65,000
Investment Trust (5)
CALAMOS (R) Global Convertible
Fund - CALAMOS (R) Investment 70,000
$10,500,000$
5.25
50,000



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1,250,000
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$$
2,035,000
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$2,035,000$

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203,000
$$

$$
122,000
$$

    122,000
    Trust (5)
CALAMOS (R) Market Neutral Fund -
CALAMOS (R) Investment Trust (5)
Castle Convertible Fund, Inc.



| Louisiana Workers' Compensation |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Corporation (5) | 150,000 | * |
| Lumbermans | 491,000 | * |
| Lyxor Master Fund Ref: |  |  |
| Argent/LowLev CB | 1,230,000 | * |
| Lyxor Master Fund, c/o Zola |  |  |
| Capital Management | 300,000 | * |
| Macomb County Employees' |  |  |
| Retirement System (5) | 145,000 | * |
| Man Convertible Bond Master |  |  |
| Fund, Ltd. | 8,208,000 | 4.10 |

Principal
amount of notes beneficially Percentage owned that may be sold
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$1,500,000$
$1,000,000$
410,000
125,000
$1,500,000$
545,000

Motion Picture Industry Health Plan -
Active Member Fund
190,000
Motion Picture Industry Health
Plan - Retiree Member Fund 80,000
Municipal Employees 183,000
New Orleans Firefighters Pension
/ Relief Fund
Nicholas Applegate Convertible Fund

Nicholas Applegate Global
Holdings LP

110,000

1,529,000

35,000


| Putnam Convertible IncomeGrowth Trust | $2,180,000$ | 1.09 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Putnam Convertible Opportunities and Income Trust | 80,000 | * |
| Putnam Variable Trust-Putnam VT Global Asset Allocation Fund | 80,000 | * |
| Qwest Occupational Health Trust | 55,000 | * |
| Ramius Capital Group | 300,000 | * |
| RAM Trading Ltd | 1,750,000 | * |
| Raytheon Master Pension Trust | 200,000 | * |
| RCG Halifax Master Fund, LTD | 550,000 | * |
| RCG Latitude Master Fund, LTD | $2,500,000$ | 1.25 |
| RCG Multi Strategy A/C LP | 1,250,000 | * |
| Robertson Stephens | 5,000,000 | 2.50 |
| Rockhaven Fund | 80,000 | * |
| Rockhaven Premier Dividend Fund | 700,000 | * |
|  |  |  |
| Name | Principal amount of notes beneficially owned that may be sold | Percentage <br> of notes <br> outstanding |
| Sage Capital | 100,000 | * |
| San Diego City Retirement | 1,097,000 | * |
| San Diego County Convertible | 1,654,000 | * |
| SCI Endowment Care Common <br> Trust Fund - First Union (5) | 20,000 | * |
| ```SCI Endowment Care Common Trust Fund - National Fiduciary Services (5)``` | 70,000 | * |
| SCI Endowment Care Common <br> Trust Fund - Suntrust (5) | 30,000 | * |


| Screen Actors Guild Pension Convertible | 500,000 | * |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| S G Cowen Securities Corporation | 1,500,000 | * |
| SG Hambros Trust Company (Jersey) Ltd as Trustee of the Lyxor Master Fund | 300,000 | * |
| Shell Pension Trust | 320,000 | * |
| Silverado Arbitrage Trading, Ltd. | 500,000 | * |
| Silvercreek Limited Partnership | 1,100,000 | * |
| Silvercreek II Limited | 900,000 | * |
| Sisters of Good Shepherd | 100,000 | * |
| Southdown Pension Plan (5) | 60,000 | * |
| Southern Farm Bureau Life |  |  |
| Insurance | 185,000 | * |
| SPT (5) | 710,000 | * |
| St. Thomas Trading, Ltd. | 13,468,000 | 6.73 |
| Starvest Combined Portfolio | 190,000 | * |
| State Employees' Retirement Fund of the State of Delaware | 810,000 | * |
| State of Connecticut Combined Investment Fund | 1,705,000 | * |
| State of Maryland Retirement Agency | 2,575,000 | 1.29 |

owned that
may be sold of notes outstanding
$\qquad$

State Street Bank Custodian
for GE Pension Trust 1,585,000

Sunrise Partners LLC

The Dow Chemical Company

9, 200,000 4.60

| Employees' Retirement Plan (5) | 1,150,000 |
| :---: | :---: |
| The Fondren Foundation (5) | 35,000 |
| The Grable Foundation | 95,000 |
| Trustmark Insurance Company | 280,000 |
| 2000 Revocable Trust FBO A.R. Lauder / Zinterhofer | 6,000 |
| Union Carbide Retirement Account (5) | 600,000 |
| United Food and Commercial Workers Local 1262 and Employee Pension Fund (5) | 270,000 |
| Vanguard Convertible Securities Fund, Inc. | 1,945,000 |
| Vopak USA Inc., Retirement Plan (f.k.a. Van Waters \& Rogers, Inc. Retirement Plan) <br> (5) | 140,000 |
| Wake Forest University | 686,000 |
| Wake Forest University Convertible Arbitrage | 355,000 |
| WPG Convertible Arbitrage Overseas Master Fund, L.P | $2,500,000$ |
| Writers Guild Industry Health Fund | 293,000 |
| Wyoming State Treasurer | 971,000 |
| Zurich Institutional Benchmark Master Fund Ltd. | 1,000,000 |

## Name

Any other holder of notes or future transferee, pledgee, donee or successor of any holder (3)

Total...............................
$\$ 200,000,000$
(8)

> Percentage
> of notes
> outstanding
> owned that
> may be sold
> ---
> Principal
> amount of notes
> beneficially

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[^1](1) Assumes conversion of all of the holder's notes at a conversion rate of 27.027 shares of common stock per $\$ 1,000$ principal amount of notes. However, this conversion rate will be subject to adjustment as described under "Description of Notes--Conversion Rights." As a result, the amount of common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes may increase or decrease in the future.
(2) Calculated based on $30,315,494$ shares of common stock outstanding as of December 31, 2001. In calculating this amount for each selling security holder, we treated as outstanding that number of shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of all of that holder's notes. However, we did not assume the conversion of any other holder's notes, except in calculating the percentage for all selling security holders as a group.
(3) Information about other selling security holders will be set forth in prospectus supplements, if required.
(4) Column does not add up correctly because the fractional shares to which the holders would be entitled have been disregarded.
(5) Pursuant to an Investment Management Agreement, CALAMOS (R) Investments is not acting individually, but solely as an Investment Manager for the selling security holder.
(6) The entity is either an investment company or a portfolio of an investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, or a private investment account advised by Fidelity Management and Research Company ("FMR Co."). FMR Co. is a Massachusetts corporation and an investment advisor registered under Section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended, and provides investment advisory services to each of such Fidelity entities identified above, and to other registered investment companies and to certain other funds which are generally offered to a limited

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group of investors. FMR Co. is a wholly owned subsidiary of FMR Corp., a Massachusetts corporation. The holdings are as of January 23, 2002.
(7) The entity owns $\$ 1,200,000$ of our $6.00 \%$ convertible subordinated notes due 2004. Further, Morgan Stanley \& Co. Incorporated acted as one of the initial purchasers in connection with the offer and sale of the notes in December 2001.
(8) The figures in this column are based on information supplied to us, as of October 24,2002 , by the respective selling security holders named in the table. As of that date, these selling security holders had supplied us with information indicating that, collectively, they owned more than $\$ 200,000,000$ aggregate principal amount of notes (which would be convertible into more than $5,405,400$ shares of common stock), reflecting, we believe, that one or more selling security holders supplied us with information for inclusion in the table and then sold their notes in transactions exempt from the registration requirements
of the Securities Act to persons who also supplied us with information with respect to the same notes. However, since this prospectus would not be applicable to any sale of notes after they have been publicly sold utilizing this prospectus, no more than $\$ 200,000,000$ principal amount of notes could be sold utilizing this prospectus and, accordingly, the $\$ 200,000,000$ total in this column has been retained and represents the maximum principal amount of notes that could be sold hereunder.
(9) The entity also owns an additional $\$ 6,500,000$ principal amount of the notes, which it purchased, in registered form, in the open market.
(10) This entity (the "Fund") has advised us that, to the best of its knowledge, the Fund has no position, office or other material relationship with us or any of our affiliates and that, while other funds and accounts advised by Massachusetts Financial Services Company ("MFS") may own securities issued by us, MFS has no knowledge of any other position, office or other material relationship between the Fund's affiliates and us or any of our affiliates.

We prepared this table based on the information supplied to us on or before October 24, 2002 by the selling security holders named in the table. The selling security holders listed in the above table may have sold or transferred, pursuant to the prospectus or in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, some or all of their notes since the date they have supplied the information to us. Some of the selling security holders may hold additional notes that have been registered under the Securities Act. Information about the selling security holders may change further over time. Any changed information supplied to us will be set forth in future prospectus supplements.

Other than as noted above, none of the selling security holders listed above has, or within the past three years has had, any position, office or other material relationship with us or any of our predecessors or affiliates.

Because the selling security holders may offer all or some of their notes or the underlying common stock from time to time, we cannot estimate the amount of the notes or the underlying
common stock that will be held by the selling security holders upon the termination of any particular offering. See "Plan of Distribution."

The last sentence of the sixth paragraph under "Plan of Distribution" on page 41 of the prospectus is hereby amended to read as follows:
"The selling security holders may also sell the notes or the underlying common stock short and deliver notes or the underlying common stock to close out short positions, or loan or pledge notes or the underlying common stock to broker-dealers or financial institutions that, in turn, may sell the notes or the underlying common stock."


[^0]:    Number of shares of common
    stock that
    Number of

[^1]:    * Less than 1\%.

