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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

# **FORM 10-Q**

k One)
QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 or 15 (d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2014
or
TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 or 15 (d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the transition period from to
Commission File Number: 1-5005

# INTRICON CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

## Pennsylvania

23-1069060

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1260 Red Fox Road Arden Hills, Minnesota

55112

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

## (651) 636-9770

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

#### N/A

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

#### x Yes o No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). x Yes o No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer o

Accelerated filer o

Non-accelerated filer o (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company x Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined by Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

o Yes x No

The number of outstanding shares of the registrant s common stock, \$1.00 par value, on October 31, 2014 was 5,827,327.

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## **PART I: FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

# **ITEM 1. Financial Statements**

## INTRICON CORPORATION

Consolidated Condensed Balance Sheets (In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)

	_	September 30, 2014 (Unaudited)		cember 31, 2013
Current assets:	( )			
Cash	\$	408	\$	217
Restricted cash		665		568
Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$118 at September 30, 2014 and \$124 at				
December 31, 2013		7,103		5,433
Inventories		10,106		9,400
Other current assets		1,270		1,337
Current assets of discontinued operations		,		382
Total current assets		19,552		17,337
		15,002		17,007
Machinery and equipment		34,789		33,971
Less: Accumulated depreciation		30,568		29,232
Net machinery and equipment		4,221		4,739
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Goodwill		9,194		9,194
Investment in partnerships		436		569
Other assets, net		550		749
Other assets of discontinued operations				132
Total assets	\$	33,953	\$	32,720
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Current liabilities:				
Checks written in excess of cash	\$		\$	279
Current maturities of long-term debt		2,014		2,210
Accounts payable		5,456		5,037
Accrued salaries, wages and commissions		2,662		1,676
Deferred gain		110		110
Other accrued liabilities		2,057		1,893
Liabilities of discontinued operations				154
Total current liabilities		12,299		11,359
Long-term debt, less current maturities		4,571		6,271
Other postretirement benefit obligations		493		531
Accrued pension liabilities		736		839
Deferred gain		83		165
Other long-term liabilities		143		247
Total liabilities		18,325		19,412
Commitments and contingencies (note 12)				
Shareholders equity:				
Common stock, \$1.00 par value per share; 20,000 shares authorized; 5,825 and 5,727 shares issued and				
outstanding at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively		5,825		5,727
Additional paid-in capital		16,813		16,434
Accumulated deficit		(6,634)		(8,522)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(376)		(331)
Total shareholders equity		15,628		13,308
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	\$	33,953	\$	32,720
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(See accompanying notes to the consolidated condensed financial statements)

# INTRICON CORPORATION Consolidated Condensed Statements of Operations (In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)

	Three Months Ended			Nine Months Ended				
		ptember 30, 2014 naudited)		otember 30, 2013 audited)		eptember 30, 2014 naudited)		ptember 30, 2013 naudited)
Sales, net	\$	17,005	\$	12,330	\$	51,822	\$	37,935
Cost of sales		12,529		9,629		37,801		29,603
Gross profit		4,476		2,701		14,021		8,332
On austing averages								
Operating expenses: Sales and marketing		917		801		2.815		2,424
General and administrative		1,647		1,512		4,887		4,439
Research and development		1,047		519		3,530		2,997
		1,214		319		3,530		199
Restructuring charges (note 3) Total operating expenses		3,778		2,832		11,315		10,059
Operating income (loss)		5,778		(131)		2,706		(1,727)
Operating income (loss)		098		(131)		2,700		(1, 727)
Interest expense		(99)		(161)		(362)		(468)
Equity in loss of partnerships		(49)		(49)		(157)		(184)
Other income		76		30		122		113
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes and								
discontinued operations		626		(311)		2,309		(2,266)
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Income tax expense		68		121		151		159
Income (loss) before discontinued operations		558		(432)		2,158		(2,425)
Loss on sale of discontinued operations (note 4)						(120)		
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income taxes				(393)		(150)		(2,314)
Net income (loss)	\$	558	\$	(825)	\$	1,888	\$	(4,739)
Basic income (loss) per share:	<b>.</b>	0.40		(0.00)				(0.40)
Continuing operations	\$	0.10	\$	(0.08)	\$	0.37	\$	(0.43)
Discontinued operations	Φ.	0.10	Φ.	(0.07)	Φ.	(0.05)	Φ.	(0.41)
Net income (loss) per share:	\$	0.10	\$	(0.14)	\$	0.33	\$	(0.83)
Diluted income (loss) per share:								
Continuing operations	\$	0.09	\$	(0.08)	\$	0.36	\$	(0.43)
Discontinued operations	Ψ	0.09	Ψ	(0.03)	Ψ	(0.04)	Ψ	(0.43) $(0.41)$
Net income (loss) per share:	\$	0.09	\$	(0.07)	\$	0.31	\$	(0.41) $(0.83)$
Net meonic (1088) per share.	Ψ	0.09	Ψ	(0.14)	Ψ	0.51	Ψ	(0.03)
Average shares outstanding:								
Basic		5,820		5,702		5,777		5,694
Diluted		6,148		5,702		6,037		5,694
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# INTRICON CORPORATION Consolidated Condensed Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss) (In Thousands)

	Three Months Ended			Nine Months End			Ended	
	2	tember 30, 2014 audited)	2	tember 30, 2013 audited)	September 30, 2014 (Unaudited)			ptember 30, 2013 naudited)
Net income (loss)	\$	558	\$	(825)	\$	1,888	\$	(4,739)
Change in fair value of interest rate swap		(16)		12		3		59
Gain (loss) on foreign currency translation adjustment		(56)		37		(48)		15
Comprehensive income (loss)  (See accompanying notes to the consolidate)	\$ ted con	486 densed fina	\$ ancial s	(776) statements)	\$	1,843	\$	(4,665)

# INTRICON CORPORATION Consolidated Condensed Statements of Cash Flows (In Thousands)

## Nine Months Ended

	September 30, 2014 (Unaudited)		•	ember 30, 2013 naudited)
Cash flows from operating activities:	(UII	iauuiteu)	(01	iauuiteu)
Net income (loss)	\$	1.888	\$	(4,739)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:	φ	1,000	Ф	(4,739)
Depreciation and amortization		1,634		1,847
Stock-based compensation		352		402
Loss on impairment of long-lived assets and goodwill of discontinued operations		332		983
Loss on disposition of property				4
Change in deferred gain		(83)		(83)
Change in allowance for doubtful accounts		(6)		(26)
Equity in loss of partnerships		157		184
Loss on sale of discontinued operations		120		104
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		120		
Accounts receivable		(1,645)		1,106
Inventories		(802)		1,048
Other assets		90		208
Accounts payable		412		996
Accounts payable Accrued expenses		776		132
Other liabilities		42		133
Net cash provided by operating activities		2,935		2,195
Cash flows from investing activities:  Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment  Proceeds from sale of discontinued operations		31 500		(444)
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		(981)		(444)
Net cash used in investing activities		(450)		(444)
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Proceeds from long-term borrowings		10,580		12,140
Repayments of long-term borrowings		(12,549)		(13,389)
Proceeds from employee stock purchases and exercise of stock options		125		79
Change in restricted cash		(69)		(8)
Change in checks written in excess of cash		(279)		(637)
Net cash used in financing activities		(2,192)		(1,815)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash		(102)		35
Net increase (decrease) in cash		191		(29)
Cash, beginning of period		217		225
Cash, end of period  (See accompanying notes to the consolidated condensed financial statement)	\$ nts)	408	\$	196

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#### Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements (Unaudited) (In Thousands, Except Per Share Data)

#### 1. General

In the opinion of management, the accompanying consolidated condensed financial statements contain all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring adjustments) necessary to present fairly IntriCon Corporation's (IntriCon or the Company) consolidated financial position as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, and the consolidated results of its operations and cash flows for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013. Results of operations for the interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations expected for the full year or any other interim period.

On June 13, 2013, the Company announced a global restructuring plan to accelerate future growth and reduce costs by approximately \$3.0 million annually. As part of the restructuring, the Company sold its security and certain microphone and receiver operations on January 27, 2014 to Sierra Peaks Corporation. For all periods presented, the Company classified these businesses as discontinued operations, and, accordingly, has reclassified historical financial data presented herein (Note 4).

The Company has evaluated subsequent events occurring after the date of the consolidated financial statements for events requiring recording or disclosure in the financial statements.

#### 2. New Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued new accounting guidance related to revenue recognition. This new standard will replace all current U.S. GAAP guidance on this topic and eliminate all industry-specific guidance. The new revenue recognition standard provides a unified model to determine when and how revenue is recognized. The core principle is that a company should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration for which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. This guidance will be effective for the Company beginning January 1, 2017 and can be applied either retrospectively to each period presented or as a cumulative-effect adjustment as of the date of adoption. We are currently assessing the impact on the Company s consolidated financial statements.

## 3. Restructuring Charges

On June 13, 2013 the Company announced a global strategic restructuring plan designed to accelerate the Company s future growth by focusing resources on the highest potential growth areas and to reduce costs. The plan was approved by the Company s Board of Directors on June 12, 2013. As part of this plan, the Company: reduced investment in certain non-core professional audio communications product lines; transferred specific product lines from Singapore to the Company s lower-cost manufacturing facility in Batam, Indonesia; reduced global administrative and support workforce; transferred the medical coil operations from the Company s Maine facility to Minnesota to better leverage existing manufacturing capacity; sold its remaining security, microphone and receiver operations; added experienced professionals in value hearing health; and focused more resources in medical biotelemetry. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, the Company incurred restructuring charges of \$0 and \$83, respectively, and during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, the Company incurred restructuring charges of \$0 and \$199, respectively. These charges are primarily related to employee termination benefits from the restructuring of its continuing operations. In the future, the Company does not expect to incur any additional cash charges related to this restructuring.

## 4. Discontinued Operations

On June 13, 2013, the Company announced a global strategic restructuring plan designed to accelerate the Company s future growth and reduce costs. See Notes 1 and 3 for additional information. As part of the global strategic restructuring plan, the Company decided to exit the security and certain microphone and receiver businesses. On January 27, 2014, the Company completed the sale of the security business and certain microphone and receiver businesses of IntriCon Tibbetts Corporation, IntriCon s wholly owned subsidiary based in Camden, Maine, to Sierra Peaks Corporation, pursuant to an Asset Purchase Agreement entered into on January 27, 2014 between Sierra Peaks Corporation, as the buyer, and IntriCon Tibbetts Corporation as the seller. Sierra Peaks Corporation paid \$500 cash at closing for the assets and assumed certain operating liabilities of the businesses.

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The Company recorded a loss on the sale of \$120. The net loss was computed as follows:

Accounts receivable, net	\$ 384
Inventory, net	128
Property, plant and equipment, net	127
Other assets	1
Accounts payable	(69)
Net assets sold	\$ 571
Cash proceeds received from Sierra Peaks	500
Net assets sold	(571)
Transaction costs	(49)
Loss on sale of discontinued operations, net of income taxes	\$ (120)

The following table shows the results of operations of the Company s discontinued operations:

	Three Mo		<b>Nine Months Ended</b>				
	September 30, 2014 (Unaudited)	2013		ptember 30, 2014 Unaudited)	•	otember 30 2013 naudited)	
Sales, net	\$	\$ 727	7 \$	207	\$	1,882	
Operating costs and expenses		(1,136	5)	(357)		(3,250)	
Loss on impairment of long lived assets and goodwill						(983)	
Operating loss		(409	9)	(150)		(2,351)	
Other income, net		16	5			37	
Net loss from discontinued operations	\$	\$ (393	3) \$	(150)	\$	(2,314)	

The following table shows the assets and liabilities of the Company s discontinued operations:

	nber 31, 013
Cash	\$ 4
Accounts receivable, net	350
Inventory, net	26
Other current assets	2
Current assets of discontinued operations	\$ 382
Property and equipment, net	131
Other assets	1
Other assets of discontinued operations	\$ 132
Accounts payable	70
Accrued compensation and other liabilities	84
Current liabilities of discontinued operations	\$ 154
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Management considered the global strategic restructuring plan a triggering event and therefore, in June 2013, the Company evaluated the related assets for impairment and recorded non-cash impairment charges of \$983 to the Company s results from discontinued operations. Throughout the remainder of 2013, the Company continued to evaluate the remaining assets for further impairment indicators and, with the continued decline in U.S. Government revenues due to the government sequestration and government shut-down, the Company concluded that an additional non-cash impairment charge of \$717 was required for accounts receivable, inventory, fixed assets, and other assets. These charges were recorded in the Company s results from discontinued operations for the year ended December 31, 2013. See further information below.

In determining the nonrecurring fair value measurements of impairment of goodwill and other short and long-term assets, the Company utilized the market value approach, considering the fair value of security, microphone and receiver net assets held for sale or disposition. Based on the market value assessment, the Company determined fair values for the identified assets and incurred impairment charges for the remaining book value of the assets during the 12 months ended December 31, 2013 as set forth in the table below. These charges were reflected in the Company s discontinued operations in 2013 and had no impact for 2014.

	measu	value as of irement ate	Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets (Level 1)	Significant other observable inputs (Level 2)	unob	nificant servable ts (Level 3)	airment harge
Long-lived assets of discontinued operations	\$	131	\$	\$	\$	131	\$ 604
Goodwill of discontinued operations							515
Accounts Receivable		350				350	73
Inventory		26				26	468
Other Assets		3				3	40

#### 5. Product Warranty

In general, the Company warrants its products to be free from defects in material and workmanship and will fully conform to and perform to specifications for a period of one year. The following table presents changes in the Company s warranty liability for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and the year ended December 31, 2013:

		September 30, 2014		mber 31, 2013
Beginning balance		\$	72	\$ 73
Warranty expense Closed warranty claims			104 (85)	123 (124)
Ending balance	9	\$	91	\$ 72

#### 6. Geographic Information

The geographical distribution of long-lived assets to geographical areas consisted of the following at:

	Septe	December 31, 2013		
United States	\$	3,201	\$	3,402
Other primarily Asia		1,020		1,337
Consolidated	\$	4,221	\$	4,739

Long-lived assets consist of property and equipment that are difficult to move and relatively illiquid. Excluded from long-lived assets are investments in partnerships, patents, license agreements and goodwill. The Company capitalizes long-lived assets pertaining to the production of specialized parts. These assets are periodically reviewed to assure the net realizable value from the estimated future production based on forecasted cash flows exceeds the carrying value of the assets.

The geographical distribution of net sales to geographical areas for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 were as follows:

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>					Nine Months Ended					
	Sep	tember 30, 2014	September 30, 2013		September 30, 2014		Se	otember 30, 2013			
United States	\$	12,413	\$	8,451	\$	38,253	\$	25,381			
Germany		423		595		1,486		1,123			
Japan		411		417		1,017		1,198			
China		824		711		2,170		2,908			
Singapore		929		188		1,871		312			
Switzerland		305		213		912		1,001			
Vietnam		357		253		1,158		887			
UK		175		268		938		1,018			
Hong Kong		46		145		570		431			
Turkey		180		49		503		226			
France		471		488		1,396		1,289			
All other countries		471		552		1,548		2,161			
Consolidated	\$	17,005	\$	12,330	\$	51,822	\$	37,935			

Geographic net sales are allocated based on the location of the customer. All other countries include net sales primarily to various countries in Europe and in the Asian Pacific. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, one customer accounted for 36% and 38% of the Company s consolidated net sales. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, two customers accounted for a combined 51% and 37% of the Company s consolidated net sales.

At September 30, 2014, two customers combined accounted for 31% of the Company s consolidated accounts receivable. At December 31, 2013, two customers accounted for a combined 34% of the Company s consolidated accounts receivable.

## 7. Inventories

Inventories consisted of the following at:

Raw materials	Work-in	Finished	Total
	process	products	
		and	

			co	omponents	
September 30, 2014					
Domestic	\$ 4,082	\$ 1,410	\$	1,729	\$ 7,221
Foreign	2,019	651		215	2,885
Total	\$ 6,101	\$ 2,061	\$	1,944	\$ 10,106
December 31, 2013					
Domestic	\$ 3,548	\$ 1,173	\$	1,604	\$ 6,325
Foreign	2,114	842		119	3,075
Total	\$ 5,662 10	\$ 2,015	\$	1,723	\$ 9,400

#### 8. Short and Long-Term Debt

Short and long-term debt is summarized as follows:

	Sept	Dec	ember 31, 2013	
Domestic Asset-Based Revolving Credit Facility	\$	3,538	\$	4,450
Foreign Overdraft and Letter of Credit Facility		1,047		1,281
Domestic Term-Loan		2,000		2,750
Total Debt		6,585		8,481
Less: Current maturities		(2,014)		(2,210)
Total Long-Term Debt	\$	4,571	\$	6,271

#### Domestic Credit Facilities

The Company and its domestic subsidiaries are parties to a credit facility with The PrivateBank and Trust Company. The credit facility, as amended, provides for:

- § an \$8,000 revolving credit facility, with a \$200 sub facility for letters of credit. Under the revolving credit facility, the availability of funds depends on a borrowing base composed of stated percentages of the Company s eligible trade receivables and eligible inventory, and eligible equipment less a reserve; and
- § a term loan in the original amount of \$4,000.

In February 2014, the Company and its domestic subsidiaries entered into a Sixth Amendment to the Loan and Security Agreement and Waiver with The PrivateBank and Trust Company. The amendment, among other things:

- § extended the term loan and revolving loan maturity date to February 28, 2018, keeping the existing term loan amortization schedule in place;
- § increased the eligible accounts receivable borrowing percentage from eighty percent to eight-five percent for all eligible accounts other than two specific customers which will be ninety percent. Under the revolving credit facility as amended, the availability of funds depends on a borrowing base composed of stated percentages of the Company s eligible trade receivables and inventory, less a reserve;
- § amended the applicable base rate margin, applicable LIBOR rate margin, applicable LOC fee and applicable non-use fee based on the then applicable leverage ratio;
- § amended the funded debt to EBITDA and fixed charge coverage covenants;
- § revised the definition of net income;
- § approved the application of net proceeds from the IntriCon Tibbetts asset sale against amounts outstanding under the revolving credit facility; and
- § waived certain financial covenant defaults as of December 31, 2013.

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Loans under the credit facility are secured by a security interest in substantially all of the assets of the Company and its domestic subsidiaries including a pledge of the stock of its domestic subsidiaries. Loans under the credit facility bear interest at varying rates based on the Company s leverage ratio of funded debt / EBITDA, at the option of the Company, at:

- § the London InterBank Offered Rate (LIBOR) plus 2.75% 4.00%, or
- the base rate, which is the higher of (a) the rate publicly announced from time to time by the lender as its prime rate and (b) the Federal Funds Rate plus 0.5%, plus 0.00% 1.25%; in each case, depending on the Company s leverage ratio.

Interest is payable monthly in arrears, except that interest on LIBOR based loans is payable at the end of the one, two or three month interest periods applicable to LIBOR based loans. IntriCon is also required to pay a non-use fee equal to 0.25% per year of the unused portion of the revolving line of credit facility, payable quarterly in arrears.

Weighted average interest on the revolving credit facility was 4.54% for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 4.65% for the year ended December 31, 2013. The outstanding balance of the revolving credit facility was \$3,538 and \$4,450 at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively. The total availability on the revolving credit facility was approximately \$3,251 and \$1,682 at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively.

The outstanding principal balance of the term loan, as amended, is payable in quarterly installments of \$250. IntriCon is also required to use 100% of the net cash proceeds of certain asset sales (excluding inventory and certain other dispositions), sale of capital securities or issuance of debt to pay down the term loan. The Company was in compliance with the financial covenants under the credit facility as of September 30, 2014.

## Foreign Credit Facility

In addition to its domestic credit facilities, the Company s wholly-owned subsidiary, IntriCon, PTE LTD., entered into an international senior secured credit agreement with Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation Ltd. that provides for a \$2,655 line of credit as of September 30, 2014 based on applicable exchange rates. The international credit agreement was modified in August 2010 and again in August 2011 to allow for an additional total of \$736 in borrowing under the existing base to fund the Singapore facility relocation, Batam facility construction and various other capital needs with varying due dates from 2013 to 2015. Borrowings bear interest at a rate of .75% to 2.5% over the lender s prevailing prime lending rate. Weighted average interest on the international credit facilities was 3.93% and 3.95% for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and the year ended December 31, 2013. The outstanding balance was \$1,047 and \$1,281 at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively. The total remaining availability on the international senior secured credit agreement was approximately \$868 and \$888 at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively.

#### 9. Income Taxes

Income tax expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 was \$68 and \$151 compared to \$121 and \$159 for the same periods in 2013. The expense was primarily due to foreign operations. The Company has net operating loss carryforwards for U.S. federal income tax purposes and, consequently, minimal federal benefit or expense from the domestic operations was recognized as the deferred tax asset has a full valuation allowance.

The following was the income (loss) before income taxes for each jurisdiction in which the Company has operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013.

		Three Mon	ths En	ded	Nine Months Ended					
	. ,		Sep	tember 30,	Sej	ptember 30,	Sej	ptember 30,		
		014		2013		2014		2013		
United States	\$	(6)	\$	(612)	\$	625	\$	(1,662)		
Singapore		417		169		1,175		(1,027)		
Indonesia		17		14		53		41		
Germany		198		118		456		382		
Income (loss) before income taxes and discontinued										
operations	\$	626	\$	(311)	\$	2,309	\$	(2,266)		
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#### 10. Shareholders Equity and Stock-based Compensation

The Company has a 2001 stock option plan, a non-employee directors stock option plan and a 2006 Equity Incentive Plan. New grants may not be made under the 2001 and the non-employee directors stock option plans; however certain option grants under these plans remain exercisable as of September 30, 2014. The aggregate number of shares of common stock for which awards could be granted under the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan as of the date of adoption was 699 shares. The Plan was amended in 2010 and 2012 to authorize an additional 250 and 300 shares, respectively, for issuance under the Plan. Additionally, as outstanding options under the 2001 stock option plan and non-employee directors stock option plan expire, the shares of the Company s common stock subject to the expired options will become available for issuance under the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan.

Under the various plans, executives, employees and outside directors receive awards of options to purchase common stock. Under the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan, the Company may also grant stock awards, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock units and other equity-based awards, although no such awards, other than awards under the director program and management purchase program described below, had been granted as of September 30, 2014. Under all awards, the terms are fixed on the grant date. Generally, the exercise price of stock options equals the market price of the Company s stock on the date of the grant. Options under the plans generally vest over three years, and have a maximum term of 10 years.

Additionally, the board has established the non-employee directors stock fee election program, referred to as the director program, as an award under the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan. The director program gives each non-employee director the right under the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan to elect to have some or all of his quarterly director fees paid in common shares rather than cash. No shares were issued in lieu of cash for director fees under the director program for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013.

On July 23, 2008, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors approved the non-employee director and executive officer stock purchase program, referred to as the management purchase program, as an award under the 2006 Plan. The purpose of the management purchase program is to permit the Company's non-employee directors and executive officers to purchase shares of the Company's Common Stock directly from the Company. Pursuant to the management purchase program, as amended, participants may elect to purchase shares of Common Stock from the Company not exceeding an aggregate of \$100 during any fiscal year. Participants may make such election one time during each twenty business day period following the public release of the Company's earnings announcement, referred to as a window period, and only if such participant is not in possession of material, non-public information concerning the Company and subject to the discretion of the Board to prohibit any transactions in Common Stock by directors and executive officers during a window period. There was 1 share purchased under the management purchase program during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and no shares purchased during this same prior year period, respectively.

Stock option activity as of and during the nine months ended September 30, 2014 was as follows:

	Number of Shares	 l-average se Price	Aggregate Intrinsic Value		
Outstanding at December 31, 2013	1,407	\$ 5.75			
Options forfeited or cancelled	(41)	4.46			
Options expired	(20)	14.70			
Options granted	137	4.76			
Options exercised	(185)	3.88			
Outstanding at September 30, 2014	1,298	\$ 5.82	\$	1,681	
Exercisable at September 30, 2014	1,006	\$ 6.11	\$	1,284	
Available for future grant at December 31, 2013	182				
Available for future grant at September 30, 2014	204				
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The number of shares available for future grants at September 30, 2014 does not include a total of up to 140 shares subject to options outstanding under the 2001 stock option plans and non-employee directors—stock option plans which will become available for grant under the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan in the event of the expiration of such options.

The fair value of each stock option granted is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. The Black-Scholes option-pricing model was developed for use in estimating the fair value of traded options that have no vesting restrictions and are fully transferable. In addition, option-pricing models require the input of subjective assumptions, including the expected stock price volatility. Because the Company s options have characteristics different from those of traded options, in the opinion of management, the existing models do not necessarily provide a reliable single measure of the fair value of its options. The weighted average fair value of options granted was \$3.17 for options granted during the nine months ended September 30, 2014. The weighted average fair value of options granted was \$2.52 for options granted during the nine months ended September 30, 2013.

The Company calculates expected volatility for stock options and awards using the Company s historical volatility.

The Company currently estimates a five percent forfeiture rate for stock options, but will continue to review this estimate in future periods.

The risk-free rates for the expected terms of the stock options and awards are based on the U.S. Treasury yield curve in effect at the time of grant.

The weighted average remaining contractual life of options exercisable at September 30, 2014 was 4.13 years.

The Company recorded \$110 and \$352 of non-cash stock option expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014. The Company recorded \$136 and \$402 of non-cash stock option expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013. As of September 30, 2014, there was \$515 of total unrecognized compensation costs related to non-vested awards that are expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.83 years.

The Company also has an Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the Purchase Plan ). The Purchase Plan initially provided that a maximum of 100 shares may be sold under the Purchase Plan as of the date of adoption. On April 27, 2011, the Company s shareholders approved an amendment to the Purchase Plan to increase the number of shares which may be purchased under the plan by an additional 100 shares. There were 4 and 12 shares purchased under the plan for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and a total of 6 and 19 shares purchased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013.

#### 11. Income Per Share

The following table presents a reconciliation between basic and diluted earnings per share:

		Three Mon	ths E	nded	Nine Months Ended				
	September 30, September 30, 2014 2013		Sep	September 30, 2014		tember 30, 2013			
Numerator:									
Income (loss) before discontinued operations	\$	558	\$	(432)	\$	2,158	\$	(2,425)	
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income taxes				(393)		(270)		(2,314)	
Net income (loss)	\$	558	\$	(825)	\$	1,888	\$	(4,739)	
Denominator:									
Basic weighted shares outstanding		5,820		5,702		5,777		5,694	
Weighted shares assumed upon exercise of stock options		328				260			
Diluted weighted shares outstanding		6,148		5,702		6,037		5,694	
Basic income (loss) per share:									
Continuing operations	\$	0.10	\$	(0.08)	\$	0.37	\$	(0.43)	
Discontinued operations				(0.07)		(0.05)		(0.41)	
Net income (loss) per share:	\$	0.10	\$	(0.14)	\$	0.33	\$	(0.83)	

Diluted income (loss) per share:				
Continuing operations	\$ 0.09	\$ (0.08)	\$ 0.36	\$ (0.43)
Discontinued operations		(0.07)	(0.04)	(0.41)
Net income (loss) per share:	\$ 0.09	\$ (0.14)	\$ 0.31	\$ (0.83)
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The dilutive impact summarized above relates to the periods when the average market price of Company stock exceeded the exercise price of the potentially dilutive option securities granted. Earnings per common share was based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the periods when computing the basic earnings per share. When dilutive, stock options are included as equivalents using the treasury stock method for computing the diluted earnings per share. Individual components of basic and diluted income (loss) per share may not sum to the total income (loss) per share due to rounding.

Excluded from the computation of diluted earnings per share for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 were all options outstanding of approximately 1,421 common shares, due to the Company s net loss in the periods.

#### 12. Legal Proceedings

The Company is a defendant along with a number of other parties in lawsuits alleging that plaintiffs have or may have contracted asbestos-related diseases as a result of exposure to asbestos products or equipment containing asbestos sold by one or more named defendants. These lawsuits relate to the discontinued heat technologies segment which was sold in March 2005. Due to the non-informative nature of the complaints, the Company does not know whether any of the complaints state valid claims against the Company. Certain insurance carriers have informed the Company that the primary policies for the period August 1, 1970-1978 have been exhausted and that the carriers will no longer provide defense and insurance coverage under those policies. However, the Company has other primary and excess insurance policies that the Company believes afford coverage for later years. Some of these other primary insurers have accepted defense and insurance coverage for these suits, and some of them have either ignored the Company s tender of defense of these cases, or have denied coverage, or have accepted the tenders but asserted a reservation of rights and/or advised the Company that they need to investigate further. Because settlement payments are applied to all years a litigant was deemed to have been exposed to asbestos, the Company believes that it will have funds available for defense and insurance coverage under the non-exhausted primary and excess insurance policies. However, unlike the older policies, the more recent policies have deductible amounts for defense and settlements costs that the Company will be required to pay; accordingly, the Company expects that its litigation costs will increase in the future. Further, many of the policies covering later years (approximately 1984 and thereafter) have exclusions for any asbestos products or operations, and thus do not provide insurance coverage for asbestos-related lawsuits. The Company does not believe that the asserted exhaustion of some of the primary insurance coverage for the 1970-1978 period will have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, liquidity, or results of operations. Management believes that the number of insurance carriers involved in the defense of the suits, and the significant number of policy years and policy limits under which these insurance carriers are insuring the Company, make the ultimate disposition of these lawsuits not material to the Company s consolidated financial position or results of operations.

The Company s former French subsidiary, Selas SAS, filed for insolvency in France and is being managed by a court appointed judiciary administrator. The Company may be subject to additional litigation or liabilities as a result of the French insolvency proceeding.

The Company is also involved in other lawsuits arising in the normal course of business. While it is not possible to predict with certainty the outcome of these matters, management is of the opinion that the disposition of these lawsuits and claims will not materially affect our consolidated financial position, liquidity or results of operations.

#### 13. Related-Party Transactions

One of the Company's subsidiaries leases office and factory space from a partnership consisting of three present or former officers of the subsidiary, including Mark Gorder, a member of the Company's Board of Directors and the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company. The subsidiary is required to pay all real estate taxes and operating expenses. The total base rent expense, real estate taxes and other charges incurred under the lease were approximately \$122 and \$367 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and approximately \$122 and \$364 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013. On October 31, 2013, the subsidiary executed a lease amendment with the partnership to extend the term of the lease for three years. The total annual base rent expense, real estate taxes and other charges under the newly executed lease amendment are expected to be approximately \$486.

The Company uses the law firm of Blank Rome LLP for legal services. A partner of that firm is the son-in-law of the Chairman of the Company s Board of Directors. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, the Company paid that firm approximately \$48 and \$135 for legal services and costs. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, the Company paid that firm approximately \$25 and \$98 for legal services and costs. The Chairman of our Board of Directors is considered independent under applicable Nasdaq and Securities Exchange Commission rules because (i) no payments were made to the Chairman or the partner directly in exchange for the services provided by the law firm and (ii) the amounts paid to the law firm did not exceed the thresholds contained in the Nasdaq standards. Furthermore, the aforementioned partner does not provide any legal services to the Company and is not involved in billing matters.

## 14. Statements of Cash Flows

The following table provides supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:

		Nine Mon	hs Ended		
		mber 30, 014		mber 30, 2013	
Interest paid	\$	344	\$	420	

#### 15. Investment in Partnerships

The Company owns a 9% partnership interest in the Hearing Instrument Manufacturers Patent Partnership (HIMPP), and is a party to a license agreement that grants the Company access to over 45 US registered patents. The Company recorded a decrease of \$49 and \$133 in the carrying amount of the investment, reflecting amortization of the patents, other intangibles and the Company s portion of the partnership s operating results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014. The Company recorded a decrease of \$49 and \$184 in the carrying amount of the investment, reflecting amortization of the patents, other intangibles and the Company s portion of the partnership s operating results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013. Also, for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 the Company has paid \$24 in operating expenses for HIMPP.

## 16. Revenue by Market

The following tables set forth, for the periods indicated, net revenue by market:

		Three Mor	nths Ei	Nine Months Ended				
	Sept	tember 30, 2014	Sep	tember 30, 2013	Sep	tember 30, 2014	September 30, 2013	
Medical	\$	8,664	\$	5,451	\$	27,377	\$	17,465
Hearing Health		5,533		4,986		17,009		15,213
Professional Audio Communications		2,808		1,893		7,436		5,257
Total Revenue	\$	17,005 16	\$	12,330	\$	51,822	\$	37,935

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

#### **Business Overview**

Headquartered in Arden Hills, Minnesota, IntriCon Corporation (together with its subsidiaries referred to as the Company, IntriCon, we, us our ) is an international company engaged in designing, developing, engineering and manufacturing body-worn devices. In addition to its operations in Minnesota, the Company has facilities in California, Singapore, Indonesia and Germany.

Information contained in this section of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and expressed in U.S. dollars is presented in thousands (000s), except for per share data and as otherwise noted.

On June 13, 2013, the Company announced a global strategic restructuring plan designed to accelerate the Company s future growth by focusing resources on the highest potential growth areas and reduce costs by approximately \$3.0 million annually. As part of this plan, the Company reduced investment in certain non-core professional audio communications product lines; transferred specific product lines from Singapore to the Company s lower-cost manufacturing facility in Batam, Indonesia; reduced its global administrative and support workforce; transferred the medical coil operations from the Company s Maine facility to Minnesota to better leverage existing manufacturing capacity, sold its remaining security and certain microphone and receiver businesses effective January 27, 2014; added experienced professionals in value hearing health; and focused more resources in medical biotelemetry. The sale of security, certain microphone and receivers businesses, which closed on January 27, 2014, marked the final milestone in the global strategic restructuring plan. For all periods presented, the Company classified its former security, certain microphone and receiver businesses as discontinued operations. Unless otherwise indicated, the following description of our business refers only to continuing operations.

#### Market Overview

IntriCon serves the body-worn device market by designing, developing, engineering and manufacturing micro-miniature products, microelectronics, micro-mechanical assemblies and complete assemblies, primarily for bio-telemetry devices, hearing instruments and professional audio communication devices. Revenue from the medical bio-telemetry and value hearing health markets is reported on the respective medical and hearing health lines in the discussion of our results of operation in Item 2. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and Note 16 Revenue by Market to the Company s consolidated condensed financial statements included herein.

## Medical Bio-Telemetry

In the medical bio-telemetry market, the Company is focused on sales of bio-telemetry devices for life-critical diagnostic monitoring. Using our nanoDSP and BodyNet technology platforms, the Company manufactures microelectronics, micro-mechanical assemblies, high-precision injection-molded plastic components and complete bio-telemetry devices for emerging and leading medical device manufacturers. The medical industry is faced with pressures to reduce the cost of healthcare. Driven by core technologies, such as the IntriCon Physiolink that wirelessly connects patients and care givers in non-traditional ways, IntriCon helps shift the point of care from expensive traditional settings, such as hospitals, to less expensive non-traditional settings like the home. IntriCon currently serves this market by offering medical manufacturers the capabilities to design, develop and manufacture medical devices that are easier to use, are more miniature, use less power, and are lighter. Increasingly, the medical industry is looking for wireless, low-power capabilities in their devices. We have a strategic partnership with Advanced Medical Electronics Corp. (AME) that allows us to develop new bio-telemetry devices that better connect patients and care givers, providing critical information and feedback. Through the further development of our ULP BodyNet family, we believe the bio-telemetry markets offer significant opportunity.

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IntriCon currently has a strong presence in both the diabetes and cardiac diagnostic monitoring bio-telemetry markets. For diabetes, IntriCon has partnered with Medtronic to manufacture their wireless continuous glucose monitors and sensors that measure glucose levels and deliver real-time blood glucose trend information. Along with the wireless glucose monitor, IntriCon also manufactures a variety of related accessories. During the 2013 third quarter, Medtronic received Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approval for their MiniMed 530G insulin pump. Further, we believe there are opportunities to expand our diabetes product offering with Medtronic as well as move into new markets outside of the diabetes market.

In the cardiac diagnostic monitoring market, we provide solutions for ambulatory cardiac monitoring. Our first two product platforms, Sirona and Centauri, received FDA 510(k) approval in late 2011. The Sirona platform, which incorporates the PhysioLink technology, is essentially two products in one design: it can be used as an event recorder, a holter monitor or both. This platform is very small, rechargeable, and water spray proof. IntriCon is receiving feedback from its customers about the treatment flexibility and economic benefits of remote patient monitoring. The Company has contracts in place with lead customers for the Sirona platform and anticipates expanding that customer base during the last quarter of 2014.

IntriCon has a suite of medical coils and micro coils that it offers to various original equipment manufacturing (OEM) customers. These products are currently being used in pacemaker programming and interventional catheter positioning applications. As part of the global restructuring initiative, the Company is increasing its investment of resources and capital to help expand our customer base and market share.

Lastly, IntriCon manufactures bubble sensors and flow restrictors that monitor and control the flow of fluid in an intravenous infusion system as well as a family of safety needle products for an OEM customer that utilizes IntriCon s insert and straight molding capabilities. These products are assembled using full automation, including built-in quality checks within the production lines.

IntriCon is targeting other emerging biotelemetry and home care markets, such as sleep apnea, that could benefit from its capabilities to develop devices that are more technologically advanced, smaller and lightweight. To do so, IntriCon is focusing more capital and resources in sales and marketing to expand its reach to other large medical device and health care companies.

#### Value Hearing Health Market

The Company believes the value hearing health (VHH) market offers significant growth opportunities. In the United States alone, there are approximately 36 million hearing impaired individuals. This population is expected to grow significantly over the next ten years as the 65-year-old-plus age demographic is one of the fastest growing segments in the U.S., Europe and Japan. The current market penetration into the U.S. hearing impaired population is approximately 20%. We believe the U.S. market penetration is low primarily due to the high costs to purchase a hearing device, consolidation at the retail level and inconveniences in the distribution channel. This has created the opportunity for alternative care models, such as the value hearing aid (VHA) channel and personal sound amplifier (PSAP) channel. To capitalize on these opportunities, IntriCon has increased its sales and marketing expertise and hired an industry veteran to help spearhead the Company s efforts in the VHH market. The Company is aggressively pursuing prospective partnerships and customers who can benefit from our value proposition and we are aggressively pursuing the value hearing aid and personal amplifier products (PSAP) channels.

In the VHA channel, the Company entered into a manufacturing agreement with hi HealthInnovations, a UnitedHealth Group company, to become their supplier of hearing aids. At the beginning of 2012, hi HealthInnovations launched a suite of high-tech, lower-cost hearing devices for their Medicare and Part D participants and later in the year announced they were increasing this offering to the over 26 million people enrolled in their employer-sponsored and individual health benefit plans. The insurance model has been successfully demonstrated internationally, where several countries providing a full insurance program are serving 40% to 70% of the hearing impaired population. Further, research in the U.S. has shown a fully insured model will encourage an individual to seek treatment at an earlier stage of hearing loss, greatly increasing the market size and penetration.

In personal sound amplifier products, the FDA has created a PSAP category, which include ear worn devices that provide cost effective sound amplification. These devices are not hearing aids and make no claims of compensating for hearing loss. They can be purchased off-the-shelf and are not fit or prescribed to meet a specific individual s needs. Rather, these devices amplify sound and tend to be used in noisy or challenging environments. They have a significantly lower retail price to the consumer than traditional hearing aids. Additionally, the Company sees great opportunity to market its situational listening devices (SLD s). Much like the PSAP devices, these devices are intended to help people hear in noisy environments like restaurants and automobiles, and listen to television, music, and direct broadcast by wireless connection. Such devices are intended to be supplements to conventional hearing aids, which do not handle those situations well. The SLD s will be based on our PhysioLink technology, which was demonstrated at the 2013 annual convention of the American Academy of Audiology. The product line consists of an earpiece, TV transmitter, companion microphone, iPod/iPhone transmitter, and USB transmitter.

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We also believe there are niches in the conventional hearing health channel that will embrace our VHH proposition, as high costs of conventional devices constrain their growth potential. Additionally, we believe there is a large international market, most notably in the so-called BRIC countries (Brazil, Russia, India and China), for this type of product offering.

We believe IntriCon is very well positioned to serve these VHH market channels. Over the past several years the Company has invested heavily in core technologies, product platforms and its global manufacturing capabilities geared to provide high-tech, lower-cost hearing devices. Our DSP devices provide better clarity and an improved ability to filter out background noise at attractive pricing points. We believe product platform introductions such as the Audion Amplifiers, APT and Lumen devices will drive market share gains into all channels of the emerging VHH market.

#### Professional Audio Communications

IntriCon entered the high-quality audio communication device market in 2001, and now has a line of miniature, professional audio headset products used by customers focusing on emergency response needs. The line includes several communication devices that are extremely portable and perform well in noisy or hazardous environments. These products are well suited for applications in the fire, law enforcement, safety, aviation and military markets. In addition, the Company has a line of miniature ear- and head-worn devices used by performers and support staff in the music and stage performance markets. We believe performance in difficult listening environments and wireless operations will continue to improve as these products increasingly include our proprietary nanoDSP, wireless nanoLink and PhysioLink technologies.

#### Core Technologies Overview

Our core technologies expertise is focused on three main markets: medical bio-telemetry, value hearing health and professional audio communications. Over the past several years, the Company has increased investments in the continued development of four critical core technologies: Ultra-Low-Power (ULP) Digital Signal Processing (DSP), Ultra-Low-Power Wireless, Microminiaturization, and Miniature Transducers. These four core technologies serve as the foundation of current and future product platform development, designed to meet the rising demand for smaller, portable more advanced devices. The continued advancements in this area have allowed the Company to further enhance the mobility and effectiveness of miniature body-worn devices.

#### Ultra-Low-Power Digital Signal Processing

DSP converts real-world analog signals into a digital format. Through our nanoDSP technology, IntriCon offers an extensive range of ULP DSP amplifiers for hearing, medical and professional audio applications. Our proprietary nanoDSP incorporates advanced ultra-miniature hardware with sophisticated signal processing algorithms to produce devices that are smaller and more effective.

The Company further expanded its DSP portfolio including improvements to its Reliant CLEAR feedback canceller, offering increased added stable gain and faster reaction time. Additionally, newly developed DSP technologies are utilized in our recently unveiled Audion4, our new four-channel hearing aid amplifier. The Audion4 is a feature-rich amplifier designed to fit a wide array of applications. In addition to multiple compression channels, the amplifier has a complete set of proven adaptive features which greatly improve the user experience.

#### Ultra-Low-Power Wireless

Wireless connectivity is fast becoming a required technology, and wireless capabilities are especially critical in new body-worn devices. IntriCon s BodyNet ULP technology, including the nanoLink and PhysioLink wireless systems, offers solutions for transmitting the body s activities to caregivers, and wireless audio links for professional communications and surveillance products. Potential BodyNet applications include electrocardiogram (ECG) diagnostics and monitoring, diabetes monitoring, sleep apnea studies and audio streaming for hearing devices.

IntriCon is in the final stages of commercializing its PhysioLink wireless technology, which will be incorporated into product platforms serving the medical, hearing health and professional audio communication markets. This system is based on 2.4GHz proprietary digital radio protocol in the industrial-scientific-medical (ISM) frequency band and enables audio and data streaming to ear-worn and body-worn applications over distances of up to five meters.

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#### Microminiaturization

IntriCon excels at miniaturizing body-worn devices. We began honing our microminiaturization skills over 30 years ago, supplying components to the hearing health industry. Our core miniaturization technology allows us to make devices for our markets that are one cubic inch and smaller. We also are specialists in devices that run on very low power, as evidenced by our ULP wireless and DSP. Less power means a smaller battery, which enables us to reduce size even further, and develop devices that fit into the palm of one s hand.

#### Miniature Transducers

IntriCon s advanced transducer technology has been pushing the limits of size and performance for over a decade. Included in our transducer line are our miniature medical coils and micro coils used in pacemaker programming and interventional catheter positioning applications. We believe with the increase of greater interventional care that our coil technology harbors significant value.

#### Forward-Looking and Cautionary Statements

Certain statements included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q or documents the Company files with the Securities and Exchange Commission, which are not historical facts, or that include forward-looking terminology such as may, will, believe, anticipate, expect, so optimistic continue, estimate, intend, plan, would, could, guidance, potential, opportunity, project, forecast, confide designed, future, discussion, if or the negative thereof or other variations thereof, are forward-looking statements (as such term is defined Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, and the regulations thereunder), which are intended to be covered by the safe harbors created thereby. These statements may include, but are not limited to statements in Management so Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and Notes to the Company's Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements such as net operating loss carryforwards, the ability to meet cash requirements for operating needs, the ability to meet liquidity needs, assumptions used to calculate future level of funding of employee benefit plans, the adequacy of insurance coverage and the impact of new accounting pronouncements and litigation. Forward-looking statements also include, without limitation, statements as to the Company's expected future results of operations and growth, the Company's ability to meet working capital requirements, the Company's business strategy, the expected increases in operating efficiencies, anticipated trends in the Company's markets, estimates of goodwill impairments and amortization expense of other intangible assets, estimates of future royalty payments from the Global Coils sale, the effects of changes in accounting pronouncements, the effects of litigation and the amount of insurance coverage, expected costs and savings from the restructuring, and statements as to trends or the Company's or management's beliefs, expectations and opinions.

Forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties and may be affected by various factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements. In addition to the factors discussed in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, certain risks, uncertainties and other factors can cause actual results and developments to be materially different from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements, including, without limitation, the following:

our ability to successfully implement our business and growth strategy;

risks arising in connection with the insolvency of our former subsidiary, Selas SAS, and potential liabilities and actions arising in connection with that insolvency;

the volume and timing of orders received by us, particularly from Medtronic;

changes in our estimated future cash flows;

our ability to collect our accounts receivable;

foreign currency movements in markets that we service;

changes in the global economy and financial markets;

weakening demand for our products due to general economic conditions;

changes in the mix of products sold;

our ability to meet demand;

changes in customer requirements;

timing and extent of research and development expenses;

FDA approval, timely release and acceptance of our products;

competitive pricing pressures;

pending and potential future litigation;

cost and availability of electronic components and commodities for our products;

our ability to create and market products in a timely manner and develop products that are inexpensive to manufacture;

our ability to comply with covenants in our debt agreements or to obtain waivers if we do not comply;

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our ability to repay debt when it comes due;

our ability to obtain extensions of our current credit facility or a new credit facility;

the loss of one or more of our major customers;

our ability to identify, complete and integrate acquisitions;

effects of legislation;

effects of foreign operations;

the costs and risks associated with research and development investments;

our ability and the ability of our customers to protect intellectual property;

loss of members of our senior management team; and

other risk factors set forth in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K or any prior Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, which are incorporated by reference into this Report.

For a description of these and other risks, see Part I, Item 1A. Risk Factors in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013, and other risks described elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, or in other filings the Company makes from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company does not undertake to update any forward-looking statement that may be made from time to time by or on behalf of the Company.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make certain assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expense during the reporting period.

Certain accounting estimates and assumptions are particularly sensitive because their significance to the consolidated condensed financial statements and the possibility that future events affecting them may differ markedly. The accounting policies of the Company with significant estimates and assumptions include the Company s revenue recognition, accounts receivable reserves, inventory valuation, goodwill, long-lived assets, deferred taxes policies and employee benefit obligations. These and other significant accounting policies are described in and incorporated by reference from Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, and Note 1 to the financial statements contained in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013.

#### **Results of Operations**

#### Sales, net

Our net sales are comprised of three main markets: medical, hearing health, and professional audio communications. Below is a summary of our sales by main markets for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013:

				Change				
Three Months Ended September 30		2014	2013		Dollars	Percent		
Medical	\$	8,664	\$ 5,451	\$	3,213	58.9%		
Hearing Health		5,533	4,986		547	11.0%		
Professional Audio Communications		2,808	1,893		915	48.3%		
Consolidated Net Sales	\$	17,005	\$ 12,330	\$	4,675	37.9%		
Nine Months Ended September 30								
Medical	\$	27,377	\$ 17,465	\$	9,912	56.8%		
Hearing Health		17,009	15,213		1,796	11.8%		
Professional Audio Communications		7,436	5,257		2,179	41.4%		
Consolidated Net Sales	\$	51,822	\$ 37,935	\$	13,887	36.6%		
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For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, we experienced increases of 58.9% and 56.8% in net sales in the medical market compared to the same periods in 2013. In September 2013, Medtronic obtained the FDA approval for the 530G insulin pump system which is the primary reason sales have increased significantly from the prior period. While IntriCon expects medical sales growth to remain strong overall in the fourth quarter of 2014 year over year, the Company does not anticipate a sequential increase from the third quarter. Management believes that the industry-wide trend to shift the point of care from expensive traditional settings, such as hospitals, to less expensive non-traditional settings like the home, will result in growth of the medical bio-telemetry industry. IntriCon currently serves this market by offering medical manufacturers the capabilities to design, develop and manufacture medical devices that are easier to use, are more miniature, use less power, and are lighter. IntriCon has a strong presence in both the diabetes market, with its Medtronic partnership, and cardiac diagnostic monitoring bio-telemetry market. The Company believes there are growth opportunities in these markets as well other emerging biotelemetry and home care markets, such as sleep apnea, that could benefit from its capabilities to develop devices that are more technologically advanced, smaller and lightweight.

Net sales in our hearing health business for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 increased 11.0% and 11.8% compared to the same periods in 2013. The increases for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 were primarily due to strong device sales to UHC slightly offset by lower conventional channel sales. Market dynamics, such as low penetration rates, an aging population, and the need for reduced cost and convenience, have resulted in the emergence of alternative care models, such the insurance channel and PSAP channel. IntriCon believes it is very well positioned to serve these value hearing health market channels. The Company will be aggressively pursuing larger customers who can benefit from our value proposition. Over the past several years, the Company has invested heavily in core technologies, product platforms and its global manufacturing capabilities geared to provide high-tech, lower-cost hearing devices.

Net sales to the professional audio device sector increased 48.3% and 41.4% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 compared to the same periods in 2013. During the third quarter, a second shipment was made to the Singapore government to provide technically advanced headsets worn in military applications, which makes up a large portion of the period over period increase. This contract will run through the end of 2014. Additionally, we believe our extensive portfolio of communication devices that are portable, smaller and perform well in noisy or hazardous environments will provide future long-term growth in this market. IntriCon will continue to leverage its core technology in professional audio to support existing customers, as well as pursue related hearing health and medical product opportunities.

#### Gross profit

Gross profit, both in dollars and as a percent of sales, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, was as follows:

	2014	1	2013		Chan	ge
		Percent		Percent		
Three Months Ended September 30	Dollars	of Sales	Dollars	of Sales	Dollars	Percent
Gross Profit	\$ 4,476	26.3%	\$ 2,701	21.9%	\$ 1,775	65.7%
Nine Months Ended September 30						
Gross Profit	\$ 14,021	27.1%	\$ 8,332	22.0%	\$ 5,689	68.3%

The 2014 gross profit increase over the comparable prior year period was primarily due to higher overall sales volumes and cost reductions from global restructuring initiatives, partially offset by a less favorable sales mix.

#### Sales and Marketing, General and Administrative and Research and Development Expenses

Sales and marketing, general and administrative and research and development expenses for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 were as follows:

		2014		2013		Change	
			Percent		Percent		
Three Months Ended September 30	$\mathbf{D}$	ollars	of Sales	Dollars	of Sales	Dollars	Percent
Sales and Marketing	\$	917	5.4% \$	801	6.5% \$	116	14.5%
General and Administrative		1,647	9.7%	1,512	12.3%	135	8.9%
Research and Development		1,214	7.1%	519	4.2%	695	133.9%
Nine Months Ended September 30							
Sales and Marketing	\$	2,815	5.4% \$	2,424	6.4% \$	391	16.1%
General and Administrative		4,887	9.4%	4,439	11.7%	448	10.1%
Research and Development		3,530	6.8%	2,997	7.9%	533	17.8%

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Sales and marketing expenses increased due to the addition of experienced professionals and greater commission expenses based on the significant revenue growth. General and administrative expenses are greater than the prior year period primarily due to increased support costs. Also, sales and marketing and general and administration expenses increased due to support for VHH opportunities. Research and development increased over the prior year periods primarily due to a research and development tax credit in the third quarter of 2013 of \$570.

#### Restructuring charges

On June 13, 2013, the Company announced a global strategic restructuring plan designed to accelerate the Company s future growth by focusing resources on the highest potential growth areas and reduce costs. The plan was approved by the Company s Board of Directors on June 12, 2013. As part of this plan, the Company: reduced investment in certain non-core professional audio communications product lines; transferred specific product lines from Singapore to the Company s lower-cost manufacturing facility in Batam, Indonesia; reduced global administrative and support workforce; transferred the medical coil operations from the Company s Maine facility to Minnesota to better leverage existing manufacturing capacity; sold its remaining security, microphone and receiver operations; added experienced professionals in value hearing health; and focused more resources in medical biotelemetry. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, the Company incurred restructuring charges of \$0 and \$83 and during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, the Company incurred restructuring charges of \$0 and \$199. These charges are primarily related to employee termination benefits, from the restructuring of its continuing operations. In the future, the Company does not expect to incur any additional cash charges related to this restructuring.

#### Interest expense

Net interest expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 was \$99 and \$362 compared to \$161 and \$468 for the comparable three and nine month periods in 2013. The decrease in interest expense was primarily due to lower average debt balances and improved bank ratios that allow the Company to borrow at lower rates compared to the prior year.

#### Equity in loss of partnerships

The equity in loss of partnerships for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 was \$49 and \$133 compared to \$49 and \$184 for the same periods in 2013, due to changes in carrying amounts described below.

The Company recorded a decrease of \$49 and \$133 in the carrying amount of its HIMPP investment, reflecting amortization of the patents, other intangibles and the Company s portion of the partnership s operating results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 compared to a decrease of \$49 and \$184 in the same respective periods in 2013. Also, for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 the Company has paid \$24 in operating expenses for HIMPP.

#### Other income

Other income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 was \$76 and \$122 compared to other income of \$30 and \$113 for the same periods in 2013. The change in other income primarily related to foreign exchange rate gains and foreign government grants and tax refunds.

## Income tax expense

Income tax expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 was \$68 and \$151 compared to \$121 and \$159 for the same periods in 2013. The expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 was primarily due to taxable income generated by foreign operations.

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#### Loss from discontinued operations

Loss from discontinued operations, net of income taxes, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 was \$0 and \$270 compared to \$393 and \$2,314 for the same periods in 2013. Included in the net loss for nine months ended September 30, 2013 were \$983 in impairment charges primarily related to long-lived assets and goodwill.

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

As of September 30, 2014, we had \$408 of cash on hand. Sources of our cash for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 were from our operating activities, as described below. The Company s cash flows from operating, investing and financing activities, as reflected in the statement of cash flows, are summarized as follows:

		Nine Months Ended		
	September 30, 20		September 30, 2013	
Cash provided by (used in):				
Operating activities	\$	2,935	\$	2,195
Investing activities		(450)		(444)
Financing activities		(2,192)		(1,815)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash		(102)		35
Increase (decrease) in cash	\$	191	\$	(29)

The most significant items that contributed to the \$2,935 of cash provided by operating activities was the net income of \$1,888 and increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses partially offset by an increase in accounts receivable and inventory.

Net cash used in investing activities of \$450 consisted of \$981 of purchases of property, plant and equipment partially offset by proceeds of \$500 from the sale of the Company s discontinued securities, certain microphone and receiver business.

Net cash used in financing activities of \$2,192 was comprised primarily of repayments of borrowings under our credit facilities.

The Company had the following bank arrangements:

	Septembe	r 30, 2014	Decembe	er 31, 2013
Total borrowing capacity under existing facilities	\$	10,704	\$	11,051
Facility borrowings:				
Domestic revolving credit facility		3,538		4,450
Domestic term loan		2,000		2,750
Foreign overdraft and letter of credit facility		1,047		1,281
Total borrowings and commitments		6,585		8,481
Remaining availability under existing facilities	\$	4,119	\$	2,570

## Domestic Credit Facilities

The Company and its domestic subsidiaries are parties to a credit facility with The PrivateBank and Trust Company. The credit facility, as amended, provides for:

an \$8,000 revolving credit facility, with a \$200 sub facility for letters of credit. Under the revolving credit facility, the availability of funds depends on a borrowing base composed of stated percentages of the Company s eligible trade receivables and eligible inventory, and eligible equipment less a reserve; and

a term loan in the original amount of \$4,000.

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In February 2014, the Company and its domestic subsidiaries entered into a Sixth Amendment to the Loan and Security Agreement and Waiver with The PrivateBank and Trust Company. The amendment, among other things:

extended the term loan and revolving loan maturity date to February 28, 2018, keeping the existing term loan amortization schedule in place;

increased the eligible accounts receivable borrowing percentage from eighty percent to eight-five percent for all eligible accounts other than two specific customers which will be ninety percent. Under the revolving credit facility as amended, the availability of funds depends on a borrowing base composed of stated percentages of the Company s eligible trade receivables and inventory, less a reserve;

amended the applicable base rate margin, applicable LIBOR rate margin, applicable LOC fee and applicable non-use fee based on the then applicable leverage ratio;

amended the funded debt to EBITDA and fixed charge coverage covenants;

revised the definition of net income;

approved the application of net proceeds from the IntriCon Tibbetts asset sale against amounts outstanding under the revolving credit facility; and

waived certain financial covenant defaults as of December 31, 2013.

Loans under the credit facility are secured by a security interest in substantially all of the assets of the Company and its domestic subsidiaries including a pledge of the stock of its domestic subsidiaries. Loans under the credit facility bear interest at varying rates based on the Company s leverage ratio of funded debt / EBITDA, at the option of the Company, at:

the London InterBank Offered Rate ( LIBOR ) plus 2.75% - 4.00%, or

the base rate, which is the higher of (a) the rate publicly announced from time to time by the lender as its prime rate and (b) the Federal Funds Rate plus 0.5%, plus 0.00% - 1.25%; in each case, depending on the Company s leverage ratio.

Interest is payable monthly in arrears, except that interest on LIBOR based loans is payable at the end of the one, two or three month interest periods applicable to LIBOR based loans. IntriCon is also required to pay a non-use fee equal to 0.25% per year of the unused portion of the revolving line of credit facility, payable quarterly in arrears.

Weighted average interest on the revolving credit facility was 4.54% for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 4.65% for the year ended December 31, 2013. The outstanding balance of the revolving credit facility was \$3,538 and \$4,450 at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively. The total availability on the revolving credit facility was approximately \$3,251 and \$1,682 at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively.

The outstanding principal balance of the term loan, as amended, is payable in quarterly installments of \$250. IntriCon is also required to use 100% of the net cash proceeds of certain asset sales (excluding inventory and certain other dispositions), sale of capital securities or issuance of debt to pay down the term loan. The Company was in compliance with the financial covenants under the credit facility as of September 30, 2014.

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Foreign Credit Facility

In addition to its domestic credit facilities, the Company s wholly-owned subsidiary, IntriCon, PTE LTD., entered into an international senior secured credit agreement with Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation Ltd. that provides for a \$2,655 line of credit as of June 30, 2014 based on applicable exchange rates. The international credit agreement was modified in August 2010 and again in August 2011 to allow for an additional total of \$736 in borrowing under the existing base to fund the Singapore facility relocation, Batam facility construction and various other capital needs with varying due dates from 2013 to 2015. Borrowings bear interest at a rate of .75% to 2.5% over the lender s prevailing prime lending rate. Weighted average interest on the international credit facilities was 3.93% and 3.95% for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and the year ended December 31, 2013. The outstanding balance was \$1,047 and \$1,281 at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively. The total remaining availability on the international senior secured credit agreement was approximately \$868 and \$888 at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively.

We believe that funds expected to be generated from operations, the available borrowing capacity through our revolving credit loan facilities and the control of capital spending will be sufficient to meet our anticipated cash requirements for operating needs and for repayment of maturing debt for at least the next 12 months. If, however, we do not generate sufficient cash from operations, or if we incur additional unanticipated liabilities, we may be required to seek additional financing or sell equity or debt on terms which may not be as favorable as we could have otherwise obtained. No assurance can be given that any refinancing, additional borrowing or sale of equity or debt will be possible when needed or that we will be able to negotiate acceptable terms. In addition, our access to capital is affected by prevailing conditions in the financial and equity capital markets, as well as our own financial condition. Furthermore, if we fail to meet our financial and other covenants under our loan agreements, absent waiver, we will be in default of the loan agreements and our lenders could take action that would adversely affect our business. There can be no assurance that our lenders will provide a waiver of any default in our loan covenants. While management believes that we will be able to meet our liquidity needs for at least the next 12 months, no assurance can be given that we will be able to do so.

## ITEM 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

Not applicable.

## **ITEM 4. Controls and Procedures**

The Company s management, with the participation of its chief executive officer and chief financial officer, conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of the Company s disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(e), as of September 30, 2014 (the Disclosure Controls Evaluation). Based on the Disclosure Controls Evaluation, the Company s chief executive officer and chief financial officer concluded that the Company s disclosure controls and procedures were effective to provide a reasonable level of assurance that: (i) information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports the Company files or submits under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (Exchange Act) is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission s rules and forms and (ii) information required to be disclosed in the reports the Company files or submits under Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to management, including the principal executive officer and principal financial officer, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure, all in accordance with Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(e).

There were no changes in the Company s internal control over financial reporting, as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(f), during the quarter ended September 30, 2014, that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company s internal control over financial reporting.

A control system, no matter how well conceived and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. Further, the design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints, and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, within the Company have been detected. Because of the inherent limitations in a cost-effective control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected.

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#### **PART II - OTHER INFORMATION**

## **ITEM 1. Legal Proceedings**

The information contained in note 12 to the Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements in Part I of this quarterly report is incorporated by reference herein.

#### **ITEM 1A. Risk Factors**

In addition to the foregoing and the other information set forth in this 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 year ended December 31, 2013, which could materially affect the Company s business, financial condition or future results. The risk factors in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K have not materially changed. The risks described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K are not the only risks facing the 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 and/or operating results.

## ITEM 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

None.

## ITEM 3. <u>Defaults upon Senior Securities</u>

None.

## ITEM 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.

Not applicable.

## **ITEM 5. Other Information**

None

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## ITEM 6. Exhibits

- (a) Exhibits
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- The following materials from IntriCon Corporation s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2014, formatted in XBRL (eXtensible Business Reporting Language): (i) Consolidated Condensed Balance Sheets as of September 30, 2014, (Unaudited) and December 31, 2013; (ii) Consolidated Condensed Statements of Operations (Unaudited) for the Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014, and 2013; (iii) Consolidated Condensed Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss) (Unaudited) for the Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014, and 2013; (iv) Consolidated Condensed Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited) for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014, and 2013; and (v) Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements (Unaudited)\*

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#### **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.

INTRICON CORPORATION

(Registrant)

Date: November 12, 2014 By: /s/ Mark S. Gorder

Mark S. Gorder

President and Chief Executive Officer

(principal executive officer)

Date: November 12, 2014 By: /s/ Scott Longval

Scott Longval

Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

(principal financial officer)

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