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SGX-listed UMS' FY2010 net profit soars to record S\$28.7m, reversing from losses; proposes final dividend of 2.0 cents and special dividend of 1.0 cent for total FY2010 payout of 5.0 cents

- FY2010 revenue sharply up 173% to S\$129.0m from S\$47.3m in FY2009, led by robust sales of higher-value integrated semiconductor systems, increased outsourcing to Asia
- 4Q10 net profit soars 692% to S\$9.1m from S\$1.1m, 4Q10 revenue grows 99% to S\$33.8m from S\$17.0m
- Positive net cash from operations up 44.8% to S\$13.1m from S\$9.1m, strong cash balance of S\$20.3m as at 31 December 2010
- Highest-ever total dividend payout of 5.0 cents per share including proposed final dividend of 2.0 cents and special dividend of 1.0 cent, having already paid out 2Q10 and 3Q10 interim dividends of 1.0 cent each
- Outlook: Directors confident that UMS' performance in 1H2011 will remain strong and profitable

December 31	4Q2010 S\$'000	4Q2009 S\$'000	Change	FY2010 S\$'000	FY2009 S\$'000	Change
Turnover	33,803	16,996	99%	129,033	47,267	173%
CEM	1,479	340	335%	9,852	7,372	34%
Semicon	32,324	16,656	94%	119,181	39,895	199%
Net Profit	9,058	1,143	692%	28,745	(24,328)	N.M.
Before Tax	8,754	671	1205%	33,289	(25,336)	N.M.
Basic EPS (cents)	2.63	0.32	722%	8.25	-6.87	N.M.

N.M-not meaningful

SINGAPORE, 24 January 2011 – UMS Holdings Limited (“UMS” or “the Group”) announced today a record net profit after tax of S\$28.7 million for the financial year ended 31 December 2010 (“FY2010”), and declared final dividend of 2.0 cents, raising its total payout of 4.0 cents, its highest ever.

The SGX Mainboard-listed strategic integration partner in manufacturing and engineering for front-end semiconductor equipment manufacturers said its strong performance was powered by the successful shift in product mix since FY2008 to higher-value semiconductor systems instead of reliance on components and spares.

The FY2010 net profit compared with a net loss of S\$24.3 million in FY2009 – at the height of the global financial crisis – which included a S\$20.0 million goodwill write-off.

Reaping the fruits of its strategic shift since the crisis, UMS' FY2010 revenue soared 173% to S\$129.0 million from S\$47.2 million in FY2009 as the Group benefited from the ongoing trend of Western semiconductor giants outsourcing operations to lower-cost Asian countries.

With the continued robust industry demand, the Group significantly ramped up production of semiconductor systems to a major customer, whom it has been closely working with since FY2008.

Semiconductor component and systems (“Semicon”) revenue grew 199% to S\$119.2 million in FY2010 from S\$39.9 million in FY2009 while Contract Equipment Manufacturing (“CEM”) revenue rose 34% to S\$9.9 million in FY2010 from S\$7.4 million.

With the relocation of a major U.S customer to Singapore, Singapore has become the largest market, contributing revenue of S\$69.8 million in FY2010, up sharply from S\$5.6 million in FY2009. U.S. and Other regions contributed S\$39.0 million (from S\$31.3 million previously) and S\$20.2 million (from S\$10.2 million), respectively, over the comparative periods.

UMS' 4Q10 net profit soared 692% to S\$9.1 million from S\$1.1 million in 4Q09, outpacing 4Q10 revenue growth of 99% to S\$33.8 million from S\$17.0 million in 4Q09.

UMS' Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Andy Luong, said, “The strong performance of the year under review reflects the robust demand in recent quarters as well as the success of our strategic initiatives to develop higher value-add semiconductor systems and to ride on the outsourcing trend.”

The Group generated positive net cash from operating activities of S\$13.1 million in 4Q10, an increase of 44.8% from S\$9.1 million in 4Q09. Cash and cash equivalents remained healthy at S\$20.3 million as at 31 December 2010 despite the settlement of a term loan in Malaysia, payment of interim dividend and share buybacks.

Earnings per share rose to 2.63 cents in 4Q10, from 0.32 cent in 4Q09. Net asset value per share increased to 52.05 cents as at 31 December 2010, up from 45.97 cents as at 31 December 2009.

Mr Luong added, “Our business outlook remains intact in FY2011 due to our ongoing growth strategies. Based on customer indications we expect to see a healthy order flow at least for the first half of 2011. The Group will continue to improve financial and operating efficiencies even as we seek to enhance shareholder value through a proposed dual listing in Korea.”

“To reward shareholders for their support we are proposing the highest dividend payment for any quarter – of 2.0 cents for 4Q2010 and a special dividend of 1.0 cent. This brings our total proposed payout for FY2010 to 5.0 cents, including interim dividends of 1.0 cent each in 2Q10 and 3Q10. If approved by shareholders it would represent 59.8% of our net profit for the year,” he added.

Based on customer forecasts, the Directors are confident that UMS' performance in the first six months of FY2011 (“1H2011”) will remain strong and profitable.

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About UMS Holdings Limited

Incorporated in Singapore on January 17, 2001, UMS Holdings Limited is a one-stop strategic integration partner providing equipment manufacturing and engineering services to Original Equipment Manufacturers of semiconductors and related products.

UMS Group makes high precision components and is also involved in complex electromechanical assembly and final testing services. The products we offer include modular and integration system for original semiconductor equipment manufacturing. Other industries that we also support include the electronic, machine tools and oil and gas.

Headquartered in Singapore, the Group has production facilities in Singapore, Malaysia as well as office in California, USA.

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