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SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION

中芯國際集成電路製造有限公司* (Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability) (STOCK CODE: 0981)

SMIC REPORTS UNAUDITED RESULTS FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2016

- Revenue was a record high of \$634.3 million in 1Q16, increased by 4.0% QoQ from \$610.1 million in 4Q15 and increased by 24.4% YoY from \$509.8 million in 1Q15.
- Gross margin was 24.2% in 1Q16, compared to 28.5% in 4Q15 and 29.4% in 1Q15.
- Profit from operations was \$66.1 million in 1Q16, compared to \$41.6 million in 4Q15 and \$45.5 million in 1Q15.
- Net profit for the period attributable to SMIC was \$61.4 million in 1Q16, as compared to \$38.6 million in 4Q15 and \$55.5 million in 1Q15.

Set out below is a copy of the full text of the press release by the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") on May 12, 2016, in relation to its unaudited results for the three months ended March 31, 2016.

All currency figures stated in this report are in US Dollars unless stated otherwise.

The consolidated financial information is prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS").

Shanghai, China – May 12, 2016. Semiconductor Manufacturing International Corporation (NYSE: SMI; SEHK: 981) ("SMIC," the "Company," or "our"), one of the leading semiconductor foundries in the world, today announced its consolidated results of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2016.

Second Quarter 2016 Guidance:

The following statements are forward looking statements which are based on current expectations and which involve risks and uncertainties, some of which are set forth under "Safe Harbor Statements" below. The Company expects:

- Revenue to increase by 3% to 7% quarter over quarter.
- Gross margin to range from 25% to 27%.
- Non-GAAP operating expenses excluding the effect of employee bonus accrual, government funding and gain from the disposal of living quarters to range from \$115 million to \$120 million.
- Non-controlling interests of our majority-owned subsidiaries to range from positive \$9 million to positive \$11 million (losses to be borne by non-controlling interests).

Dr. Tzu-Yin Chiu, SMIC's Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director commented, "We had another quarter with record-high revenue, continued demand strength and continued high utilizations. Purchase orders from our customers continue to be robust and are being driven by our diversified product and customer exposure, which continues to drive our utilizations high. Our customers are expanding their market share and we now target to grow revenue more than 20% this year given the great demand.

The first quarter of 2016 was another great quarter for SMIC; we surpassed the industry's revenue growth and grew more than 24% YoY. Overall utilization was 98.8% in the first quarter, in which even our newly ramping fabs experienced strong customer demand. Last quarter marks our 16th consecutive profitable quarter and we continue to target sustained profitability.

Overall, we believe SMIC is strategically building competitiveness globally and further optimizing our position as the preferred foundry provider in mainland China. We expect growth again in the second quarter, but remain constrained by the pace of our capacity growth. SMIC is optimistic in the long-term given our strategy, strong customer partnerships, and execution track record."

Conference Call / Webcast Announcement

Date: May 13, 2016

Time: 8:30 a.m. Shanghai time Dial-in numbers and pass code:

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The call will be webcast live with audio at http://edge.media-server.com/m/p/ivhxouhj.

An archived version of the webcast, along with an electronic copy of this news release will be available on the SMIC website for a period of 12 months following the webcast.

About SMIC

Semiconductor Manufacturing International Corporation ("SMIC"; NYSE: SMI; SEHK: 981) is one of the leading semiconductor foundries in the world and the largest and most advanced foundry in mainland China. SMIC provides integrated circuit (IC) foundry and technology services at 0.35-micron to 28-nanometer. Headquartered in Shanghai, China, SMIC has a 300mm wafer fabrication facility (fab) and a 200mm mega-fab in Shanghai; a 300mm mega-fab and a second majority owned 300mm fab for advance nodes in Beijing; and 200mm fabs in Tianjin and Shenzhen. SMIC also has marketing and customer service offices in the U.S., Europe, Japan, and Taiwan, and a representative office in Hong Kong.

For more information, please visit www.smics.com.

Safe Harbor Statements

(Under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995)

This press release contains, in addition to historical information, "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the "safe harbor" provisions of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements, including statements under "Second Quarter 2016 Guidance". "CapEx Summary" and the statements contained in the quotes of our CEO regarding our target for sustained profit, our revenue growth, continued demand strength and high utilization and our strategy to capture growth opportunities brought by specific markets and products are based on SMIC's current assumptions, expectations and projections about future events. SMIC uses words like "believe," "anticipate," "intend," "estimate," "expect," "project," "target" and similar expressions to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements contain these words. These forward-looking statements involve significant risks, both known and unknown, uncertainties and other factors that may cause SMIC's actual performance, financial condition or results of operations to be materially different from those suggested by the forward-looking statements including. among others, risks associated with the cyclical nature of the semiconductor industry, changes in demand for our products, competition in our markets, our reliance on a small number of customers, orders or judgments from pending litigation, intensive intellectual property lawsuits in semiconductor industry, financial stability in end markets, general economic conditions and fluctuations in currency exchange rates.

Investors should consider the information contained in SMIC's filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), including its annual report on 20-F filed with the SEC on April 25, 2016, especially the consolidated financial statements, and such other documents that SMIC may file with the SEC or The Hong Kong Stock Exchange Limited ("SEHK") from time to time, including current reports on Form 6-K. Other unknown or unpredictable factors also could have material adverse effects on SMIC's future results, performance or achievements. In light of these risks, uncertainties, assumptions and factors, the forward-looking events discussed in this press release may not occur. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date stated, or if no date is stated, as of the date of this press release. Except as may be required by law, SMIC undertakes no obligation and does not intend to update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

About Non-Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("Non-GAAP") Financial Measures

To supplement SMIC's consolidated financial results presented in accordance with IFRS, SMIC uses in this press release non-GAAP operating expenses which consist of total operating expenses as adjusted to exclude the effect of employee bonus accrual, government funding and gain from the disposal of living quarters. This earnings release also includes second quarter 2016 guidance for non-GAAP operating expenses. The presentation of non-GAAP financial measures is not intended to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for the financial information prepared and presented in accordance with IFRS.

SMIC believes that use of these non-GAAP financial measures facilitates investors' and management's comparisons to SMIC's historical performance. The Group's management regularly uses these non-GAAP financial measures to understand, manage and evaluate the Group's business and make financial and operational decisions.

The accompanying table has more information and reconciliations of each non-GAAP financial measure to its most directly comparable GAAP financial measure. A reconciliation of non-GAAP guidance measures to corresponding GAAP measures is not available on a forward-looking basis.

Summary of First Quarter 2016 Operating Results

Amounts in US thousands, except for EPS and operating data

	1Q16	4Q15	QoQ	1Q15	YoY
Revenue	634,312	610,148	4.0%	509,798	24.4%
Cost of sales	(480,560)	(436,211)	10.2%	(359,871)	33.5%
Gross profit	153,752	173,937	-11.6%	149,927	2.6%
Operating expenses	(87,616)	(132,340)	-33.8%	(104,423)	-16.1%
Profit from operations	66,136	41,597	59.0%	45,504	45.3%
Other income (expense), net	(13,636)	(5,749)	137.2%	6,125	-
Profit before tax	52,500	35,848	46.5%	51,629	1.7%
Income tax expense	(738)	(5,770)	-87.2%	(54)	1266.7%
Profit for the period	51,				

Analysis of Revenue

Revenue Analysis			
By Application	1Q16	4Q15	1Q15
Computer	4.9%	5.4%	3.6%
Communications	51.8%	56.2%	44.2%
Consumer	35.4%	30.0%	46.3%
Others	7.9%	8.4%	5.9%
By Service Type	1Q16	4Q15	1Q15
Wafers	95.7%	95.3%	96.3%
Mask making, testing, others	4.3%	4.7%	3.7%
By Geography	1Q16	4Q15	1Q15
North America	29.4%	32.6%	41.1%
China ⁽¹⁾	47.2%	45.0%	47.0%
Eurasia ⁽²⁾	23.4%	22.4%	11.9%
Wafer Revenue Analysis			
By Technology	1Q16	4Q15	1Q15
28 nm	0.4%	0.3%	-
40/45 nm	19.7%	16.6%	16.0%
55/65 nm	21.6%	24.0%	26.1%
90 nm	3.3%	2.9%	4.6%

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Operating Expenses (Income) Analysis

Amounts in US thousands	1Q16	4Q15	QoQ	1Q15	YoY
Operating expenses	87,616	132,340	-33.8%	104,423	-16.1%
Research and development, net	53,498	66,121	-19.1%	53,453	0.1%
General and administrative	27,492	67,253	-59.1%	42,486	-35.3%
Selling and marketing	9,710	12,358	-21.4%	9,205	5.5%
Other operating income	(3,084)	(13,392)	-77.0%	(721)	327.7%

- R&D expenses decreased by \$12.6 million QoQ to \$53.5 million in 1Q16, compared to \$66.1 million in 4Q15. Excluding the funding of R&D contracts from the government, R&D expenses decreased by \$13.7 million QoQ to \$61.5 million in 1Q16. The change was mainly due to lower number of R&D activities in 1Q16. Funding of R&D contracts from the government was \$8.0 million in 1Q16, compared to \$9.1 million in 4Q15.
- General and administrative expenses decreased to \$27.5 million in 1Q16, down 59.1% QoQ from \$67.3 million in 4Q15, mainly due to 1) a decrease of accrued employee bonus in 1Q16 and 2) our majority-owned fab in Beijing entered into mass production in December 2015 and as a result, the pre-operating related expenses largely decreased in 1Q16, as compared to 4Q15.
- Other operating income decreased from \$13.4 million in 4Q15 to \$3.1 million in 1Q16, mainly because of the lower gain realized from the disposal of certain living quarters in 1Q16.

Other Income (expense), Net

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Amounts in US thousands	1Q16	4Q15	QoQ	1Q15	YoY
Other income (expense), net	(13,636)	(5,749)	137.2%	6,125	-
Interest income	1,736	1,496	16.0%	1,369	26.8%
Finance costs	(6,557)	(2,783)	135.6%	(5,010)	30.9%
Foreign exchange gains or losses	(5,182)	(5,466)	-5.2%	120	-
Other gains or losses, net	1,894	8,871	-78.6%	9,621	-80.3%
Share of profit (loss) of investment	<i>(</i>)	()			
using equity method	(5,527)	(7,867)	-29.7%	25	-

- The change in finance costs was mainly due to 1) a government funding recognized as reduction of interest expense in 4Q15 and 2) more borrowings drawn down in 1Q16.
- The change in other gains or losses, net was mainly due to 1) the lower gains from investment in the financial products sold by banks in 1Q16 and 2) the gain arising from the put option in 4Q15, which was granted by Jiangsu Changjiang Electronics Technology Co., Ltd ("JCET"), to the Company to sell the shares of Suzhou Changjiang Electric Xinke Investment Co., Ltd ("Changjiang Xinke") to JCET, pursuant to an investment exit agreement entered into by SilTech Shanghai (a subsidiary of SMIC), JCET and Jiangsu Xinchao Technology Group Co., Ltd (a substantial shareholder of JCET).
- The change in share of profit (loss) of investment using equity method was mainly due to the loss attributable to Changjiang Xinke, which was partially offset by the investment income of US\$2.5 million from our joint venture investment (fund company).

Depreciation and Amortization

Amounts in US thousands	1Q16	4Q15	QoQ	1Q15	YoY
Depreciation and amortization	159,684	142,717	11.9%	125,461	27.3%

The increase of depreciation and amortization in 1Q16 was because our majority-owned fab in Beijing entered into mass production in December 2015. Liquidity

Amounts in US thousands	1Q16	4Q15
Cash and cash equivalent	1,034,955	1,005,201
Restricted cash	232,995	302,416
Other financial assets ⁽¹⁾	107,167	282,880
Trade and other receivables	581,994	499,846
Prepayment and prepaid operating expenses	79,320	40,184
Inventories	386,180	387,326
Assets classified as held-for-sale	69,854	72,197
Total current assets	2,492,465	2,590,050
Current tax liabilities	362	355
Other financial liabilities	87	1,459
Accrued liabilities	132,844	132,452
Deferred government funding	82,802	79,459
Convertible bonds	396,022	392,632
Short-term Borrowings	125,520	113,068
Trade and other payables	1,252,283	1,047,766
Total current liabilities	1,989,920	1,767,191
Cash Ratio ⁽²⁾	0.5x	0.6x
Quick Ratio ⁽³⁾	1.1x	1.2x
Current Ratio ⁽⁴⁾	1.3x	1.5x

- Other financial assets mainly contain financial products sold by bank and bank deposits over 3 months.
 Cash and cash equivalent divided by total current liabilities.
 Current assets excluding inventories divided by total current liabilities

- Total current assets divided by total current liabilities.

Capital Structure

Amounts in US thousands	1Q16	4Q15
Cash and cash equivalent	1,034,955	1,005,201
Restricted cash	232,995	302,416
Other financial assets ⁽¹⁾	107,167	282,880
Short-term borrowings	125,520	113,068
Long-term borrowings	655,098	416,036
Convertible bonds	396,022	392,632
Corporate bonds	493,623	493,207
Total debt	1,670,263	1,414,943
Net debt ⁽²⁾	528,141	126,862
Equity	4,244,915	4,190,255
Total debt to equity ratio ⁽³⁾	39.3%	33.8%
Net debt to equity ratio ⁽⁴⁾	12.4%	3.0%

- Other financial assets mainly contain financial products sold by bank and bank deposits over 3 months.

 Net debt is total debt minus cash and cash equivalent, and other financial assets.

 Total debt divided by equity.

 Net debt divided by equity.

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Cash Flow

Amounts in US thousands	1Q16	4Q15
Net cash from operating activities	126,390	200,175
Net cash used in investing activities	(415,901)	(282,376)
Net cash from financing activities	323,374	352,382
Effect of exchange rate changes	(4,109)	(6,556)
Net change in cash and cash equivalent	29,754	263,625

Capex Summary

- Capital expenditures for 1Q16 were \$750.8 million.
- The planned 2016 capital expenditures for foundry operations are up from approximately \$2.1 billion to approximately \$2.5 billion, which are mainly for 1) the expansion of capacity in our majority-owned 12-inch fab in Beijing, 8-inch fab in Shenzhen, 12-inch fab in Shanghai and a new majority-owned 12-inch joint venture fab with bumping services in Jiangyin, 2) a new majority-owned joint venture company, which will focus on research and development on 14nm logic technology, and 3) research and development equipment, mask shops and intellectual property acquisition.
- The planned 2016 capital expenditures for non-foundry operations are approximately \$50 million, mainly for the construction of living quarters.

Recent Highlights and Announcements

- Discloseable Transaction and Connected Transaction Proposed Capital Contribution and Deemed Disposal of Equity Interest in A Joint Venture in Beijing, The PRC (2016-05-10)
- Delay in Despatch of Circular (2016-05-03)
- Notification of Board Meeting (2016-04-28)
- Discloseable Transaction and Connected Transaction in Relation to (1) Disposal of 19.61% Equity Interest in Holdco A by Siltech Shanghai to Jcet and Issue of A Shares to Siltech Shanghai by Jcet and (2) Private Placement of A Shares to Siltech Shanghai by Jcet Resumption of Trading (2016-04-28)
- Trading Halt (2016-04-28)
- Circulars Notification Letter and Request Form for Non-registered Shareholders (2016-04-25)
- Circulars Notification Letter for Registered Shareholders (2016-04-25)
- Circulars Notification Letter and Change Request Form to Registered Shareholders (2016-04-25)
- Circulars Letter and Reply Form to New Registered Shareholders Election of Means of Receipt and Language of Corporate Communication (2016-04-25)
- Announcement of 2015 Annual Results (2016-03-30)
- Framework Agreement Major Transaction and Continuing Connected Transactions (2016-03-30)
- SMIC Wins Mirror Post "Outstanding Corporate Social Responsibility" Award for the Third Time (2016-03-30)
- SMIC CEO TY Chiu Re-Elected to GSA Board (2016-03-25)
- Continuing Connected Transactions in Relation to Centralised Fund Management Agreement (2016-03-21)
- Notification of Approval of the Publication of 2015 Annual Results by the Board (2016-03-17)
- Continuing Connected Transactions in Relation to Framework Agreement (2016-03-11)
- SMIC and RRAM Leader Crossbar Announce Strategic Partnership Agreement (2016-03-11)
- Voluntary Announcement Potential Exercise of Put Option (2016-02-23)
- SMIC Reports Unaudited Results for the Three Months Ended December 31, 2015 (2016-02-18)
- List of Directors and Their Roles and Functions (2016-02-18)
- Appointment of Non-executive Director and Members of Nomination Committee (2016-02-18)
- SMIC 28nm HKMG Process Ready to Launch Smartphone SoC with Leadcore (2016-02-16)
- Voluntary Announcement Temporary Suspension of Power Supply at SMIC Beijing Fabs (2016-02-05)
- Notification of Board Meeting (2016-01-18)

Please visit SMIC s website at http://www.smics.com/eng/press/press_releases.php and http://www.smics.com/eng/investors/ir_filings.php for further details regarding the recent announcements.

Semiconductor Manufacturing International Corporation
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Semiconductor Manufacturing International Corporation CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (In US\$ thousands except share data)

include all items that impact our net profit for the period. In addition, because non-GAAP financial measures are not calculated in the same manner by all companies, they may not be comparable to other similarly titled measures used by other companies. In light of the foregoing limitations, you should not consider the non-GAAP operating expenses in isolation from or as an alternative to operating expenses prepared in accordance with IFRS.

The following table sets forth the reconciliation of the non-GAAP operating expenses to its most directly comparable financial measure presented in accordance with IFRS, for the periods indicated.

For the three months ended

	March 31, 2016 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2015 (Unaudited)	March 31, 2015 (Unaudited)
Operating expenses	(87,616)	(132,340)	(104,423)
Employee bonus accrual	5,420	20,429	10,492
Government funding Gain from the disposal of living	(9,383)	(13,218)	(5,514)
quarters	(630)	(9,487)	(224)
Non-GAAP operating expenses	(92,209)	(134,616)	(99,669)

Semiconductor Manufacturing International Corporation CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION (In US\$ thousands)

	As of		
	March 31, 2016 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2015 (Unaudited)	
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	4,503,467	3,903,818	
Land use right	90,455	91,030	
Intangible assets	216,127	224,279	
Investments in associates	172,566	181,331	
Investments in joint ventures	20,154	17,646	
Deferred tax assets	45,143	44,942	
Derivative financial instrument	28,273	30,173	
Other assets	31,433	32,078	
Total non-current assets	5,107,618	4,525,297	
Current assets			
Inventories	386,180	387,326	
Prepayment and prepaid operating expenses	79,320	40,184	
Trade and other receivables	581,994	499,846	
Other financial assets	107,167	282,880	
Restricted cash	232,995	302,416	
Cash and cash equivalent	1,034,955	1,005,201	
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Assets classified as held-for-sale	69,854	72,197	
Total current assets	2,492,465	2,590,050	
TOTAL ASSETS	7,600,083	7,115,347	
42,155,386,242 and 42,073,748,961 shares issued and outstanding at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively	16,862	16,830	
Share premium	4,911,859	4,903,861	
Reserves	91,461	96,644	
Accumulated deficit	(1,226,061)	(1,287,479)	
Equity attributable to owners of the Company	3,794,121	3,729,856	
Non-controlling interests	450,794	460,399	
Total equity	4,244,915	4,190,255	
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings	655,098	416,036	
Bonds payable	493,623	493,207	
Deferred tax liabilities	7,616	7,293	
Deferred government funding	166,414	175,604	
Other liabilities	42,497	65,761	
Total non-current liabilities	1,365,248	1,157,901	
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	1,252,283	1,047,766	
Borrowings	125,520	113,068	
Convertible bonds	396,022	392,632	
Deferred government funding	82,802	79,459	
Accrued liabilities	132,844	132,452	
Other financial liabilities	87	1,459	
Current tax liabilities	362	355	
Total current liabilities	1,989,920	1,767,191	
Total liabilities	3,355,168	2,925,092	
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	7,600,083	7,115,347	

Semiconductor Manufacturing International Corporation CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (In US\$ thousands)

	For the three months ended	
	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Cash flow from operating activities		
Profit for the period	51,762	30,078
Depreciation and amortization	159,684	142,717
Share of loss of investment using equity method	5,702	7,867
Changes in working capital and others	(90,758)	19,513
Net cash from operating activities	126,390	200,175
Cash flow from investing activities:		
Payments for property, plant and equipment	(578,185)	(481,812)
Payments for intangible assets	(21,169)	(2,728)
Net proceeds after netting off land appreciation tax from disposal of property, plant and equipment and assets classified as held for sale	2,676	24,397
Changes in restricted cash relating to investing activities	(629)	23,390
Payments to acquire financial assets	(29,558)	(657,227)
Proceeds on sale of financial assets	207,881	841,320
Proceeds from disposal of available for sale investment	3,083	-
Payment to acquire long-term investment		(29,716)
Net cash used in investing activities	(415,901)	(282,376)
Cash flow from financing activities:		
Proceeds from borrowings	383,909	177,390
Repayment of borrowings	(60,872)	(40,145)
Proceeds from issuance of ordinary shares	-	81,825
Proceeds from exercise of employee stock options	337	1,230
Proceeds from non-controlling interest – capital contribution	-	132,082
Net cash from financing activities	323,374	352,382
Effects of exchange rate changes on the balance of cash held in foreign currencies	(4,109)	(6,556)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalent	29,754	263,625
Cash and cash equivalent, beginning of period	1,005,201	

As at the date of this announcement, the directors of the Company are:

Executive Directors