

Silicon Motion Announces Results for the Period Ended December 31, 2018

January 29, 2019 Financial Highlights

	4Q 2018 GAAP	4Q 2018 Non-GAAP
Net sales	\$123.4 million (-11% Q/Q, -9% Y/Y)	\$123.4 million (-11% Q/Q, -9% Y/Y)
Gross margin	50.3%	50.5%
Operating margin	14.0%	25.1%
Earnings per diluted ADS	\$0.48	\$0.83
	Full Year 2018 GAAP	Full Year 2018 Non-GAAP
Net sales	\$530.3 million (+1% Y/Y)	\$530.3 million (+1% Y/Y)
Gross margin	49.2%	49.3%
Operating margin	20.4%	25.0%
Earnings per diluted ADS	\$2.78	\$3.41

Business Highlights

Embedded Storage¹ sales declined almost 15% Q/Q and accounted for approximately 80% of total sales
 SSD controller sales decreased about 20% Q/Q

eMMC+UFS controller sales decreased about 15% Q/Q

SSD solutions sales increased about 5% Q/Q

Began shipping our SSD controllers to a US NAND partner for one of the world's first 96-layer TLC-based SSD

TAIPEI, Taiwan and MILPITAS, Calif., Jan. 30, 2019 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Silicon Motion Technology Corporation (NasdaqGS: SIMO) ("Silicon Motion" or the "Company") today announced its financial results for the quarter ended December 31, 2018. For the fourth quarter sales decreased sequentially to \$123.4 million from \$138.6 million in third quarter 2018. Net income (GAAP) decreased to \$17.3 million or \$0.48 per diluted ADS (GAAP) from a net income (GAAP) of \$29.2 million or \$0.81 per diluted ADS (GAAP) in third quarter 2018.

For the fourth quarter, net income (non-GAAP) decreased to \$30.2 million or \$0.83 per diluted ADS (non-GAAP) from a net income (non-GAAP) of \$34.5 million or \$0.95 per diluted ADS (non-GAAP) in third quarter 2018.

Sales

Fourth Quarter 2018 Review
"Our fourth quarter sales declined as expected, near the midpoint of guidance," said Wallace Kou, President and CEO of Silicon Motion. "Our client SSD controller sales weakened largely due to more cautious than expected procurement of NAND flash from module makers
that face the transitional risk of operating during a period of rapidly falling NAND prices. Our eMMC+UFS controller sales declined because of weak smartphone sales. Sales of our Shannon data center SSDs declined while our Ferri industrial SSDs increased."

Sales						
(in millions, except percentages)	4Q 20	018	3Q 2	D18	4Q 2	017
	Sales	Mix	Sales	Mix	Sales	Mix
Mobile Storage*	\$113.4	92%	\$129.8	94%	\$125.3	92%
Q/Q	-13%		+0%		+7%	
Y/Y	-10%		+11%		-4%	
Mobile Communications**	\$7.2	6%	\$7.0	5%	\$9.4	7%
Others	\$2.8	2%	\$1.7	1%	\$1.5	1%
Total revenue	\$123.4	100%	\$138.6	100%	\$136.2	100%
Q/Q	-11%		+0%		+7%	
Y/Y	-9%		+9%		-6%	

* Mobile Storage products include Embedded Storage products (eMMC+UFS and SSD controllers and data center and industrial SSD solutions) and Expandable Storage products (SD memory cards and USB flash drive controllers) ** Mobile Communications products include mobile TV SoCs

(in millions, except		GAAP		Non-GAAP		
percentages and per ADS						4Q
amounts)	4Q 20 ⁻	8 3Q 20	18 4Q 2017	4Q 2018	3Q 2018	8 2017
Revenue	\$123	.4 \$13	8.6 \$136.2	\$123.4	\$138.6	6\$136.2
Gross profit	\$62	.1 \$7	0.6 \$63.3	\$62.3	\$70.7	7 \$63.5
Percent of revenue	50.3	% 50.	9% 46.5%	50.5%	51.0%	46.6%
Operating expenses	\$44	.9 \$3	8.3 \$49.8	\$31.4	\$33.1	1 \$30.6
Operating income	\$17	.2 \$3	2.2 \$13.5	\$31.0	\$37.5	5 \$32.9
Percent of revenue	14.0	% 23.	9.9%	25.1%	27.1%	% 24.1%
Earnings per diluted ADS	\$0.	48 \$0	81 \$0.2	\$0.83	\$0.95	5 \$0.79

Other Financial Information			
			4Q
(in millions)	4Q 2018	3Q 2018	3 2017
Cash and cash equivalents, and short-term investments	\$288.6	\$308.2	2\$366.4
Bank loans		\$3.9	9 \$25.0
Loan repayments	\$3.9	\$8.1	1
Capital expenditures	\$5.0	\$62.9	9 \$3.5
Dividend payments	\$10.8	\$10.8	8 \$10.7
Share repurchase	\$33.6	-	

During the fourth guarter, we had \$5.0 million of capital expenditures, primarily for routine purchases of software, design tools and other items,

Our fourth quarter cash flows were as follows:

3 months ended Dec. 31, 2018

	(In \$ millions)
Net income (GAAP)	17.3
Depreciation & amortization	3.8
Impairment loss of goodwill	0.6
Impairment loss of long term investment	1.2
Changes in operating assets and liabilities	1.3
Others	10.6
Net cash provided by operating activities	34.8
Acquisition of property and equipment	(5.0)
Net cash used in investing activities	(5.0)
Dividend	(10.8)
Share repurchase	(33.6)
Loans	(3.9)
Net cash used in financing activities	(48.3)
Effects of changes in foreign currency exchange rates on cash	-
Net decrease in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	(18.5)

Returning Value to Shareholders On October 29, 2018, the Board of Directors of the Company declared a \$1.20 per ADS annual dividend to be paid in quarterly installments of \$0.30 per ADS. On November 23, 2018, we paid \$10.8 million to shareholders as the first installment of our annual dividend

On November 21, 2018, the Company announced that its Board of Directors had authorized a new program for the Company to repurchase up to \$200 million of its ADS over a 24 month period. In the fourth quarter, the Company repurchased \$34.8 million of its ADS at an rage price of \$34.52 per ADS

Business Outlook

Ne expect NAND prices to continue falling through 2019, which will drive meaningful increase in client SSD adoption in PCs starting in the middle of this year " said, Wallace Kou, President and CEO of Silicon Motion, "As one would expect, benefits from this price elasticity of demand does not happen investigation and only on the second and the second and

For the first quarter of 2019, management expects:

	GAAP	Non-GAAP Adjustment	Non-GAAP
Revenue	\$97.5m to \$103.6m -21% to -16% Q/Q		\$97.5m to \$103.6m -21% to -16% Q/Q
Gross margin	46.9% to 49.9%	Approximately \$0.1m*	47.0% to 50.0%
Operating margin	6.8% to 11.2%	Approximately \$5.0m to \$5.1m**	12.0% to 16.0%

* Projected gross margin (non-GAAP) excludes \$0.1 million of stock-based compensation.
** Projected operating margin (non-GAAP) excludes \$0.5 million of amortization of intangible assets and \$4.5 million to \$4.6 million of stock-based compensation.

For full-year 2019, management expects GAAP and Non-GAAP Revenue to be approximately similar to 2018 and Gross Margin and Operating Margin to be approximately similar to the prior year if product mix remains unchanged

Conference Call & Webcast: The Company's management team will conduct a conference call at 8:00 am Eastern Time on January 30, 2019.

Speakers: Wallace Kou, President & CEO Rivadh I ai, CEO Jason Tsai, Senior Director of Investor Relations and Strategy CONFERENCE CALL ACCESS NUMBERS: USA (Toll Free): 1 866 519 4004 USA (Toll): 1 845 675 0437 Taiwan (Toll Free): 080 909 1568 Participant Passcode: 4485756

REPLAY NUMBERS (for 7 days) USA (Toll Free): 1 855 452 5696 USA (Toll): 1 646 254 3697 Participant Passcode: 4485756 A webcast of the call will be available on the Company's website at <u>www.siliconmotion</u>

Discussion of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

To supplement the Company's unaudited selected financial results calculated in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP"), the Company discloses certain non-GAAP financial measures that exclude stock-based compensation and other It is the sensitive of the sensitive sensitive

Our non-GAAP financial measures are provided to enhance the user's overall understanding of our current financial performance and our prospects for the future. Specifically, we believe the non-GAAP results provide useful information to both management and investors Our hortoware installa measures are provided to entrance in does so toward understanding of our current indicate performance and our prospects on the number. Specifically, we believe the hortoware results provide creating express, gains and losses that we believe are not indicative of our core operating results and because they are consistent with the financial modes and estimates publicle are not indicative of our core operating results and because they are consistent with the financial modes and estimates publicsed by many analysts who follow the Company. We use non-GAAP measures to evaluate the operating performance of our business, for comparison with our forecasts, and for benchmarking our performance externally against our competitors. Also, when evaluating potential acquisitions, we exclude the items described below from our consideration of the target's performance and valuations. Since we find these measures to be useful, we believe that our investors benefit from seeing the results from management's perspective in addition to seeing our GAAP results. We believe that our investors by offering:

- the ability to make more meaningful period-to-period comparisons of the Company's on-going operating results;
- the ability to better identify trends in the Company's underlying business and perform related trend analysis;
- a better understanding of how management plans and measures the Company's underlying business; and

• an easier way to compare the Company's operating results against analyst financial models and operating results of our competitors that supplement their GAAP results with non-GAAP financial measures.

The following are explanations of each of the adjustments that we incorporate into our non-GAAP measures, as well as the reasons for excluding each of these individual items in our reconciliation of these non-GAAP financial measures:

Stock-based compensation expense consists of non-cash charges related to the fair value of restricted stock units awarded to employees. The Company believes that the exclusion of these non-cash charges provides for more accurate comparisons of our operating results to our peer companies due to the varying available valuation methodologies, subjective assumptions and the variety of award types. In addition, the Company believes it is useful to investors to understand the specific impact of share-based compensation on its operating results.

Amortization of intangibles assets consists of non-cash charges that can be impacted by the timing and magnitude of our acquisitions. The Company considers its operating results without these charges when evaluating its ongoing performance and forecasting its earni trends, and therefore excludes such charges such charges when presenting non-GAAP financial measures. The Company believes that the assessment of its operations excluding these costs is relevant to its assessment of internal operations and comparisons to the performance on competitors.

Litigation expenses consist of legal expenses relating to intellectual property disputes, commercial claims and other types of litigation. While litigation may arise in the ordinary course of our business, we nevertheless consider litigation to be an unusual and unplanned activity and therefore exclude this charge when presenting non-GAAP financial measures.

Impairment of goodwill evaluates the recoverability of goodwill annually, or sooner if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable

xchange gains and losses consist of translation gains and/or losses of non-US\$ denominated current assets and current liabilities, as well as certain other balance sheet items which result from the appreciation or depreciation of non-US\$ currencies US\$. We do not use financial instruments to manage the impact on our operations from changes in foreign exchange rates, and because our operations are subject to fluctuations in foreign exchange rates, we therefore exclude foreign exchange gains and losses when presenting non-GAAP financial measures.

Gain and loss on equity-method investment consists of gain and/or loss related to our investment in a privately-held company, which varies depending on the operational and financial performance of the company in which we invested. We believe that providing non-GAAP measures excluding these charges, as well as the GAAP measures, assists our investors because such charges are not reflective of our ongoing operations.

Impairment of long-term investments relates to the other-than-temporary, non-operating write down of the Company's minority stake investments. We do not consider these investments to be strategic and exclude the performance of these investments when evaluating our ongoing performance and forecasting our earnings trends, and therefore excluding losses (and gains) from the investments when presenting non-GAAP financial measures.

Silicon Motion Technology Corporation Consolidated Statements of Income

(in thousands, except percentages and per ADS data, unaudited)

		For the Three Months Ended			
	Dec. 31, 2017	Sep. 30, 2018	Dec. 31, 2018		
	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)		
Net Sales	136,165	138,562	123,386		
Cost of sales	72,878	67,988	61,288		
Gross profit	63,287	70,574	62,098		
Operating expenses					
Research & development	27,946	25,506	30,675		
Sales & marketing	7,364	7,735	7,435		
General & administrative	5,046	4,355	5,397		
Amortization of intangibles assets	956	741	741		
Impairment loss of goodwill	10,337	-	625		
Gain from disposal of other assets	(1,880)		-		
Operating income	13,518	32,237	17,225		
Non-operating income (expense)					
Interest income, net	1,135	1,597	1,718		
Foreign exchange gain (loss), net	(447)	(749)	(9)		
Gain (loss) on equity-method investment	-	(98)	(169)		
Impairment of long-term investments	(120)	-	(1,242)		
Others, net	70	55	38		
Subtotal	638	805	336		
Income before income tax	14,156	33,042	17,561		
Income tax expense	4,338	3,858	260		
Net income	9,818	29,184	17,301		

Earnings per basic ADS Earnings per diluted ADS	\$0.27 \$0.27	\$0.81 \$0.81	\$0.48 \$0.48
Margin Analysis:			
Gross margin	46.5%	50.9%	50.3%
Operating margin	9.9%	23.3%	14.0%
Net margin	7.2%	21.1%	14.0%
Additional Data:			
Weighted avg. ADS equivalents ²	35,785	36,136	35,974
Diluted ADS equivalents	36,005	36,171	36,070

Silicon Motion Technology Corporation Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Operating Results (in thousands, except percentages and per ADS data, unaudited)

	Fo	For the Three Months Ended			
	Dec. 31, 2017	Sep. 30, 2018	Dec. 31, 2018		
	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)		
Gross profit (GAAP)	63,287	70,574	62,098		
Gross margin (GAAP)	46.5%	50.9%	50.3%		
Stock-based compensation expense (A)	167	80	246		
Gross profit (non-GAAP)	63,454	70,654	62,344		
Gross margin (non-GAAP)	46.6%	51.0%	50.5%		
Operating expenses (GAAP)	49,769	38,337	44,873		
Stock-based compensation expense (A)	(7,887)	(4,468)	(12,132)		
Amortization of intangible assets	(956)	(741)	(741)		
Impairment loss of goodwill	(10,337)	-	(625)		
Litigation expense		(8)	(7)		
Operating expenses (non-GAAP)	30,589	33,121	31,368		
Operating profit (GAAP)	13,518	32,237	17,225		
Operating margin (GAAP)	9.9%	23.3%	14.0%		
Total adjustments to operating profit	19,347	5,297	13,751		
Operating profit (non-GAAP)	32,865	37,534	30,976		
Operating margin (non-GAAP)	24.1%	27.1%	25.1%		
Non-operating income (expense) (GAAP)	638	805	336		
Foreign exchange loss (gain), net	447	749	9		
Loss (gain) on equity-method investment	-	98	169		
Impairment loss of long-term investment	120	-	1,242		
Non-operating income (expense) (non-GAAP)	1,205	1,652	1,756		
Net income (GAAP)	9,818	29,184	17,301		
Total pre-tax impact of non-GAAP adjustments	19,914	6,144	15,171		
Income tax impact of non-GAAP adjustments	(1,320)	(825)	(2,273)		
Net income (non-GAAP)	28,412	34,503	30,199		
Earnings per diluted ADS (GAAP)	\$0.27	\$0.81	\$0.48		
Earnings per diluted ADS (non-GAAP)	\$0.79	\$0.95	\$0.83		
Shares used in computing earnings per diluted ADS (GAAP)	36,005	36,171	36,070		
Non-GAAP Adjustments	169	147	293		
Shares used in computing earnings per diluted ADS (non-GAAP)	36,174	36,318	36,363		
(A) Excludes stock-based compensation as follows:					
Cost of Sales	167	80	246		
Research & development	5,131	2,804	8,380		
Sales & marketing	1,194	897	1,418		
General & administrative	1,562	767	2,334		

Silicon Motion Technology Corporation Consolidated Statements of Income (in thousands, except percentages, and per ADS data, unaudited)

	For the Year	Ended
	Dec. 31, 2017	Dec. 31,2018
	(\$)	(\$)
Net Sales	523,404	530,348
Cost of sales	272,210	269,541
Gross profit	251,194	260,807
Operating expenses		
Research & development	102,053	102,028
Sales & marketing	25,868	29,279
General & administrative	16,933	17,633
Amortization of intangibles assets	2,534	2,964
Impairment loss of goodwill	10,337	625
Gain from disposal of other assets	(1,880)	-
Operating income	95,349	108,278
Non-operating expense (income)		
Interest income, net	3,845	5,923
Foreign exchange gain (loss), net	(157)	(615)
Gain (loss) on equity-method investment		(473)
Impairment of long-term investments	(120)	(1,242)
Others, net	84	193
Subtotal	3,652	3,786
Income before income tax	99,001	112,064
Income tax expense	24,046	11,791
Net income	74,955	100,273

Earnings per basic ADS Earnings per diluted ADS	\$2.10 \$2.09	\$2.78 \$2.78
Margin Analysis:		
Gross margin	48.0%	49.2%
Operating margin	18.2%	20.4%
Net margin	14.3%	18.9%
Additional Data:		
Weighted avg. ADS equivalents	35,684	36,031
Diluted ADS equivalents	35,902	36,128

Silicon Motion Technology Corporation Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Operating Results (in thousands, except percentages and per ADS data, unaudited)

	For the Year E	nded
	Dec. 31, 2017	Dec. 31, 2018
	(\$)	(\$)
Gross profit (GAAP)	251,194	260,807
Gross margin (GAAP)	48.0%	49.2%
Stock-based compensation expense(A)	293	390
Gross profit (non-GAAP)	251,487	261,197
Gross margin (non-GAAP)	48.0%	49.3%
Operating expenses (GAAP)	155,845	152,529
Stock-based compensation expense (A)	(15,200)	(20,388)
Amortization of intangible assets	(2,534)	(2,964)
Impairment loss of goodwill	(10,337)	(625)
Litigation expense	-	(37)
Operating expenses (non-GAAP)	127,774	128,515
Operating profit (GAAP)	95,349	108,278
Operating margin (GAAP)	18.2%	20.4%
Total adjustments to operating profit	28,364	24,404
Operating profit (non-GAAP)	123,713	132,682
Operating margin (non-GAAP)	23.6%	25.0%
Non-operating income (expense) (GAAP)	3,652	3,786
Foreign exchange loss (gain), net	157	615
Loss (gain) on equity-method investment	120	1,242
Investment loss-equity method	-	473
Non-operating income (expense) (non-GAAP)	3,929	6,116
Net income (GAAP)	74,955	100,273
Total pre-tax impact of non-GAAP adjustments	28,641	26,734
Income tax impact of non-GAAP adjustments	(2,306)	(3,480)
Net income (non-GAAP)	101,290	123,527
Earnings per diluted ADS (GAAP)	\$2.09	\$2.78
Earnings per diluted ADS (non-GAAP)	\$2.81	\$3.41
Shares used in computing earnings per diluted ADS (GAAP)	35,902	36,128
Non-GAAP Adjustments	107	133
Shares used in computing earnings per diluted ADS (non-GAAP)	36,009	36,261
(A) Excludes stock-based compensation as follows:		
Cost of Sales	293	390
Research & development	9,255	13,277
Sales & marketing	3,166	3,407
General & administrative	2,779	3,704

Silicon Motion Technology Corporation Consolidated Balance Sheet (In thousands, unaudited)

	Dec. 31, 2017	Sep. 30, 2018	Dec. 31, 2018
	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Cash and cash equivalents	359,453	303,329	284,989
Short-term investments	6,941	4,919	3,609
Accounts receivable (net)	79,135	84,273	89,670
Inventories	94,186	91,117	81,518
Refundable deposits – current	19,515	19,341	19,157
Prepaid expenses and other current			
assets	9,567	7,588	17,454
Total current assets	568,797	510,567	496,397
Long-term investments	-	4,412	3,000
Property and equipment (net)	51,370	110,953	101,410
Goodwill and intangible assets (net)	66,393	64,163	62,796
Other assets	7,172	7,023	9,120
Total assets	693,732	697,118	672,723
Accounts payable	56,423	30,986	27,657
Loans	25,000	3,900	-
Income tax payable	11,492	6,808	4,162
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	84,329	44,728	79,739
Total current liabilities	177,244	86,422	111,558
Other liabilities	22,437	27,635	26,686
Total liabilities	199,681	114,057	138,244

Shareholders' equity	494,051	583,061	534,479
Total liabilities & shareholders' equity	693,732	697,118	672,723

About Silicon Motion

We are the global leader in supplying NAND flash controllers for solid state storage devices and the merchant leader in supplying SSD controllers. We have the broadest portfolio of controller technologies and our controllers are widely used in embedded storage products such as SSDs and eMMCs+UFS, which are found in smartphones, PCs, commercial and industrial applications. We ship over 750 million NAND controllers annually and have shipped over five billion NAND controllers in the last ten years, more than any other company in the world. We also supply specialized high-performance hyperscale data center and industrial SSD solutions. Our customers include most of the NAND flash vendors, storage device module makers, and leading OEMs. For further information on Silicon Motion, visit us at www.siliconmotion.com

Forward-Looking Statements:

Provard-Looking Statements: This press release contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, including without limitation, statements about Silicon Motion's currently expected first quarter of 2019 and full year 2019 expectations of revenue, gross margin and operating expenses, all of which reflect management's estimates based on information available at this time of this press release. While Silicon Motion's currently expected first quarter of 2019 and full year 2019. Forward-looking statements also include, without limitation, statements respects the se estimates to be meaningful, these amounts could differ materially from actual reported amounts for the first quarter of 2019 and full year 2019. Forward-looking statements also include, without limitation, statements respects, "intendi," "plan," anticipate," "beives," "estimate," "predict," "pointial," "continue," or the negative of these terms or other comparable terminology. Although such statements are based on our own information from other sources we believe to be reliable, you should not place undue reliance on them. These statements involve risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to the unpredictable volume reliance on them. These statements involve risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to the unpredictable volume and thiming of customer orders, which are not fixed by contract but vary on a purchase order basis; the loss of one more key customers or the significant reduction, postponement, rescheduling or cancellation of orders from these customers; general economic conditions in the semiconductor or consumer electronics markets; the effects on our business and our customer's business taking into account the discretion of our products; changes in the relative seles mix of our products; changes in our cost of finished goods; the payment, or non-payment, of cash dividends in the future; our c

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¹ Embedded Storage comprises primarily eMMC+UFS and SSD controllers and data center and industrial SSD solutions. ² Assumes all outstanding ordinary shares are represented by ADSs. Each ADS represents four ordinary shares



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