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REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933
DIGI INTERNATIONAL INC. (Exact name of the Registrant as specified in its charter)
Delaware 3576
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number)
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41-1532464 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

Subject to Completion, dated December 31, 1998.

**PROSPECTUS** 

DIGI INTERNATIONAL INC. 11001 Bren Road East Minnetonka, Minnesota 55343 (612) 912-3444

585,927 SHARES

COMMON STOCK

This prospectus relates to the public offering, which is not being underwritten, of 585,927 shares of our Common Stock which are held by some of our current stockholders.

The prices at which such stockholders may sell the shares will be determined by the prevailing market price for the shares or in negotiated transactions. We will not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of shares by the selling stockholders.

Our Common Stock is quoted on the Nasdaq Stock Market under the symbol "DGII." On December 28, 1998, the last sale price for our Common Stock was \$11.25 per share.

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#### PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

#### THE COMPANY

Digi International Inc. is a worldwide provider of data communications hardware and software for open systems, server-based remote access and LAN (Local Area Network) applications.

Digi's two major product areas include: 1) serial port boards that support server-based communications, which constituted approximately 80% of net sales in fiscal 1998, and 2) physical layer and print server products that enhance the data communications capabilities of a LAN and which constituted approximately 20% of net sales in fiscal 1998.

In July 1998, Digi acquired Central Data Corporation and ITK International, Inc., both of which were privately held. Central Data produces high-performance serial port solutions for local and remote access connectivity, and is developing a line of Universal Serial Bus products. ITK International is a provider of open systems, remote access solutions for small and medium sized businesses, Internet service providers and telephone companies. ITK International has also developed a "proof of concept" Voice over Internet Protocol gateway product which will allow Digi to enter the Internet telephony market.

# THE OFFERING

This offering consists of 585,927 shares of Digi's Common Stock which are held by certain Digi stockholders. These shares were issued to the selling stockholders in connection with Digi's acquisitions of Central Data and ITK International in July 1998. Digi will not receive any proceeds from the sale of the shares in this offering.

#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

THIS PROSPECTUS CONTAINS FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE SAFE HARBOR PROVISIONS OF SECTION 27A OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED, AND SECTION 21E OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO FUTURE EVENTS OR THE FUTURE FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE OF DIGI. PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE CAUTIONED THAT FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS ARE ONLY PREDICTIONS OR STATEMENTS OF INTENTION SUBJECT TO RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES. ACTUAL EVENTS OR RESULTS COULD DIFFER MATERIALLY FROM THOSE PROJECTED. BECAUSE ACTUAL RESULTS MAY DIFFER, PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE CAUTIONED NOT TO PLACE UNDUE RELIANCE ON FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS.

IN EVALUATING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS, PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS SHOULD SPECIFICALLY CONSIDER THE VARIOUS FACTORS IDENTIFIED IN THIS PROSPECTUS, INCLUDING THE RISKS, UNCERTAINTIES AND OTHER MATTERS SET FORTH UNDER THE CAPTION "FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS" WITHIN THE SECTION ENTITLED "MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS."

#### SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The selected financial data set forth below are derived from Digi's audited consolidated financial statements for the applicable fiscal years. This data should be read in conjunction with the section entitled "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and Digi's Consolidated Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended September 30, 1998 and the related notes thereto, included in this prospectus.

	For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30					
	1998(1)	1997(2)  (IN THOUSAN	1996(3)  DS EXCEPT PER SH	1995  ARE DATA)	1994	
Net sales	\$182,932	\$165,598	\$193,151	\$164,978	\$130,945	
Net (loss) income	(22,659)	(15,791)	9,300	19,331	16,701	
Net (loss) income per share - basic	(1.65)	(1.18)	0.70	1.42	1.17	
Net (loss) income per share - assuming dilution	(1.65)	(1.18)	0.68	1.39	1.16	
Total assets	160,735	118,311	129,939	126,043	102,758	
Long-term debt	11,124					
Stockholders' equity	94,821	95,471	109,943	105,827	91,113	

- (1) Net (loss) income includes a charge of \$39,200 for acquired in-process research and development recorded in connection with Digi's acquisitions of ITK International, Inc. and Central Data Corporation (see Note 2 to the Digi financial statements included herein), a restructuring charge of \$1,020 (see Note 3 to the Digi financial statements included herein) and a \$1,350 gain related to Digi's investment in AetherWorks Corporation (see Note 5 to the Digi financial statements included herein).
- (2) Net (loss) income includes losses related to Digi's investment in AetherWorks Corporation of \$11,523 (see Note 5 to the Digi financial statements included herein) and a restructuring charge of \$10,471 (see Note 3 to the Digi financial statements included herein).
- (3) Net (loss) income includes losses related to Digi's investment in AetherWorks Corporation of \$3,624 (see Note 5 to the Digi financial statements included herein).

# SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL DATA

The supplemental financial data set forth below presents Digi's unaudited financial information for the fiscal quarters indicated. In the opinion of the Company's management, this unaudited information has been prepared on the same basis as the audited information and includes all adjustments necessary to present fairly the information set forth therein. The operating results for any quarter are not necessarily indicative of results for any future period.

		Quarte	r Ended	
	12/31/98	3/31/98 (IN THOUSANDS EXCEP	6/30/98 T PER SHARE AMOUNTS	9/30/98
Net sales Gross margin Acquired in-process research and development Restructuring	\$42,590 21,369	\$45,059 23,066	\$46,449 24,559(a)	\$48,833 25,399(a) 39,200 1,020
AetherWorks Corporation gain			1,350	
Net income (loss) Net income (loss) per share - basic	3,842	4,665	6,411 0.47	(37,577)
Net income (loss) per share - assuming dilution	0.28 0.27	0.35 0.33	0.45	(2.62) (2.62)
		Quarte	r Ended	
	12/31/97	3/31/97	6/30/97	9/30/97
Net sales Gross margin Restructuring	\$42,236 19,640	\$40,393 19,294 10,471	\$40,843 20,118	\$42,125 21,063
AetherWorks Corporation net loss AetherWorks Corporation (write-off)	(1,520)	(1,590)	(1,525)	(1,130) (5,759)
Net income (loss)	(2,578)	(9,400)	67	(2,431)
Net income (loss) per share - basic	(0.19)	(0.70)	0.01	(0.29)
Net income (loss) per share - assuming dilution	(0.19)	(0.70)	0.01	(0.29)
		Quarte	r Ended	
	12/31/96	3/31/96	6/30/96	9/30/96
Net sales Gross margin AetherWorks Corporation net loss Net income (loss) Net income per share - basic Net income per share - assuming dilution	\$42,716 23,729 (279) 4,522 0.34 0.33	\$47,973 25,391 (656) 4,620 0.35 0.34	\$49,643 24,451 (1,204) (51) 0.00 0.00	\$51,819 26,471 (1,485) 209 0.02 0.02

THE SUMMATION OF QUARTERLY NET INCOME PER SHARE MAY NOT EQUATE TO THE YEAR-END CALCULATION AS QUARTERLY CALCULATIONS ARE PERFORMED ON A DISCRETE BASIS.

<sup>(</sup>a) A PROVISION FOR INVENTORY OBSOLESCENCE OF \$1.9 MILLION WAS RECORDED DURING THE THREE-MONTH PERIOD ENDED JUNE 30, 1998. THIS PROVISION WAS REVERSED DURING THE THREE-MONTH PERIOD ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1998.

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

#### RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following table sets forth selected information from Digi's Consolidated Statements of Operations, expressed as a percentage of net sales.

	Year Ended September 30,		Percentage Increase/(Decrease)		
	1998	1997	1996	1998 over 1997	1997 over 1996
Net sales	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	10.5%	(14.3)%
Cost of sales	48.4	51.6	48.2	3.6	(8.2)
Gross margin	51.6	48.4	51.8	17.8	(19.9)
Operating expenses:					
Sales and marketing	20.4	22.1	22.5	1.7	(15.6)
Research and development	9.3	10.9	11.0	(5.6)	(15.5)
General and administrative	8.7	11.7	7.9	(17.2)	27.0
Acquired in-process research and development	21.4				
Restructuring	0.6	6.3		(90.3)	
	60.4	51.0	41.4	30.8	5.6
Operating (loss) income	(8.8)	(2.6)	10.4	(271.4)	(121.5)
Other income, principally interest	1.0	0.1	0.2	1,082.2	(53.6)
AetherWorks Corporation net operating loss		(3.5)	(1.9)	(100.0)	`59.1 <sup>°</sup>
AetherWorks Corporation gain (write-off)	0.7	(3.5)		(123.4)	
(Loss) income before income taxes	(7.1)	(9.5)	8.7	17.7	(193.4)
Provision for income taxes	5.3	0.1	3.9	10,534.1	(98.8)
Net (loss) income	(12.4)%	(9.5)%	4.8%	(43.5)%	(269.8)%
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#### FACTORS THAT MAY AFFECT FUTURE RESULTS

Certain statements made herein, which are summarized below, are forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties, and actual results may be materially different. Factors that could cause actual results to differ include, but are not limited to, those identified as follows:

- - THE EXPECTATION THAT ACQUIRED IN-PROCESS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT WILL REACH TECHNOLOGICAL FEASIBILITY AND LEAD TO NEW USB PRODUCTS IN 1999 AND NEW INTERNET PROTOCOL TELEPHONY PRODUCTS IN 2000 AND 2001 WHICH WILL BENEFIT DIGI IN THE FUTURE AND DIGI'S ESTIMATION OF THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH SUCH DEVELOPMENT -- This expectation may be impacted by unanticipated expenses or obstacles to development, general market conditions or changes in competitive conditions.
- - DIGI'S ASSUMPTIONS REGARDING REVENUE GROWTH, COST OF SALES, COST SAVINGS AND THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE COST OF CAPITAL USED TO VALUE IN-PROCESS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACQUIRED IN RECENT ACQUISITIONS -- These assumptions may be impacted by general market conditions, unanticipated changes in expenses or sales, delays in the development of new products, the useful lives of such products once developed, component shortages, and technological advances and other changes in competitive conditions that would affect the value of the acquired in-process research and development.
- - THE BELIEF THAT DIGI'S CURRENT FINANCIAL RESOURCES, CASH GENERATED FROM OPERATIONS AND DIGI'S POTENTIAL CAPACITY FOR DEBT AND/OR EQUITY FINANCING WILL BE SUFFICIENT TO FUND CURRENT AND ANTICIPATED BUSINESS OPERATIONS -- Changes in anticipated operating results, credit availability and equity market conditions may further enhance or inhibit Digi's ability to maintain or raise appropriate levels of cash.
- - DIGI'S BELIEF THAT EVALUATIONS AND MODIFICATIONS OF YEAR 2000 COMPLIANCE MATTERS, INCLUDING YEAR 2000 COMPLIANCE OF THIRD PARTY SUPPLIERS, WILL NOT HAVE A MATERIAL ADVERSE EFFECT ON DIGI'S OPERATIONS OR FINANCIAL POSITION --This belief may be impacted by presently unanticipated delays in assessment or remediation, unanticipated increases in costs or non-compliance by third parties.
- - DIGI'S EXPECTATION THAT VARIOUS RESTRUCTURING ACTIVITIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE ACQUISITION OF ITK INTERNATIONAL, INC. AND CENTRAL DATA CORPORATION WILL BE COMPLETED ACCORDING TO SCHEDULE -- This expectation may be impacted by presently unanticipated delays or expenses.

The \$17.3 million increase in net sales from 1997 to 1998 and the \$27.6 million decrease in net sales from 1996 to 1997 occurred within Digi's principal product groups as follows:

Principal Market	Percent	of Annual	Net Sales		l Sales e (Decrease)
	1998	1997	1996	1998	1997
Server Based	79.9%	75.7%	80.2%	16.6%	(19.1%)
Physical Layer	20.1%	23.9%	18.9%	(6.9%)	8.2%
0ther	0%	. 4%	. 9%	(100%)	(56.5%)

Net sales in fiscal 1998 increased from fiscal 1997 largely because Digi reduced inventory levels in the North American distribution channel throughout 1997 and into the first quarter of fiscal 1998. This resulted in a net increase in sales within the distribution channel during the remainder of 1998. In addition, during the third and fourth quarters of fiscal 1998, Digi gave extended credit terms to North American distributors which provided incentive for them to increase their purchases. Such incented increases in sales to these customers could result in a decrease in sales to these customers in fiscal year 1999. Digi's fiscal 1998 net sales also increased due to the addition of \$9.7 million in fourth-quarter sales made by newly acquired ITK International, Inc. (ITK) and Central Data Corporation (CDC). Net sales in 1997 declined from 1996 primarily due to Digi's inventory reductions in the North American distribution channel.

Net sales to original equipment manufacturers (OEMs), as a percentage of total net sales, declined to 22.2% versus 23.5% in 1997. The decrease was principally a function of higher net sales to the distribution market. Net sales to OEMs for 1996 were 20.3% of total sales.

Net sales to the distribution markets, as a percentage of total net sales, increased to 69.3% in 1998, compared to 64.1% in 1997. This increase was a result of Digi's 1997 inventory reductions in the North American distribution channel, as previously discussed. Net sales to the distribution market for 1996 represented 65.5% of total net sales.

During fiscal years 1998, 1997 and 1996, Digi's net sales to customers outside the United States, primarily in Europe, were approximately \$38.5 million, \$39.6 million and \$39.9 million, respectively, comprising approximately 21.1%, 23.9% and 20.0% of total net sales.

# GROSS MARGIN

Gross margin in 1998 rose to 51.6%, compared to 48.4% in 1997. The increase was due to more stringent cost control and favorable product mix. Gross margin also benefited as net sales of historically lower-margin products -- largely OEM and certain physical layer products -- declined as a percentage of total net sales. Offsetting the favorable sales mix were increases in inventory valuation reserves, sales discounts granted, and a higher proportion of lower margin products sold in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1998 due to the acquisition of CDC and ITK. Gross margins on total ITK and CDC sales in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1998 were 44.0%. Gross margin in 1996 was 51.8%. The 1997 gross margin decline was principally due to the increase of OEM and physical layer product net sales as a percentage of total net sales as sales to the distribution markets were intentionally reduced in 1997. Digi increased its reserves for excess and obsolete inventories approximately \$2.6 million in 1998. In 1997, these reserves increased approximately \$1.5 million from the 1996 level.

# OPERATING EXPENSES

Operating expenses in 1998 declined 5.0% from 1997, excluding acquired in-process research and development charges of \$39,200,000 recorded in 1998 and the restructuring charges recorded in 1998 and 1997 of \$1,020,000 and \$10,471,482, respectively. The operating expense decline reflected reductions in the workforce, decreased marketing costs and cost savings achieved through the consolidation of U.S. research and development efforts, offset by CDC and ITK operating expenses of \$3.8 million. General and administrative expenses declined in 1998 due to workforce reductions and cost-saving initiatives. Operating expenses in 1997 declined 7.5% from 1996, excluding restructuring charges. The decline resulted from cost-saving measures similar to those executed in 1998. General and administrative expenses increased 27.0% in 1997 from 1996 due to an increase in the provision for losses on accounts receivable, cost of management information systems and increased facilities expenditures.

The \$1,020,000 restructuring charge recorded in the fiscal 1998 fourth quarter was associated with a board-approved plan to consolidate existing offices in Germany with those acquired from ITK. The charge consists principally of rent, contractual payments on office equipment, write-offs of leasehold improvements and severance costs associated with the elimination of six positions. These activities are expected to be completed in the second quarter of fiscal 1999. No portion of this liability has been paid as of September 30, 1998.

The \$10,471,482 restructuring charge recorded in the fiscal 1997 second quarter was related to a board-approved plan to consolidate operations and reduce costs and expenses. The restructuring charge consisted of \$1,259,769 in net cash

expenditures (primarily severance), all of which had been paid as of September 30, 1997, and \$9,211,713 resulting from the write-down of asset carrying values.

ACQUIRED IN-PROCESS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

ACQUISITION OF ITK INTERNATIONAL, INC.

In July 1998, Digi acquired all of the outstanding common stock of ITK. The transaction was accounted for using the purchase method of accounting. Accordingly, the purchase price was allocated to the estimated fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed, including estimated restructuring and integration costs of \$3,484,000.

Components of the purchase consideration, including related transaction costs, consist of \$14,767,154 in cash, Digi's common stock with a market value of \$11,671,229 and \$1,276,436 of replacement stock options issued by Digi to ITK option holders. The cash and Digi's common stock were issued in exchange for outstanding shares of ITK's common stock and Digi's stock options were issued in exchange for the outstanding ITK common stock options. The value of Digi's common stock issued was based on a per share value of approximately \$20.25, which was the market value of Digi's common stock on the date Digi and ITK agreed to the terms of the purchase. The value of Digi's common stock options is based on the excess of the market value of Digi's common stock over the option exercise prices on the date that these options were granted to ITK employees. The purchase price will increase by \$963,323 if the unvested portion of stock options granted to the ITK employees vest. Such amount has been recorded as unearned stock compensation.

Valuation of the intangible assets acquired was determined by an independent appraisal company and consists of purchased in-process research and development (IPR&D), proven technology and an assembled workforce. The purchase price exceeded the estimated fair value of tangible and intangible assets acquired by \$7,130,253, which was recorded as goodwill.

The table below is an analysis of the purchase price allocation.

Cash and fair value of Digi's common	+
stock and common stock options issued	\$ 26,276,436
Direct acquisition costs	1,438,383
ITK liabilities assumed, including estimated restructuring and integration costs of \$3,484,000	39,784,248
Total purchase price	67,499,067
Estimated fair value of tangible assets acquired	21,668,814
Estimated fair value of:	
IPR&D	26,000,000
Identifiable intangible assets	12,700,000
Goodwill	7,130,253
	\$ 67,499,067

Management, based upon an independent appraisal, estimates that \$26,000,000 of the purchase price represents the fair value of purchased IPR&D that had not yet reached technological feasibility and has no alternative future use. The amount allocated to IPR&D was expensed as a non-recurring, non-tax-deductible charge upon consummation of the acquisition.

Digi is using the acquired in-process research and development to create new products in the area of Internet Protocol telephony, which will become part of Digi's product line over the next several years. Digi anticipates the initial Internet Protocol telephony products developed from acquired in-process research and development will be released in 2000 and 2001. Digi expects that the acquired in-process research and development will reach technological feasibility, but there can be no assurance that the commercial viability of these products will be achieved.

The nature of the efforts required to develop the acquired in-process research and development into commercially viable products principally relates to the completion of all planning, designing, prototyping, verification and testing activities that are necessary to establish that the product can be produced to meet its design specifications, including functions, features and technical performance requirements. The estimated costs to be incurred to develop the purchased in-process technology into

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commercially viable products are approximately \$24,800,000 in the aggregate through the year 2007, consisting of \$300,000 in 1998; \$2,000,000 in 1999; \$4,800,000 in 2000; \$4,800,000 in 2001; \$4,300,000 in 2002; \$3,200,000 in 2003; \$2,500,000 in 2004; \$1,400,000 in 2005; \$900,000 in 2006 and \$600,000 in 2007.

The value assigned to purchased in-process research and development was determined through independent appraisers, who projected cash flows related to future products expected to be derived once technological feasibility is achieved, including costs to complete the development of the technology and the future revenues and costs which are expected to result from commercialization of the products. These cash flows were discounted back to their present values. The resulting net cash flows from such projects are based on estimates made by Digi's management of revenues, cost of sales, research and development costs, selling, general and administrative costs, and income taxes resulting from such projects. These estimates are based on the following assumptions:

- - The estimated revenues are based upon projected average annual revenue growth rates from future products expected to be derived once technological feasibility is achieved of between 18% and 65% during the period from 2000 through 2005. Estimated total revenues expected from products to be developed using purchased in-process research and development peak in the year 2005 and decline rapidly in 2006 and 2007 as other new products are expected to enter the market. These projections are based on estimates made by Digi's management of market size and growth (which are supported by independent market data), expected trends in technology and the nature and expected timing of new product introductions by ITK and its competitors. These estimates also include growth related to Digi utilizing certain ITK technologies under development in conjunction with its products, Digi marketing and distributing the resulting products through its resellers, and Digi enhancing the market's response to ITK's products by providing incremental financial support and stability.
- - The estimated cost of sales as a percentage of revenues is expected to be lower than ITK's cost of sales would have been on a stand-alone basis primarily due to Digi's expected ability to achieve more favorable pricing from key component vendors and production efficiencies due to economies of scale achieved through combined operations.
- - The estimated selling, general and administrative costs are expected to more closely approximate Digi's cost structure (approximately 34% of revenues in 1997), which is lower than ITK's cost structure (approximately 81% of revenues in fiscal 1997). Cost savings are expected to result primarily from: (a) the changes related to certain restructuring actions including the shut-down of certain existing ITK facilities and a reduction in certain administrative ITK employees; (b) the distribution of ITK's products through Digi's resellers (i.e., sales of higher volume products with lower direct selling costs); and (c) efficiencies due to economies of scale through combined operations (i.e., consolidated marketing and advertising programs). These cost savings are expected to be realized primarily in 2000 and thereafter.-
- - Discounting the net cash flows back to their present values is based on the weighted averages cost of capital (WACC). The WACC calculation produces the average required rate of return of an investment in an operating enterprise, based on various required rates of return from investments in various areas of that enterprise. The WACC assumed for Digi, as a corporate business enterprise, is 14%. The discount rate used in discounting the net cash flows from purchased in-process technology was 30%. This discount rate is higher than the WACC due to the inherent uncertainties in the estimates described above including the uncertainty surrounding the successful development of the purchased in-process research and development, the useful life of such completed research and development, the profitability levels of such completed research and development and the uncertainty of technological advances that are unknown at this time. If these products are not successfully developed, the sales and profitability of the combined company may be adversely affected in future periods. Additionally, the value of other intangible assets acquired may become impaired. Digi expects to begin to benefit from the purchased in-process research and development in 2000.

The identifiable intangible assets of \$12,700,000 included in the purchase price allocation set forth above are comprised of proven technology with an appraised fair value of \$11,300,000 and an assembled workforce with an appraised fair value of \$1,400,000, which have estimated useful lives of five years and six years, respectively. The remaining unallocated purchase price represents goodwill which is being amortized over seven years.

# ACQUISITION OF CENTRAL DATA CORPORATION

In July 1998, Digi acquired all of the outstanding common stock of CDC. The transaction was accounted for using the purchase method of accounting. Accordingly, the purchase price was allocated to the estimated fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed, including estimated restructuring and integration costs of \$750,000.

Components of the purchase consideration, including related transaction costs, consist of \$14,261,965 in cash, Digi's common stock with a market value of \$4,039,475 and \$891,184 of replacement stock options issued by Digi to CDC option

holders. The cash and Digi's common stock were issued in exchange for outstanding shares of CDC's common stock and Digi's stock options were issued in exchange for the outstanding CDC common stock options. The value of Digi's common stock issued was based on a per share value of approximately \$20.25, which was the market value of Digi's common stock on the date Digi and CDC agreed to the terms of the purchase. The value of Digi's common stock options is based on the excess of the market value of Digi's common stock over the option exercise prices on the date that these options were granted to CDC employees. The purchase price will increase by \$1,230,683 if the unvested portion of stock options granted to the CDC employees vest. Such amount has been recorded as unearned stock compensation.

Valuation of the intangible assets acquired was determined by an independent appraisal company and consists of purchased in-process research and development (IPR&D), proven technology and an assembled workforce. The purchase price exceeded the estimated fair value of tangible and intangible assets acquired by \$1,034,833, which was recorded as goodwill.

The table below is an analysis of the purchase price allocation.

Cash and fair value of Digi's common stock and common stock options issued	\$ 18,891,184
Direct acquisition costs	301,440
CDC liabilities assumed, including estimated restructuring and integration costs of \$750,000	4,394,617
Total purchase price	23,587,241
Estimated fair value of tangible assets acquired	5, 252, 408
Estimated fair value of:	
IPR&D	13,200,000
Identifiable intangible assets	4,100,000
Goodwill	1,034,833
	\$ 23,587,241

Management, based upon an independent appraisal, estimates that \$13,200,000 of the purchase price represents the fair value of purchased IPR&D that had not yet reached technological feasibility and has no alternative future use. The amount allocated to IPR&D was expensed as a non-recurring, non-tax-deductible charge upon consummation of the acquisition. Digi is using the acquired in-process research and development to create new products based on the Universal Serial Bus, which is emerging as a new industry-standard serial communications bus architecture, and which will become part of Digi's product line over the next several years. Digi anticipates that Universal Serial Bus products developed from acquired in-process research and development will be released in 1999. Digi expects that the acquired in-process research and development will reach technological feasibility, but there can be no assurance that the commercial viability of these products will be achieved.

The nature of the efforts required to develop the acquired in-process research and development into commercially viable products principally relates to the completion of all planning, designing, prototyping, verification and testing activities that are necessary to establish that the product can be produced to meet its design specifications, including functions, features and technical performance requirements. The estimated costs to be incurred to develop the purchased in-process technology into commercially viable products are approximately \$5,000,000 in the aggregate through the year 2004, consisting of \$200,000 incurred during the period from July 1998 through September 30, 1998, and \$800,000 per year from 1999 to 2004.

The value assigned to purchased in-process research and development was determined by independent appraisers, who projected cash flows related to future products expected to be derived once technological feasibility is achieved, including costs to complete the development of the technology and the future revenues and costs which are expected to result from commercialization of the products. These cash flows were discounted back to their present values. The resulting net cash flows from such projects are based on estimates made by Digi's management of revenues, cost of sales, research and development costs, selling, general and administrative costs, and income taxes resulting from such projects. These estimates are based on the following assumptions:

-- The estimated revenues are based upon projected average annual revenue growth rates from future products expected to be derived once technological feasibility is achieved of between 9% and 52% during the period from 2000 through 2002. Estimated total revenues expected from products to be developed using purchased in-process research and development peak in the year 2002 and decline rapidly in 2003 and 2004 as other new products are expected to enter the market. These projections are based on estimates made by Digi's

management of market size and growth (which are supported by independent market data), expected trends in technology and the nature and expected timing of new product introductions by CDC and its competitors. These estimates also include growth related to

Digi utilizing certain CDC technologies under development in conjunction with Digi's products, Digi marketing and distributing the resulting products through its resellers, and Digi enhancing the market's response to CDC's products by providing incremental financial support and stability.

- - The estimated cost of sales as a percentage of revenues is expected to be lower than CDC's cost of sales would have been on a stand-alone basis primarily due to Digi's expected ability to achieve more favorable pricing from key component vendors and production efficiencies due to economies of scale achieved through combined operations.
- - The estimated selling, general and administrative costs are expected to remain at approximately the same levels for Digi and CDC (approximately 33% of revenues for both Digi and CDC in 1997).
- -- Discounting the net cash flows back to their present values is based on the weighted average cost of capital (WACC). The WACC calculation produces the average required rate of return of an investment in an operating enterprise, based on various required rates of return from investments in various areas of that enterprise. The WACC assumed for Digi, as a corporate business enterprise, is 14%. The discount rate used in discounting the net cash flows from purchased in-process technology was 30%. This discount rate is higher than the WACC due to the inherent uncertainties in the estimates described above including the uncertainty surrounding the successful development of the purchased in-process research and development, the useful life of such completed research and development, the profitability levels of such completed research and development and the uncertainty of technological advances that are unknown at this time.

If these products are not successfully developed, the sales and profitability of the combined company may be adversely affected in future periods. Additionally, the value of other intangible assets acquired may become impaired. Digi expects to begin to benefit from the purchased in-process research and development in 1999.

The identifiable intangible assets of \$4,100,000 included in the purchase price allocation set forth above are comprised of proven technology with an appraised fair value of \$3,700,000, and an assembled workforce with an appraised fair value of \$400,000, which have estimated useful lives of five years and six years, respectively. The remaining unallocated purchase price represents goodwill, which is being amortized over seven years.

Digi has responded to questions provided by the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission about its write-offs of acquired in-process research and development in connection with the ITK and CDC acquisitions. As of December 11, 1998, Digi had not received any further comments from the Securities and Exchange Commission.

# OTHER INCOME

Other income for 1998 increased approximately \$3.0 million, as Digi earned higher interest income on its increased cash and cash equivalent balances. Other income also included a fiscal 1998 third-quarter reversal of a \$1.4 million previously accrued obligation related to lease guarantees for AetherWorks Corporation. As discussed in the next item below, the obligation is no longer required because Digi is no longer the primary quarantor for these leases.

# AETHERWORKS CORPORATION NET LOSS AND WRITE-OFF

In connection with Digi's previously purchased \$13.8 million of convertible notes from AetherWorks Corporation, in May 1998 Digi exchanged such notes for a non-interest bearing \$8.0 million non-convertible note and was released from all of its guarantees of certain lease obligations of AetherWorks. Due to significant uncertainty as to its collectibility, the \$8.0 million note, which matures in 2001, has been recorded by Digi as having no carrying value. In fiscal 1997 and 1996, Digi used the equity method to account for its investment in AetherWorks and recorded net losses of \$5.8 million and \$3.6 million, respectively. These net losses represent 100% of AetherWorks' losses for those years. The percentage of AetherWorks' net losses included in Digi's financial statements was based upon the percentage of financial support provided by Digi (versus other investors) during those years. Digi wrote off its investment in AetherWorks as of September 30, 1997, and recorded a \$5.8 million charge, composed of its \$2.4 million remaining investment, its \$2.0 million remaining obligation to purchase additional notes and \$1.4 million for the obligation to guarantee certain AetherWorks leases. Digi no longer has any funding obligations or any potential equity interest in or management control over AetherWorks. Consequently, Digi has not included any of AetherWorks' net losses in its results of operations during fiscal 1998.

# INCOME TAXES

Digi recorded a \$9.7 million tax provision for 1998, even though it has reported a pre-tax loss for the year. This tax provision was required primarily because the write-off of acquired in process research and development and the amortization of certain intangible assets and goodwill acquired in the purchase of ITK and CDC is not deductible for income tax reporting purposes. In 1997, Digi recorded a \$0.1 million tax provision, while reporting a pre-tax loss for that year. That provision was necessary due to the non-deductibility of certain intangible assets written off as part of the restructuring charge, the

AetherWorks net losses and the related investment write-off. In addition, Digi had also provided additional provision in connection with an IRS examination of certain tax returns filed in prior years. In 1996, Digi recorded a \$7.5 million income tax provision at a higher rate than the federal statutory rate due primarily to the nondeductability of the AetherWorks net losses.

#### INFLATION

Digi believes inflation has not had a material effect on its operations or its financial condition.

# LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Digi has financed its operations principally with funds generated from operations, and, in prior years, with proceeds from earlier public offerings. Investing activities in 1998 consisted of the acquisitions of ITK and CDC for a combined purchase price of \$46.9 million, including the issuance of \$15.7 million of common stock, \$2.2 million of replacement stock options, and cash payments of \$29 million. In connection with the acquisitions, Digi also assumed \$22.1 million in line of credit obligations and long-term debt in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1998, reflecting the outstanding debt of ITK and CDC.

Other investing activities in 1998 consisted primarily of purchases of \$5.8 million of equipment and capital improvements, including a new enterprise-wide computer system. In addition, the final payments totaling \$2 million for AetherWorks Corporation notes were made in 1998.

In September 1998, the Board of Directors authorized a program to repurchase up to one million shares of Digi's common stock for use in Digi's benefit plans. As of September 30, 1998, 15,000 shares had been repurchased under this program.

Investing activities in 1997 consisted of purchases of \$8.8 million of equipment and capital improvements and the purchase of \$6.5 million of additional convertible notes from AetherWorks Corporation.

At September 30, 1998, Digi had working capital of \$37.9 million and debt totaling \$22.1 million. Digi maintains lines of credit with various financial institutions providing for borrowings of up to \$25,707,000, depending upon levels of eligible accounts receivable and inventories. As of September 30, 1998, \$10,707,000 had been borrowed under these lines of credit. Digi's management believes that current financial resources, cash generated from operations and Digi's potential capacity for debt and/or equity financing will be sufficient to fund current and future business operations.

# FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION

Substantially all of Digi's foreign transactions are negotiated, invoiced and paid in U.S. dollars -- except for approximately \$5.8 million in Deutschemark-denominated sales made through Digi's newly-acquired subsidiary, ITK. In future periods, a significant portion of sales made through ITK will be made in Deutschemarks until full integration of the "euro" is achieved. Digi has not implemented a hedging strategy to reduce the risk of foreign currency translation exposures, which management does not believe to be significant based on the scope of Digi's foreign operations as of September 30, 1998.

Effective January 1, 1999, eleven states of the European Union will convert to a common currency, called the "euro." This action will most likely cause the majority of Digi's European transactions to be negotiated, invoiced and paid in "euros." The conversion will most likely add currency exchange costs and risks, although such costs and risks are not quantifiable at this time.

# YEAR 2000 ISSUES

Digi began a comprehensive project in 1996 to prepare its products and its internal computer systems for the year 2000. Most of Digi's products are year 2000 compliant because there is very little or no date processing involved. Certain products, including end-of-life versions, do require customer action such as a patch or version upgrade to be compliant. These products are being identified, and Digi is in the process of notifying impacted customers.

Digi believes its implementation of a new enterprise-wide information management system, principally installed to improve operating efficiency, will address Digi's internal year 2000 compliance issues. Because of the acquisitions of ITK and CDC, the world-wide rollout of this system will not be completed until the late summer of calendar year 1999. If necessary conversions are not completed on a timely basis, the year 2000 could have a material adverse effect on Digi's operations. Overall, management believes the year 2000 will not have a significant impact on operations.

Digi plans to continue with remediation and testing efforts with both its products and internal systems to further mitigate any risks associated with the year 2000. At this time, Digi believes it is unnecessary to adopt a contingency plan covering the possibility that the year 2000 project will not be completed in a timely manner, but, as part of the overall project, Digi will

continue to assess the need for a contingency plan based on Digi's periodic evaluation of target dates for the completion of the year 2000 project.

Digi faces risk to the extent that suppliers of products and services purchased by Digi and others with whom Digi transacts business on a world-wide basis do not have business products and services that comply with year 2000 requirements. Digi has obtained assurances from most of its key suppliers that their products and services are year 2000 compliant. In the event any such third parties cannot, in a timely manner, provide Digi with products and services that meet the year 2000 requirements, Digi's operating results could be materially adversely affected.

The costs associated with the year 2000 project are minimal and are not incremental to Digi, but include temporary reallocation of existing resources. Although Digi believes that the remaining cost of year 2000 modifications for both internal-use systems and Digi's products are not material, there can be no assurances that various factors relating to the year 2000 compliance issues, including litigation, will not have a material adverse effect on Digi's business, operating results, or financial position.

#### NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

In June 1997, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 130, "Reporting Comprehensive Income." The statement establishes standards for the reporting and display of comprehensive income and its components. Comprehensive income is defined as the change in equity of a business enterprise during a period from transactions and other events and circumstances from non-owner sources. It includes all changes in equity during a period except those resulting from investments by owners and distributions to owners. This standard will require that an enterprise display an amount representing total comprehensive income for the period. Statement No. 130 will be initially effective for the first quarter of Digi's fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. Adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 130 will not impact Digi's results of operations or its financial position.

In June 1997, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 131, "Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information," which supersedes Statement No. 14. This statement changes the way that public business enterprises report segment information, including financial and descriptive information about their operating segments, in annual financial statements and would require that those enterprises report selected segment information in interim financial reports to stockholders. Operating segments are defined as revenue-producing components of the enterprise which are generally used internally for evaluating segment performance. Statement No. 131 will be effective for Digi beginning with the first quarter of Digi's fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. Management has not yet completed its analysis of the effects of Statement No. 131 on its financial reporting.

In June 1998, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities." Statement No. 133 will be effective for Digi beginning with Digi's fiscal year ending September 30, 2000. As Digi presently has no derivative instruments and is not involved in hedging activity, Digi does not expect the adoption of Statement No. 133 to have an impact on its results of operations or its financial position.

In October 1997, Statement of Position 97-2, "Software Revenue Recognition" (SOP 97-2), was issued. SOP 97-2 provides guidance on when revenue should be recognized and in what amounts for licensing, selling, leasing or otherwise marketing computer software. SOP 97-2 will become effective for Digi's fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. The adoption of SOP 97-2 is not expected to have a significant impact on Digi's results of operations or its financial position.

#### BUSINESS

Digi was formed in 1985 as a Minnesota corporation and reorganized as a Delaware corporation in 1989. Digi is a worldwide provider of data communications products for open systems, server-based remote access and local area network ("LAN") applications. Digi's communications products, which support a broad range of server

platforms and network operating systems in the industry, enable people to have access to information, no matter when they need it or what type of computer they are using.

Digi's products enhance the development of open systems, server-based communication by being compatible with all PC platforms - Compaq, IBM, Hewlett-Packard, and Sun Microsystems - and popular operating systems, including Microsoft Windows NT and Novell NetWare. Digi's solutions give customers the flexibility to scale up easily as needs change and to choose from a variety of industry-standard, cost effective alternatives. Digi's products also support remote access connectivity through intranets and the Internet.

Digi's server-based communications serial port boards provide asynchronous (transmitting single characters at a time) and synchronous (transmitting characters in a group) data transmissions for analog modems, ISDN (Integrated Services Digital Network), X.25, Frame Relay or T1/E1 connections.

Digi's serial port communications products constituted approximately 80%, 76% and 80% of net sales in fiscal 1998, 1997 and 1996, respectively. These products provide connections for two primary markets:

- 1. The core serial port products provide PC-host-to-terminal serial I/O (input/output) connections. These products facilitate data transmission for point-of-sale ("POS") applications, on-line transaction processing, factory automation, inventory control and office automation, among others. The onboard firmware allows the products to quickly, accurately and reliably transmit data, thereby eliminating the information bottlenecks that can result when multiple users or devices share one processing unit. These solutions primarily use multiuser, multitasking operating systems such as UNIX (and its variations), along with standard PC servers and communications cards.
- Open systems, server-based remote access products are data communications boards that support remote access applications such as Internet access, connectivity to corporate intranets and branch office networks, and telecommuting.

Digi entered the LAN market with its acquisition of MiLAN Technology Corporation in November 1993. Digi's LAN business, formerly the MiLAN Technology Division, provides cost-effective and power-efficient Ethernet, Fast Ethernet and Token Ring networking connectivity products that are installed on a LAN to increase its productivity.

 $\label{local_problem} \mbox{\sc Digi's LAN connectivity products include these two groups:}$ 

- The physical layer products allow users to easily build and expand networks using a variety of technologies including Ethernet, Fast Ethernet, Gigabit Ethernet and ATM. These products include single and multiport transceivers, converters, microhubs and modular repeaters.
- 2. The print server products, based on the FastPort line, make print sharing convenient and affordable. The FastPort line includes the industry's first multiprotocol network print server providing access to any printer on an Ethernet or Token Ring network without the inconvenience and expense of spooling through a workstation or server.

Digi entered the Internet telephony market with the acquisition of ITK International in July 1998 and its Voice over Internet Protocol ("VOIP") products. ITK International provides the new VOIP technology with the NetBlazer 8500 gateway, a "proof of concept" product that converts voice signals to TCP/IP packets and routes them over IP networks such as the Internet and company intranets. This capability combines voice and data onto one cost-effective network and is changing the whole concept of traditional voice communication. Although the VoIP technology acquired from ITK International is still under development, Digi believes that this technology will be successful once a functioning, finished product is complete. Digi acquired ITK International for approximately \$27.7 million in cash, stock, replacement stock options and the assumption of \$39.8 million of liabilities and restructuring/integration costs.

Digi expanded its product lines with its acquisition of Central Data in July 1998. Digi also acquired in-process research and development from Central Data related to Universal Serial Bus ("USB") technology. This in-process technology will give customers the ability to maintain existing non-USB peripheral equipment and connect with new PCs which contain advanced USB interfaces. Digi expects to introduce USB products in fiscal 1999. Digi acquired

Central Data for approximately \$19.2 million in cash, stock and replacement stock options and the assumption of \$4.4 million of liabilities and restructuring/integration costs.

Digi works closely with customers, PC and server vendors, operating system companies and other marketing partners to continuously optimize Digi's wide area network ("WAN") and LAN products to interoperate in open systems, industry-standard environments. This assures customers the ability to choose the most flexible, cost-effective solution to meet their individual needs.

Digi markets its products to a broad range of customers, including major domestic and international distributors, end users, system integrators, VARs and OEMs. This network includes more than 185 distributors in the United States, Canada and 65 countries worldwide, as well as OEM customers.

In July 1991, Digi opened a sales support office in Germany to increase sales support to the European distribution network. Digi expanded its presence in the German market in July 1998 with the acquisition of ITK International, which maintains a sales and manufacturing office in Dortmund, Germany. In October 1993, Digi opened a sales support office in Singapore to increase sales support for its products to the Pacific Rim distribution network. In 1996, Digi opened similar offices in Hong Kong, Sydney and Tokyo and in 1997, Digi opened sales offices in Paris and London to better serve its non-U.S. markets.

To serve its worldwide markets, Digi (i) offers products that, in the opinion of management, provide superior performance relative to current standards and application requirements, (ii) provides products that are compatible with a broad array of open systems operating systems and industry-standard PC, server and workstation architectures, and (iii) provides, in the opinion of management, superior technical support, including frequent and timely product updates and ready access to Digi's support staff.

The computer industry is characterized by rapid technological advances and evolving industry standards. The market can be significantly affected by new product introductions and marketing activities of industry participants. Digi competes for customers on the basis of product performance in relation to compatibility, support, quality and reliability, product development capabilities, price and availability. Many of Digi's competitors and potential competitors have greater financial, technological, manufacturing, marketing and personnel resources than Digi. Digi believes that it is the market leader in serial port boards for server-based communications in the computer industry. With respect to the LAN business, Digi believes it commands less than a 5% market share. Digi is currently establishing its position in the remote access market for Digi's RAS product lines. Digi will enter the Internet telephony market upon full development of its VoIP technology.

Digi's manufacturing operations procure all parts and certain services involved in the production of products. Digi subcontracts most of its product manufacturing to outside firms that specialize in providing such services. Digi believes that this approach to manufacturing is beneficial because it permits Digi to reduce its fixed costs, maintain production flexibility and maximize its profit margins.

Digi's products are manufactured to its designs with standard and semi-custom components. Most of these components are available from multiple vendors. Digi does have several single-sourced supplier relationships, either because alternative sources are not available or because the relationship is advantageous to Digi. If these suppliers are unable to provide timely and reliable supply of components, Digi could experience manufacturing delays adversely affecting results of operations.

During fiscal years 1996, 1997 and 1998, Digi's research and development expenditures were \$21.3, \$18.0 and \$17.0 million, respectively.

Due to rapidly changing technology in the computer industry, Digi believes that its success depends primarily upon the engineering, marketing, manufacturing and support skills of its personnel, rather than upon patent protection. Although Digi may seek patents where appropriate and has certain patent applications pending for proprietary technology, Digi's proprietary technology or products are generally not patented. Digi relies primarily on the copyright, trademark and trade secret laws to protect its proprietary rights in its products. Digi has established common law and registered trademark rights on a family of marks for a number of its products.

In May 1998, Digi exchanged its previously purchased \$13,796,525 of convertible notes from AetherWorks Corporation, a development stage company engaged in the development of wireless and dial-up remote access technology, for a non-interest bearing \$8,000,000 non-convertible note. As a part of the exchange, Digi relinquished its

rights to any future technology or claims on any of AetherWorks' intellectual properties. In exchange, Digi has been released from all of its guarantees of certain lease obligations of AetherWorks. As a result, Digi reversed its \$1,350,000 accruals established in the fourth quarter of 1997, for the estimated probable cost related to its guarantee of such lease obligations and has included such amount as AetherWorks Corporation gain for the year ended September 30, 1998.

Due to the significant uncertainty as to collectibility of the \$8,000,000 note, which matures in 2001, the note has been recorded with no carrying value as of September 30, 1998. Digi continues to lease to AetherWorks \$1,325,000 of computer equipment under a three-year direct financing lease, expiring in 2000.

During the year ended September 30, 1998, two customers comprised more than 10% of net sales each: Ingram Micro at 15.5% and Tech Data at 13.7%. During the year ended September 30, 1997, two customers comprised more than 10% of net sales each: Ingram Micro at 15.1%, and Tech Data at 10.5%. During the year ended September 30, 1996, two customers accounted for more than 10% of net sales each: Tech Data at 13.9% and Ingram Micro at 13.4%.

As of September 30, 1998, Digi had backlog orders which management believed to be firm in the amount of \$2.9 million. All of these orders are expected to be filled in the current fiscal year. Backlog as of September 30, 1997 was \$14.7 million.

Total employees at September 30, 1998 were 703.

#### **PROPERTIES**

Digi's headquarters and research facilities are located in a 130,000 square foot office building in Minnetonka, Minnesota which Digi acquired in August 1995 and has occupied since March 1996. Digi's primary manufacturing facility is currently located in a 58,000 square foot building in Eden Prairie, Minnesota, which Digi purchased in May 1993 and has occupied since August 1993. Additional office and research facilities include a 46,170 square foot facility in Sunnyvale, California, the lease for which expires in April 2002. The headquarters and research facilities owned by ITK International are located in a 63,000 square foot facility in Dortmund, Germany. The headquarters and research facility owned by Central Data are located in a 20,000 square foot facility located in Champaign, Illinois.

Digi's sales support office in Asia is located in a 1,560 square foot office in Singapore, the lease for which expires in May 2000. Digi's sales support office in Australia is located in a 886 square foot office in Sydney, the lease for which expires in February 2001. Digi's sales support office in Hong Kong is located in a 2,643 square foot office in Causeway Bay, the lease for which expires in 2001. Digi's sales support office in London is located in a 2,000 square foot office, the lease for which expires in June 2002. Digi's sales support office in Paris is located in a 625 square foot office, the lease for which expires with a 30 day notice. Management believes that Digi's facilities are suitable and adequate for current office, research and warehouse requirements, and that its manufacturing facilities provide sufficient production capacity to meet its currently anticipated needs.

# LITIGATION

Between January 3, 1997 and March 7, 1997, Digi and certain of its previous officers were named as defendants in five putative securities class action lawsuits filed in the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota on behalf of an alleged class of purchasers of its common stock during the period January 25, 1996, through December 23, 1996. The five putative class actions were thereafter consolidated, and on May 12, 1997, a consolidated amended class action complaint was filed in the actions, which are captioned IN RE DIGI INTERNATIONAL INC. SECURITIES LITIGATION (Master File No. 97-5 DWF/RLE). The Consolidated Amended Complaint alleges that Digi and its previous officers Ervin F. Kamm, Jr., Gerald A. Wall and Gary L. Deaner violated the federal securities laws by, among other things, misrepresenting and/or omitting material information concerning Digi's operations and financial results. The Consolidated Amended Complaint seeks compensatory damages in an unspecified amount plus interest against all defendants, jointly and severally, and an award of attorneys' fees, experts' fees and costs.

On February 25, 1997, Digi and certain of its previous officers also were named as defendants in a securities lawsuit filed in the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota by the Louisiana State Employees Retirement System, which is captioned LOUISIANA STATE EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM V. DIGI

INTERNATIONAL INC., GARY L. DEANER, ERVIN F. KAMM, JR., GERALD A. WALL AND "JOHN DOE" AND "RICHARD ROE", DEFENDANTS (Civil File No. 97-440, Master File No. 97-5 DWF/RLE). On June 3, 1997, the Louisiana State Employees Retirement System filed an Amended Complaint. The Louisiana Amended Complaint alleges that Digi and its previous officers Ervin F. Kamm, Jr., Gerald A. Wall and Gary L. Deaner violated federal securities laws and state common law by, among other things, misrepresenting and/or omitting material information concerning Digi's operations and financial results. The Louisiana Amended Complaint seeks compensatory damages in the amount of \$718,404.70 plus interest against all defendants, jointly and severally, and an award of attorneys' fees, disbursements and costs.

In a decision issued on May 22, 1998, the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota granted in part and denied in part defendants' motions to dismiss the Consolidated Amended Complaint and the Louisiana Amended Complaint. The Court dismissed without leave to replead all claims asserted in both cases, except for certain federal securities law claims based upon alleged misrepresentations and/or omissions relating to the accounting treatment applied to Digi's AetherWorks investment. The Court also limited the claims asserted in the Louisiana Amended Complaint to the 11,000 shares of Digi's stock held subsequent to November 14, 1996, for which the Louisiana Amended Complaint claims damages of \$184,276.40. The claims in the two actions remain pending against Digi and its former officers Ervin F. Kamm, Jr. and Gerald A. Wall. Discovery in the actions is proceeding.

Because the lawsuits are in preliminary stages, the ultimate outcomes cannot be determined at this time, and no potential assessment of their effect, if any, on Digi's financial position, liquidity or future operations can be made

#### MANAGEMENT

#### DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Digi's Directors and Executive Officers are as follows:

NAME	AGE	POSITION
John P. Schinas	61	Chairman of the Board of Directors
Jerry A. Dusa	51	Director, President and Chief Executive Officer
Douglas J. Glader	54	Senior Vice President, Manufacturing Operations
Dino G. Kasdagly	44	Senior Vice President, Development
Willis K. Drake	75	Director
Richard E. Eichhorn	69	Director
Robert S. Moe	67	Director
Mykola Moroz	61	Director
David Stanley	63	Director

Mr. Schinas, a founder of Digi, has been its Chairman of the Board since July 1991. He has been a member of the Board of Directors since Digi's inception in July 1985 and served as Digi's Chief Executive Officer from July 1985 to January 1992.

Mr. Dusa has been a member of the Board of Directors and President and Chief Executive Officer of Digi since March 12, 1997 after serving Digi as interim acting Chief Executive Officer from January 3, 1997 to March 12, 1997. Prior to January 3, 1997, Mr. Dusa had been the owner and principal of Phase One Partners, Inc., an investment and consulting business, since 1995 and had acted as a consultant to Digi in this capacity since August 1996. From 1994 to 1995, Mr. Dusa was Vice President of Fujitsu Microelectronics, Inc., a manufacturer of integrated circuit products. From 1993 to 1994, Mr. Dusa was President of Eagle Technology, a manufacturer of network connectivity products. From 1992 to 1993, Mr. Dusa was President of Kalpana, Inc., a manufacturer of network connectivity products. Prior to 1992, Mr. Dusa held executive management positions with a number of high technology companies including IBM Corporation, 3Com Corporation and Tandem Computers.

Mr. Glader was named Digi's Vice President of Operations in February 1995 and Senior Vice President, Manufacturing Operations, on July 8, 1997. Before that, he was formerly Director of Manufacturing and Operations for MiLAN Technology Corporation, which Digi acquired in November 1993. He began his career with Memorex Corporation and also worked for Measurex Corporation, Altus Corporation and Direct Incorporated. He founded and was Vice President of Operations for Greyhawk Systems, Inc., a manufacturer of electronic imaging hardware and software.

Mr. Kasdagly joined Digi in October 1997, as Senior Vice President, Development. Prior to joining Digi, Mr. Kasdagly had been an executive with IBM Corporation since November 1980, most recently as Director, Division Quality and Business Reengineering for IBM's AS/400 Division.

Mr. Drake has been a member of Digi's Board of Directors since 1987. Since 1983, Mr. Drake has been a private investor. Mr. Drake is also a director of Analysts International Corporation, a software manufacturer; Innovex

Inc., a manufacturer of specialty precision electromagnetic products and Telident, Inc., a manufacturer of telephone system enhancement equipment; as well as several privately held companies.

Mr. Eichhorn has been a member of Digi's Board of Directors since 1987. Since April 1992, Mr. Eichhorn has been a private investor. He is also a director of several privately held companies.

Mr. Moe has been a member of Digi's Board of Directors since October 1996. From 1981 to his retirement in 1993, he was the Chief Financial Officer of Polaris Industries, Inc., a manufacturer of snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles and personal watercraft. He is also a director of Polaris Industries, Inc.

Mr. Moroz, a founder of Digi, has been a member of Digi's Board of Directors since July 1991. He was a consultant to Digi on manufacturing operations from December 1994 to November 1996. He was President of Digi from July 1991 to November 1994 and Chief Executive Officer from January 1992 to November 1994. Mr. Moroz was Chief Operating Officer of Digi from July 1991 to January 1992. Mr. Moroz is also a director of Parts 1, Inc., a privately held corporation that is a supplier to Digi.

Mr. Stanley has been a member of Digi's Board of Directors since 1990. Mr. Stanley served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Payless Cashways, Inc., a building materials retailer, from 1984 to 1997. Payless Cashways, Inc. filed a voluntary Chapter 11 bankruptcy petition on July 21, 1997. A plan of reorganization was approved by the creditors and confirmed by the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Missouri in November 1997. Payless Cashways, Inc. emerged from bankruptcy in early December 1997. He is also a director of Best Buy Co., Inc., a consumer electronics retailer.

#### COMMITTEES

Digi's Audit Committee consists of Messrs. Stanley (Chairman), Moe and Moroz. Digi's Compensation Committee consists of Messrs. Eichhorn (Chairman), Drake and Moe. Digi's Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee consists of Messrs. Schinas (Chairman), Stanley and Eichhorn.

#### DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

Currently, each non-employee director of Digi who beneficially owns not more than 5% of Digi's outstanding Common Stock who is newly elected to the Board, whether elected at an annual meeting or during the year, and who has not previously been a director of Digi, receives a one-time, non-elective grant of an option to purchase 5,000 shares of Digi's Common Stock at the then-current market price. Furthermore, each non-employee director of Digi who beneficially owns not more than 5% of Digi's outstanding Common Stock, whether incumbent or newly elected, who is elected at an annual meeting receives a non-elective grant of an option to purchase 1,500 shares of Digi's Common Stock at the then-current market price. If a newly elected non-employee director is first elected during the year, then such non-elective option grant is prorated.

In addition, each non-employee director of Digi who beneficially owns not more than 5% of Digi's outstanding Common Stock, whether incumbent or newly elected, who is elected at an annual meeting has an election to receive one of the following: (i) an option to purchase 6,000 shares of Common Stock of Digi at the then-current market price or (ii) cash payments consisting of an annual retainer of \$8,000, payable quarterly in arrears, plus per meeting fees of \$750 for each meeting of the Board of Directors attended and \$350 for each committee meeting attended that is not held on the same day as a meeting of the Board of Directors. If a newly elected non-employee director of Digi who beneficially owns not more than 5% of Digi's outstanding Common Stock is first elected during the year, the option grant to purchase 6,000 shares of Common Stock or the \$8,000 annual retainer is prorated.

As additional compensation, each committee Chairman who is also a non-employee director who beneficially owns not more than 5% of Digi's outstanding Common Stock has an annual election to receive one of the following: (i) an option to purchase 1,000 shares of Digi's Common Stock at the then-current market price or (ii) a cash payment of \$2,500. Directors who beneficially own more than 5% of Digi's outstanding Common Stock serve without receiving the compensation described above. Mr. Schinas serves as Chairman of the Board pursuant to an employment

agreement for an annual base salary of \$100,000 and such bonus compensation as the Compensation Committee may determine to award in its discretion.

#### **EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

#### SUMMARY COMPENSATION TABLE

The following table contains information concerning the annual and long-term compensation for the fiscal years ended September 30, 1998, 1997 and 1996 provided to Digi's Chief Executive Officer and its other three most highly compensated executive officers who received remuneration exceeding \$100,000 for the fiscal year ended September 30, 1998.

	ANI	NUAL COMPENSATI	CON	LONG-TERM COMPENSATION AWARDS	
NAME AND PRINCIPAL POSITION	FISCAL YEAR	SALARY	BONUS	OPTIONS (#)	ALL OTHER COMPENSATION
Jerry A. Dusa, President, Chief Executive Officer, Director(1)	1998 1997	\$283,228 250,315	\$200,000 212,768	250,000 250,000	\$ (5) 0
Douglas J. Glader, Senior Vice President, Manufacturing Operations(2)	1998 1997 1996	159,597 169,327 134,712	169,752 123,000 0	30,000 105,800 10,800	(5) 0 0
Dino G. Kasdagly, Senior Vice President, Development(3)	1998	171,106	143,938	80,000	(5)
Jonathon E. Killmer, Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer(4)	1998 1997	182,480 144,231	156,910 100,000	30,000 105,000	(5) 0

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- (1) Mr. Dusa became President and Chief Executive Officer, and a Director, on March 12, 1997. Prior to March 12, 1997, Mr. Dusa served as interim acting Chief Executive Officer from January 3, 1997 and served as a consultant to Digi prior to that time.
- (2) Mr. Glader joined Digi in 1994, became Vice President in February 1995 and became Senior Vice President in April 1997.
- (3) Mr. Kasdagly joined Digi as Senior Vice President in October 1997.
  Pursuant to his employment agreement, Digi paid Mr. Kasdagly a one time signing bonus of \$42,407.74, which is included in his 1998 bonus compensation in the above table. See "Employment Contracts; Severance, Termination of Employment and Change-in-Control Arrangements" below.
- (4) Mr. Killmer joined Digi as Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer in October 1997. Mr. Killmer became Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer in July 1997 and held such offices until his resignation effective October 30, 1998.
- (5) No allocation of Digi's matching contribution to the 401-K Plan will be made to individual plan accounts until after the end of the 1998 calendar year. If allocated, these amounts would be reflected here and would be the only compensation reported in this column.

# INDIVIDUAL GRANTS

	NUMBER OF TOTAL POTENTIAL REALIZABLE SECURITIES OPTIONS ASSUMED ANNUAL RATES UNDERLYING GRANTED TO EXERCISE PRICE APPRECIATION FO OPTIONS EMPLOYEES OR BASE TERMS (1)					OF STOCK		
NAME	GRANTED (#)	IN FISCAL YEAR	PRICE (\$/SH)	EXPIRATION DATE	0%(\$)	5%(\$)	10%(\$)	
Jerry A. Dusa	250,000(2)	20.83%	\$17.00	01/28/08	\$968,750	\$ 4,250,794	\$ 9,286,093	
Douglas J. Glader	30,000(3)	2.50	27.50	04/20/08	0	518,838	1,314,838	
Dino G. Kasdagly	50,000(4)	4.16	14.75	10/28/07	0	463,810	1,175,385	
Dino G. Kasdagly	30,000(3)	2.50	27.50	04/20/08	0	518,838	1,314,838	
Jonathon E. Killmer	30,000(3)	2.50	27.50	04/20/08	0	518,838	1,314,838	
All Stockholders' Potent	tial Realizabl	e Value at						
Assumed Growth Rates	s (5)				. \$ 0	\$462,649,245	\$734,097,858	

- (1) The dollar amounts under these columns are the results of calculations at a 0% annual appreciation rate, and at the 5% and 10% annual appreciation rates set by the Securities and Exchange Commission for illustrative purposes, and, therefore, are not intended to forecast future financial performance or possible future appreciation, if any, in the price of Digi's stock. Stockholders are therefore cautioned against drawing any conclusions from the appreciation data shown, aside from the fact that optionees will only realize value from the option grants shown when the price of the Company's stock appreciates (other than in the case of Mr. Dusa), which benefits all stockholders commensurately.
- (2) These options become exercisable in 20% increments on the first, second, third, fourth and fifth anniversaries of the date of grant with the possibility of performance-based accelerated vesting of (i) up to 125,000 shares upon the attainment of fiscal 1998 goals previously established for determination of Mr. Dusa's cash bonus and (ii) up to an additional 125,000 shares based upon the attainment of fiscal 1999 goals to be established by the Committee for determination of Mr. Dusa's cash bonus. If either the fiscal 1998 or 1999 goals are not fully attained, the number of options to be accelerated will be prorated based on the aggregate percentage achieved, in either case as determined by the Committee. The options to be accelerated are those that are the last scheduled to vest.
- (3) These options become exercisable as to 7,500 shares on April 20, 1999, and as to 625 shares on the twentieth day of each of the next 36 months beginning on May 20, 1999.
- (4) These options become exercisable in 20% increments on the first, second, third, fourth and fifth anniversaries of the date of grant.
- (5) These calculations are based upon 14,588,995 outstanding shares and assume a base price of \$19.40, the average price of the options granted to the executive officers named in the Summary Compensation Table.

# AGGREGATED OPTION EXERCISES IN LAST FISCAL YEAR AND FISCAL YEAR-END VALUES

The purpose of the following table is to report exercises of stock options during fiscal 1998 by the executive officers named in the Summary Compensation Table and any value of their unexercised stock options as of September 30, 1998. Only one of these executive officers exercised stock options in fiscal 1998 pursuant to Digi's Stock Option Plan. Digi has not issued any Stock Appreciation Rights to its executive officers.

	SHARES ACQUIRED		NUMBER OF UNEXERCISED OPTIONS AT FY-END		VALUE OF UNEXERCISED IN-THE-MONEY OPTIONS AT FY-END(1)	
NAME	ON EXERCISE	VALUE REALIZED	EXERCISABLE	UNEXERCISABLE	EXERCISABLE	UNEXERCISABLE
Jerry A. Dusa  Douglas J. Glader  Dino G. Kasdagly  Jonathon E. Killmer	0 23,400 0 0	\$ 0 371,850 0 0	250,000 28,700 0 22,500	250,000 113,700 80,000 112,500	\$1,236,250 99,475 0 74,375	\$ 0 333,225 0 265,625

(1) Value is based on a share price of \$12.25, which was the last reported sale price for a share of Common Stock on the Nasdaq Stock Market on September 30, 1998, minus the exercise price.

EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS; SEVERANCE, TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT AND CHANGE-IN-CONTROL ARRANGEMENTS

JERRY A. DUSA. Digi and Mr. Dusa are currently parties to an employment agreement entered into upon Mr. Dusa's election as President and Chief Executive Officer of Digi on March 13, 1997. The agreement provides that Mr. Dusa will be paid a base salary initially at the annual rate of \$250,000. The Compensation Committee will review Mr. Dusa's base salary annually and may, in its sole discretion, increase it to reflect performance and other factors. The Committee increased Mr. Dusa's base salary to \$300,000 for fiscal 1998. The Committee has not yet reviewed Mr. Dusa's base salary for fiscal 1999. The agreement also provides that Mr. Dusa will be entitled to a cash bonus equal to 100% of his base salary, provided that the objectives set by the Committee, acting in its sole discretion, are met. If some or all of the objectives are not met for a fiscal year then the Committee shall determine in its discretion what portion of the target bonus amount, if any, will be paid to Mr. Dusa. Based upon his achievement of 38.5% of his performance objectives and an additional discretionary amount awarded in connection with his efforts in completing the Company's acquisitions of Central Data and ITK International during fiscal 1998, the Committee awarded Mr. Dusa a cash bonus of \$200,000 for fiscal 1998 which was equal to 67% of his aggregate base salary for fiscal 1998.

Mr. Dusa has a fully vested option to purchase 10,000 shares of Digi's Common Stock at a per share exercise price of \$10.125 which he received on January 3, 1997 in connection with his service as interim acting Chief Executive Officer of Digi. Pursuant to his employment agreement, the Company issued to Mr. Dusa stock options to purchase an aggregate of 240,000 shares of Digi's Common Stock in March 1997. These options were granted at the fair market value on the date of grant, vesting in 25% increments on the first, second, sixth and seventh anniversaries of the date of grant with the possibility of performance-based accelerated vesting of the 25% increments allocated to the sixth and seventh years if the closing price of Digi's Common Stock equals or exceeds \$20.00 per share for 90 consecutive calendar days at any time prior to the fifth anniversary of the date of grant. The Committee, in its discretion, vested all 240,000 shares subject to this option in January 1998. In January 1998, Mr. Dusa was granted an option to purchase 250,000 shares at \$17.00 per share (\$3.85 per share below the fair market value on the date of grant), vesting in 20% increments on the first, second, third, fourth and fifth anniversaries of the date of grant with the possibility of performance-based accelerated vesting of (i) up to 125,000 shares upon the attainment of fiscal 1998 goals previously established for determination of Mr. Dusa's cash bonus and (ii) up to an additional 125,000 shares based upon the attainment of fiscal 1999 goals to be established by the Committee for determination of Mr. Dusa's cash bonus. If either the fiscal 1998 or 1999 goals are not fully attained, the number of options to be accelerated will be prorated based on the aggregate percentage achieved, in either case as determined by the Committee. The options to be accelerated are those that are the last scheduled to vest. Based upon Mr. Dusa's achievement of 38.5% of his fiscal 1998 goals, vesting was accelerated with respect to 48,125 shares covered by this option. The agreement also provides

that Mr. Dusa is entitled to the benefits and perquisites which Digi generally provides to its other employees under applicable plans and policies.

Under the terms of Mr. Dusa's employment agreement, if Digi terminates his employment without cause, Mr. Dusa is entitled to receive his then current base salary for a period of twelve months. In addition, any unvested stock options will vest immediately prior to any termination of his employment by Digi without cause. Any unvested stock options will also vest in the event of a "change in control" of Digi, which is deemed to have occurred if any person or group acquires more than 25% of the voting power of Digi, or if there is a change in the membership of the Board of Directors, not approved by the continuing directors, such that persons who were directors at the beginning of any three-year period no longer constitute a majority of the Board.

DOUGLAS J. GLADER. Digi's agreement with Mr. Glader on February 6, 1995 provides that Mr. Glader will be paid a base salary at the annual rate of \$120,000, which the Committee increased to \$170,000 for fiscal 1997 and 1998 and which will increase to \$190,000 for fiscal 1999. The Committee will review Mr. Glader's base salary annually and may, in its sole discretion, increase it to reflect performance, appropriate industry guideline data and other factors, but is not obligated to provide for any increases in base salary. Under his agreement, Mr. Glader also is entitled to a cash bonus opportunity based on his percentage of achievement objectives set by the Committee, of up to 100% of his base salary in any fiscal year. The Committee increased this percentage to 110% for fiscal 1997 and 1998, but it will return to 100% for fiscal 1999. In addition, Mr. Glader was granted an option to purchase 20,000 shares of Digi's Common Stock with an exercise price at the fair market value on the date of grant, vesting over five years. In August 1996, Mr. Glader was granted an option to purchase 10,800 shares at the fair market value on the date of the grant, vesting over five years with the possibility of accelerated vesting of the 20% increments allocated to the fourth and fifth years if the closing price of Digi's Common Stock equals or exceeds \$26.00 per share for twenty consecutive trading days. These options were repriced as part of a May 8, 1997 option repricing and the substitute options now vest over four years. In May 1997, Mr. Glader was granted an additional option to purchase 75,000 shares at the fair market value on the date of the grant, vesting over five years. In April 1998, Mr. Glader was granted an option to purchase 30,000 shares of Digi's Common Stock at the fair market value on the date of grant, vesting over four years. All of Mr. Glader's option grants will also vest in full in the event of his termination without cause or a "change in control" of Digi which is deemed to occur under the same conditions as for purposes of Mr. Dusa's option vesting. If Mr. Glader's employment is terminated without cause, he would be entitled to receive severance of \$60,000. Mr. Glader also is entitled to the benefits and perquisites which currently Digi generally provides to its other employees under applicable plans and policies.

DINO G. KASDAGLY. Digi's agreement with Mr. Kasdagly dated October 1, 1997, provides that Mr. Kasdagly will be paid a base salary at an annual rate of \$175,000, which the Committee has increased to \$185,000 for fiscal 1999. Mr. Kasdagly's employment agreement also provides for a guaranteed payment of \$20,000, after taxes (\$42,407.74 before taxes), paid in January 1998. Under his agreement, Mr. Kasdagly is entitled to a cash bonus based on the percentage of his achievement of objectives set by the Committee, of up to 60% of his base salary in any fiscal year. The Committee increased his cash bonus opportunity to 100% of his base salary for fiscal 1999. Mr. Kasdagly's employment agreement also provided for an option to purchase 50,000 shares of Digi's Common Stock at the fair market value on the date of the grant, vesting over five years. In April 1998, Mr. Kasdagly was granted an additional option to purchase 30,000 shares, vesting over four years. Mr. Kasdagly's options will vest in full in the event of his termination without cause or a "change in control" of Digi which is deemed to occur under the same conditions as for purposes of Mr. Dusa's option vesting. Finally, Mr. Kasdagly's employment agreement entitles him to the benefits and perquisites which Digi generally provides to its other employees under applicable plans and policies.

JONATHON E. KILLMER. Prior to his resignation, effective October 30, 1998, Digi was party to an employment agreement with Mr. Killmer dated September 16, 1996, which provided that Mr. Killmer would be paid a base salary at an annual rate of \$150,000, which the Committee increased to \$170,000 for fiscal 1998 and further increased, effective May 1, 1998, to \$210,000. Under his agreement, Mr. Killmer was also entitled to a cash bonus based on his percentage of achievement of objectives set by the Committee of up to 100% of his base salary in any fiscal year. For fiscal 1997, \$100,000 of Mr. Killmer's bonus was guaranteed. For fiscal 1998, the Committee determined to guarantee \$80,000 of Mr. Killmer's bonus. The Committee decreased the amount of Mr. Killmer's guaranteed bonus to 40% on May 1, 1998, resulting in a guaranteed bonus of \$63,333.33 (7/12 times \$80,000 plus 5/12 times \$40,000) for fiscal 1998. Mr. Killmer's employment agreement also provided for an option to purchase 30,000 shares of Digi's Common Stock at the fair market value on the date of grant, vesting over five years. This option was repriced as part of the May 8,

1997 repricing and the substitute option now vests over four years. In May and July 1997, Mr. Killmer was granted additional options to purchase 25,000 and 50,000 shares, respectively, vesting over five years. The 25,000 share option was granted at the fair market value on the date of grant and the 50,000 share option was granted at \$1.13 below the fair market value on the date of grant. In April 1998, Mr. Killmer was granted an option to purchase 30,000 shares of Digi's Common Stock at the fair market value on the date of grant, vesting over four years. Mr. Killmer's options would have vested in full in the event of his termination without cause or a "change in control" of Digi had either event occurred prior to his resignation. As a result of his resignation, all of the options granted to Mr. Killmer will expire on January 28, 1999 unless previously exercised. Finally, Mr. Killmer's employment agreement entitles him to the benefits and perquisites which Digi generally provides to its other employees under applicable plans and policies.

#### SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF PRINCIPAL STOCKHOLDERS AND MANAGEMENT

The following table sets forth, as of December 11, 1998, the beneficial ownership of Digi's Common Stock by each director, by each executive officer named in the Summary Compensation Table, by all directors and executive officers as a group, and by each stockholder who is known by Digi to own beneficially more than 5% of Digi's outstanding Common Stock.

AMOUNT AND NATURE OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP (1)	PERCENTAGE OF OUTSTANDING SHARES
62,135(2)	*
351,125(3)	2.4%
102,750(4)	*
33,812(5)	*
10,000(6)	*
23,850(7)	*
59,625(8)	*
115,786(9)	*
1,407,260(10)	9.6%
85,250(11)	*
2,251,593(12)	14.7%
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- Less than one percent.
- (1) Unless otherwise indicated in footnote below, the listed beneficial owner has sole voting power and investment power with respect to such shares.
- (2) Includes 30,000 shares covered by options which are exercisable within 60 days of the record date.
- (3) Includes 348,125 shares covered by options which are exercisable within  $60\ \text{days}$  of the record date.
- (4) Includes 83,500 shares covered by options which are exercisable within 60 days of the record date.
- (5) Includes 28,700 shares covered by options which are exercisable within 60 days of the record date.
- (6) Includes 10,000 shares covered by options which are exercisable within 60 days of the record date.
- (7) Includes 22,500 shares covered by options which are exercisable within 60 days of the record date. Includes 175 shares held by the IRA of Mr. Killmer's spouse and 1,000 shares held directly by Mr. Killmer's spouse. Mr. Killmer disclaims beneficial ownership for shares held by his spouse. Mr. Killmer held the office of Senior Vice President of Digi until his resignation effective October 30, 1998. Due to his resignation, Mr. Killmer's 22,500 options will lapse on January 28, 1999, unless previously exercised.

- (8) Includes 18,125 shares covered by options which are exercisable within 60 days of the record date. Includes 1,500 shares held directly by Mr. Moe's spouse. Mr. Moe disclaims beneficial ownership for the shares held by his spouse.
- (9) Includes 108,250 shares covered by options which are exercisable within 60 days of the record date.
- (10) Mr. Schinas' address is 11001 Bren Road East, Minnetonka, Minnesota 55343.
- (11) Includes 79,750 shares covered by options which are exercisable within 60 days of the record date.
- (12) Includes 319,625 shares covered by options which are exercisable within 60 days of the record date held by five non-employee directors of Digi and 409,325 shares covered by options which are exercisable within 60 days of the record date held by four executive officers of Digi.

# PRICE RANGE OF COMMON STOCK AND DIVIDEND POLICY

Digi's Common Stock has been traded in the over-the-counter market and quoted on the Nasdaq Stock Market under the symbol DGII since Digi's initial public offering on October 13, 1989. The following table sets forth, for the fiscal quarters indicated, the high and low sale prices for Digi's Common Stock as reported by the Nasdaq Stock Market.

	HIGH	LOW
FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1997:		
First Quarter	\$18.75	\$8.63
Second Quarter		6.75
Third Quarter		5.13
Fourth Quarter	16.00	9.88
FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1998:		
First Quarter	\$22.75	\$13.75
Second Quarter	28.63	17.00
Third Quarter		19.50
Fourth Quarter	25.25	9.63
FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1999:		
First Ouarter (through December 28, 1998)	\$16.38	\$ 8.56

On December 28, 1998, the last sale price for Digi's Common Stock as reported by the Nasdaq Stock Market was \$11.25 per share.

At December 11, 1998 the number of holders of Digi's Common Stock was approximately 6,651, consisting of 333 record holders and approximately 6,318 stockholders whose stock is held by a banking broker or other nominee.

Digi has never declared or paid any cash dividends on its capital stock. Digi currently intends to retain any earnings for use in its business and therefore does not anticipate paying any cash dividends in the foreseeable future.

# SELLING STOCKHOLDERS

The following table sets forth certain information regarding beneficial ownership of Digi's Common Stock as of December 11, 1998 and as adjusted to reflect the sale of shares offered by this prospectus by each selling stockholder.

	SHARES OWNED PRIOR TO OFFERING	SHARES OFFERED	SHARES OWNED AFTER OFFERING	
NAME 	NUMBER	NUMBER	NUMBER	PERCENT
VEW Energie AG Attention: Dr. Jens Huffer Abteilung HRE Rheinlanddamm 24 Dortmund, Germany 44047	102,939	102,939	0	*
James D. Norrod 16 Mountain Laurels Road Suite 301 Nashua, New Hampshire 03062	87,920	87,920	0	*
Prof. Dr. Klaus Rosenthal(1) c/o ITK Telekommunikation AG Joseph-von-Fraunhofer Str. 23 Dortmund, Germany 44227	85,751(2)	60,751	25,000(2)	*
Dr. Wolfgang Schroder(1) c/o ITK Telekommunikation AG Joseph-von-Fraunhofer Str. 23 Dortmund, Germany 44227	85,7512	60,751	25,000(2)	*
Prof. Dr. Firoz Kaderali Auf der Emat 137 Iserlohn, Germany 58638	60,751	60,751	0	*
Prof. Dr. Reinhard Rock Beethovenstr. 2 42781 Haan Germany	60,751	60,751	0	*
Prof. Dr. Horst Strunz Bergstr. 38 Rosrath, Germany 51503	60,751	60,751	0	*
Cisco Systems, Inc. c/o Van Dang 255 West Tasmon Drive Building J San Jose, California 95134	54,747	54,747	0	*

	SHARES OWNED PRIOR TO OFFERING	SHARES OFFERED	SHARES OWNED AFTER OFFERING	
NAME	NUMBER	NUMBER	NUMBER	PERCENT
J.F. Shea Company, Inc. 655 Brea Canyon Road Walnut, CA 91789-0489	12,701	12,701	0	*
GE Pension Trust 3003 Summer Street Stamford, CT 06905	8,692	8,692	0	*
Metropolitan Life Insurance Company 334 Madison Avenue Covent Station, NJ 07961-0633	2,542	2,542	0	*
Stephen B. Schwahn 1200 On the Mall, Apartment #207 Minneapolis, MN 55403	2,173	2,173	0	*
Robert G. Pagano 24 Swart Terrace Nashua, New Hampshire 03060	2,120	2,120	0	*
Gregory P. Sweenie 15 Ox Bow Lane Groton, Massachusetts 01450	1,802	1,802	0	*
Michael K. Ballard 93210 Fox Meadow Lane Potomac, Maryland 20854	1,590	1,590	0	*
Jack K. Ahrens, II c/o Pathfinder Venture Capital Fund 7300 Metro Blvd., Suite 585 Minneapolis, MN 55439	1,010	1,010	0	*
Threshold Ventures, Inc. 7580 E. Gray Road, Suite 203 Scottsdale, AZ 85260-3408	1,800	1,800	0	*
Uwe Sauerbrey(3) Oberste Kamp 5 Dortmund, Germany 44369	994(4)	169	825(4)	*
Russell Davies 1, New Cottages Collingbourne Ducis Nr Marlborough, Wiltshire SN8 3DY	636	636	0	*

	SHARES OWNED PRIOR TO OFFERING	SHARES OFFERED	SHARES OWNED AFTER OFFERING	
NAME	NUMBER	NUMBER	NUMBER	PERCENT
Norbert Szyperski In den Auen 6 Forsbach, Germany 51503	636	636	0	*
James Edelmann and Barbara Edelmann, JTWROS 45 Oldfield Drive Sherborn, Massachusetts 01770	437	437	0	*
William J. Schnoor, Jr. 194 Eliot Street Chestnust Hill, Massachusetts 02467	424	424	0	*
Penny Newman Hill View, Star Lane, Knowl Hill Maidenhead, Berkshires RG10 9XY United Kingdom	318	318	0	*
Matthias Markert(3) Albringhauser Str. 201 Wetter, Germany 58300	608(5)	127	481(5)	*
Mark Armitage 36 St. Margarets Mead Marlborough, Wiltshire SN8 4BA United Kingdom	56	56	0	*
Jan Elliger(3) Ortsmuhle 3 Dortmund, Germany 44227	111(6)	24	876	*
Frank te Heesen(3) Mont-Cenis-Str. 109b Herne, Germany 44627	876	24	876	*
Martin Twickler(7) St. Wolfgans Platz 9f Munchen, Germany 81669	818	44	378	*
Heike Isringhaus(3) Wesselstr. 24 Castrop-Rauxel, Germany	559	3	529	*

	OWNED PRIOR TO OFFERING	SHARES OFFERED	SHARES OWNED AFTER OFFERING	
NAME 	NUMBER	NUMBER	NUMBER	PERCENT
K.S. Kamal 11 Vandiemans Lane Littlemore, Oxford United Kingdom OX4 3QA	47	47	0	*
Ralf Bonenkamp(3) In der Oeverscheidt 129 Dortmund, Germany 44149	451(10)	9	361(10)	*
Ulrich Findeisen(3) Ostenbergstr. 26 Dortmund, Germany 44225	451(10)	9	361(10)	*
Frank Langenbeck(3) Huestr. 151 Essen, Germany 45309	451(10)	9	361(10)	*
Klaus Peters(3) Sonnenplatz 6 Dortmund, Germany 44137	451(10)	9	361(10)	*
Petra Langjahr Hellerstr. 38 Dortmund, Germany 44229	3	3	Θ	*

SHARES

# DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

At the date hereof, the authorized capital stock of Digi consists of 60,000,000 shares of Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share, of which 14,588,995 shares were outstanding on December 11, 1998, and 2,000,000 shares of Preferred Stock, par value \$.01 per share, none of which is outstanding.

<sup>(1)</sup> Director and employee of ITK International, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Digi, until December 31, 1998 at which time the selling stockholder will become a consultant to ITK International.

Includes options to purchase 25,000 shares of Digi's Common Stock.

<sup>(3)</sup> 

<sup>(4)</sup> (5)

Employee of ITK International, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Digi. Includes options to purchase 825 shares of Digi's Common Stock. Includes options to purchase 481 shares of Digi's Common Stock. Includes options to purchase 87 shares of Digi's Common Stock.

<sup>(6)</sup> 

Advisor to ITK International, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Digi. Includes options to purchase 37 shares of Digi's Common Stock. Includes options to purchase 52 shares of Digi's Common Stock. (7)

<sup>(8)</sup> 

<sup>(9)</sup> 

<sup>(10)</sup> Includes options to purchase 36 shares of Digi's Common Stock.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$  Represents beneficial ownership of less than one percent of Digi's outstanding Common Stock.

#### COMMON STOCK

Each holder of Common Stock is entitled to one vote per share on all matters voted upon by Digi's stockholders. Common stockholders have no preemptive or other rights to subscribe for additional shares or other securities of Digi. There are no cumulative voting rights, and, accordingly, holders of more than 50 percent of the outstanding shares of Common Stock will be able to elect all of the members of the Board of Directors.

Common stockholders are entitled to dividends in such amounts as may be declared by the Board of Directors from time to time from funds legally available therefor, but Digi has no present intention of paying any dividends. See "Price Range of Common Stock and Dividend Policy." In the event of liquidation, the common stockholders are entitled to share ratably in any of Digi's assets remaining after payment in full of creditors and preferred stockholders to the extent of any liquidation preferences.

The outstanding shares of Common Stock are validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

### PREFERRED STOCK

The Board of Directors is authorized, pursuant to Digi's Restated Certificate of Incorporation, to issue one or more series of Preferred Stock with respect to which the Board, without stockholder approval, may determine voting, conversion and other rights which could adversely affect the rights of holders of Common Stock. The rights of the holders of the Common Stock would generally be subject to the prior rights of the Preferred Stock with respect to dividends, liquidation preferences and other matters. Among other things, Preferred Stock could be issued by Digi to raise capital or to finance acquisitions. The issuance of Preferred Stock under certain circumstances could have the effect of delaying or preventing a change of control of Digi. Digi has no present plans to issue any shares of Preferred Stock.

## SHARE RIGHTS PLAN

Pursuant to the Share Rights Agreement, dated as of June 10, 1998, between Digi and Norwest Bank Minnesota, National Association, Digi distributed, as a dividend, one preferred share purchase right for each share of Common Stock outstanding as of June 30, 1998. Each Right entitles the registered holder to purchase from Digi one one-hundredth of a Digi Series A Junior Participating Preferred Share, \$.01 per share par value, at a price of \$115 per one one-hundredth of a Preferred Share, subject to adjustment.

Until the Distribution Date, as described below, (i) the Rights will be evidenced by Common Stock certificates and will be transferred with and only with the shares of Common Stock, (ii) new Common Stock certificates issued after the Record Date upon transfer or new issuance of shares of Common Stock will contain a notation incorporating the Rights Agreement by reference, and (iii) the surrender for transfer of any Common Stock certificate, even without such notation or a copy of the Summary of Rights attached thereto, will also constitute the transfer of the Rights associated with the shares of Common Stock represented by such certificate. As promptly as practicable following the Distribution Date, separate certificates evidencing the Rights will be mailed to holders of record of the shares of Common Stock as of the close of business on the Distribution Date and such separate Rights Certificates alone will evidence the Rights. The Rights will separate from the shares of Common Stock and a Distribution Date for the Rights will occur upon the earlier of: (i) the close of business on the fifteenth day following a public announcement that a person or group of affiliated or associated persons has become an "Acquiring Person" (i.e. has become, subject to certain exceptions, the beneficial owner of 20% or more of the outstanding shares of Common Stock), or (ii) the close of business on the fifteenth day following the commencement or public announcement of a tender offer or exchange offer the consummation of which would result in a person or group of affiliated or associated persons becoming, subject to certain exceptions, the beneficial owner of 20% or more of the outstanding shares of Common Stock (or such later date as may be determined by the Board of Directors prior to a person or group of affiliated or associated persons becoming an Acquiring Person). The Rights are not exercisable until the Distribution Date. The Rights will expire on June 30, 2008, unless extended or earlier redeemed or exchanged by Digi as described below.

In the event that any person or group of affiliated or associated persons becomes an Acquiring Person (unless such person first becomes an Acquiring Person pursuant to a tender offer or an exchange offer for all

outstanding shares of Common Stock at a price and on terms determined by the Board of Directors (prior to any change in control of the Board of Directors) to be fair to stockholders and otherwise in the best interests of Digi and its stockholders and which the Board of Directors recommends to the stockholders), proper provision shall be made so that each holder of a Right, other than Rights that are or were beneficially owned by the Acquiring Person (which will thereafter be void), will thereafter have the right to receive upon exercise thereof at the then current exercise price of the Right that number of shares of Common Stock having a market value of two times the exercise price of the Right, subject to certain possible adjustments.

In the event that after the Distribution Date or within 15 days prior thereto, Digi is acquired in certain mergers or other business combination transactions (other than a transaction for at least the same per-share consideration with a person who acquired shares of Common Stock through a tender offer or exchange offer for all outstanding shares of Common Stock approved by the Board of Directors in accordance with the preceding paragraph or any wholly owned subsidiary of such person) or 50% or more of the assets or earning power of Digi and its subsidiaries (taken as a whole) are sold after the Distribution Date or within 15 days prior thereto, in one or a series of related transactions, each holder of a Right (other than Rights which have become void under the terms of the Rights Agreement) will thereafter have the right to receive, upon exercise thereof at the then current exercise price of the Right, that number of common shares of the acquiring company (or, in certain cases, one of its affiliates) having a market value of two times the exercise price of the Right.

In certain events specified in the Rights Agreement, Digi is permitted to temporarily suspend the exercisability of the Rights.

At any time after a person or group of affiliated or associated persons becomes an Acquiring Person (subject to certain exceptions) and prior to the acquisition by a person or group of affiliated or associated persons of 50% or more of the outstanding shares of Common Stock, the Board of Directors may (if there has been no change in control of the Board of Directors) exchange all or part of the Rights (other than Rights which have become void under the terms of the Rights Agreement) for shares of Common Stock or equivalent securities at an exchange ratio per Right equal to the result obtained by dividing the exercise price of a Right by the current per share market price of the shares of Common Stock, subject to adjustment.

At any time prior to the close of business on the twentieth day after a public announcement that a person or group of affiliated or associated persons has become an Acquiring Person, the Board of Directors may redeem the Rights in whole, but not in part, at a price of \$.001 per Right, subject to adjustment, payable in cash; provided, however, that such redemption may occur after any person becomes an Acquiring Person only if there has not been a change in control of the Board of Directors. The period of time during which the Rights may be redeemed may be extended by the Board of Directors, if no such change of control has occurred or if no person has become an Acquiring Person. The redemption of the Rights may be made effective at such time, on such basis and with such conditions as the Board of Directors, in its sole discretion may establish.

The terms of the Rights may be amended by the Board of Directors, subject to certain limitations after the Distribution Date, without the consent of the holders of the Rights, including an amendment prior to the date a person or group of affiliated or associated persons becomes an Acquiring Person to lower the 20% threshold for exercisability of the Rights to not less that the greater of (i) the sum of .001% and the largest percentage of the outstanding shares of Common Stock then known by Digi to be beneficially owned by any person or group of affiliated or associated persons (subject to certain exceptions) or (ii) 10%.

Until a Right is exercised, the holder thereof, as such, will have no rights as a stockholder of Digi, including, without limitation, the right to vote or to receive dividends.

## CERTAIN CHARTER AND BY-LAW PROVISIONS

Digi's Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Amended and Restated By-Laws contain certain provisions, described below, that could delay, defer or prevent a change in control of Digi if the Board determines that such a change in control is not in the best interests of Digi and its stockholders, and could have the effect of making it more difficult to acquire Digi or remove incumbent management.

CLASSIFIED BOARD. Pursuant to the Restated Certificate of Incorporation, directors of Digi are divided into three classes and elected to serve staggered three-year terms. Under Delaware law, directors serving staggered terms can be removed from office only for cause.

ACTION BY WRITTEN CONSENT. Digi's Restated Certificate of Incorporation provides that all stockholder action by written consent must be unanimous.

SPECIAL MEETINGS OF STOCKHOLDERS. Special meetings of stockholders may be called upon for any purpose by the Chairman of the Board of Directors or the President of Digi, and must be called by either such officer upon the written request of a majority of the Board or a duly authorized committee of the Board. Stockholders do not have the power to call a special meeting.

NOMINATION PROCEDURES. The Amended and Restated By-Laws establish procedures, including advance notice procedures, with regard to the nomination, other than by or at the direction of the Board of Directors, of candidates for election as directors. In general, notice must be received by Digi not less than 60 days prior to meetings of stockholders of Digi.

VACANCIES. A vacancy on the Board of Directors occurring for any reason, including vacancies due to removal for cause, death, resignation or a newly created directorship, may be filled for the remainder of the term by the stockholders or by the Board by vote of a majority of the remaining directors, though less than a quorum.

AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS. Digi's Restated Certificate of Incorporation gives the Board of Directors of Digi the power to adopt, amend and repeal Digi's Amended and Restated By-Laws. This authority gives the Board of Directors flexibility by enabling it to amend the Amended and Restated By-Laws in response to changed circumstances without waiting for the next annual meeting of stockholders or incurring the delay and expense associated with calling and holding a special meeting of stockholders. Stockholders of Digi have the power to adopt, amend or repeal the Amended and Restated By-Laws of Digi, but only with the affirmative vote of at least 80% of the outstanding voting stock.

LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY. Digi's Restated Certificate of Incorporation limits the liability of directors, in their capacity as directors, to the full extent permitted by Delaware law. It provides that directors shall not be liable to Digi and its stockholders for monetary damages for a breach of their fiduciary duty, except (i) for any breach to the director's duty of loyalty to Digi or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of the law, (iii) for dividends, stock repurchases and other distributions made in violation of Delaware law, and (iv) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit. These provisions do not affect the availability of equitable remedies, such as an action to enjoin or rescind a transaction involving a breach of fiduciary duty, although, as a practical matter, equitable relief may not be available. The above provisions also may not limit director liability for violations of, or relieve them from the necessity of complying with, federal securities laws.

RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSACTIONS WITH AFFILIATES. Generally, the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of Digi's voting stock is necessary to authorize any agreement for consolidation, merger or sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of Digi's assets. However, Digi's Restated Certificate of Incorporation provides that if such transactions involve a beneficial holder of 20% or more of Digi's outstanding voting stock or a liquidation or dissolution of Digi proposed by such a substantial stockholder, or in the case of certain other specified transactions involving such a substantial stockholder, whether or not they otherwise require a stockholder vote, the affirmative vote of the holders of at least 80% of the outstanding shares of voting stock of Digi is required to authorize such transactions. The special voting requirements do not apply if the transaction is first approved by a majority of the directors (other than such 20% stockholder or related parties) who were members of the Board of Directors prior to the time that the substantial stockholder acquired such stock holdings, or whose election or nomination for election to the Board was approved by a majority of such directors, or if the consideration required to be paid in such transaction meets certain fair price criteria and is either cash or the same type of consideration used by such substantial stockholder in acquiring beneficial ownership of its largest portion of Digi's capital stock. A vote of at least 80% of the outstanding shares of Digi's voting stock is required to amend this special voting provision. Other amendments to Digi's Restated Certificate of Incorporation require an affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares entitled to vote thereon.

The requirement of a supermajority vote to approve certain corporate transactions and certain amendments to Digi's Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Amended and Restated By-Laws could enable a minority of Digi's stockholders to exercise veto powers over such transactions and amendments.

#### TRANSFER AGENT AND REGISTRAR

The Transfer Agent and Registrar for the Common Stock of Digi is Norwest Bank Minnesota,  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{N.A.}}$ 

### PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

the Nasdaq Stock Market or otherwise;

in the over-the-counter market;

in negotiated transactions;

through the writing of options on shares (whether the options are listed on an options exchange or otherwise); or

by a combination of these methods of sale.

The sales may be at market prices prevailing at the time of sale, at prices related to those prevailing market prices, or at negotiated prices. The selling stockholders may effect these transactions by selling shares through broker-dealers, and those broker-dealers may receive compensation in the form of underwriting discounts, concessions or commissions from the selling stockholders and/or purchasers of shares from whom they may act as agent (which compensation may be in excess of customary commissions). The selling stockholders and broker-dealers that participate with the selling stockholders in the distribution of shares may be deemed to be "underwriters" within the meaning of Section 2(11) of the Securities Act of 1933, and any commission received by them and any profit on the resale of shares may be deemed to be underwriting compensation.

Digi will bear all costs, expenses and fees in connection with the registration of the shares. The selling stockholders will bear all commissions and discounts, if any, attributable to the sales of the shares. The selling stockholders may agree to indemnify any broker-dealer or agent that participates in transactions involving sales of the shares against certain liabilities, including liabilities arising under the Securities Act.

## **EXPERTS**

The consolidated balance sheets of Digi International Inc. and its subsidiaries as of September 30, 1998 and 1997, and the related consolidated statements of operations, cash flows and stockholders' equity for each of the three years in the period ended September 30, 1998 and the consolidated balance sheets of ITK International, Inc. and its subsidiaries as of June 30, 1998 and 1997, and the related consolidated statements of operations, cash flows and stockholders' equity for each of the three years in the period ended June 30, 1998, included in this prospectus, have been included herein in reliance on the report of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, independent accountants, given upon their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

The financial statements of AetherWorks Corporation for the years ended September 30, 1997 and 1996, and the period from February 24, 1993 (inception) to September 30, 1997, included in this prospectus, have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, as set forth in their report accompanying such financial statements, and are included herein in reliance upon such report given upon the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

### WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

Digi files annual, quarterly and special reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy any document Digi files at the SEC's public reference rooms in Washington, D.C., New York, New York and Chicago, Illinois. You can also obtain copies of these documents by writing to the Public Reference Section of the SEC at 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the public reference facilities. Digi's SEC filings are also available to the public from the Digi web site at http://dgii.com or at the SEC's web site at http://www.sec.gov.

This prospectus also forms part of a Registration Statement on Form S-1 which Digi has filed with the SEC. This prospectus does not contain all of the information included in the Registration Statement. Certain information is omitted and you should refer to the Registration Statement and its exhibits. You may review a copy of the Registration Statement at the SEC's public reference rooms or at the web sites discussed above.

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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

TO THE STOCKHOLDERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF DIGI INTERNATIONAL INC.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated balance sheets and the related consolidated statements of operations, cash flows and stockholders' equity present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Digi International Inc. and subsidiaries (the Company), at September 30, 1998 and 1997 and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management; our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits of these statements in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards which require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for the opinion expressed above. As discussed in Note 5, the Company has recorded its investment in AetherWorks Corporation (AetherWorks) on the equity method; the 1997 and 1996 consolidated statements of operations include AetherWorks' net operating losses for the years ended September 30, 1997 and 1996 of \$5,764,201 and \$3,623,776, respectively. We did not audit the financial statements of AetherWorks, which statements were audited by other auditors whose report has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for AetherWorks net operating losses, is based solely on the report of other auditors.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Minneapolis, Minnesota December 11, 1998

FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,	1998	1997	1996
Net sales Cost of sales		\$ 165,597,937 85,482,536	
Gross margin		80,115,401	
Operating expenses:			
Sales and marketing Research and development General and administrative Acquired in-process research and development Restructuring	39,200,000	36,671,271 17,978,135 19,324,777 10,471,482	
Total operating expenses	110,474,583	84,445,665	79,944,927
Operating (loss) income Other income, net AetherWorks Corporation net operating loss AetherWorks Corporation gain (write-off))	(16,082,069) 1,818,286 1,350,000	(4,330,264) 153,809 (5,764,201) (5,758,548)	331,789 (3,623,776)
(Loss) income before income taxes Provision for income taxes	(12,913,783) 9,745,088	(15,699,204) 91,640	16,805,360 7,505,140
Net (loss) income		\$ (15,790,844)	
Net (loss) income per common share, basic		\$ (1.18)	\$ 0.70
Net (loss) income per common share, assuming dilution		\$ (1.18)	
Weighted average common shares, basic	13,729,765	13,393,408	13,323,564
Weighted average common shares, assuming dilution		13,393,408	

AT SEPTEMBER 30,	1998	1997
ASSETS		
Current assets: Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable, net Inventories, net Other	48,549,145 27,365,924	\$ 31,329,666 25,658,522 23,683,312 4,147,942
Total current assets		84,819,442
Property, equipment and improvements, net Intangible assets, net Other	31, 354, 483 2, 978, 883	23,617,696 6,876,597 2,997,601
Total assets		\$ 118,311,336 
LIABILITES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current Liabilities:  Borrowings under line of credit agreements Current portion of long-term debt Accounts payable Income taxes payable Accrued expenses: Advertising Compensation AetherWorks Corporation funding obligation Other Restructuring reserves	264,025 15,255,175 3,797,588 2,651,742 6,776,292 9,808,835 5,254,000	\$ 10,118,921 1,771,986 2,847,672 2,388,468 3,350,000 2,363,258
Total current liabilities		22,840,305
Long-term debt Other	11,124,446 275,000	
Total liabilities	65,914,103	22,840,305
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholders' equity: Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value: 2,000,000 shares authorized; none outstanding Common stock, \$0.01 par value; 60,000,000 shares authorized; 15,790,975 and 14,727,25 shares issued Additional paid-in capital Retained earnings Cumulative foreign currency translation adjustment	6 157,910 68,695,448 52,455,031 (815,809	44,403,102 75,113,902
Unearned stock compensation Treasury stock, at cost, 1,247,094 and 1,269,492 shares	(3,777,204	) (1,787,658) ) (22,405,588)
Total stockholders' equity	94,820,564	95,471,031
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity		\$ 118,311,336

FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,	1998	1997	1996
Operating activities: Net (loss ) income	\$ (22,658,871)	\$(15,790,844) \$	9,300,220

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Adjustments to reconcile net (loss) income to	Ψ (22,030,011)	Ψ(13,790,044)	Ψ 9,300,220
cash provided by (used in) operating activities:			
Acquired in-process research and development	39,200,000		
Restructuring	1,020,000	9,211,713	
Depreciation of property and equipment	5,174,725		5,017,735
Amortization of intangibles	2,540,480		1,320,457
AetherWorks Corporation net loss	(4 050 000)	5,764,201	3,623,776
AetherWorks Corporation (gain) write-off	(1,350,000)		222 222
Loss on sale of fixed assets Provision for losses on accounts receivable	159,498 708,992		238,222 262,164
Provision for inventory obsolescence	3,414,270	2 010 099	202,104 1 455 905
Deferred income taxes	(790 544)	2,910,988 (1,787,933)	(303 153)
Stock compensation	1,012,440		204,973
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:	2,022,	2,000	20.70.0
Accounts receivable	(17,687,833)	15, 283, 125	(11, 176, 126)
Inventories	(569, 839)		(7,808,974)
Income taxes payable (receivable)	883,900	3,447,612	(1,545,461)
Other assets	(3 226 694)	713 772	(1 953 252)
Accounts payable	279,238	(2,430,817)	443,223
Accrued expenses	2,279,156	153,448	(664,452)
Tabal addustments			
Total adjustments	33,047,789	52,444,428	(10,974,973)
Not each provided by (used in) operating			
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	10 388 018	36,653,584	(1 674 753)
activities	10,300,910	30,033,384	(1,074,755)
Investing activities:			
Purchase of property and equipment and certain			
other intangible assets	(5,816,163)	(8,841,473)	(12,902,436)
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets			1,133,197
Proceeds from held-to-maturity marketable securities			20,640,962
Proceeds from available-for-sale marketable securities			13,060,000
Purchase of held-to-maturity marketable securities			(482, 187)
Purchase of available-for-sale marketable securities	(07.050.500)		(5,250,000)
Business acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(27, 356, 560)	(6 500 000)	(F 206 F2F)
Investment in AetherWorks Corporation	(2,000,000)	(6,500,000)	(5,290,525)
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities		(15, 341, 473)	
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Financing activities:			
Payments on long-term debt	(73,000)		
Proceeds from the issuance of long-term debt	2,064,865		
Purchase of treasury stock	(153,750)		(7,249,325)
Stock option transactions, net	2,310,572	539,838	1,659,838
Employee stock purchase plan transactions, net	471,629	539, 838 534, 327	200,888
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	4 620 216	1 074 165	(E 300 E00)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	4,620,316	1,074,165	(5,388,599)
Effect of exchange rates changes on cash and			
cash equivalents	(810,809)		
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(20,974,298)	22,386,276	3,839,659
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	\$ 31,329,666	\$ 8,943,390	\$ 5,103,731
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period		\$ 31,329,666	\$ 8,943,390
Supplemental Cach Elows Informations			
Supplemental Cash Flows Information: Interest paid	\$ 224,730	\$ 208,000	\$ 224,730
Income taxes paid	\$ 7,463,578		\$ 8,944,627
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alances, September 30, 1995	14,562,958	\$145,630		\$(16,631,542)	\$41,306,320
urchase of treasury stock, at cost mployee stock purchase issuances			315,000 (8,835)	(7,249,325) 200,888	
ssuance of stock options at below			(8,833)	200,000	
market prices					12,500
ock compensation					
suance of stock upon exercise of stock options	114,192	1,142			1,159,569
ax benefit realized upon exercise	114, 152	1,142			1,133,303
of stock options					499,127
orfeiture of stock options					(110,758)
et income					
alances, September 30, 1996	14,677,150	146,772	1,338,894	(23,679,979)	42,866,758
nployee Stock Purchase issuances			(69,402)	1,274,391	(740,064)
ssuance of stock options at below			. , ,		. , ,
market prices					1,892,015
tock compensation ssuance of stock upon exercise of					
stock options, net of withholding	50,106	501			379,720
ax benefit realized upon exercise	,				,
of stock options					159,617
orfeiture of stock options et loss					(154,944)
alances, September 30, 1997	14,727,256	147,273	1,269,492	(22,405,588)	44,403,102
ssuance of stock for acquisitions	775,837	7,758	45.000	(450)	17,870,562
urchase of treasury stock, at cost mployee Stock Purchase issuances			15,000 (37,398)	(153,750) 664,526	(192,897)
ssuance of stock options at below			, , ,	,	
market prices tock compensation					3,171,305
ssuance of stock upon exercise of					
	207 202				2,307,694
stock options, net of withholding	287,882	2,879			2,001,004
ax benefit realized upon exercise	287,882	2,879			
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Balances, September 30, 1997	75,113,902	(1,787,658)		95,471,031
Issuance of stock for acquisitions				17,878,320
Purchase of treasury stock, at cost				(153,750)
Employee Stock Purchase issuances				471,629
Issuance of stock options at below				
market prices		(3,171,305)		
Stock compensation		1,012,440		1,012,440
Issuance of stock upon exercise of				
stock options, net of withholding				2,310,573
Tax benefit realized upon exercise				
of stock options				1,305,001
Forfeiture of stock options		169,319		
Foreign currency translation adjustment			\$(815,809)	(815,809)
Net loss	(22,658,871)			(22,658,871)
Balances, September 30, 1998	\$52,455,031	\$(3,777,204)	\$(815,809)	\$94,820,564
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### SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### BUSINESS DESCRIPTION

Digi International is a leading worldwide provider of data communications products for open systems, server-based remote access, Internet telephony, and local area network (LAN) applications. Digi's communications products support a broad range of server platforms and network operating systems that enable people to access information.

Digi's products are marketed through a global network of distributors, system integrators, original equipment manufacturers (OEMs), as well as thousands of value-added resellers (VARs).

### PRINCIPLES OF CONSOLIDATION

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

### CASH EQUIVALENTS AND MARKETABLE SECURITIES

The Company considers all highly liquid investments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents, while those having original maturities in excess of three months are classified as marketable securities and generally consist of U.S. Government and U.S. Government-backed obligations and high-grade commercial paper. Marketable securities classified as held to maturity are carried at amortized cost. Marketable securities classified as trading or available-for-sale are recorded at market value. The Company had no marketable securities as of September 30, 1998 or 1997.

## REVENUE RECOGNITION

Sales are recognized to distributors, VARs, and end-users at the date of shipment. Estimated warranty costs and customer returns are recorded at the time of sale.

The Company offers rebates to authorized domestic and international distributors and authorized resellers. The rebates are incurred based on the level of sales to the respective distributors and resellers, and are charged to operations in the same period as the corresponding sales.

## INVENTORIES

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or fair market value, with cost determined on the first-in, first-out method. Fair market value for raw materials is based on replacement cost and for other inventory classifications based on net realizable value. Appropriate consideration is given to deterioration, obsolescence and other factors in evaluating net realizable value.

## PROPERTY, EQUIPMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS

Property, equipment and improvements are carried at cost. Depreciation is provided by charges to operations using the straight-line method based on estimated useful lives, ranging from three to 39 years.

Expenditures for maintenance and repairs are charged to operations as incurred, while major renewals and betterments are capitalized. The assets and related accumulated depreciation accounts are adjusted for asset retirements and disposals with the resulting gain or loss included in operations.

The Company's cost of business process reengineering activities, whether done internally or by third parties, is expensed as incurred.

## INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Purchased technology, license agreements, covenants not to compete and other intangible assets are recorded at cost. Goodwill represents the excess of cost over the fair value of identifiable assets acquired and is being amortized on a straight-line basis over periods ranging from five to 15 years. All other intangible assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives of one to seven years.

The Company periodically, at least quarterly, analyzes intangible assets for potential impairment, assessing the appropriateness of lives and recoverability of unamortized balances through measurement of undiscounted operating cash flows on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.

Research and development costs are expensed when incurred. Software development costs are expensed as incurred. Such costs are required to be expensed until the point that technological feasibility and proven marketability of the product are established. Costs otherwise capitalized after such point also are expensed because they are insignificant.

## INCOME TAXES

Deferred income taxes are recognized for the tax consequences in future years of differences between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their financial reporting amounts at each year end based on enacted tax laws and statutory tax rates applicable to the periods in which the differences are expected to affect taxable income. Income tax expense is the tax payable for the period and the change during the period in deferred tax assets and liabilities.

Tax credits are accounted for under the flow-through method, which recognizes the benefit in the year in which the credit is utilized.

# INCOME (LOSS) PER COMMON SHARE

Net income (loss) per share has been calculated for all periods pursuant to the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 128, which the Company adopted in the first quarter of fiscal 1998. Basic net income (loss) per share is calculated based on only the weighted average of common shares outstanding during

the period. Net income (loss) per share, assuming dilution, is computed by dividing net income (loss) by the weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding. The Company's only common stock equivalents are those that result from dilutive common stock options. The calculation of diluted earnings per common share for 1996 includes 259,904 of such common stock equivalents. The calculation of diluted loss per common share for 1998 and 1997 excludes 835,670 and 236,165 equivalent shares, respectively, of the Company's common stock attributable to common stock options because their effect would be antidilutive.

### FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION

Financial position and results of operations of the Company's international subsidiaries generally are measured using local currencies as the functional currency. Assets and liabilities of these operations are translated at the exchange rates in effect at each fiscal year-end. Statements of operations accounts are translated at the average rates of exchange prevailing during the year. Translation adjustments arising from the use of differing exchange rates from period to period are included in the cumulative translation account in stockholders' equity.

### USE OF ESTIMATES

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The most significant areas which require the use of management's estimates relate to the determination of the estimated fair value and lives of acquired in-process research and development and other acquired intangible assets, allowances for obsolete inventories, uncollectable accounts receivable and sales returns and accruals for warranty costs.

## NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

In June 1997, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 130, "Reporting Comprehensive Income." The statement establishes standards for the reporting and display of comprehensive income and its components. Comprehensive income is defined as the change in equity of a business enterprise during a period from transactions and other events and circumstances from non-owner sources. It includes all changes in equity during a period except those resulting from investments by owners and distributions to owners. This standard will require that an enterprise display an amount representing total comprehensive income for the period. Statement No. 130 will be initially effective for the first quarter of the Company's fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. Adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 130 will not impact the results of operations or the financial position of the Company.

In June 1997, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 131, "Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information," which supersedes Statement No. 14. This statement changes the way that public business enterprises report segment information, including financial and descriptive information about their operating segments, in annual financial statements and would require that those enterprises report selected segment information in interim financial reports to stockholders. Operating segments are defined as revenue-producing components of the enterprise which are generally used internally for evaluating segment performance. Statement No. 131 will be effective for the Company beginning with the first quarter of the Company's fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. Management has not yet completed its analysis of the effects of this Statement on its financial reporting.

In June 1998, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities." Statement No. 133 will be effective for the Company beginning with the Company's fiscal year ending September 30, 2000. As the Company presently has no derivative instruments and is not involved in hedging activity, the Company does not expect the adoption of Statement No. 133 to have an impact on the results of operations or the financial position of the Company.

In October 1997, Statement of Position 97-2, "Software Revenue Recognition" (SOP 97-2), was issued. SOP 97-2 provides guidance on when revenue should be recognized and in what amounts for licensing, selling, leasing or otherwise marketing computer software. SOP 97-2 will become effective for the Company's fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. The adoption of SOP 97-2 is not expected to have a significant impact on the results of operations or financial position of the Company.

# 2 ACQUISITIONS

In July 1998, the Company acquired all of the outstanding common stock of ITK International, Inc. (ITK). The transaction was accounted for using the purchase method of accounting. Accordingly, the purchase price was allocated to the estimated fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed.

Components of the purchase consideration, including related transaction costs, consist of \$14,767,154 in cash, the Company's common stock with a market

value of \$11,671,229 and \$1,276,436 of replacement stock options issued by the Company to ITK option holders. The cash and the Company's common stock were issued in exchange for outstanding shares of ITK's common stock and the Company's stock options were issued in exchange for the outstanding ITK common stock options. The value of the Company's common stock issued was based on a per share value of approximately \$20.25, which was the market value of the Company's

stock on the date the Company and ITK agreed to the terms of the purchase. The value of the Company's common stock options is based on the excess of the market value of the Company's common stock over the option exercise prices on the date that these options were granted to ITK employees. The purchase price will increase by \$963,323 if the unvested portion of stock options granted to the ITK employees vest. Such amount has been recorded as unearned stock compensation.

Valuation of the intangible assets acquired was determined by an independent appraisal company and consists of purchased in-process research and development (IPR&D), proven technology and an assembled workforce. The purchase price exceeded the estimated fair value of tangible and intangible assets acquired by \$7,130,253, which was recorded as goodwill.

The table below is an analysis of the purchase price allocation.

Cash and fair value of Company's common stock and common stock options issued \$ 26,276,436 1,438,383 Direct acquisition costs ITK liabilities assumed, including estimated restructuring and integration costs of \$3,484,000 39,784,248 Total purchase price 67,499,067 Estimated fair value of tangible assets acquired 21,668,814 Estimated fair value of: 26,000,000 Identifiable intangible assets 12,700,000 Goodwill 7.130.253 \$67,499,067

Management, based upon an independent appraisal, estimates that \$26,000,000 of the purchase price represents the fair value of purchased IPR&D that had not yet reached technological feasibility and has no alternative future use. The amount allocated to IPR&D was expensed as a non-recurring, non-tax-deductible charge upon consummation of the acquisition. The Company is using the acquired in-process research and development in the area of Internet protocol telephony, which will become part of the Company's product line over the next several years.

The identifiable intangible assets of \$12,700,000 included in the purchase price allocation set forth above are comprised of proven technology with an appraised fair value of \$11,300,000 and an assembled workforce with an appraised fair value of \$1,400,000, which have estimated useful lives of five years and six years, respectively. The remaining unallocated purchase price represents goodwill, which is being amortized over seven years.

In July 1998, the Company acquired all of the outstanding common stock of Central Data Corporation (CDC). The transaction was accounted for using the purchase method of accounting. Accordingly, the purchase price was allocated to the estimated fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed, including estimated restructuring and integration costs of \$750,000.

Components of the purchase consideration, including related transaction costs, consist of \$14,261,965 in cash, the Company's common stock with a market value of \$4,039,475 and \$891,184 of replacement stock options issued by the Company to CDC option holders. The cash and the Company's common stock were issued in exchange for outstanding shares of CDC's common stock and the Company's stock options were issued in exchange for the outstanding CDC common stock options. The value of the Company's common stock issued was based on a per share value of approximately \$20.25, which was the market value of the Company's common stock on the date the Company and CDC agreed to the terms of the purchase. The value of the Company's common stock options is based on the excess of the market value of the Company's common stock over the option exercise prices on the date that these options were granted to CDC employees. The purchase price will increase by \$1,230,683 if the unvested portion of stock options granted to the CDC employees vest. Such amount has been recorded as unearned stock compensation.

Valuation of the intangible assets acquired was determined by an independent appraisal company and consists of purchased in-process research and development (IPR&D), proven technology and an assembled workforce. The purchase price exceeded the estimated fair value of tangible and intangible assets acquired by \$1,034,833, which was recorded as goodwill.

The table below is an analysis of the purchase price allocation.

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Cash and fair value of Company's common stock and common stock options issued	\$ 18,891,184
Direct acquisition costs	301,440
CDC liabilities assumed, including estimated restructuring and integration costs of \$750,000	4,394,617
Total purchase price	23,587,241
Estimated fair value of tangible assets acquired	5,252,408
Estimated fair value of:	
IPR&D	13,200,000
Identifiable intangible assets	4,100,000
Goodwill	1,034,833
	\$ 23,587,241

Management, based upon an independent appraisal, estimates that \$13,200,000 of the purchase price represents the fair value of purchased IPR&D that had not yet reached technological feasibility and has no alternative future use. The amount allocated to IPR&D was expensed as a non-recurring, non-tax-deductible charge upon consummation of the acquisition. The Company is using the acquired in-process research and development to create new products based on the Universal Serial Bus, which will become part of the Company's product line over the next several years.

The identifiable intangible assets of \$4,100,000 included in the purchase price allocation set forth above are comprised of proven technology with an appraised fair value of \$3,700,000, and an assembled workforce with an appraised fair value of \$400,000,

which have estimated useful lives of five years and six years, respectively. The remaining unallocated purchase price represents goodwill, which is being amortized over seven years.

The following unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated results of operations have been prepared as if the acquisitions of ITK and CDC had occurred as of the beginning of fiscal 1998 and 1997:

YEARS	1998		1998 1997		1997	
Net sales	\$	220,271,670	\$	194,605,937		
Net loss	\$	(42,794,201)	\$	(76,316,007)		
Net loss per share	\$	(2.88)	\$	(5.39)		

The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated results of operations are not necessarily indicative of results that would have occurred had the acquisitions been in effect for the years presented, nor are they necessarily indicative of the results that will be obtained in the future.

### 3 RESTRUCTURING

Facilities closure costs

In July 1998, the Company's Board of Directors approved a restructuring plan related to the consolidation of its offices in Germany and the United Kingdom. The restructuring plan relates to the elimination of existing facilities rendered redundant by the acquisition of ITK. The charge of \$1,020,000 (\$647,000 net of tax benefits or \$0.04 per share), consisted primarily of existing commitments for rent, contractual payments on office equipment, write-offs of leasehold improvements and severance costs associated with eliminating six positions. Management of the Company expects that these restructuring activities will be completed by the end of the second quarter of fiscal year 1999.

In connection with the Company's acquisition of ITK, the Company has implemented a plan of reorganization and accordingly, has recognized a \$3,484,000 restructuring liability which the Company has included as a component of total liabilities assumed in the acquisitions. The components of the restructuring liability are as follows:

Personnel costs \$ 1,844,000

\$ 1,844,000 1,640,000 ------\$ 3,484,000

Management of the Company expects to complete these restructuring activities by the end of the third quarter of fiscal year 1999. No amounts of this liability have been paid as of September 30, 1998.

In connection with the Company's acquisition of CDC, the Company has implemented a plan of reorganization and accordingly, the Company has recognized a \$750,000 restructuring liability which the Company has included as a component of total liabilities assumed in the acquisition. The components of the restructuring liability are as follows:

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Management of the Company expects to complete these restructuring activities by the end of the second quarter of fiscal year 1999. No amounts of this liability have been paid as of September 30, 1998.

In February 1997, the Company's Board of Directors approved a restructuring plan that resulted in a restructuring charge of \$10,471,482 (\$8,283,681, net of tax benefits or \$0.62 per share). The corporate restructuring plan resulted in consolidation and reduced costs and expenses. It included the closing of the Cleveland manufacturing facility, the reduction of selected product lines and the consolidation and closing of the Torrance, California and Nashville, Tennessee research and development facilities. These costs included: (i) write downs of the carrying values of fixed assets related to the closed manufacturing and research and development facilities, (ii) write downs of the carrying values of goodwill and identifiable intangible assets (primarily licensing agreements

related to the discontinued product lines) and related inventories, and (iii) severance costs associated with the elimination of 105 positions. These restructuring activities were completed in fiscal year 1997.

The restructuring charge consisted of \$1,259,769 in net cash expenditures (primarily severance), of which all had been paid as of September 30, 1997, and \$9,211,713 resulting from the write-down of asset carrying values.

## 4 RECLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN EXPENSES

Certain costs relating to systems support and communications costs, which previously were included in general and administrative expenses, have been reclassified into sales and marketing and research and development expenses for the years September 30, 1997 and 1996. Such amounts were \$2,647,207 in 1997 and, \$2,707,024 in 1996. These reclassifications had no impact on previously reported operating income, or net income.

## 5 INVESTMENT IN AETHERWORKS CORPORATION

In May 1998, the Company exchanged its previously purchased \$13,796,525 of convertible notes from AetherWorks Corporation, a development stage company engaged in the development of wireless and dial-up remote access technology, for a non-interest bearing \$8,000,000 non-convertible note. As a part of the exchange, the Company relinquished its rights to any future technology or claims on any of AetherWorks' intellectual properties. In exchange, the Company has been released from all of its guarantees of certain lease obligations of AetherWorks. As a result, the Company has

reversed its \$1,350,000 accrual established in the fourth quarter of 1997, for the estimated cost related to its guarantee of such lease obligations and has included such amount in AetherWorks Corporation gain for the year ended September 30, 1998.

Due to the significant uncertainty as to its collectibility, the \$8,000,000 note, which matures in 2001, has been recorded by the Company as having no carrying value.

The Company continues to lease to AetherWorks \$1,325,000 of computer equipment under a three-year direct financing lease, expiring in 2000.

For the years 1997 and 1996, the Company has reported its investment in AetherWorks on the equity method and reported net losses of \$5,764,201 and \$3,623,776, respectively. These losses, which exclude \$5,758,548 of additional charges accrued as of September 30, 1997 as described below, represent 100% of AetherWorks net losses for the two years. The percentage of AetherWorks net losses included in the Company's Statement of Operations was based upon the percentage of financial support provided by the Company (versus other investors) to AetherWorks during such years.

Because of the significant uncertainty of the future of AetherWorks Corporation, as demonstrated by its lack of ability to generate positive cash flow, obtain other sources of equity financing and its continued uncertainty in developing commercially marketable products, the Company decided, as of September 30, 1997, to write off its remaining investment of \$2,408,548 in AetherWorks, and to accrue and expense its remaining obligation to purchase \$2,000,000 of additional notes. In addition, the Company also accrued \$1,350,000 for its obligation resulting from its guarantees of certain AetherWorks' lease obligations as of September 30, 1997.

The following represents condensed financial information from the audited statements of AetherWorks for the years ended September 30, 1997 and 1996:

### AETHERWORKS CORPORATION

BALANCE SHEET DATA, AS OF SEPTEMBER 30,	1997	1996
Current assets Fixed assets Total assets Current liabilities Notes payable Stockholders' deficit	\$ 955,695 \$ 104 4,813,266 3,993 5,578,887 4,407 1,467,836 3,942 16,016,747 6,105	,731 ,779 ,032 ,467
OPERATING DATA FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, Operating expenses: Research and development	(11,905,696) (5,639 \$ 3,505,134 \$ 2,567	, ,
General and administrative Other Eliminations	2,069,304 999 1,169,345 481 (979,582) (424	,247 ,007
Net loss	\$(5,764,201) \$(3,623	,776) 

The "eliminations line" item represents interest expense payable to the Company for interest due on the notes issued by AetherWorks to the Company. This amount is excluded from the AetherWorks loss as the Company has eliminated the corresponding interest income from its Consolidated Statements of Operations.

## SELECTED BALANCE SHEET DATA

	1998	1997
Accounts receivable, net:		
Trade accounts receivable Less reserve for returns and	\$ 53,618,657	\$ 28,225,088
doubtful accounts	5,069,512	2,566,566
	\$ 48,549,145	\$ 25,658,522
Inventories, net: Raw materials	\$ 16,814,657	¢ 10 160 277
Work in process Finished goods	\$ 16,814,657 2,922,442 10,735,483	\$ 10,160,377 8,704,357 7,011,357
Less reserve for obsolescence	30,472,582 3,106,658	25,876,091 2,192,779
	\$ 27,365,924	\$ 23,683,313

Property, equipment and improvements:		
Land	\$ 2,774,300	\$ 1,800,000
Buildings	19,912,614	10,522,285
Improvements	554,932	629,240
Equipment	20,859,857	18,377,899
Purchased software	6,968,127	5,186,787
Furniture and fixtures	929,889	927,859
	51,999,720	37,444,070
Less accumulated depreciation	18,008,797	13,826,374
	\$ 33,990,923	\$ 23,617,696
Intangible assets:		
Purchased technology	\$ 15,910,858	\$ 910,859
License agreements	3,476,400	1,133,900
Assembled workforce	1,800,000	
0ther	1,483,836	1,772,035
Goodwill	14,529,328	6,364,242
	37,200,422	10,181,036
Less accumulated amortization	5,845,939	3,304,439
	\$ 31,354,483	\$ 6,876,597

# 7 BORROWING UNDER LINE OF CREDIT AGREEMENTS

The Company maintains lines of credit with various financial institutions which provide for borrowings of up to \$25,707,000. As of September 30, 1998, \$10,707,000 has been borrowed under these line of credit agreements. These line of credit agreements are uncollateralized and provide for interest rates ranging from 4.5% to 10.6% as of September 30, 1998.

#### LONG-TERM DEBT

Long-term debt consists of the following at September 30, 1998

5.5% fixed rate long-term collateralized note \$ 1,854,490 1,256,240 5.2% fixed rate long-term collateralized note 6.0% fixed rate long-term collateralized note 538,450 6.3% fixed rate long-term collateralized note 4,784,959 Variable rate long-term collateralized note 250,000 Long-term collateralized mortgage note 623,471 6.0% fixed rate long-term uncollateralized note 1,555,010 6.0% to 10.6% subsidized long-term notes 525,851 \$ 11,388,471 Less current portion 264,025 \$ 11,124,446

The 5.5% fixed rate long-term note is payable in semi-annual installments beginning September 2000. The 5.2% fixed rate long-term note is payable in semi-annual installments beginning June 2001. The 6.0% fixed rate long-term note is due in full on September 30, 2003. The 6.3% fixed rate long-term note is payable in semi-annual installments beginning March 2000. These notes are collateralized by land, buildings and equipment with a book value of \$10,576,458. Interest on the notes is payable on a quarterly basis.

The variable rate long-term collateralized note is payable in quarterly principal payments and monthly interest payments. The interest rate is the bank's lending rate plus 0.75%. This rate as of September 30, 1998 was 9.25%. The note is collateralized by accounts receivable, inventory and property and equipment with a book value of \$4,713,573.

The Long-term mortgage note bears interest at a fixed rate of 8.85% through February 2003 and then at prime plus 2.5%. The rate of interest is subject to adjustment every five years with a maximum rate of 12.5% for years 10-15 and 14.5% for years 15-20. The note and interest is payable in monthly installments. The note is collateralized by a building and certain equipment of the Company.

The 6.0% fixed rate long-term uncollateralized note is due in full in November 2001. Interest is payable annually.

The subsidized long-term notes bear interest rates ranging from 6% to 10.6% and are due at various dates through 2006. All borrowings under these notes are uncollateralized.

Aggregate maturities of long-term debt are as follows:

# FISCAL YEAR

1999	\$ 264,025	
2000	436,291	
2001	462,562	
2002	2,048,046	
2003	1,131,762	
Thereafter	7,045,785	
	\$ 11,388,471	

# 9 INCOME TAXES

The components of the provision for income taxes for the years ended September 30, 1998, 1997, and 1996 are as follows:

	1998	1997	1996
Currently payable: Federal State Deferred	\$ 9,768,928 766,704 (790,544)	\$ 1,737,116 142,457 (1,787,933)	\$ 6,977,337 920,956 (393,153)

\$ 9,745,088	\$ 91,640	\$ 7,505,140

	1998	1997
Valuation reserves	\$ 2,673,443	\$ 1,740,540
Inventory valuation	430,501	800,364
Compensation costs	1,007,367	248,470
Depreciation	102,133	193,525
Net deferred tax asset	\$ 4,213,444	\$ 2,982,899

The reconciliation of the statutory federal income tax rate with the effective income tax rate for the years ended September 30, 1998, 1997, and 1996 is as follows:

	1998		1996
Statutory income tax rate	(35.0)%	(34.0)%	35.0%
Increase (reduction) resulting from: Utilization of research and development tax credits		(0.9)	(1.7)
Utilization of low income housing credits	2.8	1.7	
State taxes, net of federal benefits	3.9		3.6
AetherWorks Corporation net operating loss		12.5	8.0
AetherWorks Corporation write-off		9.6	
Acquired in-process research and development	106.3		
Restructuring charges		9.3	
Tax contingencies		4.7	
Foreign and other	(2.5)	(2.8)	• •
	75.5%	0.1%	44.7%

# 10 STOCK OPTIONS AND EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN

The Company's stock option plan (the Stock Option Plan) provides for the issuance of nonstatutory stock options and incentive stock options (ISOs) to key employees and nonemployee board members holding less than 5% of the outstanding shares of the Company's common stock. The Company's Non-Officer Stock Option Plan (the Non-Officer Plan and, together with the Stock Option Plan, the Plans), provides for the issuance of nonstatutory stock options to key employees who are not officers or directors of the Company.

The option price for ISOs and non-employee directors options granted under the Stock Option Plan is set at the fair market value of the Company's common stock on the date of grant. The option price for nonstatutory options granted under the Plans is set by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors. The authority to grant options under the Plans and set other terms and conditions rests with the Compensation Committee. The Stock Option Plan terminates in 2006. The Non-Officer Plan does not have a designated termination date.

During the years ended September 30, 1998, 1997, and 1996, 287,882, 50,106, and 114,192 shares of the Company's Common Stock, respectively, were issued upon the exercise of options for 289,353, 50,167, and 123,959 shares, respectively. The difference between shares issued and options exercised results from the provision in the Plans allowing employees to elect to pay their withholding obligation through share reduction. Withholding taxes paid by the Company as a result of the share withholding provision amounted to \$28,871 in 1998, \$5,171 in 1997, and \$186,927 in 1996.

During the year ended September 30, 1998 the Board of Directors authorized the issuance of incentive stock options for the purchase of 486,631 shares. In addition, the Board of Directors authorized the issuance of nonstatutory stock options for the purchase of 543,461 shares, at prices below the market value of the stock on the grant dates.

During the year ended September 30, 1997 the Board of Directors authorized the cancellation and reissue of nonstatutory stock options to certain employees for the purchase of 823,326 shares, at an exercise price below the market value of the stock. Under this authorization, the original option issues were canceled and new options were issued with a new four-year vesting schedule. During the year ended September 30, 1996, the Board of Directors authorized the issuance of nonstatutory stock options for the purchase of 2,500 shares at prices below the market value of the stock on the grant date.

The difference between the option price and market value at the date of grant for the above option arrangements has been recorded as additional paid-in capital with an offsetting debit within stockholders' equity to unearned stock compensation. The compensation expense related to these option grants is amortized to operations over the contractual vesting period in which employees perform services and amounted to \$1,012,440 in 1998, \$244,569 in 1997, and \$204,793 in 1996.

Stock options and common shares reserved for grant under the Plans are as follows:

STOCK OPTIONS

		OPTIONS OUTSTANDING	
BALANCES, SEPTEMBER 30, 1995	1,318,038	1,497,095	\$ 16.41
Granted Exercised	. , , ,	1,186,525 (123,959)	
Cancelled		(223,001)	
BALANCES, SEPTEMBER 30, 1996	354, 514	2,336,660	\$ 18.14
Additional shares approved for grant	500,000		
Granted Exercised	(1,509,701)	1,509,701 (50,617)	8.62 7.71
Cancelled	1,879,636	(1,879,636)	19.01
BALANCES, SEPTEMBER 30, 1997	1,224,449	1,916,108	\$ 10.01
Additional shares approved for grant	750,000		
Granted Exercised		1,254,525 (289,353)	
Cancelled	150,013	(150,013)	12.79
BALANCES,			
SEPTEMBER 30, 1998	869,937	2,731,267	\$ 12.75

Commencing April 1996, the Company has sponsored an Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the Purchase Plan) which covers all domestic employees with at least 90 days of service. The Purchase Plan allows eligible participants the right to purchase common stock on a quarterly basis at the lower of 85% of the market price at the beginning or end of each three-month offering period. Employee contributions to the plan were \$658,118 in 1998, \$534,327 in 1997, and \$200,888

in 1996. Pursuant to the Purchase Plan, 37,398, 69,402, and 8,835 shares were issued to employees during the fiscal years ended 1998, 1997 and 1996, respectively. As of September 30, 1998, 384,365 shares are available for future issuances under the Purchase Plan.

## 11 STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

In accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation" (SFAS 123), the Company has chosen to continue to account for stock-based compensation using the intrinsic value method prescribed in Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees," and related interpretations. Accordingly, compensation costs for stock options granted to employees are measured as the excess, if any, of the fair value of the Company's stock at the date of the grant over the amount an employee must pay to acquire the stock. Such compensation costs, if any, are amortized on a straight-line basis over the option vesting schedule.

Had the Company used the fair-value-based method of accounting for its stock options granted in 1998, 1997 and 1996, and charged operations over the option vesting periods based on the fair value of options at the date of grant, net (loss) income and net (loss) income per common share would have been changed to the following pro forma amounts:

	1998	1997	1996
Net (loss) income As reported Pro forma	\$(22,658,871) \$ (25,832,432)		
Net (loss) income per share - basic As reported	\$ (1.65)	\$ (1.18)	
Pro forma  Net (loss) income per share - assuming dilution	(1.88)	(1.30)	0.64
As reported Per forma	\$ (1.65) \$ (1.88)	\$ (1.18) \$ (1.30)	\$ 0.68 \$ 0.63

The weighted average fair value of options granted in fiscal years 1998, 1997 and 1996 was \$12.29, \$12.47 and \$10.14, respectively. The weighted average fair value was determined based upon the fair value of each option on the grant date, utilizing the Black-Scholes option-pricing model and the following assumptions:

ASSUMPTIONS:	1998	1997	1996	
Risk free interest rate Expected option holding period Expected volatility Expected dividend yield	5.49% 4 years 60% 0	6.02% 4 years 40% 0	5.99% 4 years 50% 0	

At September 30, 1998, the weighted average exercise price and remaining life of the stock options are as follows:

RANGE OF EXERCISE PRICES	\$0.50	\$2.36-3.19	\$3.78-3.92	\$5.91-8.88 \$	9.40-14.00	\$14.50-21.50 \$	22.00-29.25	TOTAL	
Total options outstanding	3,000	146,451	32,418	1,166,807	295,751	770,965	315,875	2,731,267	
Weighted average remaining contractual life (years)	0.67	7.70	1.91	8.00	7.78	8.75	8.20	8.11	
Weighted average exercise price Options exercisable		\$ 2.53 112,498	\$ 3.83 27,127	\$ 7.73 513,849	\$11.57 115.784	\$17.98 108,338	\$25.44 82,625	\$ 12.75 963,221	
Weighted average exercise price	,	,	,	,	,	,	, -	,	
of exercisable options	\$ 0.50	\$ 2.58	\$ 3.84	\$ 7.58	\$ 11.87	\$ 18.04	\$ 24.17	\$ 9.98	

## 12 SHARE RIGHTS PLAN

The Company has adopted a share rights plan. Under the plan, the Company will distribute as a dividend one right for each share of the Company's common stock outstanding on June 30, 1998. Each right will entitle its holder to buy one one-hundreth of a share of a new series of junior participating preferred stock at an exercise price of \$115, subject to adjustment. The rights will be exercisable only if certain ownership considerations are met. The Company will be entitled to redeem the rights prior to the rights becoming exercisable.

## 13 COMMITMENTS

The Company has entered into various operating lease agreements, the last of which expires in fiscal 2013. Below is a schedule of future minimum commitments under noncancellable operating leases:

FISCAL YEAR	AMOUNT
1999	\$ 1,341,848
2000	1,143,148
2001	826,430
2002	385,510
2003	74,000
Thereafter	836,000

Total rental expense for all operating leases for the years ended September 30,

1998, 1997 and 1996 was \$1,786,715, \$1,405,582 and \$965,710, respectively.

## 14 EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN

The Company has a savings and profit sharing plan pursuant to Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code ("the Code"), whereby eligible employees may contribute up to 15% of their pre-tax earnings, not to exceed amounts allowed under the Code. In addition, the Company may make contributions to the plan at the discretion

of the Board of Directors. The Company accrued \$240,000 as a matching contribution for 1998. No Company contribution was made in 1997 or 1996.

#### 15 FOREIGN SALES AND MAJOR CUSTOMERS

Foreign export sales, primarily to Europe, comprised 21.1%, 23.9%, and 20.0% of net sales for the years ended September 30, 1998, 1997 and 1996, respectively.

During 1998, one customer accounted for 15.5% of net sales and 26% of the trade accounts receivable as of September 30, 1998, while another accounted for 13.7% of net sales and 10% of the trade accounts receivable as of September 30, 1998.

During 1997, one customer accounted for 15.1% of net sales while another accounted for 10.5% of net sales. In addition, one customer accounted for 28% of the trade accounts receivable outstanding as of September 30, 1997.

During 1996, one customer accounted for 13.9% of net sales and 11.8% of accounts receivable as of September 30, 1996, while another accounted for 13.4% of net sales and 14.3% of accounts receivable as of September 30, 1996.

## 16 GEOGRAPHIC SEGMENTS

Summary information regarding the Company's operations in the United States and international markets is presented below. International consists primarily of European operations.

	1998	1997	1996
NET SALES			
United States International	\$171,385,998 11,545,672	\$160,181,397 5,416,540	\$188,897,751 4,253,147
Total	\$182,931,670	\$165,597,937	\$193,150,898
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) United States International	\$ 24,519,769 (381,838)	\$ 6,037,670 103,548	\$ 19,682,936 414,411
Total (1)	\$ 24,137,931	\$ 6,141,218	\$ 20,097,347
IDENTIFIABLE ASSETS United States International	\$138,552,610	\$116,100,151	\$128,820,114
	22,182,057	2,211,185	1,118,715
Total	\$160,734,667 	\$118,311,336 	\$129,938,829 

(1) EXCLUDES ACQUIRED IN-PROCESS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CHARGE OF \$39,200,000 FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1998 AND ALSO EXCLUDES \$1,020,000 AND \$10,471,482 OF RESTRUCTURING CHARGES FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1998 AND 1997, RESPECTIVELY.

## 17 FOURTH QUARTER INFORMATION

A provision for inventory obsolescence of \$1.9 million was recorded during the three-month period ended June 30, 1998. This provision was reversed during the three-month period ended September 30, 1998.

# 18 CONTINGENCIES

During fiscal 1997, the Company and certain of its previous officers were named as defendants in a series of putative securities class action lawsuits in the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota on behalf of an alleged class of purchasers of its common stock during the period January 25, 1996 through December 23, 1996, inclusive, which were consolidated, through a Consolidated Amended Complaint filed in May 1997. Also in 1997, a similar but separate action was filed by the Louisiana State Employees Retirement System. The Consolidated Amended Complaint and the Louisiana Amended Complaint allege the Company and certain of its previous officers violated federal securities laws by, among other things, misrepresenting and/or omitting material information concerning the Company's operations and financial results. The Louisiana Amended Complaint also alleges misrepresentations in violation of state common law.

In a decision issued on May 22, 1998, the District Court granted in part

and denied in part the motions of the Company and its three former officers to dismiss the Consolidated Amended Complaint and the Louisiana Amended Complaint. The Court dismissed without leave to replead all claims asserted in both cases, except for certain federal securities law claims based upon alleged misrepresentations and/or omissions relating to the accounting treatment applied to the Company's AetherWorks investment. The Court also limited the claims asserted in the Louisiana Amended Complaint to the 11,000 shares of the Company's stock held subsequent to November 14, 1996. These claims remain pending against the Company and two of its former officers, Ervin F. Kamm, Jr. and Gerald A. Wall. Discovery in the actions is proceeding.

Because the lawsuits are in preliminary stages, the ultimate outcomes cannot be determined at this time, and no potential assessment of the probable or possible effects of such litigation, if any, on the Company's financial position, liquidity or future operations can be made.

In the normal course of business, the Company is subject to various claims and litigation. Management of the Company expects that these various litigation items will not have a material adverse effect on the results of operations or financial condition of the Company.

#### Report of Independent Auditors

Board of Directors and Shareholders AetherWorks Corporation

We have audited the balance sheets of AetherWorks Corporation (a development stage company) as of September 30, 1997 and 1996, and the related statements of operations, shareholders' equity (deficit) and cash flows for the years then ended and the period from February 24, 1993 (inception) to September 30, 1997. These financial statements, not separately presented herein, are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of AetherWorks Corporation (a development stage company) at September 30, 1997 and 1996, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended and the period from February 24, 1993 (inception) to September 30, 1997, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

The financial statements referred to above have been prepared assuming the Company will continue as a going concern. As discussed in Note 10 to the financial statements, the Company's deficit accumulated during the development stage raises substantial doubt about its ability to continue as a going concern. The Company intends to obtain additional financing to permit it to continue its operations. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Minneapolis, MN October 28, 1997

#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of ITK International, Inc.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated balance sheet and the related consolidated statements of operations, of changes in stockholders' deficit and of cash flows present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of ITK International, Inc. and its subsidiaries (the "Company") at June 30, 1998 and 1997, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended June 30, 1998, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management; our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits of these statements in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards which require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for the opinion expressed above.

As described in Note 13, the Company was acquired on July 29, 1998.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Boston, Massachusetts October 26, 1998

1998 1997 1996 \$ 32,699 \$ 22,188 \$ 26,331 24,353 12,857 13,848 Revenues Cost of revenues Gross profit 8,346 9,331 12,483 Operating expenses: Selling, general and administrative Research and development 14,224 10,402 4,916 2,148 24,034 6,784 19,140 12,550 Total operating expenses 30,818 Loss from operations (22,472) (9,809) (67) Other income (expense): Interest income 152 115 14 (152) 14 (973) 519 Interest expense (1,585)607 Other income, net 519 231 \$ (23,298) \$ (10,148) Income (loss) before income taxes 963 169 Income taxes 17 \$ (23,315) \$ (10,317) \$ (937) Net loss

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\$ (0.98) \$ (0.58) \$ (0.07)

23,746 17,830 14,325

14,325

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Net loss per common share:

Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding:

Basic and diluted

Basic and diluted

	1998	1997
ASSETS Current assets: Cash	\$ 2,373	\$ 429
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$607 and \$195 at June 30, 1998 and 1997, respectively Inventories, net Prepaid expenses and other currrent assets	3,019 5,267 678	3,615 7,271 556
Total current assets	11,337	11,871
Property and equipment, net Intangible assets, net Other assets	4, 405 247	9,934 535 - \$ 22,340
Total assets	\$ 26,657	\$ 22,340
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDER'S DEFICIT Current liabilities: Demand notes payable Accounts payable Accrued expenses Accrued compensation Current portion of long-term debt  Total currrent liabilities  Long-term debt, less current portion  Total liabilities  Commitments and contingencies (Note 6)	\$ 14,168 4,756 5,573 1,847 115  26,459 9,511	\$ 8,717 4,278 910 888 109
Stockholders' deficit: Common stock, \$.001 par value, 33,000,000 shares authorized, 27,392,904 and 19,179,680 shares issued and outstanding at June 30, 1998 and 1997, respectively Additional paid-in capital Deferred compensation Accumulated deficit Cumulative translation adjustment Total stockholders' deficit Total liabilities and stockholders' deficit	(3,307) (42,891) (90)  (9,313)  \$ 26,657	(205) (1,259)  \$ 22,340

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

	1998	1997	1996
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Net loss Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by operating activities:	\$(23,315)	\$(10,317)	\$ (937)
Depreciation and amortization Provision for doubtful accounts Amortization of deferred compensation	2,327 412 1,793	811 145	403 -
Loss on sale of property and equipment Changes in operating assets and liabilities, excluding effects of acquired business:	403	26	-
Accounts receivable Inventories Prepaid expenses and other current	4,191 5,630	1,768 1,077	(1,716) (3,297)
assets Other assets Accounts payable	50 104 (1,444)	(203) 111 (1,191)	377
Accrued expenses and compensation  Net cash used by operating	2,421	(365)	508 
activities	(7,428)	(8,138)	(4,898)
Cash flows from investing activities: Purchases of property and equipment Cash of acquired business Proceeds from sale of property and	(641) 3,111	(8,496) -	(2,261)
equipment	73	167	7
Net cash used in investing activities	2,543	(8,329)	(2,254)
Cash flows from financing activities: Proceeds from issuance of common stock Dividends paid	-	17,180 (8,912)	-
Proceeds from debt issuance  Net cash provided by financing	6,271	8,312	7,117
activities	6,331	16,580	
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents Effect of exchange rate changes on	1,446	113	(35)
cash and cash equivalents Cash at beginning of year	498 429	80 236	(370) 641
Cash at end of period	\$ 2,373	\$ 429	\$ 236
Cash paid during the period for: Interest Income taxes	\$ 972 670	\$ 631 690	\$ 259 143
NONCASH INVESTING AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES: Common stock issued on Merger with	h 44 =2:		•
ITK AG Capital contribution, land received from shareholder	\$ 11,724 1,569	\$ - -	\$ - -

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

	COMMON	STOCK	ADDITIONAL PAID-IN	ACCUMULATED	DEFERRED	CUMULATIVE TRANSLATION	TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY
	SHARES	AMOUNT	CAPITAL	DEFICIT	COMPENSATION	ADJUSTMENT	(DEFICIT)
Balance, June 30, 1995 Net loss Foreign currency translation	14,325,080	\$ 14	\$ 1,328	\$ 590 (937)	\$ -	\$ 53 (141)	\$ 1,985 (937) (141)
Balance, June 30, 1996	14,325,080	14	1,328	(347)	-	(88)	907
Issuance of common stock Dividends paid Net loss Foreign currency translation	4,854,600	5	17,175	(8,912) (10,317)		(117)	17,180 (8,912) (10,317) (117)
Balance, June 30, 1997	19,179,680	19	18,503	(19,576)	-	(205)	(1,259)
Contributed capital Issuance of common stock upon Merger with ITK AG	7,609,860	7	1,569 11,717				1,569 11,724
Exercise of common stock options Compensation related to the grant of common stock options Amortization of deferred compensation Net loss Foreign currency translation	603,364		59 5,100	(23,315)	(5,100) 1,793	115	1,793 (23,315) 115
Balance, June 30, 1998	27,392,904	\$ 27	\$ 36,948	\$ (42,891)	\$ (3,307)	\$ (90)	\$ (9,313)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED TIMANCIAE STATEMENTS

#### DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS

ITK International, Inc. and its subsidiaries (the "Company") design, manufacture, sell, market and support a broad range of high performance remote network access products. These products enable customers to build: (i) dial-up local area network ("LAN") inter-networks that provide remote offices, telecommuters and mobile computer user access to corporate networks; (ii) remote LAN access networks that provide access to the Internet; and (iii) mission critical wide area network access facilities that provide LAN or host access over the public switched telephone network. The Company markets its products worldwide through distributors, value added resellers and service providers. The Company also sells its modem products to certain original equipment manufacturers.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries. All intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated.

On August 7, 1997, Telebit Incorporated ("TI") consummated a merger (the "Merger") with ITK Telekommunikation AG ("ITK AG"), a German corporation. The Company's common stock was recapitalized and ITK AG's stockholders received an aggregate of 19,179,680 previously unissued shares of common stock of the Company, representing 66.5% of the common stock outstanding upon consummation of the Merger. Due to the majority ownership received by ITK AG's stockholders, the Merger was accounted for as a "reverse acquisition" such that TI was designated as the acquired entity and ITK AG the acquirer. Accordingly, the consolidated balance sheet as of June 30, 1997 and the related consolidated statements of operations, of cash flows and of changes in stockholders' equity (deficit) for each of the two years in the period ended June 30, 1997 represent the historical results of ITK AG and its subsidiaries. The results of operations of TI are included in the consolidated financial statements from August 7, 1997. In addition, the Company changed its name concurrent with the Merger from "Telebit Incorporated" to "ITK International, Inc." See Note 3.

All shares of common stock, options and per share amounts included in the accompanying financial statements have been adjusted to give retroactive effect to the recapitalization for all years presented.

## USE OF ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the dates of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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#### REVENUE RECOGNITION

Revenue relating to products sold is recognized upon transfer of legal title, which is generally upon shipment. The Company derives a significant percentage of its revenue from sales to distributors. Under the Company's standard distribution agreements, distributors are granted certain "stock balancing" and "price protection" rights. The Company provides reserves for such returns or price adjustments at the time the related revenue is recorded, based on historic rates of returns or price adjustments. The Company's stock balancing and price protection obligations have historically been within management's expectations.

## CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK

Financial instruments which potentially expose the Company to concentrations of credit risk consist principally of cash and trade accounts receivable. The Company places its cash with financial institutions which management believes are of high credit quality.

#### FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The carrying amount of the Company's financial instruments, which include cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable, accrued expenses, notes payable and long-term debt, approximates their fair value at the balance sheet dates.

#### TNIVENTODIES

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost, determined on the first-in, first-out (FIFO) basis, or market.

#### PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment are recorded at cost. Depreciation is based on the following estimated useful lives of the assets using the straight-line method:

Buildings 25 years Office equipment 4-10 years

Expenditures for additions, renewals and betterments of property and equipment are capitalized. Expenditures for repairs and maintenance are charged to expense as incurred. As assets are retired or sold, the related cost and accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts and any resulting gain or loss is included in the results of operations.

## INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Intangible assets, comprised primarily of acquired technology (Note 3), are recorded at their fair value determined at time of acquisition. Amortization is based on the estimated useful lives of the assets of 4 years, using the straight-line method.

The Company periodically analyzes intangible assets for potential impairment, assessing the appropriateness of lives and recoverability of unamortized balances through measurement of undiscounted operating cash flows on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.

#### INCOME TAXES

The Company recognizes deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences of events that have been included in the Company's consolidated financial statements. Under this method, deferred tax liabilities and assets are determined based on the difference between the financial statement and tax bases of assets and liabilities using currently enacted tax rates for the year in which the differences are expected to reverse. The Company records a valuation allowance against net deferred tax assets if, based upon the available evidence, it is more likely than not that some or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized.

#### NET LOSS PER COMMON SHARE

For each of the years presented, basic and diluted earnings per share are the same due to the antidilutive effect of potential common shares outstanding. Antidilutive potential common shares excluded from the computation of diluted loss per share for the fiscal year 1998 include 4,617,848 common shares issuable upon the exercise of stock options.

## FOREIGN CURRENCY

The accounts of foreign subsidiaries are translated using exchange rates in effect at period-end for assets and liabilities and at average exchange rates during the period for results of operations. The local currency for all foreign subsidiaries is the functional currency. The related transaction adjustments are reported as a separate component of stockholders' equity (deficit). Gains or losses resulting from foreign currency transactions are included in other income (expense) and were immaterial for all periods presented.

#### NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

In June 1997, the FASB issued SFAS No. 130, "Reporting Comprehensive Income". The statement establishes standards for the reporting and display of comprehensive income and its components. Comprehensive income is defined as the change in equity of a business enterprise during a period from transactions and other events and circumstances from non-owner sources. It includes all changes in equity during a period except those resulting from investments by owners and distributions to owners. This standard will require that an enterprise display an amount representing total comprehensive income for the period. SFAS No. 130 will be effective for the Company's fiscal year ending June 30, 1999. Adoption of SFAS No. 130 is not expected to impact the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In June 1997, the FASB issued SFAS No. 131, "Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information" which supersedes SFAS No. 14. This statement changes the way that public business enterprises report segment information, including financial and descriptive information about their operating segments, in annual financial statements and would require that those enterprises report selected segment information in interim financial reports to stockholders. Operating segments are defined as revenue-producing components of the enterprise which are generally used internally for evaluating segment performance. SFAS No. 131 will be effective for the Company beginning with the Company's fiscal year ending June 30, 1999. Adoption of SFAS No. 131 will not impact the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In June 1998, the FASB issued SFAS No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities." The statement requires that all derivative instruments be recorded each period in current earnings or other comprehensive income, depending on whether a derivative is designated as part of a hedge transaction and, if it is, the type of hedge transaction. The ineffective portion of all hedges will be recognized in current-period earnings. SFAS No. 133 will be effective for the Company beginning with the Company's fiscal year ending June 30, 2000. As the Company has no derivative instruments and is not involved in hedging activity, the Company does not expect the adoption of SFAS No. 133 to have an impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

# 3. MERGER OF TELEBIT INCORPORATED AND ITK AG

As described in Note 1, on August 7, 1997, Telebit Incorporated ("TI") consummated a merger (the "Merger") with ITK Telekommunikation AG ("ITK AG"), a German corporation.

The Merger was accounted for using the purchase method. The purchase price for financial accounting purposes was determined to be \$11,724,000, based upon an independent appraisal of the 7,609,860 shares of common stock and the 2,051,000 options to purchase common stock of the Company received upon the Merger by former stockholders and option holders of TI.

The following summarizes the allocation of the purchase price to the estimated fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed as of August 7, 1997 (in thousands):

Assets acquired:	
Cash	\$ 3,111
Accounts receivable	3,183
Inventories	4,126
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	172
Property, plant and equipment	1,054
Other assets	259
Identifiable intangible assets	4,650
Cost in excess of net assets acquired	262
Liabilities assumed:	
Accounts payable	(1,922)
Accrued expenses	(3,171)
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Total purchase price	\$11,724
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The identifiable intangible assets consist primarily of acquired technology valued at \$3,900,000, as well as established customer base, workforce and trademark. The identifiable intangible assets were fair valued by an independent appraisal based on discounted cash flow analyses.

The following unaudited pro forma information is presented to illustrate the results of operations had the Merger occurred on July 1, 1996 (in thousands, except share data):

	Year ended		
	June 30,		
	1998	1997	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Total revenues	\$ 35,202	\$ 41,449	
Loss from operations	(22,769)	(19,635)	
Net loss	(23,958)	(20,758)	
Loss per share - basic and diluted	\$ (0.88)	\$ (0.82)	

The above pro forma results of operations are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations which actually would have been realized had the Merger occurred as of July 1, 1996, nor of the future results of the combined companies.

# 4. INVENTORIES

Inventories consist of the following (in thousands):

	June 30,		
	1998	1997	
Raw materials Work in process Finished goods	\$ 1,270 601 3,396	\$ - 1,130 6,141	
	\$ 5,267	\$ 7,271	

# 5. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment consists of the following (in thousands):

	June 30,			
	=	1998		1997
Land Buildings	\$	749 8,845	\$	749 7,081
Office equipment		4,516		4,150
Construction in progress		-		157
Less accumulated depreciation		14,110 (3,442)		12,137 (2,203)
	\$ :	10,668	\$	9,934

Depreciation expense relating to property and equipment was \$1,394,000,\$137,000 and

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\$276,000 for the fiscal years 1998, 1997 and 1996, respectively.

## . COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

#### OPERATING LEASES

The Company leases facilities under various operating leases. Future minimum lease payments under noncancelable operating leases with initial or remaining terms of one or more years consisted of the following at June 30, 1998 (in thousands):

1999	\$	933
2000		404
2001		187
2002		122
2003		74
Thereafter		773
Total future minimum lease payments	\$ 2	2,493

Rental expense during the fiscal years 1998, 1997 and 1996 was \$805,000, \$295,000 and \$225,000, respectively.

# 7. DEMAND NOTES PAYABLE

On June 12, 1998, the Company entered into a \$5,000,000 loan facility with Digi International Inc. (see Note 13). Under this loan facility, Digi International Inc. has advanced \$5,000,000 to the Company as a demand note payable. The outstanding balance of this demand note payable bears interest at 8 percent. The Company has pledged as collateral for this demand note payable 98,400 common shares of ITK AG.

At June 30, 1998, short-term liabilities exist with banks in the amount of \$9,168,000. These amounts are due daily. Interest is calculated quarterly and is also due daily.

The weighted average interest rate on demand notes payable was 4.6% and 4.9% at June 30, 1998 and 1997, respectively.

#### 8. LONG-TERM DEBT

Long-term debt consists of the following (in thousands):

	1998	1997
5.2% fixed rate long-term collateralized note 6.0% Fixed rate long-term collateralized note 6.3% fixed rate long-term collateralized note 6.0% fixed rate long-term uncollateralized note 6.0% subsidized long-term note	\$2,882 1,498 4,433 574 239	\$1,782 1,546 4,597 591 290
Total long-term debt Less: current maturities	9,626 (115)	8,806 (109)
	\$9,511	\$8,697

The 5.2% fixed rate long-term note is payable in semi annual installments beginning June 2001. Interest is payable on a quarterly basis. The 6.0% fixed rate long-term note is payable in full in September 2003. Interest is payable on a quarterly basis. The 6.3% fixed rate long term note is payable in semi annual installments beginning March 2000. Interest is payable on a semi-annual basis. These notes are collateralized by certain land, building and equipment.

The 6.0% fixed rate long term note is due in full on November 5, 2001. Borrowings under this note are uncollateralized.

The 6.0% subsidized long term note is payable in quarterly installments. Interest is payable on a quarterly basis. Borrowings under this note are uncollateralized.

Aggregate maturities of long-term debt over the next five fiscal years are as follows: \$115,000 in 1999, \$213,000 in 2000, \$407,000 in 2001, \$1,870,000 in 2002, \$429,000 in 2003 and \$6,592,000 thereafter.

# 9. STOCK PLANS

The Company maintains two stock plans. The 1996 Stock Option Plan (the "1996 Plan") provided for the issuance of up to 5,000,000 shares of common stock pursuant to the grant of incentive and non-qualified stock options. The Company does not intend to issue any additional options under the 1996 Plan, but options that are forfeited will become available for grant under the 1997 Stock Option Plan (the "1997 Plan").

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stock option grants.

Under the terms of the 1997 Plan, employees, directors and certain other individuals may be awarded incentive stock options, nonqualified stock options or restricted stock. The 1997 Plan provides for the issuance of a maximum of 3,000,000 shares of common stock, plus such additional number of shares that become available due to the forfeiture of options granted under the 1996 Plan. Non-qualified options may be granted to any employee, officer, director or consultant at an exercise price per share to be determined by the Board of Directors on the date

of grant. Options granted under the 1997 Plan are exercisable over periods determined by the Board of Directors, not to exceed ten years

In fiscal year 1997, the Company adopted SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation." SFAS No. 123 requires that companies either recognize compensation expense for grants of stock, stock options and other equity instruments based on fair value or provide pro forma disclosure of net income and earnings per share in the notes to the financial statements as if such method had been applied. The Company adopted the pro forma disclosure provisions of SFAS No 123 in fiscal 1997 and has applied APB Opinion No. 25 and related interpretations in accounting for all of its

Stock option activity is summarized as follows:

	NUMBER	WEIGHTED AVERAGE EXERCISE
	OF SHARES	PRICE
Outstanding at June 30, 1997		\$
Options of acquired company	2,707,167	0.10
Granted	4,595,000	0.10
Forfeited	(2,085,494)	0.10
Exercised	(598,825)	0.10
Outstanding at June 30, 1998	4,617,848	0.10
Options available for future grant	2,755,344	

Information related to the stock options outstanding at June 30, 1998 is as follows:

RANGE OF EXERCISE PRICE	NUMBER OF OPTIONS	WEIGHTED AVERAGE REMAINING CONTRACTUAL LIFE	EXERCISABLE NUMBER OF OPTIONS
\$ .10	4,617,848	9.36 vears	2,213,468

Had compensation cost for the Company's stock option grants been determined based on the fair value at the grant dates, as calculated in accordance with SFAS No. 123, the Company's net loss and net loss per common share (both basic and diluted) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1998 would not have been materially different from the amount reported. Because options vest over several years and additional option grants are expected to be made in subsequent years, the pro forma impact above is not representative of the pro forma effects for future years.

The fair value of each option granted during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1998 was estimated  $\,$ 

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on the date of grant using the minimum value method utilizing the following weighted-average assumptions: (1) expected risk-free interest rate of 5.4% to 5.7%; (2) expected option life of 7 years; (3) expected stock volatility of 0%; and (4) expected dividend yield of 0%. The weighted average fair value per option for options granted in fiscal year 1998 was \$1.11.

In accordance with APB No. 25, deferred compensation recorded under the 1997 Plan during the year ended June 30, 1998 was \$5,100,000 which is being amortized to expense over the vesting periods of the related options. The related compensation expense recorded for the year ended June 30, 1998 was \$1,793,000.

As discussed in Note 13, on July 29, 1998, Digi International Inc. acquired the Company. In connection with the acquisition, each option holder of the Company received an option to purchase common stock of Digi International Inc.

## 10. INCOME TAXES

The income tax provision consisted entirely of current foreign tax expense of \$17,000, \$169,000 and \$963,000 in fiscal years 1998, 1997 and 1996, respectively. Since the Merger, the Company has incurred losses for tax purposes and, accordingly, has not provided for any current or deferred federal and state income taxes.

Domestic and foreign income (loss) before income taxes for the fiscal years 1998, 1997 and 1996 is as follows (in thousands):

	1998	1997	19	96
Domestic	\$(11,933)	\$ -	\$	-
Foreign	(11,365)	(10,148)		26
	\$ 23,298	\$(10,148)		26

The following is a reconciliation between the provision for income taxes based upon U.S. statutory income tax rates and the Company's effective income tax expense (in thousands):

	19	998	1	.997	1	1996
Income taxes (benefit) at federal statutory rates Foreign tax rate differential Amortization of intangible assets State taxes (net) Research and development credits Valuation allowance adjustments Nondeductible expenses	(	8,154) 4,419) 669 (709) (142) 2,650 122	(	3,552) 1,404) - - - 5,125	\$	9 (337) - - - 710 217
Other		-		-		364
	\$	17	\$	169	\$	963

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The components of the net deferred tax asset are as follows (in thousands):

	1998	1997
Net operating loss carryforwards Research and development credits Depreciation Accrued expenses Accounts receivable Other	\$ 18,991 143 652 168 38 229	\$ 7,169 - 7 7 202 186
Total gross deferred tax assets	20,221	7,571
Valuation allowance	(20,221)	(7,571)
Total net deferred tax asset	\$ - 	\$ -

Under SFAS No. 109, the benefit associated with future deductible temporary differences is recognized if it is more likely than not that a benefit will be realized. Based on historical evidence of net losses, the Company has recorded a valuation allowance that offsets the full amount of its net deferred tax assets.

As of June 30, 1998, the Company had U.S. and state net operating loss ("NOL") carryforwards of approximately \$13,601,000 and \$11,481,000, respectively, available to offset future taxable income, which expire at various dates through 2011.

A subsequent change in the Company's ownership as defined in Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code may significantly limit the future utilization of the federal NOL carryforwards incurred prior to an ownership change. In fiscal year 1997 and in July 1998, substantial changes in the ownership of the Company occurred.

At June 30, 1998, the Company's foreign subsidiaries had NOL carryforwards of approximately \$24,586,000.

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#### 11. GEOGRAPHIC DATA

The Company's operations are conducted in one business segment in the United States and Europe. Geographic information about the Company for fiscal years 1998, 1997 and 1996 is as follows:

	1998	1997	1996
Revenues United States Europe		\$ 32 22,156	
	\$ 32,699	\$ 22,188	\$ 26,331
Loss from operations: United States Europe		\$ (775) (9,034)	
	\$(22,472) 	\$ (9,809)	\$ (67)
Identifiable assets: United States Europe	20, 264	\$ 734 21,606 	17,103

## 12. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

The Company sponsors a qualified 401(k) Plan which covers all eligible employees of the Company. The Company made no matching contributions to the plan during fiscal years 1998, 1997 and 1996.

# 13. SUBSEQUENT EVENT

On July 29, 1998, Digi International Inc. ("Digi") acquired 100% of the outstanding common stock of the Company for \$13.3 million in cash, 576,357 shares of common stock of Digi and 125,174 options to purchase Digi common stock issued to all existing option holders of the Company. Accordingly, the Company became a wholly owned subsidiary of Digi. The acquisition of the Company will be accounted for by Digi using the purchase method. Certain restructuring activities are expected as a result of the acquisition by Digi.

The following unaudited pro forma condensed statement of operations for the twelve month period ended September 30, 1998 gives effect to the acquisition of ITK International, Inc. (ITK) by Digi International, Inc. (the Company) using the purchase method of accounting. The unaudited pro forma condensed statement of operations is presented for illustrative purposes only and is not necessarily indicative of the combined results of operations for future periods or the results that actually would have been realized had the Company and ITK been a combined company during the specified period. The pro forma condensed statement of operations, including the notes thereto, are qualified in their entirety and should be read in conjunction with the historical consolidated financial statements of the Company and ITK.

The unaudited pro forma condensed statement of operations is based on the respective historical consolidated statement of operations and the notes thereto of the Company and ITK. The purchase price was allocated to the estimated fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed. The preliminary purchase price allocation is based on the Company's estimates of fair value.

# PRO FORMA ADJUSTMENTS

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	DIGI INTERNATIONAL INC.	ITK INTERNATIONAL INC.	POST ACQUISITION ITK OPERATIONS (a)	ADJUSTMENTS	PRO FORMA
Net Sales Cost Of sales	\$ 182,931,670 88,539,156		\$ (5,867,321) (3,732,998)		\$ 210,231,072 109,880,465
Gross margin	94,392,514	8,092,416	(2,134,323)		100,350,607
Operating expenses: Sales and marketing Research and development General and administrative Acquired in-process research and	37,288,027	13,987,882	(1,161,989) (707,011) (1,487,641)	3,511,941(b)	50,113,920 22,156,064
development Restructuring	39,200,000 1,020,000			(39,200,000)(c)	1,020,000
Total operating expenses	110,474,583	28, 388, 328	(3,356,641)	(35,688,059)	99,818,211
Operating (loss) income	(16,082,069)	(20,295,912)	1,222,318	35,688,059	532,396
Other income (expense), net Aetherworks Corporation gain	1,818,286 1,350,000	(2,053,732)	164,310	(721,702)(d)	(792,838) 1,350,000
(Loss) income before income taxes	(12,913,783)	(22, 349, 644)	1,386,628	34,966,357	1,089,558
Income tax provision (benefit)	9,745,088	8,000		(252,596)(d) (4,217,378)(e)	5,283,114
Net loss	\$ (22,658,871)		\$ 1,386,628	39,436,331	\$ (4,193,556)
Net loss per common equivalent					
share, basic and diluted	\$(1.65) 				\$(0.30) 
Weighted average common shares, basic and diluted	13,729,765		(97,902)	576,357(f)	14,208,220

THE ACCOMPANYING NOTES ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED PRO FORMA STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS.

DIGI INTERNATIONAL INC.
NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONDENSED PRO FORMA
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

#### 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

Digi International Inc. (the Company) has a September 30 fiscal year-end. The unaudited historical statement of operations information of the Company for the year ended September 30, 1998 was derived from the consolidated financial statements of the Company, which are included elsewhere in this prospectus.

Prior to the acquisition by the Company, ITK International, Inc. (ITK) had a June 30 fiscal year-end. Accordingly, the ITK statement of operations information for the twelve-month period ended September 30, 1998 has been derived by combining ITK's unaudited consolidated results of operations for the applicable calendar quarters.

The pro forma condensed statement of operations assumes the business combination took place on October 1, 1997. The pro forma condensed statement of operations for the twelve-month period ended September 30, 1998 combines the Company's consolidated statement of operations and ITK's consolidated statement of operations for the twelve-month period then ended. There were no material transactions between the Company and ITK during the 12-month period ended September 30, 1998.

The pro forma combined provision for income taxes may not necessarily be indicative of amounts that would have resulted had the Company and ITK filed a consolidated U.S. income tax return during the period presented.

# UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONDENSED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS ADJUSTMENTS:

The purchase price was allocated based upon the estimated fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed. The preliminary purchase price allocation is based on the Company's estimates of fair value.

- (a) Adjustment reflects the statement of operations amounts related to ITK for the period from the date of the Company's acquisition (July 29, 1998)through September 30, 1998. These adjustments are necessary because these amounts are included in both the Company's and ITK's statements of operations for the year ended September 30, 1998.
- (b) Adjustment reflects amortization of acquired identifiable intangible assets and goodwill. Identifiable intangible assets of \$12,700,000 are comprised of proven technology with an appraised value of \$11,300,000, and an assembled workforce with an appraised value of \$1,400,000 which have estimated useful lives of five years and six years, respectively. The estimated annual non-tax-deductible amortization charge related to the proven technology and workforce is \$2,493,333. The estimated annual non-tax-deductible amortization charge related to the \$7,130,253 allocated to goodwill, which has an estimated useful life of seven years, is approximately \$1,018,608.

DIGI INTERNATIONAL INC.
NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED PRO FORMA
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS, CONTINUED

- UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONDENSED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS ADJUSTMENTS, CONTINUED:
  - (c) Adjustment reflects elimination of non-recurring charges of \$26,000,000 and \$13,200,000 related to acquired in-process research and development recorded by the Company in connection with its acquisitions of ITK International, Inc. and Central Data Corporation, respectively during the year ended September 30, 1998.
  - (d) Adjustment reflects the decrease in interest income and related tax effect resulting from the use of cash and cash equivalents to complete the acquisition. The assumed rate of return on the cash balance was 5%.
  - (e) Adjustment reflects the portion of the Company's income tax provision which would not have been recognized due to ITK's U.S. net operating losses for the twelve-month period ended September 30, 1998. The adjustment reflects no income tax benefit for losses generated in international tax jurisdictions due to continuing losses generated by ITK in these jurisdictions.
  - (f) Adjustment reflects net increase (decrease) in weighted average common shares and common equivalent shares outstanding for common stock and common stock options issued in connection with the acquisition. Pro forma earnings per common share for the periods presented were calculated assuming that the 576,357 shares of the Company's common stock issued in connection with the acquisition were issued at the beginning of the period presented.

#### PART II

#### INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

#### ITEM 13. OTHER EXPENSES OF ISSUANCE AND DISTRIBUTION

Expenses in connection with the issuance and distribution of the shares of Common Stock being registered hereunder other than underwriting commissions and expenses, are estimated below.

SEC registration fee	\$ 3,720
Nasdaq Stock Market listing fee	2,350
Legal fees and expenses	
Accounting fees and expenses	20,000
Printing expenses	500
Transfer agent fees and expenses	1,000
Miscellaneous	430
Total	\$58,000

Except for the SEC registration fee, all of the foregoing expenses have been estimated. The selling stockholders will bear fees and disbursements of their own legal counsel and transfer taxes. The Registrant will bear all other expenses.

#### ITEM 14. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Under Delaware law, a corporation may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to an action (other than an action by or in the right of the corporation) by reason of his services as a director or officer of the corporation, or his service, at the corporation's request, as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or other enterprise, against expenses (including attorneys' fees) that are actually and reasonably incurred by him ("Expenses'), and judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement that are actually and reasonably incurred by him, in connection with the defense or settlement of such action, provided that he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the corporation's best interests, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was unlawful. Although Delaware law permits a corporation to indemnify any person referred to above against expenses defense or settlement of an action by or in the right of the corporation, provided that he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the corporation's best interests, if such person has been judged liable to the corporation, indemnification is only permitted to the extent that the Court of Chancery (or the court in which the action was brought) determines that, despite the adjudication of liability, such person is entitled to indemnify for such Expenses as the court deems proper. The General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware also provides for mandatory indemnification of any director, officer, employee or agent against Expenses to the extent such person has been successful in any proceeding covered by the statute. In addition, the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware provides the general authorization of advancement of a director's of officer's litigation expenses in lieu of requiring the authorization of such advancement by the board of directors in specific cases, and that indemnification and advancement of expenses provided by the statute shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which those seeking indemnification of expenses may be entitled under any bylaw, agreement or otherwise.

Article V of the By-Laws of the Registrant provide for the broad indemnification of the directors and officers of the Registrant and for advancement of litigation expenses to the fullest extent required or permitted by current Delaware law.

The Registrant maintains a policy of directors and officers liability insurance that reimburses the Registrant for expenses that it may incur in conjunction with the foregoing indemnity provisions and that may provide direct indemnification to officers and directors where Registrant is unable to do so.

The Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant eliminates the personal liability of a director to the Registrant or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except under certain

circumstances involving certain wrongful acts such as breach of a director's duty of loyalty, acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, for any unlawful acts under Section 174 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, or for any transaction from which a director derives an improper personal benefit.

## ITEM 15. RECENT SALES OF UNREGISTERED SECURITIES

On July 8, 1998, as part of the consideration for the acquisition of Central Data Corporation, the Registrant issued a total of 199,480 shares of its Common Stock to stockholders of Central Data. All of these shares were issued pursuant to the exemption from registration provided by Regulation D under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The shares were only issued to persons who certified that they were "accredited investors" as defined in Rule 501(a) of Regulation D. All shares of Common Stock issued in connection with the acquisition of Central Data were subsequently registered on this Registration Statement

On July 29, 1998, as part of the consideration for the acquisition of ITK International, Inc., the Registrant issued a total of 576,357 shares of its Common Stock to stockholders of ITK International. Of these shares of Common Stock, 408,817 shares were issued pursuant to the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933. The shares of Common Stock issued pursuant to Regulation S were issued only to persons who certified to the Registrant that they were not a "U.S. person" as defined in Rule 901(k) of Regulation S. The remaining 167,540 shares were issued pursuant to Regulation D only to those persons who certified that they were "accredited investors." All shares of Common Stock issued in connection with the acquisition of ITK International were subsequently registered on this Registration Statement.

#### ITEM 16. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

#### (a) EXHIBITS

# Exhibit Description

- 2.1 Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of July 1, 1998 among the Registrant, Iroquois Acquisition Inc. and ITK International, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2 to the Registrant's Form 8-K filed August 12, 1998 (File no. 0-17972)).
- 2.2 Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of July 1, 1998 among the Registrant, CD Acquisition Inc. and Central Data Corporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2 to the Registrant's Form 8-K filed July 23, 1998 (File no. 0-17972)).
- 3.1 Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant, as amended (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3(a) to the Registrant's Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 1993 (File no. 0-17972)).
- 3.2 Amended and Restated By-Laws of the Registrant (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3(b) to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File no. 33-42384)).
- 4 Form of Rights Agreement dated as of June 10, 1998 between the Registrant and Norwest Bank Minnesota, National Association, as Rights Agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form 8-A, dated June 24, 1998).
- 5 Opinion and Consent of Faegre & Benson LLP.
- 10.1 Stock Option Plan of the Registrant (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(a) to the Registrant's Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 1998 (File no. 0-17972).
- 10.2 Form of indemnification agreement with directors and officers of the Registrant (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b) to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File no. 33-30725)).
- 10.3 Amended and Restated Employment Agreement between the Registrant and John P. Schinas (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(c) to the Registrant's Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 1994 (File no. 0-17972)).
- 10.4 Restated and Amended Note Purchase Agreement between the Registrant and AetherWorks Corporation, dated October 14, 1997 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(d) to the Registrant's Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 1997 (File no. 0-17972)).
- 10.5 401(k) Savings and Profit Sharing Plan of Digi International Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(f) to the Registrant's Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 1991 (File no. 0-17972)).
- 10.6 Employment Arrangement between the Registrant and Jonathon E. Killmer, dated September 16, 1996 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(k) to the Registrant's Form 10-K/A for the year ended

September 30, 1996 (File no. 0-17972)).

- 10.7 Employment Agreement between the Registrant and Jerry A. Dusa, dated March 12, 1997 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(m) to the Registrant's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 1997 (File no. 0-17972)).
- 10.8 Employment Arrangement between the Registrant and Douglas Glader (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(q) to the Registrant's Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 1995 (File no. 0-17972)).
- 10.9 Amendment to Employment Agreement between Registrant and Douglas Glader (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(p) to the Registrant's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 31, 1996 (File no. 0-17972)).
- 10.10 Employment Agreement between the Registrant and Dino G. Kasdagly, dated October 1, 1997 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(r) to the Registrant's Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 1997 (File no. 0-17972)).
- 10.11 Employee Stock Purchase Plan of the Registrant (incorporated by reference to Exhibit B to the Registrant's Proxy Statement for its Annual Meeting of Stockholders held on January 31, 1996).
- 23.1 Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP.
- 23.2 Consent of Ernst & Young LLP.
- 23.3 Consent of Faegre & Benson LLP (included in Exhibit No. 5 to this Registration Statement).
- 24 Powers of Attorney (previously filed).

## (b) FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

All schedules are omitted because they are not applicable or are not required.

## ITEM 17. UNDERTAKINGS

The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

- - (i) to include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;
  - (ii) to reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the Registration Statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the Registration Statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective Registration Statement;
  - (iii) to include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the Registration Statement or any material change to such information in the Registration Statement;
- (2) that, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof;
- (3) to remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering;

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers, and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the provisions summarized in Item 15 above, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that, in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission, such

indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit, or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer, or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act, and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

#### STGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this Amendment No. 2 to Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Minnetonka, State of Minnesota, on December 31, 1998.

DIGI INTERNATIONAL INC.

/s/ Jerry A. Dusa

Jerry A. Dusa President and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Amendment No. 2 to Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on December 31, 1998.

Signature Title

/s/ Jerry A. Dusa President, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)

Jerry A. Dusa

/s/ William C. Nolte Director of Finance and Controller (Acting Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

William C. Nolte

John P. Schinas\* Director Willis K. Drake\* Director Jerry A. Dusa\* Director

Richard E. Eichhorn\* Director Robert Moe\* Director Mykola Moroz\* Director

David Stanley\* Director

\*Jerry A. Dusa, by signing his name hereto, does hereby sign this document on behalf of himself and each of the other above named directors of the Registrant pursuant to powers of attorney duly executed by such persons.

/s/ Jerry A. Dusa \_\_\_\_\_ Jerry A. Dusa, Attorney in Fact

Exhibit	Description	Page	
2.1	Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of July 1, 1998 among the	Incorporated by	
2.2	Registrant, Iroquois Acquisition Inc. and ITK International, Inc. Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of July 1, 1998 among the	Reference Incorporated by	
	Registrant, CD Acquisition Inc. and Central Data Corporation.	Reference	
3.1	Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant, as amended.	Incorporated by Reference	
3.2	Amended and Restated By-Laws of the Registrant.	Incorporated by Reference	
4	Form of Rights Agreement dated as of June 10, 1998 between the Registrant and Norwest Bank Minnesota, National Association, as Rights Agent.	Incorporated by Reference	
5	Opinion and Consent of Faegre & Benson LLP.	Filed Electronically	
10.1	Stock Option Plan of the Registrant.	Incorporated by Reference	
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December 29, 1998

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#### Gentlemen:

In connection with the proposed registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, of 585,927 shares of Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share, of Digi International Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), proposed to be sold by selling stockholders of the Registrant, we have examined such corporate records and other documents, including the Amendment No. 2 on Form S-1 to Registration Statement on Form S-3, dated the date hereof, relating to such shares (the "Registration Statement"), and have reviewed such matters of law as we have deemed necessary for this opinion, and we advise you that in our oninion:

- 1. The Company is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware.
- 2. The shares of Common Stock proposed to be sold by the selling stockholders named in the Registration Statement are, and when sold as contemplated in the Registration Statement will be, legally and validly issued and fully paid and non-assessable.

We consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the reference to our firm wherever appearing therein.

Very truly yours,

FAEGRE & BENSON LLP

## CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

We consent to the inclusion in this registration statement on Form S-1 of our report dated December 11, 1998, on our audits of the consolidated financial statements of Digi International Inc. and subsidiaries as of September 30, 1998 and 1997, and for each of the three years in the period ended September 30, 1998, and our report dated October 26, 1998, on our audits of the consolidated financial statements of ITK International, Inc. and its subsidiaries as of June 30, 1998 and 1997, and for each of the three years in the period ended June 30, 1998. We also consent to the reference to our firm under the caption "Experts."

Minneapolis, Minnesota December 29, 1998 /s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

# CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

We consent to the reference to our firm under the caption "Experts" in the Registration Statement (Form S-1) and related prospectus of Digi International Inc. for the registration of 585,927 shares of its Common Stock and to the use therein of our report dated October 28, 1997, with respect to the financial statements of AetherWorks Corporation for the years ended September 30, 1997 and 1996, and the period from February 24, 1993 (inception) to September 30, 1997.

ERNST & YOUNG LLP

Minneapolis, Minnesota December 24, 1998