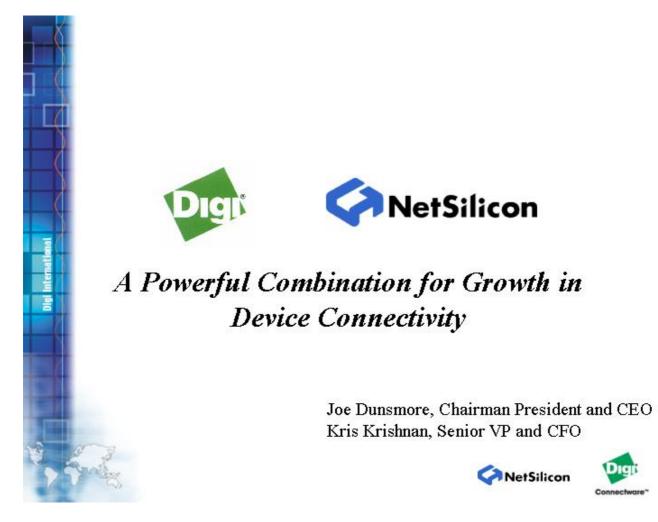
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### Safe Harbor Statement



During our discussion, we will make forward-looking statements concerning future results, performance, expectations, or intentions. Actual results, performance, or developments could differ materially from those expressed or implied by these forwardlooking statements as a result of known and unknown risks, uncertainties, and other factors including those identified in the Company's Form 10-K and other periodic filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.





### Digi 2001 Highlights

Sales

\$124.1 million

\$4.961 million

\$11.4 million

Adjusted net income\*

Cash flow (EBTDA)

2 Acquisitions

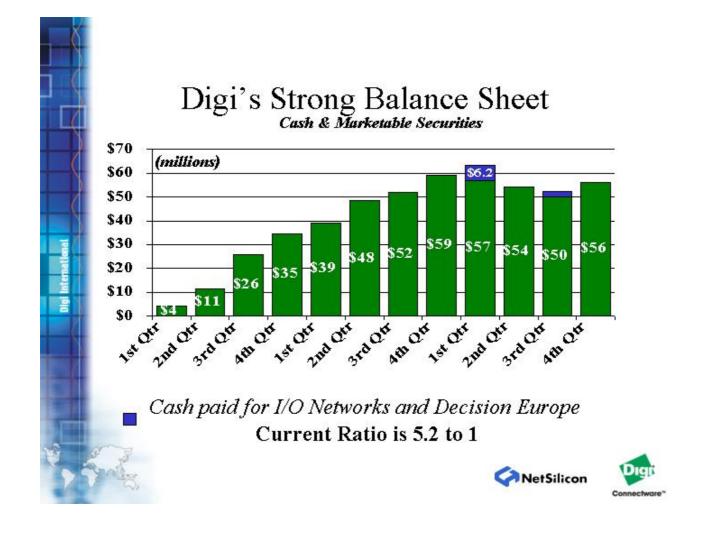
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MiLAN Recovery

67% Growth

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### Positioning Digi for High Growth F2000 F2001 F2002 F2003 Phase I Phase II Phase III Positioning Digi Driving High-Growth Clean-up for Growth Businesses • Acquire Inside Out **Reorganize Europe** Acquire NetSilicon Networks - USB Clean up MiLAN · Acquire additional Acquire Decision niche high growth Stop RAS investment Europe & Launch opportunity businesses Retool senior Digi One · Develop products using management, sales and • Create Connectware acquired technology engineering positions category - hardware Stabilize business and software solutions NetSilicon

### Digi/NetSilicon Overview

NASDAQ Ticke	r: DGII	NSIL	
Headquarters: Employees:	Minnetonka, MN 423	Waltham, MA 120	
Offices:	CA, TX, IL Germany, Hong Kong China	Germany, Japan Korea	
Distribution:	2-tier	OEM	
Market:	Share leader (50%+) in Serial & USB connectivity	Leading provider Ethernet micro- processing solutions	
Differentiators:	Quality/reliability Technical support	Fastest time-to-market Lowest cost of ownership	
Safe		NetSilicon Connectware*	

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### Digi/NetSilicon Investment Highlights

- High growth markets focus
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- Market leadership position
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  - "1+1=4" Proposition
    - Complementary
    - Strategic synergies
      - Unique valuation growth opportunity





### Digi/NetSilicon Combination Capitalizes on Industry Trends

- Migration of serial devices from direct connect to Ethernet still growing
- Migration from async serial port expansion to USB to serial connectivity in some key verticals
- Wireless connectivity providing flexibility and mobility emerging requirement in key verticals
  - Retail POS, Factory Automation, Hospitality
- Rapid adoption for networked devices (embedded Ethernet)
  - Factory and building control systems, retail POS,
  - Equipment monitoring & control, home automation, etc.
  - Technology enablers include powered Ethernet, low cost, and smaller size form factors
  - Networking engineers are scarce... and getting more scarce



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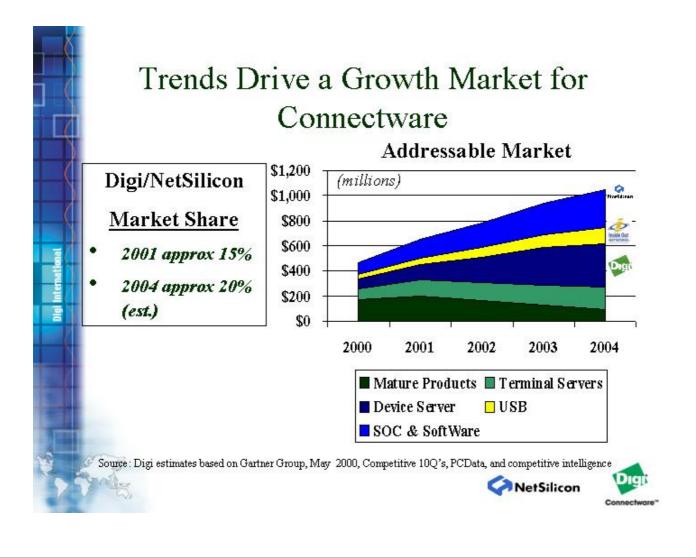


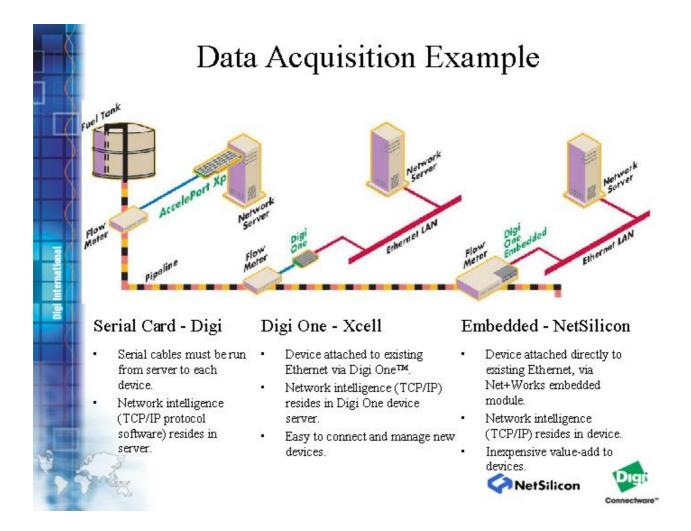




### Digi/NetSilicon: Long-Term Connectware Product Leadership

=	Platforms / Products	Digi Position
	System on Software	NetSilicon #1
ational	USB	Juside Byt #1
Digi Inter	Terminal Server	#1 or #2
4	Device Server	Entered Q401
	802.11 to Serial/USB	Entered Q301
	Async Multi-Port Serial I/O	#1
Ŷ,	Green = Growth	Blue = Mature



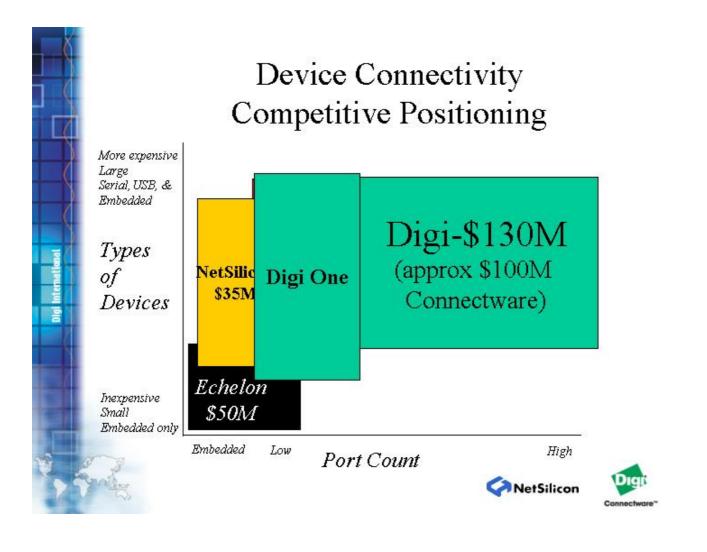


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### Digi/NetSilicon Strategy

- Develop key vertical markets
- Grow technology lead in value-added integration
- Increase new Connectware product flow rate to end customers and OEMs
- Leverage mature products to maximize cash flow
- Make strategic niche acquisitions and sign strategic partnerships





### Digi/NetSilicon: Differentiating from the Competition

- Full Connectware product scope
  - None have SOC
  - None have integrated offerings
- Full Distribution channel coverage
  - Others are in only one channel
- Brand loyalty in channels
- More than double sales volume and number of dedicated engineers than our key competitors
  - Strong position in early-adopter SOC customers



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### Digi/NetSilicon: Experienced Senior Management

In addition to the senior executives listed below, Digi leverages its strong team of executive managers with deep industry experience.

			Years	Start
8	Senior Manager	Title	Experience	Date
	Joe Dunsmore	Chairman, President & CEO	20	1999
Ī	Pete Peterson	Senior VP Business Development	40	1984
Ĩ	Bill Peisel	Chief Technology Officer	30	1987
Ī	Kris Krishnan	Senior VP, CFO	23	1999
Î	Bruce Berger	VP NetSilicon	18	2000
t	Joel Young	VP R&D	15	2000
	+15 other top calib	per executives		

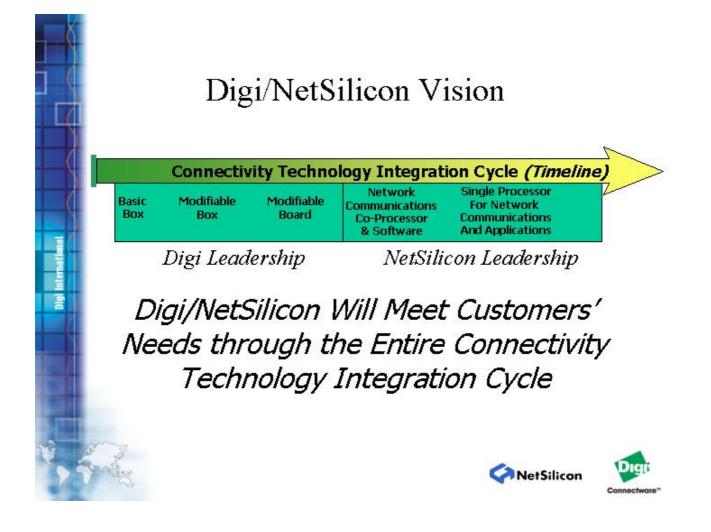
Blue = NetSilicon management

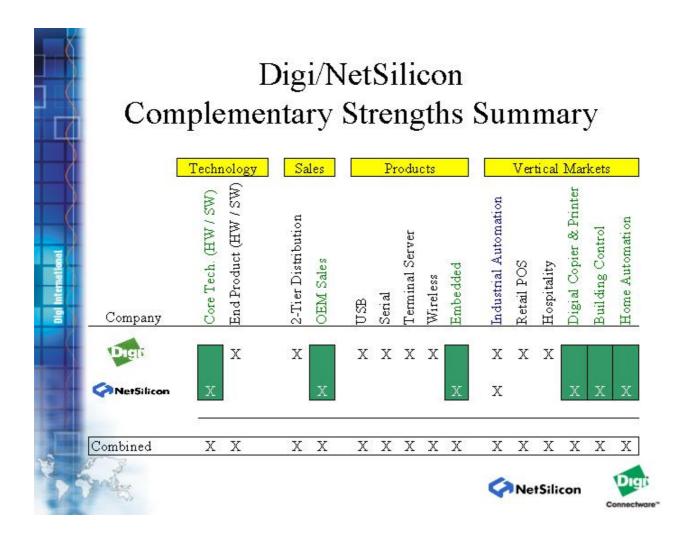




### Digi/NetSilicon: Serving Industry Leaders Worldwide









### Acquisition Agreement

- Shares of NetSilicon will be exchanged for .65 shares of Digi stock
- Digi to pay a maximum of \$15 million in cash, if cash is oversubscribed, cash will be distributed on a pro-rata basis
- NetSilicon shareholders choose either cash, stock or a combination of cash and stock
- Sorrento networks has indicated their approval of the transaction and their desire to receive the maximum amount of cash
- Transaction subject to shareholder approval by both companies
- Transaction expected to close by the end of the second fiscal quarter
  - Sorrento restricted in their ability to sell shares after closing of transaction





## Financial Review



### Digi Financial Highlights

(in millions)	<u>FY01</u>	<u>FY00</u>
Sales	\$124.1	\$132.5
Net income (loss)	(\$1.8)	(\$16.8)
Restructuring, Amortization & Asset write-down	\$6.7	\$20.4
Adjusted net income*	\$4.9	\$3.6
Cash flow (EBTDA)	\$11.4	\$10.4
EPS*	\$0.32	\$0.23
EBTDA per Share	\$0.75	\$0.68

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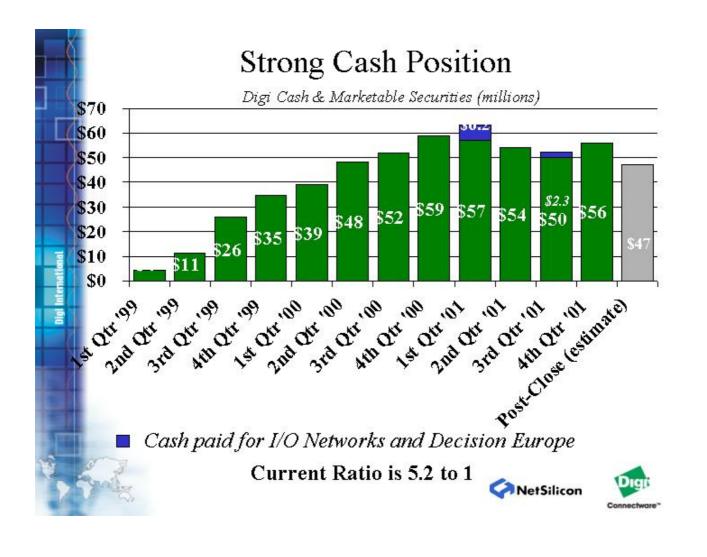
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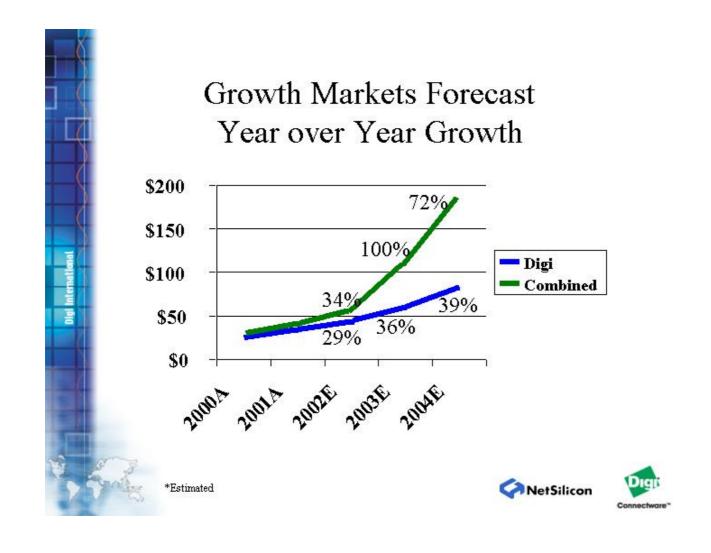




### Key Digi & NetSilicon Financial Statistics

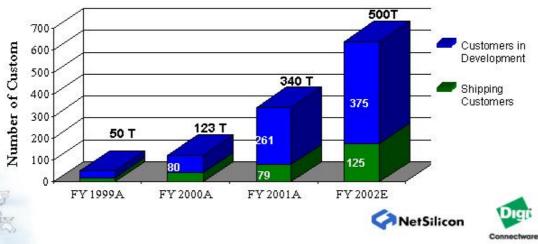
(Millions)	DIGI Q401 As of 9/30/01	NSIL Q201 As of 7/28/01
Cash	\$56.2	\$11.3
A/R (Net)	\$16.2	\$3.8
Inventory (Net)	\$16.8	\$5.1
DSOs	56	52
Inventory Turns	3.3	2.4
and the second second		NetSilicon Connectware





### NetSilicon Customers in Development Drive Long-term Revenue Ramp

Ramp from design to shipping = 1 to 2 years Ramp from shipping to volume purchases = additional 1 to 3 years Example: 50 development customers in 1999 *only begin* contributing to revenue from 2001 to 2004



# Competitor Valuation Comps based on 90 days (6/13-10/24)

	Market Cap Average	Enterprise Value	Enterprise Value/ LTM Sales
Digi	\$123.6M	\$81.7M	.6X
NetSilicon	\$48.5M	\$37.2M	1.1X
Lantronix	\$402.2M	\$386.8M	7X
Echelon	\$818.1M	\$696.6M	13.5X
and a			NetSilicon

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### Digi & NetSilicon Synergies

### Cost Savings

- Operational
- Administrative
- COGS cost reductions

### **Revenue** Enhancements

- Leveraging NetSilicon's OEM channel with Digi's board (& possibly box) products
- Adding product differentiation by integrating NetSilicon SOC into Digi device servers
- Cross-selling Digi's OEM and direct customers with NetSilicon's SOC solutions (e.g. NCR, Optimal Robotics, Symbol)





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