

OMNIVISION REPORTS RECORD REVENUES AND EARNINGS FOR THE THIRD QUARTER OF FISCAL 2005.

SUNNYVALE, Calif. – Feb. 28, 2005 – OmniVision Technologies, Inc. (Nasdaq: OVTI), one of the world's leading suppliers of CMOS image sensors, today reported that in the three months ended January 31, 2005, it earned a record \$21.1 million, or \$0.33 per diluted share, on record revenues of \$101.8 million. In the prior-year third quarter, the Company earned \$17.9 million, or \$0.29 per diluted share, on revenues of \$93.6 million.

For the nine months ended January 31, 2005, OmniVision earned \$58.7 million, or \$0.94 per diluted share, on revenues of \$285.1 million, compared to \$37.9 million, or \$0.64 per diluted share, on revenues of \$218.5 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2004.

Gross profit for the third quarter of fiscal 2005 was \$41.5 million, or 40.7 percent of revenues, compared to \$36.9 million, or 39.5 percent of revenues, for the third quarter of fiscal 2004, and \$38.2 million, or 45.3 percent of revenues, for the second quarter of fiscal 2005. As previously reported, second-quarter 2005 gross margin benefited from the favorable impact of certain non-recurring items.

"We are pleased to report both year-over-year and sequential improvements in top- and bottomline performance," said Shaw Hong, OmniVision's president and chief executive officer. "The strength of our business is further reflected in the fact that we ended the quarter with cash and short-term investments totaling \$315 million. Inventory at quarter-end rose to \$66.9 million reflecting our determination to be in a position to meet expected customer demand, particularly for 1.3 mega-pixel products this quarter and next."

"The transition of our entire product line to the new OmniPixelTM technology platform, announced last summer, remains on schedule," continued Hong. "We now offer products ranging from VGA to 5-megapixel on the new platform. Our 5-megapixel sensor — which, as announced last week, is now in volume production and has achieved eight design wins since its introduction last September — remains the only CMOS sensor able to compete head-to-head with comparable CCD sensors in applications such as high-resolution digital still cameras. Our SmartSensorTM technology also shows great promise; aimed at the growing market for smart toys, it provides a low-cost solution for storing and subsequently identifying unique images, such as individuals' faces."

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 2005, ending April 30, 2005, the Company currently expects that diluted earnings per share will be in the range of \$0.29 to \$0.34 on revenues of between \$93 million and \$103 million.

Teleconference

At 1:30 p.m. PST (4:30 p.m. EST) today, February 28, 2005, the Company will hold a teleconference to discuss the financial results. To participate in the teleconference, please call (toll free) 877-569-7690 approximately 10 minutes prior to the start time. For international callers, the dial-in number is 706-758-0239. You may also listen live via the Internet at the Company's web site, www.ovt.com, or at www.FullDisclosure.com.

These web sites will host an archive of the teleconference. Additionally, a playback of the call will be available for 48 hours beginning at 4:30 p.m. PST on February 28. You may access the playback by calling 800-642-1687, or for international callers 706-645-9291, and providing Conference ID number 3993350.

About OmniVision

OmniVision Technologies designs and markets high-performance semiconductor image sensors. Its OmniPixelTM and CameraChipTM products are highly integrated single-chip CMOS image sensors for mass-market consumer and commercial applications such as mobile phones, digital still cameras, security and surveillance systems, interactive video games, PCs and automotive imaging systems. Additional information is available at ww.ovt.com.

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Safe-Harbor Statement

Certain statements in this press release, including statements relating to the Company's expectations regarding revenue and earnings per share for the quarter ending April 30, 2005, the anticipated ability of OmniVision's CMOS sensors to compete with comparable CCD sensors, the promise of our SmartSensorTM Technology, including its performance on market acceptance; and the expectation that the market for smart toys will continue to grow, are forward-looking statements as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forwardlooking statements are based on management's current expectations, and as a result of certain risks and uncertainties actual results may differ materially from those projected. These risks and uncertainties include, without limitation, the following: the degree to which intense competition might affect the Company's ability to compete successfully in current and emerging markets for image sensor products; risks associated with the Company's ability to obtain design wins from camera, mobile phone and other image sensor device manufacturers, which could inhibit the Company's ability to sustain and grow its business; risks associated with wafer manufacturing yields and other manufacturing processes, which could materially and adversely affect the Company's revenue and earnings and its ability to satisfy customer demand; risks associated with the development of current and emerging markets for CMOS image sensor products, generally, and the Company's products, specifically, which could result in lower revenue and earnings and adversely affect the Company's business and prospects; risks associated with the Company's ability to accurately forecast customer demand for its products, which could impair the Company's ability to meet customer demand for its image snesor products and could also result in excess inventory; risks associated with the development, production, introduction and

marketing of new products and technology, including the 5-megapixel CameraChip product and the Company's new OmniPixel technology, which would adversely affect the Company's ability to compete successfully in the CMOS image sensor market; the Company's dependence upon a few key customers, the loss of one or more of which could materially and adversely affect the Company's business and results of operations; uncertainties associated with the Company's decision to restate certain of its fiscal 2004 quarterly results of operations; the Company's ability to strengthen its internal controls over financial reporting and maintain an adequate level of financial processes and controls; a decline in the average selling price of the Company's products, which could result in a decline in the Company's revenue and gross margins; and the other risks detailed from time to time in the Company's Securities and Exchange Commission filings and reports, including, but not limited to, the Company's most recent annual report filed on Form 10-K, as amended, and in the Company's most recent quarterly report filed on Form 10-Q. The Company expressly disclaims any obligation to update information contained in any forward-looking statement.

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(financial tables follow)

OMNIVISION TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands) (unaudited)

	January 31, <u>2005</u>	April 30, <u>2004</u>
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$214,761	\$ 124,653
Short-term investments	. 99,803	90,558
Restricted cash	·	1,072
Accounts receivable, net	. 52,744	53,513
Inventories	66,864	38,802
Refundable and deferred income taxes	6,385	6,518
Prepaid expenses and other assets	2,852	2,626
Total current assets	443,409	317,742
Property, plant and equipment, net	. 19,747	20,622
Long-term investments.	· ·	7.110
Other non-current assets		362
Total assets	\$474,212	\$ 345,836
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 68,986	\$ 25,923
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		9,805
Accrued income taxes payable		1,295

Deferred revenue	7,332	8,800
Total current liabilities	110,255	45,823

Stockholders' equity:		
Common stock, \$0.001 par value; 100,000 shares authorized; 56,788 and 56,212		
shares issued and outstanding	57	56
Additional paid-in capital	254,610	249,405
Deferred compensation related to stock options		(20)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(15)	(4)
Retained earnings/accumulated	109,305	50,576
Total stockholders' equity	363,957	300,013
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	<u>\$474,212</u>	<u>\$345,836</u>

Certain prior-period amounts have been reclassified to conform with current-period presentations.

OMNIVISION TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

CONDENSED INCOME STATEMENTS (in thousands, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	January 31,	January 31,	January 31,	January 31,
	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Revenues	\$ 101 833	\$ 93,613	\$ 285,076	\$ 218,450
Cost of revenues		56,668	\$ 285,670 165,651	134,553
Gross profit	41,403	36,945	119,425	83,897
Operating expenses:			10.1.10	10.010
Research and development		4,065	18,160	10,818
Selling, general and administrative	6,779	5,509	20,953	15,903
Stock compensation charge	. 321	810	876	1,006
Total operating expenses	13,416	10,384	39,989	27,727
Income from operations		26,561	79,436	56,170
Interest income (expense), net		511	2,132	1,281
Income before income taxes	29,281	27,072	81,568	57,451
Provision for income taxes	8,198	9,204	22,839	19,533
Net income	<u>\$ 21,083</u>	<u>\$ 17,868</u>	<u>\$ 58,729</u>	<u>\$ 37,918</u>
Net income per share:				
Basic	\$ 0.37	<u>\$ 0.33</u>	\$ 1.04	\$ 0.73
Diluted		\$ 0.29	\$ 0.94	\$ 0.64
Shares used in computing net income per share:	<u>+ 0100</u>	<u>+ 0.=/</u>	<u>+ 0.21</u>	<u>+ 0.0 .</u>
Basic	56,710	54,652	56,501	51,877
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