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The Right Combination at the Right Time

Cloud, mobility, and IoT

are driving performance and economic requirements

Technology scaling continues with escalating challenges

Customer roadmaps require

enhanced collaboration and innovation

Intersection of process and process control becoming more critical

Unmatched and complementary capability to enable atomic level processing

Accelerating our capability to address our customers

most difficult challenges

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Our Businesses at a Glance

Founded in 1980

Headquartered in Fremont, CA

FY 2015 Revenue of \$5.3B

~7,300 Employees

Leadership in:

Conductor and dielectric etch

Thin film deposition

Single-wafer clean

Locations in 16 countries

Founded in 1976

Headquartered in Milpitas, CA

FY 2015 Revenue of \$2.8B

~5,600 Employees

Leadership in:

Defect inspection

Lithography & thin film metrology

Yield management

Locations in 17 countries

Strong presence across customers and market segments

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Challenges:

Critical profile
control

Variability

Opportunities:

Increased use of
metrology information
and advanced analytics to
reduce variability and
accelerate yield

Multiple Patterning

Challenges:

Variability introduced from
multiple passes

Cost of advanced imaging
schemes

Opportunities:

Use metrology information

and unit process tuning
capabilities to reduce
variability and increase
throughput

3D

NAND

Challenges:

Scaling stack height for
higher bit density

Scaling process control
capability

Opportunities:

Innovate together to
develop process control
capability for 3D NAND
structures to help enable
vertical scaling

Value-creating

innovation

opportunities

at

the

intersection

of

process

and

process

control

Delivering Differentiated Technology Solutions

Together

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FinFET/ Advanced Gate

Deposition
Etch
Clean
Inspection
Metrology
7%
9% of WFE
14%
16% of WFE
5%
6% of WFE
6% -
7% of WFE
6% -
7% of WFE
in
Conductor
in Dielectric

in Bevel Clean
in BEOL SW

Clean

in

Wafer

Inspection

in Mask Inspection

in Packaging

Inspection

in Metrology

Established Market Leadership

Combined company to serve ~42% of WFE market upon closing, increasing to ~45% by 2018

Source: Leadership positions based on Gartner and company data specific to 2014 shares. WFE percentages are for 2015 market based on Gartner and company data. ECD =

electrochemical

deposition,

CVD

=

chemical

vapor

deposition,

PECVD

=

plasma-enhanced

CVD,

HDP

=

high-density

plasma

(CVD),

ALD

=

atomic

layer

deposition,

BEOL

=

back-end-of-line,

SW = single-wafer. *Based on year-over-year absolute revenue growth. WFE = wafer fabrication equipment

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in

Copper

ECD

in

Tungsten

CVD

in

PECVD

&

HDP
in
ALD*

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Our Goal Is to Deliver More Value

This combination creates a company with unmatched capability in process and process control to help our customers in extending Moore's law and industry scaling

Together, we will have enhanced collaboration focused on reducing variability and accelerating yield

By taking this action, we have one singular focus: enable and contribute more to your success

It will be business as usual until we have shareholder and regulatory approval

We appreciate your feedback over the past several years, which helped us frame the strategic actions we are now pursuing

Thank you for your continued support and partnership

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factors:

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conditions

to the closing of the transaction are not satisfied, including the risk that required approvals for the transaction from government
the stockholders of KLA-Tencor or Lam are not obtained; (2) litigation relating to the transaction; (3) uncertainties as to the timing
consummation of the transaction and the ability of each party to consummate the transaction; (4) risks that the proposed transaction
current plans and operations of KLA-Tencor or Lam; (5) the ability of KLA-Tencor and Lam to retain and hire key personnel;
responses to the proposed transaction and the impact of competitive products; (7) unexpected costs, charges or expenses resulting from the
transaction; (8) potential adverse reactions or changes to business relationships resulting from the announcement or completion of the
transaction;

(9)
the
combined
companies
ability
to
achieve
the
growth
prospects
and
synergies
expected
from
the
transaction,

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well
as
delays, challenges and expenses associated with integrating the combined companies' existing businesses; (10) the terms and conditions
the indebtedness planned to be incurred in connection with the transaction; and (11) legislative, regulatory and economic developments
including
changing
business
conditions
in
the
semiconductor
industry
and
overall

economy

as

well

as

the

financial

performance

and

expectations of Lam s and KLA-Tencor s existing and prospective customers. These risks, as well as other risks associated with

transaction, will be more fully discussed in the joint proxy statement/prospectus that will be included in the Registration Statement

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Lam

will

file

with

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Securities

and

Exchange

Commission

(SEC)

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proposed

transaction.

Investors

and

potential

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Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

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