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## **RAMTRON REPORTS SECOND-QUARTER 2009 FINANCIAL RESULTS**

*COLORADO SPRINGS, CO—July 23, 2009* — Ramtron International Corporation (Nasdaq: RMTR), a leading developer and supplier of nonvolatile ferroelectric random access memory (F-RAM) and integrated semiconductor products, today reported total revenue of \$11.0 million for the second quarter of 2009, compared with \$15.5 million reported for the same quarter of 2008. Second-quarter product revenue was \$10.4 million, compared with product revenue of \$15.1 million reported for the same quarter last year.

Second-quarter net loss was \$302,000, or \$0.01 per share, compared with net income of \$779,000, or \$0.03 per share, for the same quarter a year earlier. Second-quarter 2009 results include a \$327,000 restructuring charge related to restructuring and cost saving measures that were implemented in March of this year. The results for second quarter also include non-cash, stock-based compensation expense of \$370,000, and an income tax benefit of \$148,000. Without these items, second-quarter net income would have been \$247,000, or \$0.01 per share. Product gross margin for the second quarter of 2009 was 47% compared to 53% for the second quarter of 2008, reflecting the strength of the Japanese Yen relative to the dollar and a less favorable product mix.

“Toward the end of the first quarter, orders began to pick up and that trend continued during the second quarter as our sales channel partners began to replenish inventories and orders from certain key customers rebounded. Increased orders from our top automotive, metering and copier customers offset continued weakness at our lead printer consumables customer,” said Bill Staunton, Ramtron’s chief executive officer. “As a result, revenue picked up slightly from the first quarter, which was supplemented by the settlement of past due royalties. Coupled with the savings we gained through our recent cost reduction actions, this revenue increase resulted in non-GAAP net income of \$247,000 for the quarter. Assuming continued improvement in revenue, a return to GAAP profitability is within sight for the third quarter.”

### **Second-Quarter Product Highlights:**

- Integrated product revenue was \$2.7 million, or 26% of F-RAM product revenue, during the second quarter of 2009, compared with \$4.3 million, or 28% of F-RAM revenue, for the second quarter of 2008
- Two of Ramtron’s nonvolatile state savers received AEC-Q100 Grade-1 qualification
- Introduced the FM24CL32, a serial nonvolatile F-RAM that offers high-speed read/write performance, low voltage operation, and superior data retention
- Ramtron’s FM22L16 4-Mbit (Mb) F-RAM was selected by SBS Science & Technology Co., Ltd. for use in an innovative solid-state disk data storage device
- Announced the availability of an 8-Megabit (Mb) F-RAM memory in a streamlined FBGA package

“Even though business conditions remain weak, we are maintaining our fast pace of product development. Having recently introduced additional V-Family F-RAM products, we now have 256-kilobit to 8-megabit

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products being produced through our manufacturing line at Texas Instruments with more products planned this year. The sampling of our first F-RAM-based RFID device to a number of enthusiastic beta customers is also imminent," added Staunton.

"We are making great progress on our new foundry initiative at IBM. The installation of our ferroelectric processing equipment is nearing completion and our first memory design for the new process will be ready in August. We are scheduled to receive our first test wafers from this new line during the fourth quarter. During this economic downturn, our investment in the foundry initiative and new product development is putting us on a path to enlarge our addressable market, strengthen our F-RAM leadership and resume growth assuming the overall economy returns to growth," Staunton concluded.

### **Conference Call**

Ramtron management's teleconference today will be webcast live on the corporate website. Management plans to webcast slides to support its prepared remarks on quarterly results and business outlook, and then host a live question-and-answer session with institutional investors and research analysts.

### **How to Participate**

Ramtron Second-Quarter 2009 Results Teleconference  
July 23, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. PT / 5:00 p.m. ET

Go to the home page of the Ramtron site at [www.ramtron.com](http://www.ramtron.com) and click on the teleconference link. From this site, you can access the teleconference webcast, assuming that your computer system is configured properly. A webcast replay will be available for one year, and a telephonic replay will be available for seven days after the live call at (706) 645-9291, code #18943647.

### **About Ramtron**

Ramtron International Corporation, headquartered in Colorado Springs, Colorado, is a fabless semiconductor company that designs, develops and markets specialized semiconductor memory, microcontroller and integrated semiconductor solutions used in a wide range of product applications and markets.

### **Cautionary Statements**

Except for historical information, this press release contains forward-looking statements made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements may be identified by the use of forward-looking words or phrases such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "should," and "potential," among others. Specific forward-looking statements include statements about a return to GAAP profitability in the third quarter of 2009, resuming growth as the economy recovers, and schedules related to the IBM foundry initiative. These forward-looking statements are inherently difficult to predict and involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially, including, but not limited to: general and regional economic conditions and conditions specific to the semiconductor industry; demand for Ramtron's products; order cancellations or reduced order placements; product sales mix; the timely development of new technologies; competitive factors such as pricing pressures on existing products and the timing and market acceptance of new product introductions; Ramtron's ability to maintain an appropriate amount of low-cost foundry production capacity from its foundry sources in a timely manner; our foundry partners' timely ability to successfully manufacture products for Ramtron; our foundry partners' ability to supply increased orders for F-RAM products in a timely manner using Ramtron's proprietary technology; any disruptions of Ramtron's foundry or test and

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assembly contractor relationships; currency fluctuations; unexpected design and manufacturing difficulties; defects in products that could result in product liability claims; and the risk factors listed from time to time in Ramtron's SEC reports, including, but not limited to, the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008 and Quarterly Reports filed during 2009. SEC-filed documents are available at no charge at the SEC's website ([www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov)) or from the company.

All forward-looking statements included in this release are based upon information available to Ramtron as of the date of this release, which may change.

The financial information in this press release and the attached financial statements have been prepared from the books and records of the company with the omission of certain information and disclosures normally included in financial statements.

In this release, the references to second-quarter net income and earnings per share excluding stock-based compensation charges, income tax benefit, and restructuring charges are not financial measures as defined by generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Management believes that the presentation of results excluding these items provides meaningful supplemental information regarding the Company's operational performance; however, these figures are not a replacement for the GAAP financial measures presented nor should they be given greater consideration by investors.

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**RAMTRON INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION  
SECOND-QUARTER FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS  
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**  
(Amounts in thousands, except per-share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
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Revenue:				
Product sales	\$10,410	\$15,132	\$20,613	\$28,998
License and development fees	179	179	358	358
Royalties	393	184	500	393
Customer-sponsored research and development	50	40	50	90
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	11,032	15,535	21,521	29,839
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Costs and expenses:				
Cost of product sales	5,515	7,115	11,050	13,611
Research and development	2,291	3,061	4,973	5,955
Customer-sponsored research and development	60	19	60	47
Sales and marketing	1,897	2,296	3,700	4,233
General and administrative	1,455	1,680	2,969	3,557
Restructuring charge	327	-	787	-
Impairment charge	-	-	5,372	-
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	11,545	14,171	28,911	27,403
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Operating income (loss)	(513)	1,364	(7,390)	2,436
Interest expense	(80)	(105)	(165)	(203)
Other income (expense), net	143	33	186	(12)
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Income (loss) before income tax provision	(450)	1,292	(7,369)	2,221
Income tax benefit (provision)	148	(513)	655	(877)
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Net income (loss)	\$(302)	\$779	\$(6,714)	\$1,344
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Net income (loss) per common share:				
Basic and diluted	\$(0.01)	\$0.03	\$(0.25)	\$0.05
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Weighted average common shares outstanding:				
Basic	26,840	26,304	26,840	26,002
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Diluted	26,840	28,101	26,840	27,888
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**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**

(Amounts in thousands)

	June 30, 2009 (unaudited)	December 31, 2008
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,985	\$ 9,900
Accounts receivable, net	8,526	11,274
Inventories	9,378	9,992
Deferred income taxes, net	214	266
Other current assets	1,391	1,110
	<u>24,494</u>	<u>32,542</u>
Total current assets	24,494	32,542
Property, plant and equipment, net	11,056	5,635
Goodwill, net	-	1,971
Intangible assets, net	2,905	6,470
Deferred income taxes, net	5,916	5,174
Other assets	329	212
	<u>\$44,700</u>	<u>\$52,004</u>
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<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 4,740	\$ 4,930
Accrued liabilities	2,303	3,131
Deferred revenue	645	645
Current portion of long-term debt	627	382
	<u>8,315</u>	<u>9,088</u>
Total current liabilities	8,315	9,088
Long-term deferred revenue	887	1,209
Long-term debt, less current portion	4,578	4,577
	<u>13,780</u>	<u>14,874</u>
Total liabilities	13,780	14,874
Stockholders' equity	30,920	37,130
	<u>\$44,700</u>	<u>\$52,004</u>
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Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$44,700	\$52,004