SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 10-Q

(Mark One)

QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR [X] 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2000

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR [] 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the transition period from

Commission file number 0-10605

ODETICS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

95-2588496 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1515 South Manchester Avenue Anaheim, California (Address of principal executive office)

92802 (Zip Code)

(714) 774-5000 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all documents and reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes [X] No []

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Number of shares of Common Stock outstanding as of November 9, 2000

Class A Common Stock 9,422,890 shares. Class B Common Stock 1,045,741 shares.

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In this Report, "Odetics," the "Company," "we," "us," and "our" collectively refers to Odetics, Inc. and its subsidiaries.

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PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Three Months Ended September 30,		Six Months Ended September 30,	
1999	2000	1999	2000
\$ 15,334	\$ 14,175	\$ 32,704	\$ 29,017
4,838	1,000	3,010	9,632
20,172			38,649
11,806			23,221
3,812			6,311
4,554	4,516	11,266	9,117
0 402	10 700	17 252	21,933
4,329	5,564	8,208	10,174
12,822	16,353	25,560	32,107
(8,268)	(11,837)	(14,294)	(22,990)
0	0	0	(19,055)
750	429	1,367	901
(9,018)			(4,836)
(6,575)	0	(6,575)	0
(\$2,443)	(\$12,266)		(\$4,836)
	=======	======	======
(\$0.27)		,	(\$0.51)
9,068	9,664	9,049	9,456
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See notes to consolidated financial statements

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ODETICS, INC.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands)

	March 31, 2000	September 30, 2000
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash	\$ 4,880	\$ 9,871
Trade accounts receivable, net Costs and estimated earnings in excess	13,576	13,269
of billings on uncompleted contracts	3,283	2,604
Inventories:		
Finished goods	1,203	1,257
Work in process	859	565

Materials and supplies	16,150	18,175
Total inventories	18,212	19,997
Prepaid expenses Income taxes receivable Deferred income taxes	1,978 0 0	1,935 0 0
Total current assets	41,929	47,676
Property, plant and equipment: Land Buildings and improvements Equipment, furniture and fixtures	•	2,060 18,968 34,693
Less accumulated depreciation	•	55,721 (34,696)
Net property, plant and equipment	20,736	21,025
Capitalized software costs, net Goodwill, net Other assets	•	5,874 11,577 573
Total assets	\$ 81,850 ======	\$ 86,725

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ODETICS, INC.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (cont'd) (in thousands)

	March 31, 2000	September 30, 2000
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Current liabilities		
Trade accounts payable	\$ 10,702	\$ 11,938
Accrued payroll and related	4,892	5,152
Accrued expenses	2,313	1,358
Contract loss accrual Billings in excess of costs and	3,056	2 , 738
estimated earnings on uncompleted contracts	1,303	1,802
Revolving line of credit	3,706	2,095
Current portion of long-term debt	3,102	3,225
Total current liabilities	29 , 074	28,308
Long-term debt, less current portion	11,666	10,588
Other liabilities	5,000	0
Deferred income taxes	0	0
Stockholders' equity Preferred stock, authorized 2,000,000 shares;		
none issued Common stock, authorized 10,000,000 shares of Class A and 2,600,000 shares of Class B; 9,417,490 shares of Class A and 1,047,541 shares of Class B issued and outstanding	-	-
at September 30, 2000 - \$.10 par value	923	1,046
Paid-in capital	61,200	78,176

Treasury stock Notes receivable from associates	(22) (61)	(1) (61)
Accumulated deficit Accumulated other comprehensive income	(26,192) 262	(31,028) (303)
Total stockholders' equity	36,110	47,829
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 81,850 ======	\$ 86,725

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

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ODETICS, INC.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (in thousands) (unaudited)

	Six Months Ended September 30,	
	1999	2000
Operating activities Net (loss)	\$(9,086)	\$ (4,836)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	2,844	2,461
Provision for losses on accounts receivable	0	46
Provision for deferred income taxes	(6,345)	0
Other	0	(565)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities: Decrease in accounts receivable	822	261
(Increase) decrease in net costs and	(0.6)	1 170
estimated earnings in excess of billings	(96)	1,178 (1,785)
(Increase) decrease in inventories (Increase) decrease in prepaids and other assets (Decrease) in accounts payable and	(984) 265	169
accrued expenses	5,047	223
Net cash (used) in operating activities		(2,848)
Investing activities Purchases of property, plant and, equipment Software development costs	(964) (102)	(1,465)
Software development costs	(102)	0
Net (cash) used in investing activities		(1,465)
Financing activities Proceeds from revolving line of credit and long-term borrowings	16 , 727	15 , 176
Principal payments on line of credit, long-term		
debt and capital lease obligations Proceeds from issuance of common stock	(7,244) 242	(22,742) 16,870
Net cash provided by financing activities	9 , 725	9,304
Increase in cash	1,126	4,991
Cash at beginning of year	787	4,880
Cash at September 30	\$ 1,913	\$ 9,871
Non cash transaction Issuance of stock to former MMA shareholders		\$ 251

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ODETICS, INC. NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

NOTE 1 - Basis of Presentation

In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring accruals, necessary to present fairly the consolidated financial position of Odetics, Inc. as of September 30, 2000 and the consolidated results of operations and cash flows for the three and six month periods ended September 30, 1999 and 2000. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in the financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles have been condensed or omitted pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. The results of operations for the three and six month periods ended September 30, 2000 are not necessarily indicative of those to be expected for the entire year. The accompanying financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2000 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

NOTE 2 - Income Taxes

Income tax expense (benefit), if any, for the three and six month periods ended September 30, 1999 and 2000 has been provided at the estimated annualized effective tax rates based on the estimated income tax liability or assets and change in deferred taxes for their respective fiscal years. Deferred taxes result primarily from temporary differences in the reporting of income for financial statement and income tax purposes. These differences relate principally to the use of accelerated cost recovery depreciation methods for tax purposes, capitalization of interest and taxes for tax purposes, capitalization of computer software costs for financial statement purposes, deferred compensation, other payroll accruals, reserves for inventory and accounts receivable for financial statement purposes and general business tax credit and alternative minimum tax credit carryforwards for tax purposes. The Company did not provide income tax benefit for the losses incurred three month and six month periods ended September 30, 2000 due to the uncertainty as to the ultimate realization of the benefit at that time.

NOTE 3 - Long-Term Debt

	March 31, 2000	September 30, 2000
		(in thousands)
Mortgage note Notes payable Contracts payable	\$ 7,027 5,750 1,991	\$ 6,416 5,750 1,647
Less current portion	14,768 3,102	13,813 3,225
	\$11,666 ======	\$10,588 =======

On October 11, 1999, Odetics settled a patent infringement case it had brought against Storage Technology Corporation ("StorageTek"). Pursuant to an agreement, StorageTek agreed to pay the Company a license fee totaling \$100.0 million for use of the Company's United States Patent No. 4,779,151. Under the agreement, the license fee was payable in three installments: \$80.0 million upon signing of the agreement, and two annual installments of \$10.0 million payable in each of October 2000 and 2001. In connection with the initial payment, the Company received \$38.4 million, net of legal fees and other direct expenses, which was reflected as royalty income in the Company's statement of operations in its fiscal year ended March 31, 2000.

On June 12, 2000, the Company and StorageTek amended the agreement; whereby StorageTek agreed to pay a final discounted payment of \$17.8 million immediately in full settlement of the \$20.0 million otherwise due to complete the settlement. Accordingly, included in non-operating income in the six months ended September 30, 2000 is \$17.8 million, which was recognized in the quarter ended June 30, 2000.

NOTE 5 - Comprehensive Income

The components of comprehensive income (loss) for the three months and six months ended September 30, 1999 and 2000 are as follows in thousands:

	Three Months		Six Mo	onths
	1999	2000	1999	2000
Net (loss) Foreign currency	\$(2,443)	\$(12,266)	\$(9,086)	\$ (4,836)
translation adjustment	(109)	(83)	1	(565)
Comprehensive (loss)	\$(2,552)	\$(12,349) ======	\$(9,085) =====	\$(5,401) ======

NOTE 6 - Business Segment Information

The Company operates in three reportable segments: intelligent transportation systems, video products, which includes products for the television broadcast and video security markets, and telecommunications. Selected financial information for the Company's reportable segments for the three month and six month periods ended September 30, 1999 and 2000 follows in thousands:

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Intelligent	Video	Telecom	m-+-1
ITansportation	Products	Products	Total
6,108	9,882	2,061	18,051
0	1,337	24	1,361
(768)	(3,380)	(1,804)	(5,952)
6,544	8,375	1,760	16,679
0	1,553	14	1,567
(1,243)	(4,156)	(3,726)	(9,125)
	6,108 0 (768) 6,544 0	Transportation Products 6,108 9,882 0 1,337 (768) (3,380) 6,544 8,375 0 1,553	Transportation Products Products 6,108 9,882 2,061 0 1,337 24 (768) (3,380) (1,804) 6,544 8,375 1,760 0 1,553 14

The following reconciles segment income to consolidated income before income taxes in thousands:

	3 months ended Sept. 30, 1999	3 months ended Sept. 30, 2000
Revenue		
Total revenues for reportable segments	19,412	18,246
Non-reportable segment revenues	2,121	2,346
Other revenues	0	0
Elimination of intersegment sales	(1,361)	(1,567)
Total consolidated revenues	20,172	19,025
Total loss for reportable segments	(5 , 952)	(9,125)
Other profit or loss	(534)	(1,327)
Unallocated amounts:		
Corporate and other expenses	(1,779)	(1,385)
Special charge	0	0
Interest expense	(753)	(429)
Loss before income taxes	(9,018)	(12,266)
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	Intelligent	Video	Telecom	
	Transportation	Products	Products	Total
Six months ended 9/30/99				
Revenue from external customers	11,205	21,326	5,705	38,236
Intersegment revenues	0	2,504	40	2,544
Segment income (loss)	(1,456)	(5,557)	(2,819)	(9,832)
Six months ended 9/30/00				
Revenue from external customers	12,321	18,589	3,120	34,030
Intersegment revenues	0	2,780	42	2,822
Segment income (loss)	(3,624)	(7,370)	(5,414)	(16,408)

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The following reconciles segment income to consolidated income before income taxes in thousands:

	6 months ended Sept. 30, 1999	6 months ended Sept. 30, 2000
Revenue		
Total revenues for reportable segments	40,780	36,852
Non-reportable segment revenues	4,011	4,619
Other revenues	0	0
Elimination of intersegment sales	(2,544)	(2,822)
Total consolidated revenues	42,247	38,649
Total loss for reportable segments	(9,832)	(16,408)
Other profit or loss	(1,376)	(2,452)
Unallocated amounts:		
Corporate and other expenses	(3,086)	14,925
Special charge	0	0
Interest expense	(1,367)	(901)
Loss before income taxes	(15,661)	(4,836)

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The following discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes thereto contained in this Report and in the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Odetics. When used in this Report, the words "expect(s)," "feel(s)," "believe(s)," "intends," "plans," "will," "may," "anticipate(s)" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking statements include, among other things, statements concerning projected revenues and results of operations, funding and cash requirements, supply issues, market acceptance of new products, the Odetics incubator strategy, and involve a number of risks and uncertainties, including without limitation, those set forth at the end of this Item 2 under the caption "Risk Factors." Odetics' actual results may differ materially from any forwardlooking statements discussed herein. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date hereof. Odetics undertakes no obligation to republish revised forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

Results of Operations

General. Odetics defines its business segments as Video Products, Telecom Products, and Intelligent Transportation Systems ("ITS"). The Video Products segment includes our Broadcast, Inc. and our Gyyr, Inc. subsidiaries. The Telecom Products segment includes Zyfer, Inc., which manufactures timing and synchronization products, and Mariner Networks, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary, which manufactures multi-service access devices for the telecommunications industry. The ITS segment represents Odetics' 93% owned subsidiary Iteris, Inc.

Net Sales and Contract Revenues. Net sales and contract revenues consist of (i) sales of products and services to commercial and municipal customers ("net sales") and (ii) revenues derived from contracts with state, county and municipal agencies for intelligent transportation systems projects ("contract revenues"). Contract revenues also include revenue from contracts with agencies of the United States Government and foreign entities for space recorders used for geographical information systems. Total net sales and contract revenues decreased 5.7% to \$19.0 million for the three month period ended September 30 2000, compared to \$20.2 million in the corresponding period of the prior fiscal year. Total net sales and contract revenues decreased 8.5% to \$38.6 million for the sixth month period ended September 30, 2000 compared to \$42.2 million in the corresponding period of the prior fiscal year. Contract revenues of \$4.9 million for the three month period ended September 30 2000 was approximately unchanged compared to \$4.8 million in the corresponding period of the prior fiscal year. Contract revenues for the sixth month period ended September 30, 2000 of \$9.6 million was approximately unchanged compared to \$9.5 million in the corresponding period of the prior fiscal year. Contract revenues were approximately unchanged in the three month periods ended September 30, 2000 compared to the corresponding period of the prior year in both Iteris and Zyfer. For the six months ended September 30, 2000 compared to the six months ended September 30, 1999, Iteris experienced an 8.4% increase in contract revenues, which was offset by a 30.5% decrease at Zyfer. Iteris has continued to execute on its plans to aggressively compete for new contracts for intelligent transportation systems projects. The decrease in year to date contract revenues in Zyfer reflects declining revenues derived from contracts related to geographical information systems.

Net sales decreased 7.6% to \$14.2 million for the three month period ended September 30, 2000 compared to \$15.3 million in the corresponding period of the prior fiscal year. Net sales decreased 11.3% to \$29.0 million for the six month period ended September 30, 2000 compared to \$32.7 million in the corresponding period of the prior fiscal year. The decrease in net sales in the three month and six month periods ended September 30, 2000 compared to the corresponding periods of the prior year primarily reflects the net effect of increased sales of Iteris products, offset by a decrease in sales of Video Products and, to a lesser extent, decreased sales of Telecom Products. Iteris' net sales in the three month and six

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month periods ended September 30, 2000 reflects increased unit sales of its Vantage video based traffic intersection control product. The decrease in Video Products net sales reflects primarily reduced sales of Broadcast automation systems. The decrease in Telecom products sales reflects the transition of Mariner Networks' revenue base away from its legacy network interface module business toward its Dexter 3000 multi-service access business. Mariner Networks expects to have its first revenue from Dexter 3000 sales in its quarter ended

Gross Profit. Gross profit as a percent of net sales decreased to 19.2% for the three month period ended September 30, 2000, compared to 23.0% the corresponding period in the prior fiscal year. For the sixth month period ended September 30, 2000 gross profit as a percent of net sales decreased to 20.0% compared to 26.6% for the corresponding period of the prior fiscal year. The decrease in gross profit performance in the three month and six month periods ended September 30, 2000 reflects decreased gross profits experienced by Video Products and Telecom Products due to lower absorption of fixed manufacturing costs on reduced net sales volume of Broadcast and Mariner Networks' products.

Gross profit as a percent of contract revenues increased to 37.1% for the three months ended September 30, 2000 compared to 21.2% in the comparable period of the prior fiscal year. For the six month period ended September 30, 2000 gross profit as a percentage of contract revenues increased to 34.5% from 26.9% in the comparable period of the prior fiscal year. The increase in gross profits on contract revenues for the three and six month periods ended September 30, 2000 primarily reflects improved gross margins on contract revenues in Zyfer and Iteris in the current fiscal year. The Company recognizes contract revenues and related gross profits utilizing percentage of completion contract accounting, and the related gross margins recognized in any given period will be affected by the underlying mix of contract activity.

Selling, General and Administrative Expense. Selling, general and administrative expense increased 27.0% to \$10.8 million (or 56.7% of total net sales and contract revenues) in the three months ended September 30, 2000 compared to \$8.5 million (or 42.1% of total net sales and contract revenues) in the corresponding period of the prior fiscal year. Selling, general and administrative expenses increased 26.4% to \$21.9 million (or 56.8% of total net sales and contract revenues) for the six months ended September 30, 2000 compared to \$17.3 million (or 41.1% of total net sales and contract revenues) in the corresponding period of the prior fiscal year. Sales and marketing and general and administrative expenses in each of Odetics entities reflects the unique growth attributes and maturity of each operation. We have increased the level of spending in sales and marketing and general and administrative expenses in the three and six month periods ended September 30, 2000 in Broadcast, Zyfer, Mariner, and Iteris. Broadcast spending for selling, general and administrative expenses increased 18.7% and 18.4% in the three and six month periods ended September 30, 2000 compared to the prior year period as a result of aggressive ramp of the Broadcast marketing organization and increased programs to support sales of Microstation, Airo, and Roswell products. Zyfer increased spending in selling, general and administrative expenses to support its StealthKey(TM) product initiatives. Mariner Networks spending for selling, general and administrative expenses increased 176.8% and 110.9% in the three and six month periods ended September 30, 2000 compared to the prior year periods as a result of its organizational development required to support the roll-out of its Dexter 3000 product family during the quarter ended September 30, 2000. Iteris experienced increased selling, general and administrative expenses as a result of its build up of its product marketing activities and development in infrastructure required to prepare for spin-off from Odetics which was planned in the quarter ended June 30, 2000. As a result of the aborted public offering and spin-off in the current fiscal year, selling, general and administrative expenses in the six months ended September 30, 2000 includes a charge of \$360,000 relating to the write-off deferred public offering costs.

Research and Development Expense. Research and development expense increased 28.5% to \$5.6 million (or 29.3% of total net sales and contract revenues) in the three month period ended September 30, 2000 compared to \$4.3 million (or 21.5% of total net sales and contract revenues) in the corresponding period of the prior fiscal year. For the six month period ended September 30, 2000 research and development expenses increased 24.0% to \$10.2 million (or 26.3% of total net sales and contract revenues) compared to \$8.2 million (or 19.4% of total net sales and contract revenues) in the corresponding period of

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the prior fiscal year. The increase in research and development expense for the three and six month periods ended September 30, 2000 compared to the previous fiscal year period principally reflects increased product development expenses in Zyfer, Mariner Networks, and Iteris. Zyfer's expenses for research and development increased 71.1% and 60.8% in the three and six month periods ended September 30, 2000, compared to the same periods of the prior year as a result of the development of StealthKey(TM) , its product offering for secured network

communications. Mariner Networks increased expenses for research and development 47.3% and 14.9% in the three and six month periods ended September 30, 2000, respectively, compared to the prior periods as a result of continued aggressive development of the Dexter 3000 product family. Dexter 3000 represents a new offering of multi-service access products for the telecommunications industry. Iteris' expenses for research and development increased 72.2% and 78.1% in the three and six month period ended September 30, 2000, respectively, compared to the prior year periods as a result of developments supporting its AutoVue product and the development of solutions for Personalized Traveler Information. For competitive reasons, Odetics closely guards the confidentiality of its specific development projects. The increase in product development expense relates primarily to development labor and related benefits, prototype material cost and consulting fees.

Interest Expense, Net. Interest Expense, Net reflects interest income and interest expense as follows:

	Three M	lonths	Six M	onths	
		Ended Septer		mber 30,	
	1999	2000	1999	2000	
		(in thousan	nds)		
Interest Expense	750	536	1,367	1,075	
Interest Income	0	107	0	174	
Interest Expense, Net	750	429	1,367	901	

Interest expense primarily reflects interest on Odetics' line of credit borrowings and mortgage interest. Interest income in the three and six months ended September 30, 2000 was derived from short- term investments of cash deposits. The decrease in interest expense for the three and six month period ended September 30, 2000 compared to the prior fiscal year reflects a decrease in the Odetics' average outstanding borrowings on its line of credit facility.

Income Taxes.

On October 11, 1999, Odetics settled its litigation with Storage Technology Corporation through an agreement for Storage Technology Corporation to pay license fees to Odetics of \$100 million. As a result of the gain to be recognized during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2000, the valuation allowance related to Odetics deferred tax assets were reduced and a related tax benefit of \$6.6 million was recognized in the three and six month periods ended September 30, 1999. There were no tax benefits recognized in the three and six month periods ended September 30, 2000 because management determined that Odetics could not meet the criteria for recognition of the resulting deferred tax asset.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Odetics reported net losses of \$4.8 million in the six months ended September 30, 2000. Net losses recognized in the six months ended September 30, 2000 were net of non-operating gains of \$19.1 million. Net losses, adjusted for non-cash expenses for depreciation, and working capital financing needs of \$2.5 million during the six months ended September 30, 2000 yielded net cash used in operations of \$2.8 million. We used \$1.5 million of cash during the six months ended September 30, 2000 to finance capital equipment purchases.

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Odetics has a \$17.0 million line of credit with Transamerica Business Credit providing for borrowings at prime plus 2.0% (11.5% at September 30, 2000). At September 30, 2000, Odetics had \$2.1 million of outstanding borrowings on this line of credit. Odetics' borrowing under this line of credit are secured by substantially all of its assets.

During the six months ended September 30, 2000, we recognized non-operating income in connection with the settlement with StorageTek and the sale of certain assets of our solid state recorder product line. In October 1999, we settled litigation with StorageTek in exchange for license fees payable to us of \$100.0 million, \$80.0 million of which was paid on the settlement date. In June 2000, we amended the settlement agreement with StorageTek to provide for the

acceleration of the payment of the \$20.0 million still owed Odetics. Under the terms of the amendment, StorageTek paid us \$17.8 million in the three months ended June 30, 2000 to complete the settlement. We recognized non-operating income in the amount of \$17.8 million, and used cash proceeds to pay down borrowings on our line of credit during the three months ended June 30, 2000. During the three months ended June 30, 2000, Odetics sold for cash of \$1.5 million certain assets of its solid state recording product line. In connection with this sale, we recorded a non-operating gain of \$1.2 million in the six months ended September 30, 2000.

In July 1999, Odetics sold an option to Manchester Capital LLC for an aggregate purchase price of \$5.0 million to purchase certain real property of Odetics consisting of approximately 14 acres located at 1515 South Manchester Avenue, Anaheim, California. Odetics used the proceeds of the option sale for general working capital purposes. In August 2000, Odetics repurchased this option from Manchester Capital LLC for \$5.6 million.

The Odetics strategy of incubating companies for eventual spin-off or sale requires significant investments of cash. Odetics has historically utilized several alternatives for meeting its liquidity requirements, including the monetization of certain real property, the re-negotiation of its credit facilities, and the sale of additional equity and debt instruments. Odetics anticipates that it will be successful in its efforts to continue to finance its capital requirements and that it will be able it to execute its current operating plans and meet its obligations on a timely basis for at least the next twelve months.

Pending Adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 133

In June 1998, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 133, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities (SFAS No. 133). SFAS No. 133 establishes new standards for recording derivatives in interim and annual financial reports requiring that all derivative instruments be recorded as assets or liabilities, measured at fair value. SFAS No. 133 is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2000, and therefore we will adopt the new requirements effective with the filing of our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2001. We do not anticipate that the adoption of SFAS No. 133 will have a significant impact on our results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

Pending Adoption of Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 101

In December 1999, the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") issued Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 101, Revenue Recognition in Financial Statements (SAB No. 101). SAB No. 101 summarizes the SEC staff's views in applying generally accepted accounting principles to revenue recognition in financial statements. We review our sales contracts on an ongoing basis to ensure our compliance with SAB No. 101. We do not anticipate that adoption of SAB No. 101 will have a material impact on previously reported or future results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

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RISK FACTORS

Our business is subject to a number of risks, some of which are discussed below. Other risks are presented elsewhere in this report. You should consider the following risks carefully in addition to the other information contained in this report before purchasing the shares of our common stock. If any of the following risks actually occur, they could seriously harm our business, financial condition or results of operations. In such case, the trading price of our common stock could decline, and you may lose all or part of your investment.

Our Quarterly Operating Results Fluctuate as a Result of Many Factors. Our quarterly revenues and operating results have fluctuated and are likely to continue to vary from quarter to quarter due to a number of factors, many of which are not within our control. Factors that could affect our revenues include, among others, the following:

 our significant investment in research and development for our subsidiaries and business units;

- . our ability to develop, introduce, market and gain market acceptance of new products applications and product enhancements in a timely manner;
- the size, timing, rescheduling or cancellation of significant customer orders;
- . the introduction of new products by competitors;
- . the availability of components used in the manufacture of our products;
- . our ability to control costs;
- changes in our pricing policies and the pricing policies by our suppliers and competitors, pricing concessions on volume sales, as well as increased price competition in general;
- the long lead times associated with government contracts or required by vehicle manufacturers;
- . our success in expanding and implementing our sales and marketing programs;
- . the effects of technological changes in our target markets;
- . our relatively small level of backlog at any given time;
- . the mix of sales among our business units;
- deferrals of customer orders in anticipation of new products, applications or product enhancements;
- . the risks inherent in our acquisitions of technologies and businesses;
- . the Asian economic crisis and instability, and other risks and uncertainties associated with our international business;
- . currency fluctuations and our ability to get currency out of certain foreign countries; and
- . general economic and market conditions.

In addition, our sales in any quarter may consist of a relatively small number of large customer orders. As a result, the timing of a small number of orders may impact our quarter to quarter results. The loss of or a substantial reduction in orders from any significant customer could seriously harm our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Due to all of the factors listed above and other risks discussed in this report, our future operating results could be below the expectations of securities analysts and/or investors. If that happens, the trading price of our common stock could be adversely affected. As a result of these quarterly variations, you should not rely on quarter-to-quarter comparisons of our operating results as an indication of our future performance.

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We Have Experienced Substantial Losses and Expect Future Losses. We have experienced significant operating losses of \$23.0 million for the six months ended September 30, 2000, \$38.7 million for the year ended March 31, 2000 and \$18.3 million for the year ended March 31, 1999. We may not be able to achieve profitability on a quarterly or annual basis in the future. Most of our expenses are fixed in advance, and we generally are unable to reduce our expenses significantly in the short-term to compensate for any unexpected delay or decrease in anticipated revenues. In addition, in order to implement our incubator strategy successfully, we expect to continue to make significant investments in each of our business units. As a result, we may continue to experience losses, which could cause the market price of our common stock to decline.

Our Incubator Strategy is Expensive and May Not Be Successful. We have initiated a business strategy called our incubator strategy, which is expensive and highly risky. The goal of this strategy is to nurture and develop companies that can be spun-off to our stockholders. This strategy has in the past required us to make significant investments in our business units, both for research and

development, and also to develop a separate infrastructure for each of our business units, sufficient to allow the division to function as an independent public company. We expect to continue to invest heavily in the development of our business units with the goal of conducting additional public offerings. We may not recognize the benefits of this investment for a significant period of time, if at all. Our ability to complete an initial public offering of any of our business units and/or spin-off our interest to our stockholders will depend upon many factors, including:

- the overall performance and results of operations of the particular business unit;
- . the potential market for our business unit;
- our ability to assemble and retain a broad, qualified management team for the business unit;
- . our financial position and cash requirements;
- . the business unit's customer base and product line;
- the current tax treatment of spin-off transactions and our ability to obtain favorable determination letters from the Internal Revenue Service; and
- . general economic and market conditions, including the receptivity of the stock markets to initial public offerings.

We may not be able to complete a successful initial public offering or spin-off of any of our business units in the near future, or at all. During fiscal 2000, we attempted to complete the initial public offering of Iteris. We withdrew the offering due to adverse market conditions. Even if we do complete additional public offerings, we may decide not to spin-off a particular business unit, or to delay the spin-off until a later date.

We Must Keep Pace with Rapid Technological Change to Remain Competitive. Our target markets are in general characterized by the following factors:

- . rapid technological advances;
- . downward price pressure in the marketplace as technologies mature;
- . changes in customer requirements;
- . frequent new product introductions and enhancements; and
- . evolving industry standards and changes in the regulatory environment.

Our future success will depend upon our ability to anticipate and adapt to changes in technology and industry standards, and to effectively develop, introduce, market and gain broad acceptance of new products and product enhancements incorporating the latest technological advancements.

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We believe that we must continue to make substantial investments to support ongoing research and development in order to remain competitive. We need to continue to develop and introduce new products that incorporate the latest technological advancements in hardware, storage media, operating system software and applications software in response to evolving customer requirements. Our recent shift towards providing more software solutions may create additional challenges for us, particularly in Broadcast. Our business and results of operations could be adversely affected if we do not anticipate or respond adequately to technological developments or changing customer requirements. We cannot assure you that any such investments in research and development will lead to any corresponding increase in revenue.

Our Future Success Depends on the Successful Development and Market Acceptance of New Products. We believe our revenue growth and future operating results will depend on our ability to complete development of new products and enhancements, introduce these products in a timely, cost-effective manner, achieve broad market acceptance of these products and enhancements, and reduce our product costs. We may not be able to introduce any new products or any enhancements to our existing products on a timely basis, or at all. In addition,

the introduction of any new products could adversely affect the sales of our certain of our existing products.

Our future success will also depend in part on the success of several recently introduced products including DVMS, our family of digital time-lapse recorders; AutoVue, our lane departure warning system; and Dexter, our multi service access device.

Market acceptance of our new products depends upon many factors, including our ability to accurately predict market requirements and evolving industry standards, our ability to resolve technical challenges in a timely and costeffective manner and achieve manufacturing efficiencies, the perceived advantages of our new products over traditional products and the marketing capabilities of our independent distributors and strategic partners. Our business and results of operations could be seriously harmed by any significant delays in our new product development. We have experienced delays in the past in the introduction of new products, particularly with our Roswell system. Certain of our new products could contain undetected design faults and software errors or "bugs" when first released by us, despite our testing. We may not discover these faults or errors until after a product has been installed and used by our customers. Any faults or errors in our existing products or in any new products may cause delays in product introduction and shipments, require design modifications or harm customer relationships, any of which could adversely affect our business and competitive position.

We currently anticipate that we will outsource the manufacture of our AutoVue product line to a single manufacturer. This manufacturer may not be able to produce sufficient quantities of this product in a timely manner or at a reasonable cost, which could materially and adversely affect our ability to launch or gain market acceptance of AutoVue.

We May Need Additional Capital in the Future and May Not Be Able to Secure Adequate Funds on Terms Acceptable to Us. While we recently raised approximately \$17.1 million in September 2000 in a private placement of our Class A common stock, we anticipate that we may need to raise additional capital in the near future, either through additional bank borrowings or other debt or equity financings. Our capital requirements will depend on many factors, including:

- . market acceptance of our products;
- . increased research and development funding, and required investments in our business units;
- . our ability to generate operating income;
- technological advancements and our competitors' response to our products;
- . capital improvements to new and existing facilities;
- . increased sales and marketing expenses; and

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. potential acquisitions of businesses and product lines; and additional working capital needs.

If our capital requirements are materially different from those currently planned, we may need additional capital sooner than anticipated. If additional funds are raised through the issuance of equity securities, the percentage ownership of our stockholders will be reduced and such securities may have rights, preferences and privileges senior to our common stock. Additional financing may not be available on favorable terms or at all. If adequate funds are not available or are not available on acceptable terms, we may be unable to develop or enhance our products, expand our sales and marketing programs, take advantage of future opportunities or respond to competitive pressures.

We Have Significant International Sales and Are Subject to Risks Associated with Operating in International Markets. International product sales represented approximately 19% of our total net sales and contract revenues for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2000, approximately 27% for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1999 and approximately 34% for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1998. International business operations are subject to inherent risks, including, among others:

- unexpected changes in regulatory requirements, tariffs and other trade barriers or restrictions;
- . longer accounts receivable payment cycles;
- . difficulties in managing and staffing international operations;
- . potentially adverse tax consequences;
- . the burdens of compliance with a wide variety of foreign laws;
- import and export license requirements and restrictions of the United States and each other country in which we operate;
- exposure to different legal standards and reduced protection for intellectual property rights in some countries;
- . currency fluctuations and restrictions; and
- . political, social and economic instability.

We believe that international sales will continue to represent a significant portion of our revenues, and that continued growth and profitability may require further expansion of our international operations. Our international sales are currently denominated primarily in U.S. dollars. As a result, an increase in the relative value of the dollar could make our products more expensive and potentially less price competitive in international markets. We do not engage in any transactions as a hedge against risks of loss due to foreign currency fluctuations.

Any of these factors may adversely effect our future international sales and, consequently, on our business and operating results. Furthermore, as we increase our international sales, our total revenues may also be affected to a greater extent by seasonal fluctuations resulting from lower sales that typically occur during the summer months in Europe and other parts of the world.

We Need to Manage Growth and the Integration of Our Acquisitions. Over the past three years, we have significantly expanded our operations and made several substantial acquisitions of diverse businesses, including Intelligent Controls, Inc., International Media Integration Services, Ltd., Meyer Mohaddes Associates, Inc., Viggen Corporation, certain assets of the Transportation Systems business of Rockwell International, and the Security Products Division of Digital Systems Processing, Inc. A key element of our business strategy involves expansion through the acquisition of complementary businesses, products and technologies. Acquisitions may require significant capital infusions and, in general, acquisitions also involve a number of special risks, including:

- potential disruption of our ongoing business and the diversion of our resources and management's attention;
- . the failure to retain or integrate key acquired personnel;

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- the challenge of assimilating diverse business cultures, and the difficulties in integrating the operations, technologies and information system of the acquired companies;
- increased costs to improve managerial, operational, financial and administrative systems and to eliminate duplicative services;
- . the incurrence of unforeseen obligations or liabilities;
- potential impairment of relationships with employees or customers as a result of changes in management; and
- . increased interest expense and amortization of acquired intangible assets.

Acquisitions may also materially and adversely affect our operating results due to large write-offs, contingent liabilities, substantial depreciation, deferred compensation charges or good will amortization, or other adverse tax or audit consequences.

Our competitors are also soliciting potential acquisition candidates, which could both increase the price of any acquisition targets and decrease the number of attractive companies available for acquisition. We cannot assure you that we will be able to consummate any additional acquisitions, successfully integrate any acquisitions or realize the benefits anticipated from any acquisition.

Acquisitions, combined with the expansion of our business divisions and recent growth has placed and is expected to continue to place a significant strain on our resources. To accommodate this growth, we anticipate that we will be required to implement a variety of new and upgraded operational and financial systems, procedures and controls, including the improvement of our accounting and other internal management systems. All of these updates will require substantial management effort. Our failure to manage growth and integrate our acquisitions successfully could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We Depend on Government Contracts and Subcontracts and Face Additional Risks Related to Fixed Price Contracts. A significant portion of the sales by Iteris and a portion of our sales by Zyfer were derived from contracts with governmental agencies, either as a general contractor, subcontractor or supplier. Government contracts represented approximately 24% and 25% of our total net sales and contract revenues for the year ended March 31, 2000 and the six months ended September 30, 2000, respectively. We expect revenue from government contracts will continue to increase in the near future. Government business is, in general, subject to special risks and challenges, including:

- . long purchase cycles;
- . competitive bidding and qualification requirements;
- . performance bond requirements;
- . delays in funding, budgetary constraints and cut-backs; and
- . milestone requirements, and liquidated damage provisions for failure to meet contract milestones.

In addition, a large number of our government contracts are fixed price contracts. As a result, we may not be able to recover for any cost overruns. These fixed price contracts require us to estimate the total project cost based on preliminary projections of the project's requirements. The financial viability of any given project depends in large part on our ability to estimate these costs accurately and complete the project on a timely basis. In the event our costs on these projects exceed the fixed contractual amount, we will be required to bear the excess costs. These additional costs adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations. Moreover, certain of our government contracts are subject to termination or renegotiation at the convenience of the government, which could result in a large decline in our net sales in any given quarter. Our inability to address any of the foregoing concerns or the loss or renegotiation of any material government contract could seriously harm our business, financial condition and results of operations.

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The Markets in Which We Operate Are Highly Competitive and Have Many More Established Competitors. We compete with numerous other companies in our target markets and we expect such competition to increase due to technological advancements, industry consolidations and reduced barriers to entry. Increased competition is likely to result in price reductions, reduced gross margins and loss of market share, any of which could seriously harm our business, financial condition and results of operations. Many of our competitors have far greater name recognition and greater financial, technological, marketing and customer service resources than we do. This may allow them to respond more quickly to new or emerging technologies and changes in customer requirements. It may also allow them to devote greater resources to the development, promotion, sale and support of their products than we can. Recent consolidations of end users, distributors and manufacturers in our target markets have exacerbated this problem. As a result of the foregoing factors, we may not be able to compete effectively in our target markets and competitive pressures could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We Cannot Be Certain of Our Ability to Attract and Retain Key Personnel and We Do Not Have Employment Agreements with Any Key Personnel. Due to the

specialized nature of our business, we are highly dependent on the continued service of our executive officers and other key management, engineering and technical personnel, particularly Joel Slutzky, our Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board, and Gregory A. Miner, our Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer. We do not have any employment contracts with any of our officers or key employees. The loss of any of these persons would seriously harm our development and marketing efforts, and would adversely affect our business. Our success will also depend in large part upon our ability to continue to attract, retain and motivate qualified engineering and other highly skilled technical personnel. Competition for employees, particularly development engineers, is intense. We may not be able to continue to attract and retain sufficient numbers of such highly skilled employees. Our inability to attract and retain additional key employees or the loss of one or more of our current key employees could adversely affect upon our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We May Not be Able to Adequately Protect or Enforce Our Intellectual Property Rights. If we are not able to adequately protect or enforce the proprietary aspects of our technology, competitors could be able to access our proprietary technology and our business, financial condition and results of operations will likely be seriously harmed. We currently attempt to protect our technology through a combination of patent, copyright, trademark and trade secret laws, employee and third party nondisclosure agreements and similar means. Despite our efforts, other parties may attempt to disclose, obtain or use our technologies or solutions. Our competitors may also be able to independently develop products that are substantially equivalent or superior to our products or design around our patents. In addition, the laws of some foreign countries do not protect our proprietary rights as fully as do the laws of the United States. As a result, we may not be able to protect our proprietary rights adequately in the United States or abroad.

From time to time, we have received notices that claim we have infringed upon the intellectual property of others. Even if these claims are not valid, they could subject us to significant costs. We have engaged in litigation in the past, and litigation may be necessary in the future to enforce our intellectual property rights or to determine the validity and scope of the proprietary rights of others. Litigation may also be necessary to defend against claims of infringement or invalidity by others. An adverse outcome in litigation or any similar proceedings could subject us to significant liabilities to third parties, require us to license disputed rights from others or require us to cease marketing or using certain products or technologies. We may not be able to obtain any licenses on terms acceptable to us, or at all. We also may have to indemnify certain customers or strategic partners if it is determined that we have infringed upon or misappropriated another party's intellectual property. Any of these results could adversely affect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. In addition, the cost of addressing any intellectual property litigation claim, both in legal fees and expenses, and the diversion of management resources, regardless of whether the claim is valid, could be significant and could seriously harm our business, financial condition and results of operations.

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The Trading Price of Our Common Stock Is Volatile. The trading price of our common stock has been subject to wide fluctuations in the past. We may not be able to increase or sustain the current market price of our common stock in the future. As such, you may not be able to resell your shares of common stock at or above the price you paid for them. The market price of our common stock could continue to fluctuate in the future in response to various factors, including, but not limited to:

- . quarterly variations in operating results;
- . shortages announced by suppliers;
- announcements of technological innovations or new products by our competitors, customers or us;
- . acquisitions or businesses, products or technologies;
- . changes in pending litigation or new litigation;
- . changes in investor perceptions;

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- . our ability to spin-off any business unit;
- . applications or product enhancements by us or by our competitors; and
- changes in earnings estimates or investment recommendations by securities analysts.

The stock market in general has recently experienced volatility, which has particularly affected the market prices of equity securities of many high technology companies. This volatility has often been unrelated to the operating performance of these companies. These broad market fluctuations may adversely affect the market price of our common stock. In the past, companies that have experienced volatilities in the market price of their securities have been the subject of securities class action litigation. If we were to become the subject of a class action lawsuit, it could result in substantial losses and divert management's attention and resources from other matters.

We Are Controlled by Certain of Our Officers and Directors. As of September 30, 2000, our officers and directors beneficially owned approximately 28% of the total combined voting power of the outstanding shares of our Class A common stock and Class B common stock. As a result of their stock ownership, our management will be able to significantly influence the election of our directors and the outcome of corporate actions requiring stockholder approval, such as mergers and acquisitions, regardless of how our other stockholders may vote. This concentration of voting control may have a significant effect in delaying, deferring or preventing a change in our management or change in control and may adversely affect the voting or other rights of other holders of common stock.

Our Stock Structure and Certain Anti-Takeover Provisions May Affect the Price of Our Common Stock. Certain provisions of our certificate of incorporation and our stockholder rights plan could make it difficult for a third party to acquire us, even though an acquisition might be beneficial to our stockholders. These provisions could limit the price that investors might be willing to pay in the future for shares of our common stock. Our Class A common stock entitles the holder to one-tenth of one vote per share and our Class ${\tt B}$ common stock entitles the holder to one vote per share. In addition, holders of the Class B common stock are presently entitled to elect six of our nine directors. The disparity in the voting rights between our common stock, as well as our insiders' significant ownership of the Class B common stock, could discourage a proxy contest or make it more difficult for a third party to effect a change in our management and control. In addition, our Board of Directors is authorized to issue, without stockholder approval, up to 2,000,000 shares of preferred stock with voting, conversion and other rights and preferences superior to those of our common stock, as well as additional shares of Class B common stock. Our future issuance of preferred stock or Class B common stock could be used to discourage an unsolicited acquisition proposal.

In March 1998, we adopted a stockholder rights plan and declared a dividend of preferred stock purchase rights to our stockholders. In the event a third party acquires more than 15% of the outstanding voting control of our company or 15% of our outstanding common stock, the holders of these rights will be

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able to purchase the junior participating preferred stock at a substantial discount off of the then current market price. The exercise of these rights and purchase of a significant amount of stock at below market prices could cause substantial dilution to a particular acquiror and discourage the acquiror from pursuing our company. The mere existence of the stockholder rights plan often delays or makes a merger, tender offer or proxy contest more difficult.

We Do Not Pay Cash Dividends. We have never paid cash dividends on our common stock and do not anticipate paying any cash dividends on either class of our common stock in the foreseeable future.

We May Be Subject to Additional Risks. The risks and uncertainties described above are not the only ones facing our company. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial may also adversely affect our business operations.

Substantially all of the Company's debt outstanding at September 30, 2000 is fixed rate debt and, accordingly, the Company does not have significant exposure to changes in interest rates.

PART II OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

None

Item 2. CHANGES IN SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

None

Item 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

None

Item 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

In connection with the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of Odetics, Inc. held on September 30, 2000, the following proxies were tabulated representing 698,158 shares of Class A Common Stock or 85.10% of the eligible voting share, and 798,423 of Class B Common Stock or 75.93% of the eligible voting shares voted in the following manner:

Proposal I: Election of the Board of Directors ${\ }^{\circ}$

Class A Common Stock	Total Vote for	Total Vote Withheld
	Each Director	From Each Director
Crandall Gudmundson	695,464	2,693
Jerry F. Muench	695,614	2,543

Class A & Class B Common Stock Voting Together As A Single Class	Total Vote For Each Director Class A	Total Vote For Each Director Class B	Total Vote Withheld From Each Director Class A	Total Vote Withheld From Each Director Class B
Joel Slutzky Kevin Daly Tom Thomas	695,531 695,614 695,614	797,523 797,523 797,523	2,626 2,543 2,543	900 900 900
Gregory A. Miner	695,534	797,523	2,624	900
John W. Seazholtz	695,414	797,523	2,743	900
Paul E. Wright	695,464	797,523	2,693	900

Proposal II: To approve an amendment to the 1997 Stock Incentive Plan for an

additional 400,000 Shares of Class A Common Stock; increase the number of option shares granted to each nonemployee director upon his initial appointment to the Board of Directors from 5,000 shares to 20,000 shares; increase the number of option shares granted to each nonemployee director on the date of each annual meeting of stockholders thereafter from 4,000 shares to 5,000.

	(1/10 vote per share)	(1 vote per share)
For	662 , 605	726,386
Against	30,214	5,282
Abstain	5,338	66,754

Proposal III: To Ratify the Appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company's independent auditors for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2001.

	Class A	Class B
	Common Stock	Common Stock
	(1/10 vote per share)	(1 vote per share)
For	694,402	798,104
Against	1,050	100
Abstain	2,706	219

Item 5. OTHER INFORMATION

NONE.

- Item 6. EXHIBITS AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K
 - (a) Exhibits
 - 27. Financial Data Schedule
 - (b) Reports on Form 8-K

None

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

ODETICS, INC. (Registrant)

By /s/ Gregory A. Miner
-----Gregory A. Miner
Vice President, Chief Financial Officer

By /s/ Gary Smith
----Gary Smith
Vice President, Controller
(Principal Accounting Officer)

Dated: November 14, 2000

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