UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) February 8, 2011

STERIS Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 1-14643 (Commission File Number) 34-1482024 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

5960 Heisley Road, Mentor, Ohio (Address of principal executive offices)

44060-1834 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (440) 354-2600

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

| k the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following isions: |
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| Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) |
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| Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)) |
| Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) |

ITEM 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 8, 2011, STERIS issued a press release announcing financial results for its fiscal 2011 third quarter ended December 31, 2010. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The information contained in Item 2.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto, is being furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. Furthermore, the information contained in Item 2.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933.

ITEM 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit

| No. | <u>Description</u> |
|------|--|
| 99.1 | Press Release issued by STERIS Corporation on February 8, 2011 regarding its results of operations and financial condition for its fiscal 2011 third |
| | quarter ended December 31, 2010. |

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 hereunto duly authorized.

STERIS CORPORATION

By: /s/ Michael J. Tokich

Michael J. Tokich

Spring Vice President

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: February 8, 2011

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STERIS CORPORATION NEWS ANNOUNCEMENT FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

STERIS CORPORATION ANNOUNCES FISCAL 2011 THIRD QUARTER RESULTS

Mentor, Ohio (February 8, 2011) - STERIS Corporation (NYSE: STE) today announced financial results for its fiscal 2011 third quarter ended December 31, 2010. Fiscal 2011 third quarter revenue was \$328.3 million compared with \$327.8 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2010, with growth in the Healthcare and Isomedix segments offset by a decline in the Life Sciences segment.

During the third quarter of fiscal 2011 the Company recorded a pre-tax operating expense charge of \$19.8 million (\$13.1 million or \$0.22 per diluted share after tax) for the settlement of the previously reported SYSTEM 1® class action litigation. This settlement is subject to, among other things, certification of the class and approval of the settlement by the court. In addition, fiscal 2011 third quarter net income was impacted favorably in the amount of \$0.01 per diluted share due to a tax rate benefit from the previously announced SYSTEM 1 Rebate Program. In order to provide meaningful comparative analysis, the fiscal 2011 financial information provided in this press release excludes the impact of the SYSTEM 1 Rebate Program and the charge for the class action settlement, unless otherwise noted. Please refer to the attached schedules for additional information, including reconciliations from these "non-GAAP financial measures" to as reported results.

Fiscal 2011 third quarter operating income was \$55.6 million compared with \$59.4 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2010. Operating income for the third quarter of fiscal 2011 was negatively impacted by continued declines in SYSTEM 1 consumable (S20 Sterilant) volumes, as well as a higher portion of revenue coming from lower margin capital equipment products. Fiscal 2011 third quarter net income was \$34.1 million, or \$0.57 per diluted share, compared with net income of \$41.0 million, or \$0.69 per diluted share in the third quarter of fiscal 2010.

"During the third quarter, we began shipping our first SYSTEM 1E units. We are pleased to have received FDA clearance for the SYSTEM 1E chemical indicator, and we continue dialogue with the Agency regarding the clearance of a biological indicator for SYSTEM 1E," said Walt Rosebrough, President and Chief Executive Officer of STERIS. "Although we can not give assurance whether or when

the Agency may clear our indicator, we believe our dialogue with the Agency has been constructive. We believe that SYSTEM 1E remains the best SYSTEM 1 transition alternative for most of our Customers' needs, and we anticipate shipping approximately 1,000 SYSTEM 1E units this fiscal year."

Segment Results

Healthcare revenue in the quarter grew 2% to \$237.8 million compared with \$233.3 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2010. Growth was driven by an 11% increase in capital equipment, reflecting solid performance from both surgical and infection prevention products. The growth was partially offset by a 7% decline in consumable revenue and a 3% decline in service revenue. Consumable revenue continued to be impacted by reductions in S20 Sterilant volumes and lower H1N1 product sales as compared to the prior year. Operating income was \$40.2 million compared with \$45.3 million in last year's third quarter, primarily due to the declines in S20 volumes and a higher portion of revenue coming from lower margin capital equipment.

Life Sciences third quarter revenue was \$51.2 million compared with \$58.9 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2010, a decrease of 13%. Growth in consumable revenue of 6% and service revenue of 2% were not enough to offset a 35% decline in capital equipment revenue. The decline in capital equipment revenue was due to low order rates in the first half of the fiscal year. Life Sciences operating income was \$7.3 million compared with \$10.1 million in the prior year third quarter.

Fiscal 2011 third quarter revenue for Isomedix Services was \$38.1 million compared with \$35.0 million in the same period last year, an increase of 9%. Revenue benefitted from increased volumes from core medical device Customers. Operating income was \$10.3 million in the quarter compared with \$6.9 million in the third quarter of last year. As a reminder, fiscal 2010 third quarter operating income was negatively impacted by expenses of \$1.7 million related to the Company's decision to consolidate a facility and exit the E-beam materials modification business.

Cash Flow

Net cash provided by operations for the first nine months of fiscal 2011 was \$83.4 million, compared with \$158.7 million in the same period last year. Free cash flow (see note 1) for the first nine months of fiscal 2011 was \$28.3 million, compared with \$129.4 million in the prior year period. The

decline in free cash flow was driven by increased working capital requirements, primarily due to inventory build of SYSTEM 1E, which totaled \$37 million at the end of the quarter, and lower accounts receivable collections. In addition, capital spending increased significantly during the quarter, driven in part by the timing of cobalt purchases for Isomedix, which totaled \$9.7 million, and an additional \$8.4 million spent by Isomedix to purchase two previously leased facilities.

During the quarter, the Company repurchased 96,259 shares of its common stock at an average price of \$34.25 per share for a total amount of \$3.3 million. Approximately \$184 million remains available for additional purchases under the current share repurchase authorization.

Dividend Announcement

The Company also announced today that STERIS's Board of Directors has authorized a quarterly dividend of \$0.15 per common share. The dividend is payable March 29, 2011 to shareholders of record at the close of business on March 1, 2011.

Outlook

As a result of lower shipment levels for SYSTEM 1E during fiscal 2011, the Company is reducing its outlook for revenue growth for fiscal 2011. Revenue for fiscal 2011 is currently anticipated to increase 2% compared with fiscal 2010 levels, compared with 5% growth expectations previously. The Company is maintaining its prior earnings outlook of \$2.15 to \$2.30 per diluted share for the full fiscal year. This outlook reflects certain key assumptions, some of which are listed below:

- Healthcare revenue growth is expected to be in the low-single digits.
- Life Sciences revenue is expected to decline in the low-single digits.
- · Isomedix revenue growth is expected to be in the high-single digits.
- · Excludes the reduction of revenue, operating income and tax rate related to the previously announced SYSTEM 1 Rebate Program.
- Excludes the impact of any settlement related to the SYSTEM 1 class action litigation.
- The Company has assumed the average forward exchange rates for the U.S. dollar and key international currencies as of December 31, 2010.
- The Company has assumed raw material costs will be approximately flat year over year.

- Excludes restructuring expenses from the Company's ongoing efficiency efforts.
- EBIT as a percent of revenue is anticipated to be approximately 16.5%.
- The anticipated effective tax rate is approximately 36%.

For the full fiscal year 2011, free cash flow (see note 1) is currently anticipated to be in the range of \$60 to \$70 million, compared with prior expectations of \$125 to \$135 million. The decline in free cash flow expectations is due to increased working capital requirements, in particular SYSTEM 1E inventory. Capital expenditures are currently anticipated to be approximately \$75 million.

Conference Call

In conjunction with this release, STERIS Corporation management will host a conference call today at 10:00 a.m. Eastern time. The conference call can be heard live over the Internet at www.steris-ir.com or via phone by dialing 1-800-369-8428 in the United States and Canada, and 1-773-799-3378 internationally, then referencing the password "STERIS".

For those unable to listen to the conference call live, a replay will be available beginning at 12:00 p.m. Eastern time on February 8, 2011, either over the Internet at www.steris-ir.com or via phone by calling 1-800-871-1327 in the United States and Canada, and 1-203-369-3373 internationally.

About STERIS

The mission of STERIS Corporation is to provide a healthier today and safer tomorrow through knowledgeable people and innovative infection prevention, decontamination and health science technologies, products and services. The Company has approximately 5,000 dedicated employees around the world working together to supply a broad array of solutions by offering a combination of equipment, consumables and services to healthcare, pharmaceutical, industrial and government Customers. The Company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol STE. For more information, visit www.steris.com.

Contact: Julie Winter, Director, Investor Relations at 440-392-7245.

(1) Free cash flow is a non-GAAP number used by the Company as a measure to gauge its ability to fund future growth opportunities, repurchase common shares, and pay cash dividends. Free cash flow is defined as cash flows from operating activities less purchases of property, plant, equipment and intangibles, net, plus proceeds from the sale of property, plant, equipment and intangibles. STERIS's calculation of free cash flow may vary from other companies.

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This news release and the referenced conference call may contain statements concerning certain trends, expectations, forecasts, estimates, or other forwardlooking information affecting or relating to the Company or its industry, products or activities that are intended to qualify for the protections afforded "forwardlooking statements" under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and other laws and regulations, Forward-looking statements speak only as to the date of this report, and may be identified by the use of forward-looking terms such as "may," "will," "expects," "believes," "anticipates," "plans," "estimates," "projects," "targets," "forecasts," "outlook," "impact," "potential," "confidence," "improve," "optimistic," "comfortable," "trend", and "seeks," or the negative of such terms or other variations on such terms or comparable terminology. Many important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements including, without limitation, disruption of production or supplies, changes in market conditions, political events, pending or future claims or litigation, competitive factors, technology advances, actions of regulatory agencies, and changes in laws, government regulations, labeling or product approvals or the application or interpretation thereof. Other risk factors are described herein and in the Company's Form 10-K and other securities filings. Many of these important factors are outside STERIS's control. No assurances can be provided as to any result or the timing of any outcome regarding matters described in the referenced release or conference call or otherwise with respect to any regulatory action, administrative proceedings, government investigations, litigation, warning letters, consent decree, rebate program, transition, cost reductions, business strategies, earnings or revenue trends or future financial results, including the outcome of the proposed settlement of the SYSTEM 1 class action litigation. References to products, the consent decree, or the transition or rebate program, or the settlement agreement, are summaries only and do not alter or modify the specific terms of the decree, agreement, program or product clearance or literature. Unless legally required, the Company does not undertake to update or revise any forward-looking statements even if events make clear that any projected results, express or implied, will not be realized. Other potential risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements include, without limitation, (a) the potential for increased pressure on pricing that leads to erosion of profit margins, (b) the possibility that market demand will not develop for new technologies, products or applications or the Company's rebate program, transition plan or other business initiatives will take longer, cost more or produce lower benefits than anticipated, (c) the possibility that application of or compliance with laws, court rulings, certifications, regulations, regulatory actions, including without limitation those relating to previously disclosed FDA warning letters, government investigations, the December 3, 2009 or February 22, 2010 FDA notices, the April 20, 2010 consent decree and related transition plan and rebate program, the SYSTEM 1E device, the Reliance EPS System, the outcome of any pending FDA requests and clearances, or other requirements or standards may delay, limit or prevent new product introductions, affect the production and marketing of existing products or services or otherwise affect Company performance, results, prospects or value, (d) the potential of international unrest or effects of fluctuations in currencies, tax assessments or anticipated rates, raw material costs, benefit or retirement plan costs, or other regulatory compliance costs, (e) the possibility of reduced demand, or reductions in the rate of growth in demand, for the Company's products and services, (f) the possibility that anticipated growth, cost savings, rebate assumptions, new product acceptance or approvals, including without limitation SYSTEM 1E and accessories thereto, or other results may not be achieved, or that transition, labor, competition, timing, execution, regulatory, governmental, or other issues or risks associated with our business, industry or initiatives including, without limitation, the consent decree, rebate program, and the transition from the SYSTEM 1 processing system or those matters described in our Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2010 and other securities filings, may adversely impact company performance, results, prospects or value, (q) the effect of the contraction in credit availability, as well as the ability of our Customers and suppliers to adequately access the credit markets when needed, and (h) those risks described in our securities filings including our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2010 and the Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2010 and other securities filings.

STERIS Corporation Consolidated Condensed Statements of Operations (In thousands, except per share data)

| | | Three Months Ended December 31, | | hs Ended oer 31, |
|---|-------------|------------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 |
| Davanuas | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) |
| Revenues | \$328,283 | \$327,832 | \$ 932,001 | \$925,604 |
| SYSTEM 1 Rebate Program | | | (102,313) | |
| Revenues, net | 328,283 | 327,832 | 829,688 | 925,604 |
| Cost of revenues | 191,269 | 188,349 | 531,862 | 528,630 |
| Cost of revenues - SYSTEM 1 Rebate Program | | | 7,691 | |
| Gross profit | 137,014 | 139,483 | 290,135 | 396,974 |
| Operating expenses: | | | | |
| Selling, general, and administrative | 73,671 | 71,776 | 217,787 | 220,897 |
| SYSTEM 1 class action settlement | 19,796 | _ | 19,796 | _ |
| Research and development | 7,739 | 8,265 | 24,391 | 24,035 |
| Restructuring expense | (23) | 14 | 423 | (313) |
| Total operating expenses | 101,183 | 80,055 | 262,397 | 244,619 |
| Income from operations | 35,831 | 59,428 | 27,738 | 152,355 |
| Non-operating expense, net | 2,728 | 2,756 | 8,381 | 8,473 |
| Income tax expense | 11,338 | 15,666 | 7,091 | 45,250 |
| Net income | \$ 21,765 | \$ 41,006 | \$ 12,266 | \$ 98,632 |
| Earnings per common share (EPS) data: | | | | |
| Basic | \$ 0.37 | \$ 0.70 | \$ 0.21 | \$ 1.68 |
| Diluted | \$ 0.36 | \$ 0.69 | \$ 0.20 | \$ 1.66 |
| | ¢ 0.15 | ¢ 2.11 | ¢ 0.41 | ф эээ |
| Cash dividends declared per common share outstanding | \$ 0.15 | \$ 2.11 | \$ 0.41 | \$ 2.33 |
| Weighted average number of common shares outstanding used in EPS computation: | | | | |
| Basic number of common shares outstanding | 59,233 | 58,962 | 59,329 | 58,711 |
| Diluted number of common shares outstanding | 60,176 | 59,758 | 60,161 | 59,281 |

STERIS Corporation Consolidated Condensed Balance Sheets

| (In thousands) | | |
|---|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| | December 31, 2010 (Unaudited) | March 31, 2010 |
| Assets | | |
| Current assets: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 192,288 | \$ 214,971 |
| Accounts receivable, net | 212,637 | 214,940 |
| Inventories, net | 167,258 | 121,135 |
| Other current assets | 69,527 | 25,411 |
| Total Current Assets | 641,710 | 576,457 |
| Property, plant, and equipment, net | 365,354 | 346,858 |
| Goodwill and intangible assets, net | 318,388 | 305,311 |
| Other assets | 26,939 | 9,776 |
| Total Assets | \$1,352,391 | \$1,238,402 |
| Liabilities and Equity | | |
| Current liabilities: | | |
| Accounts payable | \$ 73,697 | \$ 66,035 |
| Accrued SYSTEM 1 Rebate Program and class action settlement | 128,770 | _ |
| Other current liabilities | 111,006 | 131,094 |
| Total Current Liabilities | 313,473 | 197,129 |
| Long-term debt | 210,000 | 210,000 |
| Other liabilities | 77,518 | 76,779 |
| Equity | 751,400 | 754,494 |
| Total Liabilities and Equity | \$1,352,391 | \$1,238,402 |

STERIS Corporation Income Reconciliation (In thousands, except per share data)

The following table presents financial measures which are considered to be "non-GAAP financial measures" under Securities Exchange Commission rules. The Company has referred to results of operations excluding the SYSTEM 1 Rebate Program and related disposal costs as well as the SYSTEM 1 class action settlement to provide meaningful comparative analysis between the periods.

| | Three months ended December 31, 2010 | | | Nine months ended December 31, 2010 | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|-----------------|---|-------------|----------|------------------------|---|-----------|--|-----|-----------------|
| | O exclu Pr cl | Results of perations, uding Rebate ogram and lass action ettlement | S Reb and | Impact of YSTEM 1 ate Program class action ettlement Unaudited) | <u>As r</u> | reported | O exclı Pr cl | Results of perations, ading Rebate ogram and ass action ettlement | Rel an | Impact of SYSTEM 1 bate Program d class action settlement (Unaudited) | As | <u>reported</u> |
| Revenues | \$ | 328,283 | \$ | _ | \$ 32 | 28,283 | \$ | 932,001 | \$ | (102,313) | \$8 | 29,688 |
| Cost of revenues | | 191,269 | | | 19 | 91,269 | | 531,862 | | 7,691 | 5 | 39,553 |
| Gross profit | | 137,014 | | _ | 13 | 37,014 | | 400,139 | | (110,004) | 2 | 90,135 |
| Operating expenses | | 81,387 | | 19,796 | 10 | 01,183 | | 242,601 | | 19,796 | 2 | 62,397 |
| Income from operations | | 55,627 | | (19,796) | 3 | 35,831 | | 157,538 | | (129,800) | | 27,738 |
| Non-operating expenses, net | | 2,728 | | | | 2,728 | | 8,381 | | | | 8,381 |
| Income before income taxes | | 52,899 | | (19,796) | 3 | 33,103 | | 149,157 | | (129,800) | | 19,357 |
| Income tax expense | | 18,842 | | (7,504) | _ : | 11,338 | | 54,255 | | (47,164) | | 7,091 |
| Net income | \$ | 34,057 | \$ | (12,292) | \$ 2 | 21,765 | \$ | 94,902 | \$ | (82,636) | \$ | 12,266 |
| Net income per common share: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Basic | \$ | 0.57 | \$ | (0.20) | \$ | 0.37 | \$ | 1.60 | \$ | (1.39) | \$ | 0.21 |
| Diluted | \$ | 0.57 | \$ | (0.21) | \$ | 0.36 | \$ | 1.58 | \$ | (1.38) | \$ | 0.20 |
| Weighted average number of common shares outstanding used in EPS computation: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Basic | | 59,233 | | | Ę | 59,233 | | 59,329 | | | | 59,329 |
| Diluted | | 60,176 | | | (| 60,176 | | 60,161 | | | | 60,161 |
| Effective income tax rate | | 35.6% | | | | 34.3% | | 36.4% | | | | 36.6% |

| | | nths Ended lber 31, | Nine Mont Deceml | |
|---------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| | 2010 (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) |
| Segment Revenues: | | | | |
| Healthcare | \$237,843 | \$233,277 | \$ 664,036 | \$656,887 |
| SYSTEM 1 Rebate Program | _ | _ | (102,313) | _ |
| Healthcare, net | 237,843 | 233,277 | 561,723 | 656,887 |
| Life Sciences | 51,247 | 58,910 | 151,374 | 159,427 |
| STERIS Isomedix Services | 38,081 | 34,987 | 113,721 | 105,129 |
| Total Reportable Segments | 327,171 | 327,174 | 826,818 | 921,443 |
| Corporate and Other | 1,112 | 658 | 2,870 | 4,161 |
| Total Segment Revenues | \$328,283 | \$327,832 | \$ 829,688 | \$925,604 |

The following table presents financial measures which are considered to be "non-GAAP financial measures" under Securities Exchange Commission rules. The Company has referred to results of operations excluding the SYSTEM 1 Rebate Program and related disposal costs as well as the SYSTEM 1 class action settlement to provide meaningful comparative analysis between the periods.

| | | 2010 | | 2009 |
|--|---------------------------------|---|----------------------|----------------------|
| | | (Unaudited) | | (Unaudited) |
| Segment Operating Income (Loss) Excluding SYSTEM 1 Rebate program and class action settlement: | As Reported | Impact of SYSTEM 1 Rebate Program and class action settlement | Total | Total As Reported |
| Healthcare | \$ 20,389 | \$ (19,796) | \$ 40,185 | \$ 45,254 |
| Life Sciences | 7,345 | _ | 7,345 | 10,123 |
| STERIS Isomedix Services | 10,250 | - | 10,250 | 6,929 |
| Total Reportable Segments | 37,984 | (19,796) | 57,780 | 62,306 |
| Corporate and Other | (2,153) | | (2,153) | (2,878) |
| Total Operating Income | \$ 35,831 | \$ (19,796) | \$ 55,627 | \$ 59,428 |
| | | Nine Months Ended | December 31, | |
| | | 2010 | | 2009 |
| | | (Unaudited) | | (Unaudited) |
| | | Impact of SYSTEM 1 Rebate Program | | |
| Segment Operating Income (Loss) Excluding SYSTEM 1 Rebate program and class action settlement: | As Reported | and class action settlement | Total | Total As Reported |
| settlement. | | | | |
| Healthcare | \$ (19,460) | \$ (129,800) | \$110,340 | \$ 113,722 |
| | · | \$ (129,800) — | \$ 110,340 23,075 | \$ 113,722 23,442 |
| Healthcare | \$ (19,460) | \$ (129,800) — — | · · | |
| Healthcare Life Sciences | \$ (19,460) 23,075 | \$ (129,800) ——————————————————————————————————— | 23,075 | 23,442 |
| Healthcare Life Sciences STERIS Isomedix Services | \$ (19,460) 23,075 30,858 | | 23,075 30,858 | 23,442 22,669 |

STERIS Corporation Consolidated Condensed Statements of Cash Flows (In thousands)

| | Nine Months Ende December 31, | |
|---|----------------------------------|--------------|
| | 2010 (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) |
| Operating Activities: | (Ollaudited) | (Ollaudited) |
| Net income | \$ 12,266 | \$ 98,632 |
| Non-cash items | 430 | 54,304 |
| Change in Accrued SYSTEM 1 Rebate Program and class action settlement | 128,770 | _ |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities | (58,069) | 5,732 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 83,397 | 158,668 |
| Investing Activities: | | |
| Purchases of property, plant, equipment, and intangibles, net | (56,390) | (29,839) |
| Proceeds from sale of property, plant, equipment and intangibles | 1,298 | 574 |
| Equity investment in joint venture | (16,900) | (1,500) |
| Investments in businesses, net of cash acquired | (4,000) | |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (75,992) | (30,765) |
| Financing Activities: | | |
| Proceeds under credit facilities, net | _ | 100,000 |
| Repurchases of common shares | (19,900) | (289) |
| Cash dividends paid to common shareholders | (24,344) | (137,509) |
| Stock option and other equity transactions, net | 10,813 | 12,339 |
| Tax benefit from stock options exercised | 2,197 | 1,927 |
| Net cash used in financing activities | (31,234) | (23,532) |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents | 1,146 | 6,868 |
| (Decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents | | 111,239 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 214,971 | 154,180 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$192,288 | \$ 265,419 |

The following table presents a financial measure which is considered to be "non-GAAP financial measures" under Securities Exchange Commission rules. Free cash flow is defined by the Company as cash flows from operating activities less purchases of property, plant, equipment and intangibles, net (capital expenditures) plus proceeds from the sale of property, plant, equipment and intangibles. The Company uses free cash flow as a measure to gauge its ability to fund future growth opportunities, repurchase common shares, and pay cash dividends. STERIS's calculation of free cash flow may vary from other companies.

| | | ths Ended ber 31, |
|---|-------------|----------------------|
| | 2010 | 2009 |
| | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) |
| Calculation of Free Cash Flow: | | |
| | | |
| Cash flows from operating activities | \$ 83,397 | \$158,668 |
| Purchases of property, plant, equipment, and intangibles, net | (56,390) | (29,839) |
| Proceeds from the sale of property, plant, equipment, and intangibles | 1,298 | 574 |
| Free Cash Flow | | \$129,403 |

STERIS Corporation

Unaudited Supplemental Financial Data - Excluding SYSTEM 1 Rebate Program and Class Action Settlement

Third Quarter Fiscal 2011

As of December 31, 2010

| | FY 2011 Q3 | FY 2011 YTD | FY 2010 Q3 | FY 2010 YTD |
|--|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|
| Total Company Revenues | <u> </u> | 110 | <u> </u> | 110 |
| Capital | \$135,121 | \$358,681 | \$132,541 | \$344,390 |
| Consumables | 77,501 | 230,618 | 81,531 | 242,317 |
| Service | 115,661 | 342,702 | 113,760 | 338,897 |
| Total Recurring | 193,162 | 573,320 | 195,291 | 581,214 |
| Total Revenues | \$328,283 | \$932,001 | \$327,832 | \$925,604 |
| United States Revenues | \$239,975 | \$704,016 | \$244,067 | \$706,165 |
| United States Revenues as a % of Total | 73% | 76% | 74% | 76% |
| International Revenues | \$ 88,308 | \$227,985 | \$ 83,765 | \$219,439 |
| International Revenues as % of Total | 27% | 24% | <u>26</u> % | 24% |
| Segment Data | Q3 | YTD | Q3 | YTD |
| Healthcare | | | | |
| Revenues | | | | |
| Capital | \$118,333 | \$309,251 | \$106,835 | \$283,409 |
| Consumables | 61,553 | 182,478 | 66,494 | 197,263 |
| Service | 57,957 | 172,307 | 59,948 | 176,215 |
| Total Recurring | 119,510 | 354,785 | 126,442 | 373,478 |
| Total Healthcare Revenues | \$237,843 | \$664,036 | \$233,277 | \$656,887 |
| Operating Income (Loss) | 40,185 | 110,340 | 45,254 | 113,722 |
| Life Sciences | | | | |
| Revenues | | | | |
| Capital | \$ 16,788 | \$ 49,430 | \$ 25,697 | \$ 60,937 |
| Consumables | 15,948 | 48,140 | 15,037 | 45,054 |
| Service | 18,511 | 53,804 | 18,176 | 53,436 |
| Total Recurring | 34,459 | 101,944 | 33,213 | 98,490 |
| Total Life Sciences Revenues | \$ 51,247 | \$151,374 | \$ 58,910 | \$159,427 |
| Operating Income (Loss) | 7,345 | 23,075 | 10,123 | 23,442 |
| Isomedix Services | | | | |
| Revenues | \$ 38,081 | \$113,721 | \$ 34,987 | \$105,129 |
| Operating Income (Loss) | 10,250 | 30,858 | 6,929 | 22,669 |
| Corporate and Other | | | | |
| Revenues | \$ 1,112 | \$ 2,870 | \$ 658 | \$ 4,161 |
| Operating Income (Loss) | (2,153) | (6,735) | (2,878) | (7,478) |
| Other Data | Q3 | YTD | Q3 | YTD |
| Healthcare Backlog | \$178,546 | n/a | \$134,400 | n/a |
| Life Sciences Backlog | 42,521 | n/a | 45,362 | n/a |
| Total Backlog | \$221,067 | n/a | \$179,762 | n/a |
| Free Cash Flow | \$ (1,002) | \$ 28,305 | \$ 55,029 | \$129,403 |
| Net Debt | \$ 17,712 | \$ 17,712 | \$ 44,581 | \$ 44,581 |

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