

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2019 or

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

Commission File Number 1-36117

inTEST Corporation

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

22-2370659

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

804 East Gate Drive, Suite 200

Mt. Laurel, New Jersey 08054

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(856) 505-8800

(Registrant's Telephone Number, including Area Code)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

<u>Title of Each Class</u>	<u>Trading Symbol</u>	<u>Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered</u>
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	INTT	NYSE American

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all 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 NO

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (SS 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files).

YES NO

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Emerging growth company

Accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

YES NO

Number of shares of Common Stock, \$0.01 par value, outstanding as of the close of business on October 31, 2019: 10,494,761

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(In thousands, except share and per share data)

	September 30,	December 31,
	2019	2018
	<u>(Unaudited)</u>	
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 8,025	\$ 17,861
Trade accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$232 and \$233, respectively	9,223	10,563
Inventories	7,721	6,520
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	905	677
Total current assets	<u>25,874</u>	<u>35,621</u>
Property and equipment:		
Machinery and equipment	5,294	5,166
Leasehold improvements	2,357	2,341
Gross property and equipment	7,651	7,507
Less: accumulated depreciation	(5,228)	(4,790)
Net property and equipment	<u>2,423</u>	<u>2,717</u>
Right-of-use assets, net	5,138	-
Goodwill	13,738	13,738
Intangible assets, net	13,967	14,911
Restricted certificates of deposit	140	175
Other assets	25	25
Total assets	<u>\$ 61,305</u>	<u>\$ 67,187</u>
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 2,728	\$ 1,787
Accrued wages and benefits	1,948	2,921
Accrued professional fees	963	774
Customer deposits and deferred revenue	738	1,258
Accrued sales commission	444	703
Current portion of operating lease liabilities	1,317	-
Domestic and foreign income taxes payable	868	700
Earnout payable	-	12,167
Other current liabilities	590	1,108
Total current liabilities	<u>9,596</u>	<u>21,418</u>
Operating lease liabilities, net of current portion	4,095	-
Contingent liability for repayment of state and local grant funds received	463	200
Deferred tax liabilities	2,382	2,689
Total liabilities	<u>16,536</u>	<u>24,307</u>
Commitments and Contingencies		
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value; 5,000,000 shares authorized; no shares issued or outstanding	-	-
Common stock, \$0.01 par value; 20,000,000 shares authorized; 10,604,132 and 10,523,035 shares issued, respectively	106	105
Additional paid-in capital	26,971	26,513
Retained earnings	17,281	15,683
Accumulated other comprehensive earnings	615	783
Treasury stock, at cost; 33,077 shares	(204)	(204)
Total stockholders' equity	<u>44,769</u>	<u>42,880</u>
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	<u>\$ 61,305</u>	<u>\$ 67,187</u>

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(In thousands, except share and per share data)

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Net revenues	\$ 14,632	\$ 20,160	\$ 47,046	\$ 60,128
Cost of revenues	7,427	10,068	24,286	29,731
Gross margin	7,205	10,092	22,760	30,397
Operating expenses:				
Selling expense	2,044	2,291	6,505	7,305
Engineering and product development expense	1,261	1,207	3,753	3,733
General and administrative expense	3,094	3,318	10,549	9,643
Adjustment to contingent consideration liability	-	3,057	-	4,073
Total operating expenses	6,399	9,873	20,807	24,754
Operating income	806	219	1,953	5,643
Other income (loss)	(12)	(57)	3	(103)
Earnings before income tax expense	794	162	1,956	5,540
Income tax expense	147	728	358	1,711
Net earnings (loss)	\$ 647	\$ (566)	\$ 1,598	\$ 3,829
Net earnings (loss) per common share - basic	\$ 0.06	\$ (0.05)	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.37
Weighted average common shares outstanding - basic	10,421,383	10,355,673	10,405,892	10,341,552
Net earnings (loss) per common share - diluted	\$ 0.06	\$ (0.05)	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.37
Weighted average common shares and common share equivalents outstanding - diluted	10,429,536	10,355,673	10,423,121	10,377,505

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE EARNINGS (LOSS)
(In thousands)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Net earnings (loss)	\$ 647	\$ (566)	\$ 1,598	\$ 3,829
Foreign currency translation adjustments	(144)	(4)	(168)	(86)
Comprehensive earnings (loss)	<u>\$ 503</u>	<u>\$ (570)</u>	<u>\$ 1,430</u>	<u>\$ 3,743</u>

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY
(In thousands, except share data)
(Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2019						
	Common Stock		Additional Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Earnings	Treasury Stock	Total Stockholders' Equity
	Shares	Amount					
Balance, January 1, 2019	10,523,035	\$ 105	\$ 26,513	\$ 15,683	\$ 783	\$ (204)	\$ 42,880
Net earnings	-	-	-	1,138	-	-	1,138
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	-	-	(83)	-	(83)
Amortization of deferred compensation related to stock-based awards	-	-	183	-	-	-	183
Issuance of unvested shares of restricted stock	80,300	1	(1)	-	-	-	-
Balance, March 31, 2019	10,603,335	106	26,695	16,821	700	(204)	44,118
Net loss	-	-	-	(187)	-	-	(187)
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	59	-	59
Amortization of deferred compensation related to stock-based awards	-	-	213	-	-	-	213
Issuance of unvested shares of restricted stock	35,380	-	-	-	-	-	-
Forfeiture of unvested shares of restricted stock	(12,325)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance, June 30, 2019	10,626,390	106	26,908	16,634	\$ 759	(204)	44,203
Net earnings	-	-	-	647	-	-	647
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	-	-	(144)	-	(144)
Amortization of deferred compensation related to stock-based awards	-	-	242	-	-	-	242
Issuance of unvested shares of restricted stock	16,900	-	-	-	-	-	-
Repurchase and retirement of common stock	(39,158)	-	(179)	-	-	-	(179)
Balance, September 30, 2019	<u>10,604,132</u>	<u>\$ 106</u>	<u>\$ 26,971</u>	<u>\$ 17,281</u>	<u>\$ 615</u>	<u>\$ (204)</u>	<u>\$ 44,769</u>
	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018						
	Common Stock		Additional Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Earnings	Treasury Stock	Total Stockholders' Equity
	Shares	Amount					
Balance, January 1, 2018	10,427,435	\$ 104	\$ 25,860	\$ 12,646	\$ 882	\$ (204)	\$ 39,288
Net earnings	-	-	-	381	-	-	381
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	38	-	38
Amortization of deferred compensation related to stock-based awards	-	-	121	-	-	-	121
Issuance of unvested shares of restricted stock	79,200	1	(1)	-	-	-	-
Balance, March 31, 2018	10,506,635	105	25,980	13,027	920	(204)	39,828
Net earnings	-	-	-	4,014	-	-	4,014
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	-	-	(120)	-	(120)
Amortization of deferred compensation related to stock-based awards	-	-	171	-	-	-	171
Issuance of unvested shares of restricted stock	11,900	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance, June 30, 2018	10,518,535	105	26,151	17,041	800	(204)	43,893
Net loss	-	-	-	(566)	-	-	(566)
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	-	-	(4)	-	(4)
Amortization of deferred compensation related to stock-based awards	-	-	180	-	-	-	180

Issuance of unvested shares of restricted stock	4,500	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance, September 30, 2018	<u>10,523,035</u>	<u>\$ 105</u>	<u>\$ 26,331</u>	<u>\$ 16,475</u>	<u>\$ 796</u>	<u>\$ (204)</u>	<u>\$ 43,503</u>

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(In thousands)

(Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2019	2018
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net earnings	\$ 1,598	\$ 3,829
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	2,431	1,370
Payment of earnout related to Ambrell acquisition	(12,167)	(1,710)
Adjustment to earnout payable	-	4,073
Provision for excess and obsolete inventory	341	195
Foreign exchange (gain) loss	37	(115)
Amortization of deferred compensation related to stock-based awards	638	472
Loss on disposal of property and equipment	17	43
Proceeds from sale of demonstration equipment, net of gain	138	172
Deferred income tax benefit	(307)	(211)
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Trade accounts receivable	1,254	896
Inventories	(1,551)	(2,336)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(235)	(205)
Restricted certificates of deposit	35	-
Accounts payable	943	995
Accrued wages and benefits	(969)	(79)
Accrued professional fees	192	96
Customer deposits and deferred revenue	(509)	170
Accrued sales commission	(257)	(4)
Operating lease liabilities	(1,059)	-
Domestic and foreign income taxes payable	171	22
Contingent liability for repayment of state and local grant funds received	263	-
Long-term portion of federal transition tax payable	-	(436)
Other current liabilities	(135)	(15)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	(9,131)	7,222
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of property and equipment	(413)	(2,134)
Net cash used in investing activities	(413)	(2,134)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Payment of earnout related to Ambrell acquisition	-	(4,123)
Repurchases of common stock	(179)	-
Net cash used in financing activities	(179)	(4,123)
Effects of exchange rates on cash	(113)	(53)
Net cash provided by (used in) all activities	(9,836)	912
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	17,861	13,290
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 8,025	\$ 14,202
Cash payments for:		
Domestic and foreign income taxes	\$ 488	\$ 2,256

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

(In thousands, except share and per share data)

(1) NATURE OF OPERATIONS

We are a global supplier of precision-engineered solutions for use in manufacturing and testing across a wide range of markets including automotive, defense/aerospace, energy, industrial, semiconductor and telecommunications. We manage our business as two operating segments which are also our reportable segments: Thermal Products ("Thermal") and Electromechanical Semiconductor Products ("EMS"). Our Thermal segment designs, manufactures and sells our thermal test and thermal process products while our EMS segment designs, manufactures and sells our semiconductor test products. We manufacture our products in the U.S. Marketing and support activities are conducted worldwide from our facilities in the U.S., Germany, Singapore, the Netherlands and the U.K. The consolidated entity is comprised of inTEST Corporation and our wholly-owned subsidiaries.

Our EMS segment sells its products to semiconductor manufacturers and third-party test and assembly houses (end user sales) and to automated test equipment ("ATE") manufacturers (original equipment manufacturer ("OEM") sales), who ultimately resell our equipment with theirs to both semiconductor manufacturers and third-party test and assembly houses. Our Thermal segment sells its products to many of these same types of customers. However, it also sells into a variety of other markets, including the automotive, consumer electronics, defense/aerospace, energy, industrial and telecommunications markets. As a result of the acquisition of Ambrell Corporation ("Ambrell") in May 2017, our Thermal segment also sells into the consumer products packaging, fiber optics and other sectors within the broader industrial market, and into the wafer processing sector within the broader semiconductor market.

Both of our operating segments have multiple products that we design, manufacture and market to our customers. Due to a number of factors, our products have varying levels of gross margin. The mix of products we sell in any period is ultimately determined by our customers' needs. Therefore, the mix of products sold in any given period can change significantly from the prior period. As a result, our consolidated gross margin can be significantly impacted in any given period by a change in the mix of products sold in that period.

Historically, we have referred to our markets as "Semiconductor" (which includes both the broader semiconductor market as well as the more specialized ATE and wafer processing sectors within the broader semiconductor market), and "Non-Semiconductor" (which includes all of the other markets we serve). Starting in the second quarter of 2019, we are referring to the broader semiconductor market, including the ATE and wafer processing sectors within that market, as the "Semi Market." All other markets are designated as "Multimarket." The Semi Market, which is the principal market in which we operate, is characterized by rapid technological change, competitive pricing pressures and cyclical as well as seasonal market patterns. This market is subject to significant economic downturns at various times. Our financial results are affected by a wide variety of factors, including, but not limited to, general economic conditions worldwide and in the markets in which we operate, economic conditions specific to the Semi Market and the other markets we serve, our ability to safeguard patented technology and intellectual property in a rapidly evolving market, downward pricing pressures from customers, and our reliance on a relatively few number of customers for a significant portion of our sales. In addition, we are exposed to the risk of obsolescence of our inventory depending on the mix of future business and technological changes within the markets that we serve. We also continue to implement an acquisition strategy that may cause us to incur substantial expense in reviewing and evaluating potential transactions. We may or may not be successful in locating suitable businesses to acquire and in closing acquisitions of businesses we pursue. In addition, we may not be able to successfully integrate any business we do acquire with our existing business and we may not be able to operate the acquired business profitably. As a result of these or other factors, we may experience significant period-to-period fluctuations in future operating results.

(2) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation and Use of Estimates

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include our accounts and those of our wholly-owned subsidiaries. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated upon consolidation. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Certain of our accounts, including inventories, long-lived assets, goodwill, identifiable intangibles, contingent consideration and deferred tax assets and liabilities including related valuation allowances, are particularly impacted by estimates.

In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements include all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring adjustments) necessary to present fairly the financial position, results of operations, and changes in cash flows for the interim periods presented. Certain footnote information has been condensed or omitted from these consolidated financial statements. Therefore, these consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and accompanying footnotes included in our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018 ("2018 Form 10-K") filed on March 26, 2019 with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Reclassification

Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to be comparable with the current period's presentation.

Business Combinations

Acquired businesses are accounted for using the purchase method of accounting, which requires that the purchase price be allocated to the net assets acquired at their respective fair values. Any excess of the purchase price over the estimated fair values of the net assets acquired is recorded as goodwill. Fair values of intangible assets are estimated by valuation models prepared by our management and third party advisors. The assets purchased and liabilities assumed have been reflected in our consolidated balance sheets, and the results are included in the consolidated statements of operations and consolidated statements of cash flows from the date of acquisition. Any change in the fair value of acquisition-related contingent consideration subsequent to the acquisition date, including changes from events after the acquisition date, will be recognized in the consolidated statement of operations in the period of the estimated fair value change. Acquisition-related transaction costs, including legal and accounting fees and other external costs directly related to the acquisition, are recognized separately from the acquisition and expensed as incurred in general and administrative expense in the consolidated statements of operations.

Goodwill, Intangible and Long-Lived Assets

We account for goodwill and intangible assets in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 350 (Intangibles - Goodwill and Other). Finite-lived intangible assets are amortized over their estimated useful economic life and are carried at cost less accumulated amortization. Goodwill is assessed for impairment annually in the fourth quarter on a reporting unit basis, or more frequently when events and circumstances occur indicating that the recorded goodwill may be impaired. Goodwill is considered to be impaired if the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount. As a part of the goodwill impairment assessment, we have the option to perform a qualitative assessment to determine whether it is more-likely-than-not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount. If, as a result of our qualitative assessment, we determine that it is more-likely-than-not that the fair value of the reporting unit is greater than its carrying amount, a quantitative goodwill impairment test is not required. However, if, as a result of our qualitative assessment, we determine it is more-likely-than-not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount, or, if we choose not to perform a qualitative assessment, we are required to perform a quantitative goodwill impairment test to identify potential goodwill impairment and measure the amount of goodwill impairment loss to be recognized.

The quantitative goodwill impairment test compares the fair value of a reporting unit with its carrying amount, including goodwill. If the fair value of a reporting unit exceeds its carrying amount, goodwill of the reporting unit is considered not impaired. If the carrying amount of a reporting unit exceeds its fair value, an impairment loss will be recognized in an amount equal to that excess, limited to the total amount of goodwill allocated to that reporting unit. The goodwill impairment assessment is based upon a combination of the income approach, which estimates the fair value of our reporting units based upon a discounted cash flow approach, and the market approach, which estimates the fair value of our reporting units based upon comparable market multiples. This fair value is then reconciled to our market capitalization at year end with an appropriate control premium. The determination of the fair value of our reporting units requires management to make significant estimates and assumptions including the selection of appropriate peer group companies, control premiums, discount rate, terminal growth rates, forecasts of revenue and expense growth rates, income tax rates, changes in working capital, depreciation, amortization and capital expenditures. Changes in assumptions concerning future financial results or other underlying assumptions could have a significant impact on either the fair value of the reporting unit or the amount of the goodwill impairment charge.

Indefinite-lived intangible assets are assessed for impairment annually in the fourth quarter, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the asset might be impaired. As a part of the impairment assessment, we have the option to perform a qualitative assessment to determine whether it is more likely than not that an indefinite-lived intangible asset is impaired. If, as a result of our qualitative assessment, we determine that it is more-likely-than-not that the fair value of the indefinite-lived intangible asset is less than its carrying amount, the quantitative impairment test is required; otherwise, no further testing is required. The quantitative impairment test consists of a comparison of the fair value of the intangible asset with its carrying amount. If the carrying amount of the intangible asset exceeds its fair value, an impairment loss is recognized in an amount equal to that excess.

Long-lived assets, which consist of finite-lived intangible assets and property and equipment, are assessed for impairment whenever events or changes in business circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the assets may not be fully recoverable or that the useful lives of these assets are no longer appropriate. Each impairment test is based on a comparison of the estimated undiscounted cash flows to the recorded value of the asset. If impairment is indicated, the asset is written down to its estimated fair value. The cash flow estimates used to determine the impairment, if any, contain management's best estimates using appropriate assumptions and projections at that time.

Revenue Recognition

We recognize revenue in accordance with the guidance in ASC 606 (Revenue from Contracts with Customers). We recognize revenue for the sale of products or services when our performance obligations under the terms of a contract with a customer are satisfied and control of the product or service has been transferred to the customer. Generally, this occurs when we ship a product or perform a service. In certain cases, recognition of revenue is deferred until the product is received by the customer or at some other point in the future when we determine that we have satisfied our performance obligations under the contract. Our contracts with customers may include a combination of products and services, which are generally capable of being distinct and accounted for as separate performance obligations. In addition to the sale of products and services, we also lease certain of our equipment under short-term lease agreements. We recognize revenue from equipment leases on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Revenue is recorded in an amount that reflects the consideration we expect to receive in exchange for those products or services. We do not have any material variable consideration arrangements or any material payment terms with our customers other than standard net 30, net 45 or net 60 day payment terms. We generally do not provide a right of return to our customers. Revenue is recognized net of any taxes collected from customers, which are subsequently remitted to governmental authorities.

Nature of Products and Services

We sell thermal test and thermal process products ("thermal products") and semiconductor test products. Our thermal products include ThermoStreams, ThermoChambers and process chillers, which we sell under our Tempronic, Sigma and Thermonics product lines, and Ambrell's precision induction heating systems, including EkoHeat and EasyHeat products. Our semiconductor test products include manipulators, docking hardware and electrical interface products. We provide post-warranty service for the equipment we sell. We sell semiconductor test products and certain thermal products to the Semi Market. We also sell our thermal products to markets outside the Semi Market (referred to collectively as "Multimarket") that include the automotive, defense/aerospace, industrial, telecommunications and other markets.

We lease certain of our equipment under short-term leasing agreements with original lease terms of six months or less. Our lease agreements do not contain purchase options.

Types of Contracts with Customers

Our contracts with customers are generally structured as individual purchase orders which specify the exact products or services being sold or equipment being leased along with the selling price, service fee or monthly lease amount for each individual item on the purchase order. Payment terms and any other customer-specific acceptance criteria are also specified on the purchase order. We generally do not have any customer-specific acceptance criteria, other than that the product performs within the agreed upon specifications. We test substantially all products manufactured as part of our quality assurance process to determine that they comply with specifications prior to shipment to a customer.

Contract Balances

We record accounts receivable at the time of invoicing. Accounts receivable, net of the allowance for doubtful accounts, is included in current assets on our balance sheet. To the extent that we do not recognize revenue at the same time as we invoice, we record a liability for deferred revenue. In certain instances, we also receive customer deposits in advance of invoicing and recording of accounts receivable. Deferred revenue and customer deposits are included in current liabilities on our consolidated balance sheets.

The allowance for doubtful accounts reflects our best estimate of probable losses inherent in the accounts receivable balance. We determine the allowance based on known troubled accounts, if any, historical experience, and other currently available evidence.

Costs to Obtain a Contract with a Customer

The only costs we incur associated with obtaining contracts with customers are sales commissions that we pay to our internal sales personnel or third-party sales representatives. These costs are calculated based on an established percentage of the selling price of each product or service sold. Commissions are considered earned by our internal sales personnel at the time we recognize revenue for a particular transaction. Commissions are considered earned by third-party sales representatives at the time revenue is recognized for a particular transaction. We record commission expense in our consolidated statements of operations at the time the commission is earned. Commissions earned but not yet paid are included in current liabilities on our balance sheets.

Product Warranties

In connection with the sale of our products, we generally provide standard one or two year product warranties which are detailed in our terms and conditions and communicated to our customers. Our standard warranties are not offered for sale separately from our products; therefore, there is no separate performance obligation related to our standard warranties. We record estimated warranty expense for our standard warranties at the time of sale based upon historical claims experience. In very limited cases, we offer customers an option to separately purchase an extended warranty for certain of our products. In the case of extended warranties, we recognize revenue in the amount of the sale price for the extended warranty on a straight-line basis over the extended warranty period. We record costs incurred to provide service under an extended warranty at the time the service is provided. Warranty expense is included in selling expense in our consolidated statements of operations.

Refer to Notes 4 and 12 for further information about our revenue from contracts with customers.

Inventories

Inventories are valued at cost on a first-in, first-out basis, not in excess of market value. Cash flows from the sale of inventories are recorded in operating cash flows. On a quarterly basis, we review our inventories and record excess and obsolete inventory charges based upon our established objective excess and obsolete inventory criteria. These criteria identify material that has not been used in a work order during the prior twelve months and the quantity of material on hand that is greater than the average annual usage of that material over the prior three years. In certain cases, additional excess and obsolete inventory charges are recorded based upon current market conditions, anticipated product life cycles, new product introductions and expected future use of the inventory. The excess and obsolete inventory charges we record establish a new cost basis for the related inventories.

Leases

We account for leases in accordance with ASC 842 (Leases). We determine if an arrangement is a lease at inception. A lease contract is within scope if the contract has an identified asset (property, plant or equipment) and grants the lessee the right to control the use of the asset during the lease term. The identified asset may be either explicitly or implicitly specified in the contract. In addition, the supplier must not have any practical ability to substitute a different asset and would not economically benefit from doing so for the lease contract to be in scope. The lessee's right to control the use of the asset during the term of the lease must include the ability to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from the use of the asset as well as decision-making authority over how the asset will be used. Leases are classified as either operating leases or finance leases based on the guidance in ASC 842. Operating leases are included in operating lease right-of-use ("ROU") assets and operating lease liabilities in our consolidated balance sheets. Finance leases are included in property and equipment and financing lease liabilities. We do not currently have any financing leases.

ROU assets represent our right to use an underlying asset for the lease term and lease liabilities represent our obligation to make lease payments arising from the lease. Operating lease ROU assets and liabilities are recognized at commencement date based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term. None of our leases provide an implicit rate; therefore, we use our incremental borrowing rate based on the information available at commencement date in determining the present value of lease payments. The operating lease ROU asset also includes any lease payments made and excludes lease incentives. Our lease terms may include options to extend or terminate the lease. We include these options in the determination of the amount of the ROU asset and lease liability when it is reasonably certain that we will exercise that option. Lease expense for lease payments is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Certain of our operating leases contain predetermined fixed escalations of minimum rentals and rent holidays during the original lease terms. Rent holidays are periods during which we have control of the leased facility but are not obligated to pay rent. For these leases, our ROU asset and lease liability are calculated including any rent holiday in the determination of the life of the lease.

We have lease agreements which contain both lease and non-lease components, which are generally accounted for separately. In addition to the monthly rental payments due, most of our leases for our offices and warehouse facilities include non-lease components representing our portion of the common area maintenance, property taxes and insurance charges incurred by the landlord for the facilities which we occupy. These amounts are not included in the calculation of the ROU assets and lease liabilities as they are based on actual charges incurred in the periods to which they apply.

We have made an accounting policy election not to apply the recognition requirements of ASC 842 to short-term leases (leases with a term of one year or less at the commencement date of the lease). Lease expense for short-term lease payments is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

See “Effect of Recently Adopted Amendments to Authoritative Accounting Guidance” below and Note 7 for further disclosures regarding our leases.

Contingent Liability for Repayment of State and Local Grant Funds Received

In connection with a new facility in Rochester, New York, which our subsidiary, Ambrell, occupied in May 2018, we entered into agreements with the city of Rochester and the state of New York under which we may receive grants totaling up to \$550 to help offset a portion of the cost of the leasehold improvements we have made to this facility. In exchange for the funds we may receive under these agreements, we are required to create and maintain specified levels of employment in this location through various dates ending in 2023. If we fail to meet these employment targets, we may be required to repay a proportionate share of the funds received. As of September 30, 2019, we have received \$463 in grant funds. We do not expect to receive the remaining \$87 of grant funds during 2019, as we currently do not expect to increase our number of employees to the level required to receive these funds during 2019. We have recorded the amounts received under these agreements as a contingent liability on our balance sheet. As time passes, portions of the funds received will no longer be subject to repayment if we have met the employment requirements of the agreements. Amounts that we are irrevocably entitled to keep will be reclassified to deferred revenue and amortized to income on a straight-line basis over the remaining lease term for the Rochester facility.

Stock-Based Compensation

We account for stock-based compensation in accordance with ASC 718 (Compensation - Stock Compensation), which requires that employee share-based equity awards be accounted for under the fair value method and requires the use of an option pricing model for estimating fair value of stock options granted, which is then amortized to expense over the service periods. See further disclosures related to our stock-based compensation plan in Note 9.

Subsequent Events

We have made an assessment of our operations and determined that there were no material subsequent events requiring adjustment to, or disclosure in, our consolidated financial statements for the nine months ended September 30, 2019.

Income Taxes

The asset and liability method is used in accounting for income taxes. Under this method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for operating loss and tax credit carryforwards and for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in the results of operations in the period that includes the enactment date. A valuation allowance is recorded to reduce the carrying amounts of deferred tax assets if it is more likely than not that such assets will not be realized.

On December 22, 2017, the President of the United States signed into law the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. This legislation made significant changes in the U.S. tax laws including reducing the corporate tax rate to 21% and creating a territorial tax system with a one-time mandatory transition tax payable on previously unremitted earnings of foreign subsidiaries, among other things. See Note 12 to the consolidated financial statements in our 2018 Form 10-K for additional information regarding income taxes.

Net Earnings (Loss) Per Common Share

Net earnings (loss) per common share - basic is computed by dividing net earnings (loss) by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during each period. Net earnings (loss) per common share - diluted is computed by dividing net earnings (loss) by the weighted average number of common shares and common share equivalents outstanding during each period. Common share equivalents represent unvested shares of restricted stock and stock options and are calculated using the treasury stock method. Common share equivalents are excluded from the calculation if their effect is anti-dilutive.

The table below sets forth, for the periods indicated, a reconciliation of weighted average common shares outstanding - basic to weighted average common shares and common share equivalents outstanding - diluted and the average number of potentially dilutive securities that were excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share because their effect was anti-dilutive:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Weighted average common shares outstanding - basic	10,421,383	10,355,673	10,405,892	10,341,552
Potentially dilutive securities:				
Unvested shares of restricted stock and employee stock options	8,153	-	17,229	35,953
Weighted average common shares and common share equivalents outstanding - diluted	<u>10,429,536</u>	<u>10,355,673</u>	<u>10,423,121</u>	<u>10,377,505</u>
Average number of potentially dilutive securities excluded from calculation	<u>657,969</u>	<u>360,970</u>	<u>501,964</u>	<u>188,339</u>

Effect of Recently Adopted Amendments to Authoritative Accounting Guidance

In February 2016, the FASB issued amendments to the current guidance on accounting for lease transactions, which is presented in ASC 842. Subsequent to February 2016, the FASB has issued additional clarifying guidance on certain aspects of this new guidance, along with certain practical expedients that may be applied. The intent of the updated guidance is to increase transparency and comparability among organizations by requiring lessees to recognize assets and liabilities on the balance sheet for the rights and obligations created by leases and to disclose key information about leasing arrangements. Under the new guidance, a lessee is required to record a ROU asset and a lease liability on the balance sheet for all leases with terms longer than 12 months. Leases are classified as either finance or operating, with classification affecting the pattern of expense recognition in the income statement. The two permitted transition methods under the guidance are the modified retrospective transition approach, which requires application of the guidance for all comparative periods presented, and the cumulative effect adjustment approach, which requires prospective application at the adoption date.

The amendments were effective for us as of January 1, 2019. We adopted the amendments on January 1, 2019 using the cumulative effect adjustment approach. Accordingly, prior periods have not been restated. We have decided to elect the package of practical expedients, which includes the grandfathering of lease classification and, accordingly, we have not re-evaluated any of our leases for classification purposes in connection with the implementation of ASC 842. They are all still being treated as operating leases under ASC 842. We do not currently have any lease contracts that meet the criteria to be categorized as financing leases under ASC 842. We have no embedded leases, nor do we have any initial direct costs. We are not electing the hindsight practical expedient and therefore are not reevaluating the lease terms that we used under ASC 840. The implementation of this new guidance had a significant impact on our consolidated balance sheet as a result of recording ROU assets and lease liabilities for all of our multi-year leases. Under prior guidance, none of these leases had any related asset recorded on our balance sheets. The only related liability recorded on our balance sheets was the amount which represented the difference between the lease payments we had made and the straight-line rent expense we had recorded in our statements of operations. The implementation of this new guidance did not have a significant impact on our pattern of expense recognition for any of our multi-year leases. See "Leases" above and Note 7 for further disclosures regarding our leases.

(3) GOODWILL AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Goodwill and intangible assets on our balance sheets are the result of our acquisitions of Sigma Systems Corp. ("Sigma") in October 2008, Thermonics, Inc. ("Thermonics") in January 2012 and Ambrell in May 2017. All of our goodwill and intangible assets are allocated to our Thermal segment. Goodwill totaled \$13,738 at each of September 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018.

Intangible Assets

Changes in the amount of the carrying value of finite-lived intangible assets for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 are as follows:

Balance - January 1, 2019	\$	8,201
Amortization		(944)
Balance - September 30, 2019	\$	<u>7,257</u>

The following tables provide further detail about our intangible assets as of September 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018:

	September 30, 2019		
	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Net Carrying Amount
Finite-lived intangible assets:			
Customer relationships	\$ 10,480	\$ 3,532	\$ 6,948
Technology	600	350	250
Patents	590	531	59
Software	270	270	-
Trade name	140	140	-
Total finite-lived intangible assets	<u>12,080</u>	<u>4,823</u>	<u>7,257</u>
Indefinite-lived intangible assets:			
Trademarks	6,710	-	6,710
Total intangible assets	<u>\$ 18,790</u>	<u>\$ 4,823</u>	<u>\$ 13,967</u>

	December 31, 2018		
	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Net Carrying Amount
Finite-lived intangible assets:			
Customer relationships	\$ 10,480	\$ 2,717	\$ 7,763
Technology	600	250	350
Patents	590	502	88
Software	270	270	-
Trade name	140	140	-
Customer backlog	500	500	-
Total finite-lived intangible assets	12,580	4,379	8,201
Indefinite-lived intangible assets:			
Trademarks	6,710	-	6,710
Total intangible assets	\$ 19,290	\$ 4,379	\$ 14,911

We generally amortize our finite-lived intangible assets over their estimated useful lives on a straight-line basis, unless an alternate amortization method can be reliably determined. Any such alternate amortization method would be based on the pattern in which the economic benefits of the intangible asset are expected to be consumed. None of our intangible assets have any residual value.

Total amortization expense for our finite-lived intangible assets was \$312 and \$944 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019, respectively, and \$323 and \$786 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, respectively. The following table sets forth the estimated annual amortization expense for each of the next five years:

2019 (remainder)	\$ 313
2020	\$ 1,233
2021	\$ 1,227
2022	\$ 1,167
2023	\$ 1,067

(4) REVENUE FROM CONTRACTS WITH CUSTOMERS

The following tables provide additional information about our revenue from contracts with customers, including revenue by customer and product type and revenue by market. See also Note 12 for information about revenue by operating segment and geographic region.

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Net revenues by customer type:				
End user	\$ 13,167	\$ 17,186	\$ 42,310	\$ 51,687
OEM/Integrator	1,465	2,974	4,736	8,441
	<u>\$ 14,632</u>	<u>\$ 20,160</u>	<u>\$ 47,046</u>	<u>\$ 60,128</u>
Net revenues by product type:				
Thermal test	\$ 4,568	\$ 6,259	\$ 13,817	\$ 17,981
Induction heating	4,160	6,150	14,232	17,709
Semiconductor test	3,841	5,245	12,734	17,393
Service/other	2,063	2,506	6,263	7,045
	<u>\$ 14,632</u>	<u>\$ 20,160</u>	<u>\$ 47,046</u>	<u>\$ 60,128</u>
Net revenues by market:				
Semi	\$ 7,126	\$ 11,415	\$ 24,878	\$ 34,997
Industrial	5,758	5,576	15,983	16,229
Telecommunications	153	2,051	1,437	4,673
Other Multimarket	1,595	1,118	4,748	4,229
	<u>\$ 14,632</u>	<u>\$ 20,160</u>	<u>\$ 47,046</u>	<u>\$ 60,128</u>

There was no significant change in the amount of the allowance for doubtful accounts for the nine months ended September 30, 2019.

(5) **MAJOR CUSTOMERS**

During each of the nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, Texas Instruments Incorporated accounted for 11% of our consolidated net revenues. While both of our segments sold to this customer, these revenues were primarily generated by our EMS segment. No other customers accounted for 10% or more of our consolidated net revenues during the nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018.

(6) **INVENTORIES**

Inventories held at September 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018 were comprised of the following:

	September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
Raw materials	\$ 5,844	\$ 4,654
Work in process	876	1,026
Inventory consigned to others	59	62
Finished goods	942	778
Total inventories	<u>\$ 7,721</u>	<u>\$ 6,520</u>

Total charges incurred for excess and obsolete inventory for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, were as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Excess and obsolete inventory charges	\$ 98	\$ 66	\$ 341	\$ 195

(7) **LEASES**

As previously discussed in Note 2, we account for our leases in accordance with the guidance in ASC 842, which was effective for us as of January 1, 2019. In connection with the implementation of ASC 842, we recorded non-cash increases in operating lease liabilities and ROU assets of \$5,197 and \$4,816, respectively, as of the effective date of this guidance.

We lease our offices, warehouse facilities and certain equipment under non-cancellable operating leases that expire at various dates through 2028. Total operating lease and short-term lease costs for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, were as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Operating lease cost	\$ 370	\$ 307	\$ 1,106	\$ 1,142
Short-term lease cost	\$ 12	\$ 14	\$ 39	\$ 41

The following is additional information about our leases as of September 30, 2019:

Range of remaining lease terms (in years)	1.1 to 8.7
Weighted average remaining lease term (in years)	5.6
Weighted average discount rate	5.0%

Supplemental cash flow information related to leases for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 was as follows:

Non-cash increases (decreases) in operating lease liabilities and ROU assets as a result of lease modifications:	
Modification to Ambrell's U.K. facility lease	\$ (486)
Modification to lease for facility in Mansfield, Massachusetts	\$ 1,811
Modification to Ambrell's Netherlands facility lease	\$ (48)

The lease for Ambrell's U.K. facility had an original term of 15 years, which extended through August 2029. The lease included the option to terminate the lease at specified points in time without penalty. We exercised this option in March 2019, and the lease expired in September 2019. At the effective date of this modification, we recorded a reduction in our ROU assets and operating lease liabilities of approximately \$486.

On April 8, 2019, we executed an amendment to the lease for our facility in Mansfield, Massachusetts that extended the term of the lease for an additional forty months to December 31, 2024 and expanded the amount of leased space by approximately 6,100 square feet. The current rate per square foot that is in place through August 31, 2021 (the original expiration date of the lease) did not change. After August 31, 2021, there are predetermined fixed escalations of the rate as outlined in the amendment. As a result of this modification, we recorded an increase in our ROU assets and operating lease liabilities of approximately \$1,811.

During the third quarter of 2019, the lease for a portion of Ambrell's facility in the Netherlands was modified to reduce the term of that lease to expire in September 2019 as that portion of the space was no longer needed. At the effective date of this modification, we recorded a reduction in our ROU assets and operating lease liabilities of approximately \$48.

Maturities of lease liabilities as of September 30, 2019 were as follows:

2019 (remainder)	\$ 384
2020	1,525
2021	1,006
2022	824
2023	834
Thereafter	1,626
Total lease payments	\$ 6,199
Less imputed interest	(787)
Total	\$ 5,412

(8) **DEBT**

Letters of Credit

We have issued letters of credit as the security deposits for certain of our domestic leases. These letters of credit are secured by pledged certificates of deposit that are classified as Restricted Certificates of Deposit on our balance sheets. The terms of our leases require us to renew these letters of credit at least 30 days prior to their expiration dates for successive terms of not less than one year until lease expiration. In accordance with the terms of our lease, the letter of credit related to our facility in Mt. Laurel, New Jersey was reduced from \$125 to \$90 on April 1, 2019. On April 8, 2019, the lease for our Mansfield, Massachusetts facility was modified as previously discussed.

	Original L/C Issue Date	L/C Expiration Date	Lease Expiration Date	Letters of Credit Amount Outstanding	
				September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
Mt. Laurel, NJ	3/29/2010	3/31/2020	4/30/2021	\$ 90	\$ 125
Mansfield, MA	10/27/2010	12/31/2024	12/31/2024	50	50
				\$ 140	\$ 175

(9) **STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION**

As of September 30, 2019, we have unvested restricted stock awards and stock options granted under stock-based compensation plans that are described more fully in Note 14 to the consolidated financial statements in our 2018 Form 10-K.

As of September 30, 2019, total unrecognized compensation expense related to unvested restricted stock awards and stock options was \$2,023. The weighted average period over which this expense is expected to be recognized is 2.9 years. The following table shows the allocation of the compensation expense we recorded during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, related to stock-based compensation:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Cost of revenues	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Selling expense	-	-	4	-
Engineering and product development expense	11	3	26	6
General and administrative expense	231	177	608	466
	<u>\$ 242</u>	<u>\$ 180</u>	<u>\$ 638</u>	<u>\$ 472</u>

There was no stock-based compensation expense capitalized in the three or nine months ended September 30, 2019 or 2018.

Restricted Stock Awards

We record compensation expense for restricted stock awards based on the quoted market price of our stock at the grant date and amortize the expense over the vesting period. Restricted stock awards generally vest over four years for employees and over one year for our independent directors (25% at each of March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31 of the year in which they were granted).

The following table summarizes the activity related to unvested shares of restricted stock for the nine months ended September 30, 2019:

	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Unvested shares outstanding, January 1, 2019	114,750	\$ 6.92
Granted	132,580	6.31
Vested	(60,474)	6.60
Forfeited	(12,325)	7.14
Unvested shares outstanding, September 30, 2019	<u>174,531</u>	6.55

The total fair value of the shares that vested during each of the nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018 was \$370 as of the vesting dates of these shares.

Stock Options

We record compensation expense for stock options based on the fair market value of the options as of the grant date. No option may be granted with an exercise period in excess of ten years from the date of grant. Generally, stock options will be granted with an exercise price equal to the fair market value of our stock on the date of grant and will vest over four years.

The fair value for stock options granted during the nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018 was estimated at the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following weighted average assumptions:

	2019	2018
Risk-free interest rate	2.35%	2.75%
Dividend yield	0.00%	0.00%
Expected common stock market price volatility factor	.42	.39
Weighted average expected life of stock options (years)	6.25	6.25

The per share weighted average fair value of stock options issued during the nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018 was \$2.75 and \$3.50, respectively.

The following table summarizes the activity related to stock options for the nine months ended September 30, 2019:

	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Options outstanding, January 1, 2019 (21,800 exercisable)	264,400	\$ 7.54
Granted	249,460	6.25
Exercised	-	-
Forfeited	(7,050)	8.45
Options outstanding, September 30, 2019 (87,900 exercisable)	<u>506,810</u>	<u>6.89</u>

(10) STOCK REPURCHASE PLANS

On July 31, 2019, our Board of Directors terminated the 2015 Stock Repurchase Plan which had been authorized on October 27, 2015 and under which we had repurchased a total of 297,020 shares at a cost of \$1,195. The shares were repurchased between December 2015 and January 2017. All of the repurchased shares were retired.

On July 31, 2019, our Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to \$3,000 of our common stock from time to time on the open market, in compliance with Rule 10b-18 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or in privately negotiated transactions pursuant to a newly authorized stock repurchase plan (the "2019 Repurchase Plan"). Repurchases may be made under a Rule 10b5-1 plan entered into with RW Baird & Co., which would permit shares to be repurchased when we might otherwise be precluded from doing so under insider trading laws and our internal trading windows. The 2019 Repurchase Plan does not obligate us to purchase any particular amount of common stock and may be suspended or discontinued at any time without prior notice. The 2019 Repurchase Plan is funded using our operating cash flow or available cash. Purchases began on September 18, 2019 under this plan. During the nine months ended September 30, 2019, we repurchased 39,158 shares under the 2019 Repurchase Plan at a cost of \$179, which includes fees paid to our broker of \$1. All of the repurchased shares were retired.

(11) EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

We have defined contribution 401(k) plans for our employees who work in the U.S. All permanent employees of inTEST Corporation, inTEST EMS LLC, Temptronic Corporation ("Temptronic") and inTEST Silicon Valley Corporation who are at least 18 years of age are eligible to participate in the inTEST Corporation Incentive Savings Plan. We match employee contributions dollar for dollar up to 10% of the employee's annual compensation, with a maximum limit of \$5. Employer contributions vest ratably over four years. Matching contributions are discretionary. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019, we recorded \$53 and \$335 of expense for matching contributions, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 we recorded \$53 and \$258 of expense for matching contributions, respectively.

All permanent employees of Ambrell are immediately eligible to participate in the Ambrell Corporation Savings & Profit Sharing Plan (the "Ambrell Plan") upon employment and are eligible for employer matching contributions after completing one year of service, as defined in the Ambrell Plan. The Ambrell Plan allows eligible employees to make voluntary contributions up to 100% of compensation, up to the federal government contribution limits. We make a matching contribution of 25% of each employee's contributions up to a maximum of 2% of such employee's annual compensation. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019, we recorded \$11 and \$48 of expense for matching contributions, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 we recorded \$18 and \$54 of expense for matching contributions, respectively.

(12) **SEGMENT INFORMATION**

We have two reportable segments, which are also our reporting units, Thermal and EMS. Thermal includes the operations of Temprotronic, Thermonics, Sigma, inTEST Thermal Solutions GmbH (Germany), inTEST Pte, Limited (Singapore) and Ambrell. Sales of this segment consist primarily of temperature management systems that we design, manufacture and market under our Temprotronic, Thermonics and Sigma product lines, and precision induction heating systems that are designed, manufactured and marketed by Ambrell. In addition, this segment provides post-warranty service and support. EMS includes the operations of our manufacturing facilities in Mt. Laurel, New Jersey and Fremont, California. Sales of this segment consist primarily of manipulator, docking hardware and tester interface products, which we design, manufacture and market.

We operate our business worldwide and sell our products both domestically and internationally. Both of our segments sell to semiconductor manufacturers, third-party test and assembly houses and ATE manufacturers. Thermal also sells into a variety of markets outside of the Semi Market, including the automotive, consumer electronics, consumer product packaging, defense/aerospace, energy, fiber optics, industrial, telecommunications and other markets.

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Net Revenues:				
Thermal	\$ 10,622	\$ 14,616	\$ 33,775	\$ 41,849
EMS	4,010	5,544	13,271	18,279
	<u>\$ 14,632</u>	<u>\$ 20,160</u>	<u>\$ 47,046</u>	<u>\$ 60,128</u>
Earnings (loss) before income tax expense (benefit):				
Thermal	\$ 496	\$ (684)	\$ 1,949	\$ 1,816
EMS	475	1,293	1,624	4,779
Corporate	(177)	(447)	(1,617)	(1,055)
	<u>\$ 794</u>	<u>\$ 162</u>	<u>\$ 1,956</u>	<u>\$ 5,540</u>
Net earnings (loss):				
Thermal	\$ 403	\$ (1,192)	\$ 1,592	\$ 768
EMS	387	978	1,327	3,928
Corporate	(143)	(352)	(1,321)	(867)
	<u>\$ 647</u>	<u>\$ (566)</u>	<u>\$ 1,598</u>	<u>\$ 3,829</u>
Identifiable assets:				
			September 30,	December 31,
			2019	2018
Thermal		\$	53,117	\$ 55,343
EMS			7,172	6,692
Corporate			1,016	5,152
		<u>\$</u>	<u>61,305</u>	<u>\$ 67,187</u>

The following table provides information about our geographic areas of operation. Net revenues from unaffiliated customers are based on the location to which the goods are shipped.

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
<i>Net revenues:</i>				
U.S.	\$ 6,226	\$ 4,982	\$ 19,319	\$ 18,343
Foreign	8,406	15,178	27,727	41,785
	<u>\$ 14,632</u>	<u>\$ 20,160</u>	<u>\$ 47,046</u>	<u>\$ 60,128</u>
			September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
<i>Property and equipment:</i>				
U.S.		\$ 2,170	\$ 2,327	
Foreign		253	390	
		<u>\$ 2,423</u>	<u>\$ 2,717</u>	

Item 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Risk Factors and Forward-Looking Statements

In addition to historical information, this report and management's discussion and analysis ("MD&A") contains statements relating to possible future events and results that are considered "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended. These statements can often be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "believes," "expects," "intends," "may," "will," "should," "plans" or "anticipates" or similar terminology. See Part I, Item 1 - "Business - Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements" in our 2018 Form 10-K for examples of statements made in this report which may be "forward-looking statements." These statements involve risks and uncertainties and are based on various assumptions. Although we believe that our expectations are based on reasonable assumptions, investors and prospective investors are cautioned that such statements are only projections, and there cannot be any assurance that these events or results will occur. We undertake no obligation to update the information in this report and MD&A to reflect events or circumstances after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of anticipated or unanticipated events.

Information about the primary risks and uncertainties that could cause our actual future results to differ materially from our historic results or the results described in the forward-looking statements made in this report or presented elsewhere by management from time to time include, but are not limited to indications of a change in the market cycles in the Semi Market or other markets we serve; changes in business conditions and general economic conditions both domestically and globally; changes in the demand for semiconductors, generally; the success of our strategy to diversify our business by entering markets outside the Semi Market; the possibility of future acquisitions or dispositions and the successful integration of any acquired operations; the ability to borrow funds or raise capital to finance major potential acquisitions; the costs associated with reviewing and evaluating potential transactions; changes in the rates of, and timing of, capital expenditures by our customers; progress of product development programs; increases in raw material and fabrication costs associated with our products; and other risk factors included in Part I, Item 1A - "Risk Factors" in our 2018 Form 10-K. Material changes to such risk factors may be reported in subsequent Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q in Part II, Item 1A.

Overview

This MD&A should be read in conjunction with the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

We are a global supplier of precision-engineered solutions for use in manufacturing and testing across a wide range of markets including automotive, defense/aerospace, energy, industrial, semiconductor and telecommunications. We manage our business as two operating segments: Thermal and EMS. Our Thermal segment designs, manufactures and sells our thermal test and thermal process products while our EMS segment designs, manufactures and sells our semiconductor test products.

Our EMS segment sells its products to semiconductor manufacturers and third-party test and assembly houses (end user sales) and to ATE manufacturers (OEM sales), who ultimately resell our equipment with theirs to both semiconductor manufacturers and third-party test and assembly houses. Our Thermal segment sells its products to many of these same types of customers. However, it also sells into a variety of other markets, including the automotive, consumer electronics, defense/aerospace, energy, industrial and telecommunications markets. As a result of the acquisition of Ambrell in May 2017, our Thermal segment also sells into the consumer products packaging, fiber optics and other sectors within the broader industrial market, and into the wafer processing sector within the broader semiconductor market.

Both of our operating segments have multiple products that we design, manufacture and market to our customers. Due to a number of factors, our products have varying levels of gross margin. The mix of products we sell in any period is ultimately determined by our customers' needs. Therefore, the mix of products sold in any given period can change significantly from the prior period. As a result, our consolidated gross margin can be significantly impacted in any given period by a change in the mix of products sold in that period.

Markets

Historically, we have referred to our markets as “Semiconductor” (which includes both the broader semiconductor market as well as the more specialized semiconductor ATE and wafer processing sectors within the broader semiconductor market), and “Non-Semiconductor” (which includes all of the other markets we serve). Starting in the second quarter of 2019, we are referring to the semiconductor market, including the ATE and wafer processing sectors within that market, as the “Semi Market.” All other markets are designated as “Multimarket.” While the Semi Market is the cornerstone of inTEST and a very important component of our business, Multimarket is where we have focused our strategic growth efforts in the last several years. Our goal has been to grow our business, both organically and through acquisition, in these markets as we believe these markets have historically been less cyclical than the Semi Market. It is important to note that business within our Thermal segment can fall into either the Semi Market or Multimarket, depending upon how our customers utilize our products or upon their respective applications. Prior to the acquisition of Ambrell in May 2017, we offered only highly specialized engineering solutions used for testing applications in Multimarket, the demand for which is limited and which varies significantly from period to period. Our acquisition of Ambrell not only provided expansion into new markets but also broadened our product offerings to include products sold into process or manufacturing applications. Historically, Ambrell sold its precision induction heating systems almost exclusively to customers in the industrial market but, since 2018, has also had significant sales into the Semi Market. Overall, however, the acquisition of Ambrell has reduced our dependence on customers in the Semi Market. We expect that our future orders and net revenues will be approximately equally split between the Semi Market and Multimarket.

The portion of our business that is derived from the Semi Market is substantially dependent upon the demand for ATE by semiconductor manufacturers and companies that specialize in the testing of integrated circuits or, for Ambrell, the demand for wafer processing equipment. Demand for ATE or wafer processing equipment is driven by semiconductor manufacturers that are opening new, or expanding existing, semiconductor fabrication facilities or upgrading equipment, which in turn is dependent upon the current and anticipated market demand for semiconductors and products incorporating semiconductors. Such market demand can be the result of market expansion, development of new technologies or redesigned products to incorporate new features, or the replacement of aging equipment. In addition, we continue to focus on design improvements and new approaches for our own products which contribute to our net revenues as our customers adopt these new products.

In the past, the Semi Market has been highly cyclical with recurring periods of oversupply, which often severely impact the Semi Market's demand for the products we manufacture and sell into the market. This cyclical nature can cause wide fluctuations in both our orders and net revenues and, depending on our ability to react quickly to these shifts in demand, can significantly impact our results of operations. Market cycles are difficult to predict, and because they are generally characterized by sequential periods of growth or declines in orders and net revenues during each cycle, year over year comparisons of operating results may not always be as meaningful as comparisons of periods at similar points in either up or down cycles. In addition, during both downward and upward cycles in the Semi Market, in any given quarter, the trend in both our orders and net revenues can be erratic. This can occur, for example, when orders are canceled or currently scheduled delivery dates are accelerated or postponed by a significant customer or when customer forecasts and general business conditions fluctuate during a quarter.

In addition to being cyclical, the Semi Market has also developed a seasonal pattern, with the second and third quarters being the periods of strong demand and the first and fourth quarters being periods of weakened demand. These periods of heightened or reduced demand can shift depending on various factors impacting both our customers and the markets that they serve.

Third-party market share statistics are not available for the products we manufacture and sell into the Semi Market; therefore, comparisons of period over period changes in our market share are not easily determined. As a result, it is difficult to ascertain if Semi Market volatility in any period is the result of macro-economic or customer-specific factors impacting Semi Market demand, or if we have gained or lost market share to a competitor during the period.

While the majority of our orders and net revenues are derived from the Semi Market, our operating results do not always follow the overall trend in the Semi Market in any given period. We believe that these anomalies may be driven by a variety of factors within the Semi Market, including, for example, changing product requirements, longer time periods between new product offerings by OEMs and changes in customer buying patterns. In addition, in recent periods, we have seen instances when demand within the Semi Market is not consistent for each of our product segments or for any given product within a particular product segment. This inconsistency in demand can be driven by a number of factors, but in most cases, we have found that the primary reason is unique customer-specific changes in demand for certain products driven by the needs of their customers or markets served. These shifts in market practices and customer-specific needs have had, and may continue to have, varying levels of impact on our operating results and are difficult to quantify or predict from period to period. Management has taken, and will continue to take, such actions it deems appropriate to adjust our strategies, products and operations to counter such shifts in market practices as they become evident.

As previously mentioned, as part of our ongoing strategy to reduce the impact of Semi Market volatility on our business operations, we continue to diversify our served markets to address the thermal test and thermal process requirements of several other markets outside the Semi Market. These include the automotive, consumer electronics, consumer product packaging, defense/aerospace, energy, fiber optics, industrial, telecommunications and other markets which we now refer to as Multimarket. We believe that these markets usually are less cyclical than the Semi Market. While market share statistics exist for some of these markets, due to the nature of our highly specialized product offerings in these markets, we do not expect broad market penetration in many of these markets and, therefore, do not anticipate developing meaningful market shares in these markets. In addition, our orders and net revenues in any given period in these markets do not necessarily reflect the overall trends in these markets due to our limited market shares. Consequently, we are continuing to evaluate buying patterns and opportunities for growth in these markets that may affect our performance. The level of our orders and net revenues from these markets has varied in the past, and we expect will vary significantly in the future, as we work to build our presence in these markets and establish new markets for our products.

Orders and Backlog

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, a breakdown of the orders received by operating segment and market (in thousands).

	Three Months Ended		Change		Three Months Ended		Change	
	September 30,				June 30,			
	2019	2018	\$	%	2019	\$	%	
Orders:								
Thermal	\$ 9,543	\$ 14,907	\$ (5,364)	(36)%	\$ 12,112	\$ (2,569)	(21)%	
EMS	4,314	5,087	(773)	(15)%	3,809	505	13%	
	<u>\$ 13,857</u>	<u>\$ 19,994</u>	<u>\$ (6,137)</u>	(31)%	<u>\$ 15,921</u>	<u>\$ (2,064)</u>	(13)%	
Semi Market	\$ 6,602	\$ 10,606	\$ (4,004)	(38)%	\$ 8,629	\$ (2,027)	(23)%	
Multimarket	7,255	9,388	(2,133)	(23)%	7,292	(37)	(1)%	
	<u>\$ 13,857</u>	<u>\$ 19,994</u>	<u>\$ (6,137)</u>	(31)%	<u>\$ 15,921</u>	<u>\$ (2,064)</u>	(13)%	

	Nine Months Ended September 30,		Change	
	2019	2018	\$	%
	Orders:			
Thermal	\$ 30,476	\$ 42,686	\$ (12,210)	(29)%
EMS	11,197	17,162	(5,965)	(35)%
	<u>\$ 41,673</u>	<u>\$ 59,848</u>	<u>\$ (18,175)</u>	<u>(30)%</u>
Semi Market	\$ 20,804	\$ 35,118	\$ (14,314)	(41)%
Multimarket	20,869	24,730	(3,861)	(16)%
	<u>\$ 41,673</u>	<u>\$ 59,848</u>	<u>\$ (18,175)</u>	<u>(30)%</u>

Total consolidated orders for the three months ended September 30, 2019 were \$13.9 million compared to \$20.0 million for the same period in 2018 and \$15.9 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019. Orders from Multimarket customers for the three months ended September 30, 2019 were \$7.3 million, or 52% of total consolidated orders, compared to \$9.4 million, or 47% of total consolidated orders for the same period in 2018 and \$7.3 million or 46% of total consolidated orders for the three months ended June 30, 2019.

Total consolidated orders for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 were \$41.7 million compared to \$59.8 million for the same period in 2018. Orders from Multimarket customers for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 were \$20.9 million, or 50% of total consolidated orders, compared to \$24.7 million, or 41% of total consolidated orders for the same period in 2018.

The significant decrease in our consolidated orders during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019 as compared to the same periods in 2018 primarily represents cyclical and seasonal softening in the Semi Market, where approximately half of our business is derived. Orders for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 were also affected by reduced demand from some of our Multimarket customers, specifically in the optical transceivers sector within the telecommunications market, which we believe primarily reflects technological changes occurring in that market, and the industrial market, reflecting reduced demand experienced by Ambrell. In addition to market specific drivers, we believe slowing growth in the global economy as well as trade tensions between the U.S. and China have also contributed to the declines in demand which we have experienced.

At September 30, 2019, our backlog of unfilled orders for all products was approximately \$8.0 million compared with approximately \$13.4 million at September 30, 2018 and \$8.8 million at June 30, 2019. Our backlog includes customer orders which we have accepted, substantially all of which we expect to deliver in 2019. The significant decline in our backlog at September 30, 2019 as compared to September 30, 2018 primarily reflects the impact of the aforementioned weakness in the Semi Market and, to a lesser extent, reduced demand from certain Multimarket customers that we serve. While backlog is calculated on the basis of firm purchase orders, a customer may cancel an order or accelerate or postpone currently scheduled delivery dates. Our backlog may be affected by the tendency of customers to rely on short lead times available from suppliers, including us, in periods of depressed demand. In periods of increased demand, there is a tendency towards longer lead times that has the effect of increasing backlog. As a result, our backlog at a particular date is not necessarily indicative of sales for any future period.

Net Revenues

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, a breakdown of the net revenues by operating segment and market (in thousands).

	Three Months Ended September 30,				Three Months Ended June 30,			
	2019		2018		2019		2018	
Net revenues:								
Thermal	\$ 10,622	\$ 14,616	\$ (3,994)	(27)%	\$ 10,519	\$ 103	1%	
EMS	4,010	5,544	(1,534)	(28)%	3,833	177	5%	
	<u>\$ 14,632</u>	<u>\$ 20,160</u>	<u>\$ (5,528)</u>	<u>(27)%</u>	<u>\$ 14,352</u>	<u>\$ 280</u>	<u>2%</u>	
Semi Market	\$ 7,126	\$ 11,415	\$ (4,289)	(38)%	\$ 7,641	\$ (515)	(7)%	
Multimarket	7,506	8,745	(1,239)	(14)%	6,711	795	12%	
	<u>\$ 14,632</u>	<u>\$ 20,160</u>	<u>\$ (5,528)</u>	<u>(27)%</u>	<u>\$ 14,352</u>	<u>\$ 280</u>	<u>2%</u>	

	Nine Months Ended September 30,				Change			
	2019		2018		2019		2018	
Net revenues:								
Thermal	\$ 33,775	\$ 41,849	\$ (8,074)	(19)%				
EMS	13,271	18,279	(5,008)	(27)%				
	<u>\$ 47,046</u>	<u>\$ 60,128</u>	<u>\$ (13,082)</u>	<u>(22)%</u>				
Semi Market	\$ 24,878	\$ 34,997	\$ (10,119)	(29)%				
Multimarket	22,168	25,131	(2,963)	(12)%				
	<u>\$ 47,046</u>	<u>\$ 60,128</u>	<u>\$ (13,082)</u>	<u>(22)%</u>				

Total consolidated net revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2019 were \$14.6 million compared to \$20.2 million for the same period in 2018 and \$14.4 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019. Total consolidated net revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 were \$47.0 million compared to \$60.1 million for the same period in 2018. We believe the decreases in our consolidated net revenues primarily reflect the aforementioned softening in the Semi Market, reduced demand from certain Multimarket customers that we serve and, to a lesser extent, slowing growth in the global economy as well as trade tensions between the U.S. and China.

Net revenues from Multimarket customers for the three months ended September 30, 2019 were \$7.5 million, or 51% of total consolidated net revenues, compared to \$8.7 million, or 43% of total consolidated net revenues for the same period in 2018 and \$6.7 million or 47% of total consolidated net revenues for the three months ended June 30, 2019. Net revenues from customers in Multimarket for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 were \$22.2 million, or 47% of total consolidated net revenues, compared to \$25.1 million, or 42% of total consolidated net revenues for the same period in 2018.

Results of Operations

The results of operations for our two operating segments are generally affected by the same factors described in the Overview section above. Separate discussions and analyses for each segment would be repetitive. The discussion and analysis that follows, therefore, is presented on a consolidated basis and includes discussion of factors unique to each segment where significant to an understanding of that segment.

Three Months Ended September 30, 2019 Compared to Three Months Ended September 30, 2018

Net Revenues. Net revenues were \$14.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2019 compared to \$20.2 million for the same period in 2018, a decrease of \$5.5 million, or 27%. We believe the decrease in our net revenues during the third quarter of 2019 primarily reflects the factors previously discussed in the Overview.

Gross Margin. Our consolidated gross margin was 49% of net revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2019 as compared to 50% of net revenues for the same period in 2018. The decrease in our gross margin as a percentage of net revenues primarily reflects an increase in our fixed operating costs as a percentage of net revenues. Although our fixed operating costs decreased by \$373,000 in absolute dollar terms, they represented 16% of net revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2019 as compared to 14% of net revenues for the same period in 2018. This is a result of not being as fully absorbed by the lower net revenues levels in the third quarter of 2019. The \$373,000 decrease in our fixed operating costs primarily reflects headcount reductions and lower levels of outsourced labor in our Thermal segment and a reduction in supplies used in production and service in our Thermal segment. The increase in our fixed operating costs as a percentage of net revenues was partially offset by a reduction in component material costs for the three months ended September 30, 2019 as compared to the same period in 2018, reflecting changes in product and customer mix for both of our segments.

Selling Expense. Selling expense was \$2.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2019 compared to \$2.3 million for the same period in 2018, a decrease of \$247,000, or 11%. The decrease primarily reflects lower levels of commission expense as a result of the reduction in net revenues, and, to a lesser extent, decreased warranty costs.

Engineering and Product Development Expense. Engineering and product development expense was \$1.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2019 compared to \$1.2 million for the same period in 2018, an increase of \$54,000, or 5%. The increase primarily reflects higher levels of spending on materials used in new product development and third-party resources used in research and development projects by our Thermal segment.

General and Administrative Expense. General and administrative expense was \$3.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2019 compared to \$3.3 million for the same period in 2018, a decrease of \$224,000, or 7%. The decrease primarily reflects a reduction in profit-related bonus expense which was partially offset by increases in both legal costs and stock-based compensation expense.

Contingent Consideration Liability Adjustment. During the three months ended September 30, 2018, we recorded an increase in the fair value of our liability for contingent consideration of \$3.1 million. This liability was a result of our acquisition of Ambrell in May 2017 and is discussed further in Notes 3 and 4 to our consolidated financial statements in our 2018 Form 10-K. The increase in the fair value was primarily a result of an increase in the then-projected adjusted EBITDA of Ambrell for 2018. There was no similar adjustment for the three months ended September 30, 2019 as the contingent consideration liability was finalized as of December 31, 2018.

Income Tax Expense. For the three months ended September 30, 2019, we recorded income tax expense of \$147,000 compared to \$728,000 for the same period in 2018. Our effective tax rate was 19% for the three months ended September 30, 2019 compared to 449% for the same period in 2018. On a quarterly basis, we record income tax expense or benefit based on the expected annualized effective tax rate for the various taxing jurisdictions in which we operate our businesses. The higher effective tax rate for the three months ended September 30, 2018 reflects recording the aforementioned increase of \$3.1 million in our liability for contingent consideration during that period. This adjustment was not deductible for tax purposes.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2019 Compared to Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018

Net Revenues. Net revenues were \$47.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 compared to \$60.1 million for the same period in 2018, a decrease of \$13.1 million, or 22%. We believe the decrease in our net revenues during the first nine months of 2019 primarily reflects the factors previously discussed in the Overview.

Gross Margin. Our consolidated gross margin was 48% of net revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 as compared to 51% of net revenues for the same period in 2018. The decrease in our gross margin as a percentage of net revenues primarily reflects an increase in our fixed operating costs as a percentage of net revenues. Although our fixed operating costs decreased by \$493,000 in absolute dollar terms, they represented 16% of net revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 as compared to 13% of net revenues for the same period in 2018. This is a result of not being as fully absorbed by the lower net revenues levels in the first nine months of 2019. The \$493,000 decrease in our fixed operating costs primarily reflects a reduction in facility related costs for Ambrell as a result of its relocation in May 2018 and lower levels of outsourced labor in our Thermal segment. These decreases were partially offset by an increase in materials used for service in our Thermal segment and a reduction in the utilization rates at our machine shop in our EMS segment. The increase in our fixed operating costs as a percentage of net revenues was partially offset by a reduction in component material costs in our Thermal segment for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 as compared to the same period in 2018, reflecting changes in product and customer mix.

Selling Expense. Selling expense was \$6.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 compared to \$7.3 million for the same period in 2018, a decrease of \$800,000, or 11%. The decrease primarily reflects lower levels of commission expense as a result of the reduction in net revenues. To a lesser extent, there were also reductions in salary and benefits expense in our Thermal segment, reflecting lower headcount, decreased levels of warranty costs, and reduced spending on advertising and travel.

Engineering and Product Development Expense. Engineering and product development expense was \$3.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 compared to \$3.7 million for the same period in 2018, an increase of \$20,000, or 1%. Higher levels of spending on materials used in new product development and third-party resources used in research and development projects by our Thermal segment were partially offset by decreases in legal fees paid related to our intellectual property.

General and Administrative Expense. General and administrative expense was \$10.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 compared to \$9.6 million for the same period in 2018, an increase of \$906,000, or 9%. During the nine months ended September 30, 2019, we incurred \$683,000 related to an acquisition opportunity which we have decided not to pursue, and \$242,000 for costs related to the consolidation of Ambrell's European operations. There were no similar costs in the same period in 2018. When adjusted to eliminate these costs, general and administrative expense would have been relatively unchanged at \$9.6 million in both periods. Decreases in expense for profit-related bonuses were offset by increases in salary and benefits expense, reflecting hiring new employees, higher levels of amortization expense related to intangible assets and an increase in compensation expense related to stock-based awards.

Contingent Consideration Liability Adjustment. During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, we recorded an increase in the fair value of our liability for contingent consideration of \$4.1 million. This liability was a result of our acquisition of Ambrell in May 2017 and is discussed further in Notes 3 and 4 to our consolidated financial statements in our 2018 Form 10-K. The increase in the fair value was primarily a result of an increase in the then-projected adjusted EBITDA of Ambrell for the year ending December 31, 2018. There was no similar adjustment for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 as the contingent consideration liability was finalized as of December 31, 2018.

Income Tax Expense. For the nine months ended September 30, 2019, we recorded income tax expense of \$358,000 compared to \$1.7 million for the same period in 2018. Our effective tax rate was 18% for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 compared to 31% for the same period in 2018. On a quarterly basis, we record income tax expense or benefit based on the expected annualized effective tax rate for the various taxing jurisdictions in which we operate our businesses. The higher effective tax rate for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 reflects recording the aforementioned increase of \$4.1 million in our liability for contingent consideration during that period. This adjustment was not deductible for tax purposes.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

As discussed more fully in the Overview, our business and results of operations are substantially dependent upon the demand within the Semi Market. The cyclical and volatile nature of demand in this market makes estimates of future revenues, results of operations and net cash flows difficult.

Our primary historical source of liquidity and capital resources has been cash flow generated by our operations, and we manage our businesses to maximize operating cash flows as our primary source of liquidity. We use cash to fund growth in our operating assets, for new product research and development, for acquisitions and for stock repurchases.

Liquidity

Our cash and cash equivalents and working capital were as follows (in thousands):

	September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 8,025	\$ 17,861
Working capital	\$ 16,278	\$ 14,203

As of September 30, 2019, \$3.6 million, or 45%, of our cash and cash equivalents was held by our foreign subsidiaries. We currently expect our cash and cash equivalents and projected future cash flow to be sufficient to support our short term working capital requirements and other corporate requirements, including any future repurchases of shares made under the 2019 Repurchase Plan (which is discussed more fully in Note 10 to our consolidated financial statements). However, we may need additional financial resources, which could include debt or equity financings, to consummate a significant acquisition if the consideration in such a transaction would require us to utilize a substantial portion of, or an amount equal to or in excess of, our available cash. We do not currently have any credit facilities under which we can borrow to help fund our working capital or other requirements.

Cash Flows

Operating Activities. Net cash used in operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 was \$9.1 million. During the nine months ended September 30, 2019, we paid the \$12.2 million earnout payable that was on our balance sheet at December 31, 2018. This earnout payable was related to the acquisition of Ambrell. For the nine months ended September 30, 2019, we recorded net earnings of \$1.6 million. During this same period, we had non-cash charges of \$2.4 million for depreciation and amortization that included \$952,000 of amortization related to our ROU assets. These ROU assets, and the related operating lease liabilities, were established at January 1, 2019 in connection with the adoption of ASC 842, as discussed further in Notes 2 and 7 to our consolidated financial statements. During the nine months ended September 30, 2019, we also recorded \$638,000 of deferred compensation expense related to stock-based awards. During the first nine months of 2019, accounts receivable decreased \$1.3 million from the level at December 31, 2018, primarily reflecting the reduced level of shipments in the third quarter of 2019 compared to the level in the fourth quarter of 2018, while inventories and accounts payable increased \$1.6 million and \$943,000, respectively, primarily reflecting purchasing activity for products with long-lead times. Accrued wages and benefits declined \$969,000 during the first nine months of 2019, primarily reflecting the payout of profit-related bonuses that had been accrued at December 31, 2018 on our results for the year. Operating lease liabilities decreased \$1.1 million, reflecting payments made under our various lease agreements. Customer deposits and deferred revenue decreased \$509,000 during the first nine months of 2019, reflecting changes in the timing of payments received from customers and the recognition of revenue under our contracts with customers.

Investing Activities. During the nine months ended September 30, 2019, purchases of property and equipment were \$413,000. We have no significant commitments for capital expenditures for the balance of 2019; however, depending upon changes in market demand or manufacturing and sales strategies, we may make such purchases or investments as we deem necessary and appropriate.

Financing Activities. During the nine months ended September 30, 2019, we utilized \$179,000 to repurchase 39,158 shares of our common stock under the 2019 Repurchase Plan.

New or Recently Adopted Accounting Standards

See the Notes to our consolidated financial statements for information concerning the implementation and impact of new or recently adopted accounting standards.

Critical Accounting Policies

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. On an on-going basis, we evaluate our estimates, including those related to inventories, long-lived assets, goodwill, identifiable intangibles, contingent consideration liabilities and deferred income tax valuation allowances. We base our estimates on historical experience and on appropriate and customary assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Some of these accounting estimates and assumptions are particularly sensitive because of their significance to our consolidated financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ markedly from what had been assumed when the financial statements were prepared. As of September 30, 2019, there have been no significant changes to the accounting policies that we have deemed critical. These policies are more fully described in our 2018 Form 10-K.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

There were no off-balance sheet arrangements during the nine months ended September 30, 2019 that have, or are reasonably likely to have, a current or future effect on our financial condition, changes in financial condition, revenues or expenses, results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures or capital resources that is material to our interests.

Item 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

This disclosure is not required for a smaller reporting company.

Item 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures, as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Exchange Act. Because there are inherent limitations in all control systems, a control system, no matter how well conceived and operated, can provide only reasonable, as opposed to absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. These inherent limitations include the realities that judgments in decision-making can be faulty, and that breakdowns can occur because of simple error or mistake. Additionally, controls can be circumvented by the individual acts of some persons, by collusion of two or more people, or by management override of the control. Further, the design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints, and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Our management, including our Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and Chief Financial Officer ("CFO"), does not expect that our disclosure controls and procedures or our internal control over financial reporting will prevent all error and all fraud. Because of the inherent limitations in a cost-effective control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Accordingly, our management has designed the disclosure controls and procedures to provide reasonable assurance that the objectives of the control system were met.

CEO/CFO Conclusions about the Effectiveness of the Disclosure Controls and Procedures. As required by Rule 13a-15(b), management, including our CEO and CFO, conducted an evaluation as of the end of the period covered by this report, of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures. Based on that evaluation, our CEO and CFO concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this report, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective at the reasonable assurance level.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There has been no change in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act) that occurred during the period covered by this report that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

From time to time we may be a party to legal proceedings occurring in the ordinary course of business. We are not currently involved in any material legal proceedings.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

Information regarding the primary risks and uncertainties that could materially and adversely affect our future performance or could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in our forward-looking statements, appears in Part I, Item 1A - "Risk Factors" of our 2018 Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 26, 2019. There have been no changes from the risk factors set forth in our 2018 Form 10-K.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

The following table provides information with respect to purchases made by or on behalf of the Company or any “affiliated purchaser” as defined in Rule 10b-18(a)(3) under the Exchange Act, of our common stock during the three months ended September 30, 2019, including those made pursuant to publicly announced plans or programs and those not made pursuant to publicly announced plans or programs.

Period	Total Number of Shares Repurchased	Average Price Paid Per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	Approximate Dollar Value of Shares That May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs
August 1-31 ⁽¹⁾	12,000	\$ 4.51	-	-
September 1-30 ⁽²⁾	39,158	\$ 4.54	39,158	\$ 2,822,000
Total	51,158	\$ 4.53	39,158	

- (1) All shares were purchased by the Company’s President and Chief Executive Officer, James Pelrin, who may be deemed to be an “affiliated purchaser” as defined in Rule 10b-18(a)(3) under the Exchange Act. All of the shares were purchased in open market transactions, and none of the shares were purchased by the Company.
- (2) On July 31, 2019, our Board of Directors terminated the 2015 Stock Repurchase Plan which had been authorized on October 27, 2015 and under which we had repurchased a total of 297,020 shares at a cost of \$1.2 million. The shares were repurchased between December 2015 and January 2017. All of the repurchased shares were retired.

On July 31, 2019, our Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to \$3.0 million of our common stock from time to time on the open market, in compliance with Rule 10b-18 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or in privately negotiated transactions pursuant to the 2019 Repurchase Plan. Repurchases may be made under a Rule 10b5-1 plan entered into with RW Baird & Co., which permits shares to be repurchased when we might otherwise be precluded from doing so under insider trading laws and our internal trading windows. The 2019 Repurchase Plan does not obligate us to purchase any particular amount of common stock and may be suspended or discontinued at any time without prior notice. The 2019 Repurchase Plan is funded using our operating cash flow or available cash.

As of September 30, 2019, we had repurchased 39,158 shares under the 2019 Repurchase Plan at fair market value of \$178,000. All of the repurchased shares were retired. Fees paid to our broker related to the repurchase of these shares totaled \$1,000.

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable.

Item 5. Other Information

None.

Item 6. Exhibits

- 31.1 [Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14\(a\).](#)
- 31.2 [Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14\(a\).](#)
- 32.1 [Certification of Chief Executive Officer furnished pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.](#)
- 32.2 [Certification of Chief Financial Officer furnished pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.](#)
- 101.INS XBRL Taxonomy Instance Document
- 101.SCH XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
- 101.CAL XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
- 101.DEF XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
- 101.LAB XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
- 101.PRE XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document

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.

inTEST Corporation

Date: November 13, 2019

/s/ James Pelrin
James Pelrin
President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: November 13, 2019

/s/ Hugh T. Regan, Jr.
Hugh T. Regan, Jr.
Secretary, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

CERTIFICATION

I, James Pelrin, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of inTEST Corporation;

2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;

4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:

(a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

(b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

(c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

(d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

(a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

(b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 13, 2019

/s/ James Pelrin
James Pelrin
President and Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION

I, Hugh T. Regan, Jr., certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of inTEST Corporation;

2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;

4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:

(a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

(b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

(c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

(d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

(a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

(b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 13, 2019

/s/ Hugh T. Regan, Jr.
Hugh T. Regan, Jr.
Secretary, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

inTEST CORPORATIONCERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of inTEST Corporation (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2019 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, James Pelrin, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: November 13, 2019

/s/ James Pelrin
James Pelrin
President and Chief Executive Officer

inTEST CORPORATIONCERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of inTEST Corporation (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2019 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Hugh T. Regan, Jr., Secretary, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: November 13, 2019

/s/ Hugh T. Regan, Jr.
Hugh T. Regan, Jr.
Secretary, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer