UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 17, 2010

Applied Materials, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000-06920 (Commission File Number)

94-1655526 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

3050 Bowers Avenue
P.O. Box 58039
Santa Clara, CA
(Address of principal executive offices)

95052-8039 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (408) 727-5555

N/A

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

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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On November 17, 2010, Applied Materials, Inc. ("Applied Materials") announced its financial results for its fiscal year and fourth quarter ended October 31, 2010. A copy of Applied Materials' press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The information contained herein and in the accompanying exhibit shall not be incorporated by reference into any filing of Applied Materials, whether made before or after the date hereof, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing, unless expressly incorporated by specific reference in such filing. The information in this report, including the exhibit hereto, shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section or Sections 11 and 12(a)(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release issued by Applied Materials, Inc. dated November 17, 2010.

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SIGNATURES

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

Applied Materials, Inc. (Registrant)

Date: November 17, 2010 By: /s/ Joseph J. Sweeney

Joseph J. Sweeney Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.Description99.1Press Release issued by Applied Materials, Inc. dated November 17, 2010.



NEWS RELEASE

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APPLIED MATERIALS FOURTH QUARTER RESULTS EXCEED EXPECTATIONS Full-year orders grew by 150 percent and net sales grew by 90 percent

- Q4 orders of \$3.03 billion up 11 percent over Q3 led by solar and semiconductor equipment
- Net sales of \$2.89 billion up 15 percent over Q3
- Q4 EPS of \$0.35
- Non-GAAP EPS of \$0.36 exceeded high end of the company's outlook by \$0.04

SANTA CLARA, Calif., Nov. 17, 2010 — Applied Materials, Inc. (NASDAQ: AMAT), the global leader in manufacturing solutions for the semiconductor, flat panel display and solar industries, today reported stronger than expected results for its fourth quarter of fiscal 2010 ended Oct. 31, 2010. Applied generated orders of \$3.03 billion, net sales of \$2.89 billion, operating profit of \$699 million, and net income of \$468 million or \$0.35 per share. Non-GAAP net income was \$476 million or \$0.36 per share.

For fiscal year 2010, the company reported orders of \$10.25 billion, net sales of \$9.55 billion, operating profit of \$1.38 billion, and net income of \$938 million or \$0.70 per share. Non-GAAP net income was \$1.18 billion, or \$0.88 per share. The fiscal year results included EES inventory-related charges of \$330 million that lowered EPS by approximately \$0.16. Excluding these charges, non-GAAP EPS would have been \$1.03.

"Applied ended a very strong year by delivering results that exceeded our expectations in the fourth quarter," said Mike Splinter, chairman and chief executive officer. "We are seeing strong momentum in our business as we enter 2011, fueled by accelerated innovation and market share gains."

"In 2010, Applied generated \$1.7 billion in cash from operations after investing more than \$1.1 billion in research and development," added George Davis, chief financial officer. "We also bought back \$350 million in shares, increased our dividend by 17 percent, and ended the year with \$3.9 billion in cash and investments."

Financial Results Summary

GAAP Results	Q4 FY2010	Q3 FY2010	Q4 FY2009
Net sales	\$2.89 billion	\$2.52 billion	\$1.53 billion
Net income	\$468 million	\$123 million	\$138 million
Earnings per share	\$0.35	\$0.09	\$0.10
Non-GAAP Results			
Non-GAAP net income	\$476 million	\$234 million	\$155 million
Non-GAAP earnings per share	\$0.36	\$0.17	\$0.11

GAAP Results	FY2010	FY2009
Net sales	\$9.55 billion	\$5.01 billion
Net income (loss)	\$938 million	(\$305 million)
Earnings (loss) per share	\$0.70	(\$0.23)
Non-GAAP Results		
Non-GAAP net income (loss)	\$1.18 billion	(\$69 million)
Non-GAAP earnings (loss) per share	\$0.88	(\$0.05)

The non-GAAP results exclude the impact of the following, where applicable: restructuring and asset impairments, certain acquisition-related costs and investment impairments. Effective the first quarter of fiscal 2010, the non-GAAP results no longer exclude the impact of share-based compensation. A reconciliation of the GAAP and non-GAAP results is provided in the financial statements included in this release. See also "Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" below.

Reportable Segment Results

Silicon Systems Group (SSG) orders were \$1.67 billion in the fourth quarter, up 9 percent from the third quarter led by higher demand for inspection equipment. Net sales increased to \$1.48 billion, up 2 percent led by record net sales of chemical mechanical polishing (CMP) systems. Operating income rose to \$564 million or 38 percent of net sales. New order composition was: foundry 47 percent, logic and other 24 percent, DRAM 20 percent, and flash 9 percent.

For the year, SSG orders more than tripled to \$5.76 billion, net sales more than doubled to \$5.30 billion, and operating income rose to \$1.89 billion or 36 percent of net sales.

Applied Global Services (AGS) orders were \$631 million in the fourth quarter, up 6 percent from the third quarter. Net sales increased to \$516 million, up 10 percent from the third quarter, driven by 200mm equipment shipments. Operating income increased to \$100 million or 19 percent of net sales.

For the year, AGS orders increased by 85 percent to \$2.18 billion, net sales increased by 34 percent to \$1.86 billion, and operating income rose to \$337 million or 18 percent of net sales.

Display orders declined 27 percent from the third quarter to \$175 million reflecting lower demand. Net sales were \$281 million, up 30 percent from the third quarter, driven by the fulfillment of orders placed in previous quarters, and operating income increased to \$89 million or 32 percent of net sales.

For the year, Display orders more than doubled to \$799 million, net sales increased by 79 percent to \$899 million, and operating income rose to \$267 million or 30 percent of net sales.

Energy and Environmental Solutions (EES) had record orders of \$546 million in the fourth quarter, up 55 percent from the third quarter, driven by demand for Baccini™ cell processing systems and PWS wafering systems. Net sales increased to \$606 million, led by record net sales of Baccini and PWS

systems, and included the sign-off of two SunFab TM thin film lines in China. EES had operating income of \$86 million or 14 percent of net sales.

For the year, EES orders increased by 58 percent to \$1.51 billion, net sales increased by 28 percent to \$1.48 billion, and the operating loss increased to \$466 million or 31 percent of net sales, primarily due to restructuring, asset impairment and inventory-related charges of \$486 million, recognized in the second and third quarters of fiscal 2010.

Additional Quarterly Financial Information

- Gross margin was 42.2 percent.
- Operating cash flow was \$525 million or 18 percent of net sales.
- Cash dividend payments totaled \$93 million.
- The company used \$150 million to repurchase 13.3 million shares of its common stock.
- Cash, cash equivalents and investments increased to \$3.89 billion at quarter end.
- The effective tax rate was 33.5 percent.
- Backlog increased by \$114 million to \$3.24 billion.

Additional Fiscal Year Financial Information

- Operating cash flow for the fiscal year was \$1.7 billion or 18 percent of net sales.
- Cash dividend payments totaled \$349 million.
- The company used \$350 million to repurchase 28.8 million shares of its common stock.

Business Outlook

For the first quarter of fiscal 2011, Applied expects net sales to be down in the range of 8 percent to 15 percent quarter over quarter. The company expects non-GAAP EPS to be in the range of \$0.30 to \$0.34, which excludes known charges related to completed acquisitions of approximately \$0.01 per share.

These forecasts do not take into account other non-GAAP adjustments that may arise subsequent to this release.

Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Management uses non-GAAP results to evaluate the company's operating and financial performance in light of business objectives and for planning purposes. These measures are not in accordance with GAAP and may differ from non-GAAP methods of accounting and reporting used by other companies. Applied Materials believes these measures enhance investors' ability to review the company's business from the same perspective as the company's management and facilitate comparisons of this period's results with prior periods. The presentation of this additional information should not be considered a substitute for results prepared in accordance with GAAP.

Webcast Information

Applied Materials will discuss these results during an earnings call that begins at 1:30 p.m. Pacific Time today. A live webcast will be available at www.appliedmaterials.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements, including statements regarding Applied's performance, opportunities, business momentum, product innovation, strategic position, and the business outlook for the company. Forward-looking statements may contain words such as "expect," "believe," "may," "can," "should," "will," "forecast," "anticipate" or similar expressions, and include the assumptions that underlie such statements. These statements are subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such statements, including but not limited to: the level of demand for Applied's products, which is subject to many factors, including uncertain global economic and industry conditions, business and consumer spending, demand for electronic products and semiconductors, government renewable energy policies and incentives, and customers' utilization rates and new technology and capacity requirements; variability of operating expenses and results among the company's segments caused by differing conditions in the served markets; Applied's ability to (i) develop, deliver and support a broad range of products, expand its markets and develop new markets, (ii) timely implement effective cost reduction programs, realize expected benefits, and align its cost structure with business conditions, (iii) plan and manage its resources and production capability, including its supply chain, (iv) implement initiatives that enhance global operations and efficiencies, (v) maintain effective internal controls and procedures, (vi) obtain and protect intellectual property rights in key technologies, (vii) attract, motivate and retain key employees, and (viii) accurately forecast future operating and financial results, which depends on multiple assumptions related to, without limitation, market conditions and business needs; risks related to legal proceedings and claims; and other risks described in Applied Materials' SEC filings. All forward-loo

About Applied Materials

Applied Materials, Inc. (Nasdaq:AMAT) is the global leader in providing innovative equipment, services and software to enable the manufacture of advanced semiconductor, flat panel display and solar photovoltaic products. Our technologies help make innovations like smartphones, flat screen TVs and solar panels more affordable and accessible to consumers and businesses around the world. At Applied Materials, we turn today's innovations into the industries of tomorrow. Learn more at www.appliedmaterials.com.

APPLIED MATERIALS, INC. UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended		Twelve Months Ended		
(In thousands, except per share amounts)	October 31, 2010	October 25, 2009	October 31, 2010	October 25, 2009	
In thousands, except per share unloants)	2010	2003	2010	2003	
Net sales	\$2,886,435	\$1,526,394	\$9,548,667	\$5,013,607	
Cost of products sold	1,669,637	967,558	5,833,665	3,582,802	
Gross profit	1,216,798	558,836	3,715,002	1,430,805	
Operating expenses:					
Research, development and engineering	278,192	234,188	1,143,521	934,115	
General and administrative	139,248	76,138	535,820	406,946	
Marketing and selling	102,659	79,261	406,028	327,572	
Restructuring charges and asset impairments	(2,218)	(3,693)	245,925	155,788	
Total operating expenses	517,881	385,894	2,331,294	1,824,421	
Income (loss) from operations	698,917	172,942	1,383,708	(393,616)	
Pre-tax loss of equity method investment	_	_	_	34,983	
Impairments of equity method investment and strategic investments	_	5,058	12,665	84,480	
Interest expense	5,745	5,359	21,507	21,304	
Interest income	10,177	11,323	37,430	48,580	
Income (loss) before income taxes	703,349	173,848	1,386,966	(485,803)	
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	235,334	35,986	449,100	(180,476)	
Net income (loss)	\$ 468,015	\$ 137,862	\$ 937,866	\$ (305,327)	
Earnings (loss) per share:					
Basic and Diluted	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.70	\$ (0.23)	
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Weighted average number of shares:					
Basic	1,333,423	1,338,134	1,339,949	1,333,091	
Diluted	1,339,881	1,347,691	1,348,804	1,333,091	

APPLIED MATERIALS, INC. UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands)	October 31, 2010	October 25, 2009
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,857,664	\$1,576,381
Short-term investments	726,918	638,349
Accounts receivable, net	1,831,006	1,041,495
Inventories	1,547,378	1,627,457
Deferred income taxes, net	512,944	356,336
Income taxes receivable	857	184,760
Other current assets	288,548	264,169
Total current assets	6,765,315	5,688,947
Long-term investments	1,307,283	1,052,165
Property, plant and equipment, net	963,004	1,090,433
Goodwill	1,336,426	1,170,932
Purchased technology and other intangible assets, net	286,821	306,416
Deferred income taxes and other assets	284,496	265,350
Total assets	\$10,943,345	\$9,574,243
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 1,258	\$ 1,240
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	1,765,966	1,061,502
Customer deposits and deferred revenue	847,231	864,280
Income taxes payable	273,421	12,435
Total current liabilities	2,887,876	1,939,457
Long-term debt	204,271	200,654
Employee benefits and other liabilities	315,085	339,524
Total liabilities	3,407,232	2,479,635
Total stockholders' equity	7,536,113	7,094,608
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$10,943,345	\$9,574,243

APPLIED MATERIALS, INC. UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

Cash flows from operating activities: Net income (loss) Adjustments required to reconcile net income (loss) to cash provided by operating activities: Depreciation and amortization Loss on fixed asset retirements Provision for bad debts Restructuring charges and asset impairments	\$ 937,866 304,515 20,034 12,718 245,925 (186,057)	\$ (305,327) \$ (305,327) 291,203 24,017 62,539 155,788
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Restructuring charges and asset impairments	(186,057)	
Deferred income taxes	20 472	18,863
Net recognized loss on investments	20,473	10,231
Pretax loss of equity-method investment	_	34,983
Impairments of investments	12,665	84,480
Share-based compensation	126,070	147,160
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of amounts acquired:		
Accounts receivable	(762,655)	586,993
Inventories	144,626	359,560
Income taxes receivable	183,903	(59,155)
Other current assets	(4,590)	94,740
Other assets	(6,690)	(6,530)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	469,049	(660,006)
Customer deposits and deferred revenue	(22,908)	(361,455)
Income taxes payable	261,909	(229,128)
Employee benefits and other liabilities	(34,000)	83,709
Cash provided by operating activities	1,722,853	332,665
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Capital expenditures	(169,081)	(248,427)
Cash paid for acquisition, net of cash acquired	(322,599)	
Proceeds from sales and maturities of investments	1,407,804	1,317,365
Purchases of investments	(1,777,736)	(956,249)
Cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(861,612)	112,689
Cash flows from financing activities:	()-	
Debt repayments, net	(6,441)	(750)
Proceeds from common stock issuances	128,832	61,824
Common stock repurchases	(350,000)	(22,906)
Payment of dividends to stockholders	(348,522)	(319,507)
Cash used in financing activities	(576,131)	(281,339)
		742
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(3,827)	
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	281,283	164,757
Cash and cash equivalents — beginning of period	1,576,381	1,411,624
Cash and cash equivalents — end of period	\$ 1,857,664	\$1,576,381
Supplemental cash flow information:		
Cash payments for income taxes, net	\$ 187,484	\$ 134,240
Cash payments for interest	\$ 14,485	\$ 14,372

Reportable Segment Results

		Q4 FY2010			Q3 FY2010			Q4 FY2009	
(In millions)	New Orders	Net Sales	Operating Income (Loss)	New Orders	Net Sales	Operating Income (Loss)	New Orders	Net Sales	Operating Income (Loss)
SSG	\$ 1,673	\$ 1,483	\$ 564	\$ 1,535	\$ 1,447	\$ 525	\$ 629	\$ 656	\$ 170
AGS	\$ 631	\$ 516	\$ 100	\$ 595	\$ 468	\$ 84	\$ 335	\$ 390	\$ 66
Display	\$ 175	\$ 281	\$ 89	\$ 242	\$ 216	\$ 64	\$ 151	\$ 200	\$ 41
EES	\$ 546	\$ 606	\$ 86	\$ 353	\$ 387	(\$371)	\$ 357	\$ 280	(\$28)
Corporate	\$ —	\$ —	(\$140)	\$ —	\$ —	(\$119)	\$ —	\$ —	(\$76)
Consolidated	\$ 3,026	\$ 2,886	\$ 699	\$ 2,725	\$ 2,518	\$ 183	\$ 1,472	\$ 1,526	\$ 173

		FY2010			FY2009	
(In millions)	New Orders	Net Sales	Operating Income (Loss)	New Orders	Net Sales	Operating Income (Loss)
SSG	\$ 5,759	\$ 5,304	\$ 1,892	\$ 1,677	\$ 1,960	\$ 201
AGS	\$ 2,183	\$ 1,865	\$ 337	\$ 1,179	\$ 1,397	\$ 115
Display	\$ 799	\$ 899	\$ 267	\$ 287	\$ 502	\$ 51
EES	\$ 1,508	\$ 1,481	(\$466)	\$ 955	\$ 1,155	(\$234)
Corporate	<u> </u>	<u>\$</u>	(\$646)	<u> </u>	<u>\$</u>	(\$527)
Consolidated	\$ 10,249	\$ 9,549	\$ 1,384	\$ 4,098	\$ 5,014	(\$394)

Effective in the first quarter of fiscal 2010, Applied changed its methodology for allocating certain expenses to its reportable segments. Applied has reclassified segment operating results for the three months ended Oct. 25, 2009 to conform to the fiscal 2010 presentation.

Corporate Unallocated Expenses

(In millions)	Q4 F	Y2010	Q3 I	FY2010	Q4	FY2009	F	Y2010	_ F	Y2009
Restructuring and asset impairments	\$			(\$20)		(\$4)	\$	93	\$	156
Share-based compensation	\$	31	\$	32	\$	31	\$	126	\$	147
Other unallocated expenses	\$	109	\$	107	\$	49	\$	427	\$	224
Corporate	\$	140	\$	119	\$	76	\$	646	\$	527

Additional Information

	Q4 FY2010 Q3 FY2010		Q4 FY2010 Q3 FY2010 Q4 FY2009		2009	
(In \$ millions)	New Orders	Net Sales	New Orders	Net Sales	New Orders	Net Sales
New Orders and Net Sales by Geography						
North America	450	380	342	294	199	232
% of Total	15	13	13	12	14	15
Europe	327	223	238	285	74	150
% of Total	11	8	9	11	5	10
Japan	173	158	233	203	124	218
% of Total	6	5	8	8	8	14
Korea	237	407	519	398	296	252
% of Total	8	14	19	16	20	17
Taiwan	713	829	733	707	218	327
% of Total	23	29	27	28	15	21
Southeast Asia	152	175	245	162	88	69
% of Total	5	6	9	6	6	5
China	974	714	415	469	473	279
% of Total	32	25	15	19	32	18

Employees (In thousands)			
Regular Full Time	13.0	13.0	12.6

APPLIED MATERIALS, INC. RECONCILIATION OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP RESULTS

	Three Months Ended							Twelve Months Ended		
(In thousands, except per share amounts)		tober 31, 2010	Α	august 1, 2010		tober 25, 2009		ober 31, 2010	Oc	tober 25, 2009
In thousands, except per share amounts)		2010		2010		2003		2010		2003
Non-GAAP Net Income (Loss)										
Reported net income (loss) (GAAP basis)	\$	468,015	\$	123,096	\$	137,862	\$	937,866	\$ (305,327)
Certain items associated with acquisitions ¹		13,765		20,985		22,425		90,954		95,699
Semitool deal cost		_		_		_		9,860		
Restructuring charges and asset impairments ^{2,3,4}		(2,218)		135,331		(3,693)		245,925		155,788
Impairments of equity method investment and strategic										
investments				7,804		5,058		12,665		84,480
Income tax effect of non-GAAP adjustments and										
resolution of audits of prior years' income tax filings		(3,766)		(53,652)		(6,797)	(116,726)	(100,055)
Non-GAAP net income (loss)	\$	475,796	\$	233,564	\$	154,855	\$1,	180,544	\$	(69,415)
Non-GAAP Net Income (Loss) Per Diluted Share										
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Reported net income (loss) per diluted share (GAAP										
basis)	\$	0.35	\$	0.09	\$	0.10	\$	0.70	\$	(0.23)
Certain items associated with acquisitions		0.01		0.01		0.01		0.05		0.05
Semitool deal cost		_		_		_		0.01		_
Restructuring charges and asset impairments		_		0.07		_		0.12		0.08
Impairments of equity method investment and strategic										
investments		_		_		_		_		0.05
Resolution of audits of prior years' income tax filings		_		_		_		_		_
Non-GAAP net income (loss) — per diluted share	\$	0.36	\$	0.17	\$	0.11	\$	0.88	\$	(0.05)
Shares used in diluted shares calculation	1.	339.881	1	.348.808	1.	347.691	1.	348.804	1.	333.091

¹ These items are incremental charges attributable to acquisitions consisting of inventory fair value adjustments on products sold and amortization of purchased intangible assets.

Effective the first quarter of fiscal 2010, the non-GAAP results no longer exclude the impact of share-based compensation. Previously reported non-GAAP results have been restated to conform to the fiscal 2010 presentation.

² Results for the three months ended August 1, 2010 included asset impairment charges of \$110 million and restructuring charges of \$45 million associated with the EES restructuring plan announced on July 21, 2010, offset by a \$20 million favorable adjustment to the restructuring plan announced on November 11, 2009.

Results for the three months ended October 31, 2010 included a \$2 million reinstatement of certain fixed assets that were previously impaired in the EES restructuring. Results for the twelve months ended October 31, 2010 included asset impairment charges of \$108 million and restructuring charges of \$45 million associated with the EES restructuring plan announced on July 21, 2010, restructuring charges of \$84 million associated with the restructuring plan announced on November 11, 2009, and asset impairment charges of \$9 million related to a facility held for sale.

Results for the three months ended October 25, 2009 included adjustment of restructuring reserves of \$4 million. Results for the twelve months ended October 25, 2009 included restructuring charges of \$141 million primarily associated with a restructuring program announced on November 12, 2008 and asset impairment charges of \$15 million related to wafer cleaning equipment.