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

#### FORM 10-K

Annual Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 [fee required]

For the fiscal year ended November 30, 1996 Commission file number 1-9532

AUDIOVOX CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

13-1964841

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

150 Marcus Blvd., Hauppauge, New York

11788

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (516) 231-7750

(ZIP Code)

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

Name of Each Exchange on

Title of each class:

Which Registered

Class A Common Stock \$.01 par value

American Stock Exchange

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

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 requirement for the past 90 days.

Yes X

No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K (Sec 229.405 of this chapter) is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information

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statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

(X)

The aggregate market value of the voting stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant was \$90,356,035 (based upon closing price on the American Stock Exchange, Inc. on February 20, 1997).

The number of shares outstanding of each of the registrant's classes of common stock, as of February 20, 1997 was:

Class

**Outstanding** 

Class A Common Stock \$.01 par value

16,901,339

Class B Common Stock \$.01 par value

2,260,954

PART I

Item 1 - Business

General

Audiovox Corporation, together with its operating subsidiaries (collectively, the "Company"), markets and supplies, under its own name or trade names, a diverse line of aftermarket products which include cellular telephones, both hand held portables and vehicle installed, cellular telephone accessories, automotive sound equipment and automotive accessories, both of which are designed primarily for installation in cars, trucks and vans after they have left the factory and consumer electronic products.

The Company's products are sold through a worldwide distribution network covering the United States, Canada and overseas. Sales are made directly and through independent distributors to cellular telephone accounts, cellular service providers, regional Bell Operating Companies ("BOCs"), new car dealers, mass merchandisers,

catalogue showrooms, original equipment manufacturers ("OEMs"), military Army and Air Force Exchange Systems ("AAFES"), autosound specialists and retailers. The Company sells to consumers from Company-owned retail sales and service locations which generally operate under the name "Quintex", which also receive activation commissions and residuals from certain cellular service providers.

The Company's products may be broadly grouped into three major categories: cellular, which includes telephone products,

activation commissions and residual fees, automotive sound equipment and automotive accessories. These categories represent different product lines rather than separate reporting segments.

The Company was incorporated in Delaware on April 10, 1987, as successor to the business of Audiovox Corp., a New York corporation founded in 1960 (the "predecessor company") by John J. Shalam, the Company's President, Chief Executive Officer and controlling stockholder. Unless the context otherwise requires, or as otherwise indicated, references herein to the "Company" include the Company, its wholly-owned and majority-owned operating subsidiaries.

#### Trademarks

The Company markets products under several trademarks, including Audiovox(R), Custom SPS(R), Prestige(R), Pursuit(R), Minivox(TM), Minivox Lite(R), The Protector(R) and Rampage(TM). The Company believes that these trademarks are recognized by customers and are therefore significant in marketing its products. Trademarks are registered for a period of ten years and such registration is renewable for subsequent ten-year periods.

#### Distribution and Marketing

#### Cellular and Non-Cellular Wholesale

The Company markets products on a wholesale basis to a variety of customers through its direct sales force and independent sales representatives. During the fiscal year ended November 30, 1996, the Company sold its products to approximately 2,500 wholesale accounts, including the BOCs, other cellular carriers and their respective agents, mass merchandise chain stores, specialty installers, distributors and car dealers, OEMs and AAFES.

The Company's five largest wholesale customers (excluding joint ventures), who, in the aggregate, accounted for 29.4% of the Company's net sales for the fiscal year ended November 30, 1996, are Bell Atlantic Mobile Systems, Airtouch Cellular, US Cellular, Proton Corporation Sdn. Bhd. (Proton) and Nynex Mobile Communications Company. Proton is an automobile manufacturer in Malaysia. The other four are cellular carriers. None of these customers individually accounted for more than 12.4% of the Company's net sales for such period. In addition, the Company also sells its non-cellular products to mass merchants such as Walmart Stores, Inc., warehouse clubs including Price/Costco, Inc. and OEMs such as Chrysler of Canada, Navistar International

Corporation, General Motors Corporation and BMW of North America.

The Company uses several techniques to promote its products to wholesale customers, including trade and customer advertising, attendance at trade shows and direct personal contact by Company sales representatives. In addition, the Company typically assists cellular carriers in the conduct of their marketing campaigns (including the scripting of telemarketing presentations), conducts cooperative advertising campaigns, develops and prints custom sales literature and conducts in-house training programs for cellular carriers and their agents.

The Company believes that the use of such techniques, along with the provision of warranty services and other support programs, enhances its strategy of providing value-added marketing and, thus, permits the Company to increase Audiovox brand awareness among wholesale customers while, at the same time, promoting sales of the Company's products through to end users.

The Company's wholesale policy is to ship its products within 24 hours of a requested shipment date from public warehouses in Norfolk, Virginia, Sparks, Nevada and Canada and from leased facilities located in Hauppauge, New York and Los Angeles, California.

#### Retail

As of November 30, 1996, the Company operated approximately 29 retail outlets and licensed its trade name to 11 additional retail outlets in selected markets in the United States through which it markets cellular telephones and related products to retail customers under the names Audiovox , American Radio , Quintex and H & H Eastern Distributors ("H&H"). In addition to Audiovox products, these outlets sell competitive products such as Motorola and Nokia.

The Company's retail outlets typically generate revenue from three sources: (i) sale of cellular telephones and related products, (ii) activation commissions paid to the Company by cellular telephone carriers when a customer initially subscribes for cellular service and (iii) monthly residual fees. The amount of the activation commissions paid by a cellular telephone carrier is based upon various service plans and promotional marketing programs offered by the particular cellular telephone carrier. The monthly residual payment is based upon a percentage of the customer's usage and is calculated based on the amount of the cellular phone billings generated by the base of the customers activated by the Company on a particular cellular carrier's

system. Under the Company's 11 licensee relationships, the licensee receives the majority of the activation commissions, and the Company retains the majority of the residual fees. The Company's agreements with cellular carriers provide for a reduction in, or elimination of, activation commissions in certain circumstances if a cellular subscriber activated by the Company deactivates service within a specified period. The Company records an allowance to provide for the estimated liability for return of activation commissions associated with such deactivations. See Note 1(1) of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements. As a practical matter, the profitability of the Company's retail operations is dependent on the Company maintaining agency agreements with cellular carriers under which it receives activation commissions and residual fees.

The Company's relationships with the cellular carriers are governed by contracts that, in the aggregate, are material to the continued generation of revenue and profit for the Company. Pursuant to applicable contracts with cellular carriers, each of the Company's retail outlets functions as a non-exclusive agent engaged to solicit and sell cellular telephone service in certain geographic areas and, while such contract is in effect and for a specified period thereafter (which typically ranges from three months to one year), may not act as a representative or agent for any other carrier or reseller in those areas or solicit cellular or wireless communication network services of the kind provided by the cellular carrier in the areas where the Company acts as an agent. The Company's retail operation is free, at any time after the restricted period, to pursue an agreement with another carrier who services a particular geographic area. At present, each geographic area is serviced by two cellular carriers.

As of November 30, 1996, the Company had agency contracts with the following carriers in selected areas: Bell Atlantic/
NYNEX Mobile Systems, Inc., BellSouth Mobility, Inc., GTE
Mobilnet of the Southeast, Inc., and Richmond Cellular Telephone
Company d/b/a Cellular One. Dependant upon the terms of the
specific carrier contracts, which typically range in duration
from one year to five years, the Company's retail operation may
receive a one-time activation commission and periodic residual
fees. These carrier contracts provide the carrier with the right
to unilaterally restructure or revise activation commissions and
residual fees payable to the Company, and certain carriers have
exercised such right from time-to-time. Dependent upon the terms
of the specific carrier contract, either party may terminate the
agreement, with cause, upon prior notice. Typically, the Company's
right to be paid residual fees ceases upon termination of
an agency contract.

# **Equity Investments**

The Company has from time-to-time, at both the wholesale and retail levels, established joint ventures to market its products to a specific market segment or geographic area. In entering into a joint venture, the Company seeks to join forces with an established distributor with an existing customer base and knowledge of the Company's products. The Company seeks to blend its financial and product resources with these local operations to expand their collective distribution and marketing capabilities. The Company believes that such joint ventures provide a more cost effective method of focusing on specialized markets. The Company does not participate in the day-to-day management of these joint ventures.

As of November 30, 1996, the Company had a 31.6% ownership interest in TALK Corporation (TALK) which holds world-wide distribution rights for product manufactured by Shintom Co., Ltd. (Shintom). These products include cellular telephones, video recorders and players and automotive sound products. TALK has granted Audiovox exclusive distribution rights on all wireless personal communication products for all countries except Japan, China, Thailand, and several mid-eastern countries. Additionally, the Company had a 50% non-controlling ownership in five other companies: Protector Corporation (Protector) which acts as a distributor of chemical protection treatments, Audiovox Specialty Markets Co., L.P. (ASMC), which acts as a distributor of televisions and other automotive sound, security and accessory products to specialized markets for RV's and van conversions, Audiovox Pacific Pty., Limited (Audiovox Pacific) which distributes cellular telephones and automotive sound and security products in Australia and New Zealand, G.L.M. Wireless Communications, Inc. (G.L.M.) which is in the cellular telephone, pager and communications business and Quintex Communications West, LLC, which is in the cellular telephone and communications business. The Company's 80%-owned subsidiary, Audiovox Holdings (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. (Audiovox Holdings), had a 30% ownership interest in Avx Posse (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. (Posse) which monitors car security commands through a satellite based system in Malaysia.

#### Customers

The Company had one customer, Bell Atlantic, that accounted for more than 10% of the Company's net sales for fiscal 1996.

#### Suppliers

The Company purchases its cellular and non-cellular products from manufacturers located in several Pacific Rim countries, including Japan, China, Korea, Taiwan and Singapore, Europe and in the United States. In selecting its vendors, the Company considers quality, price, service, market conditions and reputation. The Company maintains buying offices or inspection offices in Taiwan, Korea and China to provide local supervision of supplier performance with regard to, among other things, price negotiation, delivery and quality control. The majority of the products sourced through these foreign buying offices are non-cellular.

Since 1984, the principal supplier of the Company's wholesale cellular telephones has been Toshiba Corporation ("Toshiba"), accounting for approximately 28%, 44% and 45% of the total dollar amount of all product purchases by the Company, during the fiscal years ended November 30, 1996, 1995 and 1994, respectively. In 1994, Toshiba competed directly with the Company in the United States by marketing cellular telephone products through Toshiba's United States distribution subsidiary. As of November 30, 1995, Toshiba announced it will no longer distribute cellular telephone products through its subsidiary in the United States. Toshiba continues to sell products to the Company as an original equipment customer. In order to expand its supply channels and diversify its cellular product line, the Company now sources cellular equipment from other manufacturers including, Hagenuk Telecom Gmbh. ("Hagenuk"), Dancall Telecom A/S ("Dancall") and TALK. Purchases from TALK accounted for approximately 26%, 20% and 7% of total inventory purchases for the years ended November 30, 1996, 1995 and 1994, respectively. Purchases of non-cellular products are made primarily from other overseas suppliers including Hyundai Electronics Inc. ("Hyundai"), Namsung Corporation ("Namsung") and Nutek Corporation ("Nutek"). are no agreements in effect that require manufacturers to supply product to the Company. The Company considers its relations with its suppliers to be good. In addition, the Company believes that alternative sources of supply are currently available.

#### Competition

The Company's wholesale business is highly competitive in all its product lines, each competing with a number of well-established companies that manufacture and sell products similar to those of the Company. Specifically, the cellular market place is driven by current selling prices, which also affects the carrying value of inventory on hand. Additionally, the Custom

SPS line competes against factory-supplied radios. Service and price are the major competitive factors in all product lines. The Company believes that it is a leading supplier to the cellular market primarily as a result of the performance of its products and the service provided by its distribution network. The Company's retail business is also highly competitive on a product basis. In addition, since the Company acts as an agent for cellular service providers, these cellular service providers must also compete in their own markets which are also highly competitive. The Company's retail performance is, therefore, also based on the carriers' ability to compete.

# **Employees**

At November 30, 1996, the Company employed approximately 934 people.

#### Executive Officers of the Registrant

The executive officers of the registrant are listed below. All officers of the Company are elected by the Board of Directors to serve one-year terms. There are no family relationships among officers, or any arrangement or understanding between any officer and any other person pursuant to which the officer was selected. Unless otherwise indicated, positions listed in the table have been held for more than five years.

Name	Age	Current Position
John J. Shalam	63	President and Chief Executive Officer and Director
Philip Christopher	48	Executive Vice President and Director
Charles M. Stoehr	50	Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Director
Patrick M. Lavelle	45	Senior Vice President and Director
Chris L. Johnson Ann M. Boutcher Richard Maddia	45 46 38	Vice President, Secretary Vice President and Director Vice President and Director

John J. Shalam has served as President and Chief Executive Officer and as a director of the Company since 1960. Mr. Shalam also serves as president and is a director of most of the Company's operating subsidiaries.

Philip Christopher, Executive Vice President of the Company, has been with the Company since 1970 and has held his current position since 1983. Prior thereto, he was Senior Vice President

of the Company. Mr. Christopher also has been a director of the Company since 1973 and, in addition, serves as an officer and a director of most of the Company's operating subsidiaries.

Charles M. Stoehr has been Chief Financial Officer of the Company since 1979 and was elected Senior Vice President in 1990. Mr. Stoehr has been a director of the Company since 1987. From 1979 through 1990, Mr. Stoehr was a Vice President of the Company.

Patrick M. Lavelle has been a Vice President of the Company since 1982. In 1991, Mr. Lavelle was elected Senior Vice President, with responsibility for marketing and selling the Company's automotive accessory and automotive sound line of products. Mr. Lavelle was elected to the Board of Directors in 1993.

Chris L. Johnson has been a Vice President of the Company since 1986 and Secretary since 1980. Ms. Johnson has been employed by the Company in various positions since 1968 and was a director of the Company from 1987 to 1993.

Ann M. Boutcher has been a Vice President of the Company since 1984. Ms. Boutcher's responsibilities include the development and implementation of the Company's advertising, sales promotion and public relations programs. Ms. Boutcher was elected to the Board of Directors in 1995.

Richard Maddia has been a Vice President of the Company since 1991. Mr. Maddia is responsible for the Company's Management Information Systems for both the Company's distribution network and financial reporting. Mr. Maddia was elected to the Board of Directors in 1996.

#### Item 2 - Properties

As of November 30, 1996, the Company leased a total of forty-three operating facilities located in thirteen states and two Canadian provinces. These facilities serve as offices, warehouses, distribution centers or retail locations. Additionally, the Company utilizes approximately 117,000 square feet of public warehouse facilities. Management believes that it has sufficient, suitable operating facilities to meet the Company's requirements.

# Item 3 - Legal Proceedings

On February 10, 1997, the Company and the other defendants in the case entitled Robert Verb, et al. v. Motorola, Inc.,

Audiovox Corporation, et al. filed their answer to Plaintiff's Petition for Leave to Appeal. The Company believes that the likelihood of the Court granting Plaintiff's motion is low. In addition, the Company believes that its insurance coverage and rights of recovery against manufacturers of its portable hand-held cellular telephones relating to this case are sufficient to cover any reasonably anticipated damages. The Company also believes that there are meritorious defenses to the claims made in this case.

On March 15, 1996 and April 4, 1996, Audiovox was served with a complaint and an amended complaint, respectively, in an action entitled Electronics Communications Corp. ("ECC") v. Toshiba America Consumer Products, Inc. and Audiovox Corporation in which plaintiff seeks injunctive relief and damages against Toshiba and Audiovox in excess of \$16,000 arising out of antitrust violations, tortious interference with contract and tortious interference with prospective economic advantage or business relations and monopoly, all arising out of the termination of ECC's alleged distributorship arrangement with Toshiba. Audiovox's motion to dismiss the complaint for failure to state a federal cause of action and for lack of subject matter jurisdiction was granted on August 12, 1996. Plaintiff has filed a Notice of Appeal with the Second Circuit Court of Appeals.

In addition, the Company is currently, and has in the past been, a party to other routine litigation incidental to its business. The Company does not expect any pending litigation to have a material adverse effect on its consolidated financial position.

Item 4 - Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

A special meeting of the stockholders of Audiovox Corporation (the "Company") was held on November 25, 1996 at the Company's offices, 150 Marcus Boulevard, Hauppauge, New York.

The matter presented to the meeting concerned the approval of the issuance of up to 10,725,000 shares of Class A Common Stock of the Company in exchange for its 6 1/4% Convertible Subordinated Debentures due 2001. The Class A vote was as follows: 4,340,254 for the proposal, 44,025 against and 22,365 abstentions. All of the Class B stockholders, representing 22,609,540 votes, voted in favor of the proposal.

Item 5 - Market for the Registrant's Common Equity and Related Stockholder Matters

Summary of Stock Prices and Dividend Data

Class A Common Shares of Audiovox are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol VOX. No dividends have been paid on the Company's common stock. The Company is restricted by agreements with its financial institutions from the payment of common stock dividends while certain loans are outstanding (see Liquidity and Capital Resources of Management's Discussion and Analysis). There are approximately 5,485 beneficial holders of Class A Common Stock and 5 holders of Class B Common Stock.

# Class A Common Stock

CIUSS A COMMON SECON		Average Daily
Fiscal Period 1996	High	Low Trading Volume
First Quarter	7 7/16 6 5/16	\$ 4 3/4 15,924 4 1/16 52,039 4 16,309 4 5/8 95,817
1995 First Quarter	7 7 3/8	6 3/8 25,300 5 1/16 13,500 4 7/16 30,100 4 3/8 21,600
1994 First Quarter	. 16 12 3/4	14 1/4 26,400 11 7/8 32,600 6 1/4 39,600 6 3/4 19,600

Years ended November 30, 1996, 1995, 1994, 1993 and 1992

Net sales \$597,915 \$500,740 \$486,448 \$389,038 \$343,905 (26, 469)(a) (9, 256)(b) 26, 028(d) 12, 224(f) 7, 670(h) Net income (loss) Net income (loss) per common share, (2.82)(a) (1.02)(b) 2.86(d) 1.35(f) 0.85(h) primary Net income per common share, fully diluted 2.20(d) 1.25(f) Total assets 268,172 311,055 239,098 169,671 145,917 Long-term obligations, less current

installments 70,413 142,802 110,698(e) 13,610(g) 55,335 Stockholders' equity 134,126 (c)117,222(c) 92,034 65,793 53,457

- (a) Includes a pre-tax charge of \$26.3 million for costs associated with the exchange of \$41.3 million of subordinated debentures into 6,806,580 shares of common stock in addition to tax expense on the exchange of \$2.9 million.
- (b) Includes a pre-tax charge of \$2.9 million associated with the issuance of warrants, a pre-tax charge of \$11.8 million for inventory write-downs and the down-sizing of the retail operations and a pre-tax gain on the sale of an equity investment of \$8.4 million.
- (c) Includes a \$10.3 million unrealized gain on marketable securities, net, and a \$34.4 million increase as a result of the exchange of \$41.3 million of subordinated debentures in 1996 and a \$31.7 million unrealized gain on marketable securities, net, for 1995.
- (d) Includes a cumulative effect change of (\$178,000) or (\$0.02) per share, primary, and (\$0.01) per share, fully diluted. Also includes a pre-tax gain on sale of an equity investment of \$27.8 million and a gain on public offering of equity investment of \$10.6 million.
- (e) Long-term debt includes the addition of a \$65 million bond offering in 1994.
- (f) Includes an extraordinary item of \$2.2 million or \$0.24 per share, primary, and \$0.22 per share, fully diluted.
- (g) Long-term debt does not include \$38.8 million of bank obligations which were classified as current.
- (h) Includes an extraordinary item of \$1.9 million or \$0.21 per share.

The Company's operations are conducted in a single business segment encompassing three principal product lines: cellular, automotive sound equipment and automotive security and accessory equipment.

The Company's wholesale cellular operations generate revenue from the sale of cellular telephones and accessories. The Company's retail outlets typically generate revenue from three sources: (i) the sale of cellular telephones and related products, (ii) activation commissions paid to the Company by cellular telephone carriers when a customer initially subscribes for cellular service and (iii) monthly residual fees. The price at which the Company's retail outlets sell cellular telephones is often affected by the amount of the activation commission the Company will receive in connection with such sale. The amount of the activation commission paid by a cellular telephone carrier is based upon various service plans and promotional marketing programs offered by the particular cellular telephone carrier. The monthly residual payment is based upon a percentage of the customer's usage and is calculated based on the amount of the cellular phone billings generated by the base of customers activated by the Company on a particular cellular carrier's system.

The Company's automotive sound product line includes stereo cassette radios, compact disc players and changers, speakers and amplifiers. The automotive security and accessory line consists of automotive security products, such as alarm systems, and power accessories, including cruise controls and power door locks.

Certain reclassifications have been made to the data for periods prior to fiscal 1996 in order to conform to fiscal 1996 presentation. The net sales and percentage of net sales by product line for the fiscal years ended November 30, 1996, 1995 and 1994 are reflected in the following table:

	Years End 1996	ed Novembe	r 30, 1995		1994	
Cellular product-						
wholesale	\$349,655	58%	\$260,704	52%	\$237,566	49%
Cellular product-						
retail	8,309	1	15,470	3	18,198	3
Activation						
commissions	33,102	6	38,526	8	47,788	10
Residual fees	4,828	1	4,781	1	4,005	1
Total Cellular	395,894	66	319,481	64	307,557	63
Automotive sound						
equipment	104,696	18	107,404	21	112,512	23
Automotive security	,		,		,	
and accessory						
equipment	93,625	16	73,207	15	64,040	13
Other	3,700	-	648	-	2,339	1
Total	\$597,915	100%	\$500,740	100%	\$486,448	100%

The following table sets forth for the periods indicated certain statement of income (loss) data for the Company expressed as a percentage of net sales:

	Percentage of Net Sales Year Ended November 30,		
	1996	1995	1994
Net sales:			
Net product sales	93.7%	91.4%	89.4%
Cellular telephone activation	331170	021 170	301-170
commissions	5.5	7.7	9.8
Cellular telephone residual fees	0.8	0.9	0.8
Net sales	100.0	100.0	100.0
Cost of sales	(83.9)	(85.9)	(82.5)
Gross profit	16.1	14.1	17.5
Selling expense	(6.7)	(6.9)	(6.7)
General and administrative expense	(5.4)	(7.2)	(6.7)
Warehousing, assembly and repair	(51.)	( · · - /	()
expense	(1.8)	(2.0)	(1.9)
Total operating expenses	(13.9)	(16.1)	(15.3)
Operating income (loss)	2.2	(2.0)	2.2
Interest expense	(1.4)	(1.9)	(1.3)
Income of equity investments	0.1	0.6	0.8
Management fees	-	-	0.3
Gain on sale of equity investment	0.2	1.7	5.7
Gain on public offering equity			
investment	-	-	2.2
Debt conversion expense	(4.4)	-	-
Expenses related to issuance of	•		
warrants	-	(0.6)	-

(0.1)

(1.0)

(4.4)

(0.2)

0.6

(1.8)

(0.3)

(4.2)

Results of Operations

Other expenses, net

Net income (loss)

Income tax (expense) recovery

Fiscal 1996 Compared to Fiscal 1995

Net sales increased by approximately \$97,175, or 19.4% for fiscal 1996, compared to fiscal 1995. This result was primarily attributable to increases in net sales from the cellular division of approximately \$76,413, or 23.9%, automotive security and accessory equipment of approximately \$20,418, or 27.9% and other products, primarily home stereo systems of \$3,052. These increases were partially offset by a decrease in automotive sound equipment of approximately \$2,708, or 2.5%.

The improvement in net sales of cellular telephone products was primarily attributable to an increase in unit sales. Net sales of cellular products increased by approximately 857,000 units, or 70.9%, compared to fiscal 1995, primarily resulting from an increase in sales of hand-held portable cellular telephones and transportable cellular telephones, partially offset by a decline in sales of installed mobile cellular telephones. The average unit selling price declined approximately 23.7% vs. 1995 as production efficiencies and market competition continues to reduce unit selling prices. The Company believes that the shift from installed mobile cellular telephones to hand-held and transportable cellular telephones is reflective of a desire by consumers for increased flexibility in their use of cellular telephones. Toward that end, the Company markets an accessory package that permits its Minivox and Minivox Lite hand-held cellular telephones to be used in an automobile on a hands-free basis and to draw power from the automobile's electrical system like an installed mobile cellular telephone.

Activation commissions decreased by approximately \$5,424, or 14.1%, for fiscal 1996 compared to fiscal 1995. This decrease was primarily attributable to fewer new cellular subscriber activations and partially due to fewer retail outlets operated by the Company. The number of activation commissions decreased 21.4% compared to fiscal 1995. This decrease in commission revenue was offset by a 9.3% increase in average activation commissions paid to the Company. Residual revenues on customer usage increased by approximately \$47, or 1.0%, for fiscal 1996, compared to fiscal 1995, due primarily to the addition of new subscribers to the Company's cumulative subscriber base, despite a decrease in current year activations. A majority of the residual income resides with the remaining operating retail locations.

Net sales of automotive sound equipment decreased by approximately \$2,708, or 2.5%, for fiscal 1996, compared to fiscal 1995. This decrease was attributable primarily to a decrease in sales of products sold to mass merchandise chains and auto sound sales to new car dealers. This decrease was partially offset by increases in sales of sound products to private label customers. Net sales of automotive security and accessory products increased approximately \$20,418, or 27.9%, for fiscal 1996, compared to fiscal 1995, principally due to increases in sales of vehicle security products, Protector Hardgoods and cruise controls. This increase was partially offset by a reduction in net sales of AA security products.

Gross margins increased to 16.1% in fiscal 1996 from 14.1% in fiscal 1995. The 1995 gross margin included a \$9,300 charge for inventory written down to market at August 31, 1995. Cellular gross margins were 13.2% compared to 9.8% in 1995. Despite a 23.7% decrease in average unit selling prices, the average gross margin per unit increased 25.3%. The number of new subscriber activations decreased 21.4% but was partially offset by a 9.3% increase in average activation commissions earned by the Company. Residuals increased 1.0% over last year. The Company believes that the cellular market will continue to be a highly-competitive and price-sensitive environment. Increased price competition related to the Company's product could result in downward pressure on the Company's gross margins if the Company is unable to obtain competitively priced product from its suppliers or result in adjustments to the carrying value of the Company's inventory.

Automotive sound margins were 19.9%, up from 17.5% in 1995. Most product lines in the category experienced an increase and there was a marked increase in the gross margin on international sales. Automotive accessory margins decreased from 27.9% in 1995 to 24.5% in 1996. This decrease was primarily in the Prestige and cruise control lines.

Total operating expenses increased approximately \$2,837, or 3.5%, compared to last year. As a percentage to sales, total operating expenses decreased to 13.9% during 1996 compared to 16.1% for 1995. Selling expenses increased approximately \$5,544, or 16.1%, over last year. Divisional marketing and advertising increased approximately \$8,256 compared to last year in addition to travel and related expenses. These increases were partially offset by decreases in salesmen's commissions, salesmen's salaries, payroll taxes and employee benefits. General and administrative expenses decreased approximately \$3,708 during 1996. The decreases were in occupancy costs, telephone and overseas buying office expenses and were partially offset by increases in office salaries, travel, payroll taxes, employee benefits and professional fees. Warehousing, assembly and repair expenses increased approximately \$1,001 compared to last year, predominately in warehousing expenses and direct labor.

Management fees and related income and equity in income from joint venture investments decreased by approximately \$2,164 for 1996 compared to 1995 as detailed in the following table:

		1996		1995		
	Management Fees	Equity Income (Loss) Total	Management Fees	Equity Income (Loss)	Total	
CellStar	_	-	-	-	\$2,151	\$2,151
ASMC	-	\$ 948	\$ 948	-	819	819
G.L.M.	\$ 100	-	100	\$ 14	-	14
Pacific	22	(334)	(312)	186	21	207
TALK	-	` - ´	` -	-	(210)	(210)
Quintex West	18	-	18	-		` -
Posse	46	17	63	=	-	-
	\$ 186	\$ 631	\$ 817	\$ 200	\$2.781	\$2,981

The decrease was primarily due to the Company's owning less than 20% of CellStar for the entire fiscal year and, therefore, not accounting for the investment on the equity method. During 1995, the Company owned more than 20% of CellStar until the third quarter and, therefore, accounted for CellStar under the equity method until then. Audiovox Pacific has experienced an overall decline in gross margins, as the cellular market in Australia has experienced the same competitive factors as those in the United States.

Interest expense and bank charges decreased by \$1,214, or 12.5%, compared to 1995 as a result of a decrease in interest bearing debt. Other expenses decreased approximately \$412 primarily due to the write-off of fixed assets in the retail group during 1995 which did not recur in 1996. Costs associated with the issuance of stock warrants for no monetary consideration to certain holders of the Company's convertible subordinated debentures also did not recur in 1996.

During the fourth quarter of 1996, the Company exchanged \$41,252 of its 6 1/4% subordinated debentures for 6,806,580 shares of Class A Common Stock. This exchange resulted in a charge to earnings of approximately \$26,318 before income taxes. This charge includes the loss on the exchange and the write-off of the remaining debt issuance costs associated with the original issue of the debentures.

Net sales increased by approximately \$14,300, or 2.9%, for fiscal 1995 compared to fiscal 1994. This result was primarily attributable to increases in net sales from cellular telephone products of approximately \$11,900, or 3.9%, and automotive security and accessory equipment of approximately \$9,200, or 14.3%. These increases were partially offset by a decline in net sales attributable to automotive sound equipment of approximately \$5,100, or 4.5%.

The improvement in net sales of cellular telephone products was primarily attributable to increased unit sales, partially offset by a decrease in activation commissions. Net sales of cellular telephones increased by approximately 382,000 units, or 46.3%, compared to fiscal 1994, primarily resulting from an increase in sales of hand-held portable cellular telephones, partially offset by a decline in sales of installed mobile and transportable cellular telephones. The average unit selling price declined approximately 23.4% vs. 1994 as production efficiencies and market competition continues to reduce unit selling prices.

Activation commissions decreased by approximately \$9,300, or 19.4%, for fiscal 1995 compared to fiscal 1994. This decrease was primarily attributable to fewer new cellular subscriber activations and partially due to the net reduction of 61 retail outlets operated by the Company. The number of activation commissions decreased 15.5% over fiscal 1994. This decrease in commission revenue was further affected by a 4.7% decrease in average activation commissions paid to the Company. Residual revenues on customer usage increased by approximately \$776, or 19.4%, for fiscal 1995, compared to fiscal 1994, due primarily to the addition of new subscribers to the Company's cumulative subscriber base, despite a decrease in current year activations. A majority of the residual income resides with the remaining 30 operating retail locations.

During fiscal 1994, the Company experienced dramatic growth in its Quintex type retail operations. This growth reflected the large increases in cellular telephone sales experienced in the domestic U.S.

During this period, the Company had favorable contracts with several of the major cellular carriers. To capitalize on the growth in the market during 1994, the Company embarked on an expansion program to increase its retail presence in its designated cellular markets. During fiscal 1995, beginning with the first quarter, the market place in which the Quintex retail

operations conducted their business was adversely affected by several trends. These trends include a slow down in the growth of the cellular market, a desire by the cellular carriers to lower their acquisition costs with lower payments to its individual agents, increased competition by mass merchandisers and the cellular carriers direct sales force, and the overall economic conditions in the U.S. domestic market. As a result of these trends, the Company decided to reduce its retail presence by closing or disposing of all unprofitable Quintex locations throughout the U.S. The result of this plan was a reduction of outlets from 91 to 30. The cost of this closing was approximately \$4,000 during fiscal 1995. Of the \$4,000 charge to income, approximately \$1,500 is related to inventory write-offs, \$1,800 is associated with the lease buy-outs, employee severance pay, the write-off of leasehold improvements and other fixed assets and \$700 of miscellaneous charges including co-op advertising, deactivation allowances, and anticipated bad debts. The impact of this Quintex reduction program and the overall erosion of the retail market was a decrease in revenue of approximately \$21,000 for fiscal 1995.

This decrease was due to a decrease in revenues of cellular and non-cellular products of approximately \$12,500 and a decrease in activation commission revenues of approximately \$9,300, which was partially offset by an increase in residuals of \$776. During the earlier part of the 1995 fiscal year, prior to the retail program, the Company continued to open and close various retail outlets. During the third quarter of 1995, the Company felt that the erosion of the retail business in certain carrier regions would not allow a return to profitability. It was then decided to close all those locations which had not attained profitability. This further accelerated the reduction of operating revenues and income in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1995. The performance of the retail locations closed during fiscal 1995, which were a part of the retail reduction program and included in the total \$21,000 decrease in revenues for the entire retail group, is as follows:

	1995	1994	1993
Net sales	\$18,077	\$25,663	\$14,496
Operating income (loss)	\$(1,438)	\$ 1,159	\$ 1,944

The Company believes that these closures will reduce revenue, as well as operating expenses, primarily in occupancy costs, salaries and commissions, during fiscal 1996. The Company will continue to review its remaining locations and will close them if they do not remain profitable.

Net sales of automotive sound equipment decreased by approximately \$5,100, or 4.5%, for fiscal 1995, compared to fiscal 1994. This decrease was attributable primarily to a decrease in sales of products sold to mass merchandise chains, coupled with decreases in auto sound sales to private label customers, new car dealers, products used in the truck and agricultural vehicle markets and several OEM accounts. Net sales of automotive security and accessory products increased approximately \$9,200, or 14.3%, for fiscal 1995, compared to fiscal 1994, principally due to increases in sales of vehicle security products and Protector Hardgoods. This increase was partially offset by a reduction in net sales by the Company of recreational vehicle equipment and accessories.

Gross margins declined to 14.1% in fiscal 1995 from 17.5% for fiscal 1994 as a result of lower selling prices and the write-down of the carrying value of inventory of \$9,300 during the third quarter of 1995. This reflects the overall erosion of gross margins experienced primarily in the cellular product category which resulted in the decision to mark down the carrying value of the Company's cellular inventory. Of the \$9,300 inventory adjustment, \$8,800 was in the cellular product category and \$500 was in the automotive sound product category in wholesale operations.

Cellular gross margins were 9.8% for fiscal 1995 compared to 14.8% for fiscal 1994. As previously mentioned, the gross margins reflect an \$8,800 charge for inventory write-downs. In addition, the decline in cellular margins is a result of the continuing decline of unit selling prices due to increased competition and the introduction of lower-priced units. The portable cellular telephone line accounted for the majority of this decrease. The average unit selling price declined 23.4% during the 1995 fiscal year. Likewise, gross profits on unit sales declined 26.7% for the same period. The number of new subscriber activations declined 15.5% to 126,000 for 1995 compared to last year. Average commissions received by the Company from the cellular carriers per activation also declined 4.7% to \$305 for the twelve months ended November 30, 1995 versus last year. These decreases were partially offset by an increase of 19.4% in residual payments received by the Company compared to the same period last year. The Company believes that the cellular market will continue to be a highly-competitive, price-sensitive environment. Increased price competition related to the Company's product could result in downward pressure to the Company's gross margins if the Company is unable to obtain competitively-priced product from its suppliers or result in additional adjustments to the carrying value of the Company's inventory.

Automotive sound margins decreased to 17.5% from 18.7% for the fiscal year ended November 30, 1995 compared to last year. The decrease in automotive sound margins was primarily in the AV product line, partially offset by increases in the Heavy Duty Sound product lines. Automotive accessory margins decreased to 27.9% for 1995 from 29.1% in 1994. These decreases were primarily in the AA security product line, partially offset by an increase in margins in Prestige security products and Protector Hardgoods.

Total operating expenses increased by approximately \$6,100, or 8.1%, for the twelve months ended November 30, 1995 compared to last year. A major component of this increase was the third quarter 1995 charge for the downsizing of the Company's retail operations. Excluding this charge, operating overhead increased \$3,600 for fiscal 1995 compared to the same period last year.

Warehousing, assembly and repair expenses increased approximately \$441, or 4.7 %, for 1995 compared to 1994. The increase for the twelve months was primarily in field warehousing expenses and travel. Selling expenses increased approximately \$2,200, or 6.8%, compared to last year. Advertising and other promotional marketing programs accounted for the majority of the increase in fiscal 1995. General and administrative expenses increased \$3,400, or 10.5%, for 1995 compared to last year. A provision for costs associated with the down-sizing of the retail group was the primary component of this increase. This provision included costs for the buy-out of leases, the write-off of leasehold improvements, severance pay and other charges necessary to close and consolidate the retail operations. Other increases were in professional fees, bad debt and expenses associated with the Company's overseas buying offices.

Management fees and related income and equity in income from joint venture investments decreased by approximately \$12,900 for 1995, as compared to 1994, principally due to CellStar Corporation ("CellStar") as detailed in the following table:

	Management Fees	1995 Equity Income (Loss)	Total	Management Fees	1994 Equity Income (Loss)	Total	
CellStar	-	\$ 2,151	\$ 2,151	-		\$13,958	\$13,958
ASMC	-	819	819	-		932	932
G.L.M.	\$ 14	-	14	-		-	-
Pacific	186	21	207	\$ 435		242	677
Protector	-	-	-	1,108		-	1,108
TALK	-	(210)	(210)	-		(819)	(819)
	\$ 200	\$ 2,781	\$ 2,981	\$1,543		\$14,313	\$15,856

During 1994, the Company sold shares of CellStar, resulting in a pre-tax gain on sale of \$27,800. Also in 1994, the Company recorded a \$10,600 gain on the carrying value of the investment in CellStar after their public offering. This event did not repeat in 1995. In addition, in 1995, the Company sold 1,500,000 shares of CellStar Common Stock. The gain on the sale of these securities, before income taxes, was approximately \$8,400. Since the Company's ownership in CellStar is less than 20%, the Company can no longer account for CellStar under the equity method of accounting. The decrease in Audiovox Pacific is due to an overall decline in gross profits, as the cellular market in Australia experienced the same competitive factors which exist in the United States. As a result, Audiovox Pacific recorded an inventory write-down of \$800 during 1995, 50% of which resulted in the Company recording lower income from equity investments.

Interest expense and bank charges increased by \$3,200, or 48.3%, compared to 1994 as a result of an increase in interest costs from increased borrowing to support higher levels of inventory purchases and asset financing. Other expenses increased approximately \$3,000 primarily due to \$2,900 in costs associated with the issuance of stock warrants for no monetary consideration to certain holders of the Company's convertible subordinated debentures. This one-time, non-cash charge to earnings is offset by a \$2,900 increase in paid in capital. Therefore, there is no effect on total shareholders' equity.

For fiscal 1995, the Company recorded an income tax recovery of approximately \$2,800, compared to a provision of approximately \$20,300 for fiscal 1994. The effective income tax recovery rate for 1995 was negatively impacted primarily due to the non-deductibility of losses in the Company's Canadian operations which can no longer be carried-back, the non-deductibility of costs associated with the issuance of the stock warrants and undistributed earnings from equity investments.

# Liquidity and Capital Resources

The Company's cash position at November 30, 1996 was approximately \$5,274 above the November 30, 1995 level. Operating activities provided approximately \$24,011, primarily from a decrease in inventory and increases in accounts payable, accrued expenses and income taxes payable. These favorable events were partially offset by increases in accounts receivable, prepaid expenses and other currents assets. Investing activities used approximately \$1,488, composed primarily of \$2,805 for the purchase of property, plant and equipment, partially offset by

\$1,000 from the sale of an investment. Financing activities used approximately \$17,280, principally for the reduction of borrowings under line of credit agreements and documentary acceptances.

On February 9, 1996, the Company's 10.8% Series AA and 11.0% Series BB Convertible Debentures matured. The Company paid \$4,362 to holders on that date. The remaining \$1,100 was converted into 206,046 shares of Common Stock. On November 25, 1996, the Company concluded an exchange of \$41,252 of its 6 1/4% subordinated debentures for 6,806,580 shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock. Accounting charges to earnings for this transaction were \$29,206, including income taxes on the gain of the exchange of the bonds. As a result of the exchange, stockholders' equity was increased by \$34,426.

On October 1, 1996, business formally conducted by the Company's cellular division will be continued in a newly-formed, wholly-owned subsidiary called Audiovox Communications Corp. (ACC). Capitalization of this company was accomplished by exchanging the assets of the former division, less their respective liabilities, for all of the common stock.

On May 5, 1995, the Company entered into the Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the "Credit Agreement") which superseded the first amendment in its entirety. During 1996, the Credit Agreement was amended six times providing for various changes to the terms. The terms as of November 30, 1996 are summarized below.

Under the Credit Agreement, the Company may obtain credit through direct borrowings and letters of credit. The obligations of the Company under the Credit Agreement continue to be guaranteed by certain of the Company's subsidiaries and is secured by accounts receivable and inventory of the Company and those subsidiaries. The obligations were secured at November 30, 1996 by a pledge agreement entered into by the Company for 2,125,000 shares of CellStar Common Stock and ten shares of ACC. Subsequent to year end, the shares of CellStar common stock were released from the Pledge Agreement. Availability of credit under the Credit Agreement is a maximum aggregate amount of \$85,000, subject to certain conditions, and is based upon a formula taking into account the amount and quality of its accounts receivable and inventory. The Credit Agreement expires on February 28, 1998. As a result, bank obligations under the Credit Agreement have been classified as long-term at November 30, 1996.

The Credit Agreement contains several covenants requiring,

among other things, minimum levels of pre-tax income and minimum levels of net worth and working capital as follows: pre-tax income of \$4,000 per annum; pre-tax income of \$2,500 for any two consecutive fiscal quarters; the Company cannot have pre-tax losses of more than \$500 in any quarter; and the Company cannot have pre-tax losses in any two consecutive quarters. In addition, the Company must maintain a minimum level of total net worth of \$88,500, adjusted for 50% of the aggregate gains realized on sales of capital stock. The Company must maintain a minimum working capital of \$125,000. Additionally, the agreement includes restrictions and limitations on payments of dividends, stock repurchases, and capital expenditures. At November 30, 1996, the Company was not in compliance with several financial covenants which were waived. As of the date of the issuance of the financial statements, the Company's creditors waived their right to call the bank obligations.

On May 9, 1995, the Company issued 1,668,875 warrants in a private placement, with underlying shares which may be purchased pursuant to an option on the Chief Executive Officer's personal stock holdings. Each warrant is convertible into one share of class A common stock at \$7 1/8, subject to adjustment under certain circumstances. On May 2, 1996 the Securities and Exchange Commission declared effective a registration statement for the warrants and the underlying common stock which the Company had filed pursuant to a registration rights agreement dated as of May 9, 1995, between the Company and the purchasers of the warrants.

On March 15, 1994, the Company completed the sale of \$65,000, 6 1/4% convertible subordinated debentures due 2001. The debentures are convertible into shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share at an initial conversion price of \$17.70 per share, subject to adjustment under certain circumstances. A portion of the net proceeds of the offering was used to repay existing indebtedness and a prepayment premium.

The Company granted to an investor in CellStar, in connection with the CellStar initial public offering, two options to purchase up to an aggregate of 1,750,000 shares of CellStar Common Stock owned by the Company, 1,500,000 of which was exercised in full on June 1, 1995 at an exercise price of \$11.50 per share. As a result, the Company recorded a gain, before provision for income taxes, of \$8,435. This reduced the Company's ownership in CellStar below 20% and, as such, the Company will no longer account for CellStar under the equity method of accounting. Subsequent to November 30, 1996, the remaining 250,000 shares under the remaining option expired. The remaining

2,375,000 CellStar shares owned by the Company will be accounted for as an investment in marketable equity securities. During the first quarter of 1997, the Company sold 1,360,000 shares of its CellStar shares for a gain of \$14,743, net of income tax. The Company continues to hold 1,015,000 shares of CellStar common stock. As discussed in Note 6 to the consolidated financial statements, Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Statement No. 115 (Statement 115) addresses the accounting and reporting for investments in equity securities that have readily determinable fair values and for all investments in debt securities. Based upon the closing market price of CellStar on November 30, 1996, the decrease to equity as required by Statement 115 is \$21,444, net of deferred taxes.

The Company believes that it has sufficient liquidity to satisfy its anticipated working capital and capital expenditure needs through November 30, 1996 and for the reasonable foreseeable future.

#### Impact of Inflation and Currency Fluctuation

Inflation has not had and is not expected to have a significant impact on the Company's financial position or operating results. However, as the Company expands its operations into Latin America and the Pacific Rim, the effects of inflation in those areas, if any, could have growing significance to the financial condition and results of the operations of the Company.

#### Currency Fluctuations

While the prices that the Company pays for the products purchased from its suppliers are principally denominated in United States dollars, price negotiations depend in part on the relationship between the foreign currency of the foreign manufacturers and the United States dollar. This relationship is dependent upon, among other things, market, trade and political factors.

#### Seasonality

The Company typically experiences some seasonality. The Company believes such seasonality could be attributable to increased demand for its products during the Christmas season, commencing October, for both wholesale and retail operations.

The FASB has issued Statement No. 121, "Accounting for the Impairment of Long-Lived Assets and for Long-Lived Assets to Be Disposed of" (Statement 121), in March 1995. Under Statement 121, the Company is required to assess the recoverability and carrying amount of long-lived assets, certain identifiable intangible assets and goodwill related to those assets, whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate impairment. Statement 121 provides the methodology for the measurement of such impairment to be recognized in the financial statements. The provisions of Statement 121 are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 1995 and earlier adoption is permitted. The provisions of Statement 121 must be implemented no later than fiscal year 1997. The effect of initially applying these provisions shall be reported in the period in which the recognition criteria are first applied and met or, in the case of long-lived assets held for disposal, as the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle at the date of adoption. The Company believes that the implementation will not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial position.

The FASB has issued Statement No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation" (Statement 123), in October 1995. Under Statement 123, the Company is required to choose either the new fair value method or the current intrinsic value method of accounting for its stock-based compensation arrangements. Using the fair value method, the Company would measure the compensation cost recognized in the financial statements based upon the estimated fair value of the stock-based compensation arrangements as of the date they are granted. The intrinsic value method, under APB Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock issued to Employees", requires the recognition of compensation cost only if such value does not exceed the market value of the underlying stock on the measurement date. The Company will continue to account for all employee stock-based compensation plans under APB Opinion No. 25 and adopt the provisions of Statement 123, as required, for all stock-based arrangements issued to non-employees. The accounting requirements of Statement 123 are effective for transactions entered into in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 1995 and the disclosure, including pro forma, requirements are effective for financial statements for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 1995. Even though the Company has opted not to change its method of accounting, Statement 123 requires pro forma disclosures of net income and earnings per share computed as if the fair value method has been applied. Statement 123 must be implemented no later than fiscal year 1997. As of November 30, 1996, the Company does not have any such stock compensation plans which would require the preparation of the pro forma disclosure provisions of Statement 123.

The consolidated financial statements of the Company as of November 30, 1996 and 1995 and for each of the years in the three-year period ended November 30, 1996, together with the independent auditors' report thereon of KPMG Peat Marwick LLP, independent auditors, are filed under this Item 8.

Selected unaudited, quarterly financial data of the Registrant for the years ended November 30, 1996 and 1995 appears below:

		QUARTEI	R ENDED	
F	eb. 28	May 31	Aug. 31	Nov. 30
1996		,	J	
Net sales	\$122,493	141,194	142,828	191,400
Gross profit	19,877	21,586	24,639	30,286
Operating expenses	17,519	19,347	20,911	25,536
Income (loss) before provision for				
(recovery of) income taxes	1,091	426	1,575	(23,727)(a)
Provision for (recovery of) income				
taxes	612	276	808	4,138 (b)
Net income (loss)	479	150	767	(27,865)
Net income (loss) per share (primary)	0.05	0.02	0.08	(2.83)
Net income per common share (fully				
diluted)	-	-	-	-
1995				
	\$131,391	105,811	112,177	,
Gross profit	22,586	,	•	(c) 21,480
Operating expenses	20,723	19,221	22,552	(d)17,980
Income (loss) before provision for				
(recovery of) income taxes	1,083	(4,240)	(9,729)	(e) 827
Provision for (recovery of) income				
taxes	547	(467)		
Net income (loss)	536	(3,773)		
Net income (loss) per share (primary)	0.06	(0.42)	(0.71)	0.04
Net income per common share (fully				
diluted)	-	-	-	-

NOTE: The Company does not compute fully diluted earnings per share when the addition of potentially dilutive securities would result in anti-dilution.

- (a) Includes a pre-tax charge of \$26.3 million for costs associated with the exchange of \$41.3 million of subordinated debentures into 6,806,580 shares of common stock.
- (b) Includes tax expense of \$2.9 million associated with the exchange of debentures as per (a).
- (c) Includes a \$9.3 million inventory write-down to market.(d) Includes a \$2.5 million expense due to the down-sizing of
- (d) Includes a \$2.5 million expense due to the down-sizing of the retail operations.
- (e) Includes a \$2.9 million charge associated with the issuance of warrants and a \$8.4 million gain on the sale of an equity investment.

#### Independent Auditors' Report

The Board of Directors and Stockholders Audiovox Corporation:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Audiovox Corporation and subsidiaries as of November 30, 1996 and 1995, and the related consolidated statements of income (loss), stockholders' equity and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended November 30, 1996. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Audiovox Corporation and subsidiaries as of November 30, 1996 and 1995, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended November 30, 1996, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

As discussed in Note 1(g) to the consolidated financial statements, the Company adopted the provisions of the Financial Accounting Standards Board's (FASB) Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 115, "Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities", in 1995. As also discussed in Note 1(p), the Company adopted the provisions of the FASB's SFAS No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes", in 1994.

s/KPMG Peat Marwick LLP KPMG PEAT MARWICK LLP

Jericho, New York January 23, 1997

# AUDIOVOX CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES Consolidated Balance Sheets November 30, 1996 and 1995 (In thousands, except share data)

Assets	1996	1995
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable, net Inventory, net Receivable from vendor Prepaid expenses and other current assets Deferred income taxes Restricted cash Total current assets Investment securities Equity investments	\$ 12,350 118,408 72,785 4,565 7,324 5,241 - 220,673 27,758 8,463	\$ 7,076 96,930 100,422 5,097 5,443 5,287 5,959 226,214 62,344 8,527
Property, plant, and equipment, net Debt issuance costs, net Excess cost over fair value of assets	6,756 269	6,055 4,235
acquired and other intangible assets, net Other assets	804 3,449	943 2,737
	\$ 268,172	\$ 311,055
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Current liabilities: Accounts payable Accrued expenses and other current liabilities Income taxes payable Bank obligations Documentary acceptances Current installments of long-term debt Total current liabilities Bank obligations Deferred income taxes Long-term debt, less current installments Total liabilities Minority interest	\$ 28,192 18,961 7,818 4,024 3,501 62,496 31,700 10,548 28,165 132,909 1,137	\$ 17,844 16,800 2,455 761 7,120 5,688 50,668 49,000 23,268 70,534 193,470 363
Stockholders' equity: Preferred stock Common Stock: Class A; 30,000,000 authorized; 14,040,414 issued	2,500 141	2,500 68
Class B; 10,000,000 authorized; 2,260,954 issued Paid-in capital Retained earnings	22 107,833 14,529	22 42,876 40,998
Cumulative foreign currency translation and adjustment Unrealized gain on marketable securities, net Total stockholders' equity	(1,176) 10,277 134,126	(963) 31,721 117,222
Commitments and contingencies Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 268,172	\$ 311,055

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements. 30

# AUDIOVOX CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES Consolidated Statements of Income (Loss) Years Ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994 (In thousands, except per share data)

	1996	1995	1994
Net sales	\$597,915	\$500,740	\$486,448
Cost of sales (including an inventory	400.7020	40007.10	Ψ.0070
write-down to market in 1995 of \$9,300)	501,527	429,998	401,537
Gross profit	96,388	70,742	84,911
Operating expenses:	00,000		0.,022
Selling	40,033	34,489	32,299
General and administrative	32,452	36,160	32,740
Warehousing, assembly, and repair	10,828	9,827	9,386
war chousing, assembly, and repair	83,313	80,476	74,425
Operating income (loss)	13,075	(9,734)	10,486
Other income (expenses):	10,010	(3,754)	10,400
Debt conversion expense	(26,318)	_	_
Interest and bank charges	(8,480)	(9,694)	(6,535)
Equity in income of equity investments	631	2,781	3,748
Management fees and related income	186	200	
Gain on sale of equity investment	985		1,543
	900	8,435	27,783
Gain on public offering of equity			10 565
investment	-	(2.021)	10,565
Expense related to issuance of warrants	- (714)	(2,921)	(1 050)
Other, net	(714) (33,710)	(1,126) (2,325)	(1,056) 36,048
Income (loss) before provision for (recovery of) income taxes and cumulative effect of a change in an accounting			
principle	(20,635)	(12,059)	46,534
Provision for (recovery of) income taxes Income (loss) before cumulative effect of	5,834	(2,803)	20,328
a change in accounting for income taxes Cumulative effect of change in accounting	(26,469)	(9,256)	26,206
for income taxes	-	<del>-</del> .	(178)
Net income (loss)	\$(26,469)	\$ (9,256)	\$ 26,028
Net income (loss)per common share (primary):			
Income (loss) before cumulative effect	\$ (2.82)	\$ (1.02)	\$ 2.88
Cumulative effect of change in	,	,	
accounting for income taxes	-	-	\$ (.02)
Net income (loss)	\$ (2.82)	\$ (1.02)	\$ 2.86
Net income (loss) per common share (fully diluted):	, ,	, ,	
Income before cumulative effect Cumulative effect of change in	-	-	\$ 2.21
accounting for income taxes	-	-	\$ (.01)
Net income (loss)	-	-	\$ 2.20
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See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

# AUDIOVOX CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity Years Ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994 (In thousands)

	Preferred stock	Common stock	Paid-In capital	Unearned compensation	Retained earnings	Cumulative Foreign currency translation adjustment	Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Marketable Securities	Total Stockholders' equity
Balances at								
November 30,			00 474		04.000	(404)		05 700
1993	2,500	90	39,171	-	24, 226	(194)	-	65,793
Net income Equity adjustm	-	-	-	-	26,028	-	-	26,028
from foreign	lent							
currency								
translation	-	-	_	_	_	(331)	-	(331)
Unearned compe	nsation					( )		( )
relating to of options a	grant Ind non-							
performance	restricted							
stock	-	-	864	(864)	-	-	-	-
Compensation expense			27	241				268
Stock issuance	-	-	21	241	-	-	-	200
upon exercise								
of options	-	-	207	_	_	_	-	207
Issuance of								
warrants	-	-	69	-	-	-	-	69
Balances at								
November 30,				(222)		(-0-)		
1994	2,500	90	40,338	(623)	50,254	(525)	-	92,034
Net loss Equity adjustm	- lent	-	-	-	(9,256)	-	-	(9,256)
from foreign	lent							
currency								
translation	-	_	_	-	-	(438)	-	(438)
Unearned compe sation relat to grant of options a	ing							
performance								
restricted stock	_		62	(62)			_	_
Compensation	-	-	02	(02)	-	-	-	-
expense	_	_	46	194	_	_	-	240
Options and no performance restricted s forfeitures d	tock							
employee								
terminations	-	-	(81)	81	-	-	-	-
Issuance of								
warrants Implementation change in accounting	of -	-	2,921	-	-	-	-	2,921
for debt and equity securities, net of tax effect of								
\$24,517 Unrealized los marketable securities, n		-	-	-	-	-	40,004	40,004
tax effect of								
\$(5,076)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(8,283)	(8,283)
Balances at							•	•
November 30, 1995	2,500	90	43,286	(410)	40,998	(963)	31,721	117,222

# AUDIOVOX CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity (continued) Years Ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994 (In thousands)

	Preferred stock	Commor stock	n Paid-In capital	Unearned compensation	Retained earnings	Cumulative foreign currency translation adjustment	Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Marketable Securities	Total Stockholders' equity
Balances at November 30, 1995 Net loss Equity adjustment from foreign	2,500 -	90 -	43, 286 -	(410) -	40,998 (26,469)	(963) -	31,721	117,222 (26,469)
currency translation	_	-	-	-	-	(213)	-	(213)
Compensation expense Options and non-performance restricted stock forfeitures due to employee	-	-	39	258	-	-	-	297
terminations	_	_	(27)	27	_	_	_	-
Shares issued Conversion of debentures into	-	3	-	- · -	-	-	-	3
common stock Unrealized loss on marketable securities, net of tax effect of	-	70	64,660	-	-	-	-	64,730
\$13,143 Balances at November 30,	-	-	-	-	-	-	(21,444)	(21,444)
1996	\$2,500	\$163	\$107,958	\$(125)	\$14,529	\$(1,176)	\$10,277	\$134,126

# AUDIOVOX CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows Years Ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994 (In thousands)

Cash flows from operating activities:	1996	1995	1994	
Net income (loss) Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash used in operating activities:	\$(26,469)	\$ (9,256)	\$ 26,028	
Debt conversion expense	25,629	_	_	
Depreciation and amortization	3,298	4,100	4,299	
Provision for bad debt expense	429			
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		1,816	(21)	
Equity in income of equity investments	(614)	` '	(3,748)	
Minority interest	767	225	96	
Gain on sale of equity investment	(985)	(8,435)	(27,783)	
Gain on public offering of equity investment	-	-	(10,565)	
Provision for (recovery of) deferred income taxes	468	(5,158)	6,140	
Provision for unearned compensation	297	240	268	
Expense relating to issuance of warrants	_	2,921	_	
(Gain) loss on disposal of property, plant, and		_,		
equipment, net	(32)	246	_	
Cumulative effect of change in accounting for inco	` ,	-		178
	Jille Laxes	-	-	1/0
Changes in:	(04 040)	(4 400)	(00 007)	
Accounts receivable	(21,848)	(4,468)	(20,337)	
Note receivable from equity investment	532	(5,097)		
Inventory	27,688	(16,950)	(18,701)	
Income taxes receivable	-	-	229	
Accounts payable, accrued expenses, and other cu	urrent			
liabilities	12,445	488	3,675	
Income taxes payable	5,360	1,623	(1,395)	
Prepaid expenses and other, net	(2,954)	250	(4,171)	
Net cash provided by (used in) operating acti		24,011	(40, 236)	(45,808)
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Purchase of equity investments	_	_	(6,016)	
Purchases of property, plant, and equipment, net	(2.805)	(2,722)	(2,611)	
Notes receivable from equity investment	(-,,	(-,,	7,973	
Net proceeds from sale of equity investment	1,000	17,250	29,433	
Purchase of business	1,000	17,230	29,433	(140)
	217			(148)
Proceeds from distribution from equity investment		267	-	00 001
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activiti	ıes	(1,488)	14,795	28,631
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Net borrowings (repayments) under line of credit aç		(14,040)	19,577	(8,613)
Net borrowings (repayments) under documentary accep	otances	(3,620)	7,120	(10,833)
Principal payments on long-term debt	(5,029)	(11)	(17,411)	
Debt issuance costs	(392)		(5,315)	
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	` - ′	` -	`´170´	
Principal payments on capital lease obligation	(158)	(233)	(175)	
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	(130)	675	65,000	
Proceeds from issuance of notes payable		-	10,045	
, ,	-		•	
Payment of note payable	-	-	(5,000)	
Restricted cash		-	(6,559)	
Proceeds from release of restricted cash	5,959	600	<u>-</u>	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activit		(17,280)		21,309
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	31	8	(9)	
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	5,274	1,581	4,123	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	7,076	5,495	1,372	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 12,350	\$ 7,076	\$ 5,495	

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements. 34

#### AUDIOVOX CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994

(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share data)

#### (1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

# (a) Description of Business

Audiovox Corporation and its subsidiaries (the Company) design and market cellular telephones and accessories, automotive aftermarket sound and security equipment, other automotive aftermarket accessories, and certain other products, principally in the United States, Canada, and overseas. In addition to generating product revenue from the sale of cellular telephone products, the Company's retail outlets, as agents for cellular carriers, are paid activation commissions and residual fees from such carriers.

The Company's automotive sound, security, and accessory products include stereo cassette radios, compact disc players and changers, amplifiers and speakers; key based remote control security systems; cruise controls and door and trunk locks. These products are marketed through mass merchandise chain stores, specialty automotive accessory installers, distributors, and automobile dealers.

#### (b) Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of Audiovox Corporation and its wholly-owned and majority-owned subsidiaries. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

#### (c) Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents of \$1,337 at November 30, 1995 consisted of shortterm investments with terms of less than three months. For purposes of the statements of cash flows, the Company considers investments with original maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

### (d) Cash Discount and Co-operative Advertising Allowances

The Company accrues for estimated cash discounts and trade and promotional co-operative advertising allowances at the time of sale. These discounts and allowances are reflected in the accompanying consolidated financial statements as a reduction of accounts receivable as they are utilized by customers to reduce their trade indebtedness to the Company.

# (e) Inventory

Inventory consists principally of finished goods and is stated at the lower of cost (primarily on a weighted moving average basis) or market. The markets in which the Company competes are characterized by declining prices, intense competition, rapid technological change and frequent new product introductions. The Company maintains a significant investment in inventory and, therefore, is subject to the risk of losses on write-downs to market and inventory obsolescence. During the third quarter of 1995, the Company recorded a charge of approximately \$9,300 to accurately reflect the Company's inventory at the lower of cost or market. No estimate can be made of losses that are reasonably possible should additional write-downs to market be required in the future.

#### (f) Restricted Cash

Restricted cash represents collateral for an irrevocable standby letter of credit in favor of the Series AA and Series BB convertible debentures (Note 10).

# (g) Investment Securities

The Company adopted the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standard's (SFAS) No. 115, "Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities" (Statement 115) at December 1, 1994. Under Statement 115, the Company classifies its debt and

equity securities in one of three categories: trading, available-for-sale, or held-to-maturity. Trading securities are bought and held principally for the purpose of selling them in the near term. Held-to-maturity securities are those securities in which the Company has the ability and intent to hold the security until maturity. All other securities not included in trading or held-to-maturity are classified as available-for-sale.

Trading and available-for-sale securities are recorded at fair value. Held-to-maturity securities are recorded at amortized cost, adjusted for the amortization or accretion of premiums or discounts. Unrealized holding gains and losses on trading securities are included in earnings. Unrealized holding gains and losses, net of the related tax effect, on available-for-sale securities are excluded from earnings and are reported as a separate component of stockholders' equity until realized. Realized gains and losses from the sale of available-for-sale securities are determined on a specific identification basis.

A decline in the market value of any available-for-sale or held-to-maturity security below cost that is deemed other than temporary results in a reduction in carrying amount to fair value. The impairment is charged to earnings and a new cost basis for the security is established. Premiums and discounts are amortized or accreted over the life of the related held-to-maturity security as an adjustment to yield using the effective interest method. Dividend and interest income are recognized when earned.

#### (h) Debt Issuance Costs

Costs incurred in connection with the issuance of the convertible subordinated debentures and restructuring of the Series A and Series B convertible subordinated notes (Note 10) and the restructuring of bank obligations (Note 9) have been capitalized. These charges are amortized over the lives of the respective agreements. Amortization expense of these costs amounted to

\$1,109, \$1,319, and \$1,225 for the years ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994, respectively. During 1996, the Company wrote off \$3,249 of debt issuance costs (Note 10).

## (i) Property, Plant, and Equipment

Property, plant, and equipment are stated at cost. Equipment under capital lease is stated at the present value of minimum lease payments. Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

Buildings 20 years
Furniture, fixtures, and displays 5-10 years
Machinery and equipment 5-10 years
Computer hardware and software 5 years
Automobiles 3 years

Leasehold improvements are amortized over the shorter of the lease term or estimated useful life of the asset. Assets acquired under capital lease are amortized over the term of the lease.

The Company will adopt the provisions of SFAS No. 121, "Accounting for the Impairment of Long-Lived Assets and for Long-Lived Assets to be Disposed of", on December 1, 1996. Management of the Company does not expect that adoption of SFAS No. 121 will have a material impact on the Company's financial position, results of operations or liquidity.

#### (j) Intangible Assets

Intangible assets consist of patents, trademarks, non-competition agreements, and the excess cost over fair value of assets acquired for certain subsidiary companies and equity investments. Excess cost over fair value of assets acquired is being amortized over periods not exceeding twenty years. The costs of other intangible assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over their respective lives.

Accumulated amortization approximated \$1,413 and \$1,280 at November 30, 1996 and 1995, respectively. Amortization of the excess cost over fair value of assets acquired and other intangible assets amounted to \$133, \$127, and \$271 for the years ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994, respectively.

On an ongoing basis, the Company reviews the valuation and amortization of its intangible assets. As a part of its ongoing review, the Company estimates the fair value of intangible assets taking into consideration any events and circumstances which may diminish fair value. The Company will adopt the provisions of SFAS No. 121, "Accounting for the Impairment of Long-Lived Assets and for Long-Lived Assets to be Disposed of", on December 1, 1996.

#### (k) Equity Investments

The Company has common stock investments in seven companies which are accounted for by the equity method (Note 8).

# (1) Cellular Telephone Commissions

Under various agreements, the Company typically receives an initial activation commission for obtaining subscribers for cellular telephone services. Additionally, the agreements typically contain provisions for commissions based upon usage and length of continued subscription. The agreements also typically provide for the reduction or elimination of initial activation commissions if subscribers deactivate service within stipulated periods. The Company has provided a liability for estimated cellular deactivations which is reflected in the accompanying consolidated financial statements as a reduction of accounts receivable.

The Company recognizes sales revenue for the initial activation, length of service commissions, and residual commissions based upon usage on the accrual basis. Such commissions approximated \$37,930, \$43,307, and \$51,793 for the years ended November 30, 1996, 1995,

and 1994, respectively. Related commissions paid to outside selling representatives for cellular activations are reflected as cost of sales in the accompanying consolidated statements of income (loss) and amounted to \$20,443, \$15,374, and \$17,848 for the years ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994, respectively.

#### (m) Advertising

The Company expenses the production costs of advertising as incurred and expenses the costs of communicating advertising when the service is received. During the years ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994, the Company had no direct response advertising.

#### (n) Warranty Expenses

Warranty expenses are accrued at the time of sale based on the Company's estimated cost to repair expected returns for products. At November 30, 1996 and 1995, the reserve for future warranty expense amounted to \$2,618 and \$2,030, respectively.

#### (o) Foreign Currency

Assets and liabilities of those subsidiaries and equity investments located outside the United States whose cash flows are primarily in local currencies have been translated at rates of exchange at the end of the period. Revenues and expenses have been translated at the weighted average rates of exchange in effect during the period. Gains and losses resulting from translation are accumulated in the cumulative foreign currency translation account in stockholders' equity. Exchange gains and losses on hedges of foreign net investments and on intercompany balances of a long-term investment nature are also recorded in the cumulative foreign currency translation adjustment account. Other foreign currency transaction gains and losses are included in net income, none of which were material for the years ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994.

The Company will, at times, enter into forward exchange

contracts to hedge foreign currency transactions and not to engage in currency speculation. The Company's forward exchange contracts do not subject the Company to risk from exchange rate movements because gains and losses on such contracts offset losses and gains, respectively, on the assets, liabilities or transactions being hedged.

During 1994, the Company entered into foreign exchange contracts denominated in the currency of its major suppliers. These contracts were purchased to hedge identifiable foreign currency commitments, principally purchases of inventory that are not denominated in U.S. dollars. Accordingly, any gain or loss associated with the contracts was included as a component of inventory cost. Cash flows resulting from these contracts are included in the net change in inventory for purposes of the statements of cash flows.

## (p) Income Taxes

Effective December 1, 1993, the Company adopted the provisions of SFAS No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes", (Statement 109) and has reported the cumulative effect of that change in the method of accounting for income taxes in the 1994 consolidated statement of income (loss). Under the asset and liability method of Statement 109, deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases and operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. 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. Under Statement 109, the effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date.

## (q) Net Income (Loss) Per Common Share

Primary earnings per share are computed based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding and common stock equivalents. For the year ended November 30, 1994, stock options, stock grants, and stock warrants (Note 13) are common stock equivalents. The computation of fully diluted earnings per share for the year ended November 30, 1994 assumes conversion of all outstanding debentures (Note 10) and exercise of common stock equivalents, stock options, performance accelerated grants, and warrants. For purposes of this computation, net income was adjusted for the after-tax interest expense applicable to the convertible debentures. The Company did not compute fully-diluted earnings per share for the years ended November 30, 1996 and 1995 as the addition of potentially dilutive securities would result in anti-dilution.

The following weighted average shares were used for the computation of primary and fully-diluted earnings per share:

For the Years Ended November 30, 1996 1995 1994

Primary 9,398,352 9,038,742 9,105,952 Fully diluted - - 12,769,221

# (r) Supplementary Financial Statement Information

Advertising expenses approximated \$21,794, \$13,538, and \$11,610 for the years ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994, respectively.

Interest income of approximately \$1,097, \$1,047, and \$540 for the years ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994, respectively, is included in other in the accompanying consolidated statements of income (loss).

Included in accrued expenses and other current liabilities is \$4,405 and \$4,601 of accrued wages and commissions at November 30, 1996 and 1995, respectively.

### (s) Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of the 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.

### (t) Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to the 1994 consolidated financial statements in order to conform to the 1996 and 1995 presentation.

#### (2) Business Acquisitions/Dispositions

On December 1, 1993, the Company acquired all of the assets and liabilities of H & H Eastern Distributors, Inc. (H&H) for \$148 in cash and a warrant to purchase 50,000 shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock valued at approximately \$69. The Company acquired assets of approximately \$1,854, liabilities of approximately \$1,922, and excess cost over fair value of net assets acquired of \$285 which is being amortized on a straight-line basis over 20 years. Proforma financial information has not been reflected for this acquisition as the impact on the results of operations of the Company would not have been material.

In April 1996, the Company formed Audiovox Holdings (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. (Audiovox Holdings), an 80%-owned subsidiary of Audiovox Asia, Inc. (Audiovox Asia), which, in turn, is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. In July 1994, the Company formed Audiovox (Thailand) Co., Ltd., a 100%-owned subsidiary of Audiovox Asia. In December, 1993, the Company formed Audiovox Singapore Pte. Ltd., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Audiovox Asia, as well as Audiovox Communications (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd.(Audiovox Malaysia), which is an 80%-owned subsidiary of Audiovox Asia. In 1996, Audiovox Malaysia formed Vintage Electronics Holdings (Malaysia) Sdn.

Bhd., a wholly-owned subsidiary. The Company formed these subsidiaries to assist in its planned expansion of its international business.

In October 1996, the Company contributed the net assets of its cellular division into a newly-formed, wholly-owned subsidiary Audiovox Communications Corp. (ACC).

#### (3) Supplemental Cash Flow Information

The following is supplemental information relating to the consolidated statements of cash flows:

For the Years Ended November 30, 1996 1995 1994

Cash paid during the years for:

Interest \$7,666 \$9,224 \$5,291 Income taxes \$ 272 \$ 818 \$15,409

On February 9, 1996, the Company's 10.8% Series AA and 11.0% Series BB convertible debentures matured. As of February 9, 1996, \$1,100 of the Series BB convertible debentures converted into 206,046 shares of Common Stock (Note 10).

On November 25, 1996, the Company completed an exchange of \$41,252 of its \$65,000 6 1/4% convertible subordinated debentures into 6,806,580 shares of Common Stock (Note 10).

As of November 30, 1996 and 1995, the Company recorded an unrealized holding gain relating to available-for-sale marketable equity securities, net of deferred income taxes, of \$10,277 and \$31,721, respectively, as a separate component of stockholders' equity (Note 6).

During 1996, the Company contributed \$97 of property, plant and equipment in exchange for a 50% ownership interest in a newly-formed joint venture (Note 8).

During 1995, the Company contributed \$36 of property, plant, and equipment in exchange for a 50% ownership interest in a

newly-formed joint venture (Note 8).

During 1995, the Company entered into lease agreements to acquire new computer equipment. As a result, a capital lease obligation of \$86, was incurred (Note 7).

During 1994, a reduction of \$37 to income taxes payable was made due to the exercise of stock options.

During 1994, the Company acquired the assets and liabilities of H&H in exchange for cash and warrants to purchase the Company's common stock (Note 8).

#### (4) Transactions With Major Suppliers

The Company engages in transactions with Shintom Co., Ltd. (Shintom), a stockholder who owns approximately 1.7% and 3.5% at November 30, 1996 and 1995 of the outstanding Class A Common Stock, respectively, and all of the outstanding Preferred Stock of the Company. During 1994, the Company formed TALK Corporation (TALK), a 31.6%-owned joint venture in Japan (Note 8), with Shintom and other companies.

Transactions with Shintom and TALK include financing arrangements and inventory purchases which approximated 26%, 20%, and 7% for the years ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994, respectively, of total inventory purchases. At November 30, 1996 and 1995, the Company had recorded \$3,501 and \$25, respectively, of liabilities due to Shintom and TALK for inventory purchases included in accounts payable. The Company also has documentary acceptance obligations outstanding from TALK as of November 30, 1996 (Note 9). At November 30, 1996 and 1995, the Company had recorded receivables from TALK in the amount of \$4,565 and \$5,097, respectively, payable with interest (Note 8).

Inventory purchases from a major supplier approximated 28%, 44%, and 45% of total inventory purchases for the years ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994, respectively. Although there are a limited number of manufacturers of the product, management believes that other suppliers could provide similar products on comparable terms. A change in suppliers, however, could cause a delay in product availability

and a possible loss of sales, which would affect operating results adversely.

#### (5) Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable is comprised of the following:

	November 30,		
	1996	1995	
Trade accounts receivable	\$127,854	\$100,556	
Receivables from equity investments			
(Note 8)	2,626	4,196	
	130,480	104,752	
Less:			
Allowance for doubtful accounts	3,115	2,707	
Allowance for cellular deactivations	1,666	1,725	
Allowance for co-operative			
advertising and cash discounts	7,291	3,390	
·	\$118,408	\$ 96,930	

The provision for (recovery of) bad debt expense amounted to \$429, \$1,816, and (\$21) for the years ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994, respectively. See Note 16 for concentrations of credit risk.

#### (6) Investment Securities

The Company's investment securities consist primarily of 2,375,000 shares of CellStar Corporation (CellStar) Common Stock, which were classified as available-for-sale marketable equity securities at November 30, 1996. The aggregate fair value of available-for-sale marketable equity securities was \$27,758 at November 30, 1996, which is comprised of a cost basis of \$11,181 and a gross unrealized holding gain of \$16,577 recorded as a separate component of stockholders' equity. A related deferred tax liability of \$6,300 was recorded at November 30, 1996 as a reduction to the unrealized holding gain included as a separate component of stockholders' equity.

During 1994, the Company granted the majority owner of CellStar (the Investor) an option (the Option) to purchase 250,000 shares of CellStar Common Stock which is exercisable through December 3, 1996, in whole and not in part, at an exercise price of \$13.80 per share. Subsequent to November 30, 1996, the Option expired. As of November 30, 1995, the Investor has the right to vote up to 1,300,000 shares of CellStar Common Stock owned by the Company pursuant to a voting rights agreement entered into during 1994. The number of shares of CellStar Common Stock the Investor is entitled to vote is subject to reduction to the extent the Investor sells his shares of CellStar Common Stock (with certain exceptions) or exercises the Option. Subsequent to November 30, 1995, the voting rights granted to the Investor by the Company expired. During the term of the Option and the voting rights agreement, the Company cannot transfer its shares of CellStar Common Stock which are held subject to those agreements.

On November 29, 1995 and February 9, 1996, the Company entered into pledge agreements with its financial institutions which provided that a total of 2,125,000 shares of CellStar Common Stock be secured as collateral for the bank obligations incurred by the Company (Note 9).

Subsequent to year end, the Company sold 1,360,000 shares of CellStar Common Stock yielding net proceeds of approximately \$30,182 and a gain, net of taxes, of approximately \$14,743.

#### (7) Property, Plant, and Equipment

A summary of property, plant, and equipment, net, is as follows:

	Nov	vember 30,	
	1996	1995	
Land	\$ 363	\$ 363	
Buildings	1,782	1,491	
Furniture, fixtures, and displays	3,277	3,581	
Machinery and equipment	3,221		2,783
Computer hardware and software	12,658	11,422	
Automobiles	954		723
Leasehold improvements	3,454	3,671	
	25,709	24,034	
Less accumulated depreciation			
and amortization	(18,953)	(17,979)	
	\$ 6,756	\$ 6,055	

At November 30, 1995 included in computer hardware and software is \$937 pertaining to capital leases. Amortization of such equipment is included in depreciation and amortization of plant and equipment, and accumulated amortization was \$729 at November 30, 1995. At November 30, 1996, the computer hardware and software pertaining to the capital lease was fully amortized.

Computer software includes approximately \$690 and \$383 of unamortized costs as of November 30, 1996 and 1995, respectively, related to the acquisition and installation of management information systems for internal use which are being amortized over a five-year period.

Depreciation and amortization of plant and equipment amounted to \$2,044, \$2,654, and \$2,803 for the years ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994, respectively, which includes amortization of computer software costs of \$364, \$922, and \$1,259 for the years ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994, respectively.

### (8) Equity Investments

As of November 30, 1996, the Company had a 31.6% ownership interest in TALK. As of November 30, 1996, the Company's 80% owned subsidiary, Audiovox Holdings, had a 30% ownership interest in Avx Posse (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. (Posse) which monitors car security commands through a satellite based system in Malaysia. Additionally, the Company had 50% noncontrolling ownership in five other entities: Protector Corporation (Protector) which acts as a distributor of chemical protection treatments; Audiovox Specialty Markets Co., L.P. (ASMC) which acts as a distributor to specialized markets for RV's and van conversions, of televisions and other automotive sound, security, and accessory products; Audiovox Pacific Pty., Limited (Audiovox Pacific) which distributes cellular telephones and automotive sound and security products in Australia and New Zealand; G.L.M. Wireless Communications, Inc. (G.L.M.) which is in the cellular telephone, pager, and communications business in the New York metropolitan area; and Quintex Communications West, LLC (Quintex West), which is in the cellular telephone and related communication products business, as well as the automotive aftermarket products business on the West Coast of the United States.

The Company has an agreement for product marketing with Protector. Under the terms of this agreement, the Company was to receive monthly payments as well as a fee based on a percentage of the sales of certain products. In 1996, 1995, and 1994, the Company waived its right to receive its monthly payments pursuant to the agreement and fees based on the percentage of the sales of certain products. However, in 1994, the Company recorded management fees of \$1,108 for the Company's support to Protector through various marketing programs.

In December 1993, CellStar, the successor to National Auto Center, Inc. (National) and Audiomex Export Corp. (both 50%-owned equity investments of the Company in 1993), completed an initial public offering (the CellStar Offering) of 7,935,000 shares of CellStar Common Stock. Of the total shares sold, the Company sold 2,875,000 shares of CellStar Common Stock at the initial public offering price (net of applicable underwriting discount) of \$10.695 per share and received aggregate net proceeds of \$29,433 (after giving effect to expenses paid by the Company in connection with the offering). As a result, the Company recorded a gain, before provision for income taxes, of \$27,783. In addition, the Company recorded a gain, before provision for income taxes, of \$10,565 on the increase in the carrying value of its remaining shares of CellStar Common Stock due to the CellStar Offering in 1994.

Of the proceeds received by CellStar from its initial public offering, \$13,656 was paid to the Company in satisfaction of amounts owed to the Company by CellStar (as successor to National) under certain promissory notes which evidenced National's liability to the Company for the payment of management fees and in satisfaction of past due trade receivables from National to the Company. As a result of the CellStar Offering, the Company will no longer receive management fees from CellStar.

In connection with the CellStar Offering, the Company

granted the Investor an option to purchase up to an aggregate of 1,500,000 shares of CellStar Common Stock owned by the Company, which was exercised in full on June 1, 1995, at an exercise price of \$11.50 per share. As a result, the Company recorded a gain, before provision for income taxes, of approximately \$8,400. This reduced the Company's ownership in CellStar below 20% and, as such, the Company will no longer account for CellStar under the equity method of accounting. The remaining 2,375,000 CellStar shares owned by the Company are accounted for as an investment in marketable equity securities (Note 6).

The following table presents financial information relating to CellStar for the years ended November 30, 1995, and 1994:

	1995	1994
Current assets	\$271,156	\$170,285
Non-current assets	43,765	16,069
Current liabilities	196,746	106,617
Non-current liabilitie	6,880	3,095
Net sales	811,915	518,422
Gross profit	109,841	69,642
Net income	22,896	16,248

On August 29, 1994, the Company and Shintom each invested six hundred million Japanese Yen (approximately \$6,000) into a newly-formed company, TALK. In exchange for their investments, the Company and Shintom each received a 33% ownership in TALK; the remaining 33% owned by others. During 1996, an additional investment was made by an outside investor reducing the Company's ownership to 31.6%.

TALK, which holds world-wide distribution rights for product manufactured by Shintom, has given the Company exclusive distribution rights on all wireless personal communication products for all countries except Japan, China, Thailand, and several mid-eastern countries. The Company granted Shintom a license agreement permitting the use of the Audiovox trademark to be used with TALK video cassette recorders sold in Japan from August 29, 1994 to August 28, 1997, in exchange for royalty fees. For the years ended November 30, 1996, 1995 and 1994, no such royalty fees were

earned by the Company. The Company's investment in TALK and its share of the underlying assets of TALK differ by \$2,100 at November 30, 1996. This difference is due to the discontinuance of the Company's recording of its share of losses beyond \$1,000, as a result of the repayment terms established when financing the initial investment in TALK (Note 10).

On July 31, 1995, the Company purchased a 50% equity investment in a newly-formed company, G.L.M., for approximately \$36 in contributed assets. The Company also established a \$100 loan receivable from G.L.M. at 1% above prime which was 8.25% at November 30, 1996. In addition, the Company has guaranteed certain obligations of G.L.M. (Note 16).

On December 1, 1995, the Company purchased a 50% equity investment in a newly-formed company, Quintex West, for approximately \$97 in contributed assets. The Company also established a \$100 loan receivable from Quintex West due in March 1997 at 8.5% interest.

On March 19, 1996, Audiovox Holdings purchased a 30% interest in a newly-formed company, Posse, for approximately \$12.

The Company received the following management fees and related income from its equity investments:

	November 1996	30, 1995	1994
Pacific Protector G.L.M.	\$ 22 - 100	\$ 186 - 14	\$ 435 1,108
Quintex West Posse	18 46 \$ 186	- \$ 200	- \$1,543

The Company's net sales to the equity investments amounted to \$6,483, \$17,864, and \$32,630 for the years ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994, respectively. The Company's purchases from the equity investments amounted to \$115,109, \$83,858, and \$5,715 for the years ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994, respectively. The Company recorded \$2,130

of outside representative commission expenses for activations and residuals generated by G.L.M. on the Company's behalf during fiscal year 1996 (Note 1(1)).

Included in accounts receivable at November 30, 1996 and November 30, 1995 are trade receivables due from its equity investments aggregating \$2,576 and \$4,182 and management fee receivables of \$50 and \$14, respectively. Receivable from vendor is interest bearing and represents claims on late deliveries, product modifications, and price protection from TALK as well as prepayments on product shipments. Interest is payable in monthly installments at rates which range from 6.5% to 8%. Amounts representing claims of \$1,012 are due in April and May 1997, and amounts representing prepayments of \$3,553 were repaid via receipt of product shipments in December 1997. At November 30, 1996 and 1995, other longterm assets include equity investment advances outstanding and management fee receivables of \$2,137 and \$1,289, respectively. At November 30, 1996 and 1995, included in accounts payable and other accrued expenses were obligations to equity investments aggregating \$3,773 and \$240, respectively. Documentary acceptance obligations were outstanding from TALK at November 30, 1996 (Note 9).

During 1996, the Company recorded interest income from TALK relating to the receivable from vendor, reimbursement of interest expense incurred under the subordinated loan to hedge the TALK investment (Note 10), and other short-term loans made to TALK during 1996 at market interest rates. For the years ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994, interest income earned on equity investment notes and other receivables approximated \$725, \$573, and \$25, respectively. Interest expense on equity investment documentary acceptances approximated \$198 in 1996.

# (9) Financing Arrangements

#### (a) Bank Obligations

During 1993, the Company had established a revolving credit agreement with several financial institutions which was first amended on March 15, 1994. On May 5, 1995, the Company entered into the Second Amended and

Restated Credit Agreement (the "Credit Agreement") which superseded the first amendment in its entirety. During 1996, the Credit Agreement was amended six times providing for various changes to the terms. The terms as of November 30, 1996 are summarized below.

Under the Credit Agreement, the Company may obtain credit through direct borrowings and letters of credit. The obligations of the Company under the Credit Agreement continue to be guaranteed by certain of the Company's subsidiaries and is secured by accounts receivable and inventory of the Company and those subsidiaries. The obligations were secured at November 30, 1996 by a pledge agreement entered into by the Company for 2,125,000 shares of CellStar Common Stock (Note 6) and ten shares of ACC. Subsequent to year end, the shares of CellStar common stock were released from the Pledge Agreement. Availability of credit under the Credit Agreement is a maximum aggregate amount of \$85,000, subject to certain conditions, and is based upon a formula taking into account the amount and quality of its accounts receivable and inventory. The Credit Agreement expires on February 28, 1998. As a result, bank obligations under the Credit Agreement have been classified as long-term at November 30, 1996.

Outstanding obligations under the Credit Agreement at November 30, 1996 and 1995 were as follows:

Novemb	er 30,
1996	1995

Bankers' Acceptances Revolving Credit Notes Eurodollar Notes \$ - \$16,000 11,700 3,000 20,000 30,000 \$31,700 \$49,000

For the year ended November 30, 1995 through and including February 8, 1996, interest on revolving credit notes were .25% above the prime rate, which was 8.75% at November 30, 1995. For the same period, interest on Eurodollar Notes were 2% above the Libor rate which was approximately 5.1% at November 30, 1995 and interest on

bankers' acceptances were 2% above the bankers' acceptance rate which was approximately 6.25% at November 30, 1995. Pursuant to an amendment on February 9, 1996, the interest rates were increased to the following: revolving credit notes at .50% above the prime rate, which was approximately 8.25% at November 30, 1996 and Eurodollar Notes at 2.75% above the Libor rate which was approximately 5.5% at November 30, 1996. Interest on bankers' acceptances remained at 2% above the bankers' acceptance rate which was approximately 5.75% at November 30, 1996.

The Credit Agreement contains several covenants requiring, among other things, minimum levels of pre-tax income and minimum levels of net worth and working capital. Additionally, the agreement includes restrictions and limitations on payments of dividends, stock repurchases, and capital expenditures. At November 30, 1996, the Company was not in compliance with several financial covenants which were waived. As of the date of the issuance of the financial statements, the Company's creditors waived their right to call the bank obligations.

The Company also has a revolving credit facility with a local Malaysian bank (Malaysian Credit Agreement) to finance additional working capital needs. As of November 30, 1996 and 1995, the available line of credit for direct borrowing, letters of credit, bankers' acceptances and other forms of credit approximated \$9,320 and \$2,200, respectively. The credit facility is partially secured by two standby letters of credit totaling \$5,320, issued under the Credit Agreement by the Company and is payable upon demand or upon expiration of the standby letters of credit on August 31, 1997. The obligations of the Company under the Malaysian Credit Agreement are secured by the property and building owned by Audiovox Malaysia. Outstanding obligations under the Malaysian Credit Agreement at November 30, 1996 and 1995 were approximately \$4,024 and \$761, respectively. Interest on the credit facility ranges between 1.0% and 1.5% above the Malaysian base lending rate which was 9.2% and 8.7% at November 30, 1996 and

1995, respectively.

The maximum month-end amounts outstanding under the Credit Agreement and the Malaysian Credit Agreement borrowing facilities during the years ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994 were \$44,213, \$59,315, and \$30,184, respectively. Average borrowings during the years ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994 were \$33,662, \$43,470, and \$16,929, respectively, and the weighted average interest rates were 8.9%, 8.7%, and 7.9%, respectively.

## (b) Documentary Acceptances

During 1996, the Company had various unsecured documentary acceptance lines of credit available with suppliers to finance inventory purchases. The Company does not have written agreements specifying the terms and amounts available under the lines of credit. At November 30, 1996, \$3,501 of documentary acceptances were outstanding of which all was due to TALK.

The maximum month-end documentary acceptances outstanding during the years ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994 were \$9,792, \$9,977, and \$9,078, respectively. Average borrowings during the years ended November 30, 1996, 1995, and 1994 were \$5,845, \$5,876, and \$3,787, respectively, and the weighted average interest rates, including fees, were 5.1%, 4.4%, and 11.0%, respectively.

A summary of long-term debt follows:

	November 30 1996	, 1995
Convertible subordinated debentures: 6 1/4%, due 2001, convertible at \$17.70 per share Convertible debentures:	\$23,748	\$ 65,000
Series AA, 10.8%, due 1996, convertible at \$5.34 per share Series BB, 11.0%, due 1996,	-	77
convertible at \$5.34 per share	-	5,385
Subordinated note payable	4,417	4,938
Secured term loan	-	664
Capital lease obligations	-	158
28,165	76,222	
Less current installments	-	5,688
	\$28,165	\$70,534

On March 15, 1994, the Company completed the sale of \$65,000, 6 1/4% convertible subordinated debentures ("Subordinated Debentures") due 2001 and entered into an Indenture Agreement. The Subordinated Debentures are convertible into shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share at an initial conversion price of \$17.70 per share, subject to adjustment under certain circumstances. The Indenture Agreement contains various covenants. The bonds are subject to redemption by the Company in whole, or in part, at any time after March 15, 1997, at certain specified amounts. On May 9, 1995, the Company issued warrants to certain beneficial holders of these Subordinated Debentures (Note 13(d)).

On November 25, 1996, the Company completed an exchange of \$41,252 of its \$65,000 Subordinated Debentures for 6,806,580 shares of Class A Common Stock ("Exchange"). As a result of the Exchange, a charge of \$26,318 was recorded. The charge to earnings represents (i) the difference in the fair market value of the shares issued in the Exchange and the fair market value of the shares that would have been issued under the terms of the original conversion feature plus (ii) a

write-off of the debt issuance costs associated with the Subordinated Debentures (Note 1(h)) plus (iii) expenses associated with the Exchange offer. The Exchange resulted in taxable income due to the difference in the face value of the bonds converted and the fair market value of the shares issued and, as such, a current tax expense of \$2,888 was recorded. An increase to paid in capital was reflected for the face value of the bonds converted, plus the difference in the fair market value of the shares issued in the Exchange and the fair market value of the shares that would have been issued under the terms of the original conversion feature for a total of \$63,564.

During January 1997, the Company completed additional exchanges of \$21,479 of it \$65,000 Subordinated Debentures for 2,860,925 shares of Class A Common Stock ("Additional Exchanges"). As a result of the Additional Exchanges, similar to that of the Exchange described earlier, a charge of \$10,035, tax expense of \$1,725 and an increase to paid in capital of \$31,335, will be reflected in the first quarter of the Company's 1997 fiscal year. As a result of the Exchange and Additional Exchanges, the remaining Subordinated Debentures are \$2,269.

On March 8, 1994, the Company entered into a Debenture Exchange Agreement and exchanged certain debentures for Series AA and Series BB Convertible Debentures (Debentures). The Debentures were convertible at any time at \$5.34 per share, which is subject to adjustment in certain circumstances, and were secured by a standby letter of credit (Note 16(a)). Although the Debenture Exchange Agreement provides for optional prepayments under certain circumstances, such prepayments are restricted by the Credit Agreement (Note 9). On February 9, 1996, the holders of \$1,100 of the Series BB Convertible Debentures exercised their right to convert into 206,046 shares of Class A Common Stock. The remaining balance of the Debentures were repaid during 1996; thereby extinguishing the remaining conversion features of these Debentures.

On October 20, 1994, the Company issued a note payable for 500,000 Japanese Yen (approximately \$4,417 and \$4,938 on November 30, 1996 and 1995, respectively) to finance its

investment in TALK (Note 8). The note is scheduled to be repaid on October 20, 2004 and bears interest at 4.1%. note can be repaid by cash payment or by giving 10,000 shares of its TALK investment to the lender. The lender has an option to acquire 2,000 shares of TALK held by the Company in exchange for releasing the Company from 20% of the face value of the note at any time after October 20, 1995. This note and the investment in TALK are both denominated in Japanese Yen, and, as such, the foreign currency translation adjustments are accounted for as a hedge. Any foreign currency translation adjustment resulting from the note will be recorded in stockholders' equity to the extent that the adjustment is less than or equal to the adjustment from the translation of the investment in TALK. Any portion of the adjustment from the translation of the note that exceeds the adjustment from the translation of the investment in TALK is a transaction gain or loss that will be included in earnings.

During 1995, Audiovox Malaysia entered into a Secured Term Loan for 1,700 Malaysian Ringgits (approximately \$675) to acquire a building. The loan was secured by the property acquired and bears interest at 1.5% above the Malaysian base lending rate which was 9.2% on November 30, 1996. The loan was payable in 120 monthly equal installments commencing October 1995, however, was fully repaid in November 1996.

Maturities on long-term debt for the next five fiscal years are as follows:

1997	\$ -
1998	-
1999	-
2000	-
2001	23.748

#### (11) Income Taxes

As discussed in Note 1(p), the Company adopted Statement 109 as of December 1, 1993. The cumulative effect of this change in accounting for income taxes of \$178, or \$.02 per share, is determined as of December 1, 1993 and is reported separately as a reduction to the consolidated statement of income (loss) for the year ended November 30, 1994.

The components of income (loss) before the provision for (recovery of) income taxes and cumulative effect are as follows:

	November 30, 1996	1995	1994
Domestic Operations	\$(21,899)	\$(12,424)	\$47,032
Foreign Operations	1,264	365	(498)
	\$(20,635)	\$(12,059)	\$46,534

Total income tax expense (recovery) was allocated as follows:

	November 30,	
	1996	1995
Income (loss) from continuing		
operations	\$ 5,834	\$(2,803)
Stockholders' equity		
Unrealized holding gain on		
investment securities		
recognized for financial		
reporting purposes	(13,143)	19,441
Total income tax expense		
(recovery)	\$ (7,309)	\$16,638

		Federal	Foreign	State	Total
1994:					
	Current	\$12,042	\$ 68	\$2,078	\$14,188
	Deferred	5,365	-	775	6,140
		\$17,407	\$ 68	\$2,853	\$20,328
1995:					
	Current	\$ 1,455	\$ 570	\$ 330	\$ 2,355
	Deferred	(4, 189)	-	(969)	(5, 158)
		\$(2,734)	\$ 570	\$ (639)	\$(2,803)
1996:					
	Current	\$ 3,711	\$ 802	\$ 853	\$ 5,366
	Deferred	330	-	138	468
		\$ 4,041	\$ 802	\$ 991	\$ 5,834

A reconciliation of the provision for (recovery of) income taxes attributable to income (loss) from continuing operations computed at the Federal statutory rate to the reported provision for income taxes attributable to income (loss) from continuing operations is as follows:

	November 30,					
	1996		1995		1994	
Tax provision (recovery) at						
Federal statutory rates	\$(7,222)	(35.0)%	\$(4,221)	35.0%	\$16,287	35.0%
Expense relating to exchange						
of subordinated debentures	11,421	55.3	-	-	-	-
Undistributed earnings (loss)						
from equity investments	128	0.6	411	(3.5)	1,558	3.4
State income taxes, net of						
Federal benefit	275	1.3	(415)	3.4	1,854	4.0
Increase in beginning-of-the-						
year balance of the valuation						
allowance for deferred tax						
assets	1,270	6.2	644	(5.3)	306	0.7
Foreign tax rate differential	30	0.1	(34)	0.3	(7)	(0.1)
Expense relating to the						
issuance of warrants	-	-	1,022	(8.5)	-	-
Other, net	(68)	(0.2)	(210)	1.8	330	0.7
	\$ 5,834	28.3 %	\$(2,803)	23.2%	\$20,328	43.7%

The significant components of deferred income tax expense (recovery) for the years ended November 30, 1996 and 1995 are as follows:

	November 30 1996	9, 1995
Deferred tax expense (recovery)   (exclusive of the effect of other   components listed below) Increase in beginning-of-the-year   balance of the valuation	\$ (802)	\$(5,802)
allowance for deferred tax assets	1,270	644
	\$ 468	\$(5,158)

The tax effects of temporary differences that give rise to significant portions of the deferred tax assets and deferred liabilities are presented below:

	November 30,	
	1996	1995
Deferred tax assets: Accounts receivable, principally due to allowance for doubtful accounts		
and cellular deactivations Inventory, principally due to additional costs capitalized for tax purposes pursuant to the Tax	\$ 1,593	\$ 1,601
Reform Act of 1986 Inventory, principally due to	306	455
valuation reserve	930	1,373
Accrual for future warranty costs Plant, equipment, and certain intangibles, principally due to	978	790
depreciation and amortization Net operating loss carryforwards,	714	588
state and foreign Accrued liabilities not currently	2,458	1,689
deductible	491	359
0ther	664	477
Total gross deferred tax assets	8,134	7,332
Less: valuation allowance	(2,893)	(1,623)
Net deferred tax assets	5,241	5,709
Deferred tax liabilities: Equity investments, principally due		
to undistributed earnings Total gross deferred tax	(10,548)	(23,690)
liabilities Net deferred tax liability		(23,690) \$(17,981)

The net change in the total valuation allowance for the year ended November 30, 1996 was an increase of \$1,270. A valuation allowance is provided when it is more likely than not that some portion, or all, of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. The Company has established valuation allowances primarily for net operating loss carryforwards in

certain states and foreign countries as well as other deferred tax assets in foreign countries. Based on the Company's ability to carry back future reversals of deferred tax assets to taxes paid in current and prior years and the Company's historical taxable income record, adjusted for extraordinary items, management believes it is likely that the Company will realize the benefit of the net deferred tax assets existing at November 30, 1996. Further, management believes the existing net deductible temporary differences will reverse during periods in which the Company generates net taxable income. There can be no assurance, however, that the Company will generate any earnings or any specific level of continuing earnings in the future. The amount of the deferred tax asset considered realizable, however, could be reduced in the near term if estimates of future taxable income during the carryforward period are reduced.

At November 30, 1996, the Company had net operating loss carryforwards for state and foreign income tax purposes of approximately \$19,108, which are available to offset future state and foreign taxable income, if any, which will expire through the year ended November 30, 2010.

The Company has not recognized a deferred tax liability of approximately \$140 and \$268 at November 30, 1996 and 1995, respectively, for the undistributed earnings of a foreign corporate joint venture that arose in 1995 and prior years because the Company currently does not expect those unremitted earnings to reverse and become taxable to the Company in the foreseeable future. A deferred tax liability will be recognized when the Company expects that it will recover those undistributed earnings in a taxable manner, such as through receipt of dividends or sale of the investments.

## (12) Capital Structure

The Company's capital structure is as follows:

Security		ures Authorized November 30, No 1995		Issued standing per 30, 1995	Voting Rights Per Share	Liquidation Rights
Class A Common Stock	\$ 0.01 30,000	0,000 30,000,000	14,040,414	6,777,788	One	Ratably with Class B
Class B Common Stock	0.01 10,000	0,000 10,000,000	2,260,954	2,260,954	Ten	Ratably with Class A
Preferred Stock	50.00 50	50,000	50,000	50,000	-	\$50 per share
Series Preferred Stock	0.01 1,500	),000 1,500,000	-	-	-	-

The holders of Class A and Class B Common Stock are entitled to receive cash or property dividends declared by the Board of Directors. The Board can declare cash dividends for Class A Common Stock in amounts equal to or greater than the cash dividends for Class B Common Stock. Dividends other than cash must be declared equally for both classes. Each share of Class B Common Stock may, at any time, be converted into one share of Class A Common Stock.

The 50,000 shares of non-cumulative Preferred Stock outstanding are owned by Shintom and have preference over both classes of common stock in the event of liquidation or dissolution.

As of November 30, 1996 and 1995, 969,500 shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock are reserved for issuance under the Company's Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plans and 5,491,192 and 4,845,345 for all convertible securities and warrants outstanding at November 30, 1996 and 1995, respectively, (Notes 10 and 13).

Undistributed earnings from equity investments included in retained earnings amounted to \$3,728 and \$3,431 at November 30, 1996 and 1995, respectively.

#### (13) Common Stock and Compensation Plans

#### (a) Stock Option Plans

In April 1987, the Board of Directors approved the adoption of the 1987 Stock Option Plan for the granting of options to directors and key employees of the Company. Under the 1987 Stock Option Plan, the options can be either incentive or non-qualified.

In April 1987, non-qualified options to purchase 200,000 shares of Class A Common Stock were granted at \$11 per share which represents the estimated fair market value at the date of grant. Such options became exercisable in full in October 1988 and expire in April 1997.

In May 1993, the stockholders approved the 1993 Stock Option Plan which authorizes the granting of incentive stock options to key employees and non-qualified stock options to employees and/or directors of the Company. The incentive stock options may be granted at a price not less than the market value of the Company's common stock on the date of grant and must be exercisable no later than ten years after the date of grant. The exercise price of non-qualified stock options may not be less than 50% of the market value of the Company's Class A Common Stock on the date of grant.

In December 1993, non-qualified options to purchase 113,500 shares of Class A Common Stock were granted at \$13 per share which was less than the market value of \$17 per share on the date of grant. Such options became exercisable in full in December 1996 and expire in December 2003.

In November 1994, non-qualified options to purchase 75,000 shares of Class A Common Stock were granted at \$11 per share, which exceeded fair market value at the

date of grant, to a director and officer of the Company. Such options became exercisable in full on May 22, 1996 and expire on November 22, 2004.

In May 1994, the stockholders approved the 1994 Stock Option Plan which authorizes the granting of incentive stock options to key employees and non-qualified stock options to employees and/or directors of the Company. The incentive stock options may be granted at a price not less than 110% of the market value of the Company's common stock on the date of grant and must be exercisable no later than ten years after the date of grant. The exercise price of non-qualified stock options may not be less than 50% of market value of the Company's Class A Common Stock on the date of grant.

In August 1995, non-qualified options to purchase 279,000 shares of Class A Common Stock were granted under the 1994 Stock Option Plan at an exercise price of \$5.88 per share, which represents the estimated fair market value of the shares at the date of grant. No options can be exercised until February 9, 1997 or August 9, 1998, as the case may be, after which they can be exercised in whole or in part, until expiration on August 9, 2005.

Compensation expense is recorded with respect to the options based upon the quoted market value of the shares and the exercise provisions at the date of grant. Compensation expense for the years ended November 30, 1996 and 1995 was \$97 and \$113, respectively.

The Company will adopt the provisions of SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation", on December 1, 1996.

Information regarding the Company's stock option plans is summarized below:

	1994 Stock Option	1993 Stock Option	1987 Stock Option
	Plan	Plan	Plan
Shares under option: Outstanding at			
December 1, 1992	-	-	157,500
Granted	-	-	-
Exercised	-	-	(16,000)
Canceled	-	-	-
Outstanding at November 30, 1993			141,500
Granted	_	188,500	141,500
Exercised	_	-	(15,500)
Canceled	_	(500)	(1,000)
Outstanding at		(,	( , ,
November 30, 1994	-	188,000	125,000
Granted	279,000	-	-
Exercised	-	<del>-</del>	-
Canceled	-	(12,750)	(21,000)
Outstanding at	270 000	175 050	104 000
November 30, 1995 Granted	279,000	175,250	104,000
Exercised		_	_
Canceled	(3,500)	(5,000)	(1,000)
Outstanding at	(=,===,	(-,,	(-,,
November 30, 1996	275,500	170,250	103,000
Options exercisable,			
November 30, 1996	-	89,750	103,000

## (b) Restricted Stock Plan

In April 1987, the Board of Directors approved the adoption of the 1987 Restricted Stock Plan for the granting of restricted stock awards to directors and key employees of the Company. In May 1993, the stockholders approved an amendment to the 1987 Restricted Stock Plan which provides that restrictions on stock awarded pursuant to the Plan will lapse at the discretion of the Compensation Committee of the Company. In addition, the Plan's original expiration date of April 27, 1997 was extended through April 27, 2007.

In December 1993, 38,300 shares of Class A Common Stock were awarded under the 1987 Restricted Stock Plan, one half of such shares to be performance accelerated restricted stock and one half of such shares to be performance restricted stock. The performance accelerated shares will vest in five years or earlier depending upon whether the Company meets certain earnings per share goals. The performance restricted shares will only vest in five years to the extent the Company achieves certain earnings per share goals. To the extent the earnings per share goals have not been achieved during the five years after the date of grant, the award will lapse.

In November 1994, 25,000 shares of Class A Common Stock were awarded under the 1987 Restricted Stock Plan to a director and officer of the Company. One half of such shares are to be performance accelerated restricted stock and one half of such shares are to be performance restricted stock. The terms of the grant are identical to the December 1993 grant as previously discussed.

In August 1995, 21,000 shares of Class A Common Stock were awarded under the 1987 Restricted Stock Plan, one half of such shares to be performance accelerated restricted stock and one half of such shares to be performance restricted stock. The terms of the grant are identical to the December 1993 grant as previously discussed.

In May 1994, the Board of Directors approved the adoption of the 1994 Restricted Stock Plan for the granting of restricted stock awards to directors and key employees of the Company. No awards were granted under this plan as of November 30, 1996. Subsequent to year end, non-qualified options to purchase 348,000 shares of Class A Common Stock were granted at \$5.50 per share, which represents the estimated fair market value at the date of grant, to certain directors and officers of the Company. The options become exercisable in full on July 3, 1998 and expire on January 3, 2007 or earlier under certain circumstances.

Compensation expense is recorded with respect to the grants based upon the quoted market value of the shares on the date of grant for the performance accelerated shares and on the balance sheet date for the performance restricted shares. Total restricted stock outstanding at November 30, 1996 and 1995 was 79,500 and 80,800, respectively. Compensation expense for these grants for the years ended November 30, 1996 and 1995 were \$200 and \$127, respectively.

### (c) Employee Stock Purchase Plan

In May 1993, the stockholders approved the 1993 Employee Stock Purchase Plan. The stock purchase plan provides eligible employees an opportunity to purchase shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock through payroll deductions up to 15% of base salary compensation. Amounts withheld are used to purchase Class A Common Stock on or about the last business day of each month at a price equal to 85% of the fair market value. The total number of shares available for purchase under this plan is 1,000,000.

#### (d) Stock Warrants

During the third quarter of fiscal 1993, pursuant to a consulting agreement effective April 1993, the Company granted warrants to purchase 100,000 shares of Class A Common Stock, which have been reserved, at \$7.50 per share. The warrants, which are exercisable in whole or in part at the discretion of the holder, expire on December 31, 1998. There were no warrants exercised as of November 30, 1996. The consulting agreement, valued at \$100, was expensed in 1994 when the services to be provided

pursuant to the consulting agreement were completed.

In December 1993, the Company granted warrants to purchase 50,000 shares of Class A Common Stock at a purchase price of \$14.375 per share as part of the acquisition of H&H (Note 2). The per share purchase price and number of shares purchasable are each subject to adjustment upon the occurrence of certain events described in the warrant agreement. The warrants are exercisable, in whole or in part, from time-to-time, until September 22, 2003. If the warrants are exercised in whole, the holder thereof has the right to require the Company to file with the Securities Exchange Commission a registration statement relating to the sale by the holder of the Class A Common Stock purchasable pursuant to the warrant.

On May 9, 1995, the Company issued 1,668,875 warrants in a private placement, each convertible into one share of Class A Common Stock at \$7 1/8, subject to adjustment under certain circumstances. The warrants were issued to the beneficial holders as of June 3, 1994, of approximately \$57,600 of the Company's Subordinated Debentures in exchange for a release of any claims such holders may have against the Company, its agents, directors and employees in connection with their investment in the Subordinated Debentures. As a result, the Company incurred a warrant expense of \$2,900 and recorded a corresponding increase to paid in capital. The warrants are not exercisable after March 15, 2001, unless sooner terminated under certain circumstances. Subsequent to November 30, 1995, the Company has filed a registration statement for the warrants and the underlying common stock pursuant to a registration rights agreement dated as of May 9, 1995, between the Company and the holders of the warrants. John J. Shalam, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, has granted the Company an option to purchase 1,668,875 shares of Class A Common Stock from his personal holdings. The exercise price of this option is \$7 1/8, plus the tax impact, if any, should the exercise of this option be treated as dividend income

rather than capital gains to Mr. Shalam.

#### (e) Profit Sharing Plans

The Company has established two non-contributory employee profit sharing plans for the benefit of its eligible employees in the United States and Canada. The plans are administered by trustees appointed by the Company. In fiscal 1996 and 1994, contributions of \$150 and \$225, respectively, were made by the Company to the United States plan. No contributions were made to the plan for fiscal year 1995. Contributions required by law to be made for eligible employees in Canada were not material.

# (14) Export Sales

Export sales of approximately \$87,334 for the year ended November 30, 1996 exceeded 10% of sales. Export sales for the years ended November 30, 1995 and 1994 did not exceed 10% of sales.

## (15) Lease Obligations

At November 30, 1996, the Company was obligated under non-cancelable leases for equipment and warehouse facilities for minimum annual rental payments as follows:

	Operating
	Leases
1007	<b>#4 670</b>
1997	\$1,673
1998	977
1999	511
2000	287
2001 and thereafter	123
Total	\$3,571

Rental expense for the above-mentioned operating lease agreements and other leases on a month-to-month basis approximated \$2,292, \$4,080 and \$3,107 for the years ended November 30,

1996, 1995 and 1994, respectively.

The Company leases certain facilities from its principal stockholder and several officers. Rentals for such leases are considered by management of the Company to approximate prevailing market rates. At November 30, 1996, minimum annual rental payments on these related party leases, which are included in the above table, are as follows:

1997	\$162
1998	162
1999	23

#### (16) Financial Instruments

#### (a) Off-Balance Sheet Risk

Commercial letters of credit are issued by the Company during the ordinary course of business through major domestic banks as requested by certain suppliers. The Company also issues standby letters of credit principally to secure certain bank obligations of Audiovox Malaysia (Note 9) and its Debentures (Note 10). The Company had open commercial letters of credit of approximately \$23,785 and \$22,000, of which \$17,400 and \$10,800 were accrued for as of November 30, 1996 and 1995, respectively. The terms of these letters of credit are all less than one year. No material loss is anticipated due to nonperformance by the counterparties to these agreements. The fair value of these open commercial and standby letters of credit is estimated to be the same as the contract values based on the nature of the fee arrangements with the issuing banks.

The Company is a party to a joint and several guarantee on behalf of G.L.M. up to the amount of \$200. There is no market for this guarantee and it was issued without explicit cost. Therefore, it is not practicable to establish its fair value.

At November 30, 1996, the Company has a \$5,451 forward exchange contract outstanding relating to foreign currency

denominated accounts receivable. The forward exchange contract requires the Company to exchange Spanish Pesetas for U.S. Dollars at maturity, at rates agreed to at the inception of the contract. If the counterpart to the forward exchange contract does not fulfill their obligations to deliver the contracted currencies, the Company could be at risk for any currency related fluctuations. There were no open foreign exchange contracts at November 30, 1995.

#### (b) Concentrations of Credit Risk

Financial instruments, which potentially subject the Company to concentrations of credit risk, consist principally of trade receivables. The Company's customers are located principally in the United States and Canada and consist of, among others, cellular carriers and service providers, distributors, agents, mass merchandisers, warehouse clubs and independent retailers.

At November 30, 1996, two customers, a Bell Operating Company and a cellular carrier and service provider, accounted for approximately 10% and 11%, respectively, of accounts receivable. At November 30, 1995, three customers, which included two cellular carriers and service providers and a Bell Operating Company accounted for approximately 6%, 7% and 5%, respectively, of accounts receivable.

During the year ended November 30, 1996, two customers, a Bell Operating Company and a cellular carrier and service provider, accounted for approximately 12% and 9%, respectively, of the Company's sales. During the year ended November 30, 1995, two Bell Operating Companies and a cellular carrier and service provider accounted for approximately 6%, 7% and 7%, respectively, of the Company's 1995 sales. A Bell Operating Company accounted for approximately 7% of the Company's 1994 sales.

The Company generally grants credit based upon analyses of its customers' financial position and previously  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right) \left$ 

established buying and payment patterns. The Company establishes collateral rights in accounts receivable and inventory and obtains personal guarantees from certain customers based upon management's credit evaluation. At November 30, 1996 and 1995, 44 and 36 customers, respectively, representing approximately 70% and 63%, of outstanding accounts receivable, had balances owed greater than \$500.

A significant portion of the Company's customer base may be susceptible to downturns in the retail economy, particularly in the consumer electronics industry. Additionally, customers specializing in certain automotive sound, security and accessory products may be impacted by fluctuations in automotive sales. A relatively small number of the Company's significant customers are deemed to be highly leveraged.

#### (c) Fair Value

The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instruments for which it is practicable to estimate that value. The carrying value of all financial instruments classified as a current asset or liability is deemed to approximate fair value, with the exception of current installments of long-term debt, because of the short maturity of these instruments.

#### **Investment Securities**

The carrying amount represents fair value, which is based upon quoted market prices at the reporting date (Note 6).

Long-Term Debt Including Current Installments

The carrying amount of bank debt under the Company's revolving Credit Agreement and Malaysian Credit Agreement approximates fair value because of the short maturity of the related obligations. With respect to the Subordinated Debentures, fair values are based on pub-

lished statistical data. The Debentures were valued at the closing market price of the Company's Class A Common Stock for the number of shares convertible at November 30, 1996 and 1995. Management believes that the carrying value of the secured term loan approximates fair value because it bears interest at rates currently offered to the Company for similar debt instruments of comparable maturities by the Company's bankers. Other long-term borrowings are valued by the present value of future cash flows at current market interest rates.

#### Forward Exchange Contract

The fair value of the forward exchange contract is based upon exchange rates at November 30, 1996 as the contract is short term.

The estimated fair value of the Company's financial instruments are as follows:

November 30, 1996 November 30, 1995

	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Carrying Amount	Fair Value
Long-term obligations including current installments	\$ 59,865	\$56,046	\$125,221	\$103,699
Forward exchange contract obligation	-	5,316	-	-

#### Limitations

Fair value estimates are made at a specific point in time, based on relevant market information and information about the financial instrument. These estimates are subjective in nature and involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgment and, therefore, cannot

be determined with precision. Changes in assumptions could significantly affect the estimates.

#### (17) Contingencies

In 1993, the Company, along with other suppliers and manufacturers of cellular telephones, were named as defendants in a class action suit alleging negligence and breach of contract arising from the sale of portable hand-held cellular telephones. An order dismissing the Company as a defendant was granted in 1993 and is currently being appealed. The impact of the final resolution of this matter on the Company's results of operations or liquidity in a particular reporting period is not known. Management is of the opinion, however, that there are meritorious defenses to the claims made in this case and that the ultimate outcome of this matter will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial position.

In 1996, Toshiba America Consumer Products, Inc. (Toshiba) and the Company have been named as a defendant in a complaint seeking in excess of \$16,000. The complaint contains several allegations, including anti-trust violations and tortious interference arising out of the termination of alleged distributorship arrangements with Toshiba. The Company was granted a motion to dismiss the complaint on August 12, 1996 subsequent to which the plaintiff has filed an appeal. The impact of the final resolution of this matter on the Company's results of operations or liquidity in a particular reporting period is not known. Management is of the opinion, however, that there are meritorious defenses to the claims made in this complaint and that the ultimate outcome of this matter will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial position.

The Company is also a defendant in litigation arising from the normal conduct of its affairs. The impact of the final resolution of these matters on the Company's results of operations or liquidity in a particular reporting period is not known. Management is of the opinion, however, that the litigation in which the Company is a defendant is either subject to product liability insurance coverage or, to the 75

extent not covered by such insurance, will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial position.

Item 9 - Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

None

#### PART III

Item 10 - Directors and Executive Officers of the Registrant

Information regarding this item is set forth under the captions "Election of Directors" of the Company's Proxy Statement to be dated March 27, 1997, which will be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Proxy Statement") and is incorporated herein by reference. Information with regard to Executive Officers is set forth in Item 1 of this Form 10-K.

Item 11 - Executive Compensation

The information regarding this item is set forth under the caption "Executive Compensation" of the Proxy Statement and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 12 - Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management

The information regarding this item is set forth under the caption "Beneficial Ownership of Common Stock" of the Proxy Statement and is incorporated herein by reference. The Company knows of no arrangements which may result at a subsequent date in a change of control of the Company.

Item 13 - Certain Relationships and Related Transactions

Information regarding this item is set forth under the caption "Beneficial Ownership of Common Stock", "Election of Directors" and "Executive Compensation" of the Proxy Statement.

#### PART IV

#### (a) (1)

The following financial statements are included in Item 8 of this Report:

Independent Auditors' Report

Consolidated Balance Sheets of Audiovox Corporation and Subsidiaries as of November 30, 1996 and 1995.

Consolidated Statements of Income (Loss) of Audiovox Corporation and Subsidiaries for the Years Ended November 30, 1996, 1995 and 1994.

Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity of Audiovox Corporation and Subsidiaries for the Years Ended November 30, 1996, 1995 and 1994.

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows of Audiovox Corporation and Subsidiaries for the Years Ended November 30, 1996, 1995 and 1994.

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

#### (a) (2)

Financial Statement Schedules of the Registrant for the Years Ended November 30, 1996, 1995 and 1994.

Independent Auditors' Report on Financial Statement Schedules

SCHEDULE NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	PAGE NUMBER
II	Valuation and Qualifying Accounts	84

All other financial statement schedules not listed are omitted because they are either not required or the information is otherwise included.

#### Independent Auditors' Report

The Board of Directors and Stockholders Audiovox Corporation:

Under the date of January 23, 1997 we reported on the consolidated balance sheets of Audiovox Corporation and subsidiaries as of November 30, 1996 and 1995, and the related consolidated statements of income (loss), stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended November 30, 1996, which are included in the Company's 1996 annual report on Form 10-K. In connection with our audits of the aforementioned consolidated financial statements, we also audited the related consolidated financial statement schedules in the 1996 annual report on Form 10-K. These consolidated financial statement schedules are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statement schedules based on our audits.

In our opinion, such financial statement schedules, when considered in relation to the basic consolidated financial statements taken as a whole, present fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein.

Our report refers to changes in the methods of accounting for certain investments in equity securities and income taxes.

s/KPMG Peat Marwick LLP KPMG PEAT MARWICK LLP

Jericho, New York January 23, 1997

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- (3) Exhibits See Item 14(c) for Index of Exhibits.
- (b) Reports on Form 8-K

During the fourth quarter, the Registrant filed one report on Form 8-K:

On October 18, 1996, the Registrant filed its current report on Form 8-K which reported the Registrant's authorization to exchange its 6 1/4% convertible subordinated debentures for its Class A Common Stock.

#### (c) Exhibits

# EXHIBIT NUMBER DESCRIPTION

- 3.1 Certificate of Incorporation of the Company (incorporated by reference to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1; No. 33-107, filed May 4, 1987).
- 3.1a Amendment to Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended November 30, 1993).
- 3.2 By-laws of the Company (incorporated by reference to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1; No. 33-10726, filed May 4, 1987).
- 10.1 Renewal, dated October 21, 1996, of Lease by and between Registrant and John J. Shalam dated October 22, 1986 (filed via EDGAR herewith).
- 10.2 Fourth Amendment, dated as of July 29, 1996, to the Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement among the Registrant and the several banks and financial institutions (filed via EDGAR herewith).
- 10.3 Fifth Amendment, dated as of September 10, 1996, to the Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement among the Registrant and the several banks and financial institutions (filed via EDGAR herewith).

EXHIBIT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
10.4	Sixth Amendment, dated as of November 27, 1996, to the Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement among the Registrant and the several banks and financial institutions (filed via EDGAR herewith).
11	Statement of Computation of Income (Loss) Per Commor Share (Page 149 herein).
21	Subsidiaries of the Registrant (Page 150 herein).
23	Independent Auditors' Consent (Page 151 herein).
27	Financial Data Schedule (filed via EDGAR herewith)

(d) All other schedules are omitted because the required information is shown in the financial statements or notes thereto or because they are not applicable.

### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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.

AUDIOVOX CORPORATION

February 28, 1997

BY:s/John J. Shalam
John J. Shalam, President
and Chief Executive Officer

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

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Signature	Title	Date
s/John J. Shalam John J. Shalam	President; Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer) and Director	February 28, 1997
s/Philip Christopher Philip Christopher	Executive Vice President and Director	February 28, 1997
s/Charles M. Stoehr Charles M. Stoehr	Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer) and Director	February 28, 1997
s/Patrick M. Lavelle Patrick M. Lavelle	Director	February 28, 1997
s/Ann Boutcher Ann Boutcher	Director	February 28, 1997
s/Gordon Tucker Gordon Tucker	Director	February 28, 1997
s/Irving Halevy Irving Halevy	Director	February 28, 1997
s/Richard Maddia Richard Maddia	Director	February 28, 1997
Paul C. Kreuch, Jr.	Director	February 28, 1997
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### Schedule II

## AUDIOVOX CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

## Valuation and Qualifying Accounts

## Years Ended November 30, 1996, 1995 and 1994 (In thousands)

Column A	Column B	Columr Additi		Column D	Column E
Description	Balance at Beginning Of Year	Charged to Costs and Expenses	Charged To Other Accounts	Deductions	Balance At End Of Year
1996 Allowance for doubtful accounts Cash discount allowances	\$ 2,707 165	\$ 430 149	- -	\$ 22 -	\$ 3,115 314
Co-op advertising and volume rebate allow-ances	3, 225	17,629	_	13,877	6,977
Allowance for cellular deactivations	1,725	-	-	59	1,666
Reserve for warranties and product repair costs	3,948 \$11,770	3,784 \$21,992	-	2,757 \$16,715	4,975 \$17,047
1995 Allowance for doubtful accounts	\$ 1,623	\$ 1,816	-	\$ 732	\$ 2,707
Cash discount allowances Co-op advertising and volume rebate allow-	237	· -	-	72	165
ances Allowance for cellular	2,688	7,621	-	7,084	3,225
deactivations Reserve for warranties	1,234	491	-	-	1,725
and product repair costs	3,207 \$ 8,989	3,834 \$13,762	-	3,093 \$10,981	3,948 \$11,770
1994 Allowance for doubtful accounts	\$ 2,063	\$ (21)		\$ 419	\$ 1,623
Cash discount allowances Co-op advertising and volume rebate allow-	302	-	-	65	237
ances Allowance for cellular deactivations	1,429 1,739	5,898	-	4,639 505	2,688 1,234
Reserve for warranties and product repair costs	•	2,970	- -	3,568	3,207
, , ,	\$ 9,338	\$ 8,847	-	\$ 9,196	\$ 8,989

Mr. John J. Shalam 126 Wheatley Road Old Westbury, NY 11568

> Re: Lease dated October 26, 1986 Premises: 150 Marcus Boulevard, Hauppauge, New York

Dear Mr. Shalam:

This will confirm our agreement to renew the above referenced lease for an additional one (1) year for the term November 1, 1996 through October 31, 1997 at a base rental of \$33,000 per month. All other terms and conditions of the lease will remain in full force and effect.

AUDIOVOX CORPORATION, Tenant

BY:s/Charles M. Stoehr Charles M. Stoehr Senior Vice President

Agreed and accepted:

s/John J. Shalam John J. Shalam, Landlord FOURTH AMENDMENT AND CONSENT, dated as of July 29, 1996 (this "Amendment and Consent"), to the Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of May 5, 1995 (as amended pursuant to the First Amendment thereto dated as of December 22, 1995, the Second Amendment thereto dated as of February 9, 1996, the Third Amendment thereto dated as of May 13, 1996 and this Amendment and Consent, and as the same may be further amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Credit Agreement"), among AUDIOVOX CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation (the "Borrower"), the several banks and other financial institutions from time to time parties thereto (collectively, the "Lenders"; individually, a "Lender") and THE CHASE MANHATTAN BANK, a New York banking corporation, as administrative and collateral agent for the Lenders (in such capacity, the "Agent").

#### WITNESSETH:

 $\,$  WHEREAS, the Borrower, the Lenders and the Agent are parties to the Credit Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Borrower has requested that the Lenders and the Agent agree to amend the Credit Agreement in the manner provided for herein;

WHEREAS, the Borrower has also requested that the Agent and the Lenders consent to the transfer by the Borrower of the assets used in its cellular communications business (the "Cellular Assets") to Audiovox Communications Corp., a Delaware corporation and a wholly-owned Subsidiary of the Borrower ("Communications"); and

WHEREAS, the Agent and the Lenders are willing to agree to the requested amendments and consents, but only on, and subject to, the terms and conditions hereof;

- Defined Terms. Unless otherwise defined herein, terms which are defined in the Credit Agreement and used herein (and in the recitals hereto) as defined terms are so used as so defined.
- 2. Consent. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections 9.5 and 9.6 of the Credit Agreement, the Agent and the Lenders hereby consent to the transfer by the Borrower of the Cellular Assets to Communications pursuant to agreements and other documents in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Agent.
- 3. Amendment of Subsection 1.1. Subsection 1.1 of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended as follows:
  - (a) by deleting in its entirety the first sentence of the definition of "Borrowing Base" and substituting in lieu thereof the following new sentence:

on any date of determination thereof, the sum of (a) 75% of the aggregate amount of Eligible Accounts of the Borrower and its consolidated Domestic and Canadian Subsidiaries on such date of determination and (b) the lesser of (i) 20% of the aggregate amount of Eligible Inventory of the Borrower and its consolidated Domestic and Canadian Subsidiaries on such date of determination and (ii) \$15,000,000.

(b) by adding a new definition in the proper alphabetical order to read in its entirety as follows:

"Net Worth Adjustment Amount": at any time, an amount equal to 50% of the aggregate gain (calculated on a pre-tax basis) realized by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries subsequent to July 29, 1996 in respect of the sale of the Capital Stock of any Person (including, but not limited to, CellStar, but excluding the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries).

(c) by deleting in its entirety the definition of "Termination Date" contained therein and substituting in lieu thereof the following new definition in the proper alphabetical order:

"Termination Date": February 28, 1998.

4. Amendment of Subsection 9.1. Subsection 9.1 of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended as follows:

- (a) by deleting paragraph (a) thereof in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof the following new paragraph:
  - (a) Maintenance of Pre-Tax Income. Permit (i) Consolidated Pre-Tax Income for (A) the period of two consecutive fiscal quarters ending May 31, 1996 or May 31, 1997 to be less than \$1,500,000, (B) the period of two consecutive fiscal quarters ending November 30, 1996 or November 30, 1997, to be less than \$2,500,000 or (C) any fiscal year to be less than \$4,000,000, (ii) a Consolidated Pre-Tax Loss to occur in any two consecutive fiscal quarters or (iii) a Consolidated Pre-Tax Loss in excess of \$500,000 to occur in any fiscal quarter.
- (b) by deleting paragraph (b) thereof in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof the following new paragraph:
  - (b) Maintenance of Net Worth. Permit Consolidated Adjusted Net Worth to be less than (i) at any time prior to November 30, 1996, the sum of (A) \$86,000,000 and (B) the Net Worth Adjustment Amount at such time, (ii) at any time on or after November 30, 1996 but prior to November 30, 1997, the sum of (A) \$88,500,000 and (B) the Net Worth Adjustment Amount at such time or (iii) at any time thereafter, the sum of (A) \$91,000,000 and (B) the Net Worth Adjustment Amount at such time.
- Reduction in Commitments; Assignment and Transfer; Amendment to Schedule I. (a) Effective upon receipt by the Lenders of the amounts described in paragraph (b) below, (i) the aggregate Commitments of the Lenders shall be reduced to \$75,000,000 and (ii) after giving effect to such reduction, each Lender hereby irrevocably sells, assigns and transfers to each other Lender such portion (if any) of such Lender's Commitment and presently outstanding Loans and other amounts owing to such Lender under the Credit Agreement and the Notes, together with all instruments, documents and collateral security pertaining thereto, such that after giving effect to such sale, assignment and transfer, the Commitments and the Commitment Percentages of the Lenders shall be as set forth on Schedule A hereto. In connection with the foregoing assignments and transfers and subject to the terms and conditions hereof, the Borrower, the Lenders and the Agent hereby agree that Schedule I to the Credit Agreement is hereby amended by deleting such Schedule in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof a new Schedule to read in its entirety as set forth in Schedule A hereto.
- (b) Each Lender agrees to advance to the Agent on the Effective Date the amount set forth opposite its name under the heading "Advanced Amount" on Schedule B hereto and, to the extent the same is received, the Agent shall forward to each Lender the amount set forth opposite its name under the heading "Repaid Amount" on Schedule B hereto.
- (c) All principal payments that would otherwise be payable from and after the Effective Date to or for the account of the Lenders pursuant to the Credit Agreement and the Notes shall, instead, be payable to or for the account of the Lenders in accordance with their respective interests as reflected in Schedule A hereto.
- (d) All interest, fees and other amounts that would otherwise accrue for the account of the Lenders from and after the Effective Date shall, instead, accrue for the account of, and be payable to, the Lenders in accordance with their respective interests as reflected in Schedule A hereto.
- (e) Each Lender agrees that, at any time and from time to time upon the written request of any other Lender, it will execute and deliver such further documents and do such further acts and things as such other party may reasonably request in order to effect the sale, assignment and transfer set forth in this Section 5.
- 6. Representations and Warranties. On and as of the date hereof, the Borrower hereby confirms, reaffirms and restates the representations and warranties set forth in Section 6 of the Credit Agreement mutatis mutandis, except to the extent that such representations and warranties expressly relate to a specific earlier date in which case the Borrower hereby confirms, reaffirms and restates such representations and warranties as of such earlier date.
- 7. Effectiveness. (a) This Amendment and Consent (other than Section 2) shall become effective as of the date (the "Effective Date") first written above upon satisfaction of the following conditions precedent:

- (i) receipt by the Agent of counterparts of this Amendment and Consent duly executed by the Borrower, the Lenders and the Agent;
- (ii) receipt by the Agent, with a copy for each Lender, of a satisfactory legal opinion of counsel to the Borrower and the Subsidiaries covering the applicable matters set forth in Exhibit A to this Amendment and Consent;
- (iii) receipt by the Agent, for the account of each Lender whose Commitments have changed as a result of this Amendment and Consent, of duly executed Note(s) reflecting such changed Commitments substantially in the form of Exhibit A to the Credit Agreement; and
- (iv) receipt by the Agent of the fees required to be paid in connection with this Amendment and Consent pursuant to the Fee Letter, dated July 29, 1996, from the Agent to the Borrower.
- (b) Section 2 of this Amendment and Consent shall become effective upon receipt by the Agent of (i) counterparts of this Amendment and Consent duly executed by the Borrower, the Required Lenders and the Agent, (ii) a Guarantee Assumption Agreement, substantially in the form of Exhibit B to this Amendment and Consent, executed and delivered by a duly authorized officer of Communications and pursuant to which Communications shall guarantee the payment and performance of the Obligations (as defined in the Subsidiaries Guarantee), (iii) a Subsidiaries Security Agreement Supplement, substantially in the form of Exhibit C to this Amendment and Consent, executed and delivered by a duly authorized officer of Communications and pursuant to which Communications shall grant a security interest in certain of its assets as collateral security for the Obligations (as defined in the Subsidiaries Guarantee), (iv) a Stock Pledge Agreement, substantially in the form of Exhibit D to this Amendment and Consent, executed and delivered by a duly authorized officer of the Borrower pursuant to which the Borrower shall pledge all of the Capital Stock of Communications as collateral security for the Obligations (as defined in the Borrower Security Agreement), (v) an acknowledgement from Communications executed and delivered by a duly authorized officer of Communications acknowledging the pledge described in the immediately preceding clause (iv) and in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Agent, (vi) stock certificates and undated stock powers with respect to the stock certificates representing all of the outstanding Capital Stock of Communications, (vii) a satisfactory legal opinion of counsel to the Borrower and the subsidiaries covering the applicable matters set forth in Exhibit A to this Amendment and Consent, (viii) such resolutions, incumbency certificates and legal opinions as are reasonably requested by the Agent with respect to the transfer of the Cellular Assets by the Borrower to Communications and the delivery of the documents described in this paragraph and the transactions contemplated thereby and (ix) evidence in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to it that all filings, recordings, registrations and other actions, including, without limitation, the filing of duly executed financing statements on Form UCC-1, necessary or, in the reasonable opinion of the Agent, desirable to perfect the Liens created by the Security Documents shall have been completed (or, to the extent that any such filings, recordings, registrations and other actions shall not have been completed, arrangements reasonably satisfactory to the Agent for the completion thereof shall have been made).
- 8. Continuing Effect; No Other Amendments. Except as expressly provided herein, all of the terms and provisions of the Credit Agreement are and shall remain in full force and effect. The amendments and the consent provided for herein are limited to the specific subsections of the Credit Agreement specified herein and shall not constitute a consent, waiver or amendment of, or an indication of the Agent's or the Lenders' willingness to consent to any action requiring consent under or to waive or amend, any other provisions of the Credit Agreement or the same subsections for any other date or time period (whether or not such other provisions or compliance with such subsections for another date or time period are affected by the circumstances addressed in this Amendment and Consent).
- 9. Expenses. The Borrower agrees to pay and reimburse the Agent for all its reasonable costs and out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the preparation and delivery of this Amendment and Consent, including, without limitation, the reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel to the Agent.
- 10. Counterparts. This Amendment and Consent may be executed in any number of counterparts by the parties hereto (including by facsimile transmission), each of which counterparts

when so executed shall be an original, but all the counterparts shall together constitute one and the same instrument.

11. GOVERNING LAW. THIS AMENDMENT AND CONSENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED AND INTERPRETED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Amendment and Consent to be executed and delivered by their respective duly authorized officers as of the date first above written.

AUDIOVOX CORPORATION

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Sr. Vice Pres. & CFO

THE CHASE MANHATTAN BANK, as Agent and as a Lender

By:s/Roland Driscoll Name: Roland Driscoll Title: Vice President

FLEET BANK, N.A., as a Lender

By:s/William Ewing Name: William Ewing Title: Vice President

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BOSTON, as a Lender

By:s/Brent E. Shay Name: Brent E. Shay Title: Director

EUROPEAN AMERICAN BANK, as a Lender

By:s/Stuart N. Berman Name: Stuart N. Berman Title: Vice President

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONSENT

Each of the undersigned corporations (i) as a guarantor under that certain Amended and Restated Subsidiaries Guarantee, dated as of March 15, 1994 (the "Guarantee"), made by each of such corporations in favor of the Collateral Agent and (ii) as a grantor under that certain Amended and Restated Security Agreement, dated as of March 15, 1994 (the "Security Agreement"), made by each of such corporations in favor of the Collateral Agent, confirms and agrees that the Guarantee and the Security Agreement are, and shall continue to be, in full force and effect and are hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects and the Guarantee and the Security Agreement and all of the Subsidiaries Collateral (as defined in the Security Agreement) do, and shall continue to, secure the payment of all of the Obligations (as defined in the Guarantee) and the Secured Obligations (as defined in the Security Agreement), as the case may be, pursuant to the terms of the Guarantee or the Security Agreement, as the case may be. Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Credit Agreement referred to in the Amendment and Consent to which this Acknowledgement and Consent is attached.

QUINTEX COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Vice President

QUINTEX MOBILE COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr

Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Vice President

#### HERMES TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Secretary/Treasurer

## LENEX CORPORATION

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Secretary/Treasurer

#### AMERICAN RADIO CORP.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Vice President

#### AUDIOVOX INTERNATIONAL CORP.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Sr. Vice President

#### AUDIOVOX HOLDING CORP.

By:s/Chris Lazarides Name: Chris Lazarides Title: President

### AUDIOVOX CANADA LIMITED

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Vice President

#### AUDIOVOX ASIA INC.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Vice President

#### AUDIOVOX LATIN AMERICA LTD.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr
Name: Charles M. Stoehr
Title: Vice President
Dated as of July 29, 1996SCHEDULE A
TO FOURTH AMENDMENT AND CONSENT

#### SCHEDULE I

#### COMMITMENTS

Lender	Commitment	Commitment Percentage
The Chase Manhattan Bank	\$30,000,000	40.00%
Fleet Bank, N.A.	\$20,000,000	26.67%
European American Bank	\$10,000,000	13.33%
The First National Bank of Boston	\$15,000,000	20.00%
Total	\$75,000,000	100.00%

# SCHEDULE B TO FOURTH AMENDMENT AND CONSENT

Lender	Repaid Amount	Advanced Amount
The Chase Manhattan Bank		\$3,159,000
Fleet Bank, N.A.		\$2,106,264
European American Bank		\$1,052,736
The First National Bank of Boston		\$1,579,500
Total		\$7,897,500

# [FORM OF OPINION OF COUNSEL TO THE BORROWER AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES]

- 1. The Borrower and each Domestic Subsidiary (a) is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization and (b) has the corporate power and authority to own and operate its property, to lease the property it operates as lessee and to conduct the business in which it is currently engaged.
- 2. The Borrower has the corporate power and authority to execute and deliver the Fourth Amendment, the Notes and the Stock Pledge Agreement and perform its obligations under the Fourth Amendment, the Credit Agreement, the Notes, and the Stock Pledge Agreement and to borrow under the Credit Agreement and has taken all necessary corporate action to authorize the borrowings on the terms and conditions of the Credit Agreement and the Notes and to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of the Fourth Amendment, the Credit Agreement, the Notes and the Stock Pledge Agreement.
- 3. The Fourth Amendment, the Credit Agreement, the Notes and the Stock Pledge Agreement (i) have been duly executed and delivered on behalf of the Borrower, and (ii) constitute legal, valid and binding obligations of Borrower enforceable against the Borrower in accordance with their respective terms except as affected by bankruptcy, insolvency, moratorium, reorganization or other similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally and by general principles of equity.
- 4. Each Domestic Subsidiary has the corporate power and authority to execute, deliver and perform and has taken all necessary corporate action to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of the Acknowledgement and Consent attached to the Fourth Amendment. Communications has the corporate power and authority to execute, deliver and perform and has taken all necessary corporate action to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of the Guarantee Assumption Agreement, the Subsidiaries Guarantee, the Subsidiaries Securities Agreement Supplement and the Subsidiaries Security Agreement. The Guarantee Assumption Agreement, the Subsidiaries Guarantee, the Subsidiaries Security Agreement Supplement and the Subsidiaries Security Agreement (i) have been duly executed and delivered on behalf of Communications and (ii) constitute the legal, valid and binding obligations of Communications enforceable against Communications in accordance with their respective terms except as affected by bankruptcy, insolvency, moratorium, reorganization or other similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally and by general principles of equity.
- 5. No consent or authorization of, or other act by or in respect of any Federal, or New York or Delaware state, governmental authority or any other Person is or will be required in connection with the borrowings under the Credit Agreement or with the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of the Fourth Amendment, the Credit Agreement, the Notes, the Stock Pledge Agreement, the Guarantee Assumption Agreement or the Subsidiaries Security Agreement Supplement except for filings necessary to perfect security interests created by the Security Documents and consents and filings which have been obtained or made, as the case may be, and which are in full force and effect.
- 6. The execution, delivery and performance of the Fourth Amendment, the Credit Agreement, the Notes, the Stock Pledge Agreement, the Guarantee Assumption Agreement and the Subsidiaries Security Agreement Supplement, the borrowings under the Credit Agreement and the use of the proceeds thereof (a) do not violate applicable Federal laws, New York laws or Delaware corporate statutory laws or regulations or breach or result in a default under or conflict with any existing Contractual Obligation of the Borrower or any Domestic Subsidiary and (b) do not result in, or require, the creation or imposition of any Lien on any of its or their respective properties or revenues pursuant to any such laws or any such obligations.
- 7. The Borrower is not an "investment company", or a company "controlled" by an "investment company", within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

# EXHIBIT B TO FOURTH AMENDMENT AND CONSENT

# [FORM OF GUARANTEE ASSUMPTION AGREEMENT]

GUARANTEE ASSUMPTION AGREEMENT, dated as of July \_\_\_, 1996, made by AUDIOVOX COMMUNICATIONS CORP., a Delaware corporation (the "Additional Guarantor"), in favor of THE CHASE MANHATTAN BANK, a New York banking corporation, as collateral agent (in such capacity, the "Collateral Agent") for the several banks and other financial institutions (collectively, the "Lenders"; individually, a "Lender") from time to time parties to the Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of May 5, 1995 (as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Credit Agreement"), among Audiovox Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Borrower"), the Lenders and The Chase Manhattan Bank, a New York banking corporation, as administrative and collateral agent for the Lenders (in such capacity, the "Agent").

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, in connection with the Credit Agreement, certain Subsidiaries of the Borrower entered into a Second Amended and Restated Subsidiaries Guarantee, dated as of March 15, 1994 (the "Subsidiaries Guarantee");

WHEREAS, the Borrower and the Additional Guarantor have requested that the Lenders and the Agent agree to consent to the transfer by the Borrower of the assets used in its cellular communications business (the "Cellular Assets") to the Additional Guarantor pursuant to the Fourth Amendment and Consent, dated as of July 29, 1996 (the "Fourth Amendment and Consent"), to the Credit Agreement; and

WHEREAS, it is a condition precedent to the effectiveness of the consent to the transfer of the Cellular Assets to the Additional Guarantor that the Additional Guarantor shall have executed and delivered this Guarantee Assumption Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Additional Guarantor hereby agrees to become a "Guarantor" for all purposes of the Subsidiaries Guarantee and, as such, shall be subject to and bound by the terms and conditions thereof. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Additional Guarantor hereby jointly and severally with the other Guarantors, guarantees to each Lender and the Agent and their respective successors, indorsees, transferees and assigns the prompt and complete payment and performance by the Borrower when due (whether at stated maturity, by acceleration or otherwise) of the Obligations in the same manner and to the same extent as is provided in Section 2 of the Subsidiaries Guarantee. The undersigned further agrees to be bound by all of the provisions of the Subsidiaries Guarantee applicable to a Guarantor thereunder and agrees that it shall become a Guarantor for all purposes of the Subsidiaries Guarantee to the same extent as if originally a party thereto with the representations and warranties contained therein being deemed to be made by the undersigned as of the date hereof. Terms defined in the Subsidiaries Guarantee shall have their defined meanings when used herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Additional Guarantor has caused this Guarantee Assumption Agreement to be duly executed and delivered as of the day and year first above written.

AUDIOVOX COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Secretary

Address for Notices:

Attention: Telecopier:

Accepted and agreed:

THE CHASE MANHATTAN BANK,

By:s/Roland Driscoll

Name: Roland Driscoll Title: Vice President

QUINTEX COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr

Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Vice President

QUINTEX MOBILE COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr

Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Vice President

HERMES TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr

Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Secretary/Treasurer

LENEX CORPORATION

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr

Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Secretary/Treasurer

AMERICAN RADIO CORP.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr

Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Vice President

AUDIOVOX INTERNATIONAL CORP.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr

Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Senior Vice President

AUDIOVOX HOLDING CORP.

By:s/Chris Lazarides

Name: Chris Lazarides
Title: President

AUDIOVOX CANADA LIMITED

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr

Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Vice President

AUDIOVOX ASIA INC.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr

Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Vice President

AUDIOVOX LATIN AMERICA LTD.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr

Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Vice President

# [FORM OF SUBSIDIARIES SECURITY AGREEMENT SUPPLEMENT]

SUBSIDIARIES SECURITY AGREEMENT SUPPLEMENT, dated as of July \_\_, 1996, made by AUDIOVOX COMMUNICATIONS CORP., a Delaware corporation (the "Additional Subsidiary"), in favor of THE CHASE MANHATTAN BANK, a New York banking corporation, as collateral agent (in such capacity, the "Collateral Agent") for the several banks and other financial institutions (collectively, the "Lenders"; individually, a "Lender") from time to time parties to the Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of May 5, 1995 (as the same may be amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Credit Agreement"), among Audiovox Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Borrower"), the Lenders, and The Chase Manhattan Bank, as administrative and collateral agent for the Lenders (in such capacity, the "Agent").

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, in connection with the Credit Agreement, certain Subsidiaries of the Borrower are parties to that certain Amended and Restated Subsidiaries Security Agreement, dated as of March 15, 1994 (the "Subsidiaries Security Agreement"), made by such Subsidiaries in favor of the Collateral Agent, pursuant to which the Subsidiaries granted a security interest in certain of their respective assets as collateral security for, among other things, their respective obligations to the Lenders under the Guarantee (as defined in the Subsidiaries Security Agreement);

WHEREAS, the Borrower and the Additional Subsidiary have requested that the Lenders and the Agent agree to consent to the transfer by the Borrower of the assets used in its cellular communications business (the "Cellular Assets") to the Additional Subsidiary pursuant to the Fourth Amendment and Consent, dated as of July 29, 1996 (the "Fourth Amendment and Consent"), to the Credit Agreement;

WHEREAS, it is a condition precedent to the effectiveness of the consent to the transfer of the Cellular Assets to the Additional Subsidiary that the Additional Subsidiary become a "Guarantor" under the Guarantee (as defined in the Subsidiaries Security Agreement) and, in satisfaction of such condition, the Additional Subsidiary is executing and delivering a Guarantee Assumption Agreement, dated as of July \_\_\_, 1996, in respect of such Guarantee; and

WHEREAS, it is also a condition precedent to the effectiveness of the consent to the transfer of the Cellular Assets to the Additional Subsidiary that the Additional Subsidiary shall have executed and delivered this Subsidiaries Security Agreement Supplement pursuant to which the Additional Subsidiary shall grant a security interest in certain of its assets as collateral security for its obligations under the Guarantee (as defined in the Subsidiaries Security Agreement);

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises contained herein and to induce the Lenders to enter into the Fourth Amendment and Consent and to make their loans and other extensions of credit under the Credit Agreement, the Additional Subsidiary hereby agrees with the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Lenders, as follows:

- 1. The Additional Subsidiary agrees to become a "Subsidiary" for all purposes of the Subsidiaries Security Agreement and, as such, shall be subject to and bound by the terms and conditions thereof. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Additional Subsidiary hereby grants to the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Lenders, a security interest in all of the property now owned or at any time hereafter acquired by it or in which it now has or at any time in the future may acquire any right, title or interest, in the same manner and to the same extent as is provided in Section 2 of the Subsidiaries Security Agreement.
- 2. Schedules 1, 2 and 3 to the Subsidiaries Security Agreement are hereby amended by adding at the end of each thereof, the information contained in Schedules 1, 2 and 3 to this Subsidiaries Security Agreement Supplement, respectively.
- 3. The undersigned further agrees to be bound by all of the provisions of the Subsidiaries Security Agreement applicable to a Subsidiary thereunder and agrees that it shall become a Subsidiary, for all purposes of the Subsidiaries Security Agreement to the same extent as if originally a party thereto with the representations and warranties contained therein

being deemed to be made by the undersigned as of the date hereof. Without limiting the foregoing, the Additional Subsidiary hereby represents and warrants that (a) the security interests granted by the Additional Subsidiary pursuant to this Subsidiaries Security Agreement Supplement and the Subsidiaries Security Agreement, upon completion of the filings and other actions specified on Schedule 1 attached hereto, will constitute perfected security interests on the Subsidiaries Collateral of the Additional Subsidiary in favor of the Collateral Agent, for the ratable benefit of the Lenders, which are prior to all other Liens on such Subsidiaries Collateral in existence on the date hereof except for Liens permitted to exist pursuant to the Credit Agreement and are enforceable as such against all creditors of and purchasers from the Additional Subsidiary (except purchasers of Inventory in the ordinary course of business), except in each case as enforceability is affected by bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally, general equitable principles (whether considered in a proceeding in equity or at law) and an implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing, (b) such Additional Subsidiary's chief executive office and chief place of business is located at the address listed in Schedule 2 hereto and (c) all of its Inventory is located at the locations listed in Schedule 3 hereto. Terms defined in the Subsidiaries Security Agreement shall have their defined meanings when used herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Additional Subsidiary has caused this Subsidiaries Security Agreement Supplement to be duly executed and delivered as of the date first above written.

AUDIOVOX COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Secretary Accepted and agreed:

THE CHASE MANHATTAN BANK, as Agent

By:s/Roland F. Driscoll Name: Roland F. Driscoll Title: Vice President

QUINTEX COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Vice President

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AMERICAN RADIO CORP.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Vice President

AUDIOVOX INTERNATIONAL CORP.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Sr. Vice President

AUDIOVOX HOLDING CORP.

By:s/Chris Lazarides Name: Chris Lazarides Title: President

AUDIOVOX CANADA LIMITED

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Vice President

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AUDIOVOX LATIN AMERICA LTD.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Vice President

## Schedule 1 to Subsidiaries Security Agreement Supplement

UCC FILING JURISDICTIONS

Audiovox Communications Corp.

# Schedule 2 to Subsidiaries Security Agreement Supplement

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICES OF THE SUBSIDIARIES

NAME OF SUBSIDIARY

Corp.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE

CHIEF PLACE OF BUSINESS

Audiovox Communications

# Schedule 3 to Subsidiaries Security Agreement Supplement

## LOCATIONS OF INVENTORY

NAME OF SUBSIDIARY

LOCATION

Audiovox Communications Corp.

# [FORM OF STOCK PLEDGE AGREEMENT]

STOCK PLEDGE AGREEMENT, dated as of July \_\_\_, 1996, made by AUDIOVOX CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation (the "Borrower"), in favor of THE CHASE MANHATTAN BANK, a New York banking corporation, as collateral agent (in such capacity, the "Collateral Agent") for the several banks and other financial institutions (collectively, the "Lenders"; individually, a "Lender") from time to time parties to the Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of May 5, 1995 (as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Credit Agreement"), among the Borrower, the several banks and other financial institutions from time to time parties thereto (collectively, the "Lenders"; individually, a "Lender") and The Chase Manhattan Bank, a New York banking corporation, as administrative and collateral agent for the Lenders (in such capacity, the "Agent").

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Borrower owns all of the issued and outstanding shares of Pledged Stock (as hereinafter defined) issued by the Issuer (as hereinafter defined);

WHEREAS, the Borrower and the Issuer have requested that the Lenders and the Agent agree to consent to the transfer by the Borrower of the assets used in its cellular communications business (the "Cellular Assets") to the Issuer pursuant to the Fourth Amendment and Consent, dated as of July 29, 1996 (the "Fourth Amendment and Consent"), to the Credit Agreement;

WHEREAS, it is a condition precedent to the effectiveness of the Fourth Amendment and Consent that the Borrower shall have executed and delivered this Stock Pledge Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and to induce the Agent and the Lenders to enter into the Fourth Amendment and Consent and to induce the Lenders to make their respective extensions of credit to the Borrower under the Credit Agreement, the Borrower hereby agrees with the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Lenders, as follows:

- 1. Defined Terms. (a) Unless otherwise defined herein, terms defined in the Credit Agreement (and in the recitals hereto) and used herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Credit Agreement.

"Agreement": this Stock Pledge Agreement, as the same may be amended, modified or otherwise supplemented from time to time.

"Code": the Uniform Commercial Code from time to time in effect in the State of New York.

"Collateral": the Pledged Stock and all Proceeds thereof.

"Collateral Account": any account established to hold money Proceeds, maintained under the sole dominion and control of the Collateral Agent, subject to withdrawal by the Collateral Agent for the account of the Lenders only as provided in Section 9(a).

"Issuer": Audiovox Communications Corp., a Delaware corporation.

"Obligations": the collective reference to the unpaid principal of and interest on the Loans and the Notes and all other obligations and liabilities of the Borrower to the Agent, the Collateral Agent and the Lenders (including, without limitation, interest accruing at the then applicable rate provided in the Credit Agreement after the maturity of the Loans and interest accruing at the then applicable rate provided in the Credit Agreement after the filing of any petition in bankruptcy, or the commencement of any insolvency, reorganization or like proceeding, relating to the Borrower, whether or not a claim for post-filing or post-petition interest is allowed in such proceeding), whether direct or indirect, absolute or contingent, due or to become due, or now existing or hereafter incurred, which

may arise under, out of, or in connection with, the Credit Agreement, the Notes, any Letter of Credit, any Acceptance, this Agreement, the other Loan Documents, any Foreign Exchange Contract or interest rate agreement entered into with any Lender, or any other document made, delivered or given in connection therewith, in each case whether on account of principal, interest, reimbursement obligations, fees, indemnities, costs, expenses or otherwise (including, without limitation, all fees and disbursements of counsel to the Agent, the Collateral Agent or to the Lenders that are required to be paid by the Borrower pursuant to the terms of the Credit Agreement or this Agreement or any other Loan Document).

"Pledged Stock": the shares of Capital Stock listed on Schedule 1 hereto, together with all stock certificates, options or rights of any nature whatsoever that may be issued or granted by the Issuer to the Borrower in respect of the Pledged Stock while this Agreement is in effect.

"Proceeds": all "proceeds" as such term is defined in Section 9-306(1) of the Code in effect on the date hereof of the Pledged Stock and, in any event, shall include, without limitation, all dividends or other income from the Pledged Stock, collections thereon or distributions with respect thereto

"Securities Act": the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

- (c) The words "hereof," "herein" and "hereunder" and words of similar import when used in this Agreement shall refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular provision of this Agreement, and section and paragraph references are to this Agreement unless otherwise specified.
- (d) The meanings given to terms defined herein shall be equally applicable to both the singular and plural forms of such terms.
- 2. Pledge; Grant of Security Interest. The Borrower hereby delivers to the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Lenders, all the Pledged Stock and hereby grants to the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Lenders, a first security interest in the Collateral, as collateral security for the prompt and complete payment and performance when due (whether at the stated maturity, by acceleration or otherwise) of the Obligations.
- 3. Stock Powers. Concurrently with the delivery to the Collateral Agent of each certificate representing one or more shares of Pledged Stock, the Borrower shall deliver an undated stock power covering such certificate, duly executed in blank by the Borrower with, if the Collateral Agent so requests, signature guaranteed.
- 4. Representations and Warranties. The Borrower represents and warrants that:
  - (a) The Borrower has the corporate power and authority and the legal right to execute and deliver, to perform its obligations under, and to grant the security interest in the Collateral pursuant to, this Agreement and has taken all necessary corporate action to authorize its execution, delivery and performance of, and grant of the security interest in the Collateral pursuant to, this Agreement.
  - (b) This Agreement constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of the Borrower, enforceable in accordance with its terms, and upon delivery to the Collateral Agent of the stock certificates evidencing the Pledged Stock, the security interest created pursuant to this Agreement will constitute a valid, perfected first priority security interest in the Collateral, enforceable in accordance with its terms against all creditors of the Borrower and any Persons purporting to purchase any Collateral from the Borrower, except in each case as enforceability may be affected by bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally, general equitable principles (whether considered in a proceeding in equity or at law) and an implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing.
  - (c) The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement will not violate any provision of any Requirement of Law or Contractual Obligation of the Borrower and will not result in the creation or imposition of any Lien on any of the properties or revenues of the Borrower pursuant to any Requirement of Law or Contractual Obligation of the Borrower, except the security interest created by this

- (d) Except for such consents as have been obtained and are in full force and effect, no consent or authorization of, filing with, or other act by or in respect of, any arbitrator or Governmental Authority and no consent of any other Person (including, without limitation, any stockholder or creditor of the Borrower), is required in connection with the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Agreement.
- (e) No litigation, investigation or proceeding of or before any arbitrator or Governmental Authority is pending or, to the knowledge of the Borrower, threatened by or against the Borrower or against any of its properties or revenues with respect to this Agreement or any of the transactions contemplated hereby.
- (f) All the shares of the Pledged Stock have been duly and validly issued and are fully paid and nonassessable.
- (g) The Borrower is the record and beneficial owner of, and has good and marketable title to, the Pledged Stock, free of any and all Liens or options in favor of, or claims of, any other Person, except the security interests created by this Agreement.
- 5. Covenants. The Borrower covenants and agrees with the Collateral Agent and the Lenders that, from and after the date of this Agreement until this Agreement is terminated and the security interests created hereby are released:
  - (a) If the Borrower shall, as a result of its ownership of the Pledged Stock, become entitled to receive or shall receive any stock certificate (including, without limitation, any certificate representing a stock dividend or a distribution in connection with any reclassification, increase or reduction of capital or any certificate issued in connection with any reorganization), option or rights, whether in addition to, in substitution of, as a conversion of, or in exchange for any shares of the Pledged Stock, or otherwise in respect thereof, the Borrower shall accept the same as the agent of the Collateral Agent and the Lenders, hold the same in trust for the Collateral Agent and the Lenders and deliver the same forthwith to the Collateral Agent in the exact form received, duly indorsed by the Borrower to the Collateral Agent, if required, together with an undated stock power covering such certificate duly executed in blank by the Borrower and with, if the Collateral Agent so requests, signature guaranteed, to be held by the Collateral Agent, subject to the terms hereof, as additional collateral security for the Obligations. Any sums paid upon or in respect of the Pledged Stock upon the liquidation or dissolution of the Issuer shall be paid over to the Collateral Agent to be held by it hereunder as additional collateral security for the Obligations, and in case any distribution of capital shall be made on or in respect of the Pledged Stock or any property shall be distributed upon or with respect to the Pledged Stock pursuant to the recapitalization or reclassification of the capital of the Issuer or pursuant to the reorganization thereof, the property so distributed shall be delivered to the Collateral Agent to be held by it hereunder as additional collateral security for the Obligations. sums of money or property so paid or distributed in respect of the Pledged Stock shall be received by the Borrower, the Borrower shall, until such money or property is paid or delivered to the Collateral Agent, hold such money or property in trust for the Lenders, segregated from other funds of the Borrower, as additional collateral security for the Obligations.
  - (b) Without the prior written consent of the Collateral Agent, the Borrower will not (i) sell, assign, transfer, exchange, or otherwise dispose of, or grant any option with respect to, the Collateral, (ii) create, incur or permit to exist any Lien or option in favor of, or any claim of any Person with respect to, any of the Collateral, or any interest therein, except for the security interests created by this Agreement or (iii) enter into any agreement or undertaking restricting the right or ability of the Borrower or the Collateral Agent to sell, assign or transfer any of the Collateral.
  - (c) The Borrower shall maintain the security interest created by this Agreement as a first, perfected security interest and shall defend such security interest against claims and demands of all Persons whomsoever. At any time and from time to time, upon the written request of the Collateral Agent, and at the sole expense of the Borrower, the Borrower will promptly and duly execute and deliver such

further instruments and documents and take such further actions as the Collateral Agent may reasonably request for the purposes of obtaining or preserving the full benefits of this Agreement and of the rights and powers herein granted. If any amount payable under or in connection with any of the Collateral shall be or become evidenced by any promissory note, other instrument or chattel paper, such note, instrument or chattel paper shall be immediately delivered to the Collateral Agent, duly endorsed in a manner satisfactory to the Collateral Agent, to be held as Collateral pursuant to this Agreement.

- (d) The Borrower shall pay, and save the Collateral Agent and the Lenders harmless from, any and all liabilities with respect to, or resulting from any delay in paying, any and all stamp, excise, sales or other taxes which may be payable or determined to be payable with respect to any of the Collateral or in connection with any of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.
- 6. Cash Dividends; Voting Rights. Unless an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing and the Collateral Agent shall have given notice to the Borrower of the Collateral Agent's intent to exercise its corresponding rights pursuant to Section 7 or 8 below, the Borrower shall be permitted to receive all cash dividends paid in the normal course of business of the Issuer and consistent with past practice in respect of the Pledged Stock and to exercise all voting and corporate rights with respect to the Pledged Stock; provided, however, that no vote shall be cast or corporate right exercised or other action taken which, in the Collateral Agent's reasonable judgment, would impair the Collateral or which would be inconsistent with or result in any violation of any provision of the Credit Agreement, any Notes, this Agreement or any other Loan Document.
- 7. Rights of the Lenders and the Collateral Agent.
  (a) All money Proceeds received by the Collateral Agent hereunder shall be held by the Collateral Agent for the benefit of the Lenders in a Collateral Account. All Proceeds while held by the Collateral Agent in a Collateral Account (or by the Borrower in trust for the Collateral Agent and the Lenders) shall continue to be held as collateral security for all the Obligations and shall not constitute payment thereof until applied by the Collateral Agent to the payment thereof pursuant to Section 8(a).
- (b) If an Event of Default shall occur and be continuing and the Collateral Agent shall give notice of its intent to exercise such rights to the Borrower, (i) the Collateral Agent shall have the right to receive any and all cash dividends paid in respect of the Pledged Stock and make application thereof to the Obligations in accordance with Section 8(a) and (ii) all shares of the Pledged Stock shall be registered in the name of the Collateral Agent or its nominee, and the Collateral Agent or its nominee may thereafter exercise, (A) all voting, corporate and other rights pertaining to such shares of the Pledged Stock at any meeting of shareholders of the Issuer or otherwise and (B) any and all rights of conversion, exchange, subscription and any other rights, privileges or options pertaining to such shares of the Pledged Stock as if it were the absolute owner thereof (including, without limitation, the right to exchange at its discretion any and all of the Pledged Stock upon the merger, consolidation, reorganization, recapitalization or other fundamental change in the corporate structure of the Issuer, or upon the exercise by the Borrower or the Collateral Agent of any right, privilege or option pertaining to such shares of the Pledged Stock, and in connection therewith, the right to deposit and deliver any and all of the Pledged Stock with any committee, depositary, transfer agent, registrar or other designated agency upon such terms and conditions as the Collateral Agent may determine), all without liability except to account for property actually received by it, but the Collateral Agent shall have no duty to the Borrower to exercise any such right, privilege or option and shall not be responsible for any failure to do so or delay in so doing.
- 8. Remedies. (a) If an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, at any time at the Collateral Agent's election, the Collateral Agent may apply all or any part of Proceeds held in any Collateral Account in payment of the Obligations in such order as the Collateral Agent shall determine.
- (b) If an Event of Default shall occur and be continuing, the Collateral Agent, on behalf of the Lenders, may exercise, in addition to all other rights and remedies granted in this Agreement and in any other instrument or agreement securing, evidencing or relating to the Obligations, all rights and remedies of a secured party under the Code. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Collateral Agent, without demand of performance or other demand, presentment, protest,

advertisement or notice of any kind (except any notice required by law referred to below) to or upon the Borrower or any other Person (all and each of which demands, defenses, advertisements and notices are hereby waived), may in such circumstances forthwith collect, receive, appropriate and realize upon the Collateral, or any part thereof, and/or may forthwith sell, assign, give option or options to purchase or otherwise dispose of and deliver the Collateral or any part thereof (or contract to do any of the foregoing), in one or more parcels at public or private sale or sales, in the over-the-counter market, at any exchange, broker's board or office of the Collateral Agent or any Lender or elsewhere upon such terms and conditions as it may deem advisable and at such prices as it may deem best, for cash or on credit or for future delivery without assumption of any credit The Collateral Agent or any Lender shall have the right upon any such public sale or sales, and, to the extent permitted by law, upon any such private sale or sales, to purchase the whole or any part of the Collateral so sold, free of any right or equity of redemption in the Borrower, which right or equity is hereby waived or released. The Collateral Agent shall apply any Proceeds from time to time held by it and the net proceeds of any such collection, recovery, receipt, appropriation, realization or sale, after deducting all reasonable costs and expenses of every kind incurred in respect thereof or incidental to the care or safekeeping of any of the Collateral or in any way relating to the Collateral or the rights of the Collateral Agent and the Lenders hereunder, including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees and disbursements of counsel to the Collateral Agent, to the payment in whole or in part of the Obligations, in such order as the Collateral Agent shall determine, and only after such application and after the payment by the Collateral Agent of any other amount required by any provision of law, including, without limitation, Section 9-504(1)(c) of the Code, need the Collateral Agent account for the surplus, if any, to the Borrower. To the extent permitted by applicable law, the Borrower waives all claims, damages and demands it may acquire against the Collateral Agent or any Lender arising out of the exercise by them of any rights hereunder. If any notice of a proposed sale or other disposition of Collateral shall be required by law, such notice shall be deemed reasonable and proper if given at least 10 days before such sale or other disposition.

- (c) The Borrower waives and agrees not to assert any rights or privileges which it may acquire under Section 9-112 of the Code. The Borrower shall remain liable for any deficiency if the proceeds of any sale or other disposition of Collateral are insufficient to pay the Obligations and the fees and disbursements of any attorneys employed by the Collateral Agent or any other Lender to collect such deficiency.
- 9. Registration Rights; Private Sales. (a) If the Collateral Agent shall determine to exercise its right to sell any or all of the Pledged Stock pursuant to Section 8(b) hereof, and if in the opinion of the Collateral Agent it is necessary or advisable to have the Pledged Stock, or that portion thereof to be sold, registered under the provisions of the Securities Act, the Borrower will use its best efforts to cause the Issuer to (i) execute and deliver, and cause the directors and officers of the Issuer to execute and deliver, all such instruments and documents, and do or cause to be done all such other acts as may be, in the opinion of the Collateral Agent, necessary or advisable to register the Pledged Stock, or that portion thereof to be sold, under the provisions of the Securities Act, (ii) to use its best efforts to cause the registration statement relating thereto to become effective and to remain effective for a period of one year from the date of the first public offering of the Pledged Stock, or that portion thereof to be sold, and (iii) to make all amendments thereto and/or to the related prospectus which, in the opinion of the Collateral Agent, are necessary or advisable, all in conformity with the requirements of the Securities Act and the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission applicable thereto. The Borrower agrees to use its best efforts to cause the Issuer to comply with the provisions of the securities or "Blue Sky" laws of any and all jurisdictions which the Collateral Agent shall designate and to make available to its security holders, as soon as practicable, an earnings statement (which need not be audited) which will satisfy the provisions of Section 11(a) of the Securities Act.
- (b) The Borrower recognizes that the Collateral Agent may be unable to effect a public sale of any or all the Pledged Stock, by reason of certain prohibitions contained in the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws or otherwise, and may be compelled to resort to one or more private sales thereof to a restricted group of purchasers which will be obliged to agree, among other things, to acquire such securities for their own account for investment and not with a view to the distribution or resale thereof. The Borrower acknowledges and agrees that any such private sale may result in prices and other terms less favorable than if such sale were a public sale and,

notwithstanding such circumstances, agrees that any such private sale shall be deemed to have been made in a commercially reasonable manner. The Collateral Agent shall be under no obligation to delay a sale of any of the Pledged Stock for the period of time necessary to permit the Issuer thereof to register such securities for public sale under the Securities Act, or under applicable state securities laws, even if the Issuer would agree to do so.

- (c) The Borrower further agrees to use its best efforts to do or cause to be done all such other acts as may be necessary to make such sale or sales of all or any portion of the Pledged Stock pursuant to this Section valid and binding and in compliance with any and all other applicable Requirements of Law. The Borrower further agrees that a breach of any of the covenants contained in this Section will cause irreparable injury to the Collateral Agent and the Lenders, that the Collateral Agent and the Lenders have no adequate remedy at law in respect of such breach and, as a consequence, that each and every covenant contained in this Section shall be specifically enforceable against the Borrower, and the Borrower hereby waives and agrees not to assert any defenses against an action for specific performance of such covenants except for a defense that no Event of Default has occurred.
- 10. Irrevocable Authorization and Instruction to Issuer. The Borrower hereby authorizes and instructs the Issuer to comply with any instruction received by it from the Collateral Agent in writing that (a) states that an Event of Default has occurred and (b) is otherwise in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, without any other or further instructions from the Borrower, and the Borrower agrees that the Issuer shall be fully protected in so complying.
- 11. Collateral Agent's Appointment as Attorney-in-Fact.

  (a) The Borrower hereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints the Collateral Agent and any officer or agent of the Collateral Agent, with full power of substitution, as its true and lawful attorney-in-fact with full irrevocable power and authority in the place and stead of the Borrower and in the name of the Borrower or in the Collateral Agent's own name, from time to time in the Collateral Agent's discretion, for the purpose of carrying out the terms of this Agreement, to take any and all appropriate action and to execute any and all documents and instruments which may be necessary or desirable to accomplish the purposes of this Agreement, including, without limitation, any financing statements, endorsements, assignments or other instruments of transfer.
- (b) The Borrower hereby ratifies all that said attorneys shall lawfully do or cause to be done pursuant to the power of attorney granted in Section 11(a). All powers, authorizations and agencies contained in this Agreement are coupled with an interest and are irrevocable until this Agreement is terminated and the security interests created hereby are released.
- 12. Duty of Collateral Agent. The Collateral Agent's sole duty with respect to the custody, safekeeping and physical preservation of the Collateral in its possession, under Section 9-207 of the Code or otherwise, shall be to deal with it in the same manner as the Collateral Agent deals with similar securities and property for its own account, except that the Collateral Agent shall have no obligation to invest funds held in any Collateral Account and may hold the same as demand deposits. Neither the Collateral Agent, any Lender nor any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents shall be liable for failure to demand, collect or realize upon any of the Collateral or for any delay in doing so or shall be under any obligation to sell or otherwise dispose of any Collateral upon the request of the Borrower or any other Person or to take any other action whatsoever with regard to the Collateral or any part thereof.
- 13. Execution of Financing Statements. Pursuant to Section 9-402 of the Code, the Borrower authorizes the Collateral Agent to file financing statements with respect to the Collateral without the signature of the Borrower in such form and in such filing offices as the Collateral Agent reasonably determines appropriate to perfect the security interests of the Collateral Agent and the Lenders under this Agreement. A carbon, photographic or other reproduction of this Agreement shall be sufficient as a financing statement for filing in any jurisdiction.
- 14. Authority of Collateral Agent. The Borrower acknowledges that the rights and responsibilities of the Collateral Agent under this Agreement with respect to any action taken by the Collateral Agent or the exercise or non-exercise by the Collateral Agent of any option, voting right, request, judgment or other right or remedy provided for herein or

resulting or arising out of this Agreement shall, as between the Collateral Agent and the Lenders, be governed by such agreements with respect thereto as may exist from time to time among them, but, as between the Collateral Agent and the Borrower, the Collateral Agent shall be conclusively presumed to be acting as agent for the Lenders with full and valid authority so to act or refrain from acting, and neither the Borrower nor the Issuer shall be under any obligation, or entitlement, to make any inquiry respecting such authority.

- 15. Notices. Notices may be given by hand, by telecopy, or by nationally recognized overnight courier service, addressed or transmitted to the Person to which it is being given at such Person's address or transmission number set forth in the Credit Agreement and shall be effective (a) when delivered by hand, (b) in the case of a nationally recognized overnight courier service, one Business Day after delivery to such courier service, and (c) in the case of telecopy notice when received. The Borrower may change its address and transmission number by written notice to the Collateral Agent, and the Collateral Agent or any Lender may change its address and transmission number by written notice to the Borrower and, in the case of a Lender, to the Collateral Agent.
- 16. Severability. Any provision of this Agreement which is prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such prohibition or unenforceability without invalidating the remaining provisions hereof, and any such prohibition or unenforceability in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction.
- 17. Amendments in Writing; No Waiver; Cumulative Remedies. (a) None of the terms or provisions of this Agreement may be waived, amended, supplemented or otherwise modified except by a written instrument executed by the Borrower and the Collateral Agent.
- (b) Neither the Collateral Agent nor any Lender shall by any act (except by a written instrument pursuant to Section 17(a) hereof), delay, indulgence, omission or otherwise be deemed to have waived any right or remedy hereunder or to have acquiesced in any Default or Event of Default or in any breach of any of the terms and conditions hereof. No failure to exercise, nor any delay in exercising, on the part of the Collateral Agent or any Lender, any right, power or privilege hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof. No single or partial exercise of any right, power or privilege hereunder shall preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or privilege. A waiver by the Collateral Agent or any Lender of any right or remedy hereunder on any one occasion shall not be construed as a bar to any right or remedy which the Collateral Agent or such Lender would otherwise have on any future occasion.
- (c) The rights and remedies herein provided are cumulative, may be exercised singly or concurrently and are not exclusive of any other rights or remedies provided by law.
- 18. Section Headings. The section headings used in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and are not to affect the construction hereof or be taken into consideration in the interpretation hereof.
- 19. Successors and Assigns. This Agreement shall be binding upon the successors and assigns of the Borrower and shall inure to the benefit of the Collateral Agent and the Lenders and their successors and assigns.
- 20. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed and interpreted in accordance with, the law of the State of New York.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Agreement to be duly executed and delivered as of the date first above written.

AUDIOVOX CORPORATION

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Sr. Vice Pres.& CFO

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONSENT

The undersigned hereby acknowledges receipt of a copy of the Stock Pledge Agreement, dated as of July \_\_, 1996 (as the same may be amended, supplemented, waived or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Pledge Agreement"), made by Audiovox Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Borrower"), in favor of The Chase Manhattan Bank, a New York banking corporation, as collateral agent (in such capacity, the "Collateral Agent") for the several banks and other financial institutions (collectively, the "Lenders"; individually, a "Lender") from time to time parties to the Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of May 5, 1995 (as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Credit Agreement"), among the Borrower, the several banks and other financial institutions from time to time parties thereto (collectively, the "Lenders"; individually, a "Lender") and The Chase Manhattan Bank, a New York banking corporation, as administrative and collateral agent for the Lenders (in such capacity, the "Agent"). The undersigned agrees for the benefit of the Agent and the Lenders as follows:

- 1. The undersigned will be bound by the terms of the Pledge Agreement and will comply with such terms insofar as such terms are applicable to the undersigned.
- 2. The undersigned will notify the Agent promptly in writing of the occurrence of any of the events described in Section 5(a) of the Pledge Agreement.
- 3. The terms of Section 9(c) of the Pledge Agreement shall apply to it, mutatis mutandis, with respect to all actions that may be required of it under or pursuant to or arising out of Section 9 of the Pledge Agreement.

AUDIOVOX COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr

Title:Sr. Vice Pres. & CFO

## SCHEDULE 1 TO PLEDGE AGREEMENT

# DESCRIPTION OF PLEDGED STOCK

	Class of	Stock Certificate	No. of
Issuer	Stock*	No.	Shares
Audiovox Communications			
Corp.		1	10

 $\ensuremath{^{*}\text{Stock}}$  is assumed to be common stock unless otherwise indicated.

FIFTH AMENDMENT, dated as of September 10, 1996 (this "Amendment"), to the Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of May 5, 1995 (as amended pursuant to the First Amendment thereto dated as of December 22, 1995, the Second Amendment thereto dated as of February 9, 1996, the Third Amendment thereto dated as of May 13, 1996, the Fourth Amendment and Consent thereto, dated as of July 29, 1996 and this Amendment, and as the same may be further amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Credit Agreement"), among AUDIOVOX CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation (the "Borrower"), the several banks and other financial institutions from time to time parties thereto (collectively, the "Lenders"; individually, a "Lender") and THE CHASE MANHATTAN BANK, a New York banking corporation, as administrative and collateral agent for the Lenders (in such capacity, the "Agent").

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Borrower, the Lenders and the Agent are parties to the Credit Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Borrower, the Lenders and the Agent wish to increase the Commitments under the Credit Agreement by \$10,000,000 and The CIT Group/Business Credit, Inc. (the "New Lender") wishes to become a Lender to provide such increased Commitments under and subject to the terms and conditions of the Credit Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises contained herein, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. Defined Terms. Unless otherwise defined herein, terms which are defined in the Credit Agreement and used herein (and in the recitals hereto) as defined terms are so used as so defined.
- 2. New Lender. (a) From and after the Effective Date, the New Lender shall be a party to the Credit Agreement with a Commitment of \$10,000,000 as set forth on Schedule I to the Credit Agreement and, to the extent provided in this Amendment, shall have the rights and obligations of a Lender thereunder and under the other Loan Documents and shall be bound by the provisions thereof. Without limiting the foregoing, the New Lender shall advance to the Agent on the Effective Date an amount equal to its Commitment Percentage (as set forth on Schedule A hereto) of the aggregate principal amount of all Loans outstanding on such Effective Date and, upon receipt thereof, the Agent shall distribute to the other Lenders their ratable share of such amount.
- (b) The New Lender confirms that it has received a copy of the Credit Agreement, together with copies of the financial statements referred to in subsection 6.1, the financial statements delivered pursuant to subsection 8.1, if any, and such other documents and information as it has deemed appropriate to make its own credit analysis and decision to enter into this Amendment.
- (c) The New Lender appoints and authorizes the Agent and the Collateral Agent to take such action as agent on its behalf and to exercise such powers under the Credit Agreement and each of the other Loan Documents as are delegated to the Agent and the Collateral Agent by the terms thereof, together with such powers as are reasonably incidental thereto, all in accordance with Section 11 of the Credit Agreement.
- (d) The New Lender agrees that it will perform in accordance with its terms, all of the obligations which by the terms of the Credit Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents are required to be performed by it as a Lender.
- 3. Increase in Commitments; Amendment to Schedule I. The aggregate Commitments of the Lenders shall be increased to \$85,000,000. To effect such increase, the Borrower, the Lenders and the Agent hereby agree that Schedule I to the Credit Agreement is hereby amended by deleting such Schedule in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof a new Schedule to read in its entirety as set forth in Schedule A hereto.
- 4. Representations and Warranties. On and as of the date hereof, the Borrower hereby confirms, reaffirms and restates the representations and warranties set forth in Section 6 of the Credit Agreement mutatis mutandis, except to the extent that such representations and warranties expressly relate to a specific earlier date in which case the Borrower hereby confirms,

reaffirms and restates such representations and warranties as of such earlier date.

- 5. Effectiveness. This Amendment shall become effective as of the date (the "Effective Date") first written above upon satisfaction of the following conditions precedent:
  - (i) receipt by the Agent of counterparts of this Amendment duly executed by the Borrower, the Required Lenders, the New Lender and the Agent;
  - (ii) receipt by the Agent, for the account of the New Lender, of a duly executed Note reflecting its Commitment substantially in the form of Exhibit A to the Credit Agreement; and
  - (iii) receipt by the New Lender of any fees required to be paid in connection with this Amendment.
- 6. Continuing Effect; No Other Amendments. Except as expressly provided herein, all of the terms and provisions of the Credit Agreement are and shall remain in full force and effect. The amendments provided for herein are limited to the specific subsections of the Credit Agreement specified herein and shall not constitute a consent, waiver or amendment of, or an indication of the Agent's or the Lenders' willingness to consent to any action requiring consent under or to waive or amend, any other provisions of the Credit Agreement or the same subsections for any other date or time period (whether or not such other provisions or compliance with such subsections for another date or time period are affected by the circumstances addressed in this Amendment).
- 7. Expenses. The Borrower agrees to pay and reimburse the Agent for all its reasonable costs and out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the preparation and delivery of this Amendment, including, without limitation, the reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel to the Agent.
- 8. Counterparts. This Amendment may be executed in any number of counterparts by the parties hereto (including by facsimile transmission), each of which counterparts when so executed shall be an original, but all the counterparts shall together constitute one and the same instrument.
- 9. GOVERNING LAW. THIS AMENDMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED AND INTERPRETED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed and delivered by their respective duly authorized officers as of the date first above written.

AUDIOVOX CORPORATION

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Sr. V.P. and CFO

THE CHASE MANHATTAN BANK, as Agent and as a Lender

By:s/Roland Driscoll Name: Roland Driscoll Title: Vice President

FLEET BANK, N.A., as a Lender

By:s/Michael T. Keenan Name: Michael T. Keenan Title: Vice President

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BOSTON, as a Lender

By:s/Brent E. Shay Name: Brent E. Shay Title: Director

EUROPEAN AMERICAN BANK, as a Lender

By:s/Richard Romano Name: Richard Romano Title: Vice President

THE CIT GROUP/BUSINESS CREDIT, INC. as a Lender

By:s/Edward A. Jesser Name: Edward A. Jesser Title: Vice President

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONSENT

Each of the undersigned corporations (i) as a guarantor under that certain Amended and Restated Subsidiaries Guarantee, dated as of March 15, 1994 (the "Guarantee"), made by each of such corporations in favor of the Collateral Agent and (ii) as a grantor under that certain Amended and Restated Security Agreement, dated as of March 15, 1994 (the "Security Agreement"), made by each of such corporations in favor of the Collateral Agent, confirms and agrees that the Guarantee and the Security Agreement are, and shall continue to be, in full force and effect and are hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects and the Guarantee and the Security Agreement and all of the Subsidiaries Collateral (as defined in the Security Agreement) do, and shall continue to, secure the payment of all of the Obligations (as defined in the Guarantee) and the Secured Obligations (as defined in the Security Agreement), as the case may be, pursuant to the terms of the Guarantee or the Security Agreement, as the case may be. Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Credit Agreement referred to in the Amendment to which this Acknowledgement and Consent is attached.

QUINTEX COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Vice President

QUINTEX MOBILE COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Vice President

 ${\tt HERMES} \ {\tt TELECOMMUNICATIONS} \ {\tt INC.}$ 

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Secretary/Treasurer

LENEX CORPORATION

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Secretary/Treasurer

AMERICAN RADIO CORP.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Sr. Vice President

AUDIOVOX INTERNATIONAL CORP.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Sr. Vice President

AUDIOVOX HOLDING CORP.

By:s/Chris Lazarides
Name: Chris Lazarides
Title: President

## AUDIOVOX CANADA LIMITED

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Vice President

AUDIOVOX ASIA INC.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Vice President

AUDIOVOX LATIN AMERICA LTD.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Vice President Dated as of September 10, 1996

## SCHEDULE A TO FIFTH AMENDMENT

# SCHEDULE I

# COMMITMENTS

Lender	Commitment	Percentage
The Chase Manhattan Bank	\$30,000,000	35.30%
Fleet Bank, N.A.	\$20,000,000	23.53%
The First National Bank of Boston	\$15,000,000	17.65%
European American Bank	\$10,000,000	11.76%
The CIT Group/Business Credit, Inc.	\$10,000,000	11.76%
Total	\$75,000,000	100.00%

SIXTH AMENDMENT, dated as of November 27, 1996 (this "Amendment"), to the Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of May 5, 1995 (as amended pursuant to the First Amendment thereto dated as of December 22, 1995, the Second Amendment thereto dated as of February 9, 1996, the Third Amendment thereto dated as of May 13, 1996, the Fourth Amendment and Consent thereto dated as of July 29, 1996, the Fifth Amendment thereto dated as of September 10, 1996 and this Amendment, and as the same may be further amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Credit Agreement"), among AUDIOVOX CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation (the "Borrower"), the several banks and other financial institutions from time to time parties thereto (collectively, the "Lenders"; individually, a "Lender") and THE CHASE MANHATTAN BANK, a New York banking corporation, as administrative and collateral agent for the Lenders (in such capacity, the "Agent").

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Borrower, the Lenders and the Agent are parties to the Credit Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Borrower has requested that the Lenders amend the Credit Agreement on the terms and conditions set forth herein:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises contained herein, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. Defined Terms. Unless otherwise defined herein, terms which are defined in the Credit Agreement and used herein (and in the recitals hereto) as defined terms are so used as so defined.
- 2. Amendment to Subsection 9.4. Subsection 9.4 of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended by deleting the word "and" appearing therein and substituting in lieu thereof a comma and by adding the following words at the end thereof "and (e) Guarantee Obligations of the Borrower and Quintex Communications Corp. in respect of the obligations of GLM Wireless Communications Inc. to Fleet Bank with respect to a line of credit made available by Fleet Bank to GLM Wireless Communications Inc., provided that (i) the aggregate principal amount (including the face amount of letters of credit and bankers' acceptances) of extensions of credit under such line of credit shall not exceed \$200,000 and (ii) such line of credit is also guaranteed, on a joint and several basis with the Borrower and Quintex Communications Corp., by G.L.M. Security & Sound, Inc. and G.L.M. Security & Sound of St. James, Inc.".
- 3. Representations and Warranties. On and as of the date hereof, the Borrower hereby confirms, reaffirms and restates the representations and warranties set forth in Section 6 of the Credit Agreement mutatis mutandis, except to the extent that such representations and warranties expressly relate to a specific earlier date in which case the Borrower hereby confirms, reaffirms and restates such representations and warranties as of such earlier date.
- 4. Effectiveness. This Amendment shall become effective as of the date first written above upon receipt by the Agent of counterparts of this Amendment duly executed by the Borrower and the Required Lenders.
- 5. Continuing Effect; No Other Amendments. Except as expressly provided herein, all of the terms and provisions of the Credit Agreement are and shall remain in full force and effect. The amendment provided for herein is limited to the specific subsection of the Credit Agreement specified herein and shall not constitute a consent, waiver or amendment of, or an indication of the Agent's or the Lenders' willingness to consent to any action requiring consent under or to waive or amend, any other provisions of the Credit Agreement or the same subsection for any other date or time period (whether or not such other provisions or compliance with such subsections for another date or time period are affected by the circumstances addressed in this Amendment).
- 6. Expenses. The Borrower agrees to pay and reimburse the Agent for all its reasonable costs and out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the preparation and delivery of this Amendment, including, without limitation, the reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel to the Agent.
- 7. Counterparts. This Amendment may be executed in any number of counterparts by the parties hereto (including by facsimile transmission), each of which counterparts when so

executed shall be an original, but all the counterparts shall together constitute one and the same instrument.

8. GOVERNING LAW. THIS AMENDMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED AND INTERPRETED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed and delivered by their respective duly authorized officers as of the date first above written.

#### AUDIOVOX CORPORATION

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Sr. V.P. and CFO

THE CHASE MANHATTAN BANK, as Agent and as a Lender

By:s/Roland F. Driscoll Name: Roland F. Driscoll Title: Vice President

FLEET BANK, N.A., as a Lender

By:s/Steven J. Melicharek Name: Steven J. Melicharek Title: Sr. Vice President

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BOSTON, as a Lender

By:s/Brent E. Shay Name: Brent E. Shay Title: Director

EUROPEAN AMERICAN BANK, as a Lender

By:s/Stuart N. Berman Name: Stuart N. Berman Title: Vice President

THE CIT GROUP/BUSINESS CREDIT, INC. as a Lender

By:s/Jon F. Oldham Name: Jon F. Oldham Title: Assistant Secretary

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONSENT

Each of the undersigned corporations (i) as a guarantor under that certain Amended and Restated Subsidiaries Guarantee, dated as of March 15, 1994 (the "Guarantee"), made by each of such corporations in favor of the Collateral Agent and (ii) as a grantor under that certain Amended and Restated Security Agreement, dated as of March 15, 1994 (the "Security Agreement"), made by each of such corporations in favor of the Collateral Agent, confirms and agrees that the Guarantee and the Security Agreement are, and shall continue to be, in full force and effect and are hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects and the Guarantee and the Security Agreement and all of the Subsidiaries Collateral (as defined in the Security Agreement) do, and shall continue to, secure the payment of all of the Obligations (as defined in the Guarantee) and the Secured Obligations (as defined in the Security Agreement), as the case may be, pursuant to the terms of the Guarantee or the Security Agreement, as the case may be. Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Credit Agreement referred to in the Amendment to which this Acknowledgement and Consent is attached.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Vice President

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By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Secretary/Treasurer

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AUDIOVOX COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr Name: Charles M. Stoehr Title: Secretary

# AUDIOVOX CORPORATION Computation of Income (Loss) Per Common Share Years Ended November 30, 1996, 1995 and 1994 (In thousands, except per share data)

	1996	1995	1994
Primary earnings:			
Income (loss) before cumulative effect of a change in an accounting principle Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle Net income (loss)	-	\$(9,256) - \$(9,256)	(178)
Shares Weighted average number of common shares outstanding Additional shares assuming conversion of: Stock options, performance share awards, and warrants	9,398	9,039	9,037 69
Weighted average common shares outstanding, as adjusted	9,398	9,039	
Primary earnings per common share: Before cumulative effect Cumulative effect Net income (loss)	` - ´	\$ (1.02) - \$ (1.02)	\$ (0.02)
Fully diluted earnings*: Income (loss) before cumulative effect of a change in an accounting principle Net interest expense related to convertible debt	- -	<u>-</u>	\$26,206 2,074
Income before cumulative effect of a change in an accounting principle Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle Net income (loss) applicable to common stock	- - -	- - -	28,280 (178) \$28,102
Shares Weighted average number of common shares outstanding Additional shares assuming conversion of: Stock options, performance share awards, and	-	-	9,037
warrants Convertible debentures		- -	88 3,644
Weighted average common shares outstanding, as adjusted	-	-	12,769
Fully diluted earnings per common share: Before cumulative effect Cumulative effect Net income (loss)	- - -	- - -	\$ 2.21 \$ (0.01) \$ 2.20

<sup>\*</sup>The Company did not compute fully-diluted earnings per share as the addition of potentially dilutive securities would result in anti-dilution.

### SUBSIDIARIES OF REGISTRANT

Jurisdiction of Subsidiaries Incorporation

Audiovox Communications Corp.

Quintex Communications Corp.

Quintex Mobile Communications Corp.

American Radio Corp.

Audiovox Holding Corp.

Audiovox Canada Limited

Audiovox Communications (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd.

Delaware
Georgia
New York
Ontario
Malaysia

The Board of Directors and Stockholders Audiovox Corporation:

We consent to incorporation by reference in the registration statements (No. 33-18119 and 33-65580) on Form S-8 and (No. 333-00811) on Form S-3 of Audiovox Corporation and subsidiaries of our report dated January 23, 1997, relating to the consolidated balance sheets of Audiovox Corporation and subsidiaries as of November 30, 1996 and 1995, and the related consolidated statements of income (loss), stockholders' equity and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended November 30, 1996, and all related schedules, which report appears in the November 30, 1996 annual report on Form 10-K of Audiovox Corporation and subsidiaries.

Our report refers to changes in the methods of accounting for certain investments in equity securities and income taxes.

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Jericho, New York February 26, 1997

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