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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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FORM 10-Q

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

For Quarter Ended August 31, 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 (I.R.S. Employer  
incorporation or organization) Identification No.)

150 Marcus Blvd., Hauppauge, New York 11788  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

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

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

Yes  No

Number of shares of each class of the Registrant's Common Stock outstanding as of the latest practicable date.

Class	Outstanding at September 30, 1996
Class A Common Stock	7,233,834 Shares
Class B Common Stock	2,260,954 Shares

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AUDIOVOX CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES  
Consolidated Balance Sheets  
(In thousands, except share data)

	November 30, 1995	August 31, 1996 (unaudited)
Assets		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 7,076	\$ 6,509
Accounts receivable, net	96,930	86,485
Inventory, net	100,422	94,744
Receivable from vendor	5,097	12,120
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	5,443	6,981
Deferred income taxes	5,287	4,661
Restricted cash	5,959	-
Total current assets	226,214	211,500
Investment securities	62,344	20,781
Equity investments	8,527	8,522
Property, plant and equipment, net	6,055	6,760
Debt issuance costs, net	4,235	3,689
Excess cost over fair value of assets acquired and other intangible assets, net	943	850
Other assets	2,737	2,772
	\$ 311,055	\$ 254,874
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 17,844	\$ 19,501
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	16,800	20,289
Income taxes payable	2,455	3,552
Bank obligations	761	2,000
Documentary acceptances	7,120	2,662
Current installments of long-term debt	5,688	68
Total current liabilities	50,668	48,072
Bank obligations	49,000	34,098
Deferred income taxes	23,268	7,518
Long-term debt, less current installments	70,534	70,181
Total liabilities	193,470	159,869
Minority interest	363	836
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock	2,500	2,500
Common Stock:		
Class A; 30,000,000 authorized; 6,777,788 and 6,983,834 issued on November 30, 1995 and August 31, 1996, respectively	68	70
Class B; 10,000,000 authorized; 2,260,954 issued	22	22
Paid-in capital	42,876	44,201
Retained earnings	40,998	42,393
Cumulative foreign currency translation and adjustment	(963)	(969)
Unrealized gain on marketable securities, net	31,721	5,952
Total stockholders' equity	117,222	94,169
Commitments and contingencies		
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 311,055	\$ 254,874

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

AUDIOVOX CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES  
Consolidated Statements of Income (Loss)  
(In thousands, except share and per share data)

	Three Months Ended August 31,		Nine Months Ended August 31,	
	1995	1996	1995	1996
	(unaudited)		(unaudited)	
Net sales	\$ 112,177	\$ 142,828	\$ 349,378	\$ 406,515
Cost of sales (includes an inventory write-down to market of \$9,300 in 1995)	104,771	118,189	300,115	340,413
Gross profit	7,406	24,639	49,263	66,102
Operating expenses:				
Selling	8,583	9,820	25,723	26,137
General and administrative	11,518	8,274	29,486	23,767
Warehousing, assembly and repair	2,451	2,817	7,286	7,874
	22,552	20,911	62,495	57,778
Operating income (loss)	(15,146)	3,728	(13,232)	8,324
Other income (expenses):				
Interest and bank charges	(2,595)	(2,193)	(7,306)	(6,407)
Equity in income of equity investments	210	135	2,612	550
Management fees and related income	(354)	7	362	157
Gain on sale of investment	8,435	-	8,435	985
Expense related to issuance of warrants	-	-	(2,921)	-
Other, net	(279)	(102)	(836)	(519)
	5,417	(2,153)	346	(5,234)
Income (loss) before provision for (recovery of) income taxes	(9,729)	1,575	(12,886)	3,090
Provision for (recovery of) income taxes	(3,344)	808	(3,265)	1,696
Net income (loss)	\$ (6,385)	\$ 767	\$ (9,621)	\$ 1,394
Net income (loss) per common share (primary)	\$ (0.71)	\$ 0.08	\$ (1.06)	\$ 0.15
Net income (loss) per common share (fully diluted)	\$ (0.71)	\$ 0.08	\$ (1.06)	\$ 0.15
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding, primary	9,038,742	9,285,188	9,038,742	9,285,188
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding, fully diluted	9,038,742	9,325,588	9,038,742	9,330,217

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

AUDIOVOX CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES  
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows  
(In thousands)

	Nine Months Ended August 31,	
	1995 (unaudited)	1996
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income (loss)	\$ (9,621)	\$ 1,394
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	3,008	2,433
Provision for bad debt expense	1,181	249
Equity in income of equity investments	(2,612)	(550)
Minority interest	142	473
Gain on sale of investment	(8,435)	(985)
Provision for (recovery of) deferred income taxes, net	(7,300)	670
Provision for unearned compensation	250	228
Expense related to issuance of warrants	2,921	-
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment, net	-	(13)
Other non-cash charges to income	(8)	-
Changes in:		
Accounts receivable	18,653	10,251
Inventory	(35,473)	5,785
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other current liabilities	(4,272)	4,985
Receivable from vendor	(3,954)	(7,022)
Income taxes payable	3,294	1,087
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(9,476)	(1,580)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	(51,702)	17,405
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of property, plant and equipment, net	(1,402)	(2,240)
Proceeds from sale of investment	17,250	1,000
Proceeds from distribution from equity investment	198	317
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	16,046	(923)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Net borrowings (repayments) under line of credit agreements	29,130	(13,676)
Net borrowings under documentary acceptances	5,800	(4,458)
Principal payments on long-term debt	-	(4,389)
Debt issuance costs	(675)	(323)
Principal payments on capital lease obligation	(190)	(158)
Proceeds from release of restricted cash	450	5,959
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	34,515	(17,045)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	7	(4)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(1,134)	(567)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	5,495	7,076
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 4,361	\$ 6,509

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

AUDIOVOX CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

Nine Months Ended August 31, 1995 and August 31, 1996

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

- (1) The accompanying consolidated financial statements were prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and include all adjustments which, in the opinion of management, are necessary to present fairly the consolidated financial position of Audiovox Corporation and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of November 30, 1995 and August 31, 1996 and the results of operations and consolidated statements of cash flows for the nine month periods ended August 31, 1995 and August 31, 1996.

Accounting policies adopted by the Company are identified in Note 1 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company's 1995 Annual Report filed on Form 10-K.

- (2) The information furnished in this report reflects all adjustments (which include only normal recurring adjustments) which are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair statement of the results for the interim period. The interim figures are not necessarily indicative of the results for the year.
- (3) The following is supplemental information relating to the consolidated statements of cash flows:

	Nine Months Ended August 31,	
	1995	1996
Cash paid during the period:		
Interest (excluding bank charges)	\$5,393	\$4,219
Income taxes	\$ 722	\$ 193

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.

As of August 31, 1996, the Company recorded an unrealized holding loss relating to available-for-sale marketable securities, net of deferred taxes, of \$25,769 as a separate component of stockholders' equity.

- (4) Receivable from vendor includes \$8,767 prepaid to TALK Corporation (TALK), a vendor who is also a 33%-owned equity investment. This prepayment is for inventory which was delivered to the Company during September 1996. In addition, TALK owes the Company \$3,353 for claims on late deliveries, product modifications and price protection. These claims will be paid in monthly installments, with interest, with the final payment due May 1997.
- (5) On December 1, 1995, the Company purchased a 50% equity investment in a newly-formed company, Quintex Communications West, LLC, for approximately \$97 in contributed assets and a loan of \$100, payable at 8.5%, due March 1997.

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

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, certain items from the Company's consolidated statements of earnings, expressed as percentages of net sales:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	August 31,		August 31,	
	1995	1996	1995	1996
Net sales	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Gross profit	6.6	17.3	14.1	16.3
Operating expenses	20.1	14.6	17.9	14.2
Income (loss) before provision for (recovery of) income taxes	(8.7)	1.1	(3.7)	0.8
Net income (loss)	(5.7)	0.5	(2.8)	0.3

Net sales by product line for the three and nine month periods ended August 31, 1995 and August 31, 1996 are reflected in the following table:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	August 31,		August 31,	
	1995	1996	1995	1996
Cellular product - wholesale	\$ 50,394	\$ 76,339	\$168,439	\$224,117
Cellular product - retail	2,686	2,295	13,225	5,829
Activation commissions	7,630	7,914	29,861	25,515
Residual fees	1,239	1,236	3,461	3,654
Total Cellular	61,949	87,784	214,986	259,115
Automotive sound equipment	28,471	29,296	79,550	75,456
Automotive security and accessory equipment	21,752	24,789	54,823	69,271
Other	5	959	19	2,673
	\$112,177	\$142,828	\$349,378	\$406,515

## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Net sales increased by approximately \$30,651, or 27.3%, for the three month period ended August 31, 1996, compared to the same period last year. This result was due to increases in net sales from all of the Company's product lines: cellular of approximately \$25,835, or 41.7%, automotive sound equipment of approximately \$825, or 2.9%, and automotive security and accessory equipment of approximately \$3,037, or 14.0%. During the fourth quarter of 1995, the Company introduced a line of leisure products, comprised mostly of home and portable stereo/cassette/CD changers. This new line had net sales of approximately \$556 for the quarter.

Net sales increased approximately \$57,137, or 16.4%, for the nine months ended August 31, 1996 compared to the same period last year. Both cellular and automotive security and accessory equipment sales increased over last year by approximately \$44,129 (20.5%) and \$14,448 (26.4%), respectively. These increases were partially offset by a decline in sales of automotive sound equipment of approximately \$4,094, or 5.1%. In addition, the Company's new line of leisure products had sales of approximately \$2,052 for the first nine months of 1996.

The increase in cellular sales for the third quarter of 1996 was due to a 218,000 increase in unit sales to approximately

466,000 units, an 87.9% increase over the same period last year. The increase in unit sales was partially offset by a 24.9% decrease in average unit selling prices from \$201 to \$151. For the nine months ended August 31, 1996, unit sales increased by approximately 535,000 units, or 71.4%, over the first nine months of 1995 to 1,284,000. During this same period of time, however, average selling prices declined 25.4% from \$213 to \$159.

During the third quarter of 1995, the Company decided to close retail outlets which were either marginally profitable or unprofitable. As of August 31, 1996, the Company operates approximately 30 retail outlets compared to 77 on August 31, 1995. The closing of these retail outlets affected the number of subscriber activations for the three and nine months ended August 31, 1996, by approximately 6.0% and 23.2%, respectively, compared to last year. The total activation commissions received by the Company increased 3.7% and decreased 14.6% for the three and nine month periods ended August 31, 1996, respectively, compared to the same period last year. However, the average commission earned per activation increased 10.4% and 11.2% for the same periods last year, respectively. In addition, residuals decreased 0.2% for the quarter and increased 5.6% year-to-date compared to last year. The residual customer base is unaffected by the closing of retail

outlets as the majority of the residual agreements are not entered into with specific retail locations.

Net sales of automotive sound equipment increased by approximately \$825, or 2.9%, and decreased by approximately \$4,094, or 5.1%, for the three and nine month periods ended August 31, 1996, compared to the same periods in 1995. The increase for the three months ended August 31, 1996 was due to an increase in sales by the Company's majority-owned international ventures, a large portion of such revenue being attributed to sales by its Malaysian venture and an increase in Private Label and Prestige Audio product lines. These increases were partially offset by lower sales in the AV product line, which is sold to mass merchandisers and catalog showrooms, and the SPS product line. The decrease for the nine months was primarily due to a decrease in sales of products sold to mass merchandise chains and catalog showrooms. Automotive sound sales also decreased in the truck and agricultural vehicle markets, the Prestige and SPS audio product lines. These decreases were partially offset by an increase in sales to private label customers and in sales by the Company's international companies. Net sales of automotive security and accessory products increased approximately \$3,037, or 14.0%, and \$14,448, or 26.4%, for the three and nine month periods ended August 31, 1996, compared to the

same period in 1995, respectively. The increases were principally due to improved sales of Prestige vehicle security products, cruise controls and increased sales in the Company's Malaysian operation, both for the three and nine month periods. These increases were partially offset by reductions in net sales of the Company's security lines sold to mass merchandisers and catalog showrooms.

Gross margins for the quarter ended August 31, 1996 increased to 17.3% from 6.6%, 14.9% before the inventory write-down, for the same period in 1995. For the nine months ended August 31, 1996, gross margins increased to 16.3% from 14.1%, 16.8% before the inventory write-down, for 1995. For the three months ended August 31, 1996, cellular gross margins were 14.6% compared to 9.7% before the aforementioned inventory write-down. The increase in cellular margins is a result of the continuing increase in unit sales and a 31.7% decrease in average unit cost. This is offset by a decline of unit selling prices due to increased competition and the introduction of lower-priced units. The average unit selling price for the three months was 24.9% lower at August 31, 1996 compared to August 31, 1995. Gross margins increased to 13.0% from 9.2%, 13.3% before the inventory write-down, for the nine month period compared to last year. Average unit selling prices decreased 25.3% while average unit costs decreased 27.7%. As

previously discussed, this was partially offset by the decline in new subscriber activations and activation commissions, partially offset by an increase in residuals.

The Company believes that the cellular market will continue to be a highly-competitive, price-sensitive environment. Cellular service providers will continue to try to lower their product costs to the end user which will continue to put pressure on unit selling prices. The Company has negotiated, and is continuing to negotiate, lower inventory purchasing costs for both its existing models and new products. However, increased price competition related to the Company's product lines could result in additional downward pressure on gross margins. In the future, the Company may have to adjust the carrying value of its inventory if selling prices continue to decline and it is unable to obtain competitively-priced product from its suppliers.

Automotive sound margins increased to 18.9% from 13.1% for the quarter ended August 31, 1996 compared to the same quarter last year. Year-to-date margins increased to 19.6% from 17.2%. The increase in automotive sound margins was attributable to the Company's international operations, primarily Malaysia, and increases in the margins of the AV Product and Heavy Duty Sound Product lines. This was partially offset by decreases in AV, SPS

and Prestige Audio product lines. Automotive accessory margins decreased to 24.9% from 29.9% for the three month period ended August 31, 1996 compared to the same period in 1995. On a year-to-date basis, automotive accessory margins decreased to 24.9% from 28.9% for the same period last year. These decreases were primarily in the Prestige security and cruise control product lines, and in the Company's international operations.

Total operating expenses decreased approximately \$1,641, or 7.3%, and \$4,717, or 7.5%, for the three and nine month periods ended August 31, 1996 compared to the same periods last year. For the third quarter, warehousing, assembly and repair expenses increased approximately \$366 (14.9%) due to increases in field warehousing expenses, warehouse production expenses and direct labor. Selling expenses increased approximately \$1,237 (14.4%) primarily due to increases in divisional marketing and advertising of approximately \$1,636, and travel expenses. These increases were partially offset by decreases in salesmen's salaries, commissions and payroll taxes. General and administrative expenses decreased approximately \$3,244 (28.2%) primarily in occupancy costs, telephone, and depreciation. These decreases were partially offset by increases in temporary personnel and professional fees. A large

part of the decrease in occupancy and related expenses is attributable to the closing of many retail outlets during the latter part of 1995 and the associated \$2,500 charge recorded in the third quarter of 1995.

For the nine months ended August 31, 1996, warehousing, assembly, and repair expenses increased approximately \$588 (8.1%) due to increases in field warehousing expenses and direct labor, partially offset by a decrease in warehouse production expenses. Selling expenses increased approximately \$414 (1.6%) primarily in divisional marketing and advertising of approximately \$3,468, trade show and travel expenses. These increases were partially offset by decreases in salesmen's salaries, commissions and payroll taxes. General and administrative expenses decreased approximately \$5,719 (19.4%) primarily in occupancy costs, telephone, depreciation and office expenses. These decreases were partially offset by increases in travel and professional fees. As previously stated, a large part of the decrease in occupancy and related expenses is attributable to the closing of many retail outlets.

Operating income increased \$18,874 and \$21,556 over last year for the three and nine month periods, respectively. The Company's retail operations, with fewer outlets compared to last year, increased operating income by \$5,509 and \$7,160 for the three and nine month periods ended August 31, 1996, respectively. The

wholesale business, both automotive and cellular, experienced an increase in operating income of \$13,365 and \$14,397 for the three and nine month periods ended August 31, 1996, respectively.

Equity in income of equity investments decreased \$75 and \$2,062 for the three and nine month periods ended August 31, 1996 compared to the same periods last year. This decrease was primarily due to the Company no longer accounting for its investment in CellStar on the equity method. The change in accounting method was caused by the sale of CellStar shares during the third quarter of 1995 which reduced the Company's holdings below 20% and eliminated the Company's significant influence over CellStar. For the three and nine months ended August 31, 1995, the Company recorded equity income of CellStar of \$106 and \$2,152, respectively. Management fees and related income also decreased compared to last year, primarily due to Audiovox Pacific experiencing a shift in its cellular market. The Company is currently sourcing product which should provide Audiovox Pacific with the ability to meet this change in the marketplace.

Interest expense and bank charges decreased by \$402 and \$899 for the three and nine month periods ended August 31, 1996 compared to 1995, respectively, primarily due to reduced interest-bearing borrowings, partially offset by an increase in interest rates.

Income (loss) before provision for (recovery of) income taxes was \$1,575 and \$3,090 for the three and nine month periods ended August 31, 1996, a \$11,304 and \$15,976 increase over the same periods last year, respectively. However, during 1996, the Company's Canadian operations have experienced losses which do not have a corresponding tax carryback. As a result, the Company must add the Canadian losses back when computing its consolidated provision for income taxes. This has resulted in the Company providing approximately \$808 and \$1,696 in income taxes for the three and nine months ended August 31, 1996, respectively. The Company is in the process of reorganizing its Canadian operations.

#### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

The Company's cash position at August 31, 1996 was approximately \$567 below the November 30, 1995 level. Operating activities provided approximately \$17,405, compared to an operating cash deficit of \$51,702 for the nine months ended August 31, 1995, primarily due to profitable operations and decreases in both accounts receivable and inventory, offset by an advance to a supplier for product delivered in September 1996 and reduced accounts payable and accrued expenses. Investing activities used approximately \$923, primarily from the purchase of property, plant and equipment offset by the proceeds of the sale of an investment.

Financing activities used approximately \$17,045, primarily from repayments of bank obligations. In addition, 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 May 5, 1995, the Company entered into an amended and restated Credit Agreement ("Credit Agreement") with five banks, including Chemical Bank which acts as agent for the bank group, which provides that 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 are secured by accounts receivable and inventory of the Company and those subsidiaries. The obligations are also secured by a pledge agreement entered into by the Company for 1,075,000 shares of CellStar Common Stock. Availability of credit under the Credit Agreement is in a maximum aggregate amount of \$95,000, is subject to certain conditions and is based upon a formula taking into account the amount and quality of its accounts receivable and inventory. The Company amended the Credit Agreement, effective December 22, 1995 and February 9, 1996, which amendments provided for, among other things, increased

interest rates, which may be reduced under certain circumstances, and a change in the criteria for and method of calculating certain financial covenants in the future as follows: net income of \$2,500 was changed to pre-tax income of \$4,000 per annum; the Company must have pre-tax income of \$1,500 for the first six months of fiscal 1996; 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 \$100,000, of which a minimum level of \$80,000, adjusted for the unrealized holding gain for CellStar, must be maintained.

Effective May 13, 1996, the Company executed a Third Amendment to the Credit Agreement and a Pledge Agreement Amendment and Supplement. The Amendment amends the Credit Agreement to provide that the Company shall not permit (i) Consolidated Net Worth to be less than \$90,000 at any time or (ii) Consolidated Adjusted Net Worth to be less than \$80,000 at any time. The Pledge Agreement Amendment and Supplement increases the number of shares of CellStar stock pledged by Audiovox Holding Corp. by 1,050,000 additional shares. The total number of shares pledged by Audiovox Holding Corp., as increased, is 2,125,000.

On July 26, 1996, the Company executed a Fourth Amendment to the Credit Agreement. The Amendment amends the Credit Agreement to decrease the availability of credit under the Agreement to a maximum aggregate of \$75,000. In addition, the term of the Agreement was extended to February 28, 1998 from February 28, 1997. On September 10, 1996, the Company entered into a Fifth Amendment to the Credit Agreement. This Amendment increased the Company's line of credit to \$85,000. All other terms and conditions remained the same.

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.

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

PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

Item 6. Reports on Form 8-K

No reports were filed on Form 8-K during the quarter ended August 31, 1996.

SIGNATURES

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

AUDIOVOX CORPORATION

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

Dated: October 4, 1996

By:s/Charles M. Stoehr  
Charles M. Stoehr  
Senior Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

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