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AVOCENT REVISES FOURTH QUARTER RESULTS

Does Not Expect to Pay Contingent Consideration on LANDesk Acquisition

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. (March 1, 2007) — Avocent Corporation (NASDAQ: AVCT) announced today that it was revising previously reported fourth quarter revenue for its LANDesk Division to reduce revenue by \$2.8 million and consolidated operational income by \$1.9 million. Together with a reduction in tax expense discussed below, consolidated GAAP net income was reduced by \$0.7 million. Avocent also announced that it now does not expect to pay the previously accrued contingent consideration of \$27 million relating to the LANDesk acquisition.

“We became aware that several previously recorded transactions did not meet the stringent revenue recognition criteria for sales of software and that certain royalties earned by LANDesk should have been recorded prior to the closing date of the acquisition,” stated Edward H. Blankenship, Avocent’s chief financial officer. “These revenue adjustments were partially offset by lower management bonus accruals, and we will continue to evaluate certain other costs, primarily commissions, related to these transactions. We also determined that certain tax benefits relating to Avocent stock options exercised in 2006, which were assumed in prior acquisitions, should be included in the determination of net income instead of equity for GAAP purposes.”

As revised, Avocent’s fourth quarter consolidated revenue increased 55% to \$166.1 million in 2006 from \$106.8 million in 2005 and fourth quarter operational income per diluted share increased to \$0.59 in 2006 from \$0.49 in 2005. Revised consolidated revenue for the year ended December 31, 2006 increased 41% to \$520.9 million from \$369.9 million in 2005. Revised operational income per diluted share increased to \$1.96 in 2006 from \$1.31 in 2005.

“We remain very excited and optimistic about the many opportunities we have with LANDesk and the joint product development activities we have underway,” added John Cooper, Avocent’s chairman and chief executive officer. “Over the past few weeks I have talked with several key channel partners and LANDesk sales force members, and I am quite encouraged by the strength and depth of our relationships with these key contributors and the pipeline of potential deals we have to pursue.”

A summary of the revised results for the fourth quarter of 2006 follows at the end of this release. More information on the 2006 results can be found in Avocent’s Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission today.

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Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Income prior to intangible amortization, stock compensation and in-process research and development expenses, or operational income as used in the attached financial statement schedules, is not a measure of financial performance under generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and should not be considered a substitute for or superior to GAAP. Avocent's management uses operational income as a financial measure to evaluate performance and allocate resources within the Company. Management believes this measure presents the Company's results on a more comparable operational basis by excluding non-cash amortization expenses, non-operational expenses associated with acquisitions, and non-cash stock-based compensation expense. Avocent believes that operational income is a measure of performance used by many investment banks, analysts, investors and others to make informed investment decisions. Other companies may calculate operational income in a different manner so this measure may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other companies. A reconciliation of Avocent's results using operational measures and GAAP is set forth in the condensed consolidated statements of operations included in this press release.

About Avocent Corporation

Avocent delivers IT operations and infrastructure management solutions for enterprises worldwide, helping customers to reduce costs and simplify complex IT environments via integrated, centralized in-band and out-of-band hardware and software. Through LANDesk, Avocent also is a leading provider of systems, security, and process management solutions. Additional information is available at: www.avocent.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains statements that are forward-looking statements as defined within the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These include statements regarding our opportunities and joint product development activities with LANDesk, the pipeline for future LANDesk deals, and the contingent consideration not earned or payable to former LANDesk shareholders. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the statements made, including the risks associated with general economic conditions, risks attributable to future product demand, sales, and expenses, risks associated with product design efforts and the introduction of new products and technologies, and risks associated with obtaining and protecting intellectual property rights. Other factors that could cause operating and financial results to differ are described in Avocent's annual report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission today. Other risks may be detailed from time to time in reports to be filed with the SEC. Avocent does not undertake any obligation to publicly update its forward-looking statements based on events or circumstances after the date hereof.

AVOCENT CORPORATION
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income
(Unaudited, in thousands, except per share data)

	For the Quarter Ended December 31, 2006			GAAP
	Operational	Stock Compensation *	Adjustments **	
Net sales	\$ 166,070		\$ (1,206)	\$ 164,864
Cost of sales	56,292	\$ 475	2,683	59,450
Gross profit	<u>109,778</u>	<u>(475)</u>	<u>(3,889)</u>	<u>105,414</u>
Research and development expenses	18,203	2,130	-	20,333
Selling, general and administrative expenses	49,955	3,823	151	53,929
Acquisition integration expenses	331	-	-	331
Amortization of intangible assets	-	-	9,207	9,207
Operating income	<u>41,289</u>	<u>(6,428)</u>	<u>(13,247)</u>	<u>21,614</u>
Other income (expense), net	<u>(1,283)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,283)</u>
Income before income taxes	40,006	(6,428)	(13,247)	20,331
Provision for income taxes	9,404	(2,546)	(2,995)	3,863
Net income	<u>\$ 30,602</u>	<u>\$ (3,882)</u>	<u>\$ (10,252)</u>	<u>\$ 16,468</u>
Earnings per share:				
Basic	\$ 0.60			\$ 0.32
Diluted	\$ 0.59			\$ 0.32
Weighted average shares and common equivalents outstanding:				
Basic	50,826	-	-	50,826
Diluted	52,110	-	-	52,110

	For the Year Ended December 31, 2006			GAAP
	Operational	Stock Compensation *	Adjustments **	
Net sales	\$ 520,881		\$ (1,686)	\$ 519,195
Cost of sales	192,869	\$ 977	3,577	197,423
Gross profit	<u>328,012</u>	<u>(977)</u>	<u>(5,263)</u>	<u>321,772</u>
Research and development expenses	59,564	4,302	-	63,866
Acquired in-process research and development expenses	-	-	20,700	20,700
Selling, general and administrative expenses	138,435	9,307	603	148,345
Acquisition integration expenses	3,904	-	-	3,904
Amortization of intangible assets	-	-	23,049	23,049
Operating income	<u>126,109</u>	<u>(14,586)</u>	<u>(49,615)</u>	<u>61,908</u>
Other income (expense), net	<u>3,784</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,784</u>
Income before income taxes	129,893	(14,586)	(49,615)	65,692
Provision for income taxes	32,748	(4,862)	(7,726)	20,160
Net income	<u>\$ 97,145</u>	<u>\$ (9,724)</u>	<u>\$ (41,889)</u>	<u>\$ 45,532</u>
Earnings per share:				
Basic	\$ 2.00			\$ 0.94
Diluted	\$ 1.96			\$ 0.92
Weighted average shares and common equivalents outstanding:				
Basic	48,548	-	-	48,548
Diluted	49,475	-	-	49,475

* Stock Compensation relates to expensing of stock options, restricted stock units and performance shares. Avocent adopted SFAS 123R effective January 1, 2006 and began recording expense related to outstanding unvested stock options on that date as well as on subsequent equity compensation grants.

** Adjustments related to acquired in-process research and development expense from the Cyclades and LANDesk acquisitions, depreciation and amortization of the purchase accounting adjustment to deferred revenue and intangibles recorded as the result of acquisitions.

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AVOCENT CORPORATION
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets
(Unaudited, in thousands)

	December 31, 2006	December 31, 2005
Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments	\$ 107,165	\$ 293,903
Accounts receivable, net	126,471	68,712
Inventories, net	41,765	21,178
Other current assets	17,269	10,524
Deferred income tax	7,355	4,054
Total current assets	300,025	398,371
Investments	987	51,939
Property and equipment, net	38,004	36,801
Goodwill	607,488	269,992
Other intangible assets, net	209,674	15,763
Other assets	2,676	885
Total assets	\$ 1,158,854	\$ 773,751
Accounts payable and other accrued expenses	\$ 41,771	\$ 23,569
Income tax payable	17,364	11,270
Deferred revenue	44,453	1,702
Other current liabilities	29,754	17,206
Total current liabilities	133,342	53,747
Line of credit obligation	150,000	-
Deferred income taxes	30,377	2,564
Deferred revenue, net of current portion	10,070	1,065
Other non-current liabilities	1,222	1,053
Total liabilities	325,011	58,429
Total stockholders' equity	833,843	715,322
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 1,158,854	\$ 773,751

Additional Financial Information
(Unaudited, in thousands)

	Quarter Ended December 31, 2006	Year Ended December 31, 2006
<i><u>Revenue by Distribution Channel</u></i>		
Branded	\$ 108,050	\$ 313,567
OEM	58,020	207,314
Total	\$ 166,070	\$ 520,881
<i><u>Revenue by Division</u></i>		
Management Systems	\$ 124,259	\$ 426,412
LANDesk	26,846	40,368
Embedded Software and Solutions	9,437	33,766
Other business units	4,704	16,658
Corporate and unallocated	824	3,677
Total	\$ 166,070	\$ 520,881
<i><u>LANDesk Division Revenues by Type</u></i>		
Licenses and royalties	\$ 16,792	\$ 27,049
Maintenance and services	10,054	13,319
Total	\$ 26,846	\$ 40,368
<i><u>Operating Profit (Loss) by Division (Excludes stock-based compensation expense)</u></i>		
Management Systems	\$ 41,869	\$ 129,906
LANDesk	1,993	7,897
Embedded Software and Solutions	4,018	12,816
Other business units	(3,163)	(13,240)
Corporate and unallocated	(3,428)	(11,270)
Total	\$ 41,289	\$ 126,109

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