



## **Earnings Surges 115% to S\$5.6 million**

Interim results show company on track for strong FY06

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(SINGAPORE, February 9, 2006) – SGX mainboard-listed Ellipsiz Ltd today reported a 115% (year-on-year) surge in earnings before exceptional gains to S\$5.6 million for the half-year ended December 2005. Net profit was up 10% from S\$5.1 million in the same period one year ago.

Revenue grew 35% to S\$81.7 million. The growth was driven by contributions from all three business segments. The Wafer Fab Solutions segment, which consists of equipment distribution, wafer reclaim and pump refurbishment, grew 15% yoy to S\$45.0 million. The Fabless Solutions segment, which comprises probe card design and manufacture, grew 38% yoy to S\$25.6 million. The Manufacturing Test Solutions segment, comprising iNETest acquired in July 2005, contributed revenue of S\$11.1 million for the period. This compares to S\$3.1 million in the first half of FY05 derived from the divestment of our chip testing business.

Xavier Chong, CEO of Ellipsiz, said: “Through a synergistic combination of organic growth and strategic acquisitions, we continue to generate good returns for our shareholders. We have delivered on our promises over the last 3½ years – survival, recovery, turnaround, growth. We are now well positioned to move forward with our plan and aspiration to achieve the ‘blue chip’ status in the next few years.”

Interim dividend of 0.5 Singapore cents per share was declared, the same as in the first half of FY05. For the full FY06, Ellipsiz targets to maintain or grow its dividends compared to FY05, depending on profitability, liquidity requirements and the operating environment. Ellipsiz shareholders have been receiving cash returns on their investment since FY04.

In the second half of FY06, we expect positive contributions from the wafer test assets that will be acquired from Kulicke & Soffa Industries. For full FY06, we see another good year for our shareholders with healthy growth in revenue and earnings.

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## About Ellipsiz Ltd

SGX mainboard-listed Ellipsiz is an outsourced services provider serving the semiconductor and EMS (electronics manufacturing services) industries. Our main businesses include semiconductor manufacturing equipment distribution, probe card design and manufacture, wafer reclaim and pump refurbishment services, and manufacturing test systems integration. The group has operations in Singapore, Malaysia, Taiwan, Vietnam, China and USA. Please visit us on the web at <http://www.ellipsiz.com>.

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