RICHARDSON ELECTRONICS LTD/DE Form 8-K January 17, 2006

# **UNITED STATES**

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM 8-K

## **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of

The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) : January 11, 2006

# **RICHARDSON ELECTRONICS, LTD.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction *0-12906* (Commission File Number) 36-2096643 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Identification No.)

40W267 Keslinger Road, P.O. Box 393, LaFox, Illinois

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (630) 208-2200

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

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#### Item 2.02. Results of Operation and Financial Condition

On January 11, 2006, Richardson Electronics, Ltd. issued a press release reporting results for its fiscal second quarter ended December 3, 2005. A copy of the press release is furnished below:

#### Richardson Reports Second Quarter Operating Income of \$7.4 Million, up 50.8% from the Prior Year

LaFox, IL, Wednesday, January 11, 2006: Richardson Electronics, Ltd. (NASDAQ: RELL) today reported results for its fiscal second quarter ended December 3, 2005. Sales in the quarter were \$155.8 million, an increase of 3.0% from the second quarter of fiscal 2005. Gross margin improved to 25.4% of sales in the second quarter of fiscal 2006 from 24.4% of sales in the same period last year. Operating income increased 50.8% to \$7.4 million in the second quarter of fiscal 2006 from \$4.9 million in the same quarter last year.

Net income was \$0.5 million in the second quarter, or \$0.03 per diluted common share, as compared with \$4.0 million, or \$0.23 per diluted common share, in the same quarter last fiscal year. The decrease in net income from the prior year was primarily due to foreign exchange fluctuations. The results for the second quarter of fiscal 2006 include a foreign exchange loss of \$3.8 million, as compared to a foreign exchange gain of \$3.3 million in the second quarter last year. The foreign exchange loss was due to the strengthening of the U.S. dollar relative to debt due from foreign subsidiaries to the U.S. parent company and denominated in foreign currencies.

During the second quarter of fiscal 2006, the Company implemented a reorganization plan encompassing the Company s RF & Wireless Communications Group and Industrial Power Group business units. Effective for the second quarter of fiscal 2006, Industrial Power Group has been designated as Electron Device Group and RF & Wireless Communications Group has been designated as RF, Wireless & Power Division. The reorganization was implemented to increase efficiencies by integrating Industrial Power Group s power conversion sales and product management into RF & Wireless Communications Group, expanding the geographic sales coverage and seeking to drive power conversion sales growth by leveraging RF & Wireless Communications Group s larger sales resources. In addition, the Company believes that Electron Device Group will benefit from an increased focus on the high-margin tube business with a simplified global sales and product management structure to work more effectively with customers and vendors. All data presented has been reclassified to reflect the reorganization.

Sales Highlights Second Quarter Fiscal 2006 as Compared with Second Quarter Fiscal 2005

The Company recorded year-over-year sales growth for the second quarter of fiscal 2006. RF, Wireless & Power Division led the sales growth, increasing sales 6.5% with higher demand for network access and passive/interconnect products. Sales for Security Systems Division grew 3.3% in the second quarter of fiscal 2006, led by sales increases in private label products. Electron Device Group s sales increased 2.8% mainly due to growth in semiconductor fabrication equipment and tube products. Sales for Display Systems Group were down 7.1% due mainly to the delay in closing project business which is expected to be shipped over the balance of the year, offset by an increase in sales of custom display products resulting from the acquisition of A.C.T. Kern GmbH & Co. KG effective June 1, 2005.

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On a geographic basis, sales in Latin America grew 20.0% in the second quarter of fiscal 2006 as compared with the prior year period driven mainly by higher demand for security and electron device products. Sales in Asia/Pacific increased 9.5% with continued strong demand for wireless products, while sales in Europe were up 3.7%. Sales in North America declined 0.7% due mainly to lower demand for display systems in the U.S. and Canada, offset somewhat by growth in wireless products sales in the U.S.

We are extremely pleased with the year-over-year improvement in operating income for the quarter, said Edward J. Richardson, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer. Achieving higher sales and improving gross margin while keeping operating spending levels in line with last year s second quarter will assist us in achieving our goal of continuous operating performance improvement.

On Thursday, January 12, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. CST, Mr. Edward J. Richardson, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, will host a conference call to discuss the release. A question and answer session will be included as part of the call s agenda. To listen to the call, please dial 800-288-8976 approximately five minutes prior to the start of the call. A replay of the call will be available from 12:30 p.m. on January 12, 2006 through April 13, 2006. The telephone numbers for the replay are (USA) 800-475-6701 and (International) 320-365-3844; access code 808051.

This release includes certain forward-looking statements as defined by the SEC. Statements in this press release regarding the Company s business which are not historical facts represent forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. For a discussion of such risks and uncertainties, which could cause actual results to differ from those contained in the forward-looking statements, see Risk Factors in the Company s annual report on Form 10-K. The Company assumes no responsibility to update the forward-looking statements in this release as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

#### **About Richardson Electronics**

Richardson Electronics, Ltd. is a global provider of Engineered Solutions, serving the RF, Wireless & Power Conversion; Electron Device; Security; and Display Systems markets. The Company delivers engineered solutions for its customers needs through product manufacturing, systems integration, prototype design and manufacture, testing and logistics. Press announcements and other information about Richardson are available on the World Wide Web at <a href="http://www.rell.com/investor.asp">http://www.rell.com/investor.asp</a>.

#### **Richardson Electronics, Ltd.**

#### **Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations**

(Unaudited) (in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three M	onths Ended	Six Months Ended			
	December 3, 2005	November 27, 2004	December 3, 2005	November 27, 2004		
Net sales	\$ 155,837	\$ 151,274	\$ 313,982	\$ 289,721		
Cost of sales	116,199	114,320	235,528	219,238		
Gross margin	39,638	36.954	78,454	70,483		
Selling, general and administrative expenses	32,234	32,048	65,301	61,264		
Gain on disposal of assets	(22)	(17)	(162)	(27)		
Operating income	7,426	4,923	13,315	9,246		
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Other (income) expense:						
Interest expense	2,320	2,184	4,641	4,441		
Investment income	(23)		(131)			
Foreign exchange (gain) loss	3,819	(3,299)	3,682	(2,398)		
Other, net	131	(89)	175	(52)		
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Total other (income) expense	6,247	(1,204)	8,367	1,991		
Income before income taxes	1,179	6,127	4,948	7,255		
Income tax provision	705	2,082	2,912	2,404		
Net income	\$ 474	\$ 4,045	\$ 2,036	\$ 4,851		
Net income per share, as restated:						
Net income per share - basic (1):						
Common stock	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.30		
Common stock average shares outstanding	14,293	14,126	14,284	13,420		
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Class B common stock	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.27		
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Class B common stock average shares outstanding	3,110	3,158	3,110	3,158		
Net income per share - diluted (1):						
Common stock	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.29		
Common stock average shares outstanding	17,462	17,479	17,475	16,801		
Class B common stock	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.26		
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Class B common stock average shares outstanding	3,110	3,158	3,110	3,158		

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Dividends per common share	\$ 0.040	\$ 0.040	\$	0.080	\$ 0.080
Dividends per Class B common share	\$ 0.036	\$ 0.036	\$	0.072	\$ 0.072

<sup>(1)</sup> Earnings per share reflects the application of EITF No. 03-6, Participating Securities and the Two-Class Method under FASB Statement No. 28, Earnings Per Share, and was computed using the two-class method for all periods presented.

Certain amounts in fiscal 2005 were reclassified to conform with the fiscal 2006 presentation.

#### **Richardson Electronics, Ltd.**

#### Sales and Gross Margin

#### For the Second Quarter and Six Months of Fiscal 2006 and 2005

(In thousands, unaudited)

#### By Business Unit:

		Sales			Gross Margin				
	FY 2006	FY 2005	% Change	FY 2006	GM% of Sales	FY 2005	GM% of Sales		
Second Quarter									
RF, Wireless & Power Division	\$ 79,547	\$ 74,705	6.5%	\$ 18,728	23.5%	\$ 17,706	23.7%		
Electron Device Group	24,629	23,957	2.8%	7,761	31.5%	7,482	31.2%		
Security Systems Division	28,268	27,360	3.3%	7,155	25.3%	7,304	26.7%		
Display Systems Group	21,894	23,562	-7.1%	6,118	27.9%	5,298	22.5%		
Corporate	1,499	1,690		(124)		(836)			
Total	\$ 155,837	\$151,274	3.0%	\$ 39,638	25.4%	\$ 36,954	24.4%		
Six Months									
RF, Wireless & Power Division	\$ 160,799	\$ 146,513	9.8%	\$ 37,409	23.3%	\$ 34,433	23.5%		
Electron Device Group	48,372	46,223	4.6%	15,292	31.6%	14,532	31.4%		
Security Systems Division	55,172	53,121	3.9%	14,169	25.7%	13,802	26.0%		
Display Systems Group	46,344	40,542	14.3%	12,133	26.2%	9,431	23.3%		
Corporate	3,295	3,322		(549)		(1,715)			
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Total	\$ 313,982	\$ 289,721	8.4%	\$ 78,454	25.0%	\$ 70,483	24.3%		

#### By Geographic Area:

	Sales			Gross Margin			
	FY 2006	FY 2005	% Change	FY 2006	GM% of Sales	FY 2005	GM% of Sales
Second Quarter							
North America	\$ 79,219	\$ 79,765	-0.7%	\$21,052	26.6%	\$ 20,767	26.0%
Europe	34,925	33,664	3.7%	9,173	26.3%	9,195	27.3%
Asia/Pacific	34,793	31,776	9.5%	8,221	23.6%		