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

## **FORM 10-Q**

b QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2009
OR
" TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the transition period from to
Commission file number: 000-31283

## PECO II, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio	34-1605456
(State or other jurisdiction	(I.R.S. Employer
of incorporation or organization)	Identification No.)
1376 State Route 598, Galion, Ohio	44833
(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)

#### 419-468-7600

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

#### None

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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 b No "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes "No"

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer "

Accelerated filer "

Non-accelerated filer " (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Smaller reporting company þ

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes " No p

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

**Class**Common Stock, without par value

Outstanding at October 31, 2009 2,850,860 shares

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## PECO II, INC.

#### PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1.
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## PECO II, INC.

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands, except for share data)

	Sep	otember 30, 2009	December 31, 2008		
ASSETS	(u	ınaudited)			
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	4,190	\$	5,814	
Accounts receivable, net		4,319		4,366	
Inventories, net		5,977		8,533	
Cost and earnings in excess of billings on uncompleted contracts		3,795		622	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		155		267	
Assets held for sale		5		28	
Restricted cash		1,620		834	
Total current assets		20,061		20,464	
Property and equipment, at cost:					
Land and land improvements		195		195	
Buildings and building improvements		4,628		4,628	
Machinery and equipment		3,028		2,895	
Furniture and fixtures		5,538		5,518	
		13,389		13,236	
Less-accumulated depreciation:		(10,378)		(10,109)	
Property and equipment, net		3,011		3,127	
Other assets:					
Idle facility		800		800	
Intangibles, net		1,944		2,748	
Total assets	\$	25,816	\$	27,139	

#### LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY

Current liabilities:

Borrowings under line of credit	\$	1,620	\$ 834
Bank overdrafts			994
Accounts payable		3,235	3,387
Billings in excess of cost and estimated earnings on uncompleted			
contracts		282	235
Accrued compensation expense		1,217	923
Accrued income taxes		51	56
Other accrued expenses		1,711	1,633
Total current liabilities		8,116	8,062
Shareholders equity:			
Common stock, no par value: 150,000,000 shares authorized; 2,85	0,860		
and 2,816,527 shares issued at September 30, 2009 and December	31,		
2008, respectively		3,616	3,573
Additional paid-in capital		122,055	121,901
Accumulated deficit		(107,971)	(106,397)
Total shareholders equity		17,700	19,077
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	\$	25,816	\$ 27,139

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

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## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(unaudited)

(In thousands, except for per share data)

		nree Months ptember 30,		For the Nine Ended Septen				
	2009		2008		2009		2008	
Net sales:								
Product	\$ 6,299	\$	8,834	\$	18,154	\$	24,629	
Services	6,650		3,129		12,205		7,402	
	12,949		11,963		30,359		32,031	
Cost of sales (exclusive of depreciation and amortization):								
Product	5,517		7,620		15,155		20,910	
Services	4,827		2,556		9,170		6,066	
	10,344		10,176		24,325		26,976	
Gross margin	2,605		1,787		6,034		5,055	
Operating expenses:								
Depreciation and amortization	363		379		1,104		1,142	
Research, development and								
engineering	416		610		1,350		1,897	
Selling, general and administrative	1,540		2,040		5,150		5,976	
	2,319		3,029		7,604		9,015	
Income (loss) from operations	286		(1,242)		(1,570)		(3,960)	
Interest income, net	7		37		24		143	
Income (loss) before income taxes	293		(1,205)		(1,546)		(3,817)	
Income tax expense	(10)		(9)		(28)		(19)	
Net income (loss)	\$ 283	\$	(1,214)	\$	(1,574)	\$	(3,836)	
Net income (loss) per common share:								
Basic and diluted	\$ 0.10	\$	(0.44)	\$	(0.55)	\$	(1.39)	
Weighted average common shares outstanding:								

Basic and diluted 2,851 2,765 2,851 2,756

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## PECO II, INC.

#### CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(unaudited)

## (In thousands)

**For the Nine Months** 

	Ended September 30,			0,
		2009		2008
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:				
Net loss	\$	(1,574)	\$	(3,836)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used for operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization		1,104		1,142
Provision for bad debts		42		34
Provision for obsolete and excess inventories		859		929
Provision for product warranty		706		802
Gain on disposals of property and equipment		(1)		(5)
Asset impairments				66
Compensation expense from share-based payments		196		329
Working capital changes:				
Accounts receivable		5		(1,174)
Inventories		1,696		1,143
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		(3,062)		(511)
Accounts payable other current liabilities		(443)		(755)
Net cash used for operating activities		(472)		(1,836)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:				
Capital expenditures		(185)		(60)
Transfer to restricted cash		(786)		(641)
Issuance of note receivable				(250)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment		26		172
Net cash used for investing activities		(945)		(779)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:				
Net usage under line of credit agreement		786		641
Net decrease in bank overdraft		(994)		
Proceeds from issuance of common shares - ESPP		1		8
Net cash (used for) provided by financing activities		(207)		649

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Net change in cash	(1,624)	(1,966)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	5,814	7,935
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 4,190	\$ 5,969
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:		
Income taxes paid	\$ 34	\$ 68
Interest paid	15	10

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

#### PECO II, INC.

#### NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(unaudited, in thousands except for share and per share data)

#### 1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of PECO II, Inc. (the Company ) and its wholly and partially owned subsidiaries. In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments, of a normal and recurring nature, necessary to present fairly the results for the interim periods presented.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Estimates are used for, but not limited to, the accounting for doubtful accounts, inventory obsolescence, depreciation and amortization, goodwill and other asset impairments, warranty costs, valuation allowance on tax assets, stock-based compensation, taxes and contingencies. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America have been condensed or omitted. The December 31, 2008 balance sheet data was derived from audited financial statements, but does not include all disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. It is suggested that these condensed statements be read in conjunction with the Company s most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K.

#### Reclassifications

In 2009, the Company's presentation of certain expenses within its consolidated statements of operations was changed. Depreciation and amortization expenses were previously recorded in the captions. Cost of sales, Research, development and engineering and Selling, general and administrative. In the current year, depreciation and amortization expenses are now being presented separately under the caption. Depreciation and amortization. The Company believes that this change in presentation provides a more meaningful measure of its cost of sales and other operating expenses. These reclassifications had no effect on reported consolidated income (loss) from operations, net income (loss) or per share amounts. Amounts presented for the prior periods have been reclassified to conform to the current presentation. The following table provides the amounts reclassified for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 and September 30, 2008.

Amounts reclassified:		For the Three Months			For the Nine Months			
		Ended Sept	30,	Ended September 30,				
	2	2009	2	2008	2009	2	2008	
Cost of sales	\$	(255)	\$	(261) \$	(763)	\$	(786)	
Research, development and engineering		(10)		(12)	(32)		(35)	
Selling, general and administrative		(98)		(106)	(309)		(321)	
Depreciation and amortization		363		379	1,104		1,142	

Total costs and expenses \$ \$ \$

#### Financial Instruments

The Company s financial instruments consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents, receivables and debt. Fair values of cash and cash equivalents, receivables and payables approximate carrying values due to their relatively short-term nature. The carrying amount of debt approximates fair value due to the length of maturity and the existence of interest rates that approximate prevailing market rates.

Subsequent Events

The Company has evaluated for disclosure all subsequent events occurring through November 13, 2009, the date the financial statements were issued and filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

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#### NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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#### 2. Recently Adopted and Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

Effective for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) became the single source of authoritative generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) in the United States. The ASC does not change current GAAP, but introduces a new structure, organized by accounting topics, designed to simplify user access to all authoritative literature related to a particular accounting topic. All prior authoritative documents were superseded and all other accounting literature not included in the ASC is considered nonauthoritative. As a result, prior GAAP references are no longer applicable. In an effort to make the financial statements more useful, the Company has elected to omit specific GAAP references and to ensure accounting concepts and policies are clearly explained. Any new recently issued accounting pronouncements will be referenced to the FASB s Accounting Standards Update (ASU) referencing structure.

#### Fair value

As permitted, management elected to defer adoption of new fair value accounting standards until 2009 for nonfinancial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis. Accordingly, beginning January 1, 2009, management began applying the new standards to nonfinancial assets and liabilities for any nonrecurring fair value measurements required. During 2009, there have been no fair value measurements on a nonrecurring basis of the Company s nonfinancial assets and liabilities that require further consideration or disclosure.

Effective for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2009, we also adopted new accounting standards that require disclosures about the fair value of financial instruments for interim reporting periods in addition to annual financial statements. The adoption of this standard does not have a material effect on our consolidated results of operations, financial position, or cash flows.

#### Business combinations and noncontrolling interests

Effective January 1, 2009, we adopted new accounting standards for accounting and reporting of business combinations and noncontrolling interests. We have not entered into any business combination transactions during 2009. Therefore, the effect of implementing these standards will be dependent upon the nature and extent of future business combination transactions.

#### Earnings per share

Effective January 1, 2009, we adopted a new accounting standard for determining whether instruments granted in share-based payment transactions are participating securities. Under the new standard, unvested share-based awards that contain non-forfeitable rights to dividends or dividend equivalents (whether paid or unpaid) are participating securities and are included in the computation of earnings per share pursuant to the two-class method. Before adoption, the Company already treated unvested share-based awards granted in share-based payment transactions as participating securities. As such, the adoption of this new standard did not have any effect on the computation of earnings per share.

#### Subsequent events

Effective for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2009, we adopted a new accounting standard for subsequent events. The new standard provides guidance for the accounting and disclosure of events that occur after the balance sheet date but before financial statements are issued or available to be issued. It also requires us to disclose the date through which subsequent events were evaluated and whether that date represents the date the financial statements were issued or were available to be issued. The adoption of this standard did not have a material effect on our consolidated results of operations, financial position, or cash flows.

#### Revenue recognition

In October 2009, the FASB issued ASU 2009-13, *Revenue Recognition (Topic 605) Multiple-Deliverable Revenue Arrangements*. This ASU provides amendments to the criteria for separating deliverables and measuring and allocating arrangement consideration to one or more units of accounting. The amendments establish a selling price hierarchy for determining the selling price of a deliverable. The ASU permits the use of the best estimate of selling price in addition to vendor-specific objective evidence (VSOE) and third-party evidence (TPE) for determining the selling price of a deliverable. In cases in which VSOE or TPE cannot be determined, use of the best estimate of selling price is required. In addition, the residual method of allocating arrangement consideration is no longer permitted. This new update is effective for revenue arrangements entered into or materially modified in fiscal years beginning on or after June 15, 2010. Early adoption is permitted. We are currently evaluating the impact that the adoption of this ASU will have on our consolidated financial statements.

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#### NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(unaudited, in thousands except for share and per share data)

**For the Three Months** 

**For the Nine Months** 

#### 3. Segment Information

The following summarizes additional information regarding segments of the Company s operations:

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Net sales:	<b>Ended Sept</b>	30,		Ended September 30,			
	2009		2008		2009		2008
Product	\$ 6,299	\$	8,834	\$	18,154	\$	24,629
Services	6,650		3,129		12,205		7,402
	\$ 12,949	\$	11,963	\$	30,359	\$	32,031
	For the Thr	ee Mon	ths		For the Nir	ne Mont	chs
Income (loss) from operations:	Ended Sept	tember	30,	Ended September 30,			30,
	2009		2008		2009		2008
Product	\$ (839)	\$	(1,228)	\$	(2,734)	\$	(3,543)
Services	1,125		(14)		1,164		(417)
Consolidated income (loss) from operations.	\$ 286	\$	(1,242)	\$	(1,570)	\$	(3,960)

#### 4. Inventories

Inventory is stated at the lower of cost or market. Cost is computed using standard cost, which approximates actual cost on the first-in, first-out basis, net of allowances for estimated obsolescence. Major classes of inventory at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 are summarized below:

	September 30,		December 31,	
	,	2009		2008
Raw materials	\$	8,185	\$	9,924
Work-in-process		273		303
Finished goods		937		1,106
Gross inventories		9,395		11,333
Allowance for obsolete and excess inventory		(3,418)		(2,800)
Inventories, net	\$	5,977	\$	8,533

From time to time, the Company has increased risk for obsolete and excess inventory depending on various unforeseen future events and circumstances, primarily related to the mix of future business and customer requirements for new technologies that could have a material impact on the Company s estimated allowance for obsolete and excess inventory in the near term. If these unforeseen events and circumstances do occur in the near term, the resulting changes in the estimate could be material to the Company s consolidated financial position and results of operation.

#### **5. Uncompleted Contracts**

Costs and estimated earnings on uncompleted contracts consist of the following:

	September 30,		December 31,	
		2009		2008
Costs incurred on uncompleted contracts	\$	4,557	\$	2,500
Estimated earnings		1,572		500
		6,129		3,000
Less: Billings to date		2,616		2,613
	\$	3,513	\$	387

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Included in the accompanying balance sheet under the following captions:

	September 30,		December 31,	
		2009		2008
Costs and estimated earnings in excess of billings on uncompleted contracts	\$	3,795	\$	622
Billings in excess of costs and estimated earnings on uncompleted contracts		(282)		(235)
	\$	3,513	\$	387

#### 6. Intangibles

Intangible assets are summarized as follows and relate to the product segment only:

	Septe	ember 30,	Dec	ember 31,
Intangible Assets with Determinable Lives		2009		2008
Customer relationships	\$	2,000	\$	2,000
Supply agreement		3,700		3,700
Total gross intangible assets		5,700		5,700
Less: Accumulated amortization		3,756		2,952
Intangibles, net	\$	1,944	\$	2,748

Amortization expense for the nine months ending September 30, 2009 and 2008 was \$805 for both nine-month periods. Amortization is calculated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. The estimated useful lives of the customer relationship and supply agreement intangibles are 6 years and 5 years, respectively.

#### 7. Warranty

The Company s warranty activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 are summarized below:

	2	009	2008
Accrued warranty cost, beginning of period	\$	1,012	\$ 908
Warranty provision		706	802
Warranty claims		(521)	(754)

Accrued warranty cost, end of period

\$

1,197

\$

956

#### **8. Contingencies**

The Company is periodically a party, both as plaintiff and defendant, to lawsuits and claims arising out of the normal course of business. If necessary, the Company records reserves for losses that are deemed to be probable and that are subject to reasonable estimates. As of September 30, 2009, management does not believe that there are any matters that may have a material adverse effect on the financial condition or results of operations of the Company.

### 9. Earnings Per Share

The number of shares outstanding for calculation of earnings per share is as follows:

	For the Three Months		For the Nine Months		
	Ended September 30, Ended Septe			tember 30,	
(Shares in thousands)	2009	2008	2009	2008	
Weighted-average shares outstanding - basic	2,851	2,765	2,851	2,756	
Effect of potentially dilutive shares					
Weighted average shares outstanding - dilutive	2,851	2,765	2,851	2,756	

Due to the Company s net loss for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008, no common equivalent shares were included in the calculation of diluted earnings per share for either period because their effect would have been anti-dilutive. For the three months ended September 30, 2009, all outstanding stock options were excluded from the calculation of diluted shared because the exercise price of the options was greater than the market price at the end of the period.

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#### NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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## 10. Stock-Based Compensation

Total stock-based compensation expense by type of award is as follows:

		For the Th	ree Mont	hs		For the Ni	ne Month	ıs
		<b>Ended Sep</b>	tember 3	0,		<b>Ended Sep</b>	tember 3	0,
	20	009	2	2008	2	009	2	008
Stock options	\$	26	\$	101	\$	48	\$	155
Restricted stock awards		59		46		147		171
Employee stock purchase plan				1		1		3
Total stock-based compensation expense		85		148		196		329
Tax effect on stock-based compensation expense								
Net effect on income (loss) from operations		85		148		196		329

There was no recorded tax effect on the recognition of stock-based compensation expense due to the Company s significant operating loss carry-forward and valuation reserve. In addition, there was no effect on the presentation of the statement of cash flows as excess tax benefits from the exercise of stock options have not been recorded as the Company does not expect to be able to realize current period deductions of taxable income.

#### Stock Options

The following table represents option activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2009:

			Weighted Average
Number of	1	Weighted Average	Remaining
Shares		Exercise Price	Contract Life
192,402	\$	9.98	
(42,402)		9.63	
150,000		10.08	1.32 years
125,100	\$	10.55	0.94 years
	Shares 192,402 (42,402) 150,000	Shares 192,402 \$ (42,402) 150,000	Shares Exercise Price 192,402 \$ 9.98  (42,402) 9.63 150,000 10.08

At September 30, 2009 there was no aggregate intrinsic value of stock options outstanding and exercisable as the exercise prices of the options were all greater than that of the average market price at the end of the period.

#### Restricted Stock Awards

The following table represents restricted stock awards activity for the year-to-date period ended September 30, 2009:

		V	Veighted Average
	Number of		<b>Grant Date</b>
	Shares		Fair Value
Nonvested at December 31, 2008	45,000	\$	3.92
Awarded	33,732		2.82
Vested	(6,330)		3.16
Nonvested at September 30, 2009	72,402	\$	3.47

At September 30, 2009, there was \$98 of unrecognized compensation expense from non-vested restricted stock awards that is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average remaining service period of 1.15 years.

#### PECO II, INC.

#### NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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#### 11. Related Party Transactions

The Company engages in certain related party transactions with the Company s largest shareholder, Delta Products Corporation. Delta is a significant supplier to the Company. The Company s related party transactions with Delta, for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 include \$62 in sales and \$4,749 in purchases (\$133 in sales and \$6,071 in purchases for the nine months ended September 30, 2008). At September 30, 2009, the Company had balances of \$20 and \$95 included in accounts receivable and accounts payable, respectively.

## 12. Major Customers

Because of the Company s concentration of sales to the Regional Bell Operating Companies (RBOCs) and wireless service providers, a small number of customers typically represent substantial portions of total sales. For the first nine months of 2009, sales to three companies comprised 74.4% of total sales. Sales to our top customer included \$10,289 in product and \$2,333 in services, our second highest customer included \$910 in product and \$7,861 in services, and our third highest customer included \$1,165 in product and \$16 in services.

For the first nine months of 2008, sales to three companies comprised 62.2% of total sales. Sales to our top customer included \$11,290 in product and \$2,150 in services, our second highest customer included \$3,252 in product and \$58 in services, and our third highest customer included \$606 in product and \$2,567 in services.

#### ITEM 2.

## MANAGEMENT S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

References to we, us, our, the Company, or PECO II refer to PECO II, Inc. unless the context indicates otherwise

#### Overview

PECO II, Inc. was organized in 1988 for the purpose of acquiring the assets of ITT s communications power product business. Today, we provide solutions to our telecommunications customers through a variety of products and services in order to meet their cost, quality, productivity and capacity challenges. As part of this process, we design and manufacture communications specific power products. We also provide on-site E&I, systems integration, installation, maintenance, and monitor service to our customers. Our power systems provide a primary supply of power to support the infrastructure of communications service providers, including local exchange carriers, long distance carriers, wireless service providers, internet service providers and broadband access providers. Our power distribution equipment directs this power to specific customer communications equipment. Our systems integration business provides complete built-to-order communications systems assembled and installed pursuant to customer specifications and incorporating other manufacturers products.

Market conditions remain uncertain and difficult. In the recent past, several of our customers have engaged in mergers, acquisitions and divestitures, such as SBC acquiring AT&T, AT&T acquiring Bell South and Cingular, Alltel acquiring Western Wireless, and Sprint acquiring NEXTEL. Also, both Sprint Nextel and Alltel spun off their local wireline businesses to focus on their core wireless businesses. Recently Verizon has completed its purchase of Alltel and Embarq has merged with Century Telecom. Currently, major wireline companies are focusing their capital expenditure spending on FTTC (fiber to the curb) and FTTN (fiber to the node) for both broadband and video services distribution, while wireless companies are focusing their capital expenditure spending on migration of acquired systems to the standards of the acquiring carrier, integrating networks, improving area coverage, and deploying 3G data services and have begun to announce plans to deploy WIMAX and LTE networks.

While the telecommunications market is extremely volatile, capital expenditure spending expanded by the mid single digits in 2007 and 2008 and analysts have projected further growth in 2009. In the event that capital spending does not grow in 2009, we believe we are positioned to take market share based on our industry leading responsiveness capability.

In 2009, we believe the merger and acquisition activity noted above has resulted in a slowing of capital expenditure growth in segments of the wireless market. We have successfully ramped the mid-sized power products, which serve the wireless base station market, including both cabinet and hut applications. The mid-sized product platforms are standardized at 3 wireless operators.

Our R&D investment extends beyond traditional cell site applications. The QuantumÔ Power System, introduced to the market in 2008, positions us as a player in the shelf power market segment and the fast growing outside plant broadband market. According to industry analyst Skyline Marketing, the size of this power market segment in the United States is estimated to be \$269 million in 2008, reaching \$450 million by 2011.

The Quantum platform is a 48-volt DC power system that combines high-density rectifiers, distribution and control in a sleek, low-profile shelf for optimized value to telecom carriers deploying fiber-to-the-node and traditional wireline

architectures. Designed for the harsh outside plant environment, the Quantum system s small footprint makes it ideal for cabinets where rack space is at a premium.

The Quantum Power System has several distinctive features that optimize the user experience. Our innovative QuickLoadÔ feature enables the technician to rapidly configure the system. The system controller features a technician-friendly input control device and a display that can easily be read in difficult outdoor conditions. The rectifiers include our unique I-ViewÔ faceplate indicators that report rectifier current and load-sharing status.

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With the introduction of our small power products, we have an exciting opportunity to grow our business in a space in which we have not competed in to date. By leveraging our industry leading responsiveness capability with this new technology platform provides our customers with another reason to rely on PECO II for its power requirements.

Our services group focused on hardening our solution portfolio to meet the power needs of out Tier I customer base. The revenue growth in 2009 was primarily driven by a major customer contract that was awarded to us in late 2008.

Our services division continues to provide multi-vendor engineering and installation services for all major power product brands. This capability is both respected and valued in the marketplace. Our strong power E&I services reputation has provided many opportunities for introducing new power products as well as a real user feedback channel on deployed products. This feedback continues to aid us with designing and improving products to meet the industry evolving needs.

Looking forward, we will continue to focus our efforts on delivering the service solutions our customers have come to expect from working with PECO II. This dedication has enabled us to minimize customer turn-over. We will continue to expand our services footprint on those opportunities that make the best utilization of our current available resources, and/or those that position us for success as our industry matures to the next level.

Achieving net income in the third quarter of 2009 represents a major milestone in PECO II s journey to being a world-class industry vendor. Further, the third quarter is our second consecutive quarter of positive EBITDA performance. These financial results can be attributed to our efforts over the past few periods to focus on improving the processes that are key to delivering quality products and services to customers.

These results have been achieved in very challenging economic times. Dramatic growth in our services business, particularly engineering and installation activities, has offset a slowing in the product business, which we believe is the result of the various mergers and acquisitions that have occurred in 2009 among our customers, resulting in a delay in purchases. We do not believe PECO II has lost any market share through this period in our product business and that we have, in fact, dramatically taken market share from our competition in our services business.

The past two quarters financial results reflect the start of PECO II accruing the financial benefit coming from our focus on world-class operational performance. Through these challenging times, we have maintained our focus on the customer, and all of our employees are constantly targeting serving the customer better than anyone else in the industry. Leveraging this employee focus with our industry-leading responsiveness capability and our new technology platforms provides our customers with another reason to rely on PECO II for their power requirements. This focus has led to dramatically improved operational performance and is the basis for the market share gains we continue to realize.

Other customer highlights include PECO II s first win with a new customer for battery backup cabinets, two major Tier II service providers placing their first orders for our small power product line, sixteen new account wins as a result of our growing focus on Tier III and independent service providers, a contract to provide network monitoring for a service provider's network and a major new win with the U.S. government for our small and mid-sized products.

## **Results of Operations**

Our third quarter financial performance was primarily the result of our profitable growth in our services business from our engineering and installation capabilities offset by a continued slowing in product revenues. Our net sales increased to \$13.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2009, an increase of \$1.0 million, or 8.2% over the three months ended September 30, 2009 our net sales decreased to \$30.4 million, a decrease of 1.7 million, or 5.2% over the nine months ended September 30, 2008.

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Product net sales were \$6.3 million for the third quarter of 2009, a decrease of \$2.5 million, or 28.7%, compared to the third quarter of 2008. Product net sales were \$18.2 million for the nine months ending September 30, 2009, a decrease of \$6.5 million, or 26.3%, compared to the corresponding period in 2008. We believe that the reduction in product sales was primarily the result of the merger and acquisition activity occurring in the industry among our customers resulting in a slowing of spending as the customers integrate the acquired organizations.

Services net sales were \$6.7 million for the third quarter of 2009, an increase of \$3.5 million, or 112.5%, as compared to the third quarter of 2008. Services net sales were \$12.2 million for the nine months ending September 30, 2009, an increase of \$4.8 million, or 64.9%, compared to the corresponding period in 2008. The increase in sales year to date in the services segment was primarily driven by a major customer contract that was awarded to us in late 2008.

As of September 30, 2009, our sales backlog, which represents total dollar volume of firm sales orders not yet recognized as revenue, was \$9.3 million, a \$3.6 million, or 63.8%, increase from the comparable prior year period, and was a 264.9% increase of \$6.7 million from December 31, 2008, and a 28.9% increase of \$2.1 million from June 30, 2009. Product backlog of \$2.3 million was a \$0.4 million, or 20.5% increase from December 31, 2008, and was a \$1.1 million, or a 32.0% decrease from June 30, 2009, while services backlog was \$7.0 million, a \$6.4 million, or 998.7%, increase from December 31, 2008, and was a \$3.2 million, or an 82.9% increase from June 30, 2009. Dramatic growth in our services business, particularly engineering and installation activities, has offset a slowing in the product business, which we believe is the result of the various mergers and acquisitions that have occurred in 2009 among our customers, resulting in a delay in purchases. Third quarter 2009 bookings were 31.8% better than third quarter 2008.

Gross margin dollars were \$2.6 million and \$6.0 million, respectively, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, as compared to \$1.8 million and \$5.1 million, respectively, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008. Gross margin as a percentage of net sales was 20.1% and 19.9% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, compared to 14.9% and 15.8%, respectively, for the comparable prior year periods.

For the quarter ended September 30, 2009, product gross margin was \$0.8 million, or 12.4% of net product sales, as compared to \$1.2 million, or 13.7% of net product sales for the corresponding period in 2008. The quarter s product gross margin includes a \$0.6 million charge for stranded raw materials. This excess inventory was primarily the result of changes in buying patterns by customers as a result of the mergers that have occurred amongst our current customers in 2009 resulting in a shift in types of power systems being purchased as noted above. Adjusting for the excess inventory charge, operating gross margins would have been 21.9% for the quarter.

Services gross margin was \$1.8 million for the third quarter of 2009, or 27.4% of net services sales, as compared to \$0.6 million, or 18.3% of net services sales for the third quarter of 2008, or a services gross margin increase of 218.2%. The services gross margin increase was primarily driven by revenue growth in the quarter which resulted in a high utilization of the workforce. Given the seasonality of the services business, this high utilization is not expected to occur in the fourth quarter of 2009 or first quarter of 2010.

Third quarter 2009 operating expenses of \$2.3 million are \$0.7 million less than third quarter of 2008 operating expenses. Year-over-year reductions were primarily attributed to cost-reduction actions discussed and taken in prior

periods as the Company dealt with the macroeconomic environment. We expect our engineering expenses to grow in the fourth quarter as we complete external testing of our new products for certification for our customers networks.

Research, development and engineering expense incurred was \$0.4 million and \$1.4 million respectively, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, down from \$0.6 million and \$1.9 million, respectively for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008. As a percentage of net product sales, research, development and engineering expense was 6.6% for the quarter ended September 30, 2009, which was a decrease of 31.8% from the third quarter of 2008. Our new product introduction cycles include, at times, significant out-of-pocket costs to bring

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new products to the market and as such, research, development and engineering expenses will likely continue to move up and down, period to period, as we introduce new products. As noted above, fourth quarter 2009 is expected to show an increase in engineering costs as we complete external testing of various products being evaluated by current customers.

Selling, general and administrative expense was \$1.5 million and \$5.2 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, as compared to \$2.0 million and \$6.0 million, respectively, for the comparable prior year period. As a percentages of net sales, selling, general and administrative decreased to 11.9% for the quarter ended September 30, 2009, as compared to 17.1% in the comparable prior year period. In the event that we have a profitable fourth quarter, selling general and administrative expenses may increase as a result of us incurring additional expense for 2009 management bonuses earned.

The third quarter 2009 net income of \$0.3 million was an increase over the second quarter of 2009 and was primarily attributed to the sequential revenue growth, offset by excess inventory charges of \$0.6 million. The net income improvement, when compared to the third quarter of 2008 net loss of \$1.2 million, was driven primarily by the improved services gross margin and reduced operating costs, offset by the excess product inventory charge.

#### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

As of September 30, 2009, available cash and cash equivalents approximated \$4.2 million. We believe that cash and cash equivalents, anticipated cash flow from operations, and our credit facilities will be sufficient to fund our working capital and capital expenditure requirements for the next 12 months. Working capital at September 30, 2009 was \$11.9 million, which represented a working capital ratio of 2.5 to 1, compared to \$12.4 million at December 31, 2008, which represented a working capital ratio of 2.5 to 1. Capital expenditures for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, totaled \$185 thousand. We continue our efforts to conserve cash.

Cash flows used for operating activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, was \$0.5 million. This was primarily from the net loss and an increase in working capital from the additional E&I services business, offset by non-cash charges. There was \$945 thousand of cash used for investing activities, which was primarily from capital expenditures and transfers of available cash equivalents to restricted cash, offset by the sale of equipment sold as a result of outsourcing. Cash used for financing activities was \$207 thousand primarily from the net decrease in bank overdraft offset by increases in the line of credit.

Cash flows used for operating activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2008, was \$1.8 million. This was primarily from the net loss and an increase in working capital, offset by non-cash charges. There was \$779 thousand of cash used for investing activities, which was primarily from the issuance of a note and transfer of available cash equivalents to restricted cash, offset by the sale of equipment sold as a result of outsourcing. Cash provided by financing activities was \$649 thousand primarily from an increase in the line of credit.

#### **Contractual Obligations**

We have signed an agreement with National City Bank to provide all banking services and a \$3.5 million line of credit. As collateral for the line of credit, we established a \$3.5 million deposit account with the bank to cover any outstanding balance of the line of credit. As of September 30, 2009, the balance on the line of credit was \$1.6 million. As such, \$1.6 million of the deposit account is reflected as restricted cash.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

In preparing the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and accounting for the underlying transactions and balances, we applied the accounting policies disclosed in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008. For a detailed discussion of the critical accounting policies and estimates, see the Management Discussion and Analysis included in our Annual Report. There were no significant changes in these critical accounting policies and estimates in the third quarter of 2009, except for the recently adopted accounting pronouncements as discussed below.

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#### **Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements**

Effective for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) became the single source of authoritative generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) in the United States. The ASC does not change current GAAP, but introduces a new structure, organized by accounting topics, designed to simplify user access to all authoritative literature related to a particular accounting topic. All prior authoritative documents were superseded and all other accounting literature not included in the ASC is considered nonauthoritative. As a result, prior GAAP references are no longer applicable. In an effort to make the financial statements more useful, the Company has elected to omit specific GAAP references and to ensure accounting concepts and policies are clearly explained. Any new recently issued accounting pronouncements will be referenced to the FASB s Accounting Standards Update (ASU) referencing structure.

#### Fair value

As permitted, management elected to defer adoption of new fair value accounting standards until 2009 for nonfinancial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis. Accordingly, beginning January 1, 2009, management began applying the new standards to nonfinancial assets and liabilities for any nonrecurring fair value measurements required. During 2009, there have been no fair value measurements on a nonrecurring basis of the Company s nonfinancial assets and liabilities that require further consideration or disclosure.

Effective for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2009, we also adopted new accounting standards that require disclosures about the fair value of financial instruments for interim reporting periods in addition to annual financial statements. The adoption of this standard does not have a material effect on our consolidated results of operations, financial position, or cash flows.

#### Business combinations and noncontrolling interests

Effective January 1, 2009, we adopted new accounting standards for accounting and reporting of business combinations and noncontrolling interests. We have not entered into any business combination transactions during 2009. Therefore, the effect of implementing these standards will be dependent upon the nature and extent of future business combination transactions.

#### Earnings per share

Effective January 1, 2009, we adopted a new accounting standard for determining whether instruments granted in share-based payment transactions are participating securities. Under the new standard, unvested share-based awards that contain non-forfeitable rights to dividends or dividend equivalents (whether paid or unpaid) are participating securities and are included in the computation of earnings per share pursuant to the two-class method. Before adoption, the Company already treated unvested share-based awards granted in share-based payment transactions as participating securities. As such, the adoption of this new standard did not have any effect on the computation of earnings per share.

#### Subsequent events

Effective for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2009, we adopted a new accounting standard for subsequent events. The new standard provides guidance for the accounting and disclosure of events that occur after the balance sheet date but before financial statements are issued or available to be issued. It also requires us to disclose the date through which subsequent events were evaluated and whether that date represents the date the financial statements were issued or were available to be issued. The adoption of this standard did not have a material effect on our consolidated results of operations, financial position, or cash flows.

#### Revenue recognition

In October 2009, the FASB issued ASU 2009-13, *Revenue Recognition (Topic 605) Multiple-Deliverable Revenue Arrangements*. This ASU provides amendments to the criteria for separating deliverables and measuring and allocating arrangement consideration to one or more units of accounting. The amendments establish a selling price hierarchy for determining the selling price of a deliverable. The ASU permits the use of the best estimate of selling price in addition to vendor-specific objective evidence (VSOE) and third-party evidence (TPE) for determining the selling price of a deliverable. In cases in which VSOE or TPE cannot be determined, use of the best estimate of selling price is required. In addition, the residual method of allocating arrangement consideration is no longer permitted. This new update is effective for revenue arrangements entered into or materially modified in fiscal years beginning on or after June 15, 2010. Early adoption is permitted. We are currently evaluating the impact that the adoption of this ASU will have on our consolidated financial statements.

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#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

Certain of the Company s statements in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and the foregoing Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operation are not purely historical, and as such are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements include, but may not be limited to, all statements regarding the Company s and management s intent, beliefs, expectations, and plans, such as statements concerning the Company s future profitability, industry trends, operating results, and product development strategy. These forward-looking statements include numerous risks and uncertainties, including, without limitation: a general economic recession; a downturn in our principal customers businesses; current and future mergers of key customers; the volatility in the communications industry; the demand for communications equipment generally and in particular for the products and services offered by the Company; the Company s ability to generate sales orders during fiscal 2009 and thereafter; the ability to develop and market new products and product enhancements; the potential environmental issues in regards to an aging manufacturing facility; the ability to attract and retain customers; competition and technological change; and successful implementation of the Company s business strategy. One or more of these factors have affected, and in the future could affect, the Company s business and financial results in future periods and could cause actual results to differ materially from plans and projections.

There can be no assurances that the forward-looking statements included herein will prove to be accurate, and issuance of such forward-looking statements should not be regarded as a representation of the Company, or any other person, that the objectives and plans of the Company will be achieved. In addition, this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains time-sensitive information that reflects management s best analysis only as of the date of this report. PECO II does not undertake any obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements to reflect future events, information or circumstances that arise after the date of this release. Further information concerning issues that could materially affect financial performance related to forward-looking statements can be found in the Company s periodic filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Results for the interim period are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the entire year.

#### ITEM 3.

#### QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE DISCLOSURE ABOUT MARKET RISK

Not applicable to smaller reporting companies.

#### ITEM 4T.

#### CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

#### **Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

As of September 30, 2009, the end of the period covered by this report, an evaluation was carried out under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer/Chief Financial Officer, of our disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934). Based upon such evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer/Chief Financial Officer concluded that such disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of the end of the period covered by this report.

#### **Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

There were no changes to our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that occurred during the period covered by this report that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

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## PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 6.
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#### **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.

Date: November 13, 2009 **PECO II, Inc.** 

/s/ JOHN G. HEINDEL

John G. Heindel

Chairman, President, Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

(Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer)

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