

nLIGHT, Inc. Announces Third Quarter 2025 Results

Third consecutive quarter of record Aerospace & Defense revenue

CAMAS, Wash., November 6, 2025 - nLIGHT, Inc. (Nasdaq: LASR), a leading provider of high-power lasers for mission critical directed energy, optical sensing, and advanced manufacturing applications, today reported financial results for the third quarter of 2025.

"3Q 2025 represented another solid quarter of execution for nLIGHT with record revenue from our A&D markets driving our results," commented Scott Keeney, nLIGHT's President and Chief Executive Officer. "I am particularly pleased with the expansion of our products gross margin, which was 41% in the quarter, and the growth in our Adjusted EBITDA, both of which demonstrate the leverage that is inherent in our operating model. We expect continued sequential A&D revenue growth in the fourth quarter as many of the programs previously announced continue to ramp. As a result, we expect full year 2025 A&D revenue growth to exceed our prior outlook for A&D growth of at least 40% year-over-year."

Third Quarter 2025 Financial Highlights

		Three Months Ended September 30.							
(In thousands, except percentages)		2025		2024	% Change				
Revenues	\$	66,742	\$	56,129	18.9 %				
Gross margin		31.1 %)	22.4 %					
Loss from operations	\$	(7,299)	\$	(11,799)	38.1 %				
Operating margin		(10.9)%)	(21.0)%					
Net loss	\$	(6,874)	\$	(10,335)	33.5 %				
Adjusted EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	\$	7,109	\$	(994)	NM*				
(1) A reconciliation of the non-GAAP metrics presented here to the most directly comparable GAAP metric has been provided in the tables included at the end of this release. * Not meaningful									

Revenues of \$66.7 million for the third quarter of 2025 were up 18.9% compared to \$56.1 million for the third quarter of 2024. Gross margin was 31.1% for the third quarter of 2025 compared to 22.4% for the third quarter of 2024. GAAP net loss for the third quarter of 2025 was \$6.9 million, or \$0.14 per diluted share, compared to net loss of \$10.3 million, or \$0.21 per diluted share, for the third quarter of 2024. Non-GAAP net income for the third quarter of 2025 was \$4.3 million, or \$0.09 per diluted share, compared to non-GAAP net loss of \$3.7 million, or \$0.08 per diluted share, for the third quarter of 2024. Reconciliations of the non-GAAP metrics presented here to the most directly comparable GAAP metric have been provided in the tables included at the end of this release.

Outlook

For the fourth quarter of 2025, nLIGHT expects revenues to be in the range of \$72 million to \$78 million. The midpoint of \$75 million includes Products revenue of approximately \$55 million and Advanced Development revenue of approximately \$20 million. nLIGHT expects overall gross margin to be in the range of 27% to 32%, with Products gross margin in the range of 34% to 39% and Advanced Development gross margin of approximately 8%. nLIGHT expects Adjusted EBITDA to be in the range of \$6 million to \$11 million.

We have not reconciled our outlook for Adjusted EBITDA because unrealized and realized foreign exchange gains and losses cannot be reasonably calculated or predicted nor can the probable significance be determined at this time. Accordingly, a reconciliation is not available without unreasonable effort.

Investor Webcast at 2:00 p.m. Pacific Time, Thursday, November 6, 2025

A webcast to discuss the third quarter results will be held on Thursday, November 6, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. Pacific Time (5:00 p.m. Eastern Time). The audio webcast will be available on the investor relations section of the company's web site at http://investors.nlight.net. A replay of the webcast will be available shortly after the conclusion of the call.

The webcast can also be accessed directly at https://events.q4inc.com/attendee/876155821.

Use of Non-GAAP Financial Results

In addition to U.S. GAAP results, this press release contains non-GAAP financial results, including Adjusted EBITDA, non-GAAP net income (loss) and non-GAAP net income (loss) per share, basic and diluted. We use Adjusted EBITDA to help us evaluate our business, measure our performance, identify trends affecting our business, formulate business plans and make strategic decisions. In addition to our results determined in accordance with GAAP, we believe Adjusted EBITDA is a meaningful measure of performance as it is commonly utilized by us and the investment community to analyze operating performance in our industry. Similarly, we believe that providing non-GAAP net income (loss) and non-GAAP net income (loss) per share, basic and diluted, is useful to our investors as they present an informative supplemental view of our results from period to period by removing the effect of stock-based compensation expense and other non-recurring items. However, the non-GAAP metrics presented herein are specific to us and may not be comparable to similar metrics disclosed by other companies because of differing methods used by other companies in calculating them.

We define Adjusted EBITDA as net income (loss) adjusted for income tax expense (benefit), other non-operating income or expense, interest income or expense, depreciation and amortization, stock-based compensation, acquisition and integration-related costs, and other non-recurring items as determined by management, as applicable. We define non-GAAP net income (loss) as GAAP net income (loss) adjusted for stock-based compensation, amortization of purchased intangibles, acquisition and integration-related costs, and other non-recurring items as determined by management, as applicable. We define non-GAAP net income (loss) per share, basic and diluted, as non-GAAP net income (loss) divided by the weighted-average number of shares outstanding during the respective period plus the dilutive effect of any common stock equivalents during the period in the case of non-GAAP net income (loss) per share, diluted.

Tables presenting the reconciliation of net loss to Adjusted EBITDA, as well as the reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP net income (loss) and GAAP to non-GAAP net income (loss) per share, basic and diluted, are included at the end of this press release.

Safe Harbor Statement

Certain statements in this release are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Words such as "outlook," "guidance," "expects," "intends," "projects," "plans," "believes," "estimates," "targets," "anticipates," and similar expressions may identify these forward-looking statements. Examples of forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements regarding expected revenues, gross margin, and Adjusted EBITDA, and our business strategy and ability to profitably grow our business, as well as any other statement that does not directly relate to any historical or current fact. Forward-looking statements are based on our current expectations and assumptions, which may not prove to be accurate. These statements are not guarantees and are subject to risks, uncertainties and changes in circumstances that are difficult to predict. Many factors could cause actual results to differ materially and adversely from these forward-looking statements, including but not limited to our ability to compete successfully in the markets for our products; changes in the markets we serve or in the global economy; our ability to increase our volumes and decrease our costs to offset potential declines in the average selling

prices of our products; rapid technological changes in the markets that we participate in; our ability to develop and maintain products that can achieve market acceptance; our ability to generate sufficient revenues to achieve or maintain profitability in the future; our high levels of fixed costs and inventory and their effect on our gross profits and results of operations if demand for our products declines or we maintain excess inventory levels; our ability to manage growth and spending during economic downturns; our manufacturing capacity and operations and their suitability for future levels of demand; our reliance on third parties to manufacture certain of our products and product components; our reliance on a small number of customers for a significant portion of our revenues; our ability to manage risks associated with international customers and operations; the effect of government export and import controls on our ability to compete in international markets; our ability to protect our proprietary technology and intellectual property rights; fluctuations in our quarterly results of operations and other operating measures; and the effect on our business of claims, lawsuits, government investigations, other legal or regulatory proceedings, or commercial or contractual disputes that we are or may become involved in. Additional information concerning these and other factors can be found in nLIGHT's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), including other risks, relevant factors and uncertainties identified in the "Risk Factors" section of nLIGHT's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K or subsequent filings with the SEC. nLIGHT undertakes no obligation to update publicly or revise any forwardlooking statements contained herein to reflect future events or developments, except as required by law.

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About nLIGHT

nLIGHT, Inc. is a leading provider of high-power lasers for mission critical directed energy, optical sensing, and advanced manufacturing applications. Headquartered in Camas, Washington, nLIGHT employs approximately 800 people with operations in the United States, Europe and Asia. For more information, please visit www.nlight.net.

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Consolidated Statements of Operations (In thousands, except per share data) (Unaudited)

	 Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2025		2024		2025		2024
Revenue:							
Products	\$ 47,608	\$	41,132	\$	124,110	\$	104,960
Development	 19,134		14,997		56,035		46,207
Total revenue	66,742		56,129		180,145		151,167
Cost of revenue:							
Products	28,086		29,286		76,915		76,528
Development	17,903		14,293		50,221		42,751
Total cost of revenue(1)	45,989		43,579		127,136		119,279
Gross profit	20,753		12,550		53,009		31,888
Operating expenses:							
Research and development ⁽¹⁾	11,534		11,328		33,920		33,723
Sales, general, and administrative ⁽¹⁾	14,785		13,021		38,501		37,372
Restructuring	1,733		<u> </u>		1,733		_
Total operating expenses	28,052		24,349		74,154		71,095
Loss from operations	(7,299)		(11,799)		(21,145)		(39,207)
Other income:							
Interest income	1,079		421		3,875		1,375
Interest expense	(317)		(27)		(753)		(67)
Other (expense) income, net	 (64)		1,331		(108)		2,594
Loss before income taxes	(6,601)		(10,074)		(18,131)		(35,305)
Income tax expense	273		261		427		525
Net loss	\$ (6,874)	\$	(10,335)	\$	(18,558)	\$	(35,830)
Net loss per share, basic and diluted	\$ (0.14)	\$	(0.21)	\$	(0.37)	\$	(0.75)
Shares used in per share calculations:	<u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>				<u> </u>		, ,
Basic and diluted	50,288		48,133		49,658		47,679
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(1)Includes	stock-based	compensation	as follows:
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	Three Months Ended September 30.				Nine Months Ended September 30.				
		2025		2024		2025		2024	
Cost of revenues	\$	615	\$	629	\$	1.783	\$	1.829	
Research and development		2.560		2.046		6.178		5.834	
Sales, general, and administrative		6.187		3.852		13.828		11.298	
	\$	9.362	\$	6.527	\$	21.789	\$	18.961	

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (In thousands) (Unaudited)

	As of				
	Septer	mber 30, 2025	December 31, 2024		
Assets					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	81,108	\$ 65,829		
Marketable Securities		34,684	34,868		
Accounts receivable, net		49,317	34,895		
Inventory		51,457	40,800		
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		11,826	17,697		
Total current assets		228,392	194,089		
Restricted cash		320	259		
Lease right-of-use assets		10,143	10,822		
Property, plant and equipment, net		44,233	46,937		
Intangible assets, net		436	833		
Goodwill		12,448	12,354		
Other assets, net		2,721	4,947		
Total assets	\$	298,693	\$ 270,241		
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$	16,899	\$ 15,076		
Accrued liabilities		18,987	13,268		
Deferred revenue		2,345	3,577		
Current portion of lease liabilities		2,306	2,314		
Total current liabilities		40,537	34,235		
Line of credit		20,000			
Non-current income taxes payable		5,708	5,541		
Long-term lease liabilities		9,003	9,819		
Other long-term liabilities		4,952	4,216		
Total liabilities		80,200	53,811		
Stockholders' equity:		<u> </u>			
Common stock - par value		16	16		
Additional paid-in capital		565,150	544,842		
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(3,019)	(3,332)		
Accumulated deficit		(343,654)	(325,096)		
Total stockholders' equity		218,493	216,430		
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	•	\$ 270,241		

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (In thousands) (Unaudited)

	Nine	Nine Months Ended September			
		2025		2024	
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Net loss	\$	(18,558)	\$	(35.830	
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:					
Depreciation		9,151		9,356	
Amortization		1,247		3,403	
Reduction in carrying amount of right-of-use assets		784		1,367	
Provision for losses on (recoveries of) accounts receivable		(1,131)		1,489	
Stock-based compensation		21,789		18,961	
Deferred income taxes		101		_	
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment		190		76	
Accrued interest earned on marketable securities		(256)		_	
Non-cash restructuring charges		1,243			
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:					
Accounts receivable, net		(13,186)		(2,119	
Inventory		(10,203)		3,348	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		5,914		954	
Other assets, net		1,099		(3.351	
Accounts payable		1,886		4,628	
Accrued and other long-term liabilities		5,795		2,511	
Deferred revenues		(1,247)		(1,931	
Lease liabilities		(927)		(1,546	
Non-current income taxes payable		121		212	
Net cash provided by operating activities		3,812		1,528	
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets		447		_	
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		(7.444)		(5,313	
Purchase of marketable securities		(68,697)		(88,643	
Proceeds from maturities and sales of marketable securities		68,425		83,033	
Net cash used in investing activities		(7.269)		(10,923	
Cash flows from financing activities:				,,,,,,	
Proceeds from line of credit		20,000		_	
Proceeds from employee stock plan purchases		1,385		1,355	
Proceeds from stock option exercises		196		221	
Tax payments related to stock award issuances		(3,062)		(3,945	
Net cash used in financing activities		18,519		(2,369	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash		278		12	
Net increase (decrease) in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		15,340		(11,752	
Cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning of period		66,088		53,466	
Cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash, end of period	\$	81.428	\$	41,714	
Supplemental disclosures:		5.,,5		,	
Cash paid for interest, net	\$	740	\$	40	
Cash paid for income taxes		277		302	
Operating cash outflows from operating leases		2,536		3,057	
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for lease liabilities		1,208		995	
Accrued purchases of property, equipment and patents		426		415	
Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash:		0			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	81,108	\$	41,456	
Restricted cash	Ψ	320	Ψ	41,450 258	
Total cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash	Ф	81,428	\$	41,714	

Reconciliation of GAAP Financial Metrics to Non-GAAP (In thousands, except per share data) (Unaudited)

Reconciliation of Net Loss to Adjusted EBITDA

	 Three Months Ended September 30.			Nine Months Ended September 30.			
	2025		2024		2025		2024
Net loss	\$ (6,874)	\$	(10,335)	\$	(18,558)	\$	(35,830)
Income tax expense	273		261		427		525
Other income, net	64		(1,331)		108		(2,594)
Interest income	(1,079)		(421)		(3,875)		(1,375)
Interest expense	317		27		753		67
Depreciation and amortization	3,313		4,278		10,398		12,759
Stock-based compensation	9,362		6,527		21,789		18,961
Restructuring charges	1,733		_		1,733		
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 7,109	\$	(994)	\$	12,775	\$	(7,487)

Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Net Income (Loss), and GAAP to Non-GAAP Net Income (Loss) per Share, Basic and Diluted

	Three Months Ended September 30.			Nine Months En September 30				
		2025		2024		2025		2024
Net loss	\$	(6,874)	\$	(10,335)	\$	(18,558)	\$	(35,830)
Add back:								
Stock-based compensation ⁽¹⁾		9,362		6,527		21,789		18,961
Amortization of purchased intangibles ⁽¹⁾		99		149		397		446
Restructuring charges		1,733		<u> </u>		1,733		_
Non-GAAP net income (loss)		4,320		(3,659)		5,361		(16,423)
GAAP weighted-average shares outstanding		50,288		48,133		49,658		47,679
Participating securities		<u> </u>		<u> </u>		<u> </u>		_
Non-GAAP weighted-average number of shares, basic		50,288		48,133		49,658		47,679
Dilutive effect of common stock equivalents		4,139		<u> </u>		3,259		_
Non-GAAP weighted-average number of shares, diluted		54,427		48,133		52,917		47,679
Non-GAAP net income (loss) per share, basic	\$	0.09	\$	(80.0)	\$	0.11	\$	(0.34)
Non-GAAP net income (loss) per share, diluted	\$	0.08	\$	(0.08)	- 1	0.10	\$	(0.34)

⁽¹⁾ There is no income tax effect related to the stock-based compensation and amortization of purchased intangibles adjustments due to the full valuation allowance in the United States.

Supplemental Schedule of Financial Information (In thousands) (Unaudited)

Revenues by End Market

		Three Months Ended September 30.				Nine Months Ended September 30.			
	2025 2024			2025			2024		
Aerospace and Defense	\$	45,554	\$	30,278	\$	118,955	\$	79,413	
Industrial		9,577		11,588		28,179		36,478	
Microfabrication		11,611		14,263		33,011		35,276	
	\$	66,742	\$	56,129	\$	180,145	\$	151,167	