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): July 29, 2021

		KLA C	ORPORATION	
		(Exact name of reg	gistrant as specified in its chart	ter)
	Delaware		000-09992	04-2564110
	(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Comn	nission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
	One Technology Drive	Milpitas	California	95035
	(Address of principal e	xecutive offices)		(Zip Code)
	Registrant's telephone number	er, including area	code: (408) 875-3000	
	(Fo	ormer name or forme	r address, if changed since last	t report)
Che	ck the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intend Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the So		, , ,	gation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:
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	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d	-2(b) under the Ex	xchange Act (17 CFR 240	0.14d-2(b))
	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e	-4(c) under the Ex	schange Act (17 CFR 240	.13e-4(c))
	icate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging gro Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter		defined in Rule 405 of the	e Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of
Sec	urities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:			
	Title of each class Common Stock, \$0.001 par value per share	Trac	ding Symbol(s) KLAC	Name of each exchange on which registered The Nasdaq Stock Market, LLC The Nasdaq Global Select Market
				Emerging growth company
If a	n emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the reuncial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a	egistrant has elect a) of the Exchange	ed not to use the extended e Act.	d transition period for complying with any new or revised

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On July 29, 2021, KLA Corporation (the "Company") issued a press release announcing selected financial and operating results for its fourth quarter of fiscal year 2021. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information in Item 2.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K and the exhibit attached hereto shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibit is filed herewith:

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Text of press release dated July 29, 2021 issued by KLA Corporation
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as inline XBRI, and contained in Exhibit 101)

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

KLA CORPORATION

Date: July 29, 2021 By: /s/BREN D. HIGGINS

Name: Bren D. Higgins

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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KLA CORPORATION REPORTS FISCAL 2021 FOURTH QUARTER AND FULL YEAR RESULTS, RAISES DIVIDEND LEVEL BY 17% AND ANNOUNCES ADDITIONAL \$2 BILLION SHARE REPURCHASE AUTHORIZATION

- Total revenues were \$1.93 billion, GAAP diluted EPS attributable to KLA was \$4.10 and non-GAAP diluted EPS attributable to KLA was \$4.43, each finishing above
 the mid-point of guidance ranges;
- Cash flow from operations for the quarter and fiscal year was \$465.6 million and \$2.19 billion and free cash flow was \$410.2 million and \$1.95 billion, respectively;
- Capital return for the quarter and fiscal year was \$439.1 million and \$1.50 billion, respectively;
- KLA's Board of Directors approved a 17% increase in the quarterly dividend level to \$1.05 per share and approved \$2 billion for additional share repurchases.

MILPITAS, Calif., July 29, 2021 -<u>KLA Corporation</u> (NASDAQ: KLAC) today announced operating results for its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. KLA reported GAAP net income attributable to KLA of \$633 million and GAAP diluted EPS attributable to KLA of \$4.10 on revenues of \$1.93 billion for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2021. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, KLA reported GAAP net income attributable to KLA of \$2.08 billion and GAAP diluted EPS attributable to KLA of \$13.37 on revenues of \$6.92 billion.

"Thanks to the commitment of our global team, KLA delivered strong results in the June 2021 quarter, with revenue and GAAP and non-GAAP EPS each finishing above the mid-point of our guidance ranges. This continued performance demonstrates strong customer demand, exceptional execution, and focus driven by the KLA Operating Model," commented Rick Wallace, President and CEO of KLA Corporation. "We are also pleased to announce today that the Board of Directors approved the twelfth consecutive dividend level increase which has grown at a compound annual growth rate of 16% since inception. The Board has also authorized a new \$2 billion share repurchase program. KLA's dividend and share repurchase programs are integral to KLA's disciplined approach to capital management and reflect the company's continued strength in free cash flow generation."

GAAP Results								
	Q4 FY 2021	Q3 FY 2021	Q4 FY 2020					
Total Revenue	\$1,925 million	\$1,804 million	\$1,460 million					
Net Income Attributable to KLA	\$633 million	\$567 million	\$411 million					
Net Income per Diluted Share Attributable to KLA	\$4.10	\$3.66	\$2.63					
Non-C	GAAP Results							
	Q4 FY 2021	Q3 FY 2021	Q4 FY 2020					
Net Income Attributable to KLA	\$684 million	\$598 million	\$426 million					
Net Income per Diluted Share Attributable to KLA	\$4.43	\$3.85	\$2.73					

A reconciliation between GAAP operating results and non-GAAP operating results is provided following the financial statements included in this release. KLA will discuss the results for its fiscal year 2021 fourth quarter and full year, along with its outlook, on a conference call today beginning at 2:00 p.m. Pacific Time. A webcast of the call will be available at: www.kla.com.

First Quarter Fiscal 2022 Guidance

The following details our guidance for the first quarter of fiscal 2022 ending in September:

- Total revenue between \$1,920 million to \$2,120 million
- GAAP gross margin is expected to be in a range of 59.4% to 61.5%
- Non-GAAP gross margin is expected to be in a range of 61.5% to 63.5%
- GAAP diluted EPS attributable to KLA is expected to be in a range of \$3.76 to \$4.64
- Non-GAAP diluted EPS attributable to KLA is expected to be in a range of \$4.01 to \$4.89

For additional guidance metrics please see the company's published Letter to Shareholders and earnings slides on the KLA investor relations website.

About KLA:

KLA Corporation ("KLA") develops industry-leading equipment and services that enable innovation throughout the electronics industry. We provide advanced process control and process-enabling solutions for manufacturing wafers and reticles, integrated circuits, packaging, printed circuit boards and flat panel displays. In close collaboration with leading customers across the globe, our expert teams of physicists, engineers, data scientists and problem-solvers design solutions that move the world forward. Investors and others should note that KLA announces material financial information including SEC filings, press releases, public earnings calls and conference webcasts using an investor relations website (*ir.kla.com*). Additional information may be found at: www.kla.com.

Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements:

Statements in this press release other than historical facts, such as statements pertaining to revenues, GAAP and non-GAAP gross margin and GAAP and non-GAAP diluted EPS for the quarter ending September 30, 2021 are forward-looking statements and subject to the Safe Harbor provisions created by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements are based on current information and expectations and involve a number of risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ materially from those projected in such statements due to various factors, including but not limited to: the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the global economy and on our business, financial condition and results of operations, including the supply chain constraints we are experiencing as a result of the pandemic; economic, political and social conditions in the countries in which we, our customers and our suppliers operate, including global trade policies; disruption to our manufacturing facilities or other operations, or the operations of our customers, due to natural catastrophic events, health epidemics or terrorism; ongoing changes in the technology industry, and the semiconductor industry in particular, including future growth rates, pricing trends in end-markets, or changes in customer capital spending patterns; our ability to timely develop new technologies and products that successfully anticipate or address changes in the semiconductor industry; our ability to maintain our technology advantage and protect our proprietary rights; our ability to compete with new products introduced by our competitors; our ability to attract and retain key personnel; cybersecurity threats, cyber incidents affecting our and our service providers' systems and networks and our ability to access critical information systems for daily business operations; liability to our customers under indemnification provisions if our products fail to operate properly or contain defects or our customers are sued by third parties due to our products; exposure to a highly concentrated customer base; availability and cost of the wide range of materials used in the production of our products; our ability to operate our business in accordance with our business plan; legal, regulatory and tax environments in which we perform our operations and conduct our business and our ability to comply with relevant laws and regulations; our ability to pay interest and repay the principal of our current indebtedness is dependent upon our ability to manage our business operations, our credit rating and the ongoing interest rate environment, among other factors; instability in the global credit and financial markets; our exposure to currency exchange rate fluctuations, or declining economic conditions in those countries where we conduct our business; changes in our effective tax rate resulting from changes in the tax rates imposed by jurisdictions where our profits are determined to be earned and taxed, expiration of tax holidays in certain jurisdictions, resolution of issues arising from tax audits with various authorities or changes in tax laws or the interpretation of such tax laws; and our ability to identify suitable acquisition targets and successfully integrate and manage acquired businesses. For other factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from those projected and anticipated in forward-looking statements in this press release, please refer to KLA Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2020, and other subsequent filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (including, but not limited to, the risk factors described therein). KLA Corporation assumes no obligation to, and does not currently intend to, update these forward-looking statements.

KLA Corporation

Condensed Consolidated Unaudited Balance Sheets

(<u>In thousands</u>)	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2020
ASSETS		
Cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities \$	2,494,522	\$ 1,980,472
Accounts receivable, net	1,305,479	1,107,413
Inventories	1,575,380	1,310,985
Other current assets	320,867	324,675
Land, property and equipment, net	663,027	519,824
Goodwill	2,011,172	2,045,402
Deferred income taxes, non-current	270,461	236,797
Purchased intangibles, net	1,185,311	1,391,413
Other non-current assets	444,905	362,979
Total assets	10,271,124	\$ 9,279,960
LIABILITIES, NON-CONTROLLING INTEREST AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable \$	342,083	\$ 264,280
Deferred system revenue	295,192	336,237
Deferred service revenue	284,936	233,493
Short-term debt	20,000	_
Other current liabilities	1,161,016	865,776
Total current liabilities	2,103,227	1,699,786
Non-current liabilities:		
Long-term debt	3,422,767	3,469,670
Deferred tax liabilities	650,623	660,885
Deferred service revenue	87,575	96,325
Other non-current liabilities	631,290	672,284
Total liabilities	6,895,482	6,598,950
Stockholders' equity:		
Common stock and capital in excess of par value	2,175,988	2,090,268
Retained earnings	1,277,123	654,930
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(75,557)	(79,774)
Total KLA stockholders' equity	3,377,554	2,665,424
Non-controlling interest in consolidated subsidiaries	(1,912)	15,586
Total stockholders' equity	3,375,642	2,681,010
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	10,271,124	\$ 9,279,960

KLA Corporation Condensed Consolidated Unaudited Statements of Operations

Three mo	nths	ended	Twelve months ended						
June 30, 2021		June 30, 2020		June 30, 2021		June 30, 2020			
\$ 1,481,478	\$	1,075,104	\$	5,240,316	\$	4,328,725			
443,993		384,489		1,678,418		1,477,699			
1,925,471		1,459,593		6,918,734		5,806,424			
772,241		621,544		2,772,165		2,449,561			
241,428		217,100		928,487		863,864			
192,022		167,791		729,602		734,149			
_		_		_		256,649			
39,970		40,221		157,328		160,274			
_		_		_		22,538			
(29,033)		7,868		(29,302)		2,678			
708,843		405,069		2,360,454		1,316,711			
75,785		(5,246)		283,101		101,686			
633,058		410,315		2,077,353		1,215,025			
80		(938)		(939)		(1,760)			
\$ 632,978	\$	411,253	\$	2,078,292	\$	1,216,785			
\$ 4.14	\$	2.65	\$	13.49	\$	7.76			
\$ 4.10	\$	2.63	\$	13.37	\$	7.70			
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152,971		155,106		154,086		156,797			
154,283		156,183		155,437		158,005			
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KLA Corporation Condensed Consolidated Unaudited Statements of Cash Flows

Unsettled common stock repurchase - financing activities
Accrued purchase of land, property and equipment - investing activities

Condensed Consolidated Unaudited Statements of Cash Flows				
		Three months end June 30,		
(In thousands)		2021	2020	
Cash flows from operating activities:			2020	
Net income	\$	633,058 \$	410,315	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	•	,	.,-	
Depreciation and amortization		84,647	78,937	
Unrealized foreign exchange (gain) loss and other		(6,102)	15,047	
Other impairment charges		_	10,760	
Stock-based compensation expense		27,690	26,378	
Gain on fair value adjustment of marketable equity securities		(26,719)		
Changes in assets and liabilities, net of assets acquired and liabilities assumed in business acquisitions:				
Accounts receivable		(102,021)	10,431	
Inventories		(123,725)	(56,609)	
Other assets		(68,525)	(74,986)	
Accounts payable		48,414	19,905	
Deferred system revenue		(40,900)	3,652	
Deferred service revenue		35,769	15,205	
Other liabilities		4,036	(6,189)	
Net cash provided by operating activities		465,622	452,846	
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Business acquisitions, net of cash acquired		_	(11,543)	
Capital expenditures		(55,375)	(41,790)	
Purchases of available-for-sale securities		(223,619)	(233,838)	
Proceeds from sale of available-for-sale securities		19,759	44,199	
Proceeds from maturity of available-for-sale securities		163,232	135,674	
Purchases of trading securities		(24,001)	(41,584)	
Proceeds from sale of trading securities		26,402	43,061	
Net cash used in investing activities		(93,602)	(105,821)	
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Payment of debt issuance costs		_	(172)	
Proceeds from revolving credit facility, net of costs		_	200,000	
Repayment of debt		_	(175,000)	
Issuance of common stock		59,742	50,349	
Tax withholding payments related to vested and released restricted stock units		(13,543)	(5,527)	
Common stock repurchases		(299,777)	_	
Payment of dividends to stockholders		(139,267)	(132,762)	
Payment of dividends to subsidiary's non-controlling interest holders		_	(1,239)	
Contingent consideration payable and other, net			2,996	
Net cash used in financing activities		(392,845)	(61,355)	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		3,285	2,564	
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents		(17,540)	288,234	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		1,452,150	946,175	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	1,434,610 \$	1,234,409	
Supplemental cash flow disclosures:				
Income taxes paid	\$	111,396 \$	31,865	
Interest paid	\$	37,219 \$	37,988	
Non-cash activities:				
Contingent consideration payable - financing activities	\$	1,120 \$	(803)	
Dividends payable - financing activities	\$	1,428 \$	1,400	
Unsettled common stock renurchase - financing activities	•	6,000 \$		

\$ \$

6,000 \$

30,615 \$

15,843

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Segment Information (Unaudited)

The following is a summary of results for each of our four reportable segments and reconciliation to total revenues for the indicated periods:

		Three mo	nth	s ended	Twelve months ended					
(In thousands)		June 30, 2021		June 30, 2020		June 30, 2021		June 30, 2020		
Revenues:		_								
Semiconductor Process Control	\$	1,580,547	\$	1,156,607	\$	5,734,825	\$	4,745,446		
Specialty Semiconductor Process		97,952		100,372		369,216		329,700		
PCB, Display and Component Inspection		246,974		202,209		812,620		727,451		
Other		_		397		739		3,614		
Total revenues for reportable segments		1,925,473		1,459,585		6,917,400		5,806,211		
Corporate allocation and effects of foreign exchange rates		(2)		8		1,334		213		
Total revenues	\$	1,925,471	\$	1,459,593	\$	6,918,734	\$	5,806,424		

KLA Corporation Condensed Consolidated Unaudited Supplemental Information

Reconciliation of GAAP Net Income to Non-GAAP Net Income

			Th	ree months ended			Twelve mo	nths	ended
(In thousands, except per share amounts)	•	June 30, 2021	I	March 31, 2021		June 30, 2020	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2020	
GAAP net income attributable to KLA	'-	\$ 632,978	\$	567,496	\$	411,253	\$ 2,078,292	\$	1,216,785
Adjustments to reconcile GAAP net income to non-GAAP net income:									
Acquisition-related charges	a	53,008		52,973		55,937	209,555		244,715
Restructuring, severance and other charges	b	1,358		(1,534)		4,240	7,037		12,458
Goodwill impairment	c	_		_		_	_		256,649
Loss on extinguishment of debt	d	_		_		_	_		22,538
Income tax effect of non-GAAP adjustments	e	(16,910)		(17,866)		(16,027)	(69,341)		(83,402)
Discrete tax items	f	13,620		(2,967)		(29,364)	35,521		(34,915)
Non-GAAP net income attributable to KLA		\$ 684,054	\$	598,102	\$	426,039	\$ 2,261,064	\$	1,634,828
GAAP net income per diluted share attributable to KLA		\$ 4.10	\$	3.66	\$	2.63	\$ 13.37	\$	7.70
Non-GAAP net income per diluted share attributable to KLA		\$ 4.43	\$	3.85	\$	2.73	\$ 14.55	\$	10.35
Shares used in diluted shares calculation	•	154,283		155,159		156,183	155,437		158,005

$\underline{Pre\text{-}tax\ impact\ of\ GAAP\ to\ non\text{-}GAAP\ adjustments\ included\ in\ Condensed\ Consolidated\ Unaudited\ Statements\ of\ Operations}$

	isition-Related		e and Other	1	to non-GAAP
(In thousands)	 Charges	Ci	narges		adjustments
Three months ended June 30, 2021					
Costs of revenues	\$ 40,499	\$	(471)	\$	40,028
Research and development	_		203		203
Selling, general and administrative	12,509		1,626		14,135
Total in three months ended June 30, 2021	\$ 53,008	\$	1,358	\$	54,366
Three Months Ended March 31, 2021					
Costs of revenues	\$ 40,309	\$	701	\$	41,010
Research and development	_		147		147
Selling, general and administrative	12,664		2,075		14,739
Other expense (income), net			(4,457)		(4,457)
Total in three months ended March 31, 2021	\$ 52,973	\$	(1,534)	\$	51,439
Three Months Ended June 30, 2020					
Costs of revenues	\$ 41,446	\$	534	\$	41,980
Research and development	_		585		585
Selling, general and administrative	14,491		1,179		15,670
Other expense (income), net			1,942		1,942
Total in three months ended June 30, 2020	\$ 55,937	\$	4,240	\$	60,177

Free Cash Flow Reconciliation

	Three Mor	ths Ended .	June 30,
(In thousands)	2021		2020
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 465,6	22 \$	452,846
Capital expenditures	(55,3	¹ 5)	(41,790)
Free Cash Flow	\$ 410,2	7 \$	411,056

	Twelve Month	is Ended June 30,
(In thousands)	2021	2020
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 2,185,026	\$ 1,778,850
Capital expenditures	(231,628	(152,675)
Free Cash Flow	\$ 1,953,398	\$ 1,626,175

First Quarter Fiscal 2022 Guidance

Reconciliation of GAAP Diluted EPS to Non-GAAP Diluted EPS

	Three months ending September 30, 2021					
(In millions, except per share amounts)		Low	High			
GAAP net income per diluted share attributable to KLA		\$3.76	\$4.64			
Acquisition-related charges	a	0.35	0.35			
Restructuring, severance and other charges	b	0.01	0.01			
Income tax effect of non-GAAP adjustments	e	(0.11)	(0.11)			
Non-GAAP net income per diluted share attributable to KLA		\$4.01	\$4.89			
Shares used in net income per diluted share calculation	_	153.5	153.5			

Reconciliation of GAAP Gross Margin to Non-GAAP Gross Margin

		Three Months Ending September 30, 2021	
		Low	High
GAAP gross margin		59.4%	61.5%
Acquisition-related charges	a	2.1%	2.0%
Non-GAAP gross margin		61.5%	63.5%

The Non-GAAP and supplemental information provided in this press release is a supplement to, and not a substitute for, KLA's financial results presented in accordance with United States GAAP.

To supplement our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements presented in accordance with GAAP, we provide certain non-GAAP financial information, which is adjusted from results based on GAAP to exclude certain costs and expenses, as well as other supplemental information. The non-GAAP and supplemental information is provided to enhance the user's overall understanding of our operating performance and our prospects in the future. Specifically, we believe that the non-GAAP information, including non-GAAP net income attributable to KLA, non-GAAP net income per diluted share attributable to KLA, non-GAAP gross margin and Free Cash Flow, provides useful measures to both management and investors regarding financial and business trends relating to our financial performance by excluding certain costs and expenses that we believe are not indicative of our core operating results to help investors compare our operating performances with our results in prior periods as well as with the performance of other companies. The non-GAAP information is among the budgeting and planning tools that management uses for future forecasting. However, because there are no standardized or generally accepted definitions for most non-GAAP financial metrics, definitions of non-GAAP financial metrics are inherently subject to significant discretion (for example, determining which costs and expenses to exclude when calculating such a metric). As a result, non-GAAP financial metrics may be defined very differently from company to company, or even from period to period within the same company, which can potentially limit the usefulness of such information to an investor. The presentation of non-GAAP and supplemental information is not meant to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for results prepared and presented in accordance with United States GAAP. The following are descriptions of the adjustments made to reconcile GAAP net income attributable to KLA to non-GAAP net income attributable to KLA:

- a. Acquisition-related charges primarily include amortization of intangible assets and other acquisition-related adjustments including adjustments for the fair valuation of inventory and backlog, and transaction costs associated with our acquisitions, primarily Orbotech.
- b. Restructuring, severance and other charges primarily include costs associated with employee severance, acceleration of certain stock-based compensation arrangements, and other exit costs.
- c. Goodwill impairment included non-cash expense recognized as a result of KLA's annual testing for goodwill impairment performed in the third quarter of the prior fiscal year. The impairment charge resulted from the downward revision of financial outlook for the acquired Orbotech business as well as the impact of elevated risk and macroeconomic slowdown driven by the COVID-19 pandemic.

- d. Loss on extinguishment of debt included a pre-tax loss on early extinguishment of the \$500 million 4.125% Senior Notes due in November 2021.
- e. Income tax effect of non-GAAP adjustments includes the income tax effects of the excluded items noted above.
- f. Discrete tax items in the three and twelve months ended June 30, 2021 include tax expense from an increase in deferred tax liability on purchased intangibles relating to an increase in the United Kingdom statutory income tax rate, partially offset by a net tax benefit from an internal restructuring and a reduction in unrecognized tax benefits. Discrete tax items in the three months ended March 31, 2021 primarily relate to a tax benefit due to a decrease in deferred tax liability on purchased intangibles relating to a decrease in the effective income tax rate in Israel. Discrete tax items in the three months and twelve months ended June 30, 2020 include a tax benefit from an internal restructuring and a decrease in deferred tax liability for an unrealized gain on investments held for sale by subsidiaries of the acquired Orbotech business.