SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 FORM 10-Q

[X] QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended December 31, 1998

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 0-27266

WESTELL TECHNOLOGIES, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE 36-3154957 (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) Identification Number)

750 N. COMMONS DRIVE, AURORA, IL60504(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (630) 898-2500

NOT APPLICABLE (Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Indicate by check or mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Sections 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 X No.

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

Class A Common Stock, \$0.01 Par Value - 16,914,573 shares at January 31, 1999 Class B Common Stock, \$0.01 Par Value - 19,527,069 shares at January 31, 1999

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SAFE HARBOR STATEMENT

Certain statements contained under "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in this form 10-Q, which are not historical facts (including, without limitation, statements about future ADSL pricing and sales volume levels, liquidity, the decrease in ADSL manufacturing costs, the Company's continued investment in research and development and sales and marketing, the impact of year 2000 on the Company and its customers and vendors, our confidence and strategies and our expectations about new and existing products, technologies, opportunities, the emerging DSL market, demand and acceptance of new and existing products and future commercial deployment of the Company's products such as its DSL systems) are forward looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. These risks include, but are not limited to, product demand and market acceptance risks (including the future commercial acceptance of the Company's ADSL systems by telephone companies and other customers), the impact of competitive products and technologies (such as cable modems and fiber optic cable), competitive pricing pressures, forward pricing of ADSL systems, product development, excess and obsolete inventory due to new product development, commercialization and technological delays or difficulties (including delays or difficulties in developing, producing, testing and selling new products and technologies, such as ADSL systems), the effect of the Company's accounting policies, the effect of economic conditions and trade, legal, social, and economic risks (such as import, licensing and trade restrictions) and other risks more fully described in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1998 under the section "Risk Factors". The Company undertakes no obligation to release publicly the result of any revisions to these forward looking statements that may be made to reflect events or circumstances after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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WESTELL TECHNOLOGIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS <CAPTION>

ASSETS

ASSETS				
	March 31,	Decemb	er 31,	
	1998	1998		
	1770	1770		
	 (۱	inaudited)		
	(in thous	ands)		
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Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents		\$ 43,515	\$ 9,5	587
Short term investments		684	5,450	
Accounts receivable (net of allowance of \$73	30,000 and \$78	1,000,		
respectively)	12,3	99	13,016	
Inventories	9,42	8 1	0,905	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		10	0	449
Refundable income taxes		110	101	[
Deferred income tax asset		2,498	1,62	5

Total current assets	6	58,734	41,13	3
Property and equipment: Machinery and equipment Office, computer and research equipment Leasehold improvements		15,630 17 1,584	,090	8,301 17,204 ,284
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	34,304		789 20,816	24,222
Property and equipment, net	-	13,488	1	3,567
Deferred income tax asset and other assets		. 16,	183	17,069
Total assets	\$ 98	,405 \$	71,769	

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LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

Current liabilities: Accounts payable	\$ 7,472	\$ 8,272
	6,296	
Accrued compensation	5 664	4,589
Current portion of long-term debt	1.407	1,854
Deferred revenue		
Total current liabilities	21,253	20,862
Long-term debt		
Other long-term liabilities	998	
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholders' equity:		
Class A common stock, par \$0.01	154	169
Authorized - 43,500,000 shares		
Issued and outstanding - 15,371,900 shares at March 31	, 1998 and 16,9	904,073
shares at December 31, 1998		
Class B common stock, par \$0.01	210	195
Authorized - 25,000,000 shares	1000 110	
Issued and outstanding - 21,030,857 shares at March 31 shares at December 31, 1998	, 1998 and 19,:	537,569
Preferred stock, par \$0.01	_	_
Authorized - 1,000,000 shares	-	-
Issued and outstanding - none		
Additional paid-in capital	97.254	97,508
Cumulative translation adjustment	(213)	(66)
Cumulative translation adjustment Accumulated deficit	(24,264)	(50,790)
Total stockholders' equity	73,141	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity		

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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WESTELL TECHNOLOGIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS <CAPTION>

Three Months Ended	Nine Months Ended
December 31,	December 31,

1997 1998 1997 1998

-----(unaudited) (in thousands, except per share data)

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Equipment sales Services	<c> <c> <c \$18,082 3,540</c </c></c>	\$ 18,140 5,245 9	\$ 52,858 ,792 14	\$ 54,468 ,590
Total revenues				
Cost of equipment sales Cost of services	13,154 2,004	13,922 3,372	37,940 4,999	42,740 8,715
Total cost of goods sold		17,294	42,939	51,455
Gross margin	6,464	6,091	19,711	17,603
Sales and marketing Research and development General and administrative Restructuring charge	5,052	5,376	15,174	15,406
Research and development		1 6,975	5 19,878	3 19,683
General and administrative	3,294	3,420	9,340	9,693
				-
Total operating expenses	16,840	15,771	45,775	44,782
Operating loss				
Other income, net	12,714	142	13,570	925
Other income, net Interest expense	. 122	115	247	271
Income (loss) before taxes Provision (benefit) for income taxe	2,216 es 7	(9,653) 83	(12,741) (5,137)	(26,525)
Net income (loss)	\$ 1,433			
Net income (loss) per basic and dil common share	luted \$ 0.04	\$ (0.26)	\$ (0.21)	
Average number of common shar				
Basic:	36,358 3	6,432 3	6,339 3	6,422
Diluted:	36,745	36,432 3	56,339	36,422

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WESTELL TECHNOLOGIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS <CAPTION>

	Nine Months Ended December 31,		
	1997 1998		
	(unaudited) (in thousands)		
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Cash flows from operating activities: Net loss	\$ (7,604)	\$(26,525)	

Reconciliation of net loss to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities: Depreciation and amortization Stock awards Beferred taxes (5,13) Changes in assets and liabilities:		5,501
Increase in accounts receivable	(1,369)	(565)
Decrease (increase) in inventory	1,653	(1,392)
Decrease (increase) in prepaid expenses and deposits	995	(349)
Decrease in refundable income taxes		9
Increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses		
Increase (decrease) in accrued compensation	609	(1,075)
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenues	16	(1)
 Net cash used in operating activities	(3,646)	(24,026)
Cash flows from investing activities: Purchases of property and equipment Decrease (increase) in other assets	(3,719) 97	(5,580) (13)
Decrease (increase) in short term investments		(4,766)
Land and building construction held for resale	541 16,203	
		(10.250)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	13,122	(10,359)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Net borrowing under revolving promissory notes	550	
Borrowing (repayment) of long-term debt and leases pay	able (1	,678) 194
Cash distributed to Meridian LLC partner	(500)	
Proceeds from the issuance of common stock	506	254
 Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(1 122)	448
Net cash provided by (used in) mancing activities	(1,122)	440
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	4	9
Net increase (decrease) in cash		
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	28,437	43,515
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period		== \$ 9,587

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

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WESTELL TECHNOLOGIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

NOTE 1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Rule 10-01 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by generally accepted accounting principles for complete financial statements. It is suggested that these condensed consolidated financial statements be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 1998.

In the opinion of management, the unaudited interim financial statements included herein reflect all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring adjustments, necessary to present fairly the Company's consolidated financial position and the results of operations and cash flows at December 31, 1998, and for all periods presented. The results of operations for the three and

nine month periods ended December 31, 1998 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1999.

NOTE 2. COMPUTATION OF NET LOSS PER SHARE

In February 1997, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued SFAS No. 128 which requires companies to present basic and diluted earnings per share effective for financial statements issued for periods ending after December 15, 1997. The computation of basic earnings per share is computed using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings per share includes the number of additional common shares that would have been outstanding if the dilutive potential common shares had been issued. The effect of this computation on the number of outstanding shares is antidilutive for the nine month periods ended December 31, 1997, and 1998, and the three month period ended December 31, 1998, therefore the net loss per basic and diluted earnings per share are the same.

NOTE 3. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES:

During the quarter and year to date periods ended December 31, 1998, the Company received ADSL orders from customers that were priced below current production costs, which caused the Company to record a loss of approximately \$800,000 and \$2.5 million, respectively, for such orders received in those periods. The Company could continue to record losses on ADSL product sales if management enters into similar sales arrangements prior to achieving manufacturing cost reductions of ADSL products through (i) obtaining more cost effective DSL chipsets, (ii) product design efficiencies and (iii) economies related to volume production.

In February 1999, the Company received an ADSL order from a customer priced below anticipated production costs. The Company anticipates recognizing an estimated loss of \$200,000 in the quarter ended March 31, 1999 related to this order.

WESTELL TECHNOLOGIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

NOTE 4. INTERIM SEGMENT INFORMATION:

Westell's reportable segments are strategic business units that offer different products and services. They are managed separately because each business requires different technology and market strategy. They consist of:

1) A telecommunications equipment manufacturer of local loop access products ("Telecom Equipment"), and

2) A multi-point telecommunications service bureau specializing in audio teleconferencing, multi-point video conferencing, broadcast fax and multimedia teleconferencing services ("Telecom Services").

Performance of these segments is evaluated utilizing, revenue, operating income and total asset measurements. The accounting policies of the segments are the same as those for Westell Technologies, Inc. Segment information for the three and nine-month periods ended December 31, 1997 and 1998, are as follows:

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	elecom Juipment	Telecom Services	Total
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Three months ended December	r 31, 1997		
Revenues	\$18,082	\$ 3,540	\$ 21,622
Operating income (loss)	(10,975	5) 59	9 (10,376)
Depreciation and amortizat			42 1,796

Total assets	95,321	6,611	101,932
Three months ended December	31, 1998		
Revenues	\$18,140	\$ 5,245	\$ 23,385
Operating income (loss)	(10,173)	493	(9,680)
Depreciation and amortizati	on 1,400	431	
Total assets	61,133	10,636	71,769
Nine months ended December 3	31, 1997		
Revenues	\$52,858	\$ 9,792	\$ 62,650
Operating income (loss)	(28,410)		(26,064)
Depreciation and amortizati	on 4,347	926	5,273
Total assets		6,611	101,932
Nine months ended December 3	31, 1998		
Revenues	54,468	14,590	69,058
Operating income (loss)	(29,347)	2,168	(27,179)
Depreciation and amortizati		886	5,501
Total assets		10,636	71,769

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ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATION

OVERVIEW

Westell Technologies, Inc. ("Westell" or the "Company") derives most of its revenues from the sale of telecommunications equipment that enable telecommunications services over copper telephone wires. The Company's telecommunications equipment revenues can be categorized in three product groups: (i) products based on digital subscriber line technologies ("DSL products"), including Asymmetric Digital Subscriber Line ("ADSL"), Rate adaptive Digital Subscriber Line ("RADSL") and High bit-rate Digital Subscriber Line ("HDSL") systems, which enable telephone companies to provide interactive multimedia services over copper telephone wires, such as high speed Internet access, video on demand, medical imaging and video conferencing and telecommuting, while simultaneously carrying traditional telephone services, (ii) Digital Signal Hierarchy Level 1 based products ("DS1 products"), which are used by telephone companies to enable high speed digital T-1 transmission at approximately 1.5 mega bits per second and (iii) Digital Signal Hierarchy Level 0 based products ("DS0 products"), which are used by telephone companies to deliver digital services at speeds ranging from approximately 2.4 to 64 kilo bits per second and analog services over a 4 kilohertz bandwidth. The Company's service revenues are derived from audio, multi port video and multi media teleconferencing services. Westell's net revenues increased 8.2% and 10.2% in the three month and nine month periods ended December 31, 1998, respectively, when compared to the same periods last year. The increased revenue was driven by higher service revenue as a result of increased teleconference call minutes. Equipment revenue increased for the three and nine month periods primarily as a result of increased DS1 sales which was offset by decreased DSL shipments attributable to uneven demand for DSL products. Equipment revenue for the nine month period was also affected by an anticipated decrease in DS0 sales as network providers transition to higher speed digital based products. Historically, revenue from DS1 and DS0 products provided most of the Company's revenue.

The Company expects to continue to evaluate new product opportunities and engage in appropriate research and development activities that represent the best fit with the Company's product portfolio and market position. This will require the Company to continue to invest resources in research and development and sales and marketing, which could adversely affect short-term results of operations. Due to the Company's ongoing investment in DSL technology, the Company anticipates losses in the March 1999 quarter and losses may extend into fiscal 2000. The Company believes that its future revenue growth and profitability will depend on its success in creating sustainable DSL sales opportunities either directly, or in conjunction with, its partners; developing new and enhanced DS1 products; other niche products for both DSL and DS1 markets and growth in teleconference service revenues. The market for DSL products continues to be increasingly competitive causing the Company to offer its ADSL products at prices below current production costs (i.e., forward pricing of DSL products). For instance, in the September and December 1998 quarters, the Company received ADSL orders from customers priced below current production costs. This caused the Company to recognize forward pricing losses of approximately \$1.7 million and \$800,000, respectively, for such orders received. Management believes that manufacturing costs will decrease when (i) more cost effective chipsets are available, (ii) product design efficiencies are obtained, and (iii) economies of scale are obtained related to increased volume. The Company could continue to record losses on ADSL product sales prior to achieving cost-effective chipsets, product design efficiencies and economies related to volume production, which would have a material adverse effect on the Company's business and results of operations.

In the current fiscal year, the majority of the DSL revenue has been generated by shipments of ADSL systems at varying levels for data applications (i.e., Internet access and work at home) due to the growth in users accessing the World Wide Web through the Internet and the need to increase transmission speed when accessing local area networks and downloading large text graphics and video files. In view of the Company's reliance on the emerging DSL market for growth and the unpredictability of orders and subsequent revenues, the Company believes that period to period comparisons of its financial results are not necessarily meaningful and should not be relied upon as an indication of future performance. Revenues from DS0 products have declined in recent years as telcos continue to move from analog to digital transmission services. The Company also expects that revenues from Network Interface Unit ("NIU") products in its DS1 product group may decline as telcos increase the use of alternative technologies such as HDSL. Failure to increase revenues from new products, whether due to lack of market acceptance, competition, pricing pressures, technological change or otherwise, would have a material adverse effect on the Company's business and results of operations.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS - Periods ended December 31, 1998 compared to periods ended December 31, 1997

Revenues. The Company's revenues increased 8.2% from \$21.6 million in the three months ended December 31, 1997 to \$23.4 million in the three months ended December 31, 1998. This revenue increase was primarily due to increased DS1 revenue of \$1.1 million and increased teleconference service revenue from the Company's Conference Plus, Inc. subsidiary of \$1.7 million. The increased DS1 revenue was due to overall unit volume increases offset in part by lower average system sale prices resulting primarily from changes in product mix. Increased teleconference service revenue reflects an increase in call minutes. These increases were partially offset by a \$1.2 million decrease in DSL revenue in the three months ended December 31, 1998. The decrease in DSL revenue was due to lower unit shipments and lower average selling price of ADSL products.

The Company's revenues increased 10.2% from \$62.7 million in the nine months ended December 31, 1997 to \$69.1 million in the nine months ended December 31, 1998. The revenue increase in the nine month period was primarily due to increased teleconference service of \$4.8 million and increased DS1 revenue of \$2.5 million when compared with the same period last year. Increased service revenue reflects an increase in teleconference call minutes. DS1 revenue increased due to overall unit volume increases offset in part by lower average system sale prices resulting primarily from changes in product mix. These increases were partially offset by a \$1.0 million decrease in DS0 revenue as network providers continue to transition to higher speed digital based products and a \$294,000 decrease in DSL revenue resulting from lower average sales prices due to forward pricing pressures. The Company believes that DS0 revenue will continue to decline as network providers continue to transition to higher speed digital based products.

Gross Margin. Gross margin as a percentage of revenue decreased from 29.9% in the three months ended December 31, 1997 to 26.0% in the three months ended December 31, 1998 and decreased from 31.5% in the nine months ended December 31, 1997 to 25.5% in the nine months ended December 31, 1998. The decrease in gross profit margin was primarily due to recording forward pricing losses of

approximately \$800,000 and \$2.5 million in the three and nine month periods ended December 31, 1998, respectively for ADSL orders received in those periods. During the September quarter, the Company's Conference Plus, Inc. subsidiary opened a second facility to handle increased call minutes and invested in additional infrastructure enhancements which also impacted gross margins.

Sales and Marketing. Sales and marketing expenses increased 6.4%, from \$5.1 million in the three months ended December 31, 1997 to \$5.4 million in the three months ended December 31, 1998 and increased 1.5%, from \$15.2 million in the nine months ended December 31, 1997 to \$15.4 million in the nine months ended December 31, 1998. Sales and marketing expenses decreased as a percentage of revenues from 23.4% in the three months ended December 31, 1997 to 23.0% in the three months ended December 31, 1998 and decreased as a percentage of revenue from 24.2% in the nine month period ended December 31, 1997 to 22.3% in the nine months ended December 31, 1998. The increase in sales and marketing was primarily due to increased costs related to DSL and DS1/DS0 marketing programs and increased selling expenses related to supporting additional sales in the teleconference services business unit for both the three and nine month periods ended December 31, 1998. The increase in sales and marketing expenses for the three and nine month periods was partially offset by cost reductions resulting from management's initiatives that took place in the March 1998 quarter to streamline DSL sales and marketing efforts. The Company believes that continued investment in sales and marketing will be required to expand its product lines, bring new products to market and service customers globally.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS - continued

Research and Development. Research and development expenses decreased 1.9%, or \$136,000, to \$7.1 million in the three months ended December 31, 1998 and decreased 1.0%, or \$195,000, to \$19.7 million in the nine months ended December 31, 1998. Research and development expenses decreased as a percentage of revenues from 32.9% in the three months ended December 31, 1997 to 29.8% in the three months ended December 31, 1997 to 29.8% in the three months ended December 31, 1998 and decreased as a percentage of revenues from 31.7% in the nine months ended December 31, 1998. Research and development expenses decreased as a percentage of revenues from 31.7% in the nine months ended December 31, 1998. Research and development expenses decreased slightly due to lower prototyping and engineering consulting costs from the comparable periods last year. The Company believes that a continued commitment to research and development will be required for the Company to remain competitive.

General and Administrative. General and administrative expenses increased 3.8%, from \$3.3 million in the three months ended December 31, 1997 to \$3.4 million in the three months ended December 31, 1998 and increased 3.8%, from \$9.3 million in the nine months ended December 31, 1997 to \$9.7 million in the nine months ended December 31, 1997 to \$9.7 million in the nine months ended December 31, 1997 to \$9.7 million in the nine months ended December 31, 1998. General and administrative expenses decreased as a percentage of revenues from 15.2% in the three months ended December 31, 1997 to 14.6% in the three months ended December 31, 1998 and decreased as a percentage of revenues from 14.9% in the nine months ended December 31, 1998. The dollar increase in general and administrative expense was primarily due to costs associated with information systems infrastructure enhancements at the Company's teleconference services business unit. This increase was partially offset by the results of management initiatives and restructuring that took place in the March 1998 quarter to streamline administrative functions both domestically and internationally.

Restructuring charge. The Company recognized a non-recurring restructuring charge of \$1.4 million in the three months ended December 1997. This restructuring charge included personnel, facility and certain development contract costs related to restructuring global DSL operations.

Other income, net. Other income, net decreased from \$12.7 million in the three months ended December 31, 1997 to \$142,000 in the three months ended December 31, 1998 and decreased from \$13.6 million in the nine months ended December 31, 1997 to \$925,000 in the nine months ended December 31, 1998. The December 1997 quarter and the corresponding year to date period includes a one time benefit of \$12.0 million, net of expenses, for a break-up fee received from Texas Instruments related to the proposed Westell/Amati merger. Excluding the effect of this one time benefit, Other income, net would have been \$714,000 and \$1.6 million in the three and nine month periods ended December 31, 1997. Income for

the periods, absent the one time benefit, was due to interest income earned on temporary cash investments made as a result of investing available funds.

Interest expense. Interest expense decreased from \$122,000 in the three months ended December 31, 1997 to \$115,000 in the three months ended December 31, 1998 and increased from \$247,000 in the nine months ended December 31, 1997 to \$271,000 in the nine months ended December 31, 1998. Interest expense during the periods is a result of interest incurred on net obligations outstanding during the period under equipment facility borrowings and capital leases.

Provision (benefit) for income taxes. Provision (benefit) for income taxes decreased from a provision of \$783,000 and a benefit of \$5.1 million in the three and nine month periods ended December 31, 1997 to \$0 for the three and nine month periods ended December 31, 1998. As in the quarter ended September 30, 1998, the Company has provided a valuation reserve for the entire benefit generated during the current quarter of \$3.8 million since the resulting gross deferred tax asset would have exceeded the value of tax planning strategies available to the Company. The Company will evaluate on a quarterly basis its ability to record a benefit for income taxes in relation to the value of tax planning strategies available in relation to the resulting gross deferred asset.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

As of December 31, 1998, the Company had \$15.0 million in cash and short term investments which is being invested in short term investments consisting of federal government agency instruments and the highest rated grade corporate commercial paper.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS - continued

The Company's operating activities used cash of approximately \$24.0 million in the nine months ended December 31, 1998, which resulted primarily from a loss from operations before income taxes of \$21.0 million (net of depreciation), increases in accounts receivable, inventory and prepaid expenses and a decrease in accrued compensation offset partially by increases in accounts payable and accrued expenses.

Capital expenditures for the nine month period ended December 31, 1998 were \$5.6 million, all of which was funded by available cash. The Company expects to spend approximately \$1.0 million for the remainder of fiscal year 1999 related to capital equipment expenditures.

At December 31, 1998, the Company's principle sources of liquidity were \$15.0 million of cash and short term investments and a secured credit facility that the Company may borrow up to \$12.4 based upon receivables and inventory levels and up to an additional \$5.0 million under a secured equipment line of credit. The Company is currently considering appropriate actions to address its cash requirements going forward. These actions include, without limitation, seeking alternative funding to supplement its current cash position and available credit lines to meet its cash requirements for the next 12 months. Cash in excess of operating requirements will continue to be invested on a short term basis in federal government agency instruments and the highest rated grade commercial paper.

The Company has approximately \$3.8 million in income tax credit carryforwards and a tax benefit of \$25.9 million related to a net operating loss carryforward that is available to offset taxable income in the future. The tax credit carryforwards begin to expire in 2008 and the net operating loss carryforward begins to expire in 2012.

Realization of deferred tax assets associated with the Company's future deductible temporary differences, net operating loss carryforwards and tax credit carryforwards is dependent upon generating sufficient taxable income prior to their expiration. Although realization of the deferred tax asset is not assured and the Company has incurred operating losses for the 1996, 1997, and 1998 fiscal years, management believes that it is more likely than not that it will generate taxable income sufficient to realize the recorded tax benefit associated with future temporary differences, NOL carryforwards and tax credit carryforwards prior to their expiration through a tax planning strategy

available to the Company. Management has determined that the strategy was no longer sufficient to realize all of the deferred tax assets available to the Company and as such, has recorded a valuation allowance of \$13.5 million. On a quarterly basis, management will assess whether it remains more likely than not that the recorded deferred tax asset will be realized. If the tax planning strategy is not sufficient to generate taxable income to recover the deferred tax benefit recorded, an increase in the valuation allowance will be required through a charge to the income tax provision. However, if the Company achieves sufficient profitability or has available additional tax planning strategies to utilize a greater portion of the deferred tax asset, an income tax benefit would be recorded to decrease the valuation allowance.

YEAR 2000 COMPLIANCE ISSUE

The Company has determined that it is required to modify and/or replace portions of its software systems so that they will properly utilize dates beyond December 31, 1999 (the "year 2000 compliance"). The Company believes that, with software upgrades and modifications and with the conversion to new software, the impact of the year 2000 on its computer systems can be mitigated. However, if the upgrades, modifications and conversions are not made, or are not made in a timely manner, the year 2000 could have a material adverse impact on the Company's operations. A plan to remediate the Company's Information Technology ("IT") systems, which will include efforts to mitigate the impact that the year 2000 will have on the Company, has begun and is projected to be implemented by March 31, 1999 (the "Project").

The Project includes upgrading system software, hardware and processes that are not exclusively related to year 2000 compliance. The Project will utilize both internal and external resources. The Company has a full-time manager dedicated to the Project as well as addressing the Company's year 2000 compliance issues. The Project cost for the Company is estimated to be \$1.8 million. These costs are expected to be expensed as incurred, except for approximately \$600,000 that will be capitalized unrelated to year 2000 compliance. The Company has expensed approximately \$600,000 related this Project and has incurred approximately \$260,000 in capital expenditures, as of December 31, 1998. The Project team is currently meeting its objectives and believes that this Project will be completed as planned and within cost estimates. The Project costs and the date on which the Company plans to complete this Project are based

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS - continued

on management's best estimates, which were derived utilizing numerous assumptions of future events, including the continued availability of certain resources, third party modification plans and other factors. However, there can be no guarantee that these estimates will be achieved and actual results could differ materially from these estimates and plans.

The Company has begun assessing how the year 2000 will impact both internal and external non-IT systems, including product compliance, machinery and equipment, engineering support systems and tools, human resource data bases, payroll processing, banking systems, benefit plan third party administrators, and customer systems and vendor compliance. The Company has made an initial assessment that products produced by the Company, and systems used by the Company to manufacture products, are year 2000 compliant; however, the Company will have to undertake a more detailed analysis of its products and manufacturing systems to assure that year 2000 issues have been entirely addressed. The Company is in the initial stages of questioning customers and vendors to determine whether their systems and products are year 2000 compliant. The Company has not received sufficient information to assess whether the lack of year 2000 compliance of customers or vendors will materially impact the Company's operations. The Company expects that it will be able to more fully assess the impact of vendor and/or customer year 2000 compliance deficiency by March 31, 1999. The Company has completed its initial assessment of year 2000 compliance of its engineering support systems and automated engineering tools. The engineering systems and tools utilized by the Company that are integral to product development schedules are upgraded annually through license renewals. The current upgrades of the engineering support systems and automated engineering tools are year 2000 compliant. The Company is in the process of

completing its testing of year 2000 compliance of the engineering systems and tools and expects that this evaluation will be completed by May 31, 1999, and believes that it will have sufficient time to mitigate any significant impact that the year 2000 compliance will have on the Company's development schedules, if any. The Company's human resource database and the payroll processing systems have been evaluated for year 2000 compliance and must be upgraded in order to be year 2000 compliant. The cost of this upgrade will not be significant and the Company anticipates that this upgrade will be completed by March 31, 1999. The Company has received confirmation that its primary banks and its benefit plan third party administrators systems are or will be year 2000 compliant.

The Company believes that it is proactive in assessing the impact that the year 2000 will have on both its internal and external IT and non-IT systems. Where material and where feasible, the cost of year 2000 compliance has been quantified. The Company is at varying stages of evaluating the impacts of the year 2000 on its business and its results of operations. The Company believes that its actions, evaluations and processes currently undertaken are sufficient to assess and mitigate the impacts that the year 2000 will have on the Company. However, since the evaluations described above are, at this time, not complete, the Company may discover ways in which the lack of year 2000 compliance, whether by the Company or by third parties, could materially affect the Company's operations.

The Company is in the process of developing a contingency plan to address all possible effects that the year 2000 may have on its operations. Management believes that its actions, evaluations and processes should provide sufficient time to address the year 2000 risks as they are revealed. Risks related to customer year 2000 noncompliance are not within the Company's control, however, and therefore, the noncompliance of customer systems may materially adversely impact the Company's operations. Year 2000 compliance of the Company's vendors is also not within the control of the Company. However, the Company believes that it will have sufficient time to mitigate vendor year 2000 noncompliance and replace such vendors with vendors that are year 2000 compliant due to the general availability of electrical component material in the Company's products.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS

None.

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K

a) The following documents are furnished as an exhibit and numbered pursuant to Item 601 of regulation S-K:

Exhibit 27: Financial Data Schedule

b) The registrant was not required to file any reports on Form 8-K for the quarter.

SIGNATURES

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

WESTELL TECHNOLOGIES, INC. (Registrant)

DATE: February 15, 1999

By: ROBERT H. GAYNOR ROBERT H. GAYNOR Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer

By: STEPHEN J. HAWRYSZ STEPHEN J. HAWRYSZ Chief Financial Officer, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer

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