

AU OPTRONICS CORP
Form 6-K
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FORM 6-K
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

April 7, 2009

Commission File Number 001-31335

AU Optronics Corp.
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

No. 1 Li-Hsin Road 2
Hsinchu Science Park
Hsinchu, Taiwan
(Address of principal executive offices)

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Form 20-F Form 40-F

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Yes No X

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Not applicable

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Item

1. Press release entitled, "AU Optronics Corp. Reports March 2009 Consolidated Revenue" dated April 7, 2009.
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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.

AU Optronics Corp.

Date: April 7, 2009

By: /s/ Andy Yang
Name: Andy Yang
Title: Chief Financial Officer

AU Optronics Corp. Reports March 2009 Consolidated Revenue

Issued by: AU Optronics Corp.
 Issued on: April 7, 2009

Hsinchu, Taiwan, April 7, 2009 –

AU Optronics Corp. ("AUO" or the "Company") (TAIEX: 2409; NYSE: AUO) today announced its preliminary consolidated and unconsolidated March 2009 revenue of NT\$22,107 million and NT\$21,937 million, up 43.7% and 43.2% respectively from February 2009. In terms of Y-o-Y comparison, they were down by 53.0% and 53.1% respectively.

In the first quarter of 2009, AUO's unaudited consolidated and unconsolidated revenues totaled NT\$50,733 million and NT\$50,459 million. It represented 15.1% and 15.2% Q-o-Q decrease, and 62.9% and 63.0% Y-o-Y decrease.

Large-sized panel(a) shipments for March 2009, with applications on desktop monitor, notebook PC, LCD TV and other applications, exceeded 5.93 million units, a substantial 48.8% M-o-M increase. As to small-and-medium-sized panels, the shipments reached over 19.29 million units, also a significant 37.8% sequential increase.

In the first quarter of 2009, large-sized panel shipments reached 13.15 million units, a 12.8% Q-o-Q and a 40.3% Y-o-Y decrease. Shipments of small-and-medium-sized panels in the same quarter totaled 42.93 million units, down by 9.4% from last quarter, but a 13.9% Y-o-Y increase.

(a) Large size refers to panels that are 10 inches and above in diagonal measurement while small and medium size refers to those below 10 inches

Sales Report :(Unit: NT\$ million)

Net Sales(1) (2)	Consolidated(3)	Unconsolidated
March 2009	22,107	21,937
February 2009	15,381	15,323
M-o-M Growth	43.7%	43.2%
March 2008	47,059	46,761

Y-o-Y Growth	(53.0%)	(53.1%)
Jan to March 2009	50,733	50,459
Jan to March 2008	136,630	136,239
Y-o-Y Growth	(62.9%)	(63.0%)

- (1) All figures are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in Taiwan.
- (2) Monthly figures are unaudited, prepared by AU Optronics Corp.
- (3) Consolidated numbers include AU Optronics Corp., AU Optronics (L) Corporation, AU Optronics (Suzhou) Corporation, AU Optronics (Shanghai) Corporation, Tech - Well (Shanghai) Display Co., AU Optronics (Xiamen) Corp., Darwin Precisions (L) Corp., Toppan CFI (Taiwan) Co, Ltd., AU Optronics (Czech) s.r.o. and Lextar Electronics Corp.

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ABOUT AU OPTRONICS

AU Optronics Corp. (AUO) is the worldwide top 3 manufacturer* of thin film transistor liquid crystal display panels (TFT-LCD). AUO is able to provide customers a full range of panel sizes and comprehensive applications, offering TFT-LCD panels in sizes ranging from 1.5 inches to greater than 65 inches. AUO generated NT\$423.9 billion (US\$12.9 billion) in sales revenue in 2008 and now houses a staff of more than 38,000 employees throughout its global operations spreading across Taiwan, Mainland China, Japan, Singapore, South Korea, the U.S., and Europe. Additionally, AUO is the first pure TFT-LCD manufacturer to successfully list at the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE). For more information, please visit AUO.com.

* DisplaySearch 2008 WW Large-area TFT-LCD Shipments as shown in press release dated February 3, 2009. This data is used as reference only and AUO does not make any endorsement or representation in connection therewith. 2008 year end revenue converted by an exchange rate of NTD32.76:USD1.

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