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LITTELFUSE REPORTS THIRD QUARTER FINANCIAL RESULTS

DES PLAINES, Illinois, November 2, 2006 - Littelfuse, Inc. (NASDAQ/NGS:LFUS) today reported results for the third quarter of 2006.

Third Quarter Highlights

- Sales of \$143.4 million for the third quarter of 2006 were up 17% compared to the prior-year quarter. Sales increased in all geographic areas, with particular strength in Asia. Electronics end-markets were the primary contributors to the growth, while the electrical business grew modestly and automotive was flat.
- Diluted earnings per share were \$0.42 for the third quarter of 2006 compared to \$0.17 per diluted share for the third quarter of 2005. Earnings for the third quarter of 2006 included pre-tax charges of \$3.9 million (or approximately \$0.12 per share after tax) related to the last phase of the Heinrich consolidation. These charges included \$2.3 million of accrued employee-related cost pursuant to contract obligations and \$1.6 million of non-cash asset impairment charges.
- The effective tax rate for the third quarter of 2006 was 22%, due to a \$1.2 million favorable tax reserve adjustment that reduced the effective tax rate by 10 percentage points.
- Adjusted diluted earnings per share (see Supplemental Information schedule) were \$0.48. This excludes the Heinrich charges and the one-time tax benefit mentioned above.
- Adjusted operating margin (see Supplemental Information schedule) was 11.3% for the third quarter of 2006, compared to adjusted operating margin of 8.1% for the third quarter of 2005 and adjusted operating margin of 12.4% for the second quarter of 2006.

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- Another strong cash flow quarter brought year-to-date cash flow from operating activities to \$54.4 million. This has more than funded the \$14.1 million in capital expenditures and four acquisitions totaling \$37.6 million. Cash flow for the year 2006 is expected to be a Littelfuse record.
- The book-to-bill ratio for electronics for the third quarter of 2006 was .91. This is down from 1.03 for the second quarter and 1.17 for the first quarter.
- Overall capacity utilization for electronics held steady at about 85%, with Teccor also continuing at about 85%.

Third Quarter Operating Results

The strong sales growth for the quarter and year to date has been driven largely by the electronics business, which has performed well across all geographies and all end-markets. However, the declining electronics book-to-bill ratio indicates that these markets are slowing down. The electrical business continues to grow steadily, while automotive has weakened and was flat for the quarter.

“It was another good quarter for Littelfuse,” said Gordon Hunter, Chief Executive Officer. “We posted solid financial results and made excellent progress on integrating our recent acquisitions and transitioning several manufacturing operations to Asia. However, it is now becoming clear that our electronic sales growth of 22% so far this year has outpaced the end-market growth and resulted in some inventory build at distributors, contract manufacturers and OEMs. Thus, the inventory correction, which we mentioned as a possibility three months ago, now seems more certain.”

“As expected, our adjusted operating margin for the third quarter declined sequentially due to higher commodity prices, as well as higher costs related to acquisition integration and plant and warehouse consolidation activities,” said Phil Franklin, Chief Financial Officer. “We have implemented price increases that will partially offset the higher commodity prices, but because of existing contracts, some of the largest increases will not take effect until early next year.”

“The next few quarters will be bumpy as we work through the electronics inventory correction and complete a number of acquisition integrations and manufacturing transitions,” said Hunter.

Fourth Quarter Outlook

- Fourth quarter sales now look like they will be down at least 10% sequentially, and maybe as much as 15%, reflecting an electronics inventory correction on top of the normal fourth quarter seasonal decline.

- At these sales levels, earnings per share would be expected to be in the \$0.18 to \$0.25 range, reflecting negative operating leverage, continued costs related to acquisition integrations and manufacturing transitions and a temporary increase in the tax rate to 36-38%.

“As we look out past the next few quarters, our future still looks bright,” said Hunter. “Our growth strategies are firmly in place and we have a clear plan to achieve our long-term operating margin target of 15%. Barring a more protracted slowdown than we currently see, we still believe that earnings of \$2.00 per share is within reach for 2007.”

Conference Call Webcast Information

Littelfuse will host a conference call today, Thursday, November 2, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern/ 9:00 a.m. Central time to discuss the third quarter results. The call will be broadcast live over the Internet and can be accessed through the company's Web site: www.littelfuse.com. Listeners should go to the Web site at least 15 minutes prior to the call to download and install any necessary audio software. The call will be available for replay through December 31, 2006 and can be accessed through the Web site listed above.

About Littelfuse

As the worldwide leader in circuit protection products and solutions with annual sales of \$467.1 million in 2005, the Littelfuse portfolio is backed by industry leading technical support, design and manufacturing expertise. Littelfuse products are vital components in virtually every product that uses electrical energy, including automobiles, computers, consumer electronics, handheld devices, industrial equipment, and telecom/datacom circuits. Littelfuse offers Teccor[®], Wickmann[®] and Pudenz[®] brand circuit protection products. In addition to its Des Plaines, Illinois, world headquarters, Littelfuse has sales, distribution, manufacturing and engineering facilities in Brazil, China, England, Germany, Hong Kong, India, Ireland, Japan, Korea, Mexico, the Netherlands, the Philippines, Singapore, Taiwan and the U.S.

For more information, please visit Littelfuse's Web site at www.littelfuse.com.

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LITTELFUSE, INC.
Sales by Geography and Market*
(Dollars in millions)

	<u>Third Quarter</u>			<u>Year-to-Date</u>		
	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>% Change</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>% Change</u>
<u>Geography</u>						
Americas	\$ 55.4	\$ 51.3	8%	\$ 167.9	\$150.9	11%
Europe	27.9	23.6	18%	84.7	75.0	13%
Asia-Pacific	<u>60.1</u>	<u>47.4</u>	<u>27%</u>	<u>154.4</u>	<u>125.8</u>	<u>23%</u>
Total	<u>\$ 143.4</u>	<u>\$ 122.3</u>	<u>17%</u>	<u>\$407.0</u>	<u>\$ 351.7</u>	<u>16%</u>

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<u>Market</u>						
Electronics	\$ 101.1	\$ 80.8	25%	\$ 279.9	\$ 228.6	22%
Automotive	30.2	30.1	0%	92.8	90.8	2%
Electrical	<u>12.1</u>	<u>11.4</u>	<u>6%</u>	<u>34.3</u>	<u>32.3</u>	<u>6%</u>
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* Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation. Amounts exclude Efen.

LITTELFUSE, INC.
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets
(in thousands, unaudited)

	<u>September 30, 2006</u>	<u>December 31, 2005</u>
Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 42,889	\$ 21,947
Receivables.....	99,929	80,303
Inventories.....	66,187	63,423
Current deferred tax asset.....	12,960	11,927
Assets held for sale (Efen)	-	17,633
Other current assets.....	<u>11,523</u>	<u>7,936</u>
 Total current assets.....	 233,488	 203,169
Property, plant, and equipment, net	128,864	125,493
Intangible assets, net	32,042	14,742
Goodwill.....	63,051	54,440
Investments	5,422	5,590
Long-term deferred tax asset	11,360	-
Other assets	<u>860</u>	<u>497</u>
 Total assets	 <u>\$ 475,087</u>	 <u>\$ 403,931</u>
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity:		
Accounts payable	\$ 26,672	\$ 20,457
Accrued payroll.....	22,960	20,128
Accrued expenses.....	9,665	8,141
Accrued severance.....	28,245	7,866
Accrued income tax.....	23,498	9,920
Liabilities held for sale (Efen)	-	6,722
Current portion of long-term debt	<u>25,927</u>	<u>26,682</u>
 Total current liabilities	 136,967	 99,916
Long-term debt.....	1,863	-
Long-term deferred tax liability	-	1,879
Accrued post-retirement benefits	21,082	19,268
Other long-term liabilities.....	5,368	5,658
Minority interest	143	144
Shareholders' equity.....	<u>309,664</u>	<u>277,066</u>
 Total liabilities and shareholders' equity.....	 <u>\$ 475,087</u>	 <u>\$ 403,931</u>
Common shares issued and outstanding of 22,389,992 and 22,229,288, at September 30, 2006, and December 31, 2005, respectively		

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LITTELFUSE, INC.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income
(in thousands, except per share data, unaudited)

	<u>For the Three Months Ended</u>		<u>For the Nine Months Ended</u>	
	<u>Sept 30,</u> <u>2006</u>	<u>Oct 1,</u> <u>2005</u>	<u>Sept 30,</u> <u>2006</u>	<u>Oct 1,</u> <u>2005</u>
Net sales	\$ 143,471	\$ 122,266	\$ 407,023	\$ 351,716
Cost of sales.....	<u>96,386</u>	<u>87,957</u>	<u>283,849</u>	<u>245,069</u>
Gross profit.....	47,085	34,309	123,174	106,647
Selling, general and administrative expense	29,174	25,513	83,595	74,512
Research and development expenses	4,634	4,257	14,099	12,782
Amortization of intangibles	<u>909</u>	<u>436</u>	<u>2,020</u>	<u>1,501</u>
Total operating expense.....	34,717	30,206	99,714	88,795
Operating income	12,368	4,103	23,460	17,852
Interest expense	480	587	1,252	1,628
Other income	<u>(117)</u>	<u>(2,988)</u>	<u>(1,627)</u>	<u>(3,215)</u>
Earnings from continuing operations before minority interest and income taxes.....	12,005	6,504	23,835	19,439
Minority interest	-	(40)	-	(38)
Income taxes	<u>2,645</u>	<u>3,423</u>	<u>5,243</u>	<u>7,756</u>
Earnings from continuing operations.....	9,360	3,121	18,592	11,721
Discontinued operations (net of tax).....	<u>-</u>	<u>650</u>	<u>588</u>	<u>746</u>
Net income	<u>\$ 9,360</u>	<u>\$ 3,771</u>	<u>\$ 19,180</u>	<u>\$ 12,467</u>
Net income per share:				
Basic:				
Continuing operations.....	<u>\$ 0.42</u>	<u>\$ 0.14</u>	<u>\$ 0.83</u>	<u>\$ 0.52</u>
Discontinued operations	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 0.03</u>	<u>\$ 0.03</u>	<u>\$ 0.04</u>
Net income.....	<u>\$ 0.42</u>	<u>\$ 0.17</u>	<u>\$ 0.86</u>	<u>\$ 0.56</u>
Diluted:				
Continuing operations.....	<u>\$ 0.42</u>	<u>\$ 0.14</u>	<u>\$ 0.82</u>	<u>\$ 0.52</u>
Discontinued operations	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 0.03</u>	<u>\$ 0.03</u>	<u>\$ 0.03</u>
Net income.....	<u>\$ 0.42</u>	<u>\$ 0.17</u>	<u>\$ 0.85</u>	<u>\$ 0.55</u>
Weighted average shares and equivalent shares outstanding:				
Basic.....	<u>22,347</u>	<u>22,441</u>	<u>22,308</u>	<u>22,449</u>
Diluted	<u>22,504</u>	<u>22,626</u>	<u>22,440</u>	<u>22,671</u>

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LITTELFUSE, INC.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
(in thousands, unaudited)

	For the Three Months Ended		For the Nine Months Ended	
	Sept 30, 2006	Oct 1, 2005	Sept 30, 2006	Oct 1, 2005
Operating activities:				
Net income.....	\$ 9,360	\$ 3,771	\$ 19,180	\$ 12,467
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation	8,299	7,547	23,199	21,699
Amortization	909	496	2,020	1,590
Stock-based compensation.....	1,199	-	3,903	-
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Accounts receivable	(3,292)	(2,618)	(13,914)	(9,053)
Inventories.....	(104)	1,894	392	6,845
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(805)	3,236	18,686	(5,998)
Prepaid expenses and other	98	796	900	(218)
Net cash provided by operating activities.....	15,664	15,122	54,366	27,332
Cash used in investing activities:				
Purchases of property and equipment.....	(4,716)	(4,979)	(14,116)	(21,943)
Acquisitions of businesses	(6,116)	(398)	(37,642)	(1,417)
Sale of Efen.....	-	-	11,574	-
Net cash used in investing activities.....	(10,832)	(5,377)	(40,184)	(23,360)
Cash provided by (used in) financing activities:				
Proceeds from long-term debt	12,415	19,729	35,273	46,680
Payments of long-term debt.....	(10,637)	(23,901)	(35,935)	(40,114)
Proceeds from repayment of notes receivable, common stock.....	-	-	7	3,533
Proceeds from exercise of stock options..	1,607	3,075	5,984	3,750
Excess tax benefit on share-based compensation.....	408	-	408	-
Purchase of treasury stock	(652)	(6,761)	(652)	(9,960)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	3,141	(7,858)	5,085	3,889
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	136	(201)	1,675	(2,111)
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	8,109	1,686	20,942	5,750
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	34,780	32,647	21,947	28,583
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 42,889	\$ 34,333	\$ 42,889	\$ 34,333

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LITTELFUSE, INC.
Supplemental Information
(in thousands, except per share data, unaudited)

	<u>Sept 30, 2006</u>	<u>Oct 1, 2005</u>	<u>July 1, 2006</u>
Net sales	\$ 143,471	\$ 122,266	\$ 137,941
Cost of sales	96,386	87,957	106,652
Special charges (1)	<u>(2,161)</u>	<u>(4,798)</u>	<u>(17,076)</u>
Adjusted cost of sales	94,225	83,159	89,576
Adjusted gross profit	49,246	39,107	48,365
% of sales.....	34.3%	32.0%	35.1%
Selling, general and administrative expenses*	29,174	25,513	28,599
Special charges (2)	<u>(1,730)</u>	<u>(1,035)</u>	<u>(2,764)</u>
Adjusted selling, general and administrative expenses.....	27,444	24,478	25,835
Adjusted operating expenses.....	<u>32,987</u>	<u>29,171</u>	<u>31,216</u>
% of sales.....	23.0%	23.9%	22.6%
Adjusted operating income.....	16,259	9,936	17,149
% of sales.....	11.3%	8.1%	12.4%
Interest/other	363	(2,441)	(580)
Gain on sale of LC Fab equity investment	-	1,400	-
Adjusted interest/other	<u>363</u>	<u>(1,041)</u>	<u>(580)</u>
Adjusted income before tax.....	15,896	10,977	17,729
Income tax expense	<u>5,087</u>	<u>3,842</u>	<u>6,205</u>
Effective rate	32.0%	35.0%	35.0%
Adjusted net income.....	<u>\$ 10,809</u>	<u>\$ 7,135</u>	<u>\$ 11,524</u>
Adjusted earnings per share	<u>\$ 0.48</u>	<u>\$ 0.32</u>	<u>\$ 0.51</u>
Diluted shares	<u>22,504</u>	<u>22,626</u>	<u>22,693</u>

Note: The company believes that adjusted operating income is more indicative of the company's ongoing operating performance than GAAP operating income since it excludes charges that are related to closure of legacy operations.

* Selling, general and administrative expenses includes stock-based compensation expense of \$1,199 and \$1,251 for the period ended September 30, 2006 and July 1, 2006, respectively.

Special Charges:

- (1) Special charges relate to asset write-downs and accrued employee-related cost pursuant to contract obligations for the period ended September 30, 2006, Ireland severance for the period ended October 1, 2005 and Ireland severance for the period ended July 1, 2006.
- (2) Special charges relate to asset write-downs and accrued employee-related cost pursuant to contract obligations for the period ended September 30, 2006, an accounts receivable write-down related to Delphi Corporation's bankruptcy filing for the period ended October 1, 2005 and a Heinrich real estate write-down for the period ended July 1, 2006.

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