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- 6 Good morning ladies and gentlemen, and welcome to the second
- 7 quarter fiscal year 2016 Ocean Power Technologies conference call.
- 8 My name is _KEVIN_ and I'll be your coordinator for today. (Operator
- 9 Instructions) As a reminder, this conference call is being recorded for
- 10 replay purposes.

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I would now like to turn the presentation over to your host for today's call, Mr. Shawn Severson of The Blueshirt Group.

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Shawn Severson - Introduction

Thank you and good morning. Thank you for joining us on OPT's conference call and webcast to discuss the financial results for the 3-month period ended October 31, 2015.

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On the call with me today are George Kirby, President and CEO; and Mark Featherstone, Chief Financial Officer. George will provide an update on the company's highlights for the quarter, key activities and strategy, after which Mark will review the financial results for the second quarter.

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- 26 Following our prepared remarks, we will open the call to questions.
- 27 This call is being webcast on our website, at 28 www.oceanpowertechnologies.com.
- 29 It will also be available for replay later today. The replay will stay on
- 30 the site for on-demand review over the next several months.
- 31 Yesterday OPT issued its earnings press release and filed its
- 32 quarterly report on Form 10-Q with the Securities and Exchange
- 33 Commission. All of our public filings can be viewed on the SEC
- 34 website at SEC.gov or you may go to the OPT website,
- www.Oceanpowertechnologies.com.

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 We refer you to the Company's Form 10-K and other recent filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the description of these and other risk factors.

And now, I'd like to turn the call over to George to begin the discussion.

George H. Kirby – President and Chief Executive Officer

Thank you, Shawn. Good morning, everyone.

Today I'll review our business operations and provide an update on key activities and developments in the quarter. Following this, Mark will briefly review our financial results, after which Mark and I will be available to answer any questions. So let's begin.

First, we're excited that the Company is continuing to execute on our objectives and achieving considerable progress on both the commercial and technical fronts. As announced in late October, we redeployed the APB350 A1 PowerBuoy off the coast of New Jersey and resumed sea trials. We also released select performance data gathered during A1's initial deployment as well as initial results from the Accelerated Life Testing of its redesigned Power TakeOff system (or, "PTO").

Our goal is to provide reliable, durable, and cost-effective offshore autonomous power solutions where current power solutions are either

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too costly or unavailable. The deployment of A1 was a milestone in our long term strategy to achieve this goal and gives us the opportunity to further develop and validate our APB350 technology.

Consistent with our strategic pivot, we also made considerable progress toward our next generation APB350 product, which we expect will feature an enhanced electrical storage system, a higher efficiency power management system, and a user friendly interface providing even more flexibility to end-users. I am excited to announce that this next-generation buoy has undergone its critical design review, and we expect that it will achieve a maturity level, through extensive in-ocean and factory accelerated life testing, that will allow us to proceed with a commercial product launch in 2016.

 As we've mentioned before, we strongly believe that our APB350 represents a very appealing solution which provides a robust and cost effective alternative to incumbent solutions that utilize batteries, solar, wind and diesel power for offshore applications.

 As part of our efforts to demonstrate product reliability and durability, and to accelerate toward product commercialization, the Company initiated Accelerated Life Testing on its redesigned APB350 PTO in the second quarter. The OPT accelerated life testing process consists of operating PTOs in tandem with accelerated operating profiles, which subjects the PTOs to various load conditions which are encountered in extreme sea states. The test simulates an equivalent three-year ocean deployment within a period of six to nine months, using PTOs that are identical to those of the Company's APB350 A1. We intend to use accelerated life testing results to improve and to validate reliability, which we believe is critical to our prospective customers.

Furthermore, as an important component of our commercialization strategy, OPT formed a Technical Advisory Panel during the second quarter of FY2016. The Panel was formed as part of our efforts to accelerate PowerBuoy commercialization, and it plays a critical role in developing and further improving our technology and products. The

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main objective of the Panel is to facilitate the implementation of different PowerBuoy applications coupled with specific market requirements. As we previously communicated to you, the Panel consists of select potential customers, end-users, and technical and scientific stakeholders, including Gardline Marine Sciences, DNV GL, as well as representatives from two major oil & gas operators, a large oil and gas equipment manufacturer and a leading meteorological and oceanographic sensor manufacturer. The University of Western Australia Centre for Offshore Foundation Systems also participates on the Panel by providing scientific advice related to marine subsea structures engineering.

The Panelists are reviewing and providing critical industry feedback on requirements and test protocols in order to increase our speed to market. This long term collaboration is initially focused on the APB350, but it could also extend to future PowerBuoy designs.

Moving forward, we'll continue to work closely with Panel members to maximize the unique opportunities that this long-term collaboration provides to us. We're excited to continue the work with these highly acknowledged and experienced companies and we look forward to continuing to integrate industry feedback with our day to day operations.

Additionally, in the second quarter we announced an agreement with Gardline Environmental to investigate the development of innovative metocean monitoring and maritime security systems together. Under this agreement, we will work closely with Gardline to investigate, and then potentially develop, test and market advanced integrated solutions for end-users in the ocean observing and defense and security markets. We are very excited about working together with Gardline who is a leader within the worldwide environmental services market. We strongly believe that Gardline's 45 years of experience within environmental, meteorological and oceanic studies, and hydrographic and geophysical surveys will leverage our technology to further develop innovative applications and solutions that offer a

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146 potentially revolutionary improvement to incumbent operational 147 practices.

Lastly, given Board of Directors and shareholder approval, OPT completed a reverse stock split at a ratio of one share of newly issued common stock for every 10 shares of issued and outstanding common stock. With the stock split completed, we are now in compliance with NASDAQ listing requirements, and we believe that there is significant untapped value in the current OPT stock price which we are intending to unlock through the commercialization of the APB350.

I will now turn it over to Mark, who will review our financial results in the quarter.

Mark A. Featherstone- Chief Financial Officer

Thanks, George, and Good Morning, everyone. I will now review results for the second fiscal quarter of 2016 before we open up the call for questions.

For the three months ended October 31, 2015, OPT reported revenue of \$0.5 million, as compared to revenue of \$1.7 million for the three months ended October 31, 2014. The decrease in revenues compared with the prior year was primarily related to decreased billable costs on our project with Mitsui Engineering & Shipbuilding (or, "MES") and with our contract with the U.S. Department of Energy. The MES project is currently undergoing a stage-gate review with its project stakeholders.

The net loss for the three months ended October 31, 2015 was \$3.0 million as compared to a net loss of \$4.4 million for the three months ended October 31, 2014. The decrease in net loss is primarily due to lower selling, general and administrative expenses including reduced third party consulting, site development and patent amortization costs. During the three months ended October 31, 2015, we recovered product development costs from prior periods under our cost-sharing contract with the European Union for our WavePort

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project. In addition, the prior year included \$0.3 million of gross loss due to a change in project cost estimates related to the MES contract.

For the six months ended October 31, 2015, OPT reported revenue of \$0.6 million, as compared to revenue of \$3.3 million for the six months ended October 31, 2014. The decrease in revenue is primarily related to decreased billable work for the DOE, WavePort and MES contracts.

The net loss for the six months ended October 31, 2015 was \$7.1 million, as compared to a net loss of \$7.7 million for the six months ended October 31, 2014. The decrease in the Company's net loss year-over-year primarily reflects increased estimated project costs associated with our contract with MES in the prior year period as well as reduced legal, third party consulting, site development costs and patent amortization expenses compared with the prior year period. These decreases were partially offset by higher product development costs related to our APB350 and PB40 projects.

Turning now to the balance sheet, as of October 31, 2015, total cash, cash equivalents, and marketable securities were \$10.4 million, down from \$14.2 million on July 31, 2015. As of October 31, 2015 and July 31, 2015, restricted cash was \$0.4 million and \$0.5 million, respectively. Net cash used in operating activities was \$7.0 million during the six months ended October 31, 2015, compared with \$12.1 million for the six months ended October 31, 2014. The prior year reflects the return of \$4.7 million related to an advance payment received from ARENA while the current year reflects costs related to increased deployment activity.

As discussed in prior conference calls, we have taken a number of steps over the last several months to reduce our cash burn rate while increasing our technical, operating and business development resources. As such, we continue to project that our operating cash burn in fiscal 2016 will be lower than that in fiscal 2015 despite increased deployment activity in fiscal 2016. We remain confident in our cash position and we expect to have sufficient cash to maintain

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operations into at least the third calendar quarter of 2016, and we are 220 currently exploring alternatives to raise additional capital. 221 222 With that, I'll turn it back to George before we open the call up for 223 224 questions. 225 **George H. Kirby – President and Chief Executive Officer** 226 227 228 Thanks Mark. 229 230 Before we move on to Q&A, I want to highlight a few compelling reasons to consider OPT. 231 232 233 One, we believe we are the technology leader in wave energy 234 conversion for offshore applications. Our technology provides a critical offshore power solution for a number of industries. Our 235 236 technology focuses on driving down costs, improving reliability and 237 as well as broadening and enabling commercial durability. applications. Also, we currently have and continue to develop 238 239 significant intellectual property around our technologies and 240 applications. 241 Two, we're targeting large, addressable markets including offshore oil 242 243 and gas, ocean-based communication and data gathering, and security and defense. We are also garnering what we believe to be 244 significant interest from potential customers to develop PowerBuoy 245 applications which could lead to solution demonstrations and market 246 247 launch. 248 And lastly, we consider our staff to be world class, and we have a 249 250 solid leadership team in place at both the executive management and board levels. We're executing multiple PowerBuoy deployments in 251 order to further advance PowerBuoy validation, which we believe will 252 253 serve as near-term market catalysts as we move closer to 254 commercialization.

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257 258 259	Thank you for your support and time today. Operator, we're now ready to take questions.
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262	Operator:
263 264	There are no further questions in the queue. I'll now turn the call back over to Mr. Kirby for any closing remarks.
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266 267 268	Thank you all once again for attending today's call. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. Otherwise, we look forward to speaking with you next quarter.
269	Operator:
270 271 272	Thank you everyone. That concludes our call. You may now disconnect.