UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549

FORM 10-Q

[X] Quarterly Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For The Six Months Ended May 2, 1997

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 No. 1-9232

VOLT INFORMATION SCIENCES, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York	13-5658129
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
1221 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York	10020
(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 704-2400

Not Applicable
(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months, and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes X No
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The number of shares of common stock, $.10 par value, outstanding as of June 6, 1997 was 14,790,013.

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VOLT INFORMATION SCIENCES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(UNAUDITED)

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	Six Months Ended		Three Months Ended	
	May 2, 1997	May 3, 1996	May 2, 1997	May 3, 1996
	(Dollars in thousands)			
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REVENUES:				
Sales of services	$ 596,658	$ 434,950	$ 325,834	$ 226,473
Sales of products -- Note I	37,845	42,065	19,869	25,729
Equity in net income (loss) of joint ventures--Note F	3,600	(1,783)	948	174
Interest income	589	1,182	277	577
Gain on sale of interest in subsidiaries--Note H			3,666	
Other income (expense) - net--Note B	188	(716)	14	(199)
	638,880	479,364	346,942	252,754
COSTS AND EXPENSES:				
Cost of sales				
Services -- Note J	554,566	398,640	300,950	206,045
Products -- Note I	22,740	28,137	11,628	15,666
Selling and administrative	24,872	24,087	12,974	12,729
Research, development & engineering	6,033	5,657	3,086	3,715
Depreciation and amortization	10,173	7,775	5,115	4,358
Foreign exchange (gain) loss - net	(179)	277	116	137
Interest expense	2,922	2,360	1,427	1,205
	621,127	466,933	335,296	243,855
Income from continuing operations before income taxes and items shown below	17,753	12,431	11,646	8,899
Minority interests in net loss (income) of consolidated subsidiaries--Note H	541	(98)	69	(167)
Income tax provision	6,119	5,035	4,581	3,701
Income from continuing operations	12,175	7,298	7,134	5,031
Loss from discontinued operations--Note I	(119)	(100)		(100)
NET INCOME	$ 12,056	$ 7,198	$ 7,134	$ 4,931
	(Per Share Data)			
Income from continuing operations	$ 0.81	$ 0.50	$ 0.47	$ 0.35
Loss from discontinued operations	(0.01)	(0.01)		(0.01)
Net income	$ 0.80	$ 0.49	$ 0.47	$ 0.34
Number of shares used in computation--Note G	15,026,700	14,521,010	15,035,564	14,531,315

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See accompanying notes.

VOLT INFORMATION SCIENCES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(UNAUDITED)

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	May 2, 1997	November 1, 1996 (a)
ASSETS	(Dollars in thousands)	
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 23,617	$ 13,277
Short-term investments	2,103	4,458
Trade accounts receivable less allowances of $5,252 (1997) and $5,191 (1996)--Note B	187,652	170,484
Inventories--Note C	33,080	31,646
Deferred income taxes	11,964	11,757
Prepaid expenses and other assets	10,285	11,524
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	268,701	243,146
Investment in securities	3,000	
Investment in joint venture--Note F	11,503	11,179
Property, plant and equipment less allowances for depreciation and amortization of $43,511 (1997) and $38,761 (1996)--Note D	63,531	64,869
Deferred income taxes and other assets	4,462	2,493
Intangible assets-net of accumulated amortization of $7,913 (1997) and $6,459 (1996)--Note H	14,163	15,457
	$365,360	$337,144
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Notes payable to banks	$ 7,157	$ 5,414
Current portion of long-term debt--Note D	1,949	1,949
Accounts payable	44,447	43,345
Accrued wages and commissions	31,257	29,998
Other accruals	32,948	29,712
Customer advances and other liabilities	23,797	16,215
Income taxes	2,084	3,022
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	143,639	129,655
Long-term debt--Note D	56,146	57,395
	199,785	187,050
Minority interests--Note H	19,188	19,857
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY--Notes D, E, F, and G		
Preferred stock, par value $1.00; Authorized--500,000 shares; issued--none		
Common stock, par value $.10; Authorized--30,000,000 shares; issued 14,760,264 shares (1997) and 9,692,143 shares (1996)	1,476	969
Paid-in capital	31,309	27,763
Retained earnings	113,561	101,505
Other	41	
	146,387	130,237
	$365,360	$337,144

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(a) The Balance Sheet at November 1, 1996 has been derived from the audited financial statements at that date.

See accompanying notes.

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VOLT INFORMATION SCIENCES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(UNAUDITED)

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<S>	Six Months Ended May 2, 1997 <C>	Six Months Ended May 3, 1996 <C>
	(Dollars in thousands)	
CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net income	$ 12,056	$ 7,198
Adjustments to reconcile to cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Loss from discontinued operations	119	100
Depreciation and amortization	10,173	7,775
Gain on sale of interest in subsidiaries		(3,666)
Equity in net (income) loss of joint ventures	(3,600)	1,783
Minority interests in net (loss) income of consolidated subsidiaries	(541)	98
Accounts receivable provisions	1,559	1,325
Gains on foreign currency translation	(426)	(503)
Gains on dispositions of property, plant and equipment		(131)
Deferred income tax (benefit) provision	(561)	1,513
Other	(11)	(231)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	(19,724)	9,008
(Increase) decrease in inventories	(1,615)	1,402
Increase in prepaid expenses and other current assets	(1,705)	(851)
(Increase) decrease in other assets	(1,393)	1,646
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	1,090	(5,488)
Increase (decrease) in accrued expenses	5,041	(5,380)
Increase in customer advances and other liabilities	1,459	1,474
Decrease in income taxes payable	(981)	(11,607)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	940	5,465

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VOLT INFORMATION SCIENCES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(UNAUDITED)--Continued

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<S>	Six Months Ended May 2, 1997 <C>	Six Months Ended May 3, 1996 <C>
	(Dollars in thousands)	
CASH PROVIDED BY (APPLIED TO) INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Maturities of investments	4,830	2,108
Purchases of investments	(5,469)	(2,122)
Investment in joint venture	(151)	(5,838)
Cash of acquired subsidiaries, less transaction costs		8,421
Acquisition of subsidiary		(1,006)
Proceeds from disposals of property, plant and equipment	202	49
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(7,603)	(10,316)
Proceeds from sale of joint venture	10,115	
Deferred gain on sale of joint venture	2,550	
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (APPLIED TO) INVESTING ACTIVITIES	4,474	(8,704)
CASH PROVIDED BY FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Payment of long-term debt	(1,249)	(1,000)

Exercise of stock options	3,553	71
Increase in minority interests		154
Increase in notes payable to banks	2,027	920
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NET CASH PROVIDED BY FINANCING ACTIVITIES	4,331	145
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Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	595	1,188
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NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	10,340	(1,906)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	13,277	25,350
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CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF PERIOD	$ 23,617	$ 23,444
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION		
Cash paid during the period:		
Interest expense	$ 4,400	$ 2,354
Income taxes, net of refunds	$ 6,176	$ 15,312

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See accompanying notes.

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

Note A--Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the instructions for Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X and, therefore, do not include all information and footnotes necessary for a fair presentation of financial position, results of operations and cash flows in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair presentation of the Company's consolidated financial position at May 2, 1997 and consolidated results of operations for the six and three months ended May 2, 1997 and May 3, 1996 and consolidated cash flows for the six months ended May 2, 1997 and May 3, 1996. Operating results for the six and three months ended May 2, 1997 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1997.

These statements should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and footnotes included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended November 1, 1996. The accounting policies used in preparing these financial statements are the same as those described in that Report.

The 1996 financial statements have been restated to conform with the current year's presentation.

The Company's fiscal year ends on the Friday nearest October 31.

Note B--Accounts Receivable

In October 1993, the Company entered into a three-year agreement, which was amended in March 1995 to extend through March 1998, to sell, on a limited recourse basis, up to $45,000,000 of undivided interests in a designated pool of certain eligible accounts receivable. At November 1, 1996, $13,000,000 of interests in accounts receivable had been sold under this agreement; none were sold at May 2, 1997. The sold accounts receivable are reflected as a reduction of receivables in the accompanying balance sheets. The Company pays fees based primarily on the purchaser's borrowing costs incurred on short-term commercial paper which financed the purchase of receivables. Other income (expense) in the accompanying 1997 and 1996 statements of income includes fees related to the agreement of $262,000 and $1,058,000 for the six months ended, and $35,000 and $517,000 for the three months ended May 2, 1997 and May 3, 1996, respectively.

The purchaser may terminate the agreement on a minimum of six months notice. In addition, the agreement may be terminated if the Company does not maintain a minimum tangible net worth, as defined in the agreement, or exceeds a maximum ratio of debt to tangible net worth.

Note C--Inventories

Inventories consist of:

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	May 2, 1997	November 1, 1996
	(Dollars in thousands)	
<S>	<C>	<C>
Services:		
Accumulated unbilled costs on:		
Service contracts	$22,448	$17,651
Long-term contracts	1,359	1,694
	23,807	19,345
Products:		
Materials and work-in-process	5,430	7,911
Service parts	2,092	2,396
Finished goods	1,751	1,994
	9,273	12,301
Total	$33,080	$31,646

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The cumulative amounts billed, principally under long-term contracts, at May 2, 1997 and November 1, 1996, of $10,828,000 and $3,418,000, respectively, are credited against the related costs in inventory. Substantially all of the amounts billed have been collected. Inventories have been reduced by valuation allowances and accumulated amortization of rotable spare parts of $16,249,000 and $15,514,000 at May 2, 1997 and November 1, 1996, respectively.

Note D--Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt consists of the following:

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	May 2, 1997	November 1, 1996
	(Dollars in thousands)	
<S>	<C>	<C>
7.92% Senior Notes (a)	$50,000	$50,000
Term loan (b)	5,550	6,000
Notes payable (c) & (d)	2,545	3,344
	58,095	59,344
Less amounts due within one year	1,949	1,949
Total long-term debt	$56,146	$57,395

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(a) On August 28, 1996, the Company issued $50,000,000 of Senior Notes in a private placement with institutional investors. The notes, which have a term of eight years, bear interest at 7.92% per annum, payable semi-annually on February 28 and August 28, and provide for amortization of principal in five equal annual installments, beginning in August 2000. The notes were issued pursuant to Note Purchase Agreements, which contain various affirmative and negative covenants, the most restrictive of which requires the Company to maintain a consolidated net worth of $93,225,000.

(b) In October 1994, the Company entered into a $10,000,000 loan agreement with Fleet Bank, which is secured by a deed of trust on land and buildings (book value at May 2, 1997 - $14,722,000). The loan, which bears interest at 7.86% per annum, requires principal payments of $225,000 per quarter and a final payment of $1,725,000 due October 2001.

(c) Includes a note payable (which bears interest at 90 day commercial paper rates) for $550,000 due on January 2, 1998. The balance at November 1, 1996 included two notes payable, each for $550,000.

(d) An unsecured loan of $2,493,000 from The Chase Manhattan Bank was made to a foreign subsidiary on January 18, 1996 to finance the acquisition of a printing press. The five-year loan, guaranteed by the Company, is to be repaid in semi-annual payments of $249,000, plus interest calculated at LIBOR (5.5% May 2, 1997) plus .25%, through September 15, 2001.

Note E--Stockholders' Equity

Changes in the major components of stockholders' equity for the six months ended May 2, 1997 are as follows:

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(Dollars in thousands)	Common Stock	Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings
Balance at November 1, 1996	$ 969	$ 27,763	$101,505
Net income for the six months			12,056
Issuance of 12,423 shares to ESOP	1	499	
Stock options exercised - 134,610 shares	14	3,510	
Stock award - 1,000 shares		29	
Issuance of 4,920,088 shares of common stock resulting from three-for-two stock split	492	(492)	
Balance at May 2, 1997	$ 1,476	$ 31,309	$113,561

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On April 17, 1997, the Board of Directors declared a three-for-two stock split of the Company's common stock distributed on May 27, 1997 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on May 12, 1997. The balance sheet at May 2, 1997 has been adjusted to reflect these transactions.

The other components of stockholders' equity are an unrealized gain on marketable securities and a cumulative unrealized foreign currency translation adjustment due to the Company's European subsidiary and its investment in its Australian joint venture, whose functional currencies are the local currencies.

Note F--Summarized Financial Information of Joint Ventures

The Company owns 12-1/2% of the voting stock of Pacific Access Pty. Ltd. ("Pacific Access"), an international joint venture in Australia. This venture, which commenced operations in July 1991, assumed responsibility throughout

Australia for the marketing, sales and compilation functions of all yellow pages directories of Telstra Corporation Ltd. ("Telstra"), the Australian government-owned telephone company, under the terms of a twelve-year contract. The venture produces a major portion of its revenues and significantly all of its profits in the Company's second and third fiscal quarters. Telstra owns 50% of the voting stock of Pacific Access. In the event of a change in control of the Company, as defined, the Company may be required to sell its share of the venture to Telstra at a formula price based on various factors, including earnings.

In January 1997, the Company sold its interest in Telelistas Editora Ltda. ("Telelistas"), a Brazilian joint venture, which is the official publisher of telephone directories in Rio de Janeiro for the government-owned telephone company. Due to the Company's guarantee of certain of the venture's obligations, the gain on the sale of approximately $2,550,000 has been deferred until such guarantees are repaid. However, income earned by the venture of $3,192,000, through the date of sale, are included in Equity in net income (loss) of joint ventures.

Note F--Summarized Financial Information of Joint Ventures (Continued)

Consolidated retained earnings at May 2, 1997 included $5,971,000, representing the undistributed earnings of the Australian joint venture. United States income taxes have been provided for the anticipated remittance of such earnings.

The following summarizes the financial information of the joint ventures:

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	May 2, 1997		November 1, 1996		
	(Dollars in thousands)				
	Total	Company's Equity	Total	Company's Equity	
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Current assets	$ 197,805		$ 308,561		
Noncurrent assets	15,176		16,275		
Current liabilities	(147,655)		(257,310)		
Due to Volt			(754)	$ 754	
Noncurrent liabilities	(174)		(209)		
Equity of combined joint ventures		$ 65,152		$ 66,563	
Equity of Australian joint venture (a)		$ 65,152	$ 11,503	$62,227	11,179
Equity of Brazilian joint venture			4,336	4,153	
	$65,152		$66,563		
Total investments in and advances to joint ventures			11,503		16,086
Included in prepaid expenses and other assets (b)					4,907
Investment in joint venture		$ 11,503		$11,179	

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(a) Pursuant to the venture agreement, the initial capital contributions of all ventures, other than Telstra, exceeded their proportionate share of ownership interest in the corporate joint venture. The agreement provides that, upon liquidation of the venture, the venturers will be entitled to recover such excess contributions from the net assets of the venture.

(b) The advances to and equity in the Brazilian joint venture at November 1, 1996 is included in the prepaid expenses and other assets due to the sale of the

Company's interest in January 1997.

Note F--Summarized Financial Information of Joint Ventures--(Continued)

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	Six Months Ended			
	May 2,1997		May 3,1996	
	(Dollars in thousands)			
	Total	Company's Equity	Total	Company's Equity
<S>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>
Revenues	$ 255,507		$ 221,695	
Costs and expenses	246,494		220,864	
Income tax provision	2,324		1,309	
Net income (loss)	$ 6,689		$ (478)	
Net income of Australian joint venture	$ 3,497	$ 408	$ 2,168	$ 245
Net income (loss) of Brazilian joint venture	3,192	3,192	(2,646)	(2,028)
	$ 6,689		$ (478)	
Company's equity in net income (loss) of joint ventures		$ 3,600		$(1,783)

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	Three Months Ended			
	May 2,1997		May 3,1996	
	(Dollars in thousands)			
	Total	Company's Equity	Total	Company's Equity
<S>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>
Revenues	$151,030		$158,799	
Costs and expenses	138,625		146,972	
Income tax provision	4,580		4,580	
Net income	$ 7,825		$ 7,247	
Net income of Australian joint venture	$ 7,825	$ 948	$ 8,206	$ 994
Net loss of Brazilian joint venture			(959)	(820)
	$ 7,825		$ 7,247	
Company's equity in net income of joint ventures		$ 948		$ 174

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Note G--Per Share Data

Per share data are computed on the basis of the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding and, if applicable, the assumed exercise of dilutive outstanding stock options based on the treasury stock method. Per share data have been adjusted for the six and three months ended May 2, 1997 and May 3, 1996 for the effect of a three-for-two stock split declared on April 17, 1997 and distributed on May 27, 1997 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on May 12, 1997.

In February 1997, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement No. 128, "Earnings per Share," which is required to be adopted by the Company in fiscal year 1998. At that time, the Company will be required to change the method currently used to compute earnings per share and to restate all prior periods. Under the new requirements for calculating "basic" earnings per share, the dilutive effect of stock options will be excluded. Basic earnings per share will be slightly higher than per share data reported in the accompanying financial statements.

Note H--Acquisition and Sale of Subsidiaries

On January 29, 1996, the Company merged its wholly-owned subsidiary, Autologic, Incorporated and related foreign subsidiaries ("Autologic"), representing its Electronic Publication and Typesetting Systems segment, with Information International, Inc. ("Triple-I"), resulting in the formation of a new publicly traded company, Autologic Information International, Inc. ("AII"). Triple-I was, and AII is, a publicly traded company in the business of electronic publishing prepress systems.

In connection with the merger, the stockholders of Triple-I received 41% of AII's common stock, based on one share of AII being issued for each outstanding share of Triple-I, and the Company received 59% of the outstanding shares of AII common stock.

The merger has been accounted for as a purchase of a 59% interest in Triple-I and a corresponding sale of a 41% interest in Autologic to the former shareholders of Triple-I. The accompanying financial statements include the accounts of AII with the former Triple-I shareholders' 41% interest in AII, shown as a minority interest in the condensed consolidated balance sheets. The results of operations of Triple-I are included in the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of income since the date of acquisition. The sale of 41% of Autologic resulted in a pretax gain of $3,666,000, net of transaction costs, and also resulted in 41% of Autologic's assets being reflected in the 1996 balance sheet at fair value, resulting in an intangible asset of $5,215,000, with a corresponding increase in the minority interest. In addition, the purchase of the assets of Triple-I resulted in an intangible of $3,847,000. These intangibles are being amortized over a period of five years. In connection with the merger, Autologic restructured its operations and incurred a charge of $700,000 related principally to a reduction in Autologic's workforce as a result of the merger. Such charge is included in the results of operations for the six months ended May 3, 1996.

Note H--Acquisition and Sale of Subsidiaries (Continued)

The following unaudited pro forma information presents a summary of consolidated results of operations as if the acquisition had occurred at the beginning of the fiscal 1996 first quarter with pro forma adjustments to give effect to amortization of intangibles, minority interests in operations and certain income tax adjustments. The pro forma results have been prepared for comparative purposes only and do not purport to be indicative of the results of operations which actually would have resulted had the acquisition occurred on the date indicated or which may result in the future.

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	Six Months Ended
	May 3, 1996
	(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

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Revenue	$490,196
Net income	$7,703
Net income per share	$0.53

Note I--Discontinued Operations
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During the first quarter of 1997, the Company disposed of the assets and discontinued Digiflex, its advertisement delivery operation. Digiflex, a division of AII, was acquired at the end of January 1996. The 1997 loss from discontinued operations represents the Company's portion (59%) of the operating loss and loss on disposal related to Digiflex. No income tax benefits have been allocated to the 1997 loss. The loss from discontinued operations for the six months ended May 3, 1996 includes the Company's portion of an operating loss of $170,000, net of a $105,000 tax benefit, on revenues of $111,000. The 1996 amounts have been restated to conform with the current year's presentation.

Note J--Significant Item in Operating Results

Net income for the six and three months ended May 3, 1996 include a cost reduction of $2,625,000 ($1,600,000, net of taxes), or $0.11 per share, and $2,029,000 ($1,236,000, net of taxes), or $0.09 per share, respectively, as a result of an agreement to pay a premium to an insurance carrier to close out prior years' retrospective insurance policies at an amount less than related liabilities for workers' compensation insurance previously provided by the Company. This adjustment had a favorable impact on the operating profit of the Technical Services and Temporary Personnel segment for the six and three months ended May 3, 1996 of $2,100,000 and $1,645,000, respectively. In addition, due to a new arrangement with its insurance carrier, the Company's ongoing premiums have been at a significantly lower rate.

ITEM 2 - MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

SIX MONTHS AND THREE MONTHS ENDED MAY 2, 1997 COMPARED TO THE SIX MONTHS AND THREE MONTHS ENDED MAY 3, 1996

The information which appears below relates to current and prior periods, the results of operations for which periods are not necessarily indicative of the results which may be expected for any subsequent periods.

The following summarizes the unaudited results of operations by segment:

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	For the Six Months Ended		For the Three Months Ended	
	May 2, 1997	May 3, 1996	May 2, 1997	May 3, 1996
	(Dollars in thousands)			
<S>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>
Revenues:				
Technical Services and Temporary Personnel	$ 462,474	$ 325,922	$ 251,882	$ 170,223
Telephone Directory	36,912	30,296	22,018	16,727
Telecommunications Services	63,323	42,542	35,255	23,051
Computer Systems	37,775	37,884	18,735	17,277
Electronic Publication and Typesetting Systems	38,010	42,381	19,916	25,834
Equity in net income (loss) of joint ventures	3,600	(1,783)	948	174
Gain on sale of interest in subsidiaries		3,666		
Interest and other income - net	777	466	291	378
Elimination of intersegment revenues	(3,991)	(2,010)	(2,103)	(910)
	$ 638,880	$ 479,364	$ 346,942	$ 252,754

Income from Continuing Operations Before

Minority Interests and Income Taxes:

Operating Profit (Loss):

Technical Services and Temporary Personnel	$ 11,530	$ 13,150	$ 7,380	$ 7,706
Telephone Directory	858	(1,570)	1,539	(560)
Telecommunications Services	8,326	3,728	4,962	2,367
Computer Systems	1,181	3,397	283	1,259
Electronic Publication and Typesetting Systems	(616)	(1,180)	410	1,230
Elimination	(12)	2		
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Total Operating Profit	21,267	17,527	14,574	12,002
Equity in net income (loss) of joint ventures	3,600	(1,783)	948	174
Gain on sale of interest in subsidiaries		3,666		
Interest and other income - net	777	466	291	378
General corporate expenses	(5,148)	(4,808)	(2,624)	(2,313)
Interest expense	(2,922)	(2,360)	(1,427)	(1,205)
Foreign exchange gain (loss) - net	179	(277)	(116)	(137)
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Income from Continuing Operations Before Minority Interests and Income Taxes	$ 17,753	$ 12,431	$ 11,646	$ 8,899
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SIX MONTHS ENDED MAY 2, 1997 COMPARED
TO THE SIX MONTHS ENDED MAY 3, 1996 --Continued

This discussion and analysis contains forward-looking statements which, in addition to assuming a continuation of the degree and timing of customer utilization and rate of renewals of contracts with the Company at historical levels, are subject to a number of other known and unknown risks, including general economic, competitive and other business conditions, that could cause actual results, performance and achievements to differ materially from those described or implied in the forward-looking statements. These and certain other factors are discussed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended November 1, 1996 and may be discussed in reports thereafter filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including this Report.

Results of Operations - Summary

In the six-month period of fiscal 1997, revenues increased by $159,516,000, or 33%, from fiscal 1996, as sales increased by $157,488,000, or 33%. Revenues in 1997 included the Company's portion of joint venture earnings of $3,600,000, compared with a loss in 1996 of $1,783,000. The 1996 period included a gain of $3,666,000 from the sale of an interest in the Company's Electronic Publication and Typesetting Systems segment. The increase in 1997 sales resulted primarily from a $136,552,000 increase in sales of the Technical Services and Temporary Personnel segment, a $20,781,000 increase in sales of the Telecommunications Services segment and a $6,616,000 increase in sales of the Telephone Directory segment, partially offset by a $4,371,000 decrease in sales of the Electronic Publication and Typesetting Systems segment.

The Company's 1997 pretax income from continuing operations before minority interests increased by $5,322,000, or 43% to $17,753,000. The 1997 income included an increase of $5,383,000 in the Company's portion of joint venture earnings while the 1996 income included the $3,666,000 non-recurring pretax gain discussed above. The operating profit of the Company's segments increased by $3,740,000, or 21%, to $21,267,000 in 1997. The principal increases in the segments' operating profit were from the Telecommunications Services segment, with an increase of $4,598,000, or 123%, to $8,326,000 and the Telephone Directory segment with an improvement of $2,428,000, to a profit of $858,000. The improvements in operating profit were partially offset by decreases in the Computer Systems segment of $2,216,000, or 65%, to $1,181,000 and decreases in the Technical Services and Temporary Personnel segment of $1,620,000, or 12%, to $11,530,000.

The net income in the six months of 1997 was $12,056,000, compared to net income of $7,198,000 in the six months of 1996.

Results of Operations - By Segment

The Technical Services and Temporary Personnel segment's sales increased by $136,552,000, or 42%, in 1997 to $462,474,000, while the segment's operating profit decreased by $1,620,000, or 12%, to $11,530,000, compared with $13,150,000 in 1996. Approximately $36,964,000, or 27%, of the segment's 1997 sales increase was due to pass-through costs primarily related to the use of subcontractors to service large national contracts billed without a mark-up, and $29,045,000 was

Results of Operations - By Segment --Continued

from business with new customers. The remaining increase of $78,340,000 was with existing customers, partially offset by a $7,797,000 sales decrease due to a high margin customer which no longer requires the segment's services. The decrease in the segment's operating profit was due to the absence, in 1997, of a non-recurring 1996 favorable $2,100,000 retrospective workers' compensation insurance adjustment (see Note J of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements), higher overhead costs and a decrease in gross margin of approximately 0.7 percentage points, partially offset by the increase in sales volume. The decrease in gross margin percentage was due to higher subcontractor usage billed without a mark-up, offset, in part, by lower workers' compensation insurance premiums. The loss of the high margin customer discussed above accounted for the remainder of the gross margin decline. Overhead costs have increased due to start-up costs related to new offices and staffing for recently won national accounts, which are in the initial stages of their contracts. As revenues from the new national accounts reach their anticipated levels in the second half of fiscal 1997, operating profits are expected to increase.

The Telephone Directory segment's sales increased by $6,616,000, or 22%, to $36,912,000 in fiscal 1997, and its operating profit was $858,000 in 1997 compared with an operating loss of $1,570,000 in 1996. The sales increase was principally due to a $1,211,000 increase in telephone directory production volume, a $1,251,000 increase in system sales and a $2,524,000 increase in Uruguayan printing volume. The increased profitability in 1997 was due to the higher sales volume and the absence, in 1997, of start-up and other non-recurring costs incurred in 1996. This segment's services are rendered under various short and long-term contracts. A contract with one customer, which accounted for 19% of the segment's revenues for the six months of fiscal 1997, is scheduled to expire on December 31, 1997, with the customer having renewal options. However, the segment has obtained several significant new contracts which have begun in fiscal 1997. Other contracts are scheduled to expire in 1997 through 2001.

The Telecommunications Services segment's sales increased by $20,781,000, or 49%, to $63,323,000 in fiscal 1997 and its operating profit increased by $4,598,000, or 123%, to $8,326,000 in fiscal 1997. The sales increase was due to a 33% increase in the Construction division and a 71% increase in the Business Systems division. The sales increases resulted from several factors, including required upgrading of core telecommunications infrastructure by existing customers, the demand for the segment's services in the wireless area, and the continued emphasis of outsourcing by the major telecommunications providers. Operating results improved due to the increased sales volume, favorable gross margins on existing business resulting in a 4.0 percentage point increase in gross margins, compared to fiscal 1996, and a slight decrease in overhead costs as a percentage of sales.

The Computer Systems segment's sales decreased by $109,000 to $37,775,000 in 1997 and its operating profit was $1,181,000, compared with $3,397,000 in 1996. The decrease in sales and operating profit was primarily due to decreased sales and profits on conservation services to utilities

Results of Operations - By Segment --Continued

due to the phase-out under a large contract with a customer which no longer requires the segment's services and decreased profit on customer acceptance of Delta Operating Service Systems in 1997, compared to 1996. Under the completed contract method of accounting used by this segment, revenues together with related costs are recognized in income upon acceptance by the customer. This segment's results on a quarter-to-quarter basis are highly dependent on the acceptance by customers under contract for the segment's directory assistance systems, which occurs periodically rather than evenly.

The Electronic Publication and Typesetting Systems segment's sales decreased by $4,371,000, or 10%, to $38,010,000 in 1997, while the segment incurred an operating loss of $616,000, as compared to a loss of $1,180,000 in 1996. Since January 29, 1996, the segment has been comprised of the Company's former Autologic, Incorporated subsidiary and related foreign subsidiaries ("Autologic"), which were merged on that date with Information International Incorporated ("Triple-I") as a publicly held company (see Note I in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements). The results of operations for the six months of 1996 reflect three months results of Autologic on a stand-alone basis and three months of the merged operations, while results for fiscal 1997 reflect the merged operations. The fiscal 1997 sales decrease resulted from a decrease in sales of systems and equipment, primarily in the European market, partially offset by an increase of customer service sales in the domestic market. The decrease in operating loss in 1997 was due to a 7.6 percentage point improvement in gross margins, and the absence of a $700,000 restructuring charge related to the mergers recorded in the first quarter of fiscal 1996, partially offset by decreased sales volume, a 6.9 percentage point increase in total operating expenses expended per sales dollar and charges of $1,068,000 for amortization of intangibles resulting from the merger, compared to $534,000 in 1996. The operating expenses increased due to the development of additional new products and expansion into new markets. The markets in which the segment competes are marked by rapidly changing technology, with sales in fiscal 1997 of equipment introduced within the last three years comprising approximately 89% of equipment sales.

Results of Operations - Other

Other items, discussed on a consolidated basis, affecting the results of operations for the six-month periods were:

Interest income decreased by $593,000, or 50%, in 1997, primarily due to the use of excess funds to reduce sales of receivables under the Company's securitization program.

Other income (expense) increased favorably by $904,000 in 1997 primarily due to $796,000 of lower fees paid resulting from the reduced level of sales of receivables under the Company's securitization program and an increase in sundry income.

Results of Operations - Other--Continued

The Company's share of the net income of its joint ventures was $3,600,000 in 1997, compared to a loss of $1,783,000 in 1996. The improvement was due to an increase in the Company's share of net income of its Brazilian and Australian joint ventures. The Australian joint venture produces a major portion of its revenues and significantly all of its profit in the Company's second and third fiscal quarters.

In January 1997, the Company sold its interest in its Brazilian joint venture. Due to the guarantee of certain of the venture's obligations, the gain on the sale of approximately $2,550,000 will be deferred until such guarantees are released. However, income earned by the venture, due to the publication of the Yellow Pages directory in Rio de Janeiro, through the date of sale, are included in Equity in net income (loss) of joint ventures.

Research, development and engineering expenditures increased by $376,000, or 7%, to $6,033,000 in 1997. The increase was due to additional product development by the Computer Systems and the Electronic Publication and Typesetting Systems segments, partially offset by a reduction of expenditures by the Telephone Directories segment.

Depreciation and amortization increased by $2,398,000, or 31%, to $10,173,000 in 1997. The increase was due to increased fixed asset expenditures in fiscal 1996 and the amortization of intangibles which resulted from the 1996 Autologic transaction.

The foreign exchange gain was $179,000 in fiscal 1997 compared to a loss in 1996 of $277,000. The gain in 1997 was due to favorable, and the loss in 1996 was due to unfavorable, currency movements in the European currency markets. To reduce the potential adverse impact from foreign currency changes on the Company's foreign currency receivables, sales and firm commitments, foreign currency options and forward contracts are purchased.

Interest expense increased by $562,000, or 24%, to $2,922,000 in 1997. The increase was primarily due to an increase in long-term debt by the issuance in a private placement, in August 1996, of $50,000,000 of 7.92% Senior Notes, offset, in part, by the retirement of $22,855,000 of 12-3/8% Subordinated Debentures in September 1996 using proceeds from the private placement.

The Company's effective tax rate was reduced to 34% in 1997 from 41% in 1996 principally due to the Company's share of the net income of its Brazilian joint venture in fiscal 1997 which was offset against previous joint venture losses for which no tax benefit had been recognized.

THREE MONTHS ENDED MAY 2, 1997 COMPARED
TO THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MAY 3, 1996

Results of Operations - Summary

In the three-month period of fiscal 1997, revenues increased by $94,188,000, or 37%, from fiscal 1996, as sales increased by $93,501,000, or 37%. Revenues in 1997 included the Company's portion of joint venture earnings of $948,000, compared with $174,000 in 1996. The increase in 1997 sales resulted primarily from a $81,659,000 increase in sales of the Technical Services and Temporary Personnel segment, a $12,204,000 increase in sales of the Telecommunications Services segment and a $5,291,000 increase in sales of the Telephone Directory segment, partially offset by a $5,918,000 decrease in sales of the Electronic Publication and Typesetting Systems segment.

The Company's 1997 pretax income from continuing operations before minority interests increased by $2,747,000, or 31%, to $11,646,000. The 1997 income included an increase of $774,000 in the Company's portion of joint venture earnings. The operating profit of the Company's segments increased by $2,572,000, or 21%, to $14,574,000 in 1997. The principal increases in the segments' operating profit were from the Telecommunication Services segment, with an increase of $2,595,000, or 110%, to $4,962,000 and the Telephone Directory segment, with an improvement of $2,099,000 to a profit of $1,539,000. The improvements in operating profit were partially offset by decreases in the Computer Systems segment of $976,000, or 78%, to $283,000, and a decrease in the Electronic Publication and Typesetting Systems segment of $820,000, or 67%, to $410,000.

The net income in the three months of 1997 was $7,134,000, compared to net income of $4,931,000 in the three months of 1996.

Results of Operations - By Segment

The Technical Services and Temporary Personnel segment's sales increased by $81,659,000, or 48%, in 1997 to $251,882,000, while the segment's operating profit decreased by $326,000, or 4%, to $7,380,000, compared with $7,706,000 in

1996. Approximately $21,716,000, or 27%, of the segment's 1997 sales increase was due to pass-through costs primarily related to the use of subcontractors to service large national contracts billed without a mark-up, and $15,080,000 was from business with new customers. The remaining increase of $44,863,000 was with existing customers. The decrease in the segment's operating profit was due to the absence, in 1997, of a non-recurring 1996 favorable $1,645,000 retrospective workers' compensation insurance adjustment (see Note J of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements), higher overhead costs and a slight decrease in gross margin of approximately 0.3 percentage points, partially offset by the increase in sales volume. The decrease in gross margin percentage was due to higher subcontractor usage billed without a mark-up, offset, in part, by lower workers' compensation insurance premiums. Overhead costs have increased due to start-up costs related to new offices and staffing for recently won national accounts, which are in the initial stages of their contracts. As revenues from the national accounts reach their anticipated levels in the second half of fiscal 1997, operating profits are expected to increase.

THREE MONTHS ENDED MAY 2, 1997 COMPARED
TO THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MAY 3, 1996--Continued

Results of Operations - By Segment --Continued

The Telephone Directory segment's sales increased by $5,291,000, or 32%, to $22,018,000 in fiscal 1997, and its operating profit was $1,539,000 in 1997 compared with an operating loss of $560,000 in 1996. The sales increase was primarily due to a $475,000 increase in telephone directory production volume, a $1,270,000 increase in system sales, a $463,000 increase in Uruguayan printing volume and an increase in independent directory sales of $1,844,000. The increase in independent directory sales is due to a large directory which was published in the first quarter of 1996, but which was published in the second quarter of fiscal 1997. The decrease in the operating loss in 1997 was due to the higher volume discussed above and the absence, in 1997, of start-up and other non-recurring costs incurred in 1996. As discussed above, this segment's services are rendered under various short and long-term contracts.

The Telecommunications Services segment's sales increased by $12,204,000, or 53%, to $35,255,000 in fiscal 1997 and its operating profit increased by $2,595,000, or 110%, to $4,962,000 in fiscal 1997. The sales increase was due to a 33% increase in the Construction division and a 94% increase in the Business Systems division. The sales increases resulted from several factors, including required upgrading of core telecommunications infrastructure by existing customers, the demand for the segment's services in the wireless area, and the continued emphasis of outsourcing by the major telecommunications providers. Operating results improved due to the increased sales volume, favorable gross margins on existing business resulting in a 3.2 percentage point increase in gross margins, compared to fiscal 1996, and a slight decrease in overhead costs as a percentage of sales.

The Computer Systems segment's sales increased by $1,458,000, or 8%, to $18,735,000 in 1997 and its operating profit was $283,000, compared with $1,259,000 in 1996. The increase in sales was primarily due to an increase in sales of Delta Operating Service Systems in 1997, compared to 1996, partially offset by decreased sales on conservation services to utilities due to the phase-out under a large contract with a customer which no longer requires the segment's services. The decreased operating profit was primarily due to decreased profits on conservation services. Under the completed contract method of accounting used by this segment, revenues together with related costs are recognized in income upon acceptance by the customer. This segment's results on a quarter-to-quarter basis are highly dependent on the acceptance by customers under contract for the segment's directory assistance systems, which occurs periodically rather than evenly.

The Electronic Publication and Typesetting Systems segment's sales decreased by $5,918,000, or 23%, to $19,916,000 in 1997, and its operating profit decreased to $410,000, compared with $1,230,000 in 1996. The fiscal 1997 sales decrease resulted primarily from a decrease in sales of systems and equipment and customer service sales in the domestic and international markets due to a general softness in the market and increased competition. The decrease in 1997 operating profit was due to the sales decrease, partially offset by a 3.7

percentage point increase in gross margins. Although operating expenses decreased by $472,000, expressed as a percentage of sales, they increased by 6.3 percentage points. The markets in which the segment competes are marked by rapidly changing technology, with sales in fiscal 1997 of equipment introduced within the last three years comprising approximately 87% of equipment sales.

THREE MONTHS ENDED MAY 2, 1997 COMPARED
TO THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MAY 3, 1996--Continued

Results of Operations - Other

Other items, discussed on a consolidated basis, affecting the results of operations for the three-month periods were:

Interest income decreased by $300,000, or 52%, in 1997, primarily due to the reduction of funds available for investment as excess funds were used to reduce sales of receivables under the Company's securitization program.

Other income (expense) changed favorably by $213,000 in 1997 primarily due to $482,000 of lower fees paid resulting from the reduced level of sales of receivables under the Company's securitization program, partially offset by an increase in sundry expenses.

The Company's share of the net income of its joint ventures was $948,000 in 1997, compared to $174,000 in 1996. The improvement was due to the absence, in 1997, of the Company's share of net loss of its Brazilian joint venture, partially offset by a slight decrease in the Company's share of the net income of its Australian joint venture.

Research, development and engineering expenditures decreased by $629,000, or 17%, to $3,086,000 in 1997. The decrease was due to a decrease in product development by the Telephone Directory and Electronic Publication and Typesetting Systems segments.

Depreciation and amortization increased by $757,000, or 17%, to $5,115,000 in 1997. The increase was due to increased fixed asset expenditures in fiscal 1996 and the amortization of intangibles which resulted from the 1996 Autologic transaction.

Interest expense increased by $222,000, or 18%, to $1,427,000 in 1997. The increase was primarily due to an increase in long-term debt by the issuance in a private placement, in August 1996, of $50,000,000 of 7.92% Senior Notes, offset by the retirement of $22,855,000 of 12-3/8% Subordinated Debentures in September 1996.

Liquidity and Sources of Capital

Cash and cash equivalents increased by $10,340,000 in 1997 to $23,617,000, and working capital increased by $11,571,000 to $125,062,000. Operating activities provided $940,000 of cash flows in the six months of fiscal 1997. Primary among the factors providing cash flows to operating activities in 1997 were the Company's net income of $12,056,000, augmented by $10,173,000 of depreciation and amortization. Among the principal uses of cash in operating activities for the six months ended May 2, 1997 were an increase in the level of accounts receivable of $19,724,000, due to a $13,000,000 reduction in interests in accounts receivable sold at May 2, 1997, compared to November 1, 1996 under the Company's securitization program (see Note B in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements).

The principal factor in the cash provided by investing activities of $4,474,000 were proceeds of $10,115,000 on the sale of the Brazilian joint venture and $2,550,000 due to the deferral of the gain on the sale of the Brazilian joint venture (see Note F in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements), partially offset by expenditures for property, plant and equipment of $7,603,000.

Financing activities provided $4,331,000 of cash from the exercise of employee stock options of $3,553,000 and a net increase in borrowings of $778,000.

In addition to its cash and cash equivalents, at May 2, 1997, the Company's short-term investment portfolio, primarily U.S. treasury notes and certificates of deposit, had a carrying value of $2,103,000. The Company also has a $10,000,000 credit line with a domestic bank under a revolving credit agreement which expires August 1, 1997, unless renewed. The Company had outstanding bank borrowings under that line of $4,298,000 at May 2, 1997. In addition, at May 2, 1997, the Company had the ability to sell up to $45,000,000 of interests in receivables under its existing securitization program.

The Company believes that its current financial position, working capital and future cash flows will be sufficient to fund its presently contemplated operations and satisfy its debt obligations. The Company has no material capital commitments. The Company may determine, from time-to-time in the future, to buy shares of its common stock.

In October 1995, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123 ("SFAS 123"), "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation," which establishes a fair value based method of accounting for stock-based compensation plans. As permitted by SFAS 123, the Company has determined it will adopt the disclosure-only provision of SFAS 123 and will otherwise continue to report under Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees."

PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

Item 6. Exhibits and reports on Form 8-K

(a) Exhibits

15.01 Letter from Ernst & Young LLP

15.02 Letter from Ernst & Young LLP regarding interim financial information.

27.01 Financial Data Schedule

(b) Reports on Form 8-K:

No Reports on Form 8-K were filed during the second quarter of the year ended May 2, 1997.

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.

VOLT INFORMATION SCIENCES, INC.
(Registrant)

BY: /s/ JACK EGAN

(Signature)
Date: June 12, 1997 JACK EGAN
Vice President - Corporate Accounting
(Principal Accounting Officer)

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

15.01	Letter from Ernst & Young LLP
15.02	Letter from Ernst & Young LLP regarding interim financial information.
27.01	Financial Data Schedule

June 13, 1997

Securities and Exchange Commission
Washington, DC 20549

We are aware of the incorporation by reference in Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to Registration Statement No. 2-75618 on Form S-8 dated September 12, 1988, Post-Effective Amendment No. 3 to Registration Statement No. 2-70180 on Form S-8 dated April 8, 1983, Registration Statement No. 33-18565 on Form S-8 dated December 14, 1987 and Registration Statement No. 333 - 13369 on Form S-8 dated October 3, 1996 of Volt Information Sciences, Inc., of our report dated June 3, 1997 relating to the unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements of Volt Information Sciences, Inc. which are included in its Form 10-Q for the quarter ended May 2, 1997.

Pursuant to Rule 436(c) of the Securities Act of 1933 our report is not a part of the registration statement prepared or certified by accountants within the meaning of Section 7 or 11 of the Securities Act of 1933.

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON REVIEW OF INTERIM FINANCIAL INFORMATION

To the Stockholders
Volt Information Sciences, Inc.

We have reviewed the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheet of Volt Information Sciences, Inc. and subsidiaries as of May 2, 1997, and the related condensed consolidated statements of income for the six and three month periods ended May 2, 1997 and May 3, 1996, and the related condensed consolidated statements of cash flows for the six month periods ended May 2, 1997 and May 3, 1996. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management.

We conducted our review in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A review of interim financial information consists principally of applying analytical procedures to financial data and making inquiries of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters. It is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, which will be performed for the full year with the objective of expressing an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our reviews, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the condensed consolidated interim financial statements referred to above for them to be in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

We have previously audited, in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, the consolidated balance sheet of Volt Information Sciences, Inc. as of November 1, 1996, and the related consolidated statements of income and cash flows for the year then ended, not presented herein; and in our report dated January 8, 1997, we expressed an unqualified opinion on these consolidated financial statements. In our opinion, the information set forth in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheet as of November 1, 1996, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the consolidated balance sheet from which it has been derived.

Ernst & Young LLP

June 3, 1997

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