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Report of Foreign Issuer

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the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For December 9, 2005

BONSO ELECTRONICS INTERNATIONAL INC.  
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(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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Yes  No

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Information for the Quarter Ended June 30, 2005

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[Bonso Electronics International Inc. Letterhead]

Dear Shareholders:

26 September 2005

During the quarter ended June 30, 2005. Sensor based scale product sales were up but communications product sales were down. We anticipate that sales of communications products will be continue to be soft in the near term future. Earnings per share stayed at \$0.12 despite net income dropping by \$46,000.

The Company reported sales of \$18,150,000 and net earnings of \$647,000 for the three months period ended 30 June 2005. This represents an increase of 0.6% in

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sales and a decrease of 6.6% in net income as compared to sales of \$18,041,000 and net income of \$693,000 posted during the same period last year.

Despite continued increases in material and labor costs we were able to keep the gross profit margin to within 0.3% of last year's level. We attribute this to our ongoing formal program of product redesign and process improvement, as well as, our cost-cutting sourcing strategy. The primary cause of the increase in expenses was the expansion of the branded sales operation in North America; we consider this another investment in the future.

We are aware of the uncertainties in the market, such as the shortage of skilled labor in the PRC, the recent announcement of the 2% appreciation of the Chinese currency (RMB) on July 21, 2005, power supply shortages and high oil and material prices. The Company reviews these, and many other issues on a regular basis, and is taking appropriate steps to safeguard itself and to mitigate the potential impact on our performance. Our factories have their own electricity generating capability to ensure our operations will not be affected by any disruptions to the electricity supply. High costs of oil and raw materials will undoubtedly exert pressure on the Company's gross profit margin. Nevertheless, we expect it to be relieved by our proven cost-cutting sourcing strategy and long term relationship with our suppliers.

Competition remains keen but we have successfully secured new orders from existing customers to offset the potential impact from increased competition. Going forward, the Company intends to continue to expand its operation in the PRC and restructure its Hong Kong operation to keep a minimal workforce, which we will maintain for so long as required.

With a cash position of \$9.7 million, the Company continues to maintain a strong financial position even after the payment of a dividend of \$0.10 per share in August, 2005. Furthermore, we have no material long-term short-term debt. With our strong cash position, we expect to be able to finance our investment and expansion of our business internally in the foreseeable future. As a result, we do not believe that we are subject to any material risk in relation to any rise in interest rates.

Our strategy for sustained, profitable growth is to enhance the core business, extend the business and expand the market. We believe that the size of the global market opportunity for weighing instruments is approximately \$3.5 billion. This includes major industry segments such as laboratory, personal health, industrial, mailing and food processing. We are currently addressing the main segments of the available market for weighing instruments. Therefore we are in the fortunate position to pick and chose the most lucrative areas for corporate capability and new product enhancement and development. Since North America and Europe represent approximately 75% of the world wide market potential; we believe that we are well positioned to capitalize on our current OEM customer base, as well as, our branded product distribution operations in both Europe and North America. Currently we are doing in excess of 90% of our business in these two areas.

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The company will hold its 2005 Annual General Meeting (Shareholders Meeting) at 10:00 AM on December 1, 2005 at the Hilton Hotel, located at 5711 West Century Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90045. All shareholders of record are cordially invited to attend.

As our first quarter results have demonstrated, we are committed to keeping one eye on the future and one eye on the bottom line; as we continue to pursue planned profitable growth.

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We thank you for your patience and support as we strive for consistency in our earnings and revenue growth in the future.

Best regards,  
Bonso Electronics International, Inc

George O'Leary  
President and Chief Executive Officer

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Attachments: 1) Balance Sheet 2) Income Statement

This letter includes forward looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Forward looking statements may be identified by such words or phrases "should," "intends," "is subject to," "expects," "will," "continue," "anticipate," "estimated," "projected," "may," "we believe," "future prospects," or similar expressions. The forward-looking statements above involve a number of risks and uncertainties. Factors that might cause actual results to differ include, but are not limited to, success of any reorganization; ability to raise additional funds; conditions in the general economy and in the markets served by the Company; competitive factors, such as price pressures and the potential emergence of rival technologies; interruptions of suppliers' operations affecting availability of component materials at reasonable prices; timely development and market acceptance, and warranty performance of new products; success in integrating prior acquisitions; changes in product mix, costs and yields, fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates; uncertainties related to doing business in Hong Kong and China; and the risk factors listed from time to time in the Company's SEC reports. The Company from time-to-time considers acquiring or disposing of business or product lines. Forward-looking statements do not include the impact of acquisitions or dispositions of assets, which could affect results in the near term. Actual results may differ materially. The Company assumes no obligation to update the information in this issue.

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BONSO ELECTRONICS INTERNATIONAL INC.  
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET  
(In U.S. Dollars)  
Unaudited

	June 30	March 31
	2005	2005
Assets		
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Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	9,731,619	9,707,588
Restricted cash deposits	4,785	4,848
Trade receivables, net	12,732,914	10,585,968

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Inventories, net	14,214,064	11,402,239
Tax recoverable	578,941	486,618
Deferred income tax assets - current	52,057	52,057
Other receivables, deposits and Prepayments	1,230,610	1,450,322
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Total current assets	38,544,990	33,689,640
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Deposits	72,789	72,789
Long term investment	500,000	500,000
Deferred income tax assets - non current	46,797	46,849
Goodwill	1,100,962	1,100,962
Brand name, net	2,147,392	2,197,392
Other intangible, net	539,751	543,138
Net property plant & equipment	13,539,269	14,311,986
Total assets	56,491,950	52,462,756
Liabilities and shareholders' equity		
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Current liabilities		
Bank overdraft	236,619	281,085
Notes payable	3,898,921	3,744,726
Accounts payable	10,712,557	6,938,578
Accrued charges and deposits	1,972,042	1,978,222
Short-term loans	4,643,619	4,742,685
Current portion of long-term debt and capital lease obligations	425,748	425,748
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Total current liabilities	21,889,506	18,111,044
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Long-term debt and capital lease obligations net of current maturities	139,323	375,874
Deferred income tax	43,967	43,856
Shareholders' equity		
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Common stock par value \$0.003 per share		
- authorized shares - 23,333,334		
- issued and outstanding shares: 2005-5,577,639; 30 June 2005-5,577,639	16,729	16,729
Additional paid-in capital	21,764,788	21,764,788
Retained earnings	11,954,391	11,307,642
Accumulated other comprehensive income	683,246	842,823
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	34,419,154	33,931,982
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Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	56,491,950	52,462,756

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Net sales	18,150	18,041
Cost of sales	(14,540)	(14,421)
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Gross margin	3,610	3,620
Selling expenses	615	699
Salaries and related costs	1,368	1,252
Research and development expenses	108	90
Administration and general expenses	740	673
Amortization of brand name and goodwill	50	53
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Income from operations	728	854
Interest Income	55	43
Interest Expenses	(137)	(207)
Foreign exchange gains/ (losses)	(37)	(51)
Other income	83	40
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Income before income taxes & Minority Interest	692	679
Income tax benefit/(expense)	(45)	(10)
Net Income before Minority Interest	647	669
Minority Interest	--	24
Net income	647	693
Earnings per share		
Diluted	0.12	0.12
Adjusted weighted average shares	5,577,639	5,825,287

Management Discussion and Analysis of Financial Conditions and Results of Operations

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Period ended June 30, 2004 compared to period ended June 30, 2005

Net Sales. Our sales increased 0.6% or \$109,000 from approximately \$18,041,000 for the period ended June 30, 2004, to approximately \$18,150,000 for the period ended June 30, 2005. Sales from our scales segment increased from approximately \$10,842,000 for the period ended June 30, 2004, to approximately \$11,085,000 for the period ended June 30, 2005 and telecommunication segment dropped from approximately \$7,199,000 for the period ended June 30, 2004, to approximately \$7,065,000 for the period ended June 30, 2005.

Gross Margin. Gross margin expressed as a percentage of sales remained relatively unchanged at 20% for the three months period ended June 30, 2005 and June 30, 2004.

Selling Expenses. Selling expenses decreased by 12% or \$84,000 from approximately \$699,000 for the period ended June 30, 2004 to approximately \$615,000 for the period ended June 30, 2005. This decrease is attributable primarily to a tighten control in cost, such as to consolidate shipments in containers to save freight costs.

Salaries And Related Costs. Salaries and related costs increased 9.3% from approximately \$1,252,000 for the period ended June 30, 2004 to approximately \$1,368,000 for the period ended June 30, 2005. This increase was primarily the

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result of an increase in the number of employees.

**Research And Development.** Research and development expenses increased 20% from approximately \$90,000 for the period ended June 30, 2004 to approximately \$108,000 for the period ended June 30, 2005. The increase is attributable to increased research and development activities for both scales and telecommunications products.

**Administration And General Expenses.** Administration and general expenses increased by 10% from approximately \$673,000 for the period ended June 30, 2004 to approximately \$740,000 for the period ended June 30, 2005. This increase was primarily due to increase in rental expenses in the amount of \$25,000 for our Canadian subsidiary's new office and the increase in professional fees of approximately \$25,000 relating to the disposal of the old office.

**Amortization Of Brand Names and Goodwill.** The brand name is amortized using the straight line method over the related estimated useful life of 15 years.

**Income From Operations.** As a result of the above changes, income from operations decreased 14.6% from approximately \$854,000 for the period ended June 30, 2004 to \$728,000 for the period ended June 30, 2004.

**Interest Income.** Interest income was approximately \$55,000 for the period ended June 30, 2005, compared to approximately \$43,000 for the period ended June 30, 2004. This increase was primarily the result of an increase in interest rates and depositing our cash into a higher yield account.

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**Interest Expenses.** Interest expenses decreased 33.8% or approximately \$70,000 from approximately \$207,000 for the period ended June 30, 2004 to approximately \$137,000 for the period ended June 30, 2005. The decrease is primarily the result of the decreased utilization of our banking facilities and lower interest rates on amounts borrowed from our banks.

**Foreign Exchange Losses/Gains.** We experienced a foreign currency exchange loss of approximately \$37,000 for the three month period ended June 30, 2005 as compared to a loss of approximately \$51,000 for the period ended June 30, 2004. This loss was primarily resulted from the devaluation of United States dollars to Canadian dollars.

**Other Income.** Other income increased 107.5% or approximately \$43,000 from approximately \$40,000 for the period ended June 30, 2004 to approximately \$83,000 for the period ended June 30, 2005. This increase was the result of a gain on the disposition of our Canadian subsidiary's old office.

**Income tax benefit/expense.** We recorded a tax expense in the amount of approximately \$45,000 for the period ended June 30, 2005 as compared to the tax expense of approximately \$10,000 for the period ended June 30, 2004.

**Net Income.** As a result of the above changes, net income decreased from approximately \$693,000 for the period ended June 30, 2004 to \$647,000 for the period ended June 30, 2005, an decrease of approximately \$46,000, or 6.6%.

### Liquidity and Capital Resources

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We have financed our growth and cash needs to date primarily from internally generated funds and bank debt. We do not use off-balance sheet financing arrangements, such as securitization of receivables or obtaining

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access to assets through special purpose entities, as sources of liquidity. Our primary uses of cash have been to fund expansions and upgrades of our manufacturing facilities, to make strategic acquisitions and to fund working capital resulting from normal operation.

We believe that our cash flows from operations, our current cash balance and funds available under our working capital and credit facilities will be sufficient to meet our working capital needs and planned capital expenditures for the next 12 months. As of June 30, 2005 we had \$9,731,619 in cash and cash equivalents as compared to \$9,707,588 as of March 31, 2005. Working capital at June 30, 2005 was \$16,655,484 compared to \$15,578,596 at March 31, 2005. We believe that current cash balances and working capital plus cash flow from operations will be sufficient to fund its capital and liquidity needs in the foreseeable future.

### Stock Repurchase Program

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In August 2001, the Company's Board of Directors authorized a program for the Company to repurchase up to \$500,000 of its common stock. This repurchase program does not obligate the Company to acquire any specific number of shares or acquire shares over any specified period of time. No shares were purchased under this program in the first quarter of fiscal 2006. The Company may from time to time repurchase shares of its Common Stock under this program.

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### Legal Proceedings

#### Jefferson County Colorado Litigation

On August 20, 2004, Bonso and three of Bonso's directors were served with a copy of a Complaint filed on July 23, 2004 in District Court of Jefferson County, State of Colorado, Case No. 03CV2505. Plaintiffs Doug Moreland, William Pinard, Richard Pinard, Leigh Investment Company, LP, Patricia Johnson, Jason Pinard and Larry Rowe (collectively the "Plaintiffs") named Anthony So, George O'Leary, Henry F. Schlueter, Cathy Pang, and John Stewart Jackson (the "Individual Defendants") and Bonso as defendants in the case.

On September 26, 2004, the Company and the Individual Defendants filed a motion to dismiss the Complaint for lack of standing, failure to state a claim, and failure to comply with the appropriate procedural requirements for out of state defendants instituting and maintaining a legal action in the state of Colorado.

On October 30, 2004, the Plaintiff's filed an amended complaint (the "Amended Complaint") with the substantially the same factual allegations as asserted in the original Complaint. The Amended Complaint alleged derivative claims (the "Derivative Claims") against the Individual Defendants for breaches of fiduciary duties for: (i) insider selling and misappropriation of information, (ii) dissemination of misleading and inaccurate information and (iii) waste of corporate assets. The Derivative Claims allege that Bonso has sustained damages as a result of the Individual Defendants actions. The Amended Complaint sought disgorgement of all profits realized by the Individual Defendants, the imposition of a constructive trust in favor of Bonso for the amount of profits received by the Individual Defendants as a result of their sales of Bonso stock and damages in favor of Bonso for breaches of the Individual Defendants fiduciary duties. In response, Bonso engaged an



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independent counsel to review the validity and appropriateness of the Derivative Claims.

The Amended Complaint also alleged individual claims (the "Individual Claims") against the Individual Defendants for breach of fiduciary duty against the individual defendants for: (i) insider selling and misappropriation of information, (ii) dissemination of misleading and inaccurate information, (iii) negligent misrepresentations, and (iv) fraud.

On November 20, 2004, the Company and the Individual Defendants filed a motion to dismiss the Amended Complaint for lack of standing and failure to comply with the appropriate procedural requirements for out of state defendants instituting and maintaining a legal action in the state of Colorado. On January 8, 2005, the Court entered an Order denying Defendants' motion to dismiss but requiring the non-resident Plaintiff to file a cost bond.

Thereafter, Plaintiffs filed a Verified Second Amended Complaint (the "Second Amended Complaint") on January 21, 2004. While the Second Amended Complaint asserts essentially the same derivative and direct claims as the Amended Complaint, it includes new factual allegations concerning Bonso's December 17, 2003 announcement to extend the expiration date of its December 31, 2003 warrants (the "Warrants") and reduce the exercise price.

On April 8, 2005, the District Court of Jefferson County, State of Colorado dismissed with prejudice this lawsuit with each party paying their own costs and fees. The Parties' Stipulation For Dismissal With Prejudice was based upon the Report of Independent Counsel Richard R. Greengard. In his 57 page Independent Counsel's Report, Mr. Greengard found no credible evidence to support the plaintiffs' derivative claims after conducting an exhaustive review of the documents provided by both the plaintiffs and the defendants and conducting interviews of the individuals identified as having knowledge of the particular claims.

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SIGNATURE

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.

BONSO ELECTRONICS INTERNATIONAL INC.  
(Registrant)

Date: December 9, 2005

By George D. O'Leary  
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President and Chief Executive Officer

