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FORM 10-QSB

(Mark One)

Quarterly Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 For the Quarterly Period ended September 30, 2000

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 number 0-28920

Access Solutions International, Inc.

(Exact name of small business issuer as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

05-0426298

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

650 Ten Rod Road
North Kingstown, RI 02852

(Address of principal executive offices)

(401) 295-2691

(Issuer's telephone number)

Check whether the issuer (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the past 12 months (or for such shorter period that the issuer was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes

No

The number of shares of the issuer's Common Stock, \$.01 par value, outstanding as of December 31, 2000 was 3,963,940.

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Access Solutions International, Inc.

PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

Access Solutions International, Inc.
Condensed Balance Sheets

| | September 30, 2000 (Unaudited) ----- | June 30, 2000 ----- |
|----------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| Assets | | |
| Current assets: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$259,142 | \$ 58,042 |
| Trade accounts receivable, | | |

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| | | |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$0 and \$13,167 | 9,097 | 259,308 |
| Inventories | 25,272 | 25,407 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 53,202 | 39,129 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Total current assets | 346,713 | 381,886 |
| Fixed assets, net | 53,605 | 62,626 |
| Other assets: | | |
| Deposits and other assets | -- | 5,121 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Total assets | \$400,318 | \$449,633 |
| | ===== | ===== |

See notes to unaudited condensed financial statements.

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Access Solutions International, Inc.
Condensed Balance Sheets

| | September 30, 2000 (Unaudited) | June 2000 |
|---|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| | ----- | ----- |
| Liabilities and stockholders' deficit | | |
| Current liabilities: | | |
| Accounts payable | \$ 628,540 | \$ 611,000 |
| Accrued salaries and wages | 100,353 | 84,000 |
| Accrued expenses | 84,947 | 88,000 |
| Deferred revenue-prepaid service contracts | 397,811 | 485,000 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Total current liabilities | 1,211,651 | 1,270,000 |
| Notes payable | 1,364,772 | 1,287,000 |
| | | |
| Total liabilities | 2,576,423 | 2,557,000 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Stockholders' equity: | | |
| Common Stock, \$.01 par value, 13,000,000 shares authorized, 3,965,199 shares issued | 39,652 | 39,000 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 17,637,694 | 17,637,000 |
| Accumulated deficit | (19,835,395) | (19,768,000) |
| | ----- | ----- |
| | (2,158,049) | (2,090,000) |
| Treasury stock, at cost (1,259 shares) | (18,056) | (18,000) |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Total stockholders' equity | (2,176,105) | (2,108,000) |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity | \$ 400,318 | \$ 449,633 |
| | ===== | ===== |

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Note: The balance sheet at June 30, 2000 has been derived from the audited financial statements at that date but does not include all of the information and footnotes required by generally accepted accounting principles for complete financial statements.

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Access Solutions International, Inc.
Condensed Statements of Operations (Unaudited)

| | Three months ending September 30, | |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| | 2000 | 1999 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Net sales: | | |
| Products | \$ 7,367 | \$ 22,040 |
| Services | 209,261 | 203,921 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Total net sales | 216,628 | 225,961 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Cost of sales: | | |
| Products | 245 | 5,733 |
| Services | 53,457 | 57,428 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Total cost of sales | 53,702 | 63,161 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Gross profit | 162,926 | 162,800 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Operating expenses: | | |
| General and administrative expense | 148,039 | 88,208 |
| Research and development expense | 18,205 | 21,339 |
| Selling expense | 32,533 | 38,317 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Total operating expenses | 198,777 | 147,864 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Profit/(Loss) from operations | (35,851) | 14,936 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Other revenue and expenses: | | |
| Interest income | (80) | (44) |
| Interest expense | 31,561 | 31,561 |
| Other expense | -- | -- |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Total other expenses | 31,481 | 31,517 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Net loss | \$ (67,332) | \$ (16,581) |
| | ===== | ===== |
| Primary net loss per common share | \$ (.02) | \$ (.00) |
| | ===== | ===== |

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Weighted average number of
common shares 3,963,940 3,963,940

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Access Solutions International, Inc.
Condensed Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

| | For the Three Months Ended September 30, | |
|--|---|-------------|
| | 2000 | 1999 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Cash flows from operating activities | | |
| Net loss | \$ (67,332) | \$ (16,581) |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used by operating activities: | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 14,143 | 19,315 |
| Provision for doubtful accounts | (13,167) | 4,200 |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities: | | |
| (Increase) decrease in: | | |
| Trade accounts receivable | 263,378 | 25,304 |
| Inventories | 136 | (2,440) |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | (14,073) | 11,154 |
| Deposits and other assets | -- | -- |
| Increase (decrease) in: | | |
| Accounts payable | 16,751 | (31,284) |
| Accrued expenses | 11,891 | (362,183) |
| Deferred revenue - prepaid service contracts | (87,850) | (124,545) |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Net Cash PROVIDED BY (used FOR) operating activities | 123,877 | (414,492) |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Cash flows from investing activities | | |
| Sale of property and equipment | -- | -- |
| Additions to other assets | -- | (435) |
| Loans and advances written off related to PaperClip | -- | -- |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Net cash (used FOR) provided by investing activities | -- | (435) |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Cash flows from financing activities | | |
| Reallocation of patent litigation fees | -- | 352,359 |
| Deferred financing costs | 77,223 | -- |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Net Cash Provided by financing activities | 77,223 | 352,359 |
| | ----- | ----- |

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| Net INCREASE (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | 201,100 | (62,568) |
| Cash and cash equivalents, BEGINNING | 58,042 | 83,402 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Cash and cash equivalents, ending | \$ 259,142 | \$ 20,834 |
| | ===== | ===== |

See notes to unaudited condensed financial statements.

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Access Solutions International, Inc. Notes to Unaudited Condensed Financial Statements

1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited condensed financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-QSB and Article 10-01 of Regulation S-B. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by generally accepted accounting principles for annual financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. Operating results for the three months ended September 30, 2000 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ended June 30, 2001. For further information, refer to the financial statements and footnotes thereto included in the Access Solutions International, Inc. ("ASI") annual report on Form 10-KSB for the year ended June 30, 2000.

2. Legal Proceedings

On August 29, 1997, the Company filed a complaint in the United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island against Data/Ware Development, Inc. ("Data/Ware") and Eastman Kodak Company, Inc. ("Kodak") alleging infringement of the Company's patents. The claim states that Data/Ware and Kodak collectively manufacture, use and/or sell equipment for recording data on optical media and alleges that the manufacture and sale of such equipment, and use by purchasers thereof, infringes one or more of the Company's patents. The claim calls for an order enjoining the defendants from further infringement of its patents, damages and interest for infringement and reasonable attorney's fees and such other relief that the court deems proper. The outcome of this claim cannot be determined at this time.

3. PaperClip Merger, Management Agreements and Subsequent Events

ASI is currently in negotiations with PaperClip Software, Inc. concerning payment of advances ASI made to PaperClip in the amount of \$2,220,722, which ASI wrote off in June, 1998. PaperClip is considering executing a \$405,300 note payable in 36 equal installments to ASI over a three year period, with the balance to be conveyed to ASI in the form of shares of a new class of PaperClip convertible preferred stock.

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Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

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Overview

ASI's sales consist of sales of products and services. Products sold by ASI consist of COLD systems, software and hardware including replacement disk drives, subassemblies and miscellaneous peripherals. Services rendered by ASI include post-installation maintenance and support. ASI recognizes revenue from customers upon installation of COLD systems and, in the case of COLD systems installed for evaluation, upon acceptance by such customers of the products. ASI sells extended service contracts on the majority of the products it sells. Such contracts are one year in duration with payments received annually in advance of the commencement of the contract. ASI recognizes revenue from service contracts on a straight-line basis over the term of the contract. The unearned portion of the service revenue is reflected as deferred revenue. As of September 30, 2000, ASI had deferred revenue in the amount of \$397,811.

ASI's operating results have in the past and may in the future fluctuate significantly depending upon a variety of factors which vary substantially over time, including industry conditions; the timing of orders from customers; the timing of new product introductions by ASI and competitors; customer acceleration, cancellation or delay of shipments; the length of sales cycles; the level and timing of selling, general and administrative and research and development expenses; specific feature needs of customers; and production delays. A substantial portion of ASI's quarterly revenues is derived from the sale of a relatively small number of COLD systems, which range in price from approximately \$150,000 to \$500,000. As a result, the timing of recognition of revenue from a single product order has in the past and may in the future have a significant impact on ASI's net sales and operating results for particular financial periods. This volatility is counter balanced by the increase in sales of annual service contracts, which generally accompanies an increase in systems sales.

ASI's primary operating expenses include selling expenses, general and administrative expenses and research and development expenses. General and administrative expenses consist primarily of employee compensation, customer support and patent litigation expense (see Note 2 of Item 1). Research and development expenses include compensation paid to internal research and development staff members and expenses incurred in connection with the retention of independent research and development consultants. ASI utilizes its own employees for research and development functions except in certain circumstances involving product enhancements. In those circumstances, ASI regularly retains independent experts to consult and design new software modules which are subsequently evaluated and tested by ASI's internal research and development staff. Upon successful testing of such product enhancements, ASI's internal staff integrates the new products with ASI's existing COLD systems and products.

ASI's total expenditures for research and development for Fiscal 2000 and Fiscal 1999 were \$90,343 and \$119,243, respectively. Fiscal 2000 research and development expenses were substantially reduced from prior levels due to reductions in depreciation expense. Several assets became fully depreciated during FY 2000, significantly reducing net depreciation expense.

ASI has historically incurred net losses and anticipates that further net losses will be incurred prior to the time, if ever, that ASI achieves profitability. However, ASI has recently taken certain steps intended to limit the occurrence

of future net losses. Such steps include: (i) searching for joint development

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and marketing agreements or a synergistic acquisition candidate which would be expected to increase sources of revenues at minimum cost. (ii) Critical reviews of all procedures and costs to ensure maximum efficiency and effectiveness are achieved in ASI's operations. While no assurance can be given that such steps will be sufficient to limit losses, which may be incurred in the future, ASI believes that such steps, when fully implemented, may enable ASI to realize improved operating results. ASI does not believe that these steps have to date or will in the future materially adversely impact ASI's revenues and earnings.

Results of Operations

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the unaudited condensed financial statements and notes thereto of Access Solutions International, Inc. contained elsewhere herein.

Three Months Ended September 30, 2000 Compared to Three Months Ended September 30, 1999

Net Sales

Net sales for the three months ended September 30, 2000 was \$216,628 compared with \$225,961 for the three months ended September 30, 1999, a decrease of \$9,333 or 4%. Product sales were \$7,367 for the first quarter of Fiscal 2000 compared with \$22,040 for the first quarter of Fiscal 1999, a decrease of \$14,674 or 67%. Service revenues were \$209,261 for the first quarter of Fiscal 2000 compared with \$203,921 for the first quarter of Fiscal 1999, an increase of \$5,340 or 3%.

Cost of Sales

Cost of sales includes component costs, firmware license costs, labor, travel and certain overhead costs. Costs of sales in the aggregate decreased 15% to \$53,702 for the three months ended September 30, 2000 from \$63,161 for the three months ended September 30, 1999.

The cost of product sales decreased 96% to \$245 for the three months ended September 30, 2000 from \$5,733 for the three months ended September 30, 1999. The decrease in product related cost of sales was a result of lower sales and a greater mix of higher margin peripherals than media. The cost of services decreased by 7% to \$53,457 for the three months ended September 30, 2000 from \$57,428 for the three months ended September 30, 1999, primarily due to renegotiated third-party contracts.

General and Administrative Expenses

General and administrative expenses consist of administrative expenses and technical support. General and administrative expenses increased 68% or \$59,831 to \$148,039 for the three months ended September 30, 2000 from \$88,208 for the three months ended September 30, 1999. This increase was primarily due to higher personnel costs and increased legal fees. In FY 2000, it was recognized that legal expenses previously incurred relative to the DataWare patent infringement lawsuit should be shared by the co-owner of the suit. Consequently, one third of legal costs were rebilled to Malcolm Chace, III, resulting in a significant reduction of legal costs in Fiscal 2000. No rebilling for previous periods was reported for Fiscal 2001.

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ASI's Director's and Officers insurance decreased significantly as a result of the Company's renegotiations with a different carrier, resulting in decreased rates of up to 28%.

Research and Development Expenses

Research and development expenses decreased by 15% or \$3,134 to \$18,205 for the three months ended September 30, 2000 from \$21,339 for the three months ended September 30, 1999. The decrease in research and development was primarily due to reduced depreciation for ASI as a result of the company's downsizing in Fiscal 1999.

Selling Expenses

Selling expenses decreased by \$5,784 or 15% to \$32,533 for the three months ended September 30, 2000 from \$38,317 for the three months ended September 30, 1999. The decrease was primarily the result of further reduced personnel costs due to more efficient utilization of labor and reduced depreciation for ASI as a result of the company's downsizing in Fiscal 1999.

Other Income and Expenses

Other income and expenses consisted of interest expense and interest income, both of which had no significant change.

Net Loss

As a result of the foregoing, ASI's net loss increased to \$67,332 (\$.02 per share on 3,963,940 weighted average shares outstanding) for the three months ended September 30, 2000 from a net loss of \$16,581 (\$.005 per share on 3,963,940 weighted average shares outstanding) during the three months ended September 30, 1999.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

ASI had a working capital deficit of \$864,938 as of September 30, 2000 compared to a working capital deficit of \$1,018,487 at September 30, 1999.

Total cash provided by operating activities during the three-month period ended September 30, 2000 was \$123,877, compared to the three-month period ended September 30, 1999 in which operating activities used a total of \$414,492. ASI's net losses were \$67,332 for the three-month period ended September 30, 2000 and \$16,581 the three-month period ended September 30, 1999. Capital provided by operating activities during the three-month period ended September 30, 2000 was primarily the result of improved collection of trade receivables.

No cash was used for and provided by investing activities for the three-month period ended September 30, 2000, compared to 1999 when investing activities used \$435.

Cash provided by and used for financing activities was \$77,223 for the three-month period ended September 30, 2000 and \$352,359 for the three-month period ended September 30, 1999. Cash provided by investing activities derived from an increase in long term notes payable. The advances, along with the principal, which accrue interest at an annual rate of 19%, convert to a demand note at the lesser of three years or the completion of the company's patent litigation.

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ASI has suffered recurring losses from operations and has negative cash flows from operating activities. The recurring losses and negative cash flows from operating activities raise substantial doubt about ASI's ability to continue as a going concern. As a result, ASI's independent accountants in their report dated December 12, 2000 on the audited financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2000 included an explanatory paragraph that described factors raising substantial doubt about ASI's ability to continue as a going concern. The financial statements do not include any adjustments relating to the recoverability of asset and classifications of liabilities or any other adjustments that might be necessary should ASI be unable to continue as a going concern.

As of September 30, 2000, ASI had long term debt totaling \$1,364,772 with accrued interest of \$296,057. This amount included gross proceeds in the amount of \$650,000 from a loan to ASI in conjunction with the sale of a 30% interest in the Company's patents for \$100,000 and advances of \$418,715. The loan principal bears interest at a rate of 19% and converts to a demand note at the lesser of three years or the completion of the company's patent litigation. ASI believes that funds generated from operations will be sufficient to meet ASI's working capital requirements through December, 2000. If ASI has insufficient funds from the above noted operations, further equity or debt financing will be sought. There can be no assurance that such additional funds can be obtained on acceptable terms, if at all. If additional financing is not available, ASI's business will be materially adversely affected. If ASI has insufficient funds from the above noted operations, further equity or debt financing will be sought. There can be no assurance that such additional funds can be obtained on acceptable terms, if at all. If additional financing is not available, ASI's business will be materially adversely affected.

ASI believes that its current corporate infrastructure can support significant increases in sales without proportionate increases in costs. However, there can be no assurances that sales will increase or that any cost advantage will result.

Seasonality and Inflation

To date, seasonality and inflation have not had a material effect on ASI's operations.

Forward Looking Statements

Statements contained in this Form 10-QSB that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. In addition, words such as "believes", "anticipates", "expects" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward looking statements. ASI cautions that a number of important factors could cause actual results for Fiscal 2001 and beyond to differ materially from those expressed in any forward-looking statements made by or on behalf of ASI. Such statements contain a number of risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to, future capital needs, variable operating results, uncertainty of additional funding requirements, lengthy sales cycles, dependence on ASI's COLD system product, rapid technological change and product development, reliance on single or limited sources of supply, intense competition, recent turnover in management, ASI's ability to manage growth, dependence on significant customers, dependence on key personnel, and ASI's ability to protect its intellectual property. ASI cannot assure that it will be able to anticipate or respond timely to changes which could adversely affect its operating results in one or more fiscal quarters. Results of operations in any past period should not be considered indicative of results to be expected in future periods. Fluctuations in operating results may result in fluctuations in the price of ASI's securities.

PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

Item 6. Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K

(a) Exhibits

(b) Reports on Form 8-K

None

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the issuer caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Access Solutions International, Inc.

Date: April 30, 2001

/s/ Robert H. Stone

Robert H. Stone
President and CEO

Date: April 30, 2001

/s/ Denis L. Marchand

Denis L. Marchand
Vice President of Finance and Chief Accounting
Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)