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Indicate by a che	eck mark whether the Registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in l	Exchange Act Rule 12b-2). Yes ⊠ No □
The number of s	shares of the Registrant's Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share, ou	tstanding as of October 29, 2004 was 31,245,770 shares.

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PART I – UNAUDITED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements:

ANSYS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands, except share information) (Unaudited)

	September 30, 2004	December 31, 2003
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 114,280	\$ 78,038
Short-term investments	9,980	4,976
Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$1,805 and \$2,110, respectively	14,716	20,028
Other current assets	15,831	16,206
Deferred income taxes	3,035	3,311
Total current assets	157,842	122,559
Property and equipment, net	5,827	5,801
Capitalized software costs, net	864	959
Goodwill	35,265	35,151
Other intangibles, net	12,334	14,876
Deferred tax asset	747	1,213
		
Total assets	\$ 212,879	\$ 180,559
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 774	\$ 988
Accrued bonuses	5,038	4,439
Other accrued expenses and liabilities	9,693	10,184
Deferred revenue	38,726	37,874
Total current liabilities	54,231	53,485
Stockholders' equity – Note 2:		
Preferred stock, \$.01 par value; 2,000,000 shares authorized	<u>_</u>	_
Common stock, \$.01 par value; 50,000,000 shares authorized; 33,169,516 shares issued	332	332
Additional paid-in capital	49,438	44,369
Less treasury stock, at cost: 1,953,906 and 2,634,976 shares, respectively	(18,853)	(22,768)
Retained earnings	123,018	100,701
Accumulated other comprehensive income	4,713	4,440
Total stockholders' equity	158,648	127,074
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 212,879	\$ 180,559

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the condensed consolidated financial statements.

ANSYS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (in thousands, except per share data) (Unaudited)

		Three Mo	nths End	led	Nine Montl		onths Ended		
	Sep	September 30, September 30, September 30, 2004 2003 2004					Sep	tember 30, 2003	
Revenue:									
Software licenses	\$	16,585	\$	14,053	\$	49,262	\$	40,457	
Maintenance and service		15,733		13,985		46,390		39,824	
Total revenue		32,318		28,038		95,652		80,281	
Cost of sales:	_				_				
Software licenses		1,162		1,226		3,678		3,873	
Amortization of software and acquired technology		758		871		2,267		2,302	
Maintenance and service		3,521		3,199		9,649		9,782	
Total cost of sales	_	5,441		5,296		15,594		15,957	
Gross profit		26,877		22,742		80,058		64,324	
Operating expenses:									
Selling and marketing		5,757		5,646		17,843		17,254	
Research and development		6,611		5,879		19,441		17,609	
Amortization		285		276		857		774	
General and administrative		3,763		3,022		10,808		8,798	
Total operating expenses		16,416		14,823		48,949		44,435	
Operating income		10,461		7,919		31,109		19,889	
Other income (expense)	_	415		(808)		791		498	
Income before income tax provision		10,876		7,111		31,900		20,387	
Income tax provision		3,277		1,750		9,584		6,275	
Net income	\$	7,599	\$	5,361	\$	22,316	\$	14,112	
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Earnings per share – basic – Note 2:	ф	0.24	¢.	0.10	ф	0.72	ф	0.47	
Basic earnings per share Weighted average shares – basic	\$	0.24 31,075	\$	0.18 30,212	\$	0.72 30,835	\$	0.47 29,728	
		31,0/3		30,212		30,033		29,/20	
Earnings per share – diluted – Note 2:									
Diluted earnings per share	\$	0.23	\$	0.17	\$	0.68	\$	0.45	
Weighted average shares - diluted		33,231		32,472		32,895		31,608	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the condensed consolidated financial statements.

ANSYS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (in thousands) (Unaudited)

		Nine Mon	ths End	ıded	
	Se	ptember 30, 2004	Sep	otember 30, 2003	
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Net income	\$	22,316	\$	14,112	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:					
Depreciation and amortization		5,621		5,239	
Deferred income tax provision		604		309	
Provision for bad debts		(19)		174	
Loss on investment		_		686	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:					
Accounts receivable		5,285		4,629	
Other current assets		815		2,967	
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and liabilities		4,301		(2,201)	
Deferred revenue		792	_	2,815	
Net cash provided by operating activities		39,715		28,730	
	_		_		
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Capital expenditures		(2,595)		(1,473)	
Capitalization of internally developed software costs		(524)		(550)	
Purchases of short-term investments		(20,103)		(20,034)	
Maturities of short-term investments		15,000		30,000	
Acquisition of CFX, net of cash acquired		_		(21,747)	
Other acquisition payments		_		(588)	
Purchase of long-term investment			_	(200)	
Net cash used in investing activities	_	(8,222)		(14,592)	
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Proceeds from issuance of common stock under Employee Stock Purchase Plan		485		408	
Proceeds from exercise of stock options		4,121		6,306	
Cash provided by financing activities		4,606		6,714	
Effect of eychange rate changes on each and each equivalents	<u> </u>	143	_	231	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		143	_	231	
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		36,242		21,083	
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period		78,038	_	46,198	
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$	114,280	\$	67,281	
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Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information: Cash paid during the period for income taxes	\$	4 22 4	đ	2 117	
Cash paid during the period for income taxes	\$	4,334	\$	3,117	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the condensed consolidated financial statements.

ANSYS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS September 30, 2004 (Unaudited)

1. Organization

ANSYS, Inc. (the "Company" or "ANSYS") develops and globally markets engineering simulation software and technologies widely used by engineers and designers across a broad spectrum of industries, including aerospace, automotive, manufacturing, electronics, and biomedical.

The Company operates as one segment, as defined by Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 131, "*Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information*." Given the integrated approach to the problem-solving needs of the Company's customers, a single sale of software may contain components from multiple product areas and include combined technologies. There is no means by which the Company can provide accurate historical (or current) reporting among its ANSYS Simulation Suite, ANSYS Physics Verticals, ANSYS Workbench Environment, ANSYS ICEM CFD Suite, and ANSYS CFX® Suite or any other product-line segmentation. Disclosure of such information is impracticable.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared by ANSYS, Inc. in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for interim financial information for commercial and industrial companies and the instructions to Form 10-Q and Rule 10-01 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, the accompanying statements do not include all of the information and footnotes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for complete financial statements. The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Company's consolidated financial statements (and notes thereto) included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003. The condensed consolidated December 31, 2003 balance sheet presented is derived from the audited December 31, 2003 balance sheet included in the most recent Form 10-K. In the opinion of management, all adjustments considered necessary for a fair presentation of the financial statements have been included, and all adjustments are of a normal and recurring nature. Operating results for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2004 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for any future period.

Stock Split: On August 5, 2004, the Company announced that its Board of Directors approved a 2-for-1 stock split of the Company's common shares. The stock split was payable in the form of a stock dividend and entitled each stockholder of record at the close of business on September 3, 2004, to receive one share of common stock for every outstanding share of common stock held on that date. The stock dividend was distributed on October 4, 2004. Par value of the stock remains at \$.01 per share and accordingly, \$166,000 was transferred from additional paid-in capital to common stock for each share held on record as of September 3, 2004. The capital accounts, share data, and earnings per share data in this report give effect to the stock split, applied retroactively, to all periods presented.

Concentrations of Credit Risk: The Company has a concentration of credit risk with respect to trade receivables due to the limited number of distributors through which the Company sells its products. The Company performs periodic credit evaluations of its customers' financial condition and generally does not require collateral.

In addition to the concentration of credit risk with respect to trade receivables, the Company's cash and cash equivalents are also exposed to concentration of credit risk. The Company maintains its cash accounts primarily in U.S. banks, which are insured by the F.D.I.C. up to \$100,000 per bank. The Company had cash balances on deposit with a U.S. bank at September 30, 2004 that exceeded the balance insured by the F.D.I.C. in the amount of approximately \$68 million. A significant portion of the Company's remaining cash balance is also uninsured.

Stock-Based Compensation: The Company has elected to account for stock-based compensation arrangements under the provisions of Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, "*Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation.*" No compensation expense has been recognized in the condensed consolidated statements of income as option grants generally are made with exercise prices equal to the fair value of the underlying common stock on the award date, which is typically the date of compensation measurement.

Had compensation cost been determined based on the fair value at the date of grant, in accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation," the Company's net income and basic and diluted earnings per share would have been reduced to the pro forma amounts indicated below:

	Three Months Ended			Nine Months Ended				
		ember 30, 2004	Sept	tember 30, 2003	Sep	otember 30, 2004	Sep	tember 30, 2003
(in thousands, except per share data)					_		_	
Net income, as reported	\$	7,599	\$	5,361	\$	22,316	\$	14,112
Add: Stock-based employee compensation expense included in net income, net of related tax effects		_		_		_		_
Deduct: Stock-based employee compensation expense determined under the fair value-based method for all awards, net of related tax effects		(651)		(678)		(2,045)		(2,196)
	_		_		_		_	
Pro forma net income	\$	6,948	\$	4,683	\$	20,271	\$	11,916
					_		_	
Earnings per share:								
Basic – as reported	\$	0.24	\$	0.18	\$	0.72	\$	0.47
					_		_	
Basic – pro forma	\$	0.22	\$	0.16	\$	0.66	\$	0.40
			_		_		_	
Diluted – as reported	\$	0.23	\$	0.17	\$	0.68	\$	0.45
	_		_		_		_	
Diluted – pro forma	\$	0.21	\$	0.14	\$	0.62	\$	0.38

Reclassifications: Certain reclassifications have been made to the 2003 financial statements to conform to the 2004 presentation.

3. Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income

As of September 30, 2004 and December 31, 2003, accumulated other comprehensive income, as reflected on the condensed consolidated balance sheets, was comprised of foreign currency translation adjustments.

Comprehensive income for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2004 and 2003 was as follows:

	Three Months Ended			ed	Nine Months Ended			
			September 30, September 3 2003 September 3			0, September 3		
(in thousands)			-					
Comprehensive Income	\$	8,264	\$	5,741	\$	22,589	\$	16,160

4. Other Current Assets

The Company reports accounts receivable related to the portion of annual lease licenses and software maintenance that has not yet been recognized as revenue as a component of other current assets. These amounts totaled \$11.9 million and \$13.0 million as of September 30, 2004 and December 31, 2003, respectively.

5. Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share ("EPS") amounts are computed by dividing earnings by the average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted EPS amounts assume the issuance of common stock for all potentially dilutive equivalents outstanding. The details of basic and diluted earnings per share are as follows:

	Three Months Ended			Nine Months Ended				
	Sep	tember 30, 2004	Sep	tember 30, 2003	Sep	tember 30, 2004	Sep	tember 30, 2003
(in thousands, except per share data)					_		_	
Net income	\$	7,599	\$	5,361	\$	22,316	\$	14,112
	_				_			
Weighted average shares outstanding – basic		31,075		30,212		30,835		29,728
Basic earnings per share	\$	0.24	\$	0.18	\$	0.72	\$	0.47
			_				_	
Effect of dilutive securities:								
Shares issuable upon exercise of dilutive outstanding stock options		2,156		2,260		2,060		1,880
Weighted average shares outstanding – diluted		33,231		32,472		32,895		31,608
Diluted earnings per share	\$	0.23	\$	0.17	\$	0.68	\$	0.45
Anti-dilutive shares/options		_		_		_		98

6. Acquisition of CFX

On February 26, 2003 the Company acquired 100% of the shares in certain entities and assets (hereinafter collectively referred to as "CFX") for a purchase price of approximately \$21.7 million. The CFX operating results are included in the Company's financial statements for only the periods subsequent to the acquisition.

The CFX business was a carve-out entity from the acquiree with significant intercompany transactions and, as a result, pro forma information on revenue, income before extraordinary items and the cumulative effect of accounting changes (including those on an interim basis), net income and earnings per share are indeterminable.

7. Goodwill and Intangible Assets

During the first quarter of 2004, the Company completed the annual impairment test for goodwill and intangibles with indefinite lives and determined that goodwill and trademarks had not been impaired as of January 1, 2004. No events occurred or circumstances changed during the nine months ended September 30, 2004 that required an interim goodwill impairment test.

As of September 30, 2004 and December 31, 2003, the Company's intangible assets are classified as follows:

	Septem	ber 30, 2004	Deceml	003	
	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Gross Carrying Amount		mulated rtization
(in thousands)		<u> </u>	-		
Amortized intangible assets:					
Core technology	\$16,041	\$ (6,590)	\$15,865	\$	(4,715)
Non-compete agreements	2,473	(1,946)	2,481		(1,553)
Customer list	2,421	(1,684)	2,415		(1,218)
Total	\$20,935	\$ (10,220)	\$20,761	\$	(7,486)
Unamortized intangible assets:					
Trademarks	\$ 1,619		\$ 1,601		

Amortization expense for the amortized intangible assets reflected above for the three months ended September 30, 2004 and September 30, 2003 was \$895,000 and \$1,023,000, respectively. Amortization expense for amortized intangible assets reflected above for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and September 30, 2003 was \$2,686,000 and \$2,599,000, respectively.

Amortization expense for the amortized intangible assets reflected above is expected to be approximately \$3,611,000, \$3,384,000, \$2,519,000, \$2,463,000 and \$641,000 for the years ending December 31, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008, respectively.

The changes in goodwill during the nine-month period ended September 30, 2004 are as follows:

(in thousands)	
Balance – January 1, 2004	\$35,151
Currency translation	114
Balance – September 30, 2004	\$35,265

8. Geographic Information

Revenue by geographic area for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003 is as follows:

		Three Months Ended				ed		
	Sept	ember 30, 2004	Sep	tember 30, 2003	Sep	tember 30, 2004	Sep	tember 30, 2003
(in thousands)								
United States	\$	10,626	\$	9,459	\$	30,825	\$	27,620
Canada		1,306		1,525		4,356		3,695
United Kingdom		4,785		2,395		14,230		10,321
Germany		4,955		3,974		14,421		10,078
Japan		4,232		3,714		13,167		11,607
Other European		3,371		4,087		10,005		9,536
Other International		3,043		2,884		8,648		7,424
	<u></u> -						_	
Total revenue	\$	32,318	\$	28,038	\$	95,652	\$	80,281

Long-lived assets (excluding deferred tax assets) by geographic area is as follows:

(in thousands)	Sep	otember 30, 2004	De	cember 31, 2003
United States	\$	28,315	\$	28,675
Canada		6,785		7,307
United Kingdom		8,451		9,333
Germany		3,700		3,818
Japan		911		967
Other European		5,872		6,336
Other International		256		351
			_	
Total long-lived assets	\$	54,290	\$	56,787

9. Leases

In January 1996, the Company entered into a lease agreement with an unrelated third party for a new corporate office facility, which the Company occupied in February 1997. In May of 2004, the Company entered into the first amendment to this lease agreement, effective January 1, 2004. The lease was extended from an original period of ten years, with an option for five additional years to a period of 18 years from the original lease inception date, with an option for five additional years. The future minimum lease payments are \$1.2 million per annum from January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2008 and \$1.4 million per annum from January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2014. The future minimum payments from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2019 will be determined based on prevailing market rental rates at the time of the extension, if elected. The amended lease also provides for the lessor to reimburse the Company for up to \$550,000 in building refurbishments completed through March 31, 2006.

10. Stock Repurchase Program

In October 2001, the Company announced that its Board of Directors had amended its existing stock repurchase program to acquire up to an additional one million shares, or four million shares in total under the program that was initially announced in February 2000. Under this program, there were no shares repurchased in the three-month period ended September 30, 2004. As of September 30, 2004, 2.2 million shares remain authorized for repurchase under the program.

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of ANSYS, Inc.

Canonsburg, Pennsylvania

We have reviewed the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheet of ANSYS, Inc. and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of September 30, 2004 and the related condensed consolidated statements of income for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, and of cash flows for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2004 and 2003. These interim financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management.

We conducted our reviews in accordance with standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). A review of interim financial information consists principally of applying analytical procedures and making inquiries of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters. It is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the objective of which is the expression of 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 such condensed consolidated interim financial statements for them to be in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We have previously audited, in accordance with standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheet of ANSYS, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2003, and the related consolidated statements of income, stockholders' equity and cash flows for the year then ended (not presented herein); and in our report dated February 16, 2004, we expressed an unqualified opinion on those consolidated financial statements and included an explanatory paragraph, which indicated that the Company changed its method of accounting for goodwill and other intangible assets in 2002 to conform to Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets." In our opinion, the information set forth in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2003 is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the consolidated balance sheet from which it has been derived.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania November 5, 2004

Item 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Overview:

ANSYS Inc.'s (the "Company") quarterly results for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2004 reflect revenue growth of 15% and 19%, and diluted earnings per share growth of 35% and 51%, respectively. These results were impacted by various factors, including higher revenues from the Company's software products and services, a full nine months of CFX (acquired in February 2003) operating results in the current nine-month period as compared to approximately seven months in the prior nine-month period, and foreign currency fluctuations.

ANSYS, Inc. develops and globally markets engineering simulation software and technologies widely used by engineers and designers across a broad spectrum of industries, including aerospace, automotive, manufacturing, electronics and biomedical. Headquartered at Southpointe in Canonsburg, Pennsylvania, the Company employs approximately 550 people and focuses on the development of open and flexible solutions that enable users to analyze designs directly on the desktop, providing a common platform for fast, efficient and cost-conscious product development, from design concept to final-stage testing and validation. The Company distributes its ANSYS®, ANSYS Workbench™, CFX®, DesignSpace®, ICEM CFD Engineering, and CADOE® products through a global network of channel partners, in addition to its own direct sales offices in strategic, global locations. It is the Company's intention to continue to maintain this mixed sales and distribution model. The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and notes thereto for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, and with the Company's audited financial statements and notes thereto for the year ended December 31, 2003 filed on Form 10-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

This Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, including the following statements, as well as statements which contain such words as "anticipates", "intends", "believes", "plans" and other similar expressions:

- The Company's intention to continue to maintain a mixed sales and distribution model.
- · The Company's intentions related to significant investments in global sales and marketing, and research and development.
- The increase in cost of sales, sales and marketing, research and development, and general and administrative costs due to an expected rise in domestic health care costs and costs associated with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- · Increased exposure to volatility of foreign exchange rates and of domestic and foreign tax laws in future periods.
- · Plans related to future capital spending.
- The sufficiency of existing cash and cash equivalent balances to meet future working capital and capital expenditure requirements.

The Company's actual results could differ materially from those set forth in forward-looking statements. Certain factors that might cause such a difference include risks and uncertainties detailed in the "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" section in the 2003 Annual Report to Stockholders and in "Certain Factors Regarding Future Results" included herein as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 10-Q.

Results of Operations

Three Months Ended September 30, 2004 Compared to Three Months Ended September 30, 2003

Revenue. The Company's total revenue increased 15.3% in the 2004 third quarter to \$32.3 million from \$28.0 million in the 2003 third quarter.

On average, for the third quarter of 2004, the U.S. dollar was approximately 8.8% weaker, when measured against the Company's primary foreign currencies, than for the third quarter of 2003. The weakening resulted in increased revenue and operating income during the 2004 third quarter, as compared with the corresponding 2003 third quarter, of approximately \$900,000 and \$400,000, respectively.

International and domestic revenues, as a percentage of total revenue, were 67.1% and 32.9%, respectively, in the quarter ended September 30, 2004 and 66.3% and 33.7%, respectively, in the quarter ended September 30, 2003.

Software license revenue increased \$2.5 million or 18.0% in the 2004 third quarter to \$16.6 million from \$14.1 million in the 2003 quarter. This increase is a result of two primary factors. First, the Company had approximately \$1.7 million of newly generated software license revenue during the third quarter of 2004 as compared to the third quarter of 2003. Of this amount, approximately \$900,000 related to increased sales of non-CFX products and \$800,000 million related to increased sales of CFX products. Second, the Company experienced an \$800,000 reduction in the adverse impact on reported CFX license revenue related to the accounting for acquired deferred revenue discussed in further detail below.

Maintenance and service revenue increased 12.5% in the 2004 third quarter to \$15.7 million from \$14.0 million in the 2003 third quarter. Consistent with prior quarters, this increase in revenue is mainly associated with the increased volume of maintenance contracts with paid-up license sales.

In valuing deferred revenue for inclusion on the CFX opening balance sheet as of February 26, 2003, the Company complied with the fair value provisions of Emerging Issues Task Force ("EITF") Issue No. 01-3 "Accounting in a Business Combination for Deferred Revenue of an Acquiree." In accordance with EITF 01-3, acquired deferred software license revenue of approximately \$4.8 million was recorded on the opening balance sheet. This amount was approximately \$3.4 million lower than the historical carrying value. Although this purchase accounting requirement has no impact on the Company's business or cash flow, it adversely impacts the Company's reported generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") software license revenue post-acquisition. The adverse impact on reported revenue was approximately \$70,000 and \$260,000 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, and \$890,000 and \$2,460,000 for the three and nine months ended September 31, 2003 was approximately \$550,000. The adverse impact on reported revenue is expected to be approximately \$70,000 in the quarter ending December 31, 2004.

<u>Cost of Sales and Gross Profit</u>. The Company's total cost of sales increased to \$5.4 million, or 16.8% of total revenue in the 2004 third quarter from \$5.3 million, or 18.9% of total revenue, in the 2003 third quarter. This increase is a result of \$300,000 of costs associated with a development services project that was completed during the third quarter of 2004, partially offset by a \$120,000 reduction in third party royalties and a \$110,000 reduction in amortization of acquired software due to certain assets that became fully amortized in August 2003.

As a result of the changes in revenue and cost of sales, the Company's gross profit increased 18.2% to \$26.9 million in the 2004 third quarter from \$22.7 million in the 2003 third quarter.

<u>Selling and Marketing</u>. Total selling and marketing expenses increased from \$5.6 million, or 20.1% of total revenue in the 2003 third quarter, to \$5.8 million, or 17.8% of total revenue in the 2004 quarter. The increase resulted from additional incentive compensation costs of \$400,000 and third party commissions of \$200,000, partially offset by a decrease in marketing programs and advertising of \$300,000 and a decrease in employment related costs, exclusive of incentive compensation, of \$90,000.

The Company anticipates that it will make significant new investments throughout the remainder of 2004 and into 2005 in its global sales and marketing organization to strengthen its competitive position, to enhance major account sales activities and to support its worldwide sales distribution and marketing strategies.

<u>Research and Development</u>. Research and development expenses increased in the 2004 third quarter to \$6.6 million, or 20.5% of total revenue, from \$5.9 million, or 21.0% of total revenue, in the 2003 quarter. The increase resulted primarily from approximately \$500,000 in additional costs associated with incentive compensation and other headcount related costs. Also contributing to the increase were additional facility, and hardware and software related costs of \$200,000.

The Company has traditionally invested significant resources in research and development activities and intends to continue to make significant investments in this area.

<u>General and Administrative</u>. General and administrative expenses increased from \$3.0 million, or 10.8% of total revenue in the 2003 third quarter, to \$3.8 million, or 11.6% of total revenue in the 2004 third quarter. This increase was primarily the result of \$500,000 in additional compliance costs associated with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and a \$300,000 increase in salaries and incentive compensation.

The Company maintains commercial insurance to protect against and manage the risks involved in conducting business. The cost to obtain insurance coverage for such risks has significantly increased due to the environment within the commercial insurance industry. When the Company renewed its U.S. contract for employee health insurance coverage in 2004, the new contract resulted in significantly higher health insurance costs than in prior years. Because these insurance costs relate to personnel, they are allocated to each functional area of the Company and will increase cost of sales, sales and marketing, research and development, and general and administrative expenses for the remainder of the year.

On July 30, 2002 the Sarbanes—Oxley Act (the "Act") was signed into law. The Act contains far-reaching corporate governance reforms and new disclosure requirements for public companies. Certain of the Act's provisions became effective immediately, while other provisions will be implemented through December 31, 2004. Costs to comply with the provisions of the Act, including legal, accounting and consulting fees, will result in higher general and administrative expenses in future periods.

<u>Other Income</u>. Other income increased by \$1.2 million from a loss of \$808,000 during the quarter ended September 30, 2003 to \$415,000 of income for the quarter ended September 30, 2004. This net increase was the result of the following three factors:

Foreign Currency Transaction - During the quarter ended September 30, 2004, the Company had a net foreign exchange loss of \$68,000 as compared with a loss of \$307,000 for the quarter ended September 30, 2003.

Because the CFX acquisition consisted primarily of non-U.S. locations, the Company, for the foreseeable future, will have increased exposure to volatility of foreign exchange rates. The Company does not use any futures or derivative contracts to manage foreign exchange risk. The Company is most impacted by movements among and between the Canadian Dollar, British Pound, Euro, Indian Rupee, Japanese Yen and the U.S. Dollar.

Investment Income - Interest and dividend income on cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments was \$483,000 for the quarter ended September 30, 2004, compared to \$124,000 for the quarter ended September 30, 2003. This increase of \$359,000 is a result of an increased level of funds invested as well as higher interest rates in 2004 as compared with 2003.

Other - During the quarter ended September 30, 2003, the Company recorded an other than temporary impairment loss related to an equity investment of approximately \$600,000. This investment has no remaining book value.

Income Tax Provision. The Company's effective rates of taxation were 30.1% in the third quarter of 2004 and 24.6% in the third quarter of 2003. The rate was lower in the 2003 third quarter due to a \$500,000 credit recorded for additional export benefits and research determined in connection with the completion of the Company's 2002 federal income tax return. The rates recorded by the Company are lower than the federal and state combined statutory rate as a result of export benefits, as well as the generation of research and experimentation credits. The Company expects that the effective tax rate will be in the range of 30% - 31% for the year ending December 31, 2004.

The Internal Revenue Service has examined the Company's federal income tax returns for all years through 2000. The IRS is currently examining the Company's federal income tax returns for the year 2001.

In November 2000, the United States enacted the Foreign Sales Corporation ("FSC") Repeal and Extraterritorial Income Exclusion Act (the "ETI Act") in response to a challenge from the World Trade Organization ("WTO") that the existing tax benefits provided by foreign sales corporations were prohibited tax subsidies. The ETI Act generally repealed the foreign sales corporation and implemented an extraterritorial income ("ETI") tax benefit. Upon introduction of the ETI tax benefit, the European Union ("EU") stated that it did not believe the ETI Act provisions bring U.S. tax law into WTO-compliance and asked the WTO to rule on the matter. On August 30, 2002, the WTO ruled that the EU may impose up to \$4 billion per year in retaliatory duties against U.S. exports.

In October 2004, the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004 was signed into law and included replacement legislation for the FSC/ETI. This bill retains FSC grandfather rules and ETI benefits for transactions in the ordinary course of business under binding contracts with unrelated persons in effect on September 17, 2003. The phase-out of the ETI associated with the pending legislation is summarized as follows:

ETI Phase-out

2004	No Effect
2005	80% of otherwise-applicable benefits
2006	60% of otherwise-applicable benefits
2007 - beyond	ETI Fully Eliminated

In addition to repealing the ETI tax benefits, the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004 provides significant tax relief for domestic manufacturers. Effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2004, qualifying entities will be able to deduct a certain percentage (as defined below) of the lesser of their qualified production activities income or their taxable income for a taxable year. The deduction, however, will be limited to 50% of an employer's W-2 wages for a taxable year. Beginning in 2010, when the 9% deduction is fully phased in, corporations facing a marginal tax rate of 35% would be subject to an effective tax rate of 31.85% on qualifying income.

Manufacturing Income Deduction Phase-in

2004	No Effect
2005 - 2006	3% applicable deduction for qualified income
2007 - 2009	6% applicable deduction for qualified income
2010 - beyond	9% applicable deduction for qualified income

In fiscal year 2003, export benefits reduced the Company's effective tax rate by approximately 6.3%. The impact of the above legislation on the Company's effective tax rate in 2004 and 2005 is not expected to be significant. The Company is currently analyzing the impact on its effective tax rate for years beyond 2005. Any other prospective changes regarding tax benefits associated with the Company's export sales or other federal and state tax planning vehicles may adversely impact the Company's effective tax rate and decrease its net income in future periods.

Net Income. The Company's net income in the 2004 quarter was \$7.6 million as compared to \$5.4 million in the 2003 quarter. Diluted earnings per share increased to \$0.23 in the 2004 quarter as compared to \$0.17 in the 2003 quarter as a result of the increase in net income. The weighted average shares used in computing diluted earnings per share were 33.2 million in the 2004 third quarter and 32.5 million in the 2003 third quarter.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004 Compared to Nine Months Ended September 30, 2003

Revenue. The Company's total revenue increased 19.1% in the nine months ended September 30, 2004 to \$95.7 million as compared with \$80.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2003. The 2003 year-to-date post-acquisition CFX revenue was approximately \$11.9 million, as compared with the 2004 year-to-date CFX-related revenue of \$20.0 million.

On average, for the nine-month period of 2004, the U.S. dollar was approximately 9.4% weaker, when measured against the Company's primary foreign currencies, than for the nine months ended September 30, 2003. The weakening resulted in increased revenue and operating income during the 2004 period, as compared with the corresponding 2003 period, of approximately \$2.7 million and \$1.3 million, respectively.

International and domestic revenues, as a percentage of total revenue, were 67.8% and 32.2%, respectively, in the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 65.6% and 34.4%, respectively, in the nine months ended September 30, 2003.

Software license revenue increased \$8.8 million or 21.8% in the first nine months of 2004 to \$49.3 million from \$40.5 million in the first nine months of 2003. Approximately \$6.5 million of the increase relates to higher revenue from CFX products. Three factors contributed to the higher CFX revenue and include: the growth of the business over 2003, a full nine months of CFX revenue in 2004 as compared to seven months in 2003 and a \$2.2 million reduction in the adverse impact on reported CFX license revenue related to the accounting for acquired deferred revenue which is further discussed below. Also contributing to the increase was approximately \$2.3 million in newly generated software license revenue from the Company's non-CFX products.

Maintenance and service revenue increased 16.5% in the first nine months of 2004 to \$46.4 million from \$39.8 million in the 2003 period. This change was primarily the result of increased maintenance revenue related to contracts sold in association with paid-up license sales in recent quarters.

As previously mentioned above, in accordance with EITF 01-3, acquired deferred software license revenue of approximately \$4.8 million was recorded on the opening balance sheet. This amount was approximately \$3.4 million lower than the historical carrying value. The adverse impact on reported revenue under GAAP was approximately \$260,000 and \$2,460,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

<u>Cost of Sales and Gross Profit</u>. The Company's total cost of sales decreased to \$15.6 million, or 16.3% of total revenue, in the 2004 nine-month period as compared to \$16.0 million, or 19.9% of total revenue, for the 2003 nine-month period. The decrease in the 2004 nine-month period as compared to the 2003 period was primarily related to a reduction of \$600,000 in salary and employment related costs, a \$400,000 decline in costs associated with technical and other consulting support and a \$300,000 decrease in third party royalties. These changes were partially offset by an additional \$1.1 million increase in costs associated with CFX due to a full nine months of activity in the current year as compared to only seven months of activity in the prior year.

As a result of the changes in revenue and cost of sales, the Company's gross profit increased 24.5% to \$80.1 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2004 as compared to \$64.3 million in the corresponding 2003 period.

<u>Selling and Marketing</u>. Total selling and marketing expenses increased from \$17.3 million, or 21.5% of total revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2003, to \$17.8 million, or 18.7% of total revenue in the same period of 2004. The increase resulted primarily from approximately \$700,000 in additional costs related to CFX, mainly the result of the inclusion of a full nine months of CFX operational activity in 2004, compared to only seven months in 2003, and \$400,000 from the Biennial ANSYS Users' Conference. These amounts were partially offset by a \$600,000 reduction in marketing and advertising costs.

<u>Research and Development</u>. Research and development expenses increased in the nine months ended September 30, 2004 to \$19.4 million, or 20.3% of total revenue, from \$17.6 million, or 21.9% of total revenue, in the 2003 corresponding period. The increase resulted primarily from approximately \$850,000 in additional costs related to CFX, mainly the result of the inclusion of a full nine months of CFX operational activity in 2004, as well as an increase in incentive compensation of \$900,000.

<u>Amortization</u>. Amortization expense increased to \$857,000 in the nine-month period ended September 30, 2004 from \$774,000 in the same period during the prior year. The increase relates to a full nine months in 2004 of amortization expense associated with certain intangible assets acquired in the CFX acquisition as compared to only seven months in 2003.

General and Administrative. General and administrative expenses increased from \$8.8 million, or 11.0% of total revenue in the 2003 first nine months, to \$10.8 million or 11.3% of total revenue in the nine-month period of 2004. The 2004 period includes approximately \$600,000 from increased salaries and incentive compensation, \$600,000 of additional compliance costs associated with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and \$500,000 related to a full versus partial period of CFX expenses.

<u>Other Income</u>. Other income increased by \$293,000 from \$498,000 during the nine months ended September 30, 2003 to \$791,000 for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2004. The net increase resulted from the following three factors:

Foreign Currency Transaction - During the first nine months of 2004, the Company had a foreign currency transaction loss of approximately \$300,000, compared to a \$700,000 transaction gain during the same period in 2003.

Investment Income – Investment income was approximately \$1.0 million and \$500,000 during the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively. During the 2004 period, the Company maintained a higher balance in its investment accounts and received a higher interest rate.

Other – During the nine months ended September 30, 2003, the Company recorded an other-than-temporary impairment loss on an equity investment of approximately \$700,000. The investment has no remaining book value.

<u>Income Tax Provision</u>. The Company's effective rates of taxation were 30.0% and 30.8% for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively. These rates are lower than the federal and state combined statutory rate as a result of export benefits, as well as the generation of research and experimentation credits. The Company expects that the effective tax rate will be in the range of 30% - 31% for the year ending December 31, 2004. As previously mentioned, further legislative actions may adversely impact the Company's effective tax rate and decrease its net income in future periods.

Net Income. The Company's net income for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 was \$22.3 million as compared to \$14.1 million in the 2003 nine-month period. Diluted earnings per share increased to \$0.68 in the 2004 period as compared to \$0.45 in the 2003 period as a result of the increase in net income. The weighted average shares used in computing diluted earnings per share were 32.9 million in the 2004 period and 31.6 million in the 2003 period.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

As of September 30, 2004, the Company had cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments totaling \$124.3 million and working capital of \$103.6 million, as compared to cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments of \$83.0 million and working capital of \$69.1 million at December 31, 2003. The short-term investments are generally investment grade and liquid, which allows the Company to minimize interest rate risk and to facilitate liquidity in the event of an immediate cash requirement.

The Company's operating activities provided cash of \$39.7 million and \$28.7 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively. The \$11.0 million increase in the Company's cash flow from operations in the 2004 nine-month period as compared to the comparable 2003 period was primarily the result of \$8.2 million in increased earnings and a net increase in cash from other working capital fluctuations.

The Company's investing activities used net cash of \$8.2 million and \$14.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively. In 2004, the Company purchased approximately \$5.0 million more in short-term investments than such maturing investments. During the corresponding period of 2003, the Company's maturing investments exceeded the purchases by \$10.0 million. Additionally, during the 2003 period, the Company had a cash outlay of \$21.7 million for the acquisition of CFX. The Company currently plans additional capital spending of approximately \$500,000 to \$700,000 throughout the remainder of 2004; however, the level of spending will be dependent upon various factors, including growth of the business and general economic conditions.

Financing activities provided cash of \$4.6 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2004 as compared with cash provided of \$6.7 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2003. The proceeds from the exercise of stock options were \$2.2 million lower in the nine months ended September 30, 2004 as compared with the corresponding 2003 period.

The Company believes that existing cash and cash equivalent balances of \$114.3 million, together with short-term investment balances and cash generated from operations, will be sufficient to meet the Company's working capital and capital expenditure requirements through the remainder of fiscal 2004 and into fiscal 2005. The Company's future cash requirements may be obtained through additional equity or debt financings. There can be no assurance that such financings can be obtained on favorable terms, if at all.

The Company continues to generate positive cash flows from operating activities and believes that the best use of its excess cash is to grow the business and, under certain conditions, repurchase stock. Additionally, the Company has in the past and expects in the future to acquire or make investments in complementary companies, products, services and technologies. The Company believes it can fund future acquisitions with available cash and investments, cash generated from operations, existing or additional credit facilities, or from the issuance of additional securities.

The Company's accounts receivable balance decreased from \$20.0 million at December 31, 2003 to \$16.7 million at June 30, 2004 and \$14.7 million at September 30, 2004. The decrease in accounts receivable has primarily been the result of the Company's enhanced focus on collection activities during 2004.

The Company does not have any special purpose entities or off-balance sheet financing arrangements.

During the quarter ended September 30, 2004 the Company had no borrowings under an uncommitted and unsecured \$10.0 million line of credit.

In May of 2004, the Company entered into the first amendment to its corporate headquarters lease agreement, with an effective date of January 1, 2004. This amendment caused a significant change to the corporate office lease contractual obligations as of January 1, 2004, which were previously reported in the Company's Form 10-K. Such changes are summarized below:

			Payments Due by Period			
(in thousands)	Total	Within 1 Year	2-3 Years	4-5 Years	After 5 Years	
Prior to Amendment	\$ 4,062	\$1,354	\$ 2,708	\$ —	\$ —	
After Amendment	14,779	1,241	2,481	2,481	8,576	

There were no other material changes to the Company's significant contractual obligations during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures Regarding Market Risk

As the Company continues to expand its direct sales presence in international regions, the portion of its revenue, expenses, cash, accounts receivable and payment obligations denominated in foreign currencies continues to increase. As a result, changes in currency exchange rates from time to time may affect the Company's financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

No material change has occurred in the Company's market risk subsequent to December 31, 2003.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

As required by Rules 13a-15 and 15d-15 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has evaluated, with the participation of management, including the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, the effectiveness of its disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on such evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that such disclosure controls and procedures are effective in ensuring that material information relating to the Company, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to the certifying officers by others within the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries during the period covered by this report.

In 2002, the Company created a Disclosure Review Committee to assist in the quarterly evaluation of the Company's internal disclosure controls and procedures and in the review of the Company's periodic filings under the Exchange Act. The membership of the Disclosure Review Committee consists of the Company's Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Controller, General Counsel, Treasurer, Vice President of Sales and Services, Vice President of Human Resources and Business Unit General Managers. This committee is advised by external counsel, particularly on SEC-related matters. Additionally, other members of the Company's global management team advise the committee with respect to disclosure via a sub-certification process.

From time to time, the Company reviews the disclosure controls and procedures, and may from time to time make changes aimed at enhancing their effectiveness and to ensure that the Company's systems evolve with its business. There was no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the quarter or the nine-month period ended September 30, 2004 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

PART II – OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

The Company is subject to various legal proceedings from time to time that arise in the ordinary course of business. Each of these matters is subject to various uncertainties, and it is possible that these matters may be resolved unfavorably to the Company.

Item 2. Unregistered Sale of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

None

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None

Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

None.

Item 5. Other Information

None.

Item 6. Exhibits

((a)	Exhibits.

- 3.1 Restated Certificate of Incorporation
- 3.2 By-laws of the Company
- 10.1 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan, as amended and restated
- 10.2 First Amended Lease Agreement between Southpointe Park Corp. and ANSYS, Inc.
- 15 Independent Accountants' Letter Regarding Unaudited Financial Information
- 31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 32.1 Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, As Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 32.2 Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, As Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 99.1 Certain Factors Regarding Future Results

Date: November 5, 2004

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.

ANSYS, Inc.

Date: November 5, 2004 By: /s/ James E. Cashman, III

James E. Cashman, III

President and Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ Maria T. Shields

Maria T. Shields Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	
3.1	Articles of Incorporation and By-laws Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 1996 and incorporated herein by reference).
3.2	By-laws of the Company (filed as Exhibit 3.3 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-4278) and incorporated herein by reference).
10.1	Material Contracts 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan, as amended and restated (filed as Exhibit 10.1 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 1996 and incorporated herein by reference).
10.2	First Amended Lease Agreement between Southpointe Park Corp. and ANSYS, Inc. (filed as Exhibit 10.2 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2004 and incorporated herein by reference).
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November 5, 2004

ANSYS, Inc. 275 Technology Drive Canonsburg, PA 15317

We have made a review, in accordance with standards established by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), of the unaudited interim financial information of ANSYS, Inc. and subsidiaries as of September 30, 2004 and for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, as indicated in our report dated November 5, 2004; because we did not perform an audit, we expressed no opinion on that information.

We are aware that our report referred to above, which is included in your Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2004, is incorporated by reference in Registration Statement Nos. 333-110728, 333-69506 and 333-08613 on Form S-8.

We also are aware that the aforementioned report, pursuant to Rule 436(c) under the Securities Act of 1933, is not considered a part of the Registration Statement prepared or certified by an accountant or a report prepared or certified by an accountant within the meaning of Sections 7 and 11 of that Act.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER CERTIFICATION

I, James E. Cashman, III, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of ANSYS, Inc. ("ANSYS");
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this quarterly report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this quarterly report:
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this quarterly report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of ANSYS as of, and for, the periods presented in this quarterly report;
- 4. ANSYS's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) for ANSYS and we have:
 - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to ANSYS, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this quarterly report is being prepared;
 - b) evaluated the effectiveness of ANSYS's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - c) disclosed in this report any change in ANSYS's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during ANSYS's most recent fiscal quarter (ANSYS's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, ANSYS's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. ANSYS's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to ANSYS's auditors and the audit committee of ANSYS's Board of Directors:
 - a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect ANSYS's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in ANSYS's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 5, 2004 /s/ James E. Cashman, III

James E. Cashman, III President and Chief Executive Officer

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER CERTIFICATION

I, Maria T. Shields, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of ANSYS, Inc. ("ANSYS");
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this quarterly report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this quarterly report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this quarterly report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of ANSYS as of, and for, the periods presented in this quarterly report;
- 4. ANSYS's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) for ANSYS and we have:
 - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to ANSYS, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this quarterly report is being prepared;
 - b) evaluated the effectiveness of ANSYS's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - c) disclosed in this report any change in ANSYS's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during ANSYS's most recent fiscal quarter (ANSYS's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, ANSYS's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. ANSYS's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to ANSYS's auditors and the audit committee of ANSYS's Board of Directors:
 - a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect ANSYS's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in ANSYS's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 5, 2004 /s/ Maria T. Shields

Maria T. Shields Chief Financial Officer

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350 AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of ANSYS, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2004 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, James E. Cashman III, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:

- (1) The Report fully complies with requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

This certification is provided solely pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, and shall not be deemed to be part of the Report or filed for any purpose whatsoever.

/s/ James E. Cashman, III

James E. Cashman, III President and Chief Executive Officer November 5, 2004

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350 AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of ANSYS, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2004 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Maria T. Shields, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:

- (1) The Report fully complies with requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

This certification is provided solely pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, and shall not be deemed to be part of the Report or filed for any purpose whatsoever.

/s/ Maria T. Shields

Maria T. Shields Chief Financial Officer November 5, 2004

Important Factors Regarding Future Results

Information provided by the Company or its spokespersons, including information contained in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, may from time to time contain forward-looking statements concerning projected financial performance, market and industry sector growth, product development and commercialization or other aspects of future operations. Such statements will be based on the assumptions and expectations of the Company's management at the time such statements are made. The Company cautions investors that its performance (and, therefore, any forward-looking statement) is subject to risks and uncertainties. Various important factors including, but not limited to, the following may cause the Company's future results to differ materially from those projected in any forward-looking statement.

POTENTIAL FLUCTUATIONS IN OPERATING RESULTS: The Company may experience significant fluctuations in future quarterly operating results. Fluctuations may be caused by many factors, including the timing of new product releases or product enhancements by the Company or its competitors; the size and timing of individual orders, including a fluctuation in the demand for and the ability to complete large contracts; software errors or other product quality problems; competition and pricing changes; customer order deferrals in anticipation of new products or product enhancements; reduction in demand for the Company's products; changes in operating expenses; changes in the mix of software license and maintenance and service revenue; personnel changes; and general economic conditions. A substantial portion of the Company's operating expenses is related to personnel, facilities and marketing programs. The level of personnel and related expenses cannot be adjusted quickly and is based, in significant part, on the Company's expectation for future revenue. The Company does not typically experience significant order backlog. Further, the Company has often recognized a substantial portion of its revenue in the last month of a quarter, with this revenue frequently concentrated in the last weeks or days of a quarter. During certain quarterly periods, the Company has been dependent upon receiving large orders of perpetual licenses involving the payment of a single up-front fee and, more recently, has shifted the business emphasis of its products to provide a collaborative solution to the Company's customers. This emphasis has increased the Company's average order size and increased the related sales cycle time for the larger orders. This shift may have the effect of increasing the volatility of the Company's revenue and profit from period to period. As a result, product revenue in any quarter is substantially dependent upon sales completed in the latter part of that quarter, and revenue for any future quarter is not predictable w

SEASONAL VARIATIONS: The Company's business has experienced significant seasonality, including quarterly reductions in software sales resulting from the slowdown in Europe during the summer months, as well as from the seasonal purchasing and budgeting patterns of the Company's customers.

ECONOMIC SLOWDOWN IN CERTAIN SECTORS: The Company's sales are based significantly on end user demand for products in key industrial sectors. Many of these sectors, including automotive, aerospace and power generation, have recently experienced economic declines which have adversely affected the Company's business. A continuation of this general economic decline may adversely affect the Company's business by extending sales cycles and reducing revenue.

The Company has customers, who supply a wide spectrum of goods and services, in virtually all of the world's major economic regions. The Company's performance is materially impacted by general economic conditions and the performance of its customers. The Company's management team forecasts macroeconomic trends and developments and integrates them through long-range planning into budgets, research and development strategies and a wide variety of general management duties. When forecasting future economic trends and technological developments, management does not have a comparative advantage. To the extent that the Company's forecasts are in error by being overly optimistic or overly pessimistic about the performance of an economy or sector, the Company's performance may be hindered because of a failure to properly match corporate strategy with economic conditions.

The Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) outbreak adversely impacted the Company's operations in certain parts of Asia, particularly in China during 2003. To the extent this outbreak, or similar occurrences, become more widespread, it could affect the Company's business in other geographic areas, resulting in an adverse impact on the Company's financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. In addition, terrorist attacks and other increased global hostilities have contributed to widespread uncertainty and speculation in the world financial markets. This uncertainty and speculation may result in further economic contraction, resulting in the suspension or delay of purchasing by our customers.

STOCK MARKET AND STOCK PRICE VOLATILITY: Market prices for securities of software companies have generally been volatile. In particular, the market price of the Company's common stock has been, and may continue to be, subject to significant fluctuations as a result of factors affecting the Company, the software industry or the securities markets in general. Such factors include, but are not limited to, declines in trading price that may be triggered by the Company's failure to meet the expectations of securities analysts and investors. The Company cannot provide assurance that in such circumstances the trading price of the Company's common stock will recover or that it will not experience a further decline. Moreover, the trading price could be subject to additional fluctuations in response to quarter-to-quarter variations in the Company's operating results, material announcements made by the Company or its competitors, conditions in the software industry generally or other events and factors, many of which are beyond the Company's control.

RAPIDLY CHANGING TECHNOLOGY; NEW PRODUCTS; RISK OF PRODUCT DEFECTS: The Company operates in an industry generally characterized by rapidly changing technology and frequent new product introductions that can render existing products obsolete or unmarketable. A major factor in the Company's future success will be its ability to anticipate technological changes and to develop and introduce, in a timely manner, enhancements to its existing products and new products to meet those changes. If the Company is unable to introduce new products and to respond quickly to industry changes, its business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows could be materially adversely affected.

The introduction and marketing of new or enhanced products require the Company to manage the transition from existing products in order to minimize disruption in customer purchasing

patterns. There can be no assurance that the Company will be successful in developing and marketing, on a timely basis, new products or product enhancements, that its new products will adequately address the changing needs of the marketplace or that it will successfully manage the transition from existing products. Software products as complex as those offered by the Company may contain undetected errors or failures when first introduced or as new versions are released, and the likelihood of errors is increased as a result of the Company's commitment to accelerating the frequency of its product releases. There can be no assurance that errors will not be found in new or enhanced products after commencement of commercial shipments. Any of these problems may result in the loss of or delay in customer acceptance, diversion of development resources, damage to the Company's reputation or increased service and warranty costs, any of which could have a material, adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

SALES OF NEW PRODUCTS: The Company continues to develop and introduce many new software products. Certain of these products require a higher level of sales and support expertise. The ability of the Company's sales channel, particularly the indirect channel, to obtain this expertise and to sell the new product offerings effectively could have an impact on the Company's sales in future periods. Additionally, royalties and engineering service engagements associated with the new software products may result in the Company's cost of sales increasing as a percentage of revenue in future periods.

DEPENDENCE ON DISTRIBUTORS: The Company continues to distribute a substantial portion of its products through its global network of independent, regional channel partners. The channel partners sell the Company's software products to new and existing customers, expand installations within their existing customer base, offer consulting services and provide the first line of technical support. Consequently, the Company is highly dependent upon the efforts of the channel partners. Difficulties in ongoing relationships with channel partners, such as delays in collecting accounts receivable, failure to meet performance criteria or to promote the Company's products as aggressively as the Company expects and differences in the handling of customer relationships could adversely affect the Company's performance. Additionally, the loss of any major channel partner for any reason, including a channel partner's decision to sell competing products rather than the Company's products, could have a material adverse effect on the Company. Moreover, the Company's future success will depend substantially on the ability and willingness of its channel partners to continue to dedicate the resources necessary to promote the Company's products and to support a larger installed base of the Company's products. If the channel partners are unable or unwilling to do so, the Company may be unable to sustain revenue growth.

Currently the Company is partially protected from exchange rate fluctuations among the U.S. Dollar and other currencies as a result of its indirect sales channel, which generally pays the Company in U.S. Dollars. The revenues and expenses associated with the Company's international direct sales channel are subject to foreign currency exchange fluctuations and, as a result, the Company's future financial results may be impacted by fluctuations in exchange rates. Additionally, any future changes to the Company's sales channel involving proportionally higher direct sales from international locations could result in additional exposure to the foreign currency exchange fluctuations. This exposure could adversely impact the Company's financial position and results of operations in future periods.

COMPETITION: The Company continues to experience intense competition across all markets for its products and services. Some of the Company's current and possible future competitors have greater financial, technical, marketing and other resources than the Company, and some have well established relationships with current and potential customers of the Company. These competitive pressures may result in decreased sales volumes, price reductions and/or increased operating costs, and could result in lower revenues, margins and net income.

DEPENDENCE ON SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND KEY TECHNICAL PERSONNEL: The Company is highly dependent upon the ability and experience of its senior executives and its key technical and other management employees. Although the Company has employment agreements with three senior executives, the loss of these employees, or any of the Company's other key employees, could adversely affect the Company's ability to conduct its operations.

RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES: A significant portion of the Company's business comes from outside the United States of America. Risks inherent in the Company's international business activities include imposition of government controls, export license requirements, restrictions on the export of critical technology, political and economic instability, trade restrictions, changes in tariffs and taxes, difficulties in staffing and managing international operations, longer accounts receivable payment cycles and the burdens of complying with a wide variety of foreign laws and regulations. Effective patent, copyright and trade secret protection may not be available in every foreign country in which the Company sells its products. The Company's business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows could be materially adversely affected by any of these risks.

Additionally, countries in certain international regions have continued to experience weaknesses in their currency, banking and equity markets. These weaknesses could adversely affect consumer demand for the Company's products and ultimately the Company's financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

As the Company has grown, it has become increasingly subject to the risks arising from adverse changes in domestic and global economic conditions. As a result of the current economic slowdown, many companies are delaying or reducing technology purchases, which has had an impact on the Company's visibility into the closing of new business, as opposed to its recurring business. This slowdown has also contributed to, and may continue to contribute to, reductions in sales, longer sales cycles and increased price pressure. Each of these items could adversely affect the Company's sales in future periods.

In November 2000, the United States enacted the Foreign Sales Corporation ("FSC") Repeal and Extraterritorial Income Exclusion Act (the "ETI Act") in response to a challenge from the World Trade Organization ("WTO") that the existing tax benefits provided by foreign sales corporations were prohibited tax subsidies. The ETI Act generally repealed the foreign sales corporation and implemented an extraterritorial income ("ETI") tax benefit. Upon introduction of the ETI tax benefit, the European Union ("EU") stated that it did not believe the ETI Act provisions bring U.S. tax law into WTO-compliance and asked the WTO to rule on the matter. On August 30, 2002, the WTO ruled that the EU may impose up to \$4 billion per year in retaliatory duties against U.S. exports.

In October 2004, the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004 was signed into law and included replacement legislation for the FSC/ETI. This bill retains FSC grandfather rules and ETI benefits for transactions in the ordinary course of business under binding contracts with unrelated persons in effect on September 17, 2003. The phase-out of the ETI associated with the pending legislation is summarized as follows:

ETI Phase-out

2004	No Effect
2005	80% of otherwise-applicable benefits
2006	60% of otherwise-applicable benefits
2007 - beyond	ETI Fully Eliminated

In addition to repealing the ETI tax benefits, the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004 provides significant tax relief for domestic manufacturers. Effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2004, qualifying entities will be able to deduct a certain percentage (as defined below) of the lesser of their qualified production activities income or their taxable income for a taxable year. The deduction, however, will be limited to 50% of an employer's W-2 wages for a taxable year. Beginning in 2010, when the 9% deduction is fully phased in, corporations facing a marginal tax rate of 35% would be subject to an effective tax rate of 31.85% on qualifying income.

Manufacturing Income Deduction Phase-in

2004	No Effect
2005 - 2006	3% applicable deduction for qualified income
2007 - 2009	6% applicable deduction for qualified income
2010 - beyond	9% applicable deduction for qualified income

In fiscal year 2003, export benefits reduced the Company's effective tax rate by approximately 6.3%. The impact of the above legislation on the Company's effective tax rate in 2004 and 2005 is not expected to be significant. The Company is currently analyzing the impact on its effective tax rate for years beyond 2005. Any other prospective changes regarding tax benefits associated with the Company's export sales or other federal and state tax planning vehicles may adversely impact the Company's effective tax rate and decrease its net income in future periods.

DEPENDENCE ON PROPRIETARY TECHNOLOGY: The Company's success is highly dependent upon its proprietary technology. Although the Company was awarded a patent by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for its Web-based reporting technology, the Company generally relies on contracts and the laws of copyright and trade secrets to protect its technology. Although the Company maintains a trade secrets program, enters into confidentiality agreements with its employees and distributors, and limits access to and distribution of its software, documentation and other proprietary information, there can be no assurance that the steps taken by the Company to protect its proprietary technology will be

adequate to prevent misappropriation of its technology by third parties, or that third parties will not be able to develop similar technology independently. Although the Company is not aware that any of its technology infringes upon the rights of third parties, there can be no assurance that other parties will not assert technology infringement claims against the Company, or that, if asserted, such claims will not prevail.

INCREASED RELIANCE ON PERPETUAL LICENSES: Although the Company has historically maintained stable recurring revenue from the sale of software lease licenses, software maintenance subscriptions and third party royalties, it also has relied on sales of perpetual licenses that involve payment of a single up-front fee and that are more typical in the computer software industry. While revenue generated from software lease licenses, software maintenance subscriptions and third party royalties currently represents a portion of the Company's software license revenue, to the extent that perpetual license revenue continues to represent a significant percentage of total software license revenue, the Company's revenue in any period will depend increasingly on sales completed during that period.

RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH ACQUISITIONS: The Company has consummated and may continue to consummate certain strategic acquisitions in order to provide increased capabilities to its existing products, supply new products and services or enhance its distribution channels. In the future, the Company may not be able to identify suitable acquisition candidates or, if suitable candidates are identified, the Company may not be able to complete the business combination on commercially acceptable terms. Business acquisitions may result in devotion of significant management and financial resources. The ability of the Company to integrate the acquired businesses, including delivering sales and support, ensuring continued customer commitment, obtaining further commitments and challenges associated with expanding sales in particular markets and retaining key personnel, will impact the success of these acquisitions. If the Company is unable to properly and timely integrate the acquired businesses, there could be a material, adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

DISRUPTION OF OPERATIONS AT DEVELOPMENT FACILITIES: A significant portion of the Company's software development personnel, source code and computer equipment is located at operating facilities in the United States, Canada and Europe. The occurrence of a natural disaster or other unforeseen catastrophe at any of these facilities could cause interruptions in the Company's operations, services and product development activities. These interruptions could have a material, adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

PERIODIC REORGANIZATION OF SALES FORCE: The Company relies heavily on its direct sales force. From time to time, the Company reorganizes and makes adjustments to its sales force in response to such factors as management changes, performance issues, market opportunities and other considerations. These changes may result in a temporary lack of sales production and may adversely impact revenue in future quarters. There can be no assurance that the Company will not restructure its sales force in future periods or that the transition issues associated with such a restructuring will not recur.

THIRD PARTY ROYALTY AGREEMENTS: The Company has agreements with third parties whereby it receives royalty revenues in return for the right of the third party to utilize the Company's technology or embed the Company's technology in the third party's products. To the extent that the Company is unable to maintain these third party relationships, or that the third party is unsuccessful in selling the embedded products, there could be a material, adverse impact on the Company's business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

SALES FORECASTS: The Company makes many operational and strategic decisions based upon short- and long-term sales forecasts. The Company's sales personnel continually monitor the status of all proposals, including the estimated closing date and the dollar amount of the sale, in order to forecast quarterly sales. These forecasts are subject to significant estimation and are impacted by many external factors. For example, a slowdown in information technology spending or economic factors could cause purchasing decisions to be delayed. A variation in actual sales activity from that forecasted could cause the Company to plan or to budget incorrectly and, therefore, could adversely affect the Company's business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

INCOME TAX ESTIMATES: The Company makes significant estimates in determining its worldwide income tax provision. These estimates are subject to many transactions and calculations where the ultimate tax outcome is uncertain. Although the Company believes that its estimates are reasonable, the final outcome of tax matters could be different than the estimates reflected in the historical income tax provision and related accruals. Such differences could have a material impact on income tax expense and net income in the period in which such determination is made.

REGULATORY COMPLIANCE: Like all other public companies, the Company is subject to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), including those that require the Company to report on and receive a certification from its independent accounting firm regarding the Company's internal controls. Compliance with these requirements causes the Company to incur additional expenses and causes management to divert time from the day to day operation of the Company. While the Company anticipates being able to fully comply with these internal control requirements, if it is not able to comply with the Sarbanes-Oxley reporting or certification requirements relating to internal controls, the Company may be subject to sanction by the SEC or Nasdaq.

The Company's sales to the Government of the United States must comply with the regulations set forth in the Federal Acquisition Regulations. Failure to comply with these regulations could result in penalties being assessed against the Company or an order preventing the Company from making futures sales to the United States Government. Further, the Company's international sales must comply with the export control laws of the United States, the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and a variety of other regulations. The Company's international operations are subject to numerous laws and regulations in each country in which it operates. Failure to comply with any of these laws and regulations could adversely affect the Company's financial results and therefore the market price of its common stock.

CONTINGENCIES: The Company is subject to various investigations, claims and legal proceedings from time to time that arise in the ordinary course of its business activities. These proceedings currently include customary audit activities by various taxing authorities. Each of these matters is subject to various uncertainties, and it is possible that some of these matters may be resolved unfavorably to the Company.

QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK: The Company is exposed to certain market risks, primarily foreign currency exchange rates, which arise from transactions entered into in the normal course of business. The Company seeks to minimize these risks primarily through its normal operating and financing activities.