UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

November 1, 2010 Date of Report (date of earliest event reported)



Cutera, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 000-50644 (Commission File Number) 77-0492262 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

3240 Bayshore Blvd. Brisbane, California 94005 (Address of principal executive offices)

(415) 657-5500

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On November 1, 2010, we are issuing a press release and holding a conference call regarding our financial results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2010. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

This information shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

 Exhibit No.
 Description

 99.1
 Press Release of Cutera, Inc. dated as of November 1, 2010.

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.

CUTERA, INC.

Date: November 1, 2010

/s/ KEVIN P. CONNORS

Kevin P. Connors President and Chief Executive Officer

CUTERA

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CONTACTS:

<u>Cutera, Inc.</u> Ron Santilli Chief Financial Officer 415-657-5500

Investor Relations John Mills Integrated Corporate Relations, Inc. 310-954-1100 john.mills@icrinc.com

Cutera Reports Third Quarter 2010 Results

BRISBANE, Calif., November 1, 2010 -- Cutera, Inc. (NASDAQ: <u>CUTR</u>), a leading provider of laser and other energy-based aesthetic systems for practitioners worldwide, today reported financial results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2010.

Third quarter 2010 revenue was \$12.1 million, compared to \$12.2 million in the same period last year. Net loss for the third quarter of 2010 was \$3.5 million, or \$0.25 per diluted share.

Kevin Connors, President and CEO of Cutera, stated, "Our quarterly and year-to-date revenue through the third quarter in 2010, has remained flat, compared to the same periods in 2009. We believe this may indicate that our overall revenue decline has stabilized. During the third quarter of 2010, international revenue increased by 7%, which was offset by a 13% decrease in our U.S. revenue, when compared to the third quarter of 2009. We are pleased with the growth in our international revenue, which was sourced primarily from our operations in Japan. In Japan, revenue from products and upgrades, as well as our recently expanded product offering of cosmeceuticals and dermal fillers, increased year over year."

"We are not pleased with the decrease in our U.S. revenue but believe our new and expected product introductions will position us for better future results. We are encouraged with the significant progress made to date on our new product development efforts. In the third quarter of 2010, we received CE mark approval and launched our Genesis Plus product – a standalone product for the treatment of toenail fungus as well as rejuvenation applications. We are on target to introduce our "top of class" vascular laser, which has an FDA clearance for broad vascular applications, at the American Academy of Dermatology meeting in February 2011. In addition, we plan to release a third product in the second half of 2011."

Mr. Connors added, "We remain focused on key initiatives to increase future revenue levels and leverage our business model, which we expect will result in improved profitability. While the near-term prospects for our industry are difficult to predict, we believe that our worldwide distribution network, strong balance sheet with approximately \$98 million in cash and investments – with no debt – a broad portfolio of products, and various research and development projects underway, offer continuing, long-term opportunities for our company."

Conference Call:

The conference call to discuss these results is scheduled to begin at 2:00 p.m. PT (5:00 p.m. ET) on November 1, 2010. The call will be broadcast live over the Internet hosted at the Investor Relations section of Cutera's website at <u>www.cutera.com</u>, and will be archived online within one hour of its completion through 8:59 p.m. PT (11:59 p.m. ET) on November 15, 2010. In addition, you may call (877) 407-0784 to listen to the live broadcast. Participating in the call will be Kevin Connors, President and Chief Executive Officer, and Ron Santilli, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer.

About Cutera, Inc.

Brisbane, California-based Cutera is a leading provider of laser and other energy-based aesthetic systems for practitioners worldwide. Since 1998, Cutera has been developing innovative, easy-to-use products that enable physicians and other qualified practitioners to offer safe and effective aesthetic treatments to their patients. For more information, call 1-888-4CUTERA or visit www.cutera.com.

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Specifically, statements concerning Cutera's ability to leverage its business model, increase revenue, manage costs and expenses, generate additional cash, increase profitability, develop and commercialize existing and new products and applications, and statements regarding long-term prospects and opportunities are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Safe Harbor. Forward-looking statements are based on management's current, preliminary expectations and are subject to risks and uncertainties, which may cause Cutera's actual results to differ materially from the statements contained herein. Potential risks and uncertainties that could affect Cutera's busine ss and cause its financial results to differ materially from those contained in the forward-looking statements include the current economic uncertainty, which may reduce consumer demand for its products, cause potential customers to delay their purchase decisions and make it more difficult for some potential customers to obtain credit financing; its ability to increase revenue, manage costs and expenses and improve sales productivity and performance worldwide; its ability to successfully develop and acquire new products and applications and market them to both its installed base and new customers; the length of the sales cycle process; unforeseen events and circumstances relating to its operations; government regulatory actions; and those other factors described in the section entitled, "Risk Factors," in its most recent Form 10-Q as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 1, 2010. Undue reliance should not be placed on forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date they are made, or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events. Cutera's third quarter ended September 30, 2010 financial performance, as discussed in this release, is preliminary and unaudited, and subject t

CUTERA, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands) (unaudited)

	September 30 2010		June 30, 2010		December 31, 2009	
Assets						
Current assets:						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 21,70	3 \$		\$	22,829	
Marketable investments	69,15	1	60,317		76,780	
Accounts receivable, net	3,02		3,824		3,327	
Inventories	7,14		6,955		6,408	
Deferred tax asset	20		185		175	
Other current assets and prepaid expenses	2,85	5	3,020		2,785	
Total current assets	104,08	1	105,998		112,304	
Property and equipment, net	62	1	708		847	
Long-term investments	6,68	3	7,115		7,275	
Intangibles, net	68		733		829	
Deferred tax asset, net of current portion	9	7	97		97	
Total assets	\$ 112,17	3 \$	114,651	\$	121,352	
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity Current liabilities:						
Accounts payable	\$ 1,70	1 \$	1,495	\$	1,081	
Accrued liabilities	5,82		5,922		9,048	
Deferred revenue	5,75	7	5,898		6,160	
Total current liabilities	13,27)	13,315		16,289	
Deferred rent	1,50		1,303		1,493	
Deferred revenue, net of current portion	1,30		1,373		1,968	
Income tax liability	56	5	732		749	
Total liabilities	16,65	1	16,723		20,499	
Stockholders' equity:						
Common stock	1	1	14		13	
Additional paid-in capital	89,29		88,189		85,248	
Retained earnings	8,01		11,475		17,254	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(1,80		(1,750)		(1,662)	
Total stockholders' equity	95,52	2	97,928		100,853	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 112,17	3 \$	114,651	\$	121,352	

CUTERA, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (in thousands, except per share data) (unaudited)

		Three Months Ended				
	September 30, 2010		June 30, 2010		September 30, 2009	
Net revenue	\$	12,092	\$	12,217	\$	12,171
Cost of revenue		5,661		5,335		4,910
Gross profit		6,431		6,882		7,261
Operating expenses:						
Sales and marketing		5,799		6,452		5,112
Research and development		1,871		1,506		1,684
General and administrative		2,352		2,744		2,121
Total operating expenses		10,022		10,702		8,917
Loss from operations		(3,591)		(3,820)		(1,656)
Interest and other income, net		132		141		288
Loss before income taxes		(3,459)		(3,679)		(1,368)
Provision for income taxes		-		82		12,126
Net Loss	\$	(3,459)	\$	(3,761)	\$	(13,494)
Net loss per share:						
Basic and Diluted	\$	(0.25)	\$	(0.28)	\$	(1.01)
Weighted-average number of shares used in per share calculations:						
Basic and Diluted		13,589		13,501		13,382

CUTERA, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (in thousands) (unaudited)

	Three Months Ended				
		mber 30, 2010	June 30, 2010	September 30, 2009	
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Net loss	\$	(3,459)	\$ (3,761)	\$ (13,494)	
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:					
Stock-based compensation		1,081	1,761	895	
Tax benefit from stock-based compensation		-	-	111	
Depreciation and amortization		167	199	211	
Provision for excess and obsolete inventories		131	109	(256)	
Provision for doubtful accounts receivable		(7)	(2)	(3)	
Gain on sale of marketable investments, net		8	23	-	
Change in deferred tax asset		(19)	(7)	10,506	
Changes in assets and liabilities:					
Accounts receivable		807	(334)	196	
Inventories		(320)	(111)	1,074	
Other current assets and prepaid expenses		672	689	2,539	
Accounts payable		206	(403)	85	
Accrued liabilities		148	(1,446)	(575)	
Deferred rent		(48)	(55)	64	
Deferred revenue		(212)	(593)	(1,014)	
Income tax liability		(166)	3	(485)	
Net cash used in operating activities		(1,011)	(3,928)	(146)	
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Acquisition of property and equipment		(35)	(63)		
Proceeds from sales of marketable and long-term investments		9,099	14,711	4,442	
Proceeds from maturities of marketable and tong-term investments		14,810	5,200	8,315	
Purchase of marketable investments		(32,884)	(7,021)	(13,911)	
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		(9,010)	12,827	(13,911)	
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Proceeds from exercise of stock options and employee stock purchase plan		27	279	157	
		27	279		
Net cash provided by financing activities		27	279	157	
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(9,994)	9,178	(1,143)	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		31,697	22,519	35,445	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	21,703	\$ 31,697	\$ 34,302	

CUTERA, INC. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE HIGHLIGHTS (in thousands, except percentage data) (unaudited)

	Three Months Ended							
	September 30, 2010		% of Revenue	June 30, 2010	% of Revenue	September 30, 2009	% of Revenue	
Revenue By Geography:								
United States	\$	4,214	35% 3	\$ 4,784	39%	\$ 4,825	40%	
International		7,878	65%	7,433	61%	7,346	60%	
	\$	12,092	<u> </u>	\$ 12,217		\$ 12,171		
Revenue By Product Category:								
Products ⁽¹⁾	\$	5,767	48% 5	\$ 5,676	46%	\$ 5,964	49%	
Upgrades		1,414	12%	1,338	11%	1,352	11%	
Service		3,166	26%	3,437	28%	3,210	26%	
Titan hand piece refills		647	5%	960	8%	1,287	11%	
Dermal fillers and cosmeceuticals ⁽¹⁾		1,098	9%	806	7%	358	3%	
	\$	12,092		\$ 12,217		\$ 12,171		

⁽¹⁾ Beginning in 2010, we classified revenue from dermal fillers and cosmeceuticals product in the revenue category 'Dermal fillers and cosmeceuticals.' Previously, we classified these sales in the revenue category 'Products.' As such, we reclassified the 2009 revenue from 'Products' to 'Dermal fillers and cosmeceuticals.'