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Vincent Roche Interview on "What'd You Miss?"

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Caroline Hyde:

In today's deals report on Analog Devices, when it acquires the rival Maxim Integrated Products for a cool \$20.9 billion dollars - \$21 billion dollars in stock, that is. The combined company will be valued at about \$68 billion. Joining us now, I'm very pleased to welcome Vince Roche, Analog Devices CEO. Vince, it's wonderful to have you with us. And I'm interested in the scale that you're seeking at the moment, sir. What do you want to take in terms of scale? Where are you looking to really be felt by the coordination and the combination of the businesses?

Vincent Roche, Analog Devices CEO:

Yeah, very good question. Thank you. So, I think that if you look at the strength of ADI, it really it is in the industrial markets. It's half of the company's revenue today. And communications. So, I think the combination of ADI and Maxim will give us a lot more strength in areas like automotive, for example, power systems and interconnectivity systems, along with in areas like data center, the core power portfolios that deliver the energy to the big, very, very high wattage processing units. And obviously, you know, our health care business is also quite complementary. So, I view digital health as a tremendous growth driver for ADI and for the industry in the years ahead. So, those are some examples of the complement, from an application standpoint.

Caroline Hyde:

Complementary seeking scale, but with scale sometimes comes regulatory risk. And I'm interested, Vince, from your perspective, in terms of, yes, we saw Nvidia get its deal done, its acquisition of Mellanox went through, particularly with the Chinese regulators. Are you worried in any way about the global regulators and how they might analyze your combination?

Vincent Roche, Analog Devices CEO:

You know, currently we've spent a lot of time obviously trying to understand the regulatory risks. Generally speaking, the portfolios at a technology level between ourselves and Maxim, some are very complementary. There's always some risk. But my sense is we've thought through that well and when I look at some of the acquisitions that have been cleared across the globe in the last three, six months, my confidence is higher based on the advice we've received as well as the regulatory process and how it's played out across the globe.

Romaine Bostick:

So with regards to just the general makeup of your business now, within the context of some of the geopolitics that have been taking place, do you see any sort of detailed risk to being a company that does span across so many borders in the way that you do now?

Vincent Roche, Analog Devices CEO:

No, I think one of the one of the great facets or characteristics of our business is diversity across products, applications, geographies, customers. And while it's always hard to divine precisely what's going to happen on the political side of things, we don't view that as a significant risk in the regulatory process.

Taylor Riggs:

So, Vince, are you not concerned then, given the politics, given the rising trade tensions, about some of your supply chain risk and moving some of the supply chains that you have out of China, for example?

Vincent Roche, Analog Devices CEO:

Well, we actually - both companies, both ADI and Maxim, actually have very, very little manufacturing at all in China. So, you know, I think we have a good spread of manufacturing capabilities in terms of making the silicon itself doing the packaging technologies as well as the testing of our products. It's very globally distributed across Asia as well as America and Europe. So specific to manufacturing in China, we actually have almost no concern about that, just given the lack of activity.

Caroline Hyde:

Vince, why did you go for an all stock deal?

Vincent Roche, Analog Devices CEO:

Good question. So, at this point in time, we were looking at two things. Number one would be, you know, the combination of the company and the value that we can generate over the long-term and what that would mean to the shareholders of the stock. So we are very confident, given our track record of acquisitions and what has actually happened with the stock of our company post acquisition. Once we begin to realize synergies both on the top line as well as the cost synergies. Also, I mean, just managing in this environment, being able to manage the downside - the downside risk of a very, very uncertain macro environment and very volatile stock market. So, I think being able to do an all stock deal gives us tremendous cushion on the downside. And also, given that our stocks have traded in sync for so many years at a kind of a par value level - an exchange rate level - it makes a lot of sense to do stock.

Romaine Bostick:

So, Vince, I can understand the scaling up aspect of this. And one of the main criticisms for not only for your company, but really of a lot of the analog chip makers is this idea of cyclicality and the idea that as you sort of move into these businesses or scale up or even expand and broaden out, you essentially make yourself even more cyclical than you did before. What is sort of your strategy going forward where you can maybe blunt some of that cyclical impact down the road?

Vincent Roche, Analog Devices CEO:

Yeah. So one of the diversity in terms of our product skews the types of products that we develop, the markets that we target, that diversity, we have more than 50000 product skews in the portfolio. And there are always sectors of the economy doing better than other sectors. And as I said, ADI is very, very strong and industrial Maxim is strong in automotive. And I think we have a nicely balanced portfolio now. It's even better balanced than it was. And if I just take the last several months, particularly with the onslaught of COVID-19 and what it has meant to our business, while economic activity has been muted across the globe, certain sectors of our business have done particularly well, like health care, for example. Not a big surprise, as well as advanced communication systems and then 5G technology. That's not the I would say, the very, very early stage of deployment across the globe. So I think diversity is the great hedge against volatility in markets.

Caroline Hyde

And I have to say to that end, it's no wonder you both raised your guidance on revenue today and that's notable in current economic circumstances. I'm also interested just from an anecdotal point of view. How do you get a deal done in a time of COVID? Was it all via Zoom or on the phone? I guess you didn't meet the other Maxim CEO.

Vincent Roche, Analog Devices CEO:

Yeah, it's a great question Caroline. And so you're absolutely right. This, this deal was done completely, virtually from the time we started negotiating about 90 days ago right through the process. All of the meetings, the due diligence, all done virtually. But I will say the fact that the CEO of Maxim, Tunc Doluca and myself have known each other for many, many years. We've got a relationship basis of trust. It certainly made things very, very doable, virtually. In fact, it may have sped up the deal.

Caroline Hyde:

Vince Roche, it's great to have you with some anecdotal evidence and inside on the big deal.

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