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Vincent Roche Interview on "Squawk on the Street"

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David Faber:

Analog Devices buying Maxim integrated. It's an all stock deal that will combine two of the largest companies in the semiconductor area. Analog Devices CEO Vincent Roche joins us now. Very nice to have you with us this morning, Vincent. Let me start with the basic question, which is why is this deal good for your shareholders, good for your customers and good for your employees?

Vincent Roche, Analog Devices CEO:

Yeah. Good morning and thanks for having me. So, look, we're a 55-year-old company, for that period of time we have focused on building the world's best Analog franchise. And, you know, more and more our customers are asking us to do more and more. So I think in this particular deal, scale is going to matter. We've got more technology, we've got more talent, and we've got more products, quite honestly, that sell as well. So, I tend to view these acquisitions, these mergers, as good for our customers, for driving long term profitable growth through innovation. So I think given that it's an all stock deal as well, our shareholders on both sides will get to share in the upside in terms of the increased equity value as we combine the company, make it grow stronger and make it more efficient.

David Faber:

Right. Roughly 69 percent owned, so to speak, by your shareholders, 31 percent by current shareholders of Maxim. Give me an example of what this will enable you to do with your customers or what you will be able to offer those customers that you haven't been in the past when you have integrated Maxim.

Vincent Roche, Analog Devices CEO:

Well, let me give you two particular examples. In the area of, for example, vehicle autonomy radar systems, Maxim brings a very, very important interconnect technology that helps to move the information around the car in a very, very high fidelity, very, very high-speed way. And that's a piece of technology that ADI doesn't have today. So, it combines very well with ADI's strength and infotainment in the car, for example. Another area where Maxim has a particular strength is in the data center, bringing the core power technologies that are really so important to making sure that the energy gets there where it needs to in these very, very processor dense data centers. And that's a place where we don't play today. ADI has other technologies and data

centers. So together we can take on more of the challenge in the business of increasing complexity for our customers.

Jim Cramer:

This is Jim, always good to see you. One of the things that shocked me- I don't want to bury the lead here. You reported a much better than expected quarter today. This is a quarter where everybody expects earnings per share to be down about 40 percent. Can you tell us what your mosaic was on fire here?

Vincent Roche, Analog Devices CEO:

Well, first and foremost, we're a business. We're a B2B centered company with a lot of diversity. So, what we saw, Jim, this quarter, is a growing strength in our industrial automation sector and our communications sector, of course, along with healthcare. So those businesses are very, very strong. You know, automotive still remains on the weaker side. And so that is the benefit of the great strength of the diverse businesses that we've been building in terms of products, applications and customers.

Jim Cramer:

Vince, I think EV is the way to go. I know you control a lot of the train of that. But what's most exciting is this space business that you have. This is something that I think that Maxim extends to healthcare, extends to data center. But talk about space because it's a real business for you.

Vincent Roche, Analog Devices CEO:

It is a real business. And it really was catalyzed with the acquisition of Hittite all those years ago, five years ago, with very, very high frequency communications technologies to which we've been able to partner a lot of the ADI signal processing capabilities. Now, with LTE and Maxim, we also can bring very, very important power management solutions to bear. So it's still a relatively small business, Jim, for ADI today, but we see tremendous growth prospects and our penetration of that market from a customer perspective is very, very solid.

David Faber:

What are your expectations when it comes to research and development in terms of your ability to compete with what is a fairly competitive set of companies?

Vincent Roche, Analog Devices CEO:

Yeah, so we are unique. I mean, we as a company, first and foremost, we play at the cutting edge. So we lead. We are a leader. That's always been our proposition, that we bring great cutting edge technologies to bear, to enable our customers to realize their innovation ambitions. And if you look at Hittite, you look at LTE, you look at Maxim, they share that DNA, that ethos with us. So my sense is that we'll be able to, in a business that is increasing in terms of innovation complexity, where customers are asking us to solve more and more of the problem for them, I think this speaks to that beautifully. We've 10,000 engineers that we can point to all the spaces that we care about in B2B and consumer and everything that will emerge. So I think from a scale standpoint and from an ethos standpoint, it's a great match.

David Faber:

And finally, Vince, I'm just curious about the choreography of a deal during a pandemic, because typically deals require the two principals to get together and talk figure things out. I don't know if you've had a previous relationship, I know that typically or often can be the case within the same industry. But just give me a sense here as to how this worked over the last few months because of the constraints around travel and around face-to-face.

Vincent Roche, Analog Devices CEO:

Yes, well, I'd say first and foremost, we've long been admirers of each other. You know, we are really cousins in the same industry. And of course, the whole discussion, the whole dialogue took place virtually, which is probably unique as well in the in the landscape of M&A. So, there's a lot of respect and a lot of belief that the combination can really bring tremendous value to our customers and our employees as well as shareholders. And if we solve for our customers and employees, our shareholders are going to be happy.

David Faber:

But you did not have a face-to-face, so you were able to do it all over Zoom or whatever you were using?

Vincent Roche, Analog Devices CEO:

Well, you know, he and I know each other for many, many years. So we've obviously met many times. But this was completely virtually dialogued.

David Faber:

I think that might be a first. Vincent Roche, thank you. Appreciate your taking some time with us during, of course, a busy day.

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