SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) May 7, 2003

EMCORE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter) 0-22175

commission
File Number) _____ (IRS Employer State or other Identification No.) jurisdiction of incorporation 145 Belmont Drive, Somerset, New Jersey 08873

22-2746503

(Address of principal offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number including area code (732) 271-9090

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report) NOT APPLICABLE

Item 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits

New Jersey

99.1 Press Release dated May 7, 2003

Item 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On May 7, 2003, EMCORE Corporation (the "Registrant") issued the Press Release annexed hereto as Exhibit 99.1. The Registrant is making this disclosure under Item 12 of Form 8-K, but in accordance with SEC Release 33-8216, it is set forth under Item 9.

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.

EMCORE CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: /s/ Thomas G. Werthan

Thomas G. Werthan

Chief Financial Officer

Dated: May 7, 2003

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Description

99.1 Press Release dated May 7, 2003

- o Second Quarter Revenues Increase 19% Sequentially from First Quarter to \$27.7 million
- o Revenues Expected to Increase 20% in the Third Quarter to \$32-\$34

SOMERSET, N.J., May 7, 2003 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- EMCORE Corporation (Nasdaq: EMKR - news), a leading provider of semiconductor technologies for global communications applications, today reported financial results for the fiscal 2003 second quarter ended March 31, 2003.

Revenues for the quarter ended March 31, 2003 were \$27.7 million, an increase of 20% from the \$23.1 million reported in the second quarter of fiscal 2002 and an increase of 19% from the \$23.2 million reported in the first quarter of fiscal 2003. Revenues for the six months ended March 31, 2003 were \$50.9 million, an increase of 21% from the \$42.2 million reported in the six months ended March 31, 2002. For the six-month period, systems-related revenues of \$24.6 million have increased 68% from the prior year and materials-related revenues of \$26.3 million have decreased 5% from the prior year. On a sequential basis, systems-related revenues decreased 22% and materials-related revenues increased 80% from the prior quarter. In late January, EMCORE acquired Agere's West Coast optoelectronics business, ORTEL Corporation, for approximately \$26.2 million in cash. Ortel contributed approximately \$7.1 million of materials-related revenues to the second quarter of fiscal 2003.

On a generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) basis, net loss for the second quarter of fiscal 2003 was \$12.5 million or \$0.34 loss per share compared to net loss of \$68.7 million or \$1.88 loss per share in the second quarter of fiscal 2002 and net loss of \$2.9 million or \$0.08 loss per share in the first quarter of fiscal 2003. The increase in operating expenses in the second quarter of fiscal 2003 when compared to the first quarter of fiscal 2003 was a direct result of the ORTEL acquisition. Excluding impairment and restructuring charges of \$50.4 million, net loss for the second quarter of fiscal 2002 was \$18.3 million or \$0.50 loss per share. Excluding the gain from debt extinguishment of \$6.6 million, net loss for the first quarter of fiscal 2003 was \$9.5 million or \$0.26 loss per share.

Net loss for the six months ended March 31, 2003 was \$15.4 million or \$0.42 loss per share compared to net loss of \$99.7 million or \$2.74 loss per share for the six months ended March 31, 2002. Excluding impairment, restructuring, and other expense from fiscal 2002 and the gain from debt extinguishment from fiscal 2003, net loss for the six months ended March 31, 2003 was \$22.1 million or \$0.60 loss per share, compared to net loss of \$36.0 million or \$0.99 loss per share in the six months ended March 31, 2002.

"We continue to meet the challenges in our target markets, and we are very excited about the recent acquisition of ORTEL and the opportunities it creates for our Company," said Reuben F. Richards, Jr., President and CEO of EMCORE Corporation. "ORTEL complements our current portfolio of solutions for high speed data and telecommunications networking systems, and allows us to extend our leadership into a new market area for CATV and Fiber to the User applications (FTTX). We are also pleased that EMCORE's cost cutting measures have resulted in considerable improvement to our bottom line and cash flows." commented Richards. "The significant decline in operating expenses from prior year and expected sequential revenue growth demonstrates EMCORE's commitment to streamlining its operations and improving shareholder value."

As a supplement to the consolidated financial statements presented on a GAAP basis, EMCORE provides additional non-GAAP measures for net loss and net loss per share in this press release. A non-GAAP financial measure is a numerical measure of a company's performance that either excludes or includes amounts that are not normally excluded or included in the most directly comparable measure calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP. EMCORE believes that the additional non-GAAP measures are useful to investors for financial analysis. Management uses these measures internally to evaluate its operating performance and the measures are used for planning and forecasting of future periods. However, non-GAAP measures are not in accordance with, nor are they a substitute for, GAAP measures. Please consult the table immediately following the Statement of Operations for a reconciliation of GAAP results to non-GAAP results.

EMCORE will discuss the results further on a conference call to be held tomorrow, Thursday, May 8, 2003 at 9:00 a.m. ET. To participate, U.S. callers should dial (888) 896-0863 and international callers should dial (973) 582-2703. A replay of the call will be available beginning May 8, 2003 at 11:30 a.m. ET until May 5, 2003 at 11:59 p.m. ET. The U.S. replay call-in number is (877) 519-4471 and the access code is #3836977. The international replay number is (973) 341-3080 and the access code is #3836977. The call will also be web cast via the Company's web site at http://www.emcore.com. Please go to the site beforehand to download any necessary software.

About EMCORE

EMCORE Corporation offers a versatile portfolio of compound semiconductor products for the broadband and wireless communications and solid-state lighting markets. The company's integrated solutions philosophy embodies state-of-the-art technology, material science expertise, and a shared vision of our customer's

goals and objectives to be leaders and pioneers in the world of compound semiconductors. EMCORE's solutions include: optical components for high speed data and telecommunications; solar cells and solar panels for global satellite communications; electronic materials for high bandwidth communications systems, such as Internet access and wireless telephones; MOCVD tools for the growth of GaAs, AlGaAs, Inp, InGaP, InGaAlP, InGaAsP, GaN, InGaN, AlGaN, and SiC epitaxial materials used in numerous applications, including data and telecommunications modules, cellular telephones, solar cells and high brightness LEDs. For further information about EMCORE, visit http://www.emcore.com.

The information provided herein may include 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 relating to future events that involve risks and uncertainties. Words such as "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "plans," believes," and "estimates," and variations of these words and similar expressions, identify these forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements include, without limitation, (a) statements regarding anticipated results from EMCORE's recent acquisition of Ortel; (b) any statements or implications regarding EMCORE's ability to remain competitive and a leader in its industry, and the future growth of EMCORE, the industry and the economy in general; (c) statements regarding the expected level and timing of benefits to EMCORE from its restructuring and realignment efforts, including (i) expected cost reductions and their impact on EMCORE's financial performance and (ii) expected improvement to EMCORE's product and technology development programs; (d) any and all guidance provided by EMCORE regarding its expected financial performance in current or future periods, including, without limitation, with respect to anticipated revenues for the third quarter of fiscal 2003; and (e) EMCORE's beliefs regarding the purpose, usefulness and efficacy of non-GAAP results and the measures and items EMCORE includes in the same, as well as any benefits to investors EMCORE believes its non-GAAP measures provide. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected, including without limitation, the following: (1) difficulties in integrating the Ortel's operations into EMCORE's operations and the uncertainty as to the results to be achieved by EMCORE in connection with this acquisition; (2) EMCORE's restructuring and realignment efforts may not be successful in achieving their expected benefits, may be insufficient to align EMCORE's operations with customer demand and the changes affecting our industry, or may be more costly than currently anticipated; (3) due to the current economic slowdown, in general, and setbacks in our customers' businesses, in particular, our ability to predict EMCORE's financial performance for future periods is far more difficult than in the past; and (4) other risks and uncertainties described in EMCORE's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission such as cancellations, rescheduling or delays in product shipments; manufacturing capacity constraints; lengthy sales and qualification cycles; difficulties in the production process; changes in semiconductor industry growth; increased competition; delays in developing and commercializing new products; and other factors. The forward-looking statements contained in this news release are made as of the date hereof and EMCORE does not assume any obligation to update the reasons why actual results could differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements.

	Three Months Ended March 31,		Six Months Ended March 31,	
	2003	2002	2003	2002
Revenues: Systems-related Materials-related	\$10,777 16,897	\$ 4,341 18,737	\$24,619 26,301	\$14,636 27,579
Total revenues	24,923	32,208	45,943	
Gross profit (loss)		(9,130)	4,977	(6,585)
Operating expenses: Selling, general and administrative Research and development Gain from debt extinguishment Impairment and restructuring	-	9,483 11,625 - 35,939	13,171 9,034 (6,614)	16,481 23,572 - 35,939
Total operating expenses	12,820	57,047	15,591	
Operating loss				(82,577)
Other expenses: Interest expense, net Other expense Equity in net loss of unconsolidated affiliate	=	1,682 - 851	3,522 - 1,302	2,610 13,262 1,228
Total other expenses	2,472	2,533	4,824	17,100
Net loss=		(\$68,710)		
Per share data: Net loss per basic and diluted shares		(\$1.88)	(\$0.42)	` ,
Weighted average basic shares outstanding used in per share data calculations		36,567	36,857 =======	,
Reconciliation of non-GAAP net loss and net loss per share:				
GAAP net loss	(\$12,541)	(\$68,710)	(\$15,438)	(\$99,677)
Adjustments: Inventory obsolescence charge		11,900 2,603 - 35,939	- - (6,614) - -	11,900 2,603 - 35,939 13,262
Non-GAAP net loss	(\$12,541)	(\$18,268)	(\$22,052)	(\$35,973)
Non-GAAP net loss per basic and diluted shares	(\$0.34)	(\$0.50)	(\$0.60)	(\$0.99)

EMCORE CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS As of March 31, 2003 and September 30, 2002 (in thousands)

ASSETS	As of March 31, 2003 (unaudited)	As of September 30, 2002
Current assets: Cash and cash equivalents. Marketable securities. Accounts receivable, net. Accounts receivable, related party. Inventories. Other current assets.	\$37,845 5,876 20,831 481 29,907 2,237	\$42,716 41,465 23,817 518 31,027 1,188
Total current assets Property, plant and equipment, net	97,177 102,185 30,366 9,140 17,111	140,731 101,302 20,384 8,482 15,044
Total assets==	\$255,979 ========	\$285,943 =======
Total current liabilities	\$10,191 13,809 3,081 79 	\$10,346 12,875 5,604 81
Capitalized lease obligation, net of current portion	59 	87 203,993
Commitments and contingencies		
Shareholders' equity: Preferred stock, \$0.0001 par, 5,882 shares authorized, no shares outstanding Common stock, no par value, 100,000 shares authorized, 37,017 shares issued and 36,998 outstanding at March 31, 2003; 36,772 shares issued and 36,752	-	-
outstanding at September 30, 2002	334,567 (266,351) (240) (34) (932)	334,051 (250,913) (222) (34) (932)
Total shareholders' equity		81,950
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity		\$285,943

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