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This filing consists of a press release, two presentations and an email communication to Micron employees from Steven R. Appleton relating to the planned merger (the Merger) of March 2006 Merger Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Micron Technology, Inc. (Micron), with and into Lexar Media, Inc. (Lexar) whereby Lexar will survive as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Micron pursuant to the terms of an Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of March 6, 2006 (the Merger Agreement), between Micron, Lexar and March 2006 Merger Corp.

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MICRON TECHNOLOGY, INC., TO ACQUIRE LEXAR MEDIA, INC.

BOISE, Idaho, and FREMONT, Calif., March 8, 2006 Micron Technology, Inc., (NYSE: MU) and Lexar Media, Inc., (Nasdaq: LEXR) today announced that they have entered into a definitive agreement for Micron to acquire Lexar in a stock-for-stock merger. Under terms of the agreement, each outstanding common share of Lexar will receive 0.5625 shares of Micron stock. Micron anticipates issuing shares in exchange for 81.6 million Lexar shares outstanding. Additional Micron shares will be issued upon the exercise of assumed stock options.

The acquisition will strengthen Micron s position in the NAND flash business and enable the company to deliver innovative NAND flash solutions from design, development and manufacturing to marketing and sales of products to worldwide consumers and device manufacturers. The merger is designed to combine Micron s technology and manufacturing leadership in NAND flash memory with Lexar s leadership in NAND controller and system design technology, brand recognition and retail channel strength to create a vertically integrated entity fully focused on the NAND business.

With this acquisition, Micron will have a complete package of NAND memory solutions for our customers, said Steve Appleton, Micron chairman, CEO and president. Together with our NAND designs, technology, manufacturing capability and distribution channels, Micron is in a strong position to serve the flash storage requirements of consumer electronics and enterprise customers.

Through this acquisition, we expect to better align Lexar s cost structure with market conditions and increase our development and go-to-market scale in order to compete more effectively in the marketplace, said Eric Stang, Lexar chairman, CEO and president. By merging with Micron, Lexar can achieve significant cost synergies and become better positioned to satisfy customer needs and establish faster growth, especially in new emerging mobile handset and solid-state

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computing businesses. We view this as an exciting opportunity for our company and its shareholders.

The transaction is subject to regulatory review, Lexar stockholder approval and other customary closing conditions. Completion of the merger is expected by the end of the third calendar quarter. Upon closing, Lexar, as a continuing entity, will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of Micron, and Lexar s stock will cease trading on the NASDAQ stock market.

Lexar is a leading marketer and manufacturer of NAND flash memory products including memory cards, USB flash drives, card readers and ATA controller technology for the digital photography, consumer electronics, industrial and communications markets. The company holds over 94 issued or allowed controller and system patents, and licenses its technology to companies including Olympus Corporation, Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd., SanDisk Corporation and Sony Corporation. Lexar sells its memory cards worldwide and through an exclusive agreement, also sells memory cards under the Kodak brand. Headquartered in Fremont, Calif., Lexar has operations in countries around the world. More information is available at www.lexar.com.

Micron Technology, Inc., is one of the world's leading providers of advanced semiconductor solutions. Through its worldwide operations, Micron manufactures and markets DRAMs, NAND flash memory, CMOS image sensors, other semiconductor components, and memory modules for use in leading-edge computing, consumer, networking, and mobile products. Micron's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) under the MU symbol. To learn more about Micron Technology, Inc., visit www.micron.com.

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This press release contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties concerning Micron s proposed acquisition of Lexar Media, Inc., Micron s expected financial performance, as well as Micron s strategic and operational plans. Actual events or results may differ materially from those described in this press release due to a number of risks and uncertainties. The potential risks and uncertainties include, among others, the possibility that the transaction will not close or that the closing may be delayed; the reaction of customers of Micron and Lexar to the transaction; Micron s ability to successfully integrate Lexar s operations and employees; and general economic conditions. In addition, please refer to the documents that Micron and Lexar file with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Forms 10-K, 10-Q and 8-K. The filings by each of Micron and Lexar identify and address other important factors that could cause their respective financial and operational results to differ materially from those contained in the forward-looking statements set forth in this press release. Micron and Lexar are under no duty to update any of the forward-looking statements after the date of this press release to conform to actual results.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE MERGER AND WHERE TO FIND IT

Micron and Lexar intend to file with the SEC a prospectus/proxy statement and other relevant materials in connection with the proposed acquisition of Lexar by Micron pursuant to the terms of an Agreement and Plan of Merger by and among Micron, March 2006 Merger Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Micron, and Lexar. The prospectus/proxy statement will be mailed to the stockholders of Lexar. Investors and security holders of Lexar are urged to read the prospectus/proxy statement and the other relevant materials when they become available because they will contain important information about Micron, Lexar and the proposed merger. The prospectus/proxy statement and other relevant materials (when they become available), and any other documents filed by Micron or Lexar with the SEC, may be obtained free of charge at the SEC s web site at www.sec.gov. In addition, investors and security holders may obtain free copies of the documents filed with the SEC by Micron by contacting Micron Investor Relations, Kipp Bedard, 208-368-4465. Investors and security holders may obtain free copies of the documents filed with the SEC by Lexar by contacting Lexar Investor Relations, Diane Carlini, (510) 580-5604. Investors and security holders of Lexar are urged to read the prospectus/proxy statement and the other relevant materials when they become available before making any voting or investment decision with respect to the proposed merger.

Micron, Steven Appleton, Micron s Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President, and certain of Micron s other executive officers may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies of Lexar stockholders in connection with the proposed merger. Investors and security holders may obtain more detailed information regarding the names, affiliations and interests of Mr. Appleton and certain of Micron s other executive officers in the solicitation by reading the prospectus/proxy statement when it becomes available.

Lexar, Eric Stang, Lexar s Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President, and Lexar s other directors and executive officers may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies of Lexar stockholders in connection with the proposed merger. Such individuals may have interests in the proposed merger, including as a result of holding options or shares of Lexar common stock. Investors and security holders may obtain more detailed information regarding the names, affiliations and interests of Mr. Stang and Lexar s other directors and executive officers in the solicitation by reading the prospectus/proxy statement when it becomes available.

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Micron and Lexar:

Delivering Innovation to the NAND Business

Steve Appleton

Chairman, CEO, President

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Micron Overview

Incorporated 1978, Boise, Idaho

~23,000 employees worldwide

Stock Information

Traded on the NYSE

Symbol, MU

Increasing diversified product portfolio

DRAM, NAND Flash, Image Sensors

Two Additional Divisions

Crucial Technology

SpecTek

Micron FY2005 at a Glance

Net sales	\$ 4.88B
Net income	\$ 188M
Global Assets	\$ 8B
Number of Customers	>6500

Global Presence

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Micron s Business

Memory		Imaging
DRAM	NAND Flash	Sensors
Computing	Flash Drives/Cards	Digital Cameras
Servers	Mobile Wireless	Mobile Wireless
Industrial/Commercial	PDAs	PDAs
Consumer Electronics	Digital Audio Players	Medical
Networking & Communications	Digital Cameras	Automotive
Automotive	GPS/navigation	Security

U.S. Patents Issued by Year Micron Consistently in the Top Ten

Rank	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
1	IBM	IBM	IBM	IBM	IBM
2	NEC	Canon	Canon	Matsushita	Canon
3	Canon	Micron®	Hitachi	Canon	HP
4	Micron®	NEC	Matsushita	HP	Matsushita
5	Samsung	Hitachi	HP	Micron®	Samsung
6	Matsushita	Matsushita	Micron®	Samsung	Micron®
7	Sony	Sony	Intel	Intel	Intel
8	Hitachi	GE	Philips	Hitachi	Hitachi
9	Mitsubishi	HP	Samsung	Toshiba	Toshiba
10	Fujitsu	Mitsubishi	Sony	Sony	Fujitsu

Source: United States Patent and Trademark Office

2005 Top 10 U.S. Patents Issued The Story Behind the Story

Rank		Employees		Patents	Patents Per 1K employees	
1	Hitachi	347,424	IBM	2,941	Micron [®]	82.1
2	IBM	329,061	Canon	1,828	Matsushita	38.7
3	Fujitsu	187,000	HP	1,797	Intel	18.2
4	Toshiba	161,000	Matsushita	1,688	Canon	16.9