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Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of August 2004

Commission File Number: 0-30628

ALVARION LTD.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

21A Habarzel Street, Tel Aviv 69710, Israel

(Address of principal executive office)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F Form 40-F

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1.	Press release, dated August 4, 2004	3

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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.

ALVARION LTD.

Date: August 4, 2004

By: /s/ Dafna Gruber

Name: Dafna Gruber
Title: Chief Financial Officer

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ALVARION Reports record results FOR THE
second Quarter of 2004

Revenues Up 9% Sequentially and Net Income Increased 74% from First Quarter

Tel - Aviv, Israel, August 4, 2004 - Alvarion Ltd. (NASDAQ: ALVR), the global leader in wireless broadband solutions, today announced financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2004.

Revenues for the second quarter of 2004 rose to a record \$48.8 million, an increase of 9% compared to \$44.7 million in the first quarter of 2004, and up 57% from \$31.0 million in the second quarter of 2003. Gross margin increased for the 11th consecutive quarter, reaching 43.2% compared to 42.6% in the first quarter of 2004 and 40.1% in the second quarter of 2003.

According to US GAAP, net income increased to \$2.5 million or \$0.04 per share on a fully diluted basis for the second quarter of 2004. GAAP net income for the first quarter of 2004 was \$1.4 million, or \$0.02 per share on a fully diluted basis, and GAAP net loss for the second quarter of 2003 was \$(5.9) million, or \$(0.11) per share.

Results for all periods include expenses attributable to the amortization of intangible assets and amortization of deferred stock compensation, which totaled \$680,000 in the first and second quarters of 2004, and \$790,000 in the second quarter of 2003. The second quarter of 2003 also included \$2.2 million of acquisition-related expenses in connection with the purchase of certain assets and liabilities of InnoWave ECI Wireless Systems Ltd. Excluding all aforementioned amortizations and acquisition related expenses, the Company's non-GAAP net income for the second quarter of 2004 was \$3.2 million, or \$0.05 per diluted share. For the first quarter of 2004 non-GAAP net income was \$2.1 million, or \$0.03 per diluted share, and for the second quarter of 2003 non-GAAP net loss was \$(2.9) million, or \$(0.06) per share.

Comments of Management

"During the quarter we met or exceeded all our internal strategic and operating targets while continuing to lead the BWA market and the WiMAX revolution," said Zvi Slonimsky, CEO of Alvarion. "Our commitment to leadership in broadband wireless access has never been more evident. Our performance reinforces our belief that the combination of our proven technology, breadth of products and global support enables our continuing growth in this dynamic and competitive business. We continue to implement our strategies for both internal and external growth while focusing on excellence and profitability. This quarter was another quarter of broad-based revenue growth as a result of continued growth in worldwide demand for wireless broadband solutions and excellent execution in every respect by the Alvarion team.

"During the quarter, we made progress in all areas of focus," continued Mr. Slonimsky. "In addition to benefiting from growth in demand, we continued to expand our customer base and introduce new products. British Telecom completed its trials of wireless broadband access in four cities around the United Kingdom and placed an initial order for commercial deployment. We are proud to be selected by British Telecom, a carrier that recognizes the important contribution that wireless technology can make in addressing

the need for broadband services. Their initial order was for our BreezeAccess VL(TM) solution. Last quarter, we introduced the BreezeAccess VL in 5.4 Ghz band, and, recently we introduced BreezeAccess VL for the 5.2GHz frequency to address the growing demand for broadband we see in Russia as well as in a number of countries in Asia Pacific. The BreezeAccess VL is based on OFDM technology which provides non-line of sight capabilities, a key WiMAX technology.

"A major new product milestone in Q2 was the introduction of our BreezeMAX(TM) platform, a WiMAX-ready platform that enables customers to move forward confidently in anticipation of the availability of WiMAX CPEs. The first product based on our WiMAX platform was the BreezeMAX 3500, for the 3.5GHz frequency band. We announced recently that Siemens, our long-term partner, has selected Alvarion to supply the BreezeMAX 3500 as part of the expansion of our OEM agreement. We are excited and gratified to see increased interest in WiMAX solutions from all types of operators, including Tier 1 carriers all over the world.

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"Last week we announced the agreement for the acquisition of interWAVE Communications International Ltd., a leading supplier of compact cellular network infrastructure based on GSM and CDMA2000 technology that is particularly well-suited for rural areas in developing regions. We believe that the acquisition will complement our existing wireless solutions with a cost effective fixed and mobile solution to serve the need for voice and data in regions of the world that need telecommunication infrastructure. We also believe that this acquisition will broaden our customer base with additional top-tier operators, and leverage both our strong channel relationships and our global sales and customer support. We intend to apply our experience in integrating acquisitions to quickly realize the benefits of operating synergies. In addition, it is our belief that the interWAVE acquisition provides extremely valuable core mobile technology and expertise in designing and deploying mobile networks, which will help us accelerate our portable and mobile WiMAX offering," concluded Mr. Slonimsky.

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Q3 2004 Guidance

The Company expects Q3 2004 revenues to range between \$51 million and \$53 million. At this revenue range, net earnings per share are expected to range between 5 and 6 cents while non-GAAP net earnings per share, which excludes amortization of intangible assets and deferred stock-based compensation, is expected to range between 6 and 7 cents. The third quarter guidance excludes any impact on operations and any transaction-related charges from the acquisition of interWAVE Communications International Ltd., which we expect to be closed at or around the end of the third quarter.

Alvarion's management will host a conference call today, August 4, 2004, at 9:00 a.m. Eastern Time to discuss the quarter's results. To participate in the call, please dial one of the following numbers approximately five minutes prior to the scheduled start time: USA: (612) 234-9960; International: +1 612-234-9960.

The public is invited to listen to the live webcast of the conference call. For details please visit Alvarion's website at www.alvarion.com. An archive of the on-line broadcast will be available on the website. A replay of the call will be available from 4 p.m. Eastern Time on August 4, 2004 through 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on August 11, 2004. To access the replay, please call USA: (320) 365-3844, International: +1-320-365-3844. To access the replay, users will need to enter the following code: 737948.

About Alvarion

With more than 2 million units deployed in 130 countries, Alvarion is the worldwide leader in wireless broadband providing systems to carriers, ISPs and private network operators. Leading the WiMAX revolution, Alvarion has the most extensive deployments and proven product portfolio in the industry covering the full range of frequency bands. Alvarion's products enable the delivery of business and residential broadband access, corporate VPNs, toll quality telephony, mobile base station feeding, Hotspot coverage extension, community interconnection, and public safety communications. Alvarion works with several top OEM providers and over 200 local partners to support its diverse global customer base in solving their last-mile challenges.

As a wireless broadband pioneer, Alvarion has been driving and delivering innovations for over 10 years from core technology developments to creating and promoting industry standards. Leveraging its key roles in the IEEE and HiperMAN standards committees and experience deploying OFDM-based systems, the company's prominent work in the WiMAX ForumTM is focused on increasing widespread adoption of standards-based products in the wireless broadband market.

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For more information, visit Alvarion's World Wide Web site at www.alvarion.com

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the "safe harbor" provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements are based on the current expectations or beliefs of Alvarion's management and are subject to a number of factors and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements. The following factors, among others, could cause actual results to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements: inability to further identify, develop and achieve success for new products, services and technologies; increased competition and its effect on pricing, spending, third-party relationships and revenues; as well as the inability to establish and maintain relationships with commerce, advertising,

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marketing, and technology providers and other risks detailed from time to time in filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. In addition, our limited history in completing acquisitions may adversely impact our ability to successfully integrate the business of Alvarion and interWAVE; we may face liabilities and expenses in excess of those currently anticipated with respect to the acquisition of interWAVE; we may be unable to retain key personnel of interWAVE, if interWAVE does not receive required shareholder approvals or either company fails to satisfy other conditions to closing, the transaction will not be consummated. Factors affecting interWAVE's business generally include those set forth in interWAVE's filings with the SEC, including its Annual Report on Form 10-K for its most recent fiscal year and its most recent Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and its Current Reports on Form 8-K.

Certain information set forth in this press release pertaining to third parties has not been independently verified by Alvarion and is based solely on publicly available information or on information provided to Alvarion by such third parties for inclusion in this press release. The web sites appearing in this press release are not and will not be included or incorporated by reference in any filing made by Alvarion with the Securities and Exchange Commission, which this press release will be a part of.

You may request Alvarion's future press releases or a complete Investor Kit by contacting Carmen Deville, Investor Relations: carmen.deville@alvarion.com or +1 760-517-3188.

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ALVARION LTD.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
U.S. dollars in thousands

	June 30, 2004	December 31, 2003
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ASSETS		
Cash, cash equivalents, short-term and		

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long-term investments	\$167,609	\$153,616
Trade receivables	19,709	21,199
Other accounts receivable	8,475	4,499
Inventories	35,626	36,981
Severance pay fund	6,172	5,493
Long-term receivables	732	834
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, NET	11,425	11,939
GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS	49,058	50,396
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$298,806	\$284,957
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LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade payables	\$ 16,100	\$ 23,780
Other accounts payable and accrued expenses	39,436	27,959
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Total current liabilities	55,536	51,739
LONG TERM LIABILITIES	3,470	5,248
ACCRUED SEVERANCE PAY	8,567	7,768
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	67,573	64,755
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	231,233	220,202
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$298,806	\$284,957
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ALVARION LTD.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
U.S. dollars in thousands (except per share data)

	Six Months Ended June 30, 2004	Six Months Ended June 30, 2003	Three Months Ended June 30, 2004
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Sales	\$ 93,451	\$ 53,421	\$ 48,772

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Cost of sales	53,364	32,166	27,710
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Gross profit	40,087	21,255	21,062
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Operating expenses:			
Research and development, net	13,474	11,284	6,860
Selling and marketing	18,493	15,308	9,506
General and administrative	4,607	2,854	2,367
Amortization of intangibles	1,338	1,250	669
Amortization of deferred stock compensation	22	280	11
Acquisition related expenses	--	2,201	--
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Total Operating expenses	37,934	33,177	19,413
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Operating income (loss)	2,153	(11,922)	1,649
Financial income, net	1,782	2,092	850
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Net Income (loss)	\$ 3,935	\$ (9,830)	\$ 2,499
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Basic earnings (loss) per share	\$ 0.07	\$ (0.19)	\$ 0.04
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Weighted average number of shares used in computing basic earnings (loss) per share	55,839	51,508	56,488
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Diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$ 0.06	\$ (0.19)	\$ 0.04
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Weighted average number of shares used in computing diluted earnings (loss) per share	63,617	51,508	63,651
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ALVARION LTD.
DISCLOSURE OF NON-US GAAP NET INCOME (LOSS)
U.S. dollars in thousands (except per share data)

Six Months Ended June 30, 2004	Six Months Ended June 30, 2003	Three Months Ended June 30, 2004
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Net Income (loss) according to US GAAP	\$ 3,935	\$ (9,830)	\$ 2,499	\$
Amortization of intangibles	1,338	1,250	669	
Amortization of deferred stock compensation	22	280	11	
Acquisition related expenses	--	2,201	--	
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Net Income (loss), excluding amortization of intangibles and deferred stock compensation and acquisition related expenses	\$ 5,295	\$ (6,099)	\$ 3,179	\$
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Basic net earnings (loss) per share, excluding amortization of intangibles and deferred stock compensation and acquisition related expenses	\$ 0.09	\$ (0.12)	\$ 0.06	\$
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Weighted average number of shares used in computing basic net earnings (loss) per share	55,839	51,508	56,488	
	=====	=====	=====	
Diluted net earnings (loss) per share, excluding amortization of intangibles and deferred stock compensation and acquisition related expenses	\$ 0.08	\$ (0.12)	\$ 0.05	\$
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Weighted average number of shares used in computing diluted net earnings (loss) per share	63,617	51,508	63,651	
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ALVARION LTD.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
U.S. dollars in thousands

Three
Months
Ended
June
30, 2004

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Cash flows from operating activities:	
Net Income	\$ 2,499
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash used by operating activities:	
Depreciation	992
Amortization of deferred stock compensation	11
Unrealized gain from hedging activities	105
Amortization of intangibles	669
Decrease in trade receivables	3,276
Increase in other accounts receivable and prepaid expenses	(3,034)
Decrease in inventories	2,858
Decrease in trade payables	(8,566)
Decrease in Long term receivables	141
Increase in other accounts payables and accrued expenses	6,859
Accrued severance pay, net	88

Net cash provided by operating activities	5,898
Cash flows from investing activities:	
Purchase of fixed assets	(705)

Net cash used in investing activities	(705)
Cash flows from financing activities:	
Proceeds from issuance of shares, net of expenses	1,501

Net cash provided by financing activities	1,501

Increase in cash, cash equivalents, short-term and long-term investments	6,694
Cash, cash equivalents, short-term and long-term investments at the beginning of the period	160,915

Cash, cash equivalents, short-term and long-term investments at the end of the period	\$ 167,609
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