

AU OPTRONICS CORP
Form 6-K
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FORM 6-K
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

January 31, 2005

Commission File Number 001-31335

AU Optronics Corp.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

No. 1 Li-Hsin Road 2
Hsinchu Science Park

Hsinchu, Taiwan

(Address of principal executive offices)

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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Yes ___ No X

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Not applicable

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Item

1. 1. Press release entitled, AU OPTRONICS Reports preliminary unaudited 2004 results , dated January 31, 2005.

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.

AU Optronics Corp.

Date: January 31, 2005

By: /s/ Max Weishun Cheng

Name: Max Weishun Cheng

Title: Chief Financial Officer

Item 1

News Release

AU OPTRONICS REPORTS PRELIMINARY UNAUDITED 2004 RESULTS

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Hsin Chu, Taiwan, January 31, 2005 □

AU Optronics Corp. (□AUO□ or the □Company□) (TAIEX: 2409; NYSE: AUO) today reported preliminary unaudited 2004 results in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in Taiwan (□ROC GAAP□) to comply with requirements issued by the Republic of China Securities and Futures Commission (□ROC SFC□) for disclosure of financial forecasts by public companies.

Unaudited Full Year 2004 Results (1)(2)

<i>Amount: NT\$ Million Except Per Share Data</i>	FY 2004 Unaudited Unconsolidated	FY 2004 Unaudited Consolidated⁽³⁾
Net Sales	\$164,603	\$168,112
Gross Profit	38,794	39,643
Operating Income	28,610	28,607
Pre-Tax Income	28,021	28,021
Net Income	27,959	27,959
Basic EPS	NT\$5.82	NT\$5.82

(1) All figures are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in Taiwan

(2) All FY 2004 figures, including both consolidated and unconsolidated, have not been audited, prepared by AU Optronics Corp. only

(3) Including AU Optronics Corporation (□AUT□), AU Optronics (Lauban) Corporation (□AUL□), and AU Optronics (Suzhou) Corporation (□AUS□)

AUO FY2004 Results Announcement

AU Optronics Corp. is scheduled to announce its audited FY2004 consolidated financial results on February 17, 2005 and the quiet period will commence on February 3, 2005.

News Release

Further information concerning the company's 4Q 2004 financial results, business performance or industry outlook will be provided in the Company's FY2004 results

announcement on February 17, 2005.

Safe Harbour Notice

Except for statements in respect of historical matters, the statements contained in this Release are [forward-looking statements] within the meaning of Section 27A of the U.S. Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These forward-looking statements were based on our management's expectations, projections and beliefs at the time regarding matters including, among other things, future revenues and costs, financial performance, technology changes, capacity, utilization rates, yields, process and geographical diversification, future expansion plans and business strategy. Such forward looking statements are subject to a number of known and unknown risks and uncertainties that can cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such statements, including risks related to the flat panel display industry, the TFT-LCD market, acceptance and demand for our products, technological and development risks, competitive factors, and other risks described in the section entitled "Risk Factors" in our Form 20-F filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission on June 30, 2003.

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