## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

# Form 10-K

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

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022

or

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

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## **ELECTRO-SENSORS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Minnesota

41-0943459

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

6111 Blue Circle Drive

## Minnetonka, Minnesota 55343-9108

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

### (952) 930-0100

(Registrant's telephone number)

Securities registered under Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock	ELSE	Nasdaq Capital Market

Securities registered under Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act: None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes  $\Box$  No  $\boxtimes$ 

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act. Yes  $\Box$  No  $\boxtimes$ 

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  $\boxtimes$  No  $\square$ 

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (\$232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes  $\boxtimes$  No  $\square$ 

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer  $\Box$ Non-accelerated filer  $\boxtimes$  Accelerated filer  $\Box$ Smaller reporting company  $\boxtimes$ Emerging growth company  $\Box$ 

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.  $\Box$ 

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).  $\Box$ Yes  $\boxtimes$  No

The aggregate market value of the voting stock held by non-affiliates (persons other than officers, directors, or holders of more than 5% of the outstanding stock) of the registrant was approximately \$9,700,000 based upon the closing price of its common stock as reported on The Nasdaq Stock Market® on June 30, 2022.

The number of shares outstanding of the registrant's Common Stock, \$0.10 par value, on March 16, 2023 was 3,428,021.

#### DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Certain information called for by Part III of this Form 10-K is incorporated by reference from the registrant's Definitive Proxy Statement, which will be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A not later than 120 days after the end of the fiscal year covered by this report.

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## PART I

#### Item 1. Business.

#### Introduction

Electro-Sensors, Inc. ("we," "us," "our," the "Company" or "ESI") manufactures and sells industrial production monitoring and process control systems.

In addition, we may periodically make strategic investments in other businesses and companies, including investments that we believe would facilitate the development of technology complementary to our existing products or investments that we believe present good opportunities for the Company and its shareholders.

ESI was incorporated in Minnesota in July 1968. Our executive offices are located at 6111 Blue Circle Drive, Minnetonka, Minnesota, 55343-9108. Our telephone number is (952) 930-0100.

#### Products

We manufacture a complete line of monitoring and control systems for a wide range of industrial machine applications. The systems measure machine production and operation rates, as well as regulate the speed of related machines in production processes.

Our goal is to develop meaningful annual updates to our standard products.

We have a sales agreement with Motrona GmbH, a German control and interface devices manufacturer, under which we have the right to distribute Motrona products in the United States. These products interface with our products on various applications for motion monitoring.

#### **Speed Monitoring Systems**

Our speed monitoring systems compare revolutions per minute or speed against acceptable rates as determined by our customers. These systems vary in complexity, from simple systems that detect slow-downs or stoppages, to sophisticated systems that warn of deviations from precise tolerances and that permit various subsidiary operations to be determined through monitoring shaft speed.

Our speed monitoring systems also include a line of products that measure production counts or rates, such as number of parts, gallons per minute, or board feet. These speed monitoring systems include alarm systems, tachometers, and other devices that translate impulses from the sensors into alarm signals utilized by our customers.

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We have several products used in drive control systems that regulate the speed of motors on related machines in a production sequence to ensure that the performances of various operations are coordinated. The products consist of a line of digital control products for motors that require a complete closed loop PID (Proportional Integral Derivative) control. The closed loop controllers coordinate production speed among process motors and reduce waste.

#### **Temperature Application Products**

Our main temperature applications include bearing, gear box, and motor temperature monitoring sensors. These sensors alert an operator when the temperature exceeds or is less than a specified temperature.

#### **Position Application Products**

We also offer production monitoring devices that include a belt alignment and slide gate position monitor. The belt alignment monitor is used to determine if a belt is tracking correctly. The slide gate position monitor is used in plant operations to provide feedback of the position of a slide gate.

#### **Vibration Monitoring Products**

Our vibration monitors alert operators when the vibration of a machine in a production system exceeds or is less than a specified level.

#### **Tilt Switches**

A tilt switch is designed to alert the operator when a storage bin or production system reaches a certain capacity.

#### Hazard Monitoring Systems

**Electro-Sentry** We offer the Electro-Sentry  $1^{\text{TM}}$  and Electro-Sentry  $16^{\text{TM}}$  hazard monitoring systems, which integrate our sensors for monitoring temperature, belt alignment, and shaft speed with programmable control logic to create a complete hazard monitoring system. These systems enable our customers to locate which part of their material handling system is operating incorrectly, typically in less than ten seconds.

HazardPRO<sup>™</sup> We market our wireless hazard technology monitoring system under the HazardPRO product name. This integrated hazard monitoring system captures and displays key information in an intuitive format allowing the user to quickly and comprehensively understand the status and history of the user's processes. The simple but powerful interface provides insight into a customer's internal operations as they strive to maximize safety and facility runtime, while minimizing costs associated with unscheduled maintenance and unplanned downtime. The HazardPRO system has been approved for use in hazardous dust environments by a third-party nationally recognized testing laboratory.

The HazardPRO site system manager software efficiently collects data from all sensors in a customer's monitoring system, with effective wireless monitoring across a widely dispersed area. We have also added a complete antenna pair mounting system to the product line for easy and accurate customer installation.



We expect to continue to expend resources to develop new products and to market new and existing products for use in a wide variety of monitoring applications.

Our corporate website, www.electro-sensors.com, provides significant product application information for our existing and prospective customers and our sales partners. Information on our website is not incorporated by reference herein and is not a part of this Form 10-K.

#### Marketing and Distribution

We sell our products primarily through both our internal sales team and a number of manufacturer's representatives and distributors, both nationally and internationally. In 2022, we had international sales through distributors in the following countries; Canada, Mexico, Brazil, Chile, Peru, United Kingdom, Ukraine, Egypt, South Africa, India, Australia, China, the Republic of Korea, Vietnam, Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand, and Singapore. Sales to customers outside the United States represented approximately 10% of sales in 2022. We sell our products under the Electro-Sensors, Inc. brand as a range of products from simple sensors to complex integrated monitoring systems. Our customers operate in a wide range of industries, including grain/feed/milling, bulk materials, manufacturing, food products, ethanol, power generation, and other processing industries.

We continue to explore new industries and applications within the industries we serve to expand sales and may also consider acquiring compatible businesses or product lines as part of our growth strategy. In addition, we may make strategic investments that we believe present good opportunities for the Company and its shareholders.

In addition to enhanced operational safety, we believe that a wide variety of organizations could achieve significant savings in both time and materials by adding production monitoring and drive control technology to existing processes to coordinate the operation of related machines. We sell our products into both the "retro-fit" market and into new manufacturing or processing systems.

We advertise in national industrial periodicals that cover a range of industries and attend several local, national and international industry tradeshows throughout the year. We also use our corporate website and other related industry websites for advertising and marketing purposes.

#### **Competition**

We face substantial competition in the sale of our production monitoring sensors and systems from a broad range of industrial and commercial businesses. Among our competitors are 4B Components Ltd., Maxi-Tronic, Inc., Siemens Corporation, and Ag Growth International Inc. (AGI). We believe our competitive advantages include our products' superior design and quality, and the fact that we sell our products as ready-to-install units that can be used in a wide range of applications. Our major challenges include the fact that several of our competitors are larger, may have better established names, have a broader range of sensing instruments, and have larger sales forces and capital resources.

#### Suppliers

We purchase parts and materials for our systems from various manufacturers and distributors. In some instances, these materials are manufactured in accordance with our proprietary designs. Multiple sources of these parts and materials are generally available, and we typically do not depend on any single source for these supplies and materials. In 2022, we continued to experience disruptions in our supply chain, resulting in difficulty sourcing parts. Additionally, we experienced price increases for many of the components used in our products. In some situations, we have and are modifying product designs to accommodate new components that are more readily available or have a lower cost. There is no guarantee that we have and will continue to be successful in updating these designs and sourcing alternative components and material. We also continue to experience periodic delays in our shipping and transportation services, which may affect our ability to make timely deliveries to our customers. We continue to closely monitor lead times and availability of components. We are continually assessing our inventory levels and may take actions as necessary to minimize disruptions to our supply chain such as maintaining larger levels of inventories than we have in the past, but these actions may not be successful if significant disruptions occur.

#### **Customers**

We do not depend upon a single or a few customers for 10% or more portion of our sales.

#### Patents, Trademarks and Licenses

The Company relies on a combination of patent, trademark, and trade secret laws to establish proprietary right in its products.

We have registered the name "Electro-Sensors" as a trademark with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO"), Reg. No. 1,142,310. We believe this trademark has been and will continue to be useful in developing and protecting market recognition for our products. We established the HazardPRO trademark in the first quarter of 2014 and intend to register this trademark.

We hold six patents relating to our production monitoring systems. We believe strongly in protecting our intellectual property and have a long history of obtaining patents, when available, in connection with our research and product development programs. We also rely upon trade secrets and proprietary know-how.

We seek to protect our trade secrets and proprietary intellectual property, including know-how, in part, through confidentiality agreements with employees, consultants, and other parties. However, we cannot ensure these agreements will not be breached, that we would have adequate remedies for any breach, or that our trade secrets will not otherwise become known or independently developed by competitors.

#### Seasonality

Generally, the Company experiences seasonality in the sale of its products with the second and third calendar quarters historically the strongest.

#### **Business Development Activities**

We continue to seek growth opportunities, both internally through our existing portfolio of products, technologies and markets, as well as externally through technology partnerships or related-product or business acquisitions. In addition, we may make strategic or other investments that we believe present opportunities for the Company and its shareholders. On June 13, 2022 we announced that we had entered into a merger agreement with Mobile X Global, Inc. On January 30, 2023, we announced that the merger agreement had been terminated and that the Company's Board of Directors had established a special committee to explore and pursue business development and other strategic alternatives.

#### **Governmental** Approvals

Although we are not required to obtain governmental approval of our products, we choose to obtain certain thirdparty certifications to meet our customers' needs. These certifications may expand our market opportunities in certain industries.

#### Effect of Governmental Regulations

We do not believe that any existing or proposed governmental regulations will have a material effect on our business.

#### **Research and Development**

We invest in research and development programs to develop new products and to integrate state-of-the-art technology into our existing products. We undertake development projects based upon the identified specific needs of the markets we serve. Our "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" section further describes our research and development expenditures.

Our future success depends in part upon our ability to develop new products in our varying segments. Difficulties or delays in our ability to develop, produce, test, market, and deliver new products could have a material adverse effect on future sales growth.

#### Compliance with Environmental Laws

Compliance with federal, state and local environmental laws has only a nominal effect on current or anticipated capital expenditures and has had no material effect on earnings or on our competitive position.

#### Human Capital

As of December 31, 2022, the Company had 35 employees, all of whom, except one, are full-time and all are based in the United States. We consider our relations with our employees to be good. None of our employees are currently represented by a labor union.

The Company views its employees and culture as keys to its success. The Company aims to attract and retain qualified personnel and provides wages and benefits that are competitive locally to reward employees for performance. The Company values innovation, inclusion and diversity, safety and engagement as we believe these are keys to attract, develop, and retain the best talent.

The health and safety of our employees is our top priority. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Company implemented a workplace safety plan, following CDC guidelines and federal and local mandates, to protect employees and minimize the potential risk of an outbreak within the Company. We believe the Company has generally been successful implementing appropriate measures to protect the health and safety of its employees while maintaining business continuity and high levels of service to our customers.



Our ability to maintain a competitive position and to continue to develop and market new products depends, in part, on our ability to retain key employees and qualified personnel. If we are unable to retain our key employees, or recruit and train others, our product development, marketing and sales could be adversely affected.

#### Fluctuations in Operating Results

We have experienced fluctuations in our past operating results and expect to experience fluctuations in the future. These fluctuations may affect the market price of our common stock. Sales can fluctuate as a result of a variety of factors, many of which are beyond our control. These factors include: product competition and acceptance, timing of customer orders, cancellation of orders, the mix of products sold, supply chain disruptions, downturns in the markets we serve, geopolitical events, and economic disruptions such as weather-related events. Because fluctuations may occur, we caution investors that results of our operations for recent periods may not accurately predict how we will perform in the future. We cannot ensure that we will achieve revenue or earnings growth.

#### Expending Funds for Changes in Industry Standards, Customer Preferences or Technology

Our business depends on our periodically introducing new and enhanced products and solutions for customer needs. Our product development efforts require us to commit financial resources, personnel and time, usually in advance of significant market demand for these products. In order to compete, we must anticipate both future demand and the technology available to meet that demand. We cannot ensure that our research and development efforts will lead to new products or product innovations that can be made available to or will be accepted by the market.

#### Forward-Looking Statements

The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 provides a safe harbor for forward-looking statements made by us or on our behalf. We have made, and may continue to make, forward-looking statements with respect to our business and financial matters, including statements contained in this document, other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and reports to shareholders. Forward-looking statements generally include discussion of current expectations or forecasts of future events and can be identified by the use of terminology such as "believe," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "could," "will," and similar words or expressions. Any statement that does not relate solely to historical fact should be considered forward-looking.

Our forward-looking statements generally relate to our growth strategy, future financial results, product development and sales efforts. We make forward-looking statements throughout this Annual Report, but primarily in this Item 1 and Item 7 - *Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations*. These include statements relating to our beliefs and expectations and intentions with respect to (i) our growth and profitability, (ii) our marketing and product development, (iii) our ability to continue to obtain parts and materials for our products from various manufacturers and distributors in a timely manner and at reasonable prices, (iv) the value of our intellectual property, (v) our competitive position in the marketplace, (vi) the effect of governmental regulations on our business, (vii) our employee relations, (viii) the adequacy of our facilities, (ix) our intention to develop new products, (x) the possibility of us acquiring compatible businesses or product lines as part of our growth strategy, and (xi) our future cash requirements and use of cash.

Forward-looking statements cannot be guaranteed and our actual results may vary materially due to the uncertainties and risks, known and unknown, associated with these statements, including our ability to successfully develop new products and manage our cash requirements. We undertake no obligation to update any forward-looking statements. We wish to caution investors that the following important factors, among others, in some cases have affected and in the future could affect our actual results of operations and cause these results to differ materially from those anticipated in forward-looking statements made in this document and elsewhere by us or on our behalf. We cannot foresee or identify all factors that could cause actual results to differ from expected or historical results. As such, investors should not consider any list of these factors to be an exhaustive statement of all risks, uncertainties or potentially inaccurate assumptions. These factors include our ability to:

- successfully use our cash and liquid assets to develop or acquire new or complementary products or business lines to increase our revenue and profitability;
- comply with any new government regulations that may be adopted to require companies to reduce carbon emissions or to disclose their carbon footprint, including the carbon footprint of components to manufacturers;
- ensure that our operational systems, security systems and infrastructure, as well as those of third-party vendors, remain free from viruses or cyberattacks;
- quickly and successfully adapt to changing industry technological standards;
- comply with existing and changing industry regulations;
- attract and retain key personnel, including senior management;
- offset the effect of inflation on component prices and labor by increasing prices on finished products;
- adapt to changing economic conditions and manage downturns or disruptions in the economy in general; including any downturns or disruptions that may result from events such as the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus;
- keep pace with competitors, some of whom are much larger and have substantially greater resources than us; and
- the fact that we cannot guarantee that the special committee our Board formed in January 2023 to explore and pursue business development and other strategic alternatives will be successful in enhancing shareholder value.
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### Item 1A. Risk Factors.

This item is not required for smaller reporting companies, but above under "Forward-Looking Statements," we discuss some of the risk factors that are relevant to our business and operating results.

## Item 2. Properties.

We own and occupy a 25,400 square foot facility at 6111 Blue Circle Drive, Minnetonka, Minnesota 55343-9108. All our operations are conducted within this facility. The facility is in excellent condition and we continue to maintain and update the facility as necessary. We believe the facility will be adequate for our needs in 2023.

## Item 3. Legal Proceedings.

We are not the subject of any material legal proceedings as of the date of this filing and we are not aware of any material threatened litigation.

## Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.

Not applicable.

## PART II

# Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities.

Our common stock trades on the Nasdaq Capital Market of The Nasdaq Stock Market® under the symbol "ELSE."

Based on data provided by our transfer agent, as of February 28, 2023, we had 64 shareholders of record who held 839,669 shares of the Company's common stock. In addition, nominees held an additional 2,588,352 shares for approximately 1,250 shareholders holding shares in street name.

From time to time, we may be required to repurchase our common stock as a result of Employee Stock Ownership Plan ("ESOP") obligations described in Note 11 to our 2022 financial statements. We did not repurchase any common stock during the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021.

The information required by Item 201(d) of SEC Regulation S-K is set forth in Item 12 of this Form 10-K.

## Item 6. Selected Financial Data.

Not required for smaller reporting companies

# Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with our financial statements and related notes. This discussion contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Our actual results could differ materially from those anticipated due to various factors discussed under "Forward-Looking Statements" elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

#### **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

The following table contains selected financial information, for the years indicated, from our statements of comprehensive income expressed as a percentage of net sales.

	Years Ended De	cember 31,
	2022	2021
Net sales	100.0%	100.0%
Cost of goods sold	46.4	45.7
Gross profit	53.6	54.3
Operating expenses		
Selling and marketing	16.8	16.0
General and administrative	28.0	23.1
Research and development	9.3	10.2
Total operating expenses	54.1	49.3
Operating income (loss)	(0.5)	5.0
Non-operating income		
Interest income	1.2	0.1
Other income	0.0	0.2
Total non-operating income, net	1.2	0.3
In some hofens in some tones	0.7	5.2
Income before income taxes	0.7	5.3
Income tax expense (benefit)	(0.3)	0.6
Net income	1.0%	4.7%

The following paragraphs discuss the Company's performance for years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021.

#### Comparison of 2022 vs 2021 (dollars in thousands)

#### Net Sales

Net sales for 2022 were \$9,029, an increase of \$422, or 4.9%, from \$8,607 in 2021. The increase in sales included increases in both wired and HazardPRO wireless sensors and systems. Sales growth was driven primarily by increased domestic sales for agricultural and industrial automation applications.

#### Gross Profit

Gross profit for 2022 increased \$164, or 3.5%, to \$4,841 from \$4,677 in 2021. Gross margin in 2022 was 53.6% compared to 54.3% in 2021. The decrease in gross margin was primarily due to an increase in raw material costs across all product lines.

#### **Operating Expenses**

Total operating expenses increased \$642, or 15.2%, to \$4,878 in 2022 from \$4,236 in 2021, and increased as a percentage of net sales to 54.1% from 49.3%. The increase in operating expense dollars was primarily due to increases in legal and other professional fees associated with the announced merger with Mobile X Global, Inc. (Mobile X) that was terminated in January 2023 and to additional sales headcount.

- Selling and marketing expenses increased \$143, or 10.4%, to \$1,516 in 2022 from \$1,373 in 2021, and increased as a percentage of net sales to 16.8% from 16.0%. The increase was primarily due to additional sales headcount and increased travel expenses.
- General and administrative expenses increased \$539, or 27.1%, to \$2,526 in 2022 from \$1,987 in 2021, and increased as a percentage of net sales to 28.0% from 23.1%. The increase was primarily due to legal and other professional fees related to the execution and subsequent termination of the merger agreement with Mobile X and related matters, partially offset by a decrease in amortization expense related to HazardPRO technology which was fully amortized in the third quarter of 2021. Additional information related to the Mobile X merger is provided below in the Non-GAAP Financial Measure section and in Note 9 to the financial statements.
- Research and development expenses decreased \$40, or 4.6%, to \$836 in 2022 compared to \$876 in 2021, and decreased as a percentage of net sales to 9.3% from 10.2%. The decrease was primarily due to lower third-party engineering costs related to product development and enhancements.

#### **Operating Income (Loss)**

Operating loss was \$37 in 2022 compared to an operating income of \$441 in 2021, a decrease of \$478, or 108.4%. The decrease to an operating loss was primarily the result of higher legal and other professional fees related to the Mobile X merger agreement and related matters.

#### Non-Operating Income

Non-operating income increased \$91 to \$109 in 2022 from \$18 in 2021, primarily as a result of additional interest income earned as a result of higher interest rates on Treasury Bills.

Equity securities are stated at fair value, and unrealized holding gains and losses are reported in our statements of comprehensive income in the non-operating income section. All other available-for-sale securities are stated at fair value, and unrealized holding gains and losses, net of the related deferred tax effect, are reported as a separate component of stockholders' equity.

Realized gains and losses, including losses from declines in value of specific securities determined by management to be other-than-temporary, are included in the statement of comprehensive income. Realized gains and losses are determined on the basis of the specific securities sold.

#### Income Taxes

Income tax benefit was \$28 in 2022 compared to an income tax expense of \$49 in 2021. The decrease in the tax expense was due primarily to decreased net income before income taxes in 2022 compared to 2021. We have provided detailed information about our income tax provision in Note 12 to the financial statements.

#### Net Income

We reported net income of \$100 in 2022 compared to \$410 in 2021, a decrease of \$310, or 75.6%. Basic and diluted earnings per share were \$0.03 and \$0.12 in 2022 and 2021, respectively.

#### Non-GAAP Financial Measure

In addition to financial results reported in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"), the Company is providing a non-GAAP financial measure in this Form 10-K and an itemized reconciliation between Net Income and Adjusted Net Income, the non-GAAP financial measure.

The Company is using "Adjusted Net Income" as a non-GAAP financial measure to facilitate period-to-period comparisons and analysis of its operating performance and believes it is useful to investors as a supplement to GAAP measures in analyzing, trending and benchmarking the performance and value of the Company's business. This measure is not intended to be a substitute for those reported in accordance with GAAP, but is provided as supplemental information. This measure may be different from Adjusted Net Income or similar financial measures used by other companies, even when similar terms are used to identify these measures.

As discussed below, to create Adjusted Net Income, the Company added back the costs and expenses, less estimated taxes, related to the negotiation and execution of the June 10, 2022 proposed Mobile X merger transaction to Net Income for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021. The Company believes adding back these costs and expenses more accurately portrays the underlying results and trends of the ongoing business.

These expenses continued, at a lower level, into the first quarter of 2023. On January 30, 2023, the Company and Mobile X jointly agreed to terminate the merger agreement. Although the costs and expenses related to the Company-Mobile X Merger Agreement were incurred primarily in general and administrative expenses, the Company is not presenting any other non-GAAP information because it believes it has adequately set forth these expenses in the Management's Discussion and Analysis section of this Form 10-K.

The Company expended approximately \$875 and \$304 in legal and other professional fees for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively, related to the Mobile X merger opportunity. These expenses were incurred beginning in the third quarter of 2021 and continued through December 31, 2022. If the merger expense had not been incurred the Company would have reported Net Income of \$791 and \$650 for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively, which is presented below as Adjusted Net Income. A reconciliation of Adjusted Net Income, a non-GAAP financial measure, to Net Income, a GAAP financial measure is set forth below.

	Ye	Years Ended December				
		2022	2021			
Net Income - GAAP	\$	100 \$	410			
Plus merger related expenses		875	304			
Less income taxes on merger expenses		(184)	(64)			
Adjusted Net Income	\$	791 \$	650			

#### **OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS**

We are not a party to any off-balance sheet transactions, arrangements or obligations that have, or are reasonably likely to have, a material effect on our financial condition, changes in the financial condition, revenues or expenses, results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures or capital resources.

#### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Cash and cash equivalents were \$7,646 and \$6,713 at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. The increase was due to the fact that at December 31, 2022 we held more available funds in assets defined as cash and cash equivalents while at December 31, 2021, we held more available funds in assets defined as investments. Working capital was \$12,183 at December 31, 2022 compared to \$11,931 at December 31, 2021.

Cash used in operating activities was \$147 in 2022 compared to cash generated from operating activities of \$769 in 2021, a decrease of \$916. The decrease was primarily due to lower net income primarily due to the increase in legal and other professional fees related to the Mobile X merger agreement and related matters.

Cash generated from investing activities in 2022 was \$964, compared to \$4,860 in 2021. The decrease in cash from investing activities was due to a decrease in maturities of Treasury Bills as compared to the purchase price of Treasury Bills classified as investments. In addition, we purchased \$65 and \$141 of property, equipment, and intangibles in 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Cash generated from financing activities during 2022 was \$116 as compared to cash used in financing activities of \$6 during 2021. During 2022, three non-employee directors and one employee exercised a total of 32,500 stock options for a total exercise price of \$122.

Subject to the following section, entitled "COVID-19 Pandemic Discussion" and "Supply Chain Dynamics," the Company believes its ongoing cash usage requirements will be primarily for capital expenditures, potential acquisitions, investments we believe present good opportunities for the Company and its shareholders, research and development, working capital, and growth initiatives. Management believes that cash on hand and any cash provided by operations will be sufficient to meet our cash requirements through at least the next 12 months.

#### **COVID-19 Pandemic Discussion**

While many regions of the US have reduced the various restrictions implemented beginning in 2020, many customers and potential customers continue to operate under modified and changing restrictions based on the number of local or regional COVID-19 cases. The lingering effects of COVID-19 creates uncertainty in our business.

#### **Supply Chain Dynamics**

We typically have had one or more robust sources for production components and materials. However, we continue to experience some disruptions in our supply chain, resulting in difficulty sourcing certain parts and materials. Additionally, we are experiencing price increases for many of the components used in our products. In certain situations, we are modifying product designs to accommodate new components that are more readily available. There is no guarantee that we will continue to be successful in updating these designs and sourcing alternative components, and we could experience significant delays or run out of certain components and materials. We are also experiencing delays in shipping and transportation services, which may adversely affect our ability to make timely deliveries to our customers. Furthermore, the labor market for qualified employees able to fill our production positions is challenging and may result in delays in filling open positions. While we continue to closely manage each of these activities, our actions may not be successful and may result in a negative effect on our sales and profit margins.

#### CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

The preparation of our financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make decisions based upon estimates, assumptions, and factors it considers relevant to the circumstances. Those decisions include the selection of applicable accounting principles and the use of judgment in their application, the results of which affect reported amounts and disclosures. Changes in economic conditions or other business circumstances may affect the outcomes of management's estimates and assumptions.

Significant estimates, including the underlying assumptions, consist of the economic lives of long-lived assets, realizability of trade receivables, valuation of deferred tax assets/liabilities, inventory, investments, and stock compensation expense. It is at least reasonably possible that these estimates may change in the near term.

#### Economic lives of long-lived assets

We estimate the economic useful life of long-lived assets used in the business. Expected asset lives may be shortened or we may recognize an impairment based on a change in the expected life or use of the asset. If the expected life of an asset is shortened or an impairment recorded, it could result in an additional charge to depreciation expense. The economic useful life of assets may be greater than we originally estimated. If the actual useful life is greater than originally estimated, there would be no additional charge to depreciation expense.

#### Realizability of trade receivables

We estimate our allowance for doubtful accounts based on prior history and the aging of our trade receivables. We are unable to predict which, if any, of our customers will be unable to pay their open invoices at a future date. If an account becomes uncollectible and we are required to write off the balance, we would recognize the amount of the additional expense within general and administrative expenses.

#### Valuation of deferred tax assets/liabilities

We estimate our deferred tax assets and liabilities based on current tax laws and rates. The tax laws and rates could change in the future to either disallow the deductions or increase or decrease the tax rates. We recognize changes in deferred tax assets and liabilities in the period in which the tax law changes become effective. Any change in our deferred tax assets or liabilities could have a material negative or positive effect on our income tax expense.

#### Valuation of inventory

We purchase inventory based on estimated demand of products. It is possible that the inventory we have purchased will not be used in the products that our customers need or will not meet future technological requirements. If we are unable to use the inventory in our products and it does not meet future technological requirements, we would be required to remove the items from inventory and expense the amount in cost of goods sold.

#### Valuation of investments

Our investments in available-for-sale securities are valued at market prices in an open market. The prices are subject to the normal fluctuations that could be either negative or positive. Even though these equity securities were only valued at \$56 at December 31, 2022, changes in the value of these equity securities could affect our profitability as the value fluctuates. Changes in the value of our Treasury Bills do not affect our profitability until the Treasury Bill is sold. At the time of sale, we recognize the interest earned on the Treasury Bill.

#### Valuation of stock-based compensation expense

We estimate the expected life and forfeiture rates of stock options granted when calculating the value of options using the Black-Scholes-Merton model. The actual life and forfeiture rate could differ from what we estimated. Changes in the life or forfeiture rate of stock options could have a negative or positive impact on our stock-based compensation.

Additional information regarding our significant accounting policies is provided below in Part II, Item 8, *Financial Statements and Supplementary Data – Notes to Financial Statements, Note 1, Nature of Business and Significant Accounting Policies.* 

## Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

Not applicable.

## Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data.

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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of Electro-Sensors, Inc.

#### **Opinion on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets of Electro-Sensors, Inc. (the Company) as of December 31, 2022 and 2021 and the related statements of comprehensive income, changes in stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the two-year period ended December 31, 2022, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the financial statements). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the years in the two-year period ended December 31, 2022, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audits, we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

#### **Critical Audit Matters**

Critical audit matters are matters arising from the current period audit of the financial statements that were communicated or required to be communicated to the audit committee and that: (1) relate to accounts or disclosures that are material to the financial statements and (2) involved our especially challenging, subjective, or complex judgments. We have determined that there were no critical audit matters.

#### /s/ Boulay PLLP

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2006.

Minneapolis, Minnesota March 17, 2023

## ELECTRO-SENSORS, INC. BALANCE SHEETS

(in thousands except share and per share amounts)

Cash and cash equivalents       \$ 7,646       \$ 6,71         Treasury Bills       1,980       3,00         Equity securities       56       5         Trade receivables, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$11       1,161       1,00         Inventories       1,745       1.66         Other current assets       214       18         Income tax receivable       11	(in thousands except share and per share amounts	)	Decen	<u>ıber</u> .	31
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## ELECTRO-SENSORS, INC. STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(in thousands except share and per share amounts)

	(in thousands except share and per share amounts)	1	Years Ended Decem		nber 31,
			2022		2021
Net sales		\$	9,029	\$	8,607
Cost of goods sold		-	4,188	+	3,930
Gross profit			4,841		4,677
Operating expenses					
Selling and marketing			1,516		1,373
General and administrative			2,526		1,987
Research and development			836		876
Fotal operating expenses			4,878	_	4,236
Operating income (loss)			(37)		441
Non-operating income					
Interest expense			(1)		(1)
Interest income			110		5
Other income			0		14
Fotal non-operating income, ne	1		109		18
Income before income taxes			72		459
Income tax expense (benefit)			(28)		49
Net income			100		410
Other comprehensive income (le					
	ilable-for-sale securities, net of income tax		1		(1)
Other comprehensive income (le	oss)		1		(1)
Net comprehensive income		\$	101	\$	409
Net income per share data					
Basic		<i>•</i>	0.00	<b>^</b>	0.10
Net income per share		\$	0.03	\$	0.12
Weighted average shares			3,401,137		3,395,521
Diluted					
Net income per share		\$	0.03	\$	0.12
Weighted average shares		_	3,432,843		3,444,939
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## ELECTRO-SENSORS, INC. STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

(in thousands except share and per share amounts)

	Common S Shares	tock Issued Amount	Additional Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	Total Stockholders' Equity
Balance, December 31, 2020	3,395,521	\$ 339	\$ 2,036	\$ 10,398	\$ 1	\$ 12,774
Other comprehensive loss Stock-based compensation expense			5		(1)	(1) 5
Net income				410		410
Balance, December 31, 2021	3,395,521	339	2,041	10,808	0	13,188
Exercise of common stock options	32,500	3	119			122
Other comprehensive income					1	1
Stock-based compensation expense			3			3
Net income				100		100
Balance, December 31, 2022	3,428,021	<u>\$ 342</u>	<u>\$ 2,163</u>	<u>\$ 10,908</u>	<u>\$ 1</u>	<u>\$ 13,414</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements

#### ELECTRO-SENSORS, INC. STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (in thousands)

(III tilousands)	Years Ended December					
		2022		2021		
Cash flows from (used in) operating activities						
Net income	\$	100	\$	410		
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash from (used in) operating activities:						
Depreciation and amortization		145		295		
Deferred income taxes		(48)		38		
Stock-based compensation expense		3		5		
Interest accrued on Treasury Bills		(8)		(2)		
Other		0		(7)		
Change in:						
Trade receivables		(156)		(48)		
Inventories		(82)		(91)		
Other current assets		(26)		(18)		
Accounts payable		(75)		152		
Accrued expenses		8		12		
Income taxes receivable		(8)		23		
Net cash from (used in) operating activities		(147)		769		
Cash flows from investing activities						
Purchases of Treasury Bills		(6,971)		(11,999)		
Proceeds from the maturity of Treasury Bills		8,000		17,000		
Purchase of property and equipment		(65)		(141)		
Net cash from investing activities		964	_	4,860		
Cash flows from (used in) financing activities						
Payments on financing lease		(6)		(6)		
Proceeds from the exercise of common stock options		122		0		
Net cash from (used in) financing activities		116		(6)		
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		933		5,623		
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning		6,713		1,090		
Cash and cash equivalents, ending	\$	7,646	\$	6,713		
Supplemental cash flow information	*					
Cash paid during the year for income taxes	\$	28	\$	15		
Cash paid during the year for interest	\$	1	\$	1		
See Notes to Financial Statements						
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#### Note 1. Nature of Business and Significant Accounting Policies

#### Nature of business:

Electro-Sensors, Inc. manufactures and markets a complete line of monitoring and control systems for a variety of industrial machinery. The Company uses leading-edge technology to continuously improve its products, with the ultimate goal of manufacturing the industry-preferred product for each market served. The Company sells these products through an internal sales staff, manufacturer's representatives, and distributors to a wide variety of industries that use the products in a variety of applications to monitor process machinery operations. The Company markets its products to customers located throughout the United States, Canada, Latin America, Europe, and Asia.

In addition, we may periodically make strategic investments in other businesses and companies, including investments that we believe would facilitate the development of new relationships, or technology complementary to our existing products, or other investments that we believe present good opportunities for the Company and its shareholders. See Note 2 for additional information regarding the Company's investments. The Company's investments in securities are subject to normal market risks.

#### Significant accounting policies of the Company are summarized below:

#### Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (US GAAP) requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Significant estimates, including the underlying assumptions, consist of the economic lives of long-lived assets, realizability of trade receivables, valuation of deferred tax assets/liabilities, inventory, investments, and stock compensation expense. It is at least reasonably possible that these estimates may change in the near term.

#### Cash and cash equivalents

The Company considers all highly liquid debt instruments purchased with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are invested in commercial paper, money market accounts and may, also, be invested in Treasury Bills with an original maturity of three months or less. Cash equivalents are carried at fair value.

The Company maintains its cash and cash equivalents primarily in two bank deposit accounts, which, at times, may exceed federally insured limits. The Company has not experienced any losses on these accounts. The Company believes it is not exposed to significant credit risk on cash.

#### Trade receivables and credit policies

Trade receivables are uncollateralized customer obligations due under normal trade terms generally requiring payment within 30 days from the invoice date. Trade receivables are stated at the amount billed to the customer. Customer account balances with invoices over 90 days are considered delinquent. The Company does not accrue interest on delinquent trade receivables.

Payments of trade receivables are allocated to the specific invoices identified on the customer's remittance advice or, if unspecified, are applied to the earliest unpaid invoices.

The carrying amount of trade receivables is reduced by an allowance for doubtful accounts that reflects management's best estimate of the amounts that will not be collected. Management individually reviews all trade receivable balances that exceed 90 days from the invoice due date and based on an assessment of current creditworthiness, estimates the portion, if any, of the balance that may not be collected. Management uses this information to estimate the allowance.

As of December 31, 2022, the Company had one customer that accounted for approximately 12% of the accounts receivable balance. As of December 31, 2021, there were no customers that exceeded 10% of the accounts receivable balance.

#### Investments

Substantially all the Company's current investments consist of debt securities issued by the United States Government. The estimated fair value of non-publicly traded securities is based on financial and other factors. The Company owns equity securities in two non-publicly traded companies. The executive officer of the two companies is Chairman of the Board of Directors of Electro-Sensors, Inc.

Management determines the appropriate classification of securities at the date individual investments are acquired and evaluates the appropriateness of this classification at each balance sheet date.

Since the Company generally does not make investments in anticipation of short-term fluctuations in market price, the Company classifies its investments in Treasury Bills as available-for-sale. Treasury Bills with readily determinable values are stated at fair value, and unrealized holding gains and losses, net of the related deferred tax effect, are reported as a separate component of stockholders' equity and within accumulated other comprehensive gain. Equity securities with readily determinable values are stated at fair values are stated at fair value. Unrealized gains and losses on equity securities are reported in the statement of comprehensive income in non-operating income.

Realized gains and losses on securities, including losses from declines in value of specific securities determined by management to be other-than-temporary, are included in the statement of comprehensive income in non-operating income. Realized gains and losses are determined on the basis of the specific securities sold. There were no other-than-temporary impairments recognized in the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021.

#### Fair value measurements

The Company's policies incorporate the guidance for accounting for fair value measurements of financial assets and financial liabilities and for fair value measurements of non-financial items that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis. These policies also incorporate the guidance for fair value measurement related to non-financial items that are recognized and disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a nonrecurring basis. The guidance establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to measurements involving significant unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

- Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Company has the ability to access at the measurement date.
- Level 2 inputs are inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.
- Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

The level in the fair value hierarchy within which a fair measurement in its entirety falls is based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. The Company currently has no non-financial or financial items that are measured on a nonrecurring basis.

The carrying value of cash equivalents, trade receivables, accounts payable, and other financial working capital items approximate fair value at December 31, 2022 and 2021 due to the short term maturity nature of these instruments.

#### Inventories

Inventories include material, labor and overhead and are valued at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out) or net realizable value.

#### **Property and equipment**

Property and equipment are stated at cost. Depreciation is provided over estimated useful lives by use of the straightline method. Maintenance and repairs are expensed as incurred. Major improvements and betterments are capitalized.

Long-lived assets, such as property and equipment and intangible assets, are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. If circumstances require the Company to test a long-lived asset for possible impairment, the Company first compares undiscounted cash flows expected to be generated by an asset to the carrying value of the asset. If the carrying value of the long-lived asset is not recoverable on an undiscounted cash flow basis, the Company recognizes impairment to the extent that the carrying value of an asset exceeds its fair value. The Company determines fair value through various valuation techniques including, but not limited to, discounted cash flow models, quoted market values and third-party independent appraisals.

Estimated useful lives are as follows

		Years
Autos		3
Equipment		5 - 10
Furniture and Fixtures		3 - 7
Building		7 - 40
	26	

#### Intangible assets

The intangible asset was a communication technology acquired in October 2019. The Company amortized the cost of the intangible asset on a straight-line method over its estimated useful life, which was complete in the third quarter of 2022. The Company's HazardPRO technology was fully amortized in the third quarter of 2021.

#### **Revenue recognition**

At contract inception, the Company assesses the goods and services to be provided to a customer and identifies a performance obligation for each distinct good or service. We also determine the transaction price for each performance obligation at contract inception. Our contracts, generally in the form of a purchase order, specify the product or service that is to be provided to the customer. The typical contract life is less than one month and contracts have a second performance obligation, which typically is the initialization of the HazardPRO product. For contracts that have multiple performance obligations, we allocate the transaction price to each performance obligation using the relative stand-alone selling price. We generally determine stand-alone selling prices based on the observable stand-alone prices charged to customers. We recognize product revenue at the point in time when we have provided the service.

#### **Advertising costs**

The Company expenses advertising costs as incurred. Total advertising expense was \$38 and \$40 in 2022 and 2021, respectively.

#### **Research and development**

Expenditures for research and development are expensed as incurred. The Company incurred expenses of \$836 and \$876 in 2022 and 2021, respectively.

#### **Income taxes**

The Company presents deferred income taxes on an asset and liability approach to financial accounting and reporting for income taxes. The Company annually determines the difference between the financial reporting and tax bases of assets and liabilities. The Company computes deferred income tax assets and liabilities for those differences that have future tax consequences using the currently enacted tax laws and rates that apply to the periods in which these laws are expected to affect taxable income. Income tax expense is the current tax payable or refundable for the period plus or minus the net change in the deferred tax assets and liabilities, excluding the portion of the deferred asset or liability allocated to other comprehensive gain (loss). Deferred taxes are reduced by a valuation allowance to the extent that realization of the related deferred tax asset is not certain. We have a valuation allowance on our deferred tax asset of \$252 and \$220 at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

The Company recognizes the effect of income tax positions only if those positions are more likely than not to be sustained. The Company recognizes income tax positions at the largest amount that is more likely than not to be realized. The Company reflects changes in recognition or measurement in the period in which the Company's change in judgment occurs.

The Company records interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits in income tax expense.

#### Net income per common share

Basic earnings per share (EPS) excludes dilution and is determined by dividing net income by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted EPS reflects the potential dilution that could occur if securities such as options were exercised or converted into common stock. For the years ending December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively, options to purchase 268,294 and 283,082 weighted average common shares have been excluded from the diluted weighted average shares because their effect would be anti-dilutive.

The following information presents the Company's computations of basic and diluted EPS for the periods presented in the statements of comprehensive income.

	In	come	ome Shares		er share mount
2022:					
Basic EPS	\$	100	3,401,137	\$	0.03
Effect of dilutive stock options			31,706		0.00
Diluted EPS	\$	100	3,432,843	\$	0.03
2021:					
Basic EPS	\$	410	3,395,521	\$	0.12
Effect of dilutive stock options			49,418		0.00
Diluted EPS	\$	410	3,444,939	\$	0.12

#### Stock-based compensation

The Company records compensation expense for stock options based on the estimated fair value of the options on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes-Merton ("BSM") model. The Company uses historical data, among other factors, to estimate the expected price volatility, the expected option life and the expected forfeiture rate. The risk-free rate is based on the U.S. Treasury yield curve in effect at the time of grant for the estimated life of the option. At December 31, 2022, the Company had one stock-based compensation plan.

#### New Accounting Standard Not Yet Adopted

In June 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standard Update ("ASU") No. 2016-13, Financial Instruments-Credit Losses (Topic 326), Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Statements. ASU 2016-13 requires a financial asset (or a group of financial assets) measured at amortized cost basis to be presented at the net amount expected to be collected. The allowance for credit losses is a valuation account that is deducted from the amortized cost basis of the financial asset(s) to present the net carrying value at the amount expected to be collected on the financial asset. In November 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-19, Codification Improvements to Topic 326, Financial Instruments-Credit Losses, which clarifies codification and corrects unintended application of the guidance, and in November 2019, the FASB issued ASU No. 2019-11, Codification Improvements to Topic 326, Financial Instruments-Credit Losses, which clarifies or addresses specific issues about certain aspects of ASU 2016-13. In November 2019, the FASB issued ASU No. 2019-10, Financial Instruments-Credit Losses (Topic 326), Derivatives and Hedging (Topic 815), and Leases (Topic 842): Effective Dates, and in February 2020 the FASB issued ASU No. 2020-02, Financial Instruments-Credit Losses (Topic 326) and Leases (Topic 842): Amendments to SEC Paragraphs Pursuant to SEC Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 119 and Update to SEC Section on Effective Date Related to Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-02, Leases (Topic 842), both of which delay the effective date of ASU 2016-13 by three years for certain Smaller Reporting Companies such as us. In March 2020, the FASB issued ASU No. 2020-03, Codification Improvements to Financial Instruments, which modifies the measurement of expected credit losses of certain financial instruments. In accordance with ASU 2019-10 and ASU 2020-02, ASU 2016-13 is effective for certain Smaller Reporting Companies for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2022 and interim periods within those fiscal years, which will be fiscal 2023 for us if we continue to be classified as a Smaller Reporting Company, with early adoption permitted. We are evaluating the potential impact of ASU 2016-13 on our financial statements.

#### Note 2. Investments

The Company has investments in commercial paper, Treasury Bills, and common equity securities of a private U.S. company. The commercial paper investment is in U.S. debt with ratings of F1+. The Treasury Bills have original terms ranging from two months to three months. Treasury Bills with an original maturity date of three months or less are included within cash and cash equivalents on the balance sheet at December 31, 2022.

The Company classifies its investments in commercial paper and Treasury Bills as available-for-sale accounted for at fair value with unrealized gains and losses recognized in accumulated other comprehensive gain on the balance sheet.

Equity securities are measured at fair value and unrealized gains and losses are recognized in non-operating income.

The cost and estimated fair value of the investments are as follows:

	~ .	u	Gross nrealized	Gross realized	Fair
	 Cost		gain	 loss	 value
December 31, 2022					
Commercial Paper	\$ 1,377	\$	0	\$ 0	\$ 1,377
Treasury Bills	7,922		32	0	7,954
Equity Securities	54		2	0	 56
	 9,353		34	 0	 9,387
Less Cash Equivalents	7,319		32	0	7,351
Total Investments, December 31, 2022	\$ 2,034	\$	2	\$ 0	\$ 2,036
December 31, 2021					
Commercial Paper	\$ 1,520	\$	0	\$ 0	\$ 1,520
Treasury Bills	8,000		0	0	8,000
Equity Securities	54		2	0	56
	 9,574		2	 0	 9,576
Less Cash Equivalents	6,520		0	0	6,520
Total Investments, December 31, 2021	\$ 3,054	\$	2	\$ 0	\$ 3,056

#### **Changes in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income**

Changes in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income are as follows:

	Years Ended December			ber 31,
	2022		2	021
Unrealized Gains				
Unrealized holding gains arising during the period	\$	1	\$	0
Less: Reclassification of gains included in net income		0		(1)
		1		(1)
Deferred Taxes on Unrealized Gains:				
Increase in deferred taxes on unrealized gains arising during the period		0		0
Less: Reclassification of taxes on gains included in net income		0		0
		0		0
Net Change in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	\$	1	\$	(1)

#### Note 3. Fair Value Measurements

The following table provides information on those assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis.

#### December 31, 2022

		arrying nount in				Fair Va	lue N	Aeasureme	nt L	Jsing
	balance sheet		Fair Value		Level 1		Level 2			Level 3
Assets:										
Cash and cash equivalents:										
Commercial paper	\$	1,377	\$	1,377	\$	1,377	\$	0	\$	0
Treasury Bills		5,974		5,974		5,974		0		0
Treasury Bills - maturity date greater than three										
months		1,980		1,980		1,980		0		0
Equity securities		56		56		0		0		56

#### December 31, 2021

	arrying 10unt in				Fair Val	ne N	leasureme	nt I	Ising
	 nce sheet	Fai	r Value	]	Level 1		Level 2		Level 3
Assets:	 								
Cash and cash equivalents:									
Commercial paper	\$ 1,520	\$	1,520	\$	1,520	\$	0	\$	0
Treasury Bills	5,000		5,000		5,000		0		0
Treasury Bills - maturity date greater than three									
months	3,000		3,000		3,000		0		0
Equity securities	56		56		0		0		56

The fair value of the money market funds, commercial paper, and Treasury Bills is based on quoted market prices in an active market. Closing prices are readily available from active markets and are used as being representative of fair value. The Company classifies these securities as level 1.

The equity securities owned by the Company are investments in two non-publicly traded companies. There is an undeterminable market for each of these two companies and the Company has determined the value based on financial and other factors, which are considered level 3 inputs in the fair value hierarchy.

The change in level 3 assets at fair value on a recurring basis is summarized as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,						
	20	22	2021				
Beginning Balance	\$	56	\$	42			
Change in value		0		14			
Ending Balance	\$	56	\$	56			

#### Note 4. Inventories

Inventories used in the determination of cost of goods sold are as follows:

	December 31,			
	 2022	2021		
Raw Materials	\$ 1,162	\$ 1,129		
Work In Process	278	257		
Finished Goods	315	287		
Reserve for Obsolescence	(10)	(10)		
Total Inventories	\$ 1,745	\$ 1,663		

#### Note 5. Property and Equipment, Net

The following is a summary of property and equipment:

	December 31,				
	2022			2021	
Autos	\$	63	\$	23	
Equipment		282		300	
Furniture and Fixtures		491		485	
Right-of-Use Asset		30		30	
Building		1,373		1,373	
Land		415		415	
		2,654	-	2,626	
Less Accumulated Depreciation		1,679		1,609	
Total Property and Equipment	\$	975	\$	1,017	

Depreciation expense for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 was \$107 and \$105, respectively.

#### Note 6. Net Intangible Assets

Intangible assets include the following:

		December 31, 2022					
	Average Useful Lives	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Net Carrying Amount			
Communication Technology	3 Years	150	150	0			
Net Intangible Assets		<u>\$ 150</u>	\$ 150	<u>\$</u> 0			
		I	December 31, 202	21			
	Average Useful Lives	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Net Carrying Amount			
HazardPro Technology	Useful	Carrying		Carrying			
HazardPro Technology Communication Technology	Useful Lives	Carrying Amount	Amortization	Carrying Amount			

Amortization expense for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 was \$38 and \$190, respectively.

#### Note 7. Accrued Expenses

Accrued expenses include the following:

			December 31,				
		2	022	2	2021		
Wages and Commissions		\$	328	\$	281		
Other			22		61		
Total Accrued Expenses		\$	350	\$	342		
	34						

#### Note 8. Leases

The Company has a financing lease for office equipment. The lease has a remaining term of one year at December 31, 2022.

The components of lease expense were as follows:

Years Ended December 31,						
20	)22		2021			
\$	6	\$	6			
	1		1			
\$	7	\$	7			
		Years Ended           2022           \$         6           1           \$         7				

Supplemental balance sheet information related to leases is as follows:

	December 31,				
		2022		2021	
Finance leases					
Property and equipment, gross	\$	30	\$	30	
Accumulated amortization		(25)		(19)	
Property and equipment, net	\$	5	\$	11	

Weighted average remaining lease term	
Finance leases	1 year
Weighted average discount rate	
Finance leases	7.0%

Maturities of lease liabilities are as follows:

Year ending December 31	
2023	\$ 6
Total lease payments	 6
Less amount representing interest	0
Total	\$ 6
35	 

#### Note 9. Merger Agreement with Mobile X Global, Inc.

On June 10, 2022, Electro-Sensors, Inc. ("ELSE") entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger Agreement") with Mobile X Newco, Inc., a Delaware corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of ELSE (the "Merger Sub"), and Mobile X Global, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Mobile X"). Mobile X Global, Inc. is a new entrant in the global mobile industry founded by its CEO Peter Adderton. The Mobile X business plan is to launch a new mobile wireless brand called Mobile X in the United States, enabled by a network agreement with a major carrier.

The merger was structured as a statutory reverse triangular merger under Delaware and Minnesota law, under which Merger Sub would be merged with and into Mobile X Global, Inc., with Mobile X Global, Inc. surviving the Merger and becoming a wholly owned subsidiary of ELSE. In connection with the Merger, ELSE would have reincorporated in Delaware, would have been re-named Mobile X Global, Inc., and would have operated both the new MobileX wireless business and the existing Electro-Sensors business.

On January 30, 2023, the Company announced that it and Mobile X had jointly agreed to terminate the merger agreement. See Note 13. Subsequent Events for additional information.

#### Note 10. Common Stock Options

#### **Stock options**

The 2013 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2013 Plan") authorizes the issuance of both nonqualified and incentive stock options. Payment for the shares may be made in cash, shares of the Company's common stock or a combination thereof. Under the terms of the 2013 Plan, incentive stock options and non-qualified stock options are granted at a minimum of 100% of fair market value on the date of grant and may be exercised at various times depending upon the terms of the option. All existing options expire 10 years from the date of grant or one year from the date of death. The Company also operated the 1997 Stock Option ("1997 Plan") as discussed below.

#### Stock-based compensation

Under the 2013 Plan, the Company is authorized to issue up to 600,000 shares through stock options and awards such as restricted stock or restricted stock units. As of December 31, 2022, under the 2013 Plan, 25,000 shares had been issued, options to purchase an aggregate of 300,000 shares were outstanding, of which options to purchase 300,000 shares were exercisable, and 275,000 additional shares were available for issuance pursuant to awards that may be granted under the plan in the future.

Under the 1997 Plan, the Company was authorized to grant options to purchase up to 450,000 shares of its common stock. As of December 31, 2022, there were no options to purchase shares outstanding under the 1997 Plan. The board terminated the plan in 2014, but the outstanding options on that date remained outstanding until they were exercised in 2022.

There were no options granted during the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021.

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The following table summarizes the activity for outstanding incentive stock options under the 2013 Plan to employees of the company:

	Options Outstanding				
	Number of Shares	A E	eighted- verage xercise Price	Weighted- Average Remaining Contractual Term (in years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Valu
Balance at December 31, 2020	125,000	\$	3.78	6.1	
Granted	0				
Exercised	0				
Canceled/forfeited/expired	0				
Balance at December 31, 2021	125,000		3.78	5.1	
Granted	0				
Exercised	(25,000)		3.64	5.9	
Canceled/forfeited/expired	0				
Balance at December 31, 2022	100,000	\$	3.81	2.7	
Vested and exercisable as of December 31, 2022	100,000				\$ 71

The following table summarizes the activity for outstanding stock options under the 2013 Plan and 1997 Plan to non-employee directors of the Company:

	Options Outstanding				
	Number of Shares	Av Ex	ighted- verage cercise Price	Weighted- Average Remaining Contractual Term (in years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
Balance at December 31, 2020	207,500	\$	4.62	2.4	
Granted	0				
Exercised	0				
Canceled/forfeited/expired	0				
Balance at December 31, 2021	207,500		4.62	1.4	
Granted	0				
Exercised	(7,500)		4.15	0.1	
Canceled/forfeited/expired	0				
Balance at December 31, 2022	200,000	\$	4.63	0.8	
Vested and exercisable as of December 31, 2022	200,000				<u>\$3</u>
37					

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The Company recognized compensation expense in connection with the vesting of options of approximately \$3 and \$5 during the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

There were 32,500 options exercised during the year ended December 31, 2022. There were no options exercised during the year ended December 31, 2021.

As of December 31, 2022, there was no unrecognized compensation expense under the 2013 Plan. To the extent the forfeiture rate is different than we have anticipated, stock-based compensation related to the awards will be different from our expectations.

#### Note 11. Benefit Plans

#### Employee stock ownership plan

The Company sponsors an employee stock ownership plan ("ESOP") that covers substantially all employees who work 1,000 or more hours during the year. The ESOP has, at various times, secured financing from the Company to purchase the Company's shares on the open market. When the ESOP purchases shares with the proceeds of the Company loans, the shares are pledged as collateral for these loans. The shares are maintained in a suspense account until released and allocated to participant accounts. The ESOP owns 94,434 shares of the Company's stock at December 31, 2022. All shares held by the ESOP have been released and allocated to participants' accounts. No dividends were paid during the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021. The ESOP had no debt to the Company at December 31, 2022 or 2021.

The Company recognized compensation expense for contributions of \$30 to the ESOP in both 2022 and 2021.

In the event a terminated ESOP participant desires to sell his or her shares of the Company's stock and the shares are not readily tradable, the Company may be required to purchase the shares from the participant at fair market value. In addition, at its election, the Company may distribute the ESOP's shares to the terminated participant. At December 31, 2022, 94,434 shares of the Company's stock, with an aggregate fair market value of approximately \$427, are held by ESOP participants who, if terminated, would have rights under the repurchase provisions if the Company's stock were not readily traded. The Company believes because its stock is listed on the Nasdaq Capital Market it meets the ESOP requirements and that there would not be a current obligation for it to repurchase any distributed ESOP shares.

#### Profit sharing plan and savings plan

The Company has a salary reduction and profit sharing plan that conforms to IRS provisions for 401(k) plans. The Company may make profit-sharing contributions with the approval of the Board of Directors. There were no profit-sharing contributions by the Company in 2022 or 2021.



## ELECTRO-SENSORS, INC. NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021 (in thousands except share and per share amounts)

## Note 12. Income Taxes

The components of the income tax provision are as follows:

	Years Ended December 31		
	20	22	2021
Current:			
Federal	\$	19 \$	10
State		1	1
Deferred:			
Federal		(48)	38
State		0	0
Total Federal and State Income Taxes	\$	(28) \$	49

The provision for income taxes differs from the amount obtained by applying the U.S. federal income tax rate to pretax income due to the following:

	Years Ended December 31			
	20	22	2	2021
Computed "Expected" Federal Tax Expense	\$	15	\$	96
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes Resulting From:				
State Income Taxes, net of Federal Benefit		1		1
R&D Credits		0		(99)
Permanent Differences		2		4
Other		(46)		47
Total Federal and State Income Taxes	\$	(28)	\$	49

## ELECTRO-SENSORS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021 (in thousands except share and per share amounts)

The components of the net deferred tax asset consist of:

	Dece	December 31		
	2022	2021		
Deferred Tax Assets:				
Vacation accrual	\$ 2	25 \$ 27		
Allowance for doubtful accounts		<b>2</b> 2		
Stock compensation	9	96		
Bonus	1	1 4		
Depreciation and amortization	9	<b>4</b> 100		
Inventory Obsolescence		<b>2</b> 2		
R&D credit carryforward	31	3 220		
Valuation allowance	(25	<b>52</b> ) (220)		
Total Deferred Tax Assets	28	<b>36</b> 231		
Deferred Tax Liabilities:				
Prepaid expenses	3	<b>30</b> 23		
Total Deferred Tax Liabilities	3	23		
Net Deferred Tax Asset	\$ 25	<b>56 \$</b> 208		

R&D credits can be carried forward for twenty years for federal purposes and fifteen years in Minnesota.

The Company is materially subject to the following taxing jurisdictions: U.S. and Minnesota. The tax years 2019 through 2021 remain open to examination by the Internal Revenue Service and state jurisdictions. We have no accrued interest or penalties related to uncertain tax positions as of January 1, 2022 or December 31, 2022 and uncertain tax positions are not significant.

#### Note 13. Subsequent Events

On January 30, 2023, the Company and Mobile X Global, Inc. announced that the two companies terminated the definitive merger agreement the parties entered into on June 10, 2022. A condition to the closing of the merger transaction was the consummation of an equity financing which the parties anticipated would be a PIPE investment (private investment in public entity). The financing necessary to consummate the merger was pursued but was not available due to difficult conditions in the financial markets, including the markets for PIPE investments.

# Item 9. Changes In and Disagreements With Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure.

None.

## Item 9A. Controls and Procedures.

## **Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

The person serving as our principal executive officer and principal financial officer evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("Exchange Act"). Based on this evaluation, the person serving as the Company's principal executive officer and principal financial officer has concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of December 31, 2022 to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is (i) recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission rules and forms and (ii) accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including its principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

## Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Under Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, our management is required to assess the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of the end of each fiscal year and report, based on that assessment, whether the Company's internal control over financial reporting is effective.

Management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. The Company's internal control over financial reporting is designed to provide reasonable assurance as to the reliability of the Company's financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Internal control over financial reporting, no matter how well designed, has inherent limitations. Therefore, internal control over financial reporting determined to be effective can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation and may not prevent or detect all misstatements. Moreover, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

The Company's management has assessed the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2022. In making this assessment, the Company used the criteria established by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) in "Internal Control-Integrated Framework (2013)." These criteria are in the areas of control environment, risk assessment, control activities, information and communication, and monitoring. The Company's assessment included extensive documenting, evaluating and testing the design and operating effectiveness of its internal control over financial reporting. Based on this evaluation, the person serving as the Company's principal executive officer and principal financial officer has concluded that the Company's internal controls were effective as of December 31, 2022.

## Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There have been no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2022 that were identified in connection with management's evaluation required by paragraph (d) of Rules 13a-15 and 15d-15 under the Exchange Act, that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

Item 9B. Other Information.

None

## PART III

Certain information required by Part III is incorporated by reference to the Company's Definitive Proxy Statement pursuant to Regulation 14A (the "2023 Proxy Statement") for its Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held April 27, 2023 ("Annual Meeting").

## Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance.

The information required by Item 401 under Regulation S-K, to the extent applicable to the Company's directors, will be set forth under the caption "Election of Directors" in the 2023 Proxy Statement and is incorporated herein by reference. The information required with respect to the Company sole executive officer, who is also a director, will be set forth under the caption "Election of Directors."

The information required by Item 405 regarding compliance with Section 16(a), if any, will be set forth under the caption "Delinquent Section 16(a) Reports" in the 2023 Proxy Statement and is incorporated herein by reference. If there are no Delinquent Section 16(a) Reports required, this section will be omitted from the 2023 Proxy Statement.

## **Code of Ethics and Business Conduct**

The Company has adopted the Electro-Sensors Code of Ethics and Business Conduct (the "Code of Conduct") applicable to all officers and employees of the Company. A copy of the Code of Conduct can be obtained free of charge upon written request directed to the Company's Chief Executive Officer at the Company's executive offices. Any amendment to, or waiver from, a provision of our Code of Conduct will be posted to our website.

The information required by Item 407 regarding corporate governance will be set forth under the caption "Corporate Governance" in the 2023 Proxy Statement and is incorporated herein by reference.

## Item 11. Executive Compensation.

The information called for by Item 402 under Regulation S-K, will be set forth under the caption "Executive Compensation" in the Company's 2023 Proxy Statement and is incorporated herein by reference.

## Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters.

The information called for by Item 403 under Regulation S-K will be set forth under the caption "Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management" in the Company's 2023 Proxy Statement and is incorporated herein by reference.



The following table provides information as of December 31, 2022 about the Company's equity compensation plans.

## **Equity Compensation Plan Information**

	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights	Weighted average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a))
	(a)	<b>(b</b> )	(c)
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	300,000	\$4.36	275,000 <sup>(1)</sup>
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders	_	_	_
Total	300,000	\$4.36	275,000 <sup>(1)</sup>

<sup>(1)</sup> Shares issuable pursuant to the 2013 Equity Incentive Plan.

# Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence.

The information required by Item 404 under Regulation S-K will be set forth under the caption "Transactions with Related Persons, Promoters and Certain Control Persons" in the 2023 Proxy Statement and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information required by Item 407(a) will be set forth in the 2023 Proxy Statement under the caption "Corporate Governance" and is incorporated herein by reference.

## Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services.

The information required by Item 14 of Form 10-K and 9(e) of Schedule 14A will be set forth under the caption "Ratification of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm" in the Company's 2023 Proxy Statement and is incorporated herein by reference.

## PART IV

## Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules.

## **Financial Statements.**

Reference is made to the Index to Financial Statements appearing on Page 19 hereof.

## **Financial Statement Schedules.**

The Financial Statement Schedules have been omitted either because they are not required or because the information has been included in the financial statements or the notes thereto included in this Annual Report.

## Exhibits.

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description
<u>3.</u>	<u>Electro-Sensors, Inc Restated Articles of Incorporation, as amended—incorporated by reference to</u> Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Form 10Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2022
<u>3.2</u>	
<u>4.</u>	
<u>*10.</u>	
<u>*10.2</u>	
<u>*10.3</u>	
<u>23.</u>	
24.	Power of Attorney (see Signature page)
<u>31.</u>	Certification of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of
	the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
<u>32.</u>	<u>Certification of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 906 of</u> the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
<u>99.</u>	Letter to Shareholders dated March 17, 2022
<u>99.2</u>	2 Investor Information
10	The following financial information from Electro-Sensors, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the annual period ended December 31, 2022, formatted in iXBRL (Inline eXtensible Business Reporting Language): (i) Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, (ii) Statements of Comprehensive Income for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, (iii) Statements of Cash Flows for years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, (iv) Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity, and (v) Notes to Financial Statements.
*	Incorporated by reference to a previously filed report or document-SEC File No. 000-09587
*	Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement

## Item 16. Form 10-K Summary

None

## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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.

## ELECTRO-SENSORS, INC.

("Registrant")

By: /s/ DAVID L. KLENK David L. Klenk President, Chief Executive Officer, and Chief Financial Officer Date: March 17, 2023

By: /s/ GLORIA M. GRUNDHOEFER Gloria M. Grundhoefer *Controller* Date: March 17, 2023

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this Report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

(Power of Attorney)

Each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints DAVID L. KLENK as his true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and re-substitution, for him and in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any or all amendments to this Annual Report on Form 10-K and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorney-in-fact and agent, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all said attorney-in-fact and agents, or his substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue thereof.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/David L. Klenk	President and Director (CEO and CFO)	March 17, 2023
/s/ Joseph A. Marino	Chairman and Director	March 17, 2023
/s/ Scott A. Gabbard	Director	March 17, 2023
/s/ Michael C. Zipoy	Director	March 17, 2023
/s/ Jeffrey D. Peterson	Director	March 17, 2023
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## DESCRIPTION OF THE REGISTRANT'S SECURITIES REGISTERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 12 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Electro-Sensors, Inc. ("ELSE," "we," "our," or "us") has one class of securities registered under Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended: our common stock.

## DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

The following summary of the general terms and provisions of our capital stock does not purport to be complete and is based upon and qualified by reference to our articles of incorporation and bylaws, which are either filed as exhibits to our Annual Report on Form 10-K or are incorporated by reference to our Annual Report on Form 10-K. We encourage you to read our articles of incorporation, our bylaws and the applicable provisions of the Minnesota Business Corporation Act, or MBCA, for additional information.

## **Authorized Shares of Capital Stock**

The aggregate number of shares of capital stock that the Company has authority to issue is 10,000,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.10.

#### **Common Stock**

Holders of the Company's common stock are entitled to one vote for each share held of record on all matters submitted to a vote of the shareholders and do not have cumulative voting rights. Except as otherwise provided by law, our articles of incorporation or our bylaws, matters will generally be decided by the vote of the holders of a majority of the voting power present in person or represented by proxy. Our bylaws provide that the authorized number of directors will be fixed by the shareholders at each annual meeting and that either the shareholders or the board of directors may increase or decrease the number of directors. Our board of directors is not classified.

Holders of our common stock are entitled to receive dividends declared by our board of directors out of funds legally available for the payment of dividends. In the event of any liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of our affairs, holders of common stock will be entitled to share ratably in our assets that are remaining after payment or provision for payment of all of our debts and obligations.

Holders of common stock have no preemptive, conversion or subscription rights, and there are no redemption provisions applicable to the common stock.

All outstanding shares of our common stock are fully paid and nonassessable.

The transfer agent and registrar for our common stock is American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, Corporate Trust Services, 6201 15th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11219

Our common stock is currently listed on Nasdaq Capital Market tier of The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC under the trading symbol "ELSE."

#### **Preferred Stock**

We have no preferred stock authorized or outstanding.

## Bylaw Provisions on Minnesota Courts as Exclusive Forum for Internal Corporate Claims

Section 13.2 of our bylaws provides that the sole and exclusive forum for (i) any claim that is based upon a violation of a duty under the laws of the State of Minnesota by a current or former director, officer or shareholder in such capacity; (ii) any derivative action or proceeding brought on behalf of the corporation; or (iii) any action asserting a claim arising under any provision of the Minnesota Business Corporation Act or the corporation's articles or bylaws will be the federal courts (where jurisdiction exists) and state courts located in Hennepin County, Minnesota. Any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring an interest in shares of capital stock of the corporation is deemed to have notice of and consented to the provisions of this bylaw.

#### **Shareholder Meetings**

Under our bylaws, annual meetings of our shareholders may be called only by our board of directors, or by written consent of all the shareholders entitled to vote at the annual meeting.

Under our bylaws, special meetings of our shareholders may be called by the Secretary upon request of the Chairman, the President or the board of directors (acting by majority vote), or by a shareholder or shareholders holding 10% or more of the voting power of the shareholders.

#### **Unanimous Shareholder Action in Writing**

Our bylaws permit shareholders to take any action that might be taken at a meeting of the shareholders by written action, but only if it is signed by all of the shareholders entitled to vote on that action.

## **Provisions of Minnesota Law**

The following provisions of the MBCA may have an effect of delaying, deterring or preventing an unsolicited takeover of the Company or make an unsolicited takeover of the Company more difficult.

MBCA Section 302A.553 [Power to acquire shares] subd 3, [limitation on share purchases] prohibits a publicly held corporation such as ELSE from purchasing shares entitled to vote for more than market value from a person that beneficially owns more than 5% of the voting power of the corporation if the shares have been beneficially owned for less than two years unless the purchase or agreement to purchase is approved at a meeting of shareholders by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the voting power of all shares entitled to vote or the corporation makes an offer, of at least equal value per share, to all shareholders for all other shares of that class or series and any other class or series into which they may be converted.

MBCA Section 302A.673 [**Business combinations**] prohibits a public Minnesota corporation, such as Electro-Sensors, Inc. from engaging in a business combination with an interested shareholder for a period of four years after the date of the transaction in which the person became an interested shareholder, unless either (i) the business combination or (ii) the acquisition by which the person becomes an interested shareholder is approved in a prescribed manner before the person became an interested shareholder. The term "business combination" includes mergers, asset sales and other transactions resulting in a financial benefit to the interested shareholder. An "interested shareholder" is a person who is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of 10% or more of a corporation's voting stock, or who is an affiliate or associate of the corporation, and who, at any time within four years before the date in question, was the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of 10% or more of the corporation's outstanding voting stock.

If a takeover offer is made for our stock, MBCA Section 302A.675 [**Takeover offer; fair price**] precludes the offeror from acquiring additional shares of stock (including in acquisitions pursuant to mergers, consolidations or statutory share exchanges) within two years following the completion of the takeover offer, unless shareholders selling their shares in the later acquisition are given the opportunity to sell their shares on terms that are substantially the same as those contained in the earlier takeover offer. A "takeover offer" is a tender offer that results in an offeror who owned ten percent or less of a class of our shares acquiring more than ten percent of that class, or that results in the offeror owned ten percent or more of the class before the takeover offer. Section 302A.675 does not apply if a committee of our board of directors formed in accordance with Section 302A.675 approves the proposed acquisition before any shares are acquired pursuant to the earlier tender offer.

## **EXHIBIT 23.1**



## CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements on Form S-8 (333-48995 and 333-210944) of Electro-Sensors, Inc. of our report dated March 17, 2023 relating to the financial statements that appear in this Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022.

/s/ Boulay PLLP Minneapolis, MN March 17, 2023

## EXHIBIT 31.1

## CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES OXLEY-ACT OF 2002

I, David L. Klenk, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this report on Form 10-K of Electro-Sensors Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. I am responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:

(a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under my supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant is made known to me by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

(b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under my supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

(c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report my conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

(d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. I have disclosed, based on my most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

(a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

(b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

March 17, 2023

David L. Klenk Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer

## EXHIBIT 32.1

## CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Annual Report of Electro-Sensors, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Report"), I, David L. Klenk, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as adopted pursuant to §906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

March 17, 2023

/s/ David L. Klenk David L. Klenk Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer

## Exhibit 99.1

#### March 17, 2023

#### Dear Shareholders:

Greetings and welcome to the 2022 Electro-Sensors Annual Report. Spring is once again in the air, and we are eagerly looking forward to this new season. Similarly, Electro-Sensors has gone through an interesting and dynamic season since our last shareholder report. However, as much as we often focus on changing circumstances, we remain steadfastly committed to the principles that have served us well for many years - providing our customers with the industry's most innovative, reliable, and cost-effective sensors and hazard monitoring systems.

In 2022, we achieved record annual revenue of \$9.0 million, up 4.9% from the previous year. Revenue growth was generated by increased sales of both our traditional wired sensor products and our HazardPRO<sup>tm</sup> wireless monitoring systems. The agricultural markets for our products remained quite active during the year, and we also completed several significant projects in the industrial automation space, providing important diversity to our revenue streams. Gross profit remained strong at 53.6% of sales, despite ongoing supply chain challenges.

While customer demand has returned following the COVID-19 pandemic, supply chain disruptions continue to directly affect our business and financial results. Prices for many of the commodities and components we purchase are up dramatically from pre-pandemic levels. Additionally, the lack of availability of some components has negatively impacted our ability to produce and deliver products in a timely manner. We continue to expend significant efforts to acquire these parts or modify our product designs to use more readily available alternative components. Although our team is doing an excellent job addressing these challenges, we anticipate these supply chain disruptions will continue in 2023.

In addition to our regular business operations, the other noteworthy project we pursued during 2022 was a proposed merger between Electro-Sensors and Mobile X Global, Inc. In June 2022 we announced we had signed a definitive agreement to merge our two companies in a transaction we believe would have been good for our customers, employees, and shareholders. And while each company worked diligently to complete the merger, significant deterioration in the financial markets affected the ability to raise financing necessary to consummate the transaction. For this reason, in January 2023 we jointly agreed to terminate the merger agreement and cancel the project. Following the termination, we announced we had created a special board committee to continue exploring and pursuing business development and other strategic alternatives for Electro-Sensors. We will communicate with you if and when we identify future projects that we believe are in the best interests of the company.

As you can see, we've had a remarkable year and I'm tremendously proud of our passionate and dedicated team. They work amazingly hard every day to provide our customers with outstanding products and services, and we are committed to keeping this foundation strong as we pursue additional ways to create shareholder value.

We invite you to join our virtual annual shareholder meeting on April 27, 2023. Please see your proxy statement or visit our website (www.electro-sensors.com) for details on how to access and participate in the virtual meeting.

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David Klenk

## **INVESTOR INFORMATION**

#### **Annual Meeting**

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/ELSE2023 on April 27, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. Central time. All shareholders are welcome to attend and take part in the discussion of Company affairs.

## **Board of Directors**

David L. Klenk President, Electro-Sensors, Inc.

Joseph A. Marino Chairman of the Board President, Cardia, Inc.

Scott A. Gabbard Retired Finance Executive, Magenic Technologies, Inc.

Michael C. Zipoy Retired Investment Executive, Feltl and Company

Jeffrey D. Peterson Private Investor

**Officers** David L. Klenk *President, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer* 

#### **Transfer Agent & Registrar**

American Stock Transfer & Trust Company Corporate Trust Services 6201 15th Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11219

### Auditors

Boulay PLLP 7500 Flying Cloud Drive, Ste. 800 Minneapolis, MN 55344

#### Counsel

Ballard Spahr LLP 2000 IDS Center 80 South Eighth Street Minneapolis, MN 55402-2274

## **Exchange Listing**

The Nasdaq Stock Market (Capital Market) Common Stock Stock Trading Symbol: **ELSE**