SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

[X] QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SEC EXCHANGE	TION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES			
For the quarterly pe	riod ended September 30, 1998			
[] TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SE EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934	CTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES			
For the transition period from	to			
Commission File Number: 0 - 21810				
AMERIGON INCORPORATED				
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)				
California	95-4318554			
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)			

5462 Irwindale Avenue, Irwindale, California

91706

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (626) 815-7400

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 [X] No []

At October 15, 1998 the registrant had 12,550,445 shares of Class A Common Stock, no par value; no shares of Class B Common Stock, no par value; and no shares Preferred Stock, no par value, issued and outstanding.

AMERIGON INCORPORATED

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PART I

ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

AMERIGON INCORPORATED (A DEVELOPMENT STAGE ENTERPRISE)

BALANCE SHEETS (IN THOUSANDS)

	1997	September 30, 1998
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash & cash equivalents	\$6,037	\$3,710
Short-term investments	2,400	-
Accounts receivable less allowance of \$74	255	162
Receivable due from joint venture partner	1,000	-
Inventory	35	120
Prepaid expenses and other assets	196	111
Total current assets	9,923	
Property and equipment, net	645	694
	645	
Total assets	\$10,568	\$4,797
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilites:		
Accounts payable	\$650	\$132
Deferred revenue	97	44
Accrued liabilities	350	418
Total current liabilities	1,097	
Long-term portion of capital lease	41	20
Shareholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, no par value; 5,000 shares		
authorized, none issued and outstanding		
Common stock:		
Class A - no par value; 40,000 shares authorized, 9,550 issued and		
outstanding at September 30, 1998 and December 31, 1997		
(An additional 3,000 shares held in escrow)	28,149	28,149
Class B - no par value; 3,000 shares authorized,		
none issued and outstanding	-	-
Contributed capital	9,882	9,882
Deficit accumulated during development stage	(28,601)	9,882 (33,848)
Total shareholders' equity	9,430	4,183
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$10,568	

See accompanying notes to the condensed financial statements $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right)$

AMERIGON INCORPORATED (A DEVELOPMENT STAGE ENTERPRISE)

STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PER SHARE DATA) (UNAUDITED)

	Three Mont Septemb 1997	ths Ended per 30, 1998	1997	per 30,	From April 23, 1991 (inception) to September 30, 1998
Revenues:					
Product	\$ -	\$ 11	\$ -	\$ 18	\$ 18
Development contracts and related grants	399	273	1,134	631	17,841
Grants	-	-	1, 134	-	6,183
Total revenues	399	284	1,146	649	24,042
Costs and expenses:					
Product	-	13	-	24	24
Direct development contract and related grant costs	536	_	2,424	_	20,904
Direct grant costs	-	-	28	_	4,757
Research and development	591	1,119	1,303	3,271	14,130
Selling, general and administrative, including reimbursable expenses	1,091	885	3,280	2,855	21,113
inciduing relibblisable expenses			3,200	2,033	21, 113
Total costs and expenses	2,218	2,017	7,035	6,150	60,928
Operating loss	(1,819)	(1,733)	(5,889)	(5,501)	(36,886)
Interest income	131	47	346	221	1,264
Interest expense	-	-	(117)	-	(282)
Gain on disposal of assets	2,363	(29)	2,363		2,396
Net income (loss) before extraordinary items Extraordinary loss from extinguishment	\$ 675	(\$1,715)	(\$3,297)		(\$33,508)
of indebtedness	-	-	(340)	-	(340)
Net income (loss) before extraordinary items	\$ 675	(\$1,715)	(\$3,637)	(\$5,247)	(\$33,848)
Basic and diluted net income (loss) per share					
before extraordinary item	\$0.07	(\$0.18)	, ,	(\$0.55)	
Basic and diluted net income (loss) per share	\$0.07	(\$0.18)	(\$0.43)	(\$0.55)	
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	9,543	9,550	8,536	9,550	

See accompanying notes to the condensed financial statements

AMERIGON INCORPORATED (A DEVELOPMENT STAGE ENTERPRISES)

STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (IN THOUSANDS) (UNAUDITED)

		ths Ended mber 30, 1998	From April 23, 1991 (inception) to September 30, 1998
Operating Activities:	/\	/+·->	(****
Net loss Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net	(\$3,637)	(\$5,247)	(\$33,848)
cash used in operating activities: Depreciation and amortization	293	397	1,471
Provision for doubtful account	-	-	190
Stock option compensation	-	-	712
Gain from sale of assets	-	(33)	(2,396)
Contributed capital-founders' services provided without cash compensation		_	300
Change in operating assets and liabilities: Accounts receivable	-		
Unbilled revenue	628 1,145	93	(352)
Inventory	20	(86)	(141)
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(508)	` 86´	(110)
Accounts payable	(1,293)	(408)	(106)
Deferred revenue	55	(54)	43
Accrued liabilities	325	(20)	367
Net cash used in operating activities	(2,972)	(5,272)	(33,870)
Investing Activities:			
Purchase of property and equipment	(240)	(447)	(2,193)
Proceeds from sale of assets	-	-	2,800
Receivable from sale of assets Short-term investments sold (purchased)	(1,321)	1,000 2,400	-
Short-term investments solu (purchaseu)	(1,321)	2,400	
Net cash provided (used) in investing activities	(1,561)	2,953	607
Financing Activities:			
Proceeds from sale of common stock units, net	17,445	-	34,772
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	-	-	160
Repurchase of common stock Borrowing under line of credit	-	-	(15) 6,280
Repayment of line of credit	(1,187)	-	(6,280)
Repayment of capital lease	(13)	(8)	(46)
Proceeds from Bridge Financing	-	-	3,000
Repayment of Bridge Financing	(2,850)	-	(3,000)
Proceeds of notes payable to shareholder	250	-	450
Repayment of note payable to shareholder Notes payable to shareholders contributed to capital	(450) -	-	(450) 2,102
Notes payable to shareholders contributed to capital			2,102
Net cash provided by financing activities	13,195	(8)	36,973
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	8,662	(2,327)	3,710
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	203	6,037	-
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$8,865	\$3,710	\$3,710
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Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information: Cash paid for:			
Interest	\$120	-	\$280
Supplemental Disclosure of Non-Cash Transaction:			
Conversion of Bridge Debentures into warrants	\$150	-	\$150

See accompanying notes to the condensed financial statements

AMERIGON INCORPORATED (A DEVELOPMENT STAGE ENTERPRISE) NOTES TO UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 - THE COMPANY:

Amerigon Incorporated (the "Company") is a development stage enterprise, which was incorporated in California on April 23, 1991 primarily to develop, manufacture and market proprietary, high technology automotive components and systems for gasoline-powered and electric vehicles.

NOTE 2 - BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SUMMARY OF CERTAIN ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The accompanying balance sheet as of September 30, 1998 and the statements of operations and cash flows for the three and nine months ended September 30, 1998 and for the period from April 23, 1991 (inception) to September 30, 1998 have been prepared by the Company without audit. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring adjustments) necessary for fair presentation have been included. The results of operations for the three month and nine month periods ended September 30, 1998 are not necessarily indicative of the operating results for the full year.

Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles have been condensed or omitted. These condensed financial statements should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1997.

DEVELOPMENT CONTRACT REVENUES AND RELATED GRANTS. Historically, the Company entered into a number of fixed price contracts under which revenue is recognized using the percentage of completion method, or in the case of short duration contracts, when the prototype or services are delivered. Development contract revenues earned are recorded on the balance sheet as Unbilled Revenue until billed. The Company has received government grants, which paralleled one of its development contracts. These grants are included in development contract and related grant revenues.

GRANT REVENUES. Revenue from government agency grants and other sources pursuant to cost-sharing arrangements is recognized when reimbursable costs have been incurred. Grant revenues earned are recorded on the balance sheet as Unbilled Revenue until billed.

NOTE 3 - NET LOSS PER SHARE:

The Company's net loss per share calculations are based upon the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding. Excluded from this calculation are the 3,000,000 Escrowed Contingent Shares. Common stock equivalents (stock options and stock warrants) are anti-dilutive in both periods and are excluded from the net loss per share calculation.

ITEM 2

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

THIRD QUARTER 1998 COMPARED WITH THIRD QUARTER 1997

REVENUES. Revenues for the three months ended September 30, 1998 ("Third Quarter 1998") were \$284,000 as compared with revenues of \$399,000 in the three months ended September 30, 1997 ("Third Quarter 1997"). The decrease in development contract and related grant revenues was due principally to the completion of development contracts, somewhat offset by an increase in revenues related to prototype seat contracts. The Company does not intend to pursue any additional significant grants or development contracts.

The Company has focused its efforts on developing its core products and technologies (the CLIMATE CONTROL SEAT(TM) (CCS(TM)) system and the AMERIGUARD(TM) Radar System), developing the manufacturing capability for such products and bringing them to market as rapidly as possible. Because of the current development focus, and the decision not to pursue actively any more significant grants or development contracts, the Company does not expect to generate significant revenues in the near term from such development contracts. Beginning in the Second Quarter 1998 the Company started production and shipments of its CCS(TM) system to one customer.

DIRECT DEVELOPMENT CONTRACT AND RELATED GRANT COSTS. No direct development contract and related grant costs were incurred in the Third Quarter 1998 compared to \$536,000 in the Third Quarter 1997 primarily due to the end of activity in the Company's electric vehicle program (related to development contracts). Additionally, all expenses related to prototype orders from customers for seat and radar products and costs associated with the electric vehicle program are recorded as research development expense for the Third Quarter 1998.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT EXPENSES. Research and development expenses increased to \$1,119,000 in Third Quarter 1998 from \$591,000 in Third Quarter 1997. The increase in Third Quarter 1998 was due to higher levels of research and development activity on the Company's CCS(TM) system. As mentioned previously, all expenses related to prototype orders from customers for this product, the radar product and the electric vehicle program are now recorded as research and development expense. As the Company focuses on the development of its core products, these expenses can be expected to increase in future periods.

SELLING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES. Selling, general and administrative ("SG&A") expenses decreased to \$885,000 in Third Quarter 1998 compared to \$1,091,000 in

Third Quarter 1997. The decrease in Third Quarter 1998 was due to a general reduction in most expenses in this category, as support requirements have decreased from the prior year with the end of activity in the Company's electric vehicle program and the spinoff of the voice navigation business.

 $\,$ INTEREST INCOME. Net interest income in 1998 decreased due to a decline in invested cash.

NINE MONTHS 1998 COMPARED WITH NINE MONTHS 1997

REVENUES. Revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 1998 ("1998") were \$649,000 as compared with revenues of \$1,146,000 in the nine months ended September 30, 1997 ("1997"). The decrease was primarily due to the same reasons as given for the quarter.

DIRECT DEVELOPMENT CONTRACT AND RELATED GRANT COSTS. No direct development contract and related grant costs were incurred in the 1998 compared to \$2,424,000 in 1997. The decrease was primarily due to the same reasons as given for the quarter.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT EXPENSES. Research and development expenses increased to \$3,271,000 in 1998 from \$1,303,000 in 1997 for the same reasons given for the quarter.

SELLING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES. Selling, general and administrative ("SG&A") expenses decreased to \$2,855,000 in 1998 compared to \$3,280,000 in 1997. The decrease was primarily due to the end of activity in the Company's electric vehicle program, the spin-off of the voice navigation business, costs associated with a Company financing in 1997 and relocation costs for key personnel.

 $\,$ INTEREST INCOME. Net interest income in 1998 decreased due to a decline in invested cash.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

At September 30, 1998, the Company had working capital of \$3,509,000. The Company's principal sources of operating capital have been the proceeds of its various financing transactions and, to a lesser extent, revenues from grants, development contracts and sale of prototypes to customers.

Cash and cash equivalents decreased by \$2,327,000 in 1998 primarily due to cash used in operating activities. Operating activities used \$5,272,000, which was primarily a result of the net loss of \$5,247,000. Investing activities provided \$2,953,000, of which \$2,400,000 was the result of the sale of short-term investments.

The Company expects to incur losses for the foreseeable future due to the continuing cost of its product development and marketing activities and to begin volume manufacturing operations when it is required. Current working capital is not sufficient to fund the Company's operations for the next twelve months. The Company will use current cash and investments, but will need cash

from financing sources to fund its near-term operations before the Company can achieve profitability from its operations. There can be no assurance that profitability can be achieved in the future. The Company is focused on bringing products to market and generating revenues based upon its available resources. Although the Company has begun limited production on its CLIMATE CONTROL SEAT(TM) product, larger orders for the seat product and the ability to begin production on the radar product will require significant expenses for tooling product parts and to set up manufacturing and/or assembly processes. The Company also expects to require significant capital to fund other near-term production engineering and manufacturing, as well as research and development and marketing of these products. The Company does not intend to pursue significant grants or development contracts to fund operations and therefore is highly dependent on its current working capital sources. The Company will require additional equity and/or debt financing. There can be no assurance that either of these sources will be available in the future.

Certain matters discussed or referenced in this report, including the Company's intention to develop, manufacture and market its CLIMATE CONTROL SEAT(TM) system and the AMERIGUARD(TM) Radar System, the Company's expectation of reduced revenues and continuing losses for the foreseeable future, are forward looking statements. Other forward looking statements may be identified by the use of forward looking terminology such as "may", "will", "expect", "believe", "estimate", "anticipate", "continue", or similar terms, variations of such terms or the negative of such terms. Such statements are based upon management's current expectations and are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties which could cause actual results to differ materially from those described in the forward looking statements. Such risks and uncertainties include the market demand for and performance of the Company's products, the Company's ability to develop, market and manufacture such products successfully, the viability and protection of the Company's patents and other proprietary rights, and the Company's ability to obtain new sources of financing. Additional risks associated with the company and its business and prospects are described in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1997.

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OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K.

(a) Exhibits

None

(b) Reports on Form 8-K

None

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Amerigon Incorporated

Registrant

Date: October 30, 1998 /s/ Scott O. Davis

Scott O. Davis

Vice President Finance and Chief Financial Officer

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