

AU OPTRONICS CORP
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Report of Foreign Private Issuer

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

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AU Optronics Corp.
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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Not applicable

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Item

1. Press release entitled, "AUO and Sharp Sign Patent Cross License Agreement" dated April 15, 2011.
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Signatures

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

AU Optronics Corp.

Date: April 15, 2011

By: /s/ Andy Yang
Name: Andy Yang
Title: Chief Financial Officer

AUO and Sharp Sign Patent Cross License Agreement

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Hsinchu, Taiwan, Apr. 15, 2011 –

AU Optronics Corp. ("AUO") (TAIEX: 2409; NYSE: AUO) and Japan's Sharp Corporation ("Sharp") signed a patent cross license agreement today. Both parties have agreed to license to the other specified patents owned by each party.

Both AUO and Sharp have made significant investments in the research and development of advanced display technologies and each has built a strong and extensive patent portfolio in the field of TFT-LCD. Both parties have agreed to license certain of their patents to the other on the basis of mutual respect for each other's intellectual property rights. The cross license will allow each company to innovate using the other company's specified patented technologies for the further advancement of TFT-LCD technologies.

Upon signing of the patent cross license agreement, AUO and Sharp will dismiss all pending legal actions that have been filed against each other.

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ABOUT AU OPTRONICS

AU Optronics Corp. (AUO) is a global leader of thin film transistor liquid crystal display panels (TFT-LCD). AUO is able to provide customers with a full range of panel sizes and comprehensive applications, offering TFT-LCD panels in sizes ranging from 1.2 inches to greater than 71 inches. AUO generated NT\$467.2 billion in sales revenue in 2010 (US\$16 billion) with global operations in Taiwan, Mainland China, Japan, Singapore, South Korea, the U.S., and Europe. Additionally, AUO is the first pure TFT-LCD manufacturer to be successfully listed at the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE). AUO extended its market to the green energy industry in late 2008. The Display and Solar businesses were established respectively as the Company's two core businesses in October, 2010. For more information, please visit AUO.com.

* 2010 year end revenue converted at an exchange rate of NTD29.14:USD1.

Safe Harbour Notice

AU Optronics Corp. (“AUO” or the “Company”) (TAIEX: 2409; NYSE: AUO), a global leader of TFT-LCD panels, today announced the above news. Except for statements in respect of historical matters, the statements contained in this Release are “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of Section 27A of the U.S. Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These forward-looking statements were based on our management's expectations, projections and beliefs at the time regarding matters including, among other things, future revenues and costs, financial performance, technology changes, capacity, utilization rates, yields, process and geographical diversification, future expansion plans and business strategy. Such forward looking statements are subject to a number of known and unknown risks and uncertainties that can cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such statements, including risks related to the flat panel display industry, the TFT-LCD market, acceptance of and demand for our products, technological and development risks, competitive factors, and other risks described in the section entitled "Risk Factors" in our Form 20-F filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission on May 11th, 2010.

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