UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-QSB
(Mark One)
[X] Quarterly Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 1997

OR
[ ] Transition Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the transition period from $\qquad$ to $\qquad$ Commission file number: 0-17219

## GENTNER COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

 (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)Utah
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

Page 1 Identification No.)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (801) 975-7200
(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report.)

Check whether the issuer (1) filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or $15(\mathrm{~d})$ of the Exchange Act 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.

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[\mathrm{X}] \text { Yes [ ] No }
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State the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common equity, as of the latest practicable date.

Class of Common Stock November 12, 1997
\$0.001 par value 7,676,203 shares
Transitional Small Business Disclosure Format (check one)
Yes No X

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See accompanying notes

STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS


Cash flows from financing activities:
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See accompanying notes

# GENTNER COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION 

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
    September 30, 1997
        (Unaudited)
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## 1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-QSB of Regulation S-B. Accordingly, certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in complete financial statements have been condensed or omitted. These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and footnotes thereto included in the Company's 1997 Annual Report and Form 10 KSB.

In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring adjustments) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. The results of operations for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations to be expected for the full year.
2. Earnings (Loss) Per Common Share

Earnings (loss) per common share was calculated using the modified treasury stock method. The weighted average number of common shares outstanding was $7,666,409$ and $7,662,375$ respectively, for the three months ended September 30, 1997 and 1996. Stock options and warrants to purchase common stock have been excluded from the presented computation of per share amounts inasmuch as the effects are either immaterial or antidilutive.
3. Inventory

Inventory is summarized as follows:


## Results of Operations

Sales for the three months ended September 30, 1997 increased 27\% compared to the same three-month period last year. This growth was made up of a $66 \%$ increase in the Teleconferencing segment (including both product and service), a $2 \%$ increase in the Broadcast segment and a $53 \%$ increase in the Assisted Listening Systems (ALS) segment.

Sales in the Teleconferencing segment increased 66\% comparing first quarter of this fiscal year to the same quarter last year. Teleconferencing product sales increased by $47 \%$ over the same period, led by strong sales of the GT724 audioconferencing system. The Company began shipping this product June 1996. The GT724 is used in many different teleconferencing applications, particularly distance learning facilities and courtrooms. During the first quarter, the Company's Teleconferencing Service experienced a 190\% sales growth over the same quarter of the last fiscal year. This increase in sales is a result of the Company's continued expansion of its dedicated sales staff to promote its conference calling service.

Broadcast sales increased 2\% in the first quarter of this year as compared to the first quarter of last year. During the quarter, the Company received better than expected orders for its new digital telephone hybrid line; however, the Company was unable to ship all of the backlog by the end of the first quarter and expects to fill the backlog early in the second quarter. In Remote Site Control, the Company saw GSC3000 sales increase significantly when comparing first quarters of 1998 over 1997. The GSC3000 monitors and adjusts the settings at one or more remote transmitter sites using one networked system. Using the GSC3000 an engineer can manually adjust the settings at the remote site via a personal computer.

Assistive Listening Systems continues to show steady sales growth. First quarter ALS sales grew $53 \%$ compared to the corresponding period during the last fiscal year. The Company's strong market presence, product quality and overall value continue to drive strong customer demand and sales growth.

The Company's gross profit margin percentage was $51 \%$ for the first quarter of this year, compared to $46 \%$ for the same quarter last year. The increase is primarily due to a price increase effective July 1, 1997, aggressive vendor discounts, new products with higher gross profit margins, a different product mix and a critical focus on improving manufacturing processes. The Company continues to be keenly focused on improving the gross profit margin. However, the Company's conference calling service has a lower gross profit margin, which, as it becomes a higher percentage of total sales, could negatively impact the Company's overall gross profit margin.

Operating expenses for the quarter grew $13 \%$ when comparing first quarter
of this fiscal year to the same quarter last year. The most significant portion of the increase came in the General and Administrative area, which grew $37 \%$ when comparing first quarter of 1998 against the first quarter of 1997. Additionally, the Company increased its product development expenses by 25\% for the same time period.

First quarter General and Administrative expenses are up 37\% compared to the same period last year. This increase is primarily due to the Company's move into its expanded facility in November 1996. The new square footage is approximately double the space originally occupied by the Company, and as a result, occupancy costs have increased significantly. Additionally, during the first quarter of this fiscal year, the Company wrote off certain deferred expenses associated with the Company's warrants that expired in September of 1997.

Product development expenses increased $25 \%$ in the first quarter of this fiscal year compared to the first quarter of last year. This increase is essentially due to hiring additional engineers and increased product compliance testing.

Sales and Marketing first quarter expenses decreased 5\% over the prior year's first quarter. This decrease is primarily due to the Company's insourcing its advertising development. Additionally, last year, the Company was engaged in a national ad campaign for its conference calling service.

Interest expense for the quarter is up $80 \%$ compared to the same quarter last year. This increase is due to increased debt balances. The Company's facility expansion was financed through leases and notes that were established in the third quarter of last fiscal year.

Financial Condition and Liquidity
The Company's current ratio increased from 2.20:1 on June 30, 1997 to 2.27:1 on September 30, 1997. This increase in current ratio was caused primarily by increasing accounts receivable levels due to increased sales. Also affecting the current ratio is a minor increase in inventory. Offsetting these asset increases is an increase in accrued expenses since the end of last fiscal year.

The Company has an outstanding line of credit of $\$ 2$ Million. The interest rate on the line is a variable interest rate (anywhere from three to five basis points over the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR)). As of September 30, 1997 the outstanding balance was $\$ 767,000$ and the interest rate was $10.65 \%$. The line of credit is due to expire in December of 1997, and the Company expects the line to be renewed at that time.

The Company continues to experience improved operating cash flows. Increasing sales, profitability, and a successful inventory management plan have contributed to positive operating cash flows. As sales continue to
increase, the Company expects to achieve its business plan through a combination of internally generated funds and short-term or long-term borrowings, if necessary.

Forward Looking Statements and Risk Factors
To the extent any statement presented herein deals with information that is not historical, such statement is necessarily forward looking. As such, it is subject to the occurrence of many events outside of the Company's control. Please see a detailed list of the risk factors that are outlined in the Company's 1997 Annual Report and Form 10-KSB.

PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

Item 6. Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K
(a) Exhibits

Exhibits Required by Item 601 of Regulation S-B
The following exhibit is hereby incorporated by reference from the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989. The exhibit number shown as appeared in the 1989 Form 10-K as originally filed.

EXHIBIT
NUMBER DESCRIPTION
3.1* $+\quad$ Articles of Incorporation and all amendments thereto through March 1, 1998. (Page 10)

The following exhibit is hereby incorporated by reference from the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1991. The exhibit number shown as appeared in the 1991 Form 10-K as originally filed.

EXHIBIT
NUMBER DESCRIPTION
3.1* Amendment to Articles of Incorporation, dated July 1, 1991.

The following document is hereby incorporated by reference from the Company's Form 10-KSB for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1993. The exhibit number shown as appeared in the 1993 Form $10-\mathrm{KSB}$ as originally filed.

3* ${ }^{*}$ Bylaws, as amended on August 24, 1993. (Page 16)
The following document is filed as an Exhibit to this Form 10-QSB.
EXHIBIT
NUMBER

## DESCRIPTION

* Denotes exhibits specifically incorporated in this Form 10-KSB by reference to other filings pursuant to the provisions of Rule 12B-32 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
$+\quad$ Denotes exhibits specifically incorporated into this Form 10-KSB by reference (and their page location in such filing), pursuant to Regulation $S$ B, Section 228. These documents are located under File No. 0-17219 and are located at the Securities and Exchange Commission, Public Reference Branch, 450 5th St., N.W., Washington, DC 20549.
(b) Reports on Form 8-K

None

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

GENTNER COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

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/s/ Susie Strohm
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Susie Strohm
Vice President, Finance
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