

TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING CO LTD

Form 6-K

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1934 Act Registration No. 1-14700

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER  
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of January 2004

Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Ltd.

(Translation of Registrant's Name Into English)

No. 8, Li-Hsin Rd. 6,  
Science-Based Industrial Park,  
Hsin-Chu, Taiwan  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.)

Yes  No

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TSMC Monthly Sales Report - January 2004

Hsinchu, Taiwan, February 9, 2004 - Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Ltd. (TSMC) ("the Company") (TAIEX: 2330, NYSE: TSM) today announced that net sales for January 2004 totaled NT\$19,156 million, an increase of 45.9 percent over the same period last year. On a sequential basis, January 2004 sales increased one percent.

Ms. Lora Ho, TSMC spokesperson, vice president and chief financial officer, noted that, "TSMC's January 2004 sales increased as a result of higher wafer shipments compared to December 2003. In addition, due to a fewer number of working days in February, it is expected that TSMC's February 2004 sales would decline slightly. However, the Company's first quarter 2004 guidance, which was announced on January 29, remains unchanged."

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Sales Report:

(Unit: NT\$ million)

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|                       | 2004/(1)/ | 2003   | Growth Rate |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------|-------------|
| Net Sales for January | 19,156    | 13,129 | 45.9%       |

(1): Year 2004 figures have not been audited.

TSMC Spokesperson:  
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This is to report the changes or status of 1) Sales volume, 2) funds lent to other parties, 3) endorsements and guarantees, and 4) financial derivative transactions for the period of January 2004.

1) Sales volume (NT\$: Thousand)

| Period | Items          | 2004       | 2003       | Changes   | (%)    |
|--------|----------------|------------|------------|-----------|--------|
| Jan.   | Invoice amount | 16,688,210 | 12,156,269 | 4,531,941 | 37.28% |
| Jan.   | Net sales      | 19,155,894 | 13,128,841 | 6,027,053 | 45.91% |

2) Funds lent to other parties (NT\$ Thousand)

|                     | Limit of lending | January    | Bal. as of period end |
|---------------------|------------------|------------|-----------------------|
| TSMC                | 62,594,284       | -          | -                     |
| TSMC's subsidiaries | 32,988,252       | (88,200) * | 5,008,500             |

\* The deviation was due to the fluctuation in currency exchange rate.

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3) Endorsements and guarantees (NT\$ Thousand)

|                                               | Limit of endorsements | January     | Bal. As of period en |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|----------------------|
| TSMC                                          | 78,242,855            | (317,520) * | 18,030,60            |
| TSMC's subsidiaries                           | N/A                   | 0           |                      |
| TSMC endorses for subsidiaries                |                       | (317,520) * | 18,030,60            |
| TSMC's subsidiaries endorse for TSMC          |                       | 0           |                      |
| TSMC endorses for PRC companies               |                       | 0           |                      |
| TSMC's subsidiaries endorse for PRC companies |                       | 0           |                      |

\* The deviation was due to the fluctuation in currency exchange rate.

4) Financial derivative transactions

a-1. Hedging purpose (for assets / liabilities denominated in foreign currencies)

| Underlying assets / liabilities | Liabilities: | YEN:  | 740,285,000          |
|---------------------------------|--------------|-------|----------------------|
|                                 | Assets:      | US\$: | 1,903,000,000        |
| Financial instruments           |              |       | FX forward contracts |
| Recognized profit (loss)        |              |       | (NT\$62,536,436)     |

a-2. Hedging purpose (for the position of fixed rate liabilities / floating rate assets)

| Underlying assets / liabilities | Liabilities: | NT\$: | 3,000,000,000      |
|---------------------------------|--------------|-------|--------------------|
|                                 |              | US\$: | 2,857,143          |
|                                 | Assets:      | -     | -                  |
| Financial instruments           |              |       | Interest rate swap |
| Recognized profit (loss)        |              |       | -                  |

b. Trading purpose: None.

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.

Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Ltd.

Date: February 9, 2004

By /s/ Lora Ho

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Lora Ho  
Vice President & Chief Financial Officer