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PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT NO. 17 (To Prospectus Dated February 22, 2002)

\$200,000,000

Photronics, Inc.

4 3/4% Convertible Subordinated Notes Due 2006 and Common Stock Issuable Upon Conversion of the Notes

This document supplements our prospectus dated February 22, 2002 relating to the resale of up to \$200,000,000 aggregate principal amount of our notes and the shares of our common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes, by certain holders of notes who are named as selling security holders in the prospectus.

You should read this prospectus supplement in conjunction with the prospectus. This prospectus supplement updates information in the prospectus, and, accordingly, to the extent inconsistent, the information in this prospectus supplement supersedes the information contained in the prospectus.

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Investing in the notes involves risks. See "Risk Factors" beginning on page 7 of the prospectus.

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NEITHER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION NOR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION HAS APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED OF THESE SECURITIES OR PASSED UPON THE ADEQUACY OR ACCURACY OF THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

The date of this prospectus supplement is March 6, 2002.

After giving effect to the change of name of a selling security holder from "Southdown Pension Plan" to "CEMEX Pension Plan", the section of the prospectus entitled "Selling Security Holders" reads as follows:

#### SELLING SECURITY HOLDERS

We originally issued the notes in a private placement in December 2001. The notes were resold by the initial purchasers of the notes to qualified institutional buyers under Rule 144A under the Securities Act. Selling security holders may offer and sell the notes and the underlying common stock pursuant to this prospectus.

The following table sets forth information we have received as of March 6, 2003 about the principal amount of notes and the underlying common stock beneficially owned by each selling security holder that may be offered using

this prospectus.

	Principal		Number of shares of	
	amount of note		common	
	beneficially	Percentage	stock that	
	owned that	of notes	may be sold	
Name	may be sold	outstanding	(1)	
Advent Convertible Master Cayman L.P.	\$ 2,935,000	1.47%	79 <b>,</b> 324	
AIG/National Union Fire Insurance	180,000	*	4,864	
AIM Alternative Asset Partners	15,000	*	405	
Allentown City Firefighters Pension Plan	29,000	*	783	
Allentown City Officers & Employees Pension	11,000	*	297	
Fund				
Allentown City Police Pension Plan	54,000	*	1,459	
Alpha US Sub Fund 4, LLC	415,000	*	11,216	
Amaranth LLC	13,800,000	6.90	372,972	
American Motorist Insurance Company	507,000	*	13,702	

	Principal amount of note		Number of shares of
	beneficially		common stock that
	_	of notes	may be sold
Name		outstanding	(1)
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AmSouth Bank Custodian for AmSouth VA Equity Income Fund	2,100,000	1.05	56,756
AmSouth Bank Custodian for Silect Equity Variable Annuity Fund	1,320,000	*	35 <b>,</b> 675
Arapahoe County Colorado	49,000	*	1,324
Arbitex Master Fund L.P. (9)	9,000,000	4.50	243,243
Argent Classic Convertible Arbitrage Fund	500,000	*	13,513
L.P.			
Argent Classic Convertible Arbitrage Fund (Bermuda) Ltd.	2,000,000	1.00	54,054
Argent Convertible Arbitrage Fund Ltd.	4,500,000	2.25	121,621
Argent LowLev Convertible Arbitrage Fund LLC	500,000	*	13,513
Arkansas Teachers Retirement System	3,506,000	1.75	94,756
Aventis Pension Master Trust (5)	105,000	*	2,837
Bank Austria Cayman Islands, LTD	7,400,000	3.70	199,999
Bankers Trust Company Trustee for			
DaimlerChrysler Corp. Emp. #1 Pension Plan dtd. 4/1/89	3,465,000	1.73	93,648
Baptist Health of South Florida	577 <b>,</b> 000	*	15 <b>,</b> 594
Black Diamond Offshore Ltd.	565,000	*	15,270
Boilermaker - Blacksmith Pension Trust (5)	590,000	*	15,945

British Virgin Islands Social Security Board

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Name 	Principal amount of notes beneficially owned that may be sold	Percentage	Number of shares of common stock that may be sold (1)
CALAMOS(R) Convertible Fund - CALAMOS(R) Investment Trust (5)	2,400,000	1.20	64,864
CALAMOS(R) Convertible Growth and Income Fund - CALAMOS(R) Investment Trust (5)	4,400,000	2.20	118,918
CALAMOS(R) Convertible Portfolio - CALAMOS(R) Advisors Trust (5)	65,000	*	1,756
CALAMOS(R) Convertible Technology Fund - CALAMOS(R) Investment Trust (5)	65,000	*	1,756
CALAMOS(R) Global Convertible Fund - CALAMOS(R) Investment Trust (5)	70,000	*	1,891
CALAMOS(R) Market Neutral Fund - CALAMOS(R) Investment Trust (5)	10,500,000	5.25	283,783
Castle Convertible Fund, Inc.	1,250,000	*	33,783
CEMEX Pension Plan (5)	60,000	*	1,621
Chrysler Corporation Master Retirement Trust	2,035,000	1.01	54,999
CIBC World Markets	1,000,000	*	27,027
City of Albany Pension Plan (5)	50,000	*	1,351
City of Knoxville Pension System (5)	145,000	*	3,918
City of New Orleans	203,000	*	5,486
City University of New York	122,000	*	3,297
Clarica Life Insurance Co U.S. (5)	145,000	*	3,918
Clinton Multistrategy Master Fund, Ltd.	4,000,000	2.00	108,108
Clinton Riverside Convertible Portfolio Limited	4,000,000	2.00	108,108

Name 	Principal amount of notes beneficially owned that may be sold	Percentage of notes outstanding	Number of shares of common stock that may be sold (1)
Consulting Group Capital Markets Funds (5)	250,000	* * 1.65 *	6,756
Credit Suisse First Boston Corporation	1,500,000		40,540
DeAm Convertible Arbitrage	3,300,000		89,189
Delta Airlines Master Trust (5)	950,000		25,675

Delta Air Lines Master Trust (c/o Oaktree	490,000	*	13,243
Capital Management LLC)	000 000	d.	F 40F
Delta Pilots Disability and Survivorship	200,000	*	5,405
Trust (5)			
Delta Pilots D & S Trust (c/o Oaktree	270 <b>,</b> 000	*	7 <b>,</b> 297
Capital Management LLC)			
Deutsche Banc Alex Brown	15,624,000	7.81	422,269
Dorinco Reinsurance Company (5)	325,000	*	8,783
Double Black Diamond Offshore LDC	2,935,000	1.47	79,324
Drury University (5)	35,000	*	945
Engineers Joint Pension Fund	468,000	*	12,648
Federated Equity Income Fund, Inc.	7,300,000	3.65	197,297
Federated Insurance Series, on behalf of	300,000	*	8,108
its Federated Income Fund II			
Fidelity Financial Trust: Fidelity	11,680,000	5.84	315,675
Convertible Securities Fund (6)			
Franklin and Marshall College	190,000	*	5,135
Gartmore Variable Insurance Trust, on			
behalf of its Federated GVIT Equity Income	180,000	*	4,864
Fund			
Goldman Sachs and Company	3,430,000	1.71	92 <b>,</b> 702

	Principal amount of notes		Number of shares of common	
	beneficially	_	stock that	
	owned that		may be sold	
Name	-	outstanding	(1)	
Grady Hospital Foundation	107,000	*	2,891	
Granville Capital Corporation	2,000,000	1.00	54 <b>,</b> 054	
HFR Convertible Arbitrage Account	190,000	*	5,135	
HFR Master Fund, LTD. (5)	50,000	*	1,351	
H.K. Porter Company, Inc. (5)	15,000	*	405	
HSBC Trustee, Zola Managed Trust	200,000	*	5,405	
Independence Blue Cross	64,000	*	1,729	
Innovest Finanzdienstleistungs AG	580,000	*	15,594	
Jefferies Umbrella Fund US Convertible Bonds	270,000	*	7,297	
KBC Financial Products (Cayman Island) Limited	2,000,000	1.00	54,054	
KBC Financial Products USA Inc.	250,000	*	6,756	
Kettering Medical Center Funded Depreciation Account (5)	35,000	*	945	
<pre>Knoxville Utilities Board Retirement System (5)</pre>	120,000	*	3,243	
Lincoln National Global Asset Allocation Fund, Inc.	40,000	*	1,081	
Lipper Convertibles, L.P.	1,500,000	*	40,540	
Lipper Offshore Convertibles, L.P.	1,500,000	*	40,540	
Louisiana Workers' Compensation Corporation (5)	150,000	*	4,054	
Lumbermans	491,000	*	13,270	

Lyxor Master Fund Ref: Argent/LowLev CB	1,230,000	*	33,243
Lyxor Master Fund, c/o Zola Capital	300,000	*	8,108
Management			
Macomb County Employees' Retirement System	145,000	*	3,918
(5)			

Name	owned that	Percentage of notes outstanding	Number of shares of common stock that may be sold (1)
Man Convertible Bond Master Fund, Ltd.	8,208,000	4.10	221,837
McMahan Securities Co., L.P.	1,500,000	*	40,540
MFS Total Return Fund (10)	1,000,000	*	27 <b>,</b> 027
Microsoft Corporation	410,000	*	11,081
Minnesota Power and Light	125,000	*	3 <b>,</b> 378
Morgan Stanley & Co. (7)	1,500,000	*	40,540
Motion Pictures Industry	545 <b>,</b> 000	*	14,729
Motion Picture Industry Health Plan - Active Member Fund	190,000	*	5,135
Motion Picture Industry Health Plan - Retiree Member Fund	80,000	*	2,162
Municipal Employees	183,000	*	4,945
New Orleans Firefighters Pension / Relief Fund	110,000	*	2,972
Nicholas Applegate Convertible Fund	1,529,000	*	41,324
Nicholas Applegate Global Holdings LP	35,000	*	945
1976 Distribution Trust FBO A.R. Lauder / Zinterhofer	7,000	*	189
1976 Distribution Trust FBO Jane A. Lauder	13,000	*	351
Occidental Petroleum Corporation	118,000	*	3,189
OCM Convertible Trust	1,180,000	*	8,918
Ohio National Fund, Inc., on behalf of its Equity Income Portfolio	30,000	*	810
Ondeo Nalco	40,000	*	1,081
Onex Industrial Partners Limited	1,950,000	*	52 <b>,</b> 702
Palladin Securities LLC	1,200,000	*	32,432
Paloma Securities LLC	5,000,000	2.50	135,135

			Number of
	Principal		shares of
	amount of notes	}	common
	beneficially	Percentage	stock that
	owned that	of notes	may be sold
Name	may be sold	outstanding	(1)

Partner Reinsurance Company Ltd.	330,000	*	8,918
Pebble Capital Inc.	650,000	*	17,567
Physicians Life	183,000	*	4,945
Policemen and Firemen Retirement System of	503,000	*	13,594
the City of Detroit			
Port Authority of Allegheny County			
Retirement and Disability Allowance Plan			
for the Employees Represented by Local 85	615,000	*	16,621
of the Amalgamated Transit Union (5)			
Pro-mutual	603,000	*	16,297
Putnam Asset Allocation Funds-Balanced	310,000	*	8,378
Portfolio			
Putnam Asset Allocation Funds-Conservative	240,000	*	6,486
Portfolio			
Putnam Convertible Income-Growth Trust	2,180,000	1.09	58 <b>,</b> 918
Putnam Convertible Opportunities and Income	80,000	*	2,162
Trust			
Putnam Variable Trust-Putnam VT Global	80,000	*	2,162
Asset Allocation Fund			
Qwest Occupational Health Trust	55,000	*	1,486
Ramius Capital Group	300,000	*	8,108
RAM Trading Ltd	1,750,000	*	47,297
Raytheon Master Pension Trust	200,000	*	5,405
RCG Halifax Master Fund, LTD	550,000	*	14,864
RCG Latitude Master Fund, LTD	2,500,000	1.25	67 <b>,</b> 567
RCG Multi Strategy A/C LP	1,250,000	*	33,783
Robertson Stephens	5,000,000	2.50	135,135
Rockhaven Fund	80,000	*	2,162

Name	owned that	Percentage of notes outstanding	Number of shares of common stock that may be sold (1)
Rockhaven Premier Dividend Fund	700,000	*	18,918
Sage Capital	100,000	*	2,702
San Diego City Retirement	1,097,000	*	29,648
San Diego County Convertible	1,654,000	*	44,702
SCI Endowment Care Common Trust Fund - First Union (5)	20,000	*	540
SCI Endowment Care Common Trust Fund - National Fiduciary Services (5)	70,000	*	1,891
SCI Endowment Care Common Trust Fund - Suntrust (5)	30,000	*	810
Screen Actors Guild Pension Convertible	500,000	*	13,513
S G Cowen Securities Corporation	1,500,000	*	40,540
SG Hambros Trust Company (Jersey) Ltd as	300,000	*	8,108

Trustee of the Lyxor Master Fund			
Shell Pension Trust	320,000	*	8,648
Silverado Arbitrage Trading, Ltd.	500,000	*	13,513
Silvercreek Limited Partnership	1,100,000	*	29 <b>,</b> 729
Silvercreek II Limited	900,000	*	24,324
Sisters of Good Shepherd	100,000	*	2,702
Southern Farm Bureau Life Insurance	185,000	*	4,999
SPT (5)	710,000	*	19,189
St. Thomas Trading, Ltd.	13,468,000	6.73	363,999
Starvest Combined Portfolio	190,000	*	5,135
State Employees' Retirement Fund of the	810,000	*	21,891
State of Delaware			
State of Connecticut Combined Investment	1,705,000	*	46,081
Fund			

Name	owned that	Percentage of notes outstanding	Number of shares of common stock that may be sold (1)
State of Maryland Retirement Agency	2,575,000	1.29	69,594
State Street Bank Custodian for GE Pension Trust	1,585,000	*	42,837
Sunrise Partners LLC	9,200,000	4.60	248,648
The Dow Chemical Company Employees'	1,150,000	*	27,631
Retirement Plan (5)			
The Fondren Foundation (5)	35,000	*	945
The Grable Foundation	95,000	*	2 <b>,</b> 567
Trustmark Insurance Company	280,000	*	7,567
2000 Revocable Trust FBO A.R. Lauder / Zinterhofer	6,000	*	162
Union Carbide Retirement Account (5)	600,000	*	16,216
United Food and Commercial Workers Local 1262 and Employee Pension Fund (5)	270,000	*	7 <b>,</b> 297
Univar USA Inc. Retirement Plan (5)	140,000	*	3,783
Vanguard Convertible Securities Fund, Inc.	1,945,000	*	52 <b>,</b> 567
Wake Forest University	686,000	*	18,540
Wake Forest University Convertible Arbitrage	355,000	*	9,594
WPG Convertible Arbitrage Overseas Master Fund, L.P	2,500,000	1.25	67,567
Writers Guild Industry Health Fund	293,000	*	7,918
Wyoming State Treasurer	971,000	*	26,243
Zurich Institutional Benchmark Master Fund Ltd.	1,000,000	*	27 <b>,</b> 027

Name 	Principal amount of notes beneficially owned that may be sold	Percentage of notes	shares of common stock that may be sold (1)
Any other holder of notes or future transferee, pledgee, donee or successor of any holder (3) Total	\$200,000,000 (8)	100.00%	5,405,400 (4)

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- (1) Assumes conversion of all of the holder's notes at a conversion rate of 27.027 shares of common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of notes. However, this conversion rate will be subject to adjustment as described under "Description of Notes--Conversion Rights." As a result, the amount of common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes may increase or decrease in the future.
- Calculated based on 30,315,494 shares of common stock outstanding as of December 31, 2001. In calculating this amount for each selling security holder, we treated as outstanding that number of shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of all of that holder's notes. However, we did not assume the conversion of any other holder's notes, except in calculating the percentage for all selling security holders as a group.
- (3) Information about other selling security holders will be set forth in prospectus supplements, if required.
- (4) Column does not add up correctly because the fractional shares to which the holders would be entitled have been disregarded.
- (5) Pursuant to an Investment Management Agreement, CALAMOS(R) Investments is not acting individually, but solely as an Investment Manager for the selling security holder.
- The entity is either an investment company or a portfolio of an investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, or a private investment account advised by Fidelity Management and Research Company ("FMR Co."). FMR Co. is a Massachusetts corporation and an investment advisor registered under Section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended, and provides investment advisory services to each of such Fidelity entities identified above, and to other registered investment companies and to certain other funds which are generally offered to a limited

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group of investors. FMR Co. is a wholly owned subsidiary of FMR Corp., a Massachusetts corporation. The holdings are as of January 23, 2002.

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<sup>\*</sup> Less than 1%.

- (7) The entity owns \$1,200,000 of our 6.00% convertible subordinated notes due 2004. Further, Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated acted as one of the initial purchasers in connection with the offer and sale of the notes in December 2001.
- The figures in this column are based on information supplied to us, as (8) of March 6, 2003, by the respective selling security holders named in the table. As of that date, these selling security holders had supplied us with information indicating that, collectively, they owned more than \$200,000,000 aggregate principal amount of notes (which would be convertible into more than 5,405,400 shares of common stock), reflecting, we believe, that one or more selling security holders supplied us with information for inclusion in the table and then sold their notes in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act to persons who also supplied us with information with respect to the same notes. However, since this prospectus would not be applicable to any sale of notes after they have been publicly sold utilizing this prospectus, no more than \$200,000,000 principal amount of notes could be sold utilizing this prospectus and, accordingly, the \$200,000,000 total in this column has been retained and represents the maximum principal amount of notes that could be sold hereunder.
- (9) The entity also owns an additional \$6,500,000 principal amount of the notes, which it purchased, in registered form, in the open market.
- (10) This entity (the "Fund") has advised us that, to the best of its knowledge, the Fund has no position, office or other material relationship with us or any of our affiliates and that, while other funds and accounts advised by Massachusetts Financial Services Company ("MFS") may own securities issued by us, MFS has no knowledge of any other position, office or other material relationship between the Fund's affiliates and us or any of our affiliates.

We prepared this table based on the information supplied to us on or before March 6, 2003 by the selling security holders named in the table. The selling security holders listed in the above table may have sold or transferred, pursuant to the prospectus or in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, some or all of their notes since the date they have supplied the information to us. Some of the selling security holders may hold additional notes that have been registered under the Securities Act. Information about the selling security holders may change further over time. Any changed information supplied to us will be set forth in future prospectus supplements.

Other than as noted above, none of the selling security holders listed above has, or within the past three years has had, any position, office or other material relationship with us or any of our predecessors or affiliates.

Because the selling security holders may offer all or some of their notes or the underlying common stock from time to time, we cannot estimate the amount of the notes or the underlying

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common stock that will be held by the selling security holders upon the termination of any particular offering. See "Plan of Distribution."  $\,$ 

The last sentence of the sixth paragraph under "Plan of Distribution" on page 41 of the prospectus was previously amended to read as follows:

"The selling security holders may also sell the notes or the underlying common stock short and deliver notes or the underlying common stock to close out short positions, or loan or pledge notes or the underlying common stock to broker-dealers or financial institutions that, in turn, may sell the notes or the underlying common stock."