TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING CO LTD Form 6-K September 10, 2018

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 September 2018

Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Ltd.

 $(Translation\ of\ Registrant\ \ s\ Name\ Into\ English)$

No. 8, Li-Hsin Rd. 6,

Hsinchu Science Park,

Taiwan

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.)

Form 20-F Form 40-F

(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

(If Yes is marked, indicated below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82:

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 : September 10, 2018 By /s/ Lora Ho Lora Ho

Senior Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

TSMC August 2018 Revenue Report

Hsinchu, Taiwan, R.O.C. Sep. 10, 2018 - TSMC (TWSE: 2330, NYSE: TSM) today announced its net revenues for August 2018: On a consolidated basis, revenues for August 2018 were approximately NT\$91.06 billion, an increase of 22.4 percent from July 2018 and a decrease of 0.9 percent from August 2017. Revenues for January through August 2018 totaled NT\$646.78 billion, an increase of 5.8 percent compared to the same period in 2017.

TSMC August Revenue Report (Consolidated):

(Unit:NT\$ million)

| | | | M-o-M | | Y-o-Y | | | Y-o-Y |
|--------------|--------|--------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|
| | | | Increase | | Increase | January to | January to | Increase |
| | August | July | (Decrease |) August (| Decrease) | August | August (| Decrease) |
| Period | 2018 | 2018 | % | 2017 | % | 2018 | 2017 | % |
| Net Revenues | 91,055 | 74,371 | 22.4 | 91,917 | (0.9) | 646,781 | 611,298 | 5.8 |

| TSMC Spokesperson: | TSMC Acting Spokesperson: | For Further Information: |
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Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Limited

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 August 2018.

1. Sales volume (in NT\$ thousands)

| Period | Items | 2018 | 2017 |
|----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| Aug. | Net sales | 91,055,038 | 91,917,167 |
| Jan Aug. | Net sales | 646,781,444 | 611,297,969 |

2. Funds lent to other parties (in NT\$ thousands)

| | Limit of | Amount Drawn |
|-----------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Lending Company | lending | Bal. as of period end |
| TSMC China* | 53.281.279 | 30,217,250 |

^{*} The borrower is TSMC Nanjing, a wholly-owned subsidiary of TSMC.

3. Endorsements and guarantees (in NT\$ thousands):

| | Limit of | Amount |
|-----------|-------------|-----------------------|
| Guarantor | guarantee | Bal. as of period end |
| TSMC* | 372,500,386 | 2,554,648 |

- * The guarantee was provided to TSMC North America, a wholly-owned subsidiary of TSMC.
- 4. Financial derivative transactions (in NT\$ thousands)
 - (1) Derivatives not under hedge accounting.

TSMC

| | Forward | |
|----------------|---------|--|
| Margin Payment | | |
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Premium Income (Expense)

| | Notional Amount | 48,198,721 | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|--|
| Outstanding Contracts | Mark to Market Profit/Loss | 233,601 | |
| | Unrealized Profit/Loss | (102,384) | |
| | Notional Amount | 319,023,086 | |
| Expired Contracts | Realized Profit/Loss | (863,931) | |
| Equity price linked product | (Y/N) | N | |

TSMC China

| | | Forward | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|--|
| Margin Payment | | | |
| Premium Income (Expense) | | | |
| | Notional Amount | 10,382,641 | |
| Outstanding Contracts | Mark to Market Profit/Loss | (26,306) | |
| | Unrealized Profit/Loss | (234,315) | |
| | Notional Amount | 143,439,805 | |
| Expired Contracts | Realized Profit/Loss | (760,030) | |
| Equity price linked product (| Y/N) | N | |

VisEra Tech

| Margin Payment | | | |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|--|
| Premium Income (Expense) | | | |
| | Notional Amount | 520,409 | |
| Outstanding Contracts | Mark to Market Profit/Loss | (663) | |
| | Unrealized Profit/Loss | (5,708) | |
| | Notional Amount | 2,177,494 | |

Forward

Expired Contracts

| | Realized Profit/Loss | (8,975) | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------|------------|--|
| Equity price linked produc | et (Y/N) | N | |
| TSMC Nanjing | | | |
| | | Forward | |
| Margin Payment | | | |
| Premium Income (Expense | e) | | |
| | Notional Amount | 4,197,855 | |
| Outstanding Contracts | Mark to Market Profit/Loss | 7,618 | |
| | Unrealized Profit/Loss | 21,835 | |
| | Notional Amount | 48,733,300 | |
| Expired Contracts | Realized Profit/Loss | 631,489 | |

N

Equity price linked product (Y/N)

(2) Derivatives under hedge accounting.

TSMC

| | | Forward | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|--|
| Margin Payment | | | |
| Premium Income (Expense) | | | |
| | Notional Amount | 534,060 | |
| Outstanding Contracts | Mark to Market Profit/Loss | 3,415 | |
| | Unrealized Profit/Loss | (1,268) | |
| | Notional Amount | 3,899,359 | |
| Expired Contracts | Realized Profit/Loss | 16,679 | |
| Equity price linked product (| Y/N) | N | |

TSMC Global

| | | Future |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------|
| Margin Payment | | (123,353) |
| Premium Income (Expense) | | |
| Outstanding Contracts | Notional Amount | 11,346,720 |
| | Mark to Market Profit/Loss | 13,545,101 |
| | Unrealized Profit/Loss | (41,496) |

| | Notional Amount | 41,156,420 | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|------------|--|
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| Expired Contracts | Realized Profit/Loss | 132,159 | |
| | Realized Florid Loss | 132,137 | |
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| Equity price linked product (Y/N) | | N | |