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PROSPECTUS

4,972,905 Shares

NeoPhotonics Corporation

Common Stock

This prospectus relates to the sale or other disposition from time to time of up to 4,972,905 shares of our common stock to be sold by the selling stockholder named in this prospectus. The 4,972,905 shares of common stock covered by this prospectus were sold by us in a private placement of these securities. We are not selling any common stock under this prospectus and will not receive any of the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of shares by the selling stockholder.

The selling stockholder may sell or otherwise dispose of the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus in a number of different ways and at varying prices. We provide more information about how the selling stockholder may sell or otherwise dispose of its shares of common stock in the section entitled "Plan of Distribution" on page 8. Discounts, concessions, commissions and similar selling expenses attributable to the sale of shares of common stock covered by this prospectus will be borne by the selling stockholder. We will pay all expenses (other than discounts, concessions, commissions and similar selling expenses) relating to the registration of the shares with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Our common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol NPTN. On April 17, 2015, the last reported sale price for our common stock on the New York Stock Exchange was \$5.93 per share.

Investing in our common stock involves risks. See Risk Factors beginning on page 3 of this prospectus.

The date of this prospectus is April 17, 2015

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You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus, any supplement to this prospectus or in any free writing prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Neither we nor the selling stockholder have authorized anyone to provide you with additional information or information different from that contained in this prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. We take no responsibility for, and can provide no assurance as to the reliability of, any other information that others may give you. The selling stockholder is offering to sell, and seeking offers to buy, our common stock only in jurisdictions where offers and sales are permitted. The information contained in this prospectus is accurate only as of the date of this prospectus, regardless of the time of delivery of this prospectus or any sale of shares of our common stock. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since that date.

For investors outside the United States: Neither we nor the selling stockholder have done anything that would permit this offering or possession or distribution of this prospectus in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required, other than in the United States. Persons outside the United States who come into possession of this prospectus must inform themselves about, and observe any restrictions relating to, the offering of the shares of common stock and the distribution of this prospectus outside the United States.

To the extent there is a conflict between the information contained in this prospectus, on the one hand, and the information contained in any document incorporated by reference filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) before the date of this prospectus, on the other hand, you should rely on the information in this prospectus. If any statement in a document incorporated by reference is inconsistent with a statement in another document incorporated by reference having a later date, the statement in the document having the later date modifies or supersedes the earlier statement.

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CONVENTIONS THAT APPLY IN THIS PROSPECTUS

Unless otherwise indicated, references in this prospectus to:

100G products collectively refers to all products sold by us designed for use at 100Gbps (100G), and in coherent transmission systems designed for use at 100Gbps or higher data rates. Some customers may use components designed for use at 100G at lower speeds. Our 100G products include both coherent transmission products and 100G network products that are not coherent; and

Advanced Hybrid Photonic Integration refers to state-of-the-art integration of multi-platform materials and devices.

Unless the context indicates otherwise, we use the terms NeoPhotonics, we, us, our and the Company in this prospectus to refer to NeoPhotonics Corporation and, where appropriate, its subsidiaries.

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PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

The following summary highlights selected information contained or incorporated by reference elsewhere in this prospectus and does not contain all of the information that you should consider in making your investment decision. Before investing in our common stock, you should carefully read this entire prospectus, including our financial statements and the related notes and other documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus, as well as the information under the caption Risk Factors herein and under similar headings in the other documents that are incorporated by reference into this prospectus.

Business Overview

We develop, manufacture and sell optoelectronic products that transmit, receive and switch high speed digital optical signals for communications networks. The percentage of our total revenue derived from our high speed products (100G and beyond) increased to 43% in the year ended December 31, 2014, from 7% in the year ended December 31, 2011, reaching \$131.3 million of revenue in the year ended December 31, 2014.

Our 100G and beyond products require our Advanced Hybrid Photonic Integration technology. We produce photonic integrated circuits (PICs) that comprise both arrayed and individual photonic functional elements using optimized materials systems and processes from our in-house Silicon, Indium Phosphide and Gallium Arsenide wafer fabrication. These individual PICs from different materials are then combined using our hybrid integration technology to make complete products, such as our Integrated Coherent Receiver (ICR) for 100G coherent transport applications.

Corporate Information

We were incorporated in October 1996 in the State of Delaware. Our principal executive offices are located at 2911 Zanker Road, San Jose, California 95134, USA, and our telephone number is +1 (408) 232-9200. Our website address is www.neophotonics.com. Information contained on our website is not incorporated by reference into this prospectus, and you should not consider information contained on our website to be part of this prospectus or in deciding whether to purchase shares of our common stock. We changed our name to NeoPhotonics Corporation in 2002 after having been incorporated as NanoGram Corporation.

Our name is a registered trademark of NeoPhotonics Corporation. This prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus contain additional trade names and trademarks of NeoPhotonics and of other companies.

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THE OFFERING

This prospectus relates to the sale or other disposition from time to time of up to 4,972,905 shares of our common stock all of which are held by the selling stockholder named in this prospectus.

Issuer: NeoPhotonics Corporation

Shares offered by the selling stockholder 4,972,905

Shares outstanding after this offering 32,786,272

Use of Proceeds We will not receive any proceeds from the sale of the shares offered hereby. See Use of Proceeds in this prospectus.

Risk Factors See Risk Factors beginning on page 3 in this prospectus for a discussion of factors that you should carefully consider before deciding to invest in shares of our common stock.

The number of shares of our common stock to be outstanding after this offering is based on 32,786,272 shares of our common stock outstanding as of February 28, 2015, and excludes:

stock options to purchase 4,974,709 shares of common stock with a weighted average exercise price of \$4.04 per share;

602,972 shares of common stock issuable upon the vesting of restricted stock units;

2,694,198 shares of common stock reserved for future issuance under our 2010 equity incentive plan and 2010 employee stock purchase plan, and shares that become available under the plans pursuant to provisions thereof that automatically increase the share reserves under the plans each year; and

257,267 shares of common stock reserved for future issuance under our 2011 equity inducement plan.

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RISK FACTORS

Investing in our common stock involves a high degree of risk. You should consider carefully the risks and uncertainties described in the section entitled "Risk Factors" contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, on March 16, 2015, which description is incorporated in this prospectus by reference in its entirety, as well as in any prospectus supplement hereto. These risks and uncertainties are not the only risks and uncertainties we face. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us, or that we currently view as immaterial, may also impair our business. If any of the risks or uncertainties described in our SEC filings or any additional risks and uncertainties actually occur, our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flow could be materially and adversely affected. In that case, the trading price of our common stock could decline and you might lose all or part of your investment.

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SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus, including the information that we incorporate by reference, contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 that involve substantial risks and uncertainties. All statements other than statements of historical facts contained in this prospectus, including statements regarding our future financial condition, business strategy and plans and objectives of management for future operations, are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include statements that are not historical facts and can be identified by terms such as anticipates, believes, could, seeks, estimates, expects, intends, potential, predicts, projects, should, will, would or similar expressions and the negatives of those terms.

Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause our actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. Given these uncertainties, you should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. Also, forward-looking statements represent our management's beliefs and assumptions only as of the date of this prospectus. You should read this prospectus, including the information that we incorporate by reference, and the documents that we have filed as exhibits to the registration statement, of which this prospectus is a part, completely and with the understanding that our actual future results may be materially different from what we expect.

Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from our expectations are disclosed under Risk Factors and elsewhere in this prospectus and in the information that we incorporate by reference, including, without limitation, in conjunction with the forward-looking statements appearing elsewhere in this prospectus and in the information that we incorporate by reference.

Except as required by law, we assume no obligation to update these forward-looking statements, or to update the reasons actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements, even if new information becomes available in the future.

USE OF PROCEEDS

All shares offered in this prospectus are being sold by the selling stockholder. We will not receive any proceeds from the sale of shares by the selling stockholder.

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Our common stock began trading on the New York Stock Exchange on February 2, 2011, under the symbol NPTN. The table below sets forth the high and low intraday sales prices for our common stock for the periods indicated, as reported by the New York Stock Exchange:

	Price Per Share	
	High	Low
Year Ended December 31, 2013		
First quarter	\$ 6.09	\$ 4.79
Second quarter	8.81	4.75
Third quarter	9.77	6.20
Fourth quarter	7.98	5.31
Year Ended December 31, 2014		
First quarter	\$ 8.50	\$ 6.37
Second quarter	8.20	3.75
Third quarter	4.20	2.20
Fourth quarter	3.79	2.26
Year Ending December 31, 2015		
First quarter	\$ 7.25	2.75
Second quarter (through April 17, 2015)	6.87	5.28

The reported last sale price of our common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on April 17, 2015, was \$5.93 per share. As of February 28, 2015, there were approximately 108 stockholders of record of our common stock.

DIVIDEND POLICY

To date, no dividends have been declared, accrued, paid or otherwise earned on our common stock or preferred stock and we do not expect to pay dividends on our common stock or preferred stock in the foreseeable future. Instead, we anticipate that all of our earnings in the foreseeable future will be used for the operation and growth of our business. Any future determination to pay dividends on our common stock or preferred stock would be subject to the discretion of our board of directors and would depend upon various factors, including our results of operations, financial condition, liquidity requirements, restrictions that may be imposed by applicable law and our contracts and other factors deemed relevant by our board of directors. In addition, our revolving credit and term loan agreement with Comerica Bank limits our ability to pay dividends.

Table of Contents**SELLING STOCKHOLDER**

The following table sets forth information regarding the number of shares of our common stock as of February 28, 2015, held for the account of, and the numbers of shares being sold, by the selling stockholder.

Name of Selling Stockholder	Shares Beneficially Owned		Shares Beneficially Owned	
	Prior to the Offering Total	Shares Being Offered	After the Offering Number	Percent
Open Joint Stock Company RUSNANO Prospect 60-letiya Oktyabrya 10a, 117036, Moscow, Russian Federation ⁽¹⁾	4,972,905	4,972,905		%

(1) Rusnano is an open joint stock company organized under the laws of the Russian Federation. The supervisory board of Rusnano has sole voting and investment power with respect to the shares beneficially owned by Rusnano. The Russian Federation owns 100% of Rusnano. Dmitry Akhanov, a member of our board of directors, is the President and Chief Executive Officer of Rusnano USA, Inc., a U.S. subsidiary of Rusnano, but he disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.

Private placement and related agreements with Rusnano

In April 2012, we entered into a share purchase agreement with Rusnano, pursuant to which we sold and issued an aggregate of 4,972,905 shares of common stock at a purchase price of \$8.00 per share for aggregate gross proceeds of approximately \$39,783,240. Immediately after the closing of such transaction, Rusnano owned approximately 16.7% of our issued and outstanding common stock.

In connection with the foregoing transaction, we entered into a rights agreement with Rusnano pursuant to which we agreed to, among other matters: (i) file one or more registration statements covering the resale of shares of our common stock held by Rusnano prior to the expiration of a lock-up agreement between us and Rusnano, (ii) grant piggyback registration rights to Rusnano for shares of our common stock held by Rusnano following the expiration of the lock-up agreement in the event we propose to register shares in an underwritten offering, (iii) grant Rusnano the right to designate one nominee for our board of directors, (iv) grant Rusnano a right of first offer to purchase its pro rata share of all equity securities (subject to an exception for shares sold in a public offering and other customary exceptions set forth therein) that we may propose to sell and issue after the date of the rights agreement, and (v) make a \$30,000,000 investment towards our Russian operations (the Investment Commitment).

We also entered into a lock-up agreement with Rusnano, dated April 27, 2012, in connection with the foregoing transaction. The lock-up agreement provided that Rusnano would not, for a period of two years from the closing of the transaction, directly or indirectly, sell or otherwise dispose of any shares of our common stock or securities convertible into or exchangeable for our common stock.

Dmitry Akhanov, a member of our board of directors since July 2013, is the President and Chief Executive Officer of Rusnano USA, Inc., a U.S. subsidiary of Rusnano. Prior to Mr. Akhanov's appointment in July 2013, Sergey Polikarpov, a Managing Director of Rusnano, served as a member of our board of directors beginning in April 2012.

We are currently required to satisfy the Investment Commitment by June 30, 2015. We intend to meet the Investment Commitment by June 30, 2015. If we fail to meet the Investment Commitment by the deadline, we may be required to pay a \$5.0 million penalty as the sole and exclusive remedy for damages and monetary relief available to Rusnano for failure to meet the Investment Commitment.

Separately, on December 18, 2014, we entered into a Commitment to file a Resale Registration Statement and Related Waiver of Registration Rights, whereby Rusnano waived its registration rights in connection with an intended public offering of our common stock, and we committed to file with the SEC a registration statement of

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which this prospectus is a part covering the resale of all shares of the common stock held by Rusnano no later than April 15, 2015. Rusnano also waived its demand registration rights under the original rights agreement and agreed to enter into a lock up agreement with us whereby it will agree not to sell any shares of our common stock, or engage in certain other transactions relating to our securities, for a period of 60 days from the filing date of the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part. Rusnano signed such lock up agreement with us on April 2, 2015.

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PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We are registering the shares of common stock issued to the selling stockholder to permit the resale of these shares by the selling stockholder from time to time after the date of this prospectus. We will not receive any of the proceeds from the sale by the selling stockholder of the shares. We will bear all fees and expenses incident to our obligation to register the shares.

The selling stockholder has entered into a lock up agreement with us whereby it has agreed not to sell any shares of our common stock, or engage in certain other transactions relating to our securities, for a period of 60 days from the filing date of the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part.

The selling stockholder and any of its pledgees, assignees and successors-in-interest may, from time to time, sell any or all of their shares covered hereby on The New York Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange, market or trading facility on which the shares are traded or in private transactions. These sales may be at fixed prices, at prevailing market prices at the time of the sale, at varying prices determined at the time of sale, or negotiated prices. The selling stockholder may use any one or more of the following methods when selling shares:

ordinary brokerage transactions and transactions in which the broker-dealer solicits purchasers;

an underwritten public offering in which one or more underwriters participate;

block trades in which the broker-dealer will attempt to sell the shares as agent but may position and resell a portion of the block as principal to facilitate the transaction;

purchases by a broker-dealer as principal and resale by the broker-dealer for its account;

an exchange distribution in accordance with the rules of the applicable exchange;

privately negotiated transactions;

settlement of short sales entered into after the effective date of the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part, to the extent permitted by law;

in transactions through broker-dealers that agree with the selling stockholder to sell a specified number of such shares at a stipulated price per share;

put or call options transactions or through the writing or settlement of standardized or over-the-counter options or other hedging or derivative transactions, whether through an options exchange or otherwise;

by pledge to secure debts and other obligations;

a combination of any such methods of sale; or

any other method permitted pursuant to applicable law.

To the extent required by law, this prospectus may be amended or supplemented from time to time to describe a specific plan of distribution, which amended or supplemented prospectus may include the following information to the extent required by law:

the terms of the offering;

the names of any underwriters or agents;

the purchase price of the shares of common stock;

any delayed delivery arrangements;

any underwriting discounts and other items constituting underwriters' compensation;

any initial public offering price; and

any discounts or concessions allowed or reallocated or paid to dealers.

The selling stockholder may also sell common stock under Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act, if available, rather than under this prospectus.

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If underwriters are used in the sale, the shares will be acquired by the underwriters for their own account and may be resold from time to time in one or more transactions, including negotiated transactions, at a fixed public offering price or at varying prices determined at the time of sale. In connection with any such underwritten sale of shares, underwriters may receive compensation from the selling stockholder, for whom they may act as agents, in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions. If the selling stockholder uses an underwriter or underwriters to effectuate the sale of shares, we and/or they will execute an underwriting agreement with those underwriters at the time of sale of those shares. To the extent required by law, the names of the underwriters will be set forth in a supplement to this prospectus or, if appropriate, a post-effective amendment to the registration statement that includes this prospectus, used by the underwriters to sell those securities. The obligations of the underwriters to purchase those shares will be subject to certain conditions precedent, and unless otherwise specified in a prospectus or a prospectus supplement, the underwriters will be obligated to purchase all the shares offered by such prospectus or prospectus supplement if any of such shares are purchased. Any initial public offering price and any discounts or concessions allowed or reallocated or paid to dealers may be changed from time to time.

Broker-dealers engaged by the selling stockholder may arrange for other brokers-dealers to participate in sales. Broker-dealers may receive commissions or discounts from the selling stockholder (or, if any broker-dealer acts as agent for the purchaser of shares, from the purchaser) in amounts to be negotiated, but, except as set forth in a supplement to this prospectus, in the case of an agency transaction not in excess of a customary brokerage commission in compliance with FINRA Rule 2440; and in the case of a principal transaction a markup or markdown in compliance with FINRA IM-2440-1.

From time to time, the selling stockholder may pledge, hypothecate or grant a security interest in some or all of the common stock owned by it. The pledgees, secured parties, or persons to whom the shares have been hypothecated will, upon foreclosure, be deemed to be a selling stockholder. The number of a selling stockholder's shares offered under this prospectus will decrease as and when it takes such actions. The plan of distribution for that selling stockholder's shares will otherwise remain unchanged.

In connection with the sale of the shares of common stock or interests therein, the selling stockholder may enter into hedging transactions with broker-dealers or other financial institutions, which may in turn engage in short sales of the common stock in the course of hedging the positions they assume. The selling stockholder may also sell the shares short and deliver these securities to close out their short positions or to return borrowed shares in connection with such short sales, or loan or pledge the common stock to broker-dealers that in turn may sell these securities. The selling stockholder may also enter into option or other transactions with broker-dealers or other financial institutions or create one or more derivative securities which require the delivery to such broker-dealer or other financial institution of shares offered by this prospectus, which shares such broker-dealer or other financial institution may resell pursuant to this prospectus (as supplemented or amended to reflect such transaction). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the selling stockholder has been advised that it may not use shares registered on this registration statement to cover short sales of our common stock made prior to the date the registration statement, of which this prospectus forms a part, has been declared effective by the SEC.

The selling stockholder may also sell common stock from time to time through agents. We will name any agent involved in the offer or sale of such shares and will list commissions payable to these agents in a prospectus supplement, if required. These agents will be acting on a best efforts basis to solicit purchases for the period of their appointment, unless we state otherwise in any required prospectus supplement.

The selling stockholder may sell shares directly to purchasers. In this case, they may not engage underwriters or agents in the offer and sale of such shares.

A selling stockholder which is an entity may elect to make a pro rata in-kind distribution of the common stock to its members, partners or shareholders. In such event we may file a prospectus supplement to the extent required by law in order to permit the distributees to use the prospectus to resell the shares acquired in the distribution. A selling stockholder which is an individual may make gifts of shares covered hereby. Such donees may use the prospectus to resell the shares or, if required by law, we may file a prospectus supplement naming such donees.

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The selling stockholder and any broker-dealers or agents that are involved in selling the common stock may be deemed to be underwriters within the meaning of the Securities Act in connection with such sales. In such event, any discounts, commissions or concessions received by such broker-dealers or agents and any profit on the resale of the shares purchased by them may be deemed to be underwriting commissions or discounts under the Securities Act. If the selling stockholder is an underwriter within the meaning of Section 2(11) of the Securities Act, it will be subject to the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act and may be subject to certain statutory liabilities of, including but not limited to, Sections 11, 12 and 17 of the Securities Act and Rule 10b-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act. The selling stockholder has informed us that it is not a registered broker-dealer and does not have any written or oral agreement or understanding, directly or indirectly, with any person to distribute the shares. In no event shall any underwriter or broker-dealer receive fees, commissions and markups which, in the aggregate, would exceed eight percent (8%).

We are required to pay certain fees and expenses incurred by us incident to the registration of the shares. We have agreed to indemnify the selling stockholder against certain losses, claims, damages and liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, and the selling stockholder may be entitled to contribution. We may be indemnified by the selling stockholder against certain losses, claims, damages and liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, that may arise from any written information furnished to us by the selling stockholder specifically for use in this prospectus, or we may be entitled to contribution.

The selling stockholder will be subject to the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act including Rule 172 thereunder unless an exemption therefrom is available.

We agreed to use our commercially reasonable efforts keep the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part effective until the earlier of (i) the date on which the shares may be resold by the selling stockholder without registration and without regard to any volume restrictions by reason of Rule 144 under the Securities Act or any other rule of similar effect, (ii) all of the shares have been sold pursuant to this prospectus or Rule 144 under the Securities Act or any other rule of similar effect or (iii) two years from the date the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part was declared effective by the SEC, provided that such two-year period is subject to extension for the number of days that the effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part is suspended. The resale shares will be sold only through registered or licensed brokers or dealers if required under applicable state securities laws. In addition, in certain states, the resale of shares covered hereby may not be sold unless they have been registered or qualified for sale in the applicable state or an exemption from the registration or qualification requirement is available and is complied with.

Under applicable rules and regulations under the Exchange Act, any person engaged in the distribution of the resale shares may not simultaneously engage in market making activities with respect to the common stock for the applicable restricted period, as defined in Regulation M, prior to the commencement of the distribution. In addition, the selling stockholder will be subject to applicable provisions of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder, including Regulation M, which may limit the timing of purchases and sales of common stock by the selling stockholder or any other person. We will make copies of this prospectus available to the selling stockholder and have informed them of the need to deliver a copy of this prospectus to each purchaser at or prior to the time of the sale (including by compliance with Rule 172 under the Securities Act).

There can be no assurance that the selling stockholder will sell any or all of the common stock registered pursuant to the registration statement, of which this prospectus forms a part. In addition, there can be no assurances that the selling stockholder will not transfer, devise or gift the shares by other means not described in this prospectus.

Once sold under the registration statement, of which this prospectus forms a part, the shares will be freely tradable in the hands of persons other than our affiliates.

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LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the shares of common stock being offered by this prospectus will be passed upon for us by Cooley LLP, Palo Alto, California.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2014, incorporated by reference in this Prospectus, and the effectiveness of NeoPhotonics Corporation's internal control over financial reporting, have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their reports, which are incorporated by reference herein. Such consolidated financial statements have been so incorporated in reliance upon the reports of such firm given upon their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

The consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2012, incorporated in this prospectus by reference to NeoPhotonics Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014, have been so incorporated in reliance on the report of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, given on the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

This prospectus is part of the registration statement on Form S-1 we filed with the SEC under the Securities Act and does not contain all the information set forth in the registration statement. Whenever a reference is made in this prospectus to any of our contracts, agreements or other documents, the reference may not be complete and you should refer to the exhibits that are a part of the registration statement or the exhibits to the reports or other documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus for a copy of such contract, agreement or other document. Because we are subject to the information and reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, we file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. Our SEC filings are available to the public over the Internet at the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov>. You may also read and copy any document we file at the SEC's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the operation of the Public Reference Room. In addition, any person to whom this prospectus is delivered may request copies of this prospectus and any related amendments or supplements or documents incorporated by reference, without charge, by written or telephonic request directed to Clyde R. Wallin, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, NeoPhotonics Corporation, 2911 Zanker Road, San Jose, California 95134; telephone: (408) 232-9200; E-mail: ray.wallin@neophotonics.com.

We maintain a website at www.neophotonics.com. Information found on, or accessible through, our website is not a part of, and is not incorporated into, this prospectus, and you should not consider it part of this prospectus.

INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN INFORMATION BY REFERENCE

The SEC allows us to incorporate by reference information from other documents that we file with it, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents. The information incorporated by reference is considered to be part of this prospectus. Information in this prospectus supersedes information incorporated by reference that we filed with the SEC prior to the date of this prospectus.

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We incorporate by reference into this prospectus and the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part the information or documents listed below that we have filed with the SEC (Commission File No. 001-35061):

our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, on March 16, 2015;

our Current Reports on Form 8-K, filed with the SEC on January 8, 2015, January 28, 2015, March 2, 2015, March 3, 2015 (other than under Item 2.02 and the related exhibit), April 1, 2015 and April 3, 2015; and

the description of our common stock contained in our registration statement on Form 8-A filed with the SEC on January 28, 2011, including any amendments or reports filed for the purposes of updating this description.

We will furnish without charge to you, on written or oral request, a copy of any or all of the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus, including exhibits to these documents. You should direct any requests for documents to Clyde R. Wallin, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, NeoPhotonics Corporation, 2911 Zanker Road, San Jose, California 95134; telephone: (408) 232-9200; E-mail: ray.wallin@neophotonics.com.

You also may access these filings on our website at www.neophotonics.com. We do not incorporate the information on our website into this prospectus or any supplement to this prospectus and you should not consider any information on, or that can be accessed through, our website as part of this prospectus or any supplement to this prospectus (other than those filings with the SEC that we specifically incorporate by reference into this prospectus or any supplement to this prospectus).

Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in this prospectus will be deemed modified, superseded or replaced for purposes of this prospectus to the extent that a statement contained in this prospectus modifies, supersedes or replaces such statement.

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