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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF

THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of July 2000

STMicroelectronics N.V.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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Yes No X

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Enclosure:

A press release dated July 25, 2000 announcing that STMicroelectronics is suing Atmel for patent infringement.

PR No. C884H

STMicroelectronics Sues Atmel for Patent Infringement

GENEVA--July 25, 2000 - STMicroelectronics today announced that its U.S. affiliate filed a lawsuit for patent infringement against Atmel Corporation. The lawsuit has been filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas.

STMicroelectronics holds a broad and quality patent portfolio with over 19,000 patents and pending patent applications worldwide corresponding to more than 11,000 original inventions. STMicroelectronics has used its patent portfolio to protect its significant investment in R&D since its creation in 1987 and to enter into patent licenses with several major semiconductor companies.

The lawsuit alleges that Atmel infringes nine patents covering manufacturing processes as well as various products, including memory products, microcontroller products, and smart card products. The patents are United States Patents 5,748,528; 5,594,793; 5,452,467; 5,045,495; 5,031,092; 4,879,693; 4,849,942; 4,553,314; and 4,348,743.

STMicroelectronics (formerly SGS-THOMSON Microelectronics) is a global independent semiconductor company, whose shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange, on the Paris Bourse, and on the Milan Stock Exchange. The Company designs, develops, manufactures and markets a broad range of semiconductor integrated circuits (ICs) and discrete devices used in a wide variety of microelectronic applications, including telecommunications systems, computer systems, consumer products, automotive products and industrial automation and control systems. For the year 1999, the Company's net revenues were US\$5,056 million and net earnings were US\$547 million. For the first half of 2000, revenues were \$3,579.5 million and net income reached US\$574.9 million. Further information on ST can be found at www.st.com.

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SIGNATURE

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

Date: July 26, 2000

STMicroelectronics N.V.

By: /s/ Pasquale Pistorio Name: Pasquale Pistorio Title: President and Chief Executive Officer