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For Immediate Release

Paul Mueller Company Announces Its First Quarter Earnings of 2020

Springfield, Missouri – April 24, 2020, Paul Mueller Company (OTC: MUEL) today announced earnings for the quarter ended March 31, 2020.

PAUL MUELLER COMPANY THREE-MONTH REPORT Unaudited

(In thousands)

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	Three Months Ended March 31				Twelve Months Ended March 31		nded	
		2020		2019		2020		2019
Net Sales	\$	42,160	\$	41,882	\$	197,455	\$	197,014
Cost of Sales		30,299		31,826		140,908		148,284
Gross Profit	\$	11,861	\$	10,056	\$	56,547	\$	48,730
Selling, General and Administrative Expense		10,505		11,499		44,678		47,028
Operating Income (Loss)	\$	1,356	\$	(1,443)	\$	11,869	\$	1,702
Interest Expense		(615)		(408)		(1,034)		(982
Other Income		437		277		511		261
Income (Loss) before Provision (Benefit) for Income Taxes	\$	1,178	\$	(1,574)	\$	11,346	\$	981
Provision (Benefit) for Income Taxes		303		(494)		2,802		(196
Net Income (Loss)	\$	875	\$	(1,080)	\$	8,544	\$	1,177
Earnings (Loss) per Common Share - Basic		\$0.73		(\$0.90)		\$7.15		\$0.98
Diluted		\$0.73		(\$0.90)		\$7.15		\$0.98
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Other Comprehensive Income, Net of Tax:								
Foreign Currency Translation Adjustment						(647)		(631)
Comprehensive Income (Loss)					\$	228	\$	(1,711)
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Cash and Short-Term Investments					\$	13,022		
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SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA March 31 December 31 2020 2019 Book Value per Common Share \$27.30 \$27.11 **Total Shares Outstanding** 1,195,747 1,195,866 107.291 Backlog 79.791 \$ \$ CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF SHAREHOLDERS' INVESTMENT Accumulated Other Comprehensive Common Retained Earnings Treasury Stock Stock Paid-in Surplus Income (Loss) Total Balance, December 31, 2019 \$ 1.508 \$ 9,708 \$ 68,484 \$ (6,341)\$ (40,944)32,415 Add (Deduct): Net Income 875 875 Other Comprehensive Income, Net of Tax (647)(647)Treasury Stock Acquisition (3) (3) Balance, March 31, 2020 9,708 69,359 (6,344) (41,591) 32,640 1,508 \$ \$ \$ CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS Three Months Three Months Ended Ended March 31, 2020 March 31, 2019 Operating Activities: \$ 875 (1,080)Net Income (Loss) Adjustment to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities: Pension Contributions (Greater) Less than Expense (903) (598)Bad Debt Expense (Recovery) (10) (181)Depreciation & Amortization 1,604 1,615 (Gain) Loss on Sales of Equipment (2) (18)Change in Assets and Liabilities Dec (Inc) in Accts and Notes Receivable 5,572 (418)Dec (Inc) in Cost in Excess of Estimated Earnings and Billings 274 (43) (Inc) in Inventories (4,728)(4,076)Dec (Inc) in Prepayments 154 (1,131)(Inc) in Net Investment in Sales-type leases (26) (178)Dec (Inc) in Other LT Assets 52 Inc in Accounts Payable 2,215 3,455 Inc (Dec) in Other Accrued Expenses 1,387 (739)12,375 Inc in Advanced Billings 7.871 Inc (Dec) in Billings in Excess of Costs and Estimated Earnings 1,941 (39)(Dec) in Lease Liability for Operating (14) (Dec) in Lease Liability for Financing (11) Inc (Dec) in Long Term Liabilities 58 (70)\$ Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities 16,309 \$ 8,874 **Investing Activities** 2 27 Proceeds from Sales of Equipment Additions to Property and Equipment 216 (2) **Net Cash Provided for Investing Activities** 218 **Financing Activities** (Repayment) of principal portion of lease liability for operating (25) (Repayment) of Short-Term Borrowings, Net (4,896)(3,202)Proceeds (Repayment) of Long-Term Debt 1,112 (4,868)Treasury Stock Acquisitions (8,070) Net Cash (Required) for Financing Activities (3,812) **Effect of Exchange Rate Changes** (765) (698)

\$

131

715

846

11.950

1,072

13,022 \$

Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year

Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Quarter

PAUL MUELLER COMPANY SUMMARIZED NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (In thousands)

A. The chart below depicts the net revenue on a consolidating basis for the three months ended March 31.

Three Months Ended March 31					
Revenue		2020	2019		
Domestic	\$	29,624	\$	27,912	
Mueller BV	\$	12,801	\$	14,663	
Eliminations	\$	(265)	\$	(693)	
Net Revenue	\$	42,160	\$	41,882	

The chart below depicts the net revenue on a consolidating basis for the twelve months ended March 31.

Twelve Months Ended March 31						
Revenue		2020		2019		
Domestic	\$	146,212	\$	132,369		
Mueller BV	\$	52,574	\$	66,396		
Eliminations	\$	(1,331)	\$	(1,751)		
Net Revenue	\$	197,455	\$	197,014		

The chart below depicts the net income on a consolidating basis for the three months ended March 31.

Three Months Ended March 31						
Net Income		2020			2019	
Domestic	\$		925	\$	(1,056)	
Mueller BV	\$		(54)	\$	6	
Eliminations	\$		4	\$	(30)	
Net Income	\$		875	\$	(1,080)	

The chart below depicts the net income on a consolidating basis for the twelve months ended March 31.

Twelve Months Ended March 31						
Net Income		2020		2019		
Domestic	\$	9,393	\$	2,776		
Mueller BV	\$	(865)	\$	(1,580)		
Eliminations	\$	16	\$	(19)		
Net Income	\$	8,544	\$	1,177		

- **B.** The COVID-19 pandemic has caused unprecedented uncertainty and requires us to operate in new and different ways. To date, we have not had any confirmed cases of COVID-19 at any of our facilities. All of our facilities are operating but require much of the office staff to work remotely and has required us to establish physical separation in our locations. Our backlog gives us work for the next several months but our service and repair business has been greatly reduced. Selling activities are more difficult and customers visiting our facilities has virtually stopped. So far there has been minimal disruption in our supply chain.
- **C.** March 31, 2020 backlog was \$107.3 million which is \$27.5 million higher than the \$79.8 million at December 31, 2019. The increase is driven from an order for a juice storage facility awarded to Mueller Field Operations. Pharmaceutical backlog remains solid helping offset a very weak dairy farm backlog in the US and The Netherlands.
- D. Revenue for the three months and twelve months are relatively flat to the previous year with US revenue increases offsetting the decreases in The Netherlands. Net Income is up for the three months and twelve months as compared to the previous year. In the US, the increase in revenue and profits is from the continued strength in the pharmaceutical market which is more than offsetting the reduction in the dairy farm segment. In The Netherlands, the dairy farm segment continues to slump and is compounded by the reduction in service and repairs from the stay at home orders and social distancing. However, The Netherlands continues to save in expenses.
- **E.** As of March 31, 2020, total debt was \$17.5 million which is a decrease of \$4.0 million from December 31, 2019. Cash and cash equivalents were \$13.0 million at March 31, 2020 compared to \$1.1 million at December 31, 2019.

On January 17, 2020, the Company amended the domestic bank borrowing facility agreement to allow for the ability to distribute up to €3,000,000 to Mueller B.V., if necessary. In addition, the financial leverage covenant of maximum total debt to EBITDA was reduced from 3 to 1 to 2.25 to 1 at the end of each quarter for the trailing twelve months. Then on March 30, 2020, the Company refinanced the long-term note payable maturing on March 31, 2025, in an amount of \$4,000,000 at a fixed rate of 2.50%. The Company was in compliance with borrowing covenants as of March 31, 2020.

In The Netherlands, on February 25, 2020, Mueller B.V. amended its credit agreement as follows:

- Quarterly loan covenants were modified as follows effective June 30, 2020:
 - Minimum EBITDA for the trailing twelve months reduced from €6,000,000 to €2,750,000.
 - Maximum total debt to EBITDA for the trailing twelve months is reset to 4.50 to 1 as of June 30, 2020, and decreases annually until it reaches 3.25 to 1 as of June 30, 2024, and thereafter.

 The capacity of the bank borrowing facility will be reduced from €4,000,000 to €3,000,000 on March 31, 2020.

However, on March 27th, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the bank unilaterally suspended the principal and interest payments until September 30, 2020. In addition, the reduction of the borrowing facility of €1,000,000 scheduled for March 31, 2020 was delayed until September 30th. Borrowing covenants for Mueller B.V. are waived by the bank until June 30, 2020.

- **F.** The pre-tax results for the twelve months ended March 31, 2020, were favorably affected by a \$0.7 million decrease in the LIFO reserve. The pre-tax results for the three months ended March 31, 2019, were unfavorably affected by a \$0.7 million increase in the LIFO reserve. The pre-tax results for the twelve months ended March 31, 2019, were unfavorably affected by a \$2.2 million increase in the LIFO reserve.
- **G.** The consolidated financials are affected by the euro to dollar exchange rate when consolidating Mueller B.V., the Dutch subsidiary. The month-end euro to dollar exchange rate was 1.12 for March, 2019; 1.12 for December, 2019 and 1.10 for March, 2020, respectively.

This press release contains forward-looking statements that provide current expectations of future events based on certain assumptions. All statements regarding future performance growth, conditions, or developments are forward-looking statements. Actual future results may differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements due to a variety of factors, including, but not limited to, the factors described in the Company's Annual Report under "Safe Harbor for Forward-Looking Statements", which is available at paulmueller.com. The Company expressly disclaims any obligation or undertaking to update these forward-looking statements to reflect any future events or circumstances.

The accounting policies related to this report and additional management discussion and analysis are provided in the 2019 annual report, available at www.paulmueller.com.