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Paul Mueller Company Announces Its First Quarter Earnings of 2024

PAUL MUELLER COMPANY **THREE-MONTH REPORT** (In thousands)

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME Three Months Ended Twelve Months Ended March 31 March 31 2024 2024 2023 2023 223,161 \$ Net Sales \$ 50,356 \$ 56,351 \$ 207,096 Cost of Sales 34,560 39,554 153,631 159,979 \$ 69,530 47,117 Gross Profit 15,796 16,797 \$ \$ \$ Selling, General and Administrative Expense 86,040 37,358 10,358 12,587 Operating Income (Loss) \$ 5,438 \$ 4,210 \$ (16,510) \$ 9,759 Interest Expense (1,248) (97) (1,501) (406) Other Income 1,544 720 3,491 1,571 Income (Loss) before Provision (Benefit) for Income Taxes \$ 5,734 4,833 \$ (14,520) 10,924 \$ \$ Provision (Benefit) for Income Taxes 1,285 1,166 (5,413) 2,526 Net Income (Loss) \$ (9,107) 8,398 4,449 \$ 3,667 \$ \$ Earnings (Loss) per Common Share - Basic and Diluted \$4.10 \$3.38 (\$8.39) \$7.74

			Three Months Ended March 31		
			2024		2023
Net Income		\$	4,449	\$	3,667
Other Comprehensive Incom	e (Loss), Net of Tax:				
Foreign Currency Trans	slation Adjustment		(239)		164
Comprehensive Income		\$	4,210	\$	3,831
	CONSOLIDATED BALANCE	HEETS			
		N	March 31	De	cember 31
			2024	50	2023
Cash		\$	5,644	\$	1,883
Marketable Securities		Ť	31,687	•	32,042
Accounts Receivable			25,209		25,166
Inventories (FIFO)			47,689		45,910
LIFO Reserve			(21,557)		(21,774
Inventories (LIFO)			26,132		24,136
Current Net Investments in S	ales-Type Leases		28		27
Other Current Assets			7,344		3,537
Current Assets		\$	96,044	\$	86,791
Net Property, Plant, and Equi	inmont		42,854		42.011
Right of Use Assets	ipment		42,654		42,011
Other Assets			2,322		2,421
			480		2,590
Long-Term Net Investments i Total Assets	IT Sales-Type Leases	<u>^</u>	144.072	¢	
Total Assets		\$	144,072	\$	134,269
Accounts Payable		\$	11,993	\$	11,041
Current Maturities and Short-	Term debt		632		640
Current Lease Liabilities			364		402
Advance Billings			33,434		27,383
Pension Liabilities			32		32
Other Current Liabilities			18,722		19,599
Current Liabilities		\$	65,177	\$	59,097
Long-Term Debt			8,616		8,880
Long-Term Pension Liabilities	S		225		233
Other Long-Term Liabilities			1,775		1,768
Lease Liabilities			722		775
Total Liabilities		\$	76,515	\$	70,753
Shareholders' Investment			67,557		63,516
Total Liabilities and Sha	reholders' Investment	\$	144,072	\$	134,269

	SE	LECTED F	INANCIA	AL DATA							
							March 31 2024		December 31 2023		
Book Value per C	Book Value per Common Share							\$62.22		\$58.50	
Total Shares Out	standing							1,085,711	1,085,711		
Backlog							\$	95,196	\$	97,350	
CONSO	LIDATED STA	TEMENT C	OF SHAR	EHOLDER	S' INVES	TMENT					
		ommon Stock	Paid-	in Surplus	Retain	ed Earnings	Tre	asury Stock	Com	cumulated Other prehensive me (Loss)	Total
Balance, December 31, 2023	\$	1,508	\$	9,708	\$	67,181	\$	(10,787)	\$	(4,094)	\$ 63,516
Add (Deduct):											
Net Income						4,449					4,449
Other Comprehensive (Loss) Net of Tax										(239)	(239)
Dividends, \$.60 per Common Share						(163)					(163)
Other					\$	(6)					(6)
Balance, March 31, 2024	\$	1,508	\$	9,708	\$	71,461	\$	(10,787)	\$	(4,333)	\$ 67,557

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	Thre E Marcl	Three Months Ended March 31, 2023		
Operating Activities:				
Net Income	\$	4,449	\$	3,667
Adjustment to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:				
Pension Contributions (Greater) Less than Expense		(8)		(409
Bad Debt Expense		-		15
Depreciation & Amortization		1,736		1,560
Loss (Gain) on Disposal of Equipment		18		g
Change in Assets and Liabilities				
(Inc) in Accts and Notes Receivable		(42)		(2,634
(Inc) in Cost in Excess of Estimated Earnings and Billings		(35)		
(Inc) in Inventories		(1,901)		
(Inc) in Prepayments		(3,772)		(2,937
(Inc) in Net Investment in Sales-Type Leases		(25)		(1,122
Dec (Inc) in Other Assets		469		(46
Dec in Deferred Taxes		-		240
(Dec) Inc in Accounts Payable		952		(204
Inc in Accrued Income Tax		1,501		430
Inc (Dec) in Accrued Expenses		(654)		3,622
(Dec) Inc in Advanced Billings		6,051		(1,088
(Dec) in Billings in Excess of Costs and Estimated Earnings		(1,730)		(736
Inc in Lease Liability for Operating		24		
Inc in Lease Liability for Financing		-		13
Principal payments on Lease Liability for Operating		(41)		(65
(Dec) in Long Term Liabilities		(12)		(58
(Dec) in Long Term Deferred Tax Liabilities		(82)		(
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$	6,898	\$	375
nvesting Activities				
Intangibles		-		(62
Proceeds from Sales of Equipment		15		2
Purchases in Marketable Securities		(12,221)		(5,676
Proceeds from Sales of Marketable Securities		12,575		8,496
Additions to Property, Plant, and Equipment		(3,064)		(1,589
Net Cash (Required) for Investing Activities	\$	(2,695)	\$	1,171
Financing Activities				
Principal payments on Lease Liability for Financing		(52)		(46
Proceeds from Short-Term Borrowings		277		1,407
(Repayment) of Short-Term Borrowings		(277)		(1,407
(Repayment) of Long-Term Debt		(158)		(158
Dividends paid		(163)		(163
Net Cash (Required) for Financing Activities	\$	(373)	\$	(367
Effect of Exchange Rate Changes		(69)		64
Net Increase in Cash	\$	3,761	\$	1,243
Cash at Beginning of Year		1,883		679
Cash at End of Quarter	\$	5,644	\$	1.922

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	2024 2023							
Domestic	\$	38,877	\$	45,585				
Mueller BV	\$	11,825	\$	11,304				
Eliminations	\$	(346)	\$	(538)				
Net Revenue	\$	50,356	\$	56,351				

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

Twelve Months Ended March 31								
Revenue		2024 2023						
Domestic	\$	176,298	\$	162,662				
Mueller BV	\$	48,231	\$	45,680				
Eliminations	\$	(1,368)	\$	(1,246)				
Net Revenue	\$	223,161	\$	207,096				

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

Three Months Ended March 31								
Net Income	2024 2023							
Domestic	\$	4,048	\$	4,450				
Mueller BV	\$	374	\$	(770)				
Eliminations	\$	27	\$	(13)				
Net Income	\$	4,449	\$	3,667				

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	2024 2023							
Domestic	\$	(11,730)	\$	9,852				
Mueller BV	\$	2,621	\$	(1,435)				
Eliminations	\$	2	\$	(19)				
Net Income (Loss)	\$	(9,107)	\$	8,398				

- B. March 31, 2024 backlog is \$95.2 million compared to \$122.8 million at March 31, 2023. The majority of this backlog is in the U.S. where the backlog is \$87.8 million at March 31, 2024 compared to \$115.4 million at March 31, 2023. The \$27.6 million reduction in U.S. backlog is from all segments but primarily from the pharmaceutical, food and beverage, and component divisions coming off of record high backlogs. In the Netherlands, the backlog is relatively flat -- \$7.9 million at March 31, 2024 versus \$8.2 million on March 31, 2023.
- C. Revenue is down from the previous year by \$6 million on a three-month basis but up \$16.1 million on trailing twelve months. The lower first quarter revenue from last year is primarily from the timing of revenue recognition on the larger pharmaceutical projects and lower revenue from the components division coming off record revenue in late 2022 and early 2023. In the Netherlands, revenue is above last year by \$0.5 million and \$2.1 million on a three-month and twelve-month basis, respectively. The Dutch market is improving.

Net Income is up \$0.8 million on a three-month and down \$17.5 million on a twelve-month basis before removing the pension settlement charges. In the Netherlands, earnings are up year over year by \$1.1 million for three months and \$4.1 million over twelve months. One-time restructuring charges accrued in March 2023 and the subsequent efficiencies achieved from the restructuring along with a price increase taken in the first quarter of 2023 on slightly higher volumes led to the improved earnings.

We manage our business in the U.S. looking at earnings before tax (EBT) and excluding the effects of LIFO and non-reoccurring events such as the pension settlement. This non-GAAP adjusted EBT (as shown in the table below) is down \$0.7 million for the three months but up \$9.7 million for the trailing twelve months primarily from strong results in the pharmaceutical, food and beverage, and components divisions.

	Thr	ee Months E	inde	d March 31	Twelve Months Ended March			
(In Thousands)		2024		2023		2024	2023	
Domestic Net Income	\$	4,048	\$	4,450	\$	(11,730) \$	9,852	
Income Tax Expense	\$	1,171	\$	1,405	\$	(4,991) \$	3,020	
Domestic EBT - GAAP	\$	5,219	\$	5,855	\$	(16,721) \$	12,872	
LIFO Adjustment	\$	(217)	\$	(185)	\$	51 \$	2,577	
Pension Adjustment	\$	-	\$	-	\$	41,774 \$	-	
Domestic EBT - Non-GAAP	\$	5,002	\$	5,670	\$	25,104 \$	15,449	

D. On March 12, 2024, the Board of Directors authorized a tender offer effective from March 15, 2024, through May 7, 2024, for up to \$10 million with the option to go to \$15 million of the Company's common stock at a price of \$80. As of April 26, 2024, \$5.88 million in shares are tendered to the Company's depository agent. On April 26, 2024, the Company announced that the limit was increased to \$15 million.

- **E.** Effective March 14, 2024, the Company amended its domestic bank borrowing facility to extend the agreement until March 31, 2025, with the following changes:
 - 1. Capacity was reduced from \$15 million to \$10 million.
 - 2. Interest rate spread was changed from "SOFR+10" plus 1.15% to "SOFR+10" plus 1.35%.
 - 3. Financial leverage test of trailing twelve-month Debt/EBITDA was eliminated.
- F. The pre-tax results for the three months ended March 31, 2024, were favorably affected by \$0.2 million decrease in the LIFO reserve. The pre-tax results for the twelve months ended March 31, 2024, were unfavorably affected by \$0.1 million increase in the LIFO reserve. The pre-tax results for the three months ended March 31, 2023, were favorably affected by \$0.2 million increase in the LIFO reserve. The pre-tax results for the twelve months ended March 31, 2023 were unfavorably affected by \$2.6 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 1.09 for March 2023, 1.10 for December 2023, and 1.08 for March 2024, 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 2023 annual report, available at <u>www.paulmueller.com</u>.