Brunswick Corporation Acquires Cybex International, Solidifying Life Fitness' Segment Leadership

- Acquisition is an important component of plan to double Fitness segment revenue by 2020
- Addition of premium brand provides broader product portfolio, synergies for growth and cost reduction efficiencies
- 2016 EPS, as adjusted, outlook increased to \$3.35 \$3.50
- 2018 EPS target, as adjusted, increased to \$4.55 \$4.95

LAKE FOREST, III., Jan. 20, 2016 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Brunswick Corporation (NYSE:BC) announced today that it has acquired Cybex International Inc., a leading maker of commercial fitness equipment, for \$195 million, subject to a working capital adjustment. Cybex will join Brunswick's Life Fitness Division's portfolio of leading brands.

Founded in 1970, Cybex offers a full line of cardiovascular and strength products largely serving the commercial fitness market. Its cardio portfolio includes treadmills and exercise bikes, plus the Cybex Arc Trainer, a unique and popular cross-trainer. Cybex's comprehensive strength category includes selectorized, plate-loaded, functional and free weight equipment. Cybex's 2015 sales were estimated at about \$169 million.

In 2016, the Company believes the acquisition will contribute net benefits of \$0.08 to earnings per share, excluding planned restructuring and integration costs. Including the impact of this transaction, Brunswick's current expectation for 2016 EPS is now in the range of \$3.35 to \$3.50, as adjusted. This is based on a current estimate of 2015 results that exceeds the Company's previous EPS guidance. By 2018, the final year of Brunswick's current three-year plan, this acquisition will contribute an incremental \$0.20 earnings per share, excluding planned restructuring and integration costs, which increases Brunswick's targeted EPS range, as adjusted, to \$4.55 to \$4.95.

"With the addition of Cybex, we will expand our stable of brands serving the complete spectrum of the commercial fitness market, including health clubs, hospitality, education and military, as well as consumers, with a wide array of equipment and features that include a complete suite of services and support," explained Brunswick President and Chief Operating Officer Mark Schwabero. "We believe the combination of these premium brands and industry leaders will be well positioned to serve the global fitness market."

"The Life Fitness – Cybex combination enables us to approach the market with a broader and deeper product portfolio, and improve our ability to address the faster growing segments of the fitness market," Schwabero added. "With the addition of Cybex's manufacturing

footprint, we can meet current and future demand and achieve manufacturing cost reduction objectives more effectively and efficiently. This combination provides cost synergies and scale as well as manufacturing and engineering capabilities to further improve our competitiveness and leadership position within the fitness industry."

Schwabero further added, "Life Fitness' strong international distribution channels will open new territories and offer opportunities for growth with our deeper and more extensive product portfolio. Fueling these efforts to execute our strategy will be a deep bench of talented people throughout the combined organization.

"Along with our recent addition of SCIFIT, which serves the active aging and rehabilitation markets, and our industry leading Hammer Strength brand, Life Fitness continues to offer the broadest spectrum of fitness equipment in the industry," Schwabero concluded.

"As we recently shared with the investment community, we have a three-year plan aimed at growing both Brunswick's marine and fitness businesses," said Dusty McCoy, Brunswick chairman and chief executive officer. "The plan is focused on expanding our fitness segment and our marine parts and accessories businesses, areas we believe offer particularly good opportunities for future growth. Cybex provides a strategic and important step forward on this path to growth."

Schwabero noted that the Cybex acquisition is consistent with Brunswick's plan to double revenue of its Life Fitness Division by 2020. These recently completed acquisitions, along with the recent launch of InMovement, complement a relentless focus on new products and services within Life Fitness' core cardio and strength equipment businesses. Brunswick believes all these efforts, along with potential further acquisitions, are integral to achieving the growth objectives the corporation set for its fitness business.

Schwabero noted, "There are favorable macro trends that position the fitness industry for long-term growth and Life Fitness' leading industry position provides a firm foundation from which to move forward with its strong, well-known brands, reputation for innovation and new products and solid customer relationships. The addition of Cybex will further solidify and extend these market differentiators."

Conference call set

The Company will hold a conference call regarding this acquisition at 10 a.m. CST Jan. 21, 2016, hosted by Dusty McCoy, chairman and chief executive officer, Mark Schwabero, president and chief operating officer, Bill Metzger, senior vice president and chief financial officer, and Bruce Byots, vice president – investor relations.

Security analysts and investors wishing to participate via telephone should call 888-771-4371 (passcode: Brunswick16). Callers outside of North America should call 847-585-4405 (passcode: Brunswick16) to be connected. These numbers can be accessed 15 minutes before the call begins, as well as during the call.

To listen via Internet go to <u>ir.brunswick.com</u>. Please go to the website at least 15 minutes before the call to register, download and install any needed audio software. Dial-in numbers can be accessed 15 minutes before the call begins, as well as during the call. A replay of the conference call will be available through midnight CST Thursday, Jan. 28, 2016, by calling

888-843-7419 or international dial 630-652-3042 (passcode: 4168-4829#). The replay also will be available at www.brunswick.com.

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including hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, and environmental spills; the effect of weather conditions on demand for marine products; the inability to attract and retain individuals who could be key contributors to the organization; and risks associated with the Company's information technology systems, including the continued use of legacy systems and the risk of a failure of or attacks on the Company's information systems, which could result in data security breaches, lost or stolen assets or information, and associated remediation costs.

Additional risk factors are included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for 2014. Such forward-looking statements speak only as of the date on which they are made and Brunswick does not undertake any obligation to update any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this news release or for changes made to this document by wire services or Internet service providers.

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