

Full House Resorts Announces Three and Six-Month Results for the Period Ended June 30, 2014

LAS VEGAS--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Full House Resorts (NASDAQ:FLL) today announced results for three and six-month periods ended June 30, 2014. Net loss, which included an \$11.5 million charge for impairment of intangible assets for the three months ended June 30, 2014, was \$8.5 million, or \$0.45 per common share, compared to \$0.00 per common share, in the prior-year period. Excluding the non-cash impairment charge, net of tax, and \$0.3 million in acquisition expenses, net of tax, net loss in the second quarter of 2014 would have been \$0.04 per common share.

Second Quarter 2014 Highlights and Subsequent Events

- Adjusted EBITDA, as defined below, for the second quarter of 2014 was \$2.6 million versus \$4.4 million in the prior-year period.
- The Company's Silver Slipper Casino in Hancock County, Mississippi recorded revenue of \$12.4 million in the second quarter of 2014 as compared to revenue of \$13.4 million in the prior-year period. The decline was primarily related to continued economic weakness in the region. The property recorded adjusted EBITDA for the second quarter 2014 of \$2.1 million versus \$2.5 million in the prior-year period. The property was able to offset potentially larger EBITDA declines by reducing operating costs, exclusive of depreciation, by approximately \$0.6 million.
- The Company's Rising Star Casino Resort in Rising Sun, Indiana recorded revenue of \$13.5 million in the second quarter of 2014 as compared to revenue of \$17.8 million in the prior-year period. The \$4.3 million decrease was primarily due to increased competition from Ohio's recently opened casinos and lower than expected market growth. Adjusted EBITDA for the second quarter of 2014 was \$0.2 million versus \$1.8 million in the prior-year period. The property was able to offset potentially larger EBITDA declines by reducing operating costs, exclusive of non-cash depreciation and impairment, by \$2.7 million. In addition, the property began recognizing approximately \$0.6 million per quarter in lower gaming taxes effective July 1, 2014 and implemented additional measures designed to reduce operating costs by an additional \$0.5 million per quarter going forward.
- Northern Nevada revenue for the second quarter of 2014 was \$5.0 million compared to \$5.2 million in the prior-year period. Adjusted EBITDA for the second quarter 2014 was \$1.0 million, compared with \$1.1 million in the prior-year period.
- On July 21, 2014, the Company amended its first lien and second lien credit facilities to modify certain covenants, effective June 30, 2014, through the maturity date of each

facility. As part of the amendment, the Company paid one-time fees aggregating \$0.2 million to the lenders. In addition, the second lien facility interest rate was adjusted upward one percent through maturity. The Company plans to begin borrowing on its previously approved \$10 million loan, available through the first lien credit facility later this year, to finish the construction of the Silver Slipper hotel, which is expected to open by early 2015.

"Our second quarter 2014 results were impacted by ongoing competition and soft economic conditions, particularly in our Midwest operations," said Andre Hilliou, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Full House. "Despite a difficult operating environment, we are encouraged by the progress we have made in reducing operating costs and corporate expense and by the recent tax relief received at our Rising Sun facility in Indiana. We continue to remain laser focused on reducing costs across the enterprise where appropriate. Most importantly, we continue to execute on our strategic business plans, including our partnership with Keeneland Association to pursue gaming opportunities in Kentucky and the construction of our new hotel at the Silver Slipper casino on the Gulf Coast. While we are taking steps to optimize our operating structure we continue to focus on providing optimal service to our customers during this challenging environment as evidenced by our strong quest satisfaction scores."

Second Quarter 2014 Results

For the quarter ended June 30, 2014, the Company reported total net revenue of \$31.3 million, down from \$36.7 million in the prior-year period. The decrease was primarily attributable to the decline in revenues at the Rising Star Casino Resort, as a result of additional competition from new gaming facilities in Ohio.

Operating expenses, excluding the non-cash impairment charge, for the second quarter 2014 were \$31.4 million compared to \$34.7 million in the prior-year period. The decrease was driven by \$2.8 million in cost reductions at the Rising Star Casino, \$0.4 million of cost reductions at the Silver Slipper Casino and a \$0.4 million reduction in corporate operating expense.

Operating loss for the second quarter of 2014, which included an \$11.5 million non-cash impairment charge at Rising Star Casino, was \$11.6 million, compared to operating income of \$2.0 million in the prior-year period. The operating loss for the second quarter also includes \$0.3 million in expenses associated with an acquisition.

Adjusted EBITDA, as defined below, was \$2.6 million for the second quarter of 2014 versus \$4.4 million in the prior-year period.

In addition, second quarter of 2014 results include a \$1.6 million of interest costs compared to \$1.9 million in the prior-year period, primarily due to reduced Company debt and a negotiated decrease of one percent on the first lien credit facility.

Net loss for the three months ended June 30, 2014 was \$8.5 million, or \$0.45 per common share, compared to \$0.00 per common share, in the prior-year period. Excluding the non-cash impairment charge and \$0.3 million in expenses, both net of tax, net loss in the second quarter of 2014 would have been \$0.04 per common share.

Six Month 2014 Results

For the six months ended June 30, 2014, the Company reported total revenue of \$61.8 million, compared to total revenue of \$75.8 million in the prior-year period, primarily as a result of increased competition in Ohio and unfavorable weather conditions in the first quarter of 2014.

Operating expenses for the six months ended June 30, 2014, excluding the non-cash impairment charge at Rising Star Casino, were \$61.9 million compared to \$70.7 million in the prior-year period. The decrease was primarily due to cost reductions of \$6.9 million at the Rising Star Casino, \$1.0 million at the Silver Slipper Casino, and a \$1.0 million reduction in corporate operating expense. The Company recorded \$0.2 million of stock compensation expense for the six months ended June 30, 2014, compared to \$0.6 million in the prior-year period.

Adjusted EBITDA, as defined below, was \$5.1 million, compared to \$10.1 million in the prioryear period.

In addition, for the six months ended June 30, 2014 results include \$3.1 million of interest costs compared to \$3.8 million in the prior-year period, primarily due to reduced Company debt and a negotiated decrease of one percent on the first lien credit facility.

The Company reported a net loss of \$0.51 per common share for the six months ended June 30, 2014, including the non-cash impairment charge, as compared to net income of \$0.03 per common share for the prior-year period. Excluding the non-cash impairment charge and the \$0.3 million in acquisition expenses, both net of tax, the net loss for the six months ended June 30, 2014 would have been \$0.10 per common share.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

As of June 30, 2014, Full House Resorts had \$13.0 million in cash and equivalents and \$59.5 million outstanding on its first and second lien credit facilities.

Conference Call Information

The Company will host a conference call and webcast on Thursday, August 7, 2014 at 9:00 AM EDT.

The conference call can be accessed live over the phone by dialing 888-503-8169 or for international callers by dialing 1-719-325-2428. A replay will be available two hours after the call and can be accessed by dialing 877-870-5176 or for international callers by dialing 1-858-384-5517; the passcode is 3595293. The replay will be available until Thursday, August 14, 2014. The conference call can also be accessed live by webcast from the Company's website at www.fullhouseresorts.com under the investor relations section.

Selected unaudited Statements of Operations data for the three months ended June 30 (in thousands),

		Casii	io Operati	ons						
	No	rthern		Gulf	Devel	opment/				
2014	N	evada	Midwest	Coast	Mana	gement	Co	rporate	Co	nsolidated
Net revenues	\$	5,022	\$ 13,541	\$12,447	\$	300	\$		\$	31,310
Selling, general and administrative expense		1,357	3,813	4,076				1,173		10,419
Depreciation and amortization		213	692	1,403				4		2,312
Impairment loss			(11,547)							(11,547)
Operating income (loss)		805	(11,991)	721		20		(1,177)		(11,622)
Net income (loss)		532	(7.796)	470		85		(1.782)		(8.491)

		Casir	no Operati	ons						
	No	rthern		Gulf	Devel	opment/				
2013	Ne	evada	Midwest	Coast	Mana	gement	Co	rporate	Cor	solidated
Net revenues	\$	5,203	\$ 17,798	\$13,370	\$	333	\$		\$	36,704
Selling, general and administrative expense		1,513	4,369	4,689				1,535		12,106
Depreciation and amortization		177	726	1,292				3		2,198
Operating income (loss)		948	1,044	1,235		336		(1,537)		2,026
Net income (loss)		626	672	800		116		(2,256)		(42)

Selected unaudited Statements of Operations data for the six months ended June 30 (in thousands),

	Casino Operations									
	Nor	thern		Gulf	Deve	lopment/				
2014	Ne	vada	Midwest	Coast	Man	agement	Co	rporate	Cor	nsolidated
Net revenues	\$	9,409	\$ 26,789	\$24,768	\$	793	\$	-	\$	61,759
Selling, general and administrative expense		2,805	7,697	8,202				2,345		21,049
Depreciation and amortization		430	1,539	2,789				9		4,767
Impairment loss			(11,547)							(11,547)
Operating income (loss)		953	(12,241)	1,472		458		(2,354)		(11,712)
Net income (loss)		629	(8,044)	965		405		(3,528)		(9,573)

	Casi	no Operat	ions				
	Northern		Gulf	Development	I		
2013	Nevada	Midwest	Coast	Management	Corporate	Cons	olidated
Net revenues	\$ 10,528	\$ 37,412	\$27,080	\$ 81	0 \$	\$	75,830
Selling, general and administrative expense	2,997	8,774	9,295	-	- 3,274		24,340
Depreciation and amortization	357	1,473	2,573	-	- 5		4,408
Operating income (loss)	1,908	2,999	2,737	77	1 (3,278)		5,137
Net income (loss)	1,260	1,637	1,790	49	7 (4,650)		534

Reconciliation of adjusted EBITDA for the three months ended June 30 (in thousands),

		Casino	Operation	าร							
						Deve	elopment /	'			
2014	Norther	n Nevada	Midwest	Gu	If Coast	Mar	nagement	Co	orporate	Со	nsolidated
Operating income (loss)	\$	805	\$(11,991)	\$	721	\$	20	\$	(1,177)	\$	(11,622)
Add Back:											
Impairment Loss		-	11,547		-		-		-		11,547
Stock Compensation		-	-		-		-		72		72
Kentucky Project costs expensed		-	-		-		3		-		3
Tunica Project costs expensed		-	-		-		277		-		277
Depreciation and amortization		213	692		1,403		-		4		2,312
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	1,018	\$ 248	\$	2,124	\$	300	\$	(1,101)	\$	2,589

		Casino Operations										
2013	Northerr	n Nevada	Midw	vest	Gulf	Coast		elopment / nagement	C	orporate	Coı	nsolidated
Operating income (loss)	\$	948	\$ 1,0	044	\$	1,235	\$	336	\$	(1,537)	\$	2,026
Add Back:												
Stock Compensation		-		-		-		-		208		208
Depreciation and amortization		177	•	726		1,292		-		3		2,198
Deduct:												
Silver Slipper acquisition costs expensed		-		-		-		(10)		-		(10)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	1,125	\$ 1,	770	\$	2,527	\$	326	\$	(1,326)	\$	4,422

Reconciliation of adjusted EBITDA for the six months ended June 30 (in thousands),

		Casino	Operation	s						
						Deve	elopment /			
2014	Northern	Nevada	Midwest	Gulf	Coast	Mar	nagement	Corporate	Coı	nsolidated
Operating income (loss)	\$	953	\$(12,241)	\$	1,472	\$	458	\$ (2,354)	\$	(11,712)
Add Back:										
Impairment Loss		-	11,547		-		-	-		11,547
Stock Compensation		-	-		-		-	151		151
Kentucky Project costs expensed		-	-		-		10	-		10
Tunica Project costs expensed		-	-		-		341	-		341
Depreciation and amortization		430	1,539		2,789		-	9		4,767
Deduct:										
Silver Slipper acquisition costs expensed		-	-		-		(8)	-		(8)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	1,383	\$ 845	\$	4,261	\$	801	\$ (2,194)	\$	5,096

	Casino Operations											
	-						Dev	elopment /				
2013	Northern	n Nevada	Mie	dwest	Gulf	Coast	Ма	nagement	C	orporate	Co	nsolidated
Operating income (loss)	\$	1,908	\$	2,999	\$	2,737	\$	771	\$	(3,278)	\$	5,137
Add Back:												
Stock Compensation		-		-		-		-		551		551
Kentucky Project costs expensed		-		-		-		33		-		33
Depreciation and amortization		357		1,473		2,573		-		5		4,408
Deduct:												
Silver Slipper acquisition costs expensed		-		-		-		(9)		-		(9)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	2,265	\$	4,472	\$	5,310	\$	795	\$	(2,722)	\$	10,120

		Three n			Six months ended June 30,					
		2014		2013		<u>2014</u>		2013		
Revenues										
Casino	\$	29,719	\$	35,262	\$	58,702	\$	72,931		
Food and beverage		5,285		5,935		10,309		11,975		
Hotel		1,321		1,037		2,516		2,068		
Management fees		300		333		793		810		
Other operations		1,039		1,199		1,650		1,984		
Gross revenues		37,664		43,766		73,970		89,768		
Less promotional allowances		(6,354)		(7,062)		(12,211)		(13,938)		
Net revenues	_	31,310		36,704		61,759		75,830		
Operating costs and expenses										
Casino		15,204		16,885		29,665		34,935		
Food and beverage		2,223		1,985		4,322		4,060		
Hotel		215		161		323		291		
Other operations		732		1,347		1,463		2,620		
Project development and acquisition costs		280		(4)		335		39		
Selling, general and administrative		10,419		12,106		21,049		24,340		
Depreciation and amortization		2,312		2,198		4,767		4,408		
		31,385		34,678	_	61,924	_	70,693		
Operating losses							_			
Impairment loss		(11,547)				(11,547)				
Operating (loss) income		(11,622)		2,026		(11,712)	_	5,137		
Other expense	_		_		_		_			
Interest expense		(1,571)		(1,883)		(3,088)		(3,768)		
Other expense		(6)		(18)		(7)		(21)		
Other expense, net		(1,577)		(1,901)		(3,095)	_	(3,789)		
(Loss) income before income tax (benefit) expense	_	(13,199)	_	125	_	(14,807)	_	1,348		
Income tax (benefit) expense		(4,708)		167		(5,234)		814		
Net (loss) income	\$	(8,491)	_	(42)	\$	(9,573)	\$	534		
Net (loss) income per common share	\$	(0.45)	\$	0.00	\$	(0.51)	\$	0.03		
Weighted-average number of common shares outstanding	18	3,873,748	_1	18,732,748	_1	8,872,214	_1	18,727,325		

About Full House Resorts, Inc.

Full House Resorts is a locals-oriented, regional casino company that owns, develops and manages gaming facilities. Full House owns the Rising Star Casino Resort in Rising Sun, Indiana, the Silver Slipper Casino in Hancock County, Mississippi, and Stockman's Casino in Fallon, Nevada. Full House also operates the Grand Lodge Casino at Hyatt Regency Lake Tahoe Resort, Spa and Casino in Incline Village, Nevada under a lease agreement, and has a management agreement with the Pueblo of Pojoaque for the operations of the Buffalo Thunder Casino and Resort in Santa Fe, New Mexico along with the Pueblo's Cities of Gold casino facilities. For more information about Full House Resorts, please visit its website at www.fullhouseresorts.com.

Forward-looking Statements

Some of the statements made in this release are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are based upon Full House's current expectations and projections about future events and generally relate to Full House's plans, objectives and expectations for Full House's business. Although Full House's management believes that the plans and objectives expressed in these forward-looking statements are reasonable, the outcome of such plans, objectives and expectations involve risks and uncertainties including without limitation, regulatory approvals, including the ability to maintain a gaming license in Indiana, Nevada and Mississippi, financing sources and terms, integration of acquisitions, the ability to refinance indebtedness, competition and business conditions in the gaming industry, including competition from Ohio casinos and any possible authorization of gaming in Kentucky. Additional information concerning potential factors that could affect Full House's financial condition and results of operations is included in the reports Full House files with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including, but not limited to, its Form 10-K for the most recently ended fiscal year.

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