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Perma-Fix Announces First Quarter Results

ATLANTA, April 30 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Perma-Fix Environmental Services, Inc. (Nasdaq: PESI; BSE: PESI; Germany: PES.BE) today announced financial results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2004. Revenues for the first quarter were $17.5 million compared to $19.5 million for the same period in 2003. Net loss applicable to common stock for the quarter was $2.0 million, or $.06 per share, compared to net loss applicable to common stock of $431,000, or $.01 per share, for the same period in 2003.

The first quarter of fiscal 2004 included $506,000 in revenue resulting from the acquisition of certain assets of USL Environmental Services, Inc. d/b/a A&A Environmental ("A&A") of Baltimore, Md. and US Liquids of Pennsylvania, Inc. d/b/a EMAX ("EMAX") of Pittsburgh, Pa. The first quarter of fiscal 2003 included $560,000 in revenue from the Company's Newport Hydrolysate Project with the Army.

Results for the quarter reflect a 13.0% increase in revenue of the Nuclear Segment and a 29.1% decrease in revenue of the Industrial Segment. The decrease in the Industrial Segment was largely attributable to the recent restructuring, in which the company eliminated low-margin, high volume services, and reduced its dependence on outside broker disposal services. Also affecting the quarter was the exaggerated seasonal slowdown in the first quarter, coupled with the ongoing disruption of our Michigan facility resulting from a fire in the fourth quarter of 2003, and a reduction in government revenue within our Industrial Segment, due in part to the expiration of one of our contracts.

Dr. Louis F. Centofanti, Chairman and CEO, commented, "During the quarter, we achieved a number of important developments, including the acquisition of certain assets of A&A and EMAX. The acquisition enables us to expand the Industrial Segment's presence within one of its most consistent and profitable markets. Moreover, our Nuclear Segment continues to grow, and we are working on several strategic initiatives to not only treat -- but also characterize and handle radioactive and mixed waste, which should ultimately improve the flow of waste into our facilities."

Dr. Centofanti continued, "We are disappointed with the Industrial Segment's results for the quarter, which are largely due to a number of short- term factors, as noted above. However, we are encouraged by the progress of the restructuring process, the quality of our new management team, and the refocus of the Segment from not only a sales perspective, but also cost control and logistic efficiencies. Our strategy is beginning to pay-off, as illustrated by the recent contract award from a leading North-American home- improvement retail chain. The reconstruction of the Michigan facility is in progress and when completed later this year should dramatically improve the throughput and efficiency of this facility."

During the quarter, the Company completed a private placement of the Company's common stock and warrants to purchase common stock, for net proceeds of $9.9 million, which strengthened the Company's balance sheet and helped fund the above acquisition. The Company intends to use a portion of the proceeds to pay down higher interest debt, which will reduce interest expenses.

Perma-Fix Environmental Services, Inc. is a national environmental services company, providing unique mixed waste and industrial waste management services. The Industrial Segment provides hazardous and non-hazardous waste treatment services for a diverse group of customers including Fortune 500 companies, numerous federal, state and local agencies and thousands of smaller clients. The Nuclear Segment provides radioactive and mixed waste treatment services to hospitals, research laboratories and institutions, numerous federal agencies including the Departments of Energy and Defense and nuclear utilities. The Company operates eleven major waste treatment facilities across the country.

This press release contains "forward-looking statements" which are based largely on the Company's expectations and are subject to various business risks and uncertainties, certain of which are beyond the Company's control. Forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, the information concerning possible or assumed future results of operations of the Company, continued growth in the Nuclear Segment, expansion of the Industrial Segment's presence within our most consistent and profitable markets, to successfully complete the strategic initiatives and improve the flow of waste into our facilities and the dramatic improvement in throughput and efficiency of the Michigan facility upon reconstruction. These forward-looking statements are intended to qualify for the safe harbors from liability established by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. While the Company believes the expectations reflected in this news release are reasonable, it can give no assurance such expectations will prove to be correct. There are a variety of factors which could cause future outcomes to differ materially from those described in this release, including without limitation, future economic conditions, industry conditions, competitive pressures, neither the government nor any party which has granted the Company a material contract terminates their contract prior to expiration of the term of the contract, and the DOE's failure to abide by or comply with its contracts or to deliver waste as anticipated. The Company makes no commitment to disclose any revisions to forward-looking statements, or any facts, events or circumstances after the date hereof that bear upon forward-looking statements.

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FINANCIAL TABLE FOLLOWS

PERMA-FIX ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

(Amounts in Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)	Three Months Ended March 31, 2004	2003
Net revenues	$17,469	$19,518
Cost of goods sold	13,908	14,457

Gross profit	3,561	5,061
Selling, general and administrative expenses	4,390	4,380
Income (loss) from operations	(829)	681
Other income (expense):		
Interest income	1	2
Interest expense	(670)	(702)
Interest expense-financing fees	(256)	(301)
Other	(244)	(65)
Net loss	(1,998)	(385)
Preferred Stock dividends	(47)	(46)
Net loss applicable to Common Stock	$(2,045)	$(431)
Net loss per common share:		
Basic	$(.06)	$(.01)
Diluted	$(.06)	$(.01)
Number of shares and potential common shares used in net loss per common share:		
Basic	37,040	34,605
Diluted	37,040	34,605

PERMA-FIX ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Amounts in Thousands, Except for Share Amounts)

	March 31, 2004 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2003
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash	$517	$411
Restricted cash	61	30
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of $863 and $703	23,526	24,622
Prepaid expenses and other	3,756	3,318
Total current assets	27,860	28,381
Net property and equipment	54,971	53,069
Permits	16,680	16,680
Goodwill	6,216	6,216
Finite Risk Sinking Fund	2,225	1,234
Other assets	4,377	4,635
Total assets	$112,329	$110,215
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	$7,553	$6,359
Accrued expenses and other	14,713	14,967
Current portion of long-term debt	2,570	2,896
Total current liabilities	24,836	24,222
Other long-term liabilities	8,686	8,074

Long-term debt, less current portion	18,281	26,192
Total long-term liabilities	26,967	34,266
Total liabilities	51,803	58,488
Commitments and Contingencies	--	--
Preferred Stock of subsidiary, $1.00 par value; 1,467,396 shares authorized, 1,284,730 shares issued and outstanding, liquidation value $1.00 per share	1,285	1,285
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred Stock, $.001 par value; 2,000,000 shares authorized, 2,500 shares issued and outstanding	--	--
Common Stock, $.001 par value; 75,000,000 shares authorized, 42,415,725 and 37,241,881 shares issued, including 988,000 shares held as treasury stock, respectively	42	37
Additional paid-in capital	80,467	69,640
Accumulated deficit	(19,288)	(17,243)
Interest rate swap	(118)	(130)
	61,103	52,304
Less Common Stock in treasury at cost; 988,000 shares	(1,862)	(1,862)
Total stockholders' equity	59,241	50,442
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	$112,329	$110,215

SOURCE Perma-Fix Environmental Services, Inc.