

Profire Energy Reports Financial Results for First Fiscal Quarter Fiscal 2018

Profire Increased Net Income by 213% Over the Same Quarter in 2017

LINDON, Utah, May 09, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Profire Energy, Inc. (NASDAQ:PFIE), a technology company (the "Company") which creates, installs and services burner and chemical management solutions in the oil and gas industry, today reported financial results for its fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2018. A conference call will be held on Thursday, May 10, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. EDT to discuss the results.

Fiscal Q1 2018 Highlights

- Revenues Increased to \$12.1 million or an Increase of 55% Compared to Same Year-Ago Quarter
- Net Income of \$1.8 Million or \$0.04 Per Share, a 213% Increase From the Same Quarter Last Year
- Gross Profit Increased to roughly \$6.1 Million
- Cash and Liquid Investments at Period End totaled over \$25 Million
- Remained Debt-Free

Fiscal Quarter Financial Results

Total revenues increased to just over \$12 million in the quarter which is a 55% increase from the same quarter a year ago and an 11% increase from the previous quarter. Profire has now had seven consecutive quarters of significant revenue growth.

With a 55% increase in revenues, total operating expenses only increased 18% to \$3.9 million, over the same quarter last year.

Gross profit increased to roughly \$6.1 million or 50% of total revenues, as compared to \$4.3 million or 56% of total revenues in the year-ago quarter.

Compared with the same year ago quarter, operating expenses for general and administrative increased 13%, R&D increased 103%, and depreciation decreased 14%.

Net income was \$1.8 million or a gain of \$0.04 per share, compared to a net income of \$600,000 or \$0.01 per share in the same year-ago quarter.

Cash and liquid investments totaled over \$25 million at the end of the quarter and the Company continues to operate debt-free.

Management Commentary

"The increases we experienced in the quarter are largely attributed to our ability to leverage

our larger customer base while the macro environment continues to improve," stated Ryan Oviatt, CFO of Profire. "While focusing on increasing revenues we've worked to create a solid foundation that can support future growth. In the quarter we continued to manage costs while recognizing growth in both our legacy products and newer product lines. This strategy ensured that our revenue growth significantly outpaced our increase in costs."

"Our performance is a direct result of our strategic planning and execution. The success we are experiencing is partially enabled by Profire's standard of remaining debt free. At quarter end, Profire had zero debt and cash and liquid investments in excess of \$25 million," said Brenton Hatch, President and CEO of Profire Energy. "We plan to build on our momentum from 2017, through 2018, as evidenced here in our first quarter. We believe we are well positioned through the groundwork we have laid, and plan to continue with our growth strategy while evaluating new opportunities."

Conference Call

Profire Energy President and CEO Brenton Hatch and CFO Ryan Oviatt will host the presentation, followed by a question and answer period.

Date: Thursday, May 10, 2018

Time: 1:00 p.m. EDT (11:00 a.m. MDT)
Toll-free dial-in number: 1-877-705-6003
International dial-in number: 1-201-493-6725

The conference call will be webcast live and available for replay via this

link: http://public.viavid.com/index.php?id=129627. The webcast replay will be available for one year.

Please call the conference telephone number five minutes prior to the start time. An operator will register your name and organization. If you have any difficulty connecting the conference call, please contact Todd Fugal at 1-801-796-5127.

A replay of the call will be available via the dial-in numbers below after 5:00 p.m. EDT on the same day through May 17, 2018.

Toll-free replay number: 1-844-512-2921 International replay number: 1-412-317-6671

Replay Pin Number: 13679647

About Profire Energy, Inc.

Profire Energy assists energy production companies in the safe and efficient production and transportation of oil and natural gas. As energy companies seek greater safety for their employees, compliance with more stringent regulatory standards, and enhanced margins with their energy production processes, Profire Energy's burner management and chemical injection systems are increasingly becoming part of their solution. Profire Energy has offices in Lindon, Utah; Houston, Texas; Shelocta, Pennsylvania; Greeley, Colorado; and Spruce Grove, Alberta, Canada. For additional information, visit www.profireenergy.com.

Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements. Statements made in this release that are not historical are forward-looking statements. This release contains forward-looking statements, including, but not limited to statements regarding the Company holding a conference call on May 10, 2018, regarding the financial quarter results; and the ability of the

Company to support growth. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future results or performance and involve risks, assumptions and uncertainties that could cause actual events or results to differ materially from the events or results described in, or anticipated by, the forward-looking statements. Factors that could materially affect such forward-looking statements include certain economic, business, public market and regulatory risks and factors identified in the company's periodic reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. All forward-looking statements are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All forward-looking statements are made only as of the date of this release and the Company assumes no obligation to update forward-looking statements to reflect subsequent events or circumstances, except as required by law. Readers should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements.

Contact: Profire Energy, Inc. Ryan Oviatt, CFO (801) 796-5127

PROFIRE ENERGY, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

Condended Concondated Dalarios Cité	0010		
	As of		
	March 31,	December 31,	
	2018	2017	
	(Unaudited)		
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 12,196,578	\$ 11,445,799	
Short-term investments	300,345	300,817	
Short-term investments - other	4,165,493	4,009,810	
Accounts receivable, net	8,717,607	8,069,255	
Inventories, net	7,265,623	6,446,083	
Prepaid expenses & other current assets	357,532	437,304	
Total Current Assets	33,003,178	30,709,068	
LONG-TERM ASSETS			
Net deferred tax asset	184,223	72,817	
Long-term investments	8,435,512	8,517,182	
Long-term investments - other	400,000	_	
Property and equipment, net	7,118,971	7,197,499	
Goodwill	997,701	997,701	
Intangible assets, net	475,133	494,792	
Total Long-Term Assets	17,611,540	17,279,991	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 50,614,718	\$ 47,989,059	
	-		
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	1,727,194	1,780,977	
Accrued vacation	230,399	196,646	
Accrued liabilities	927,116	1,044,284	
Income taxes payable	1,512,844	919,728	

Total Current Liabilities	4,397,553	3,941,635
TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,397,553	3,941,635
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Preferred shares: \$0.001 par value, 10,000,000 shares authorized: no shares issued or outstanding Common shares: \$0.001 par value, 100,000,000 shares authorized: 54,131,158	_	_
issued and 48,806,416 outstanding at March 31, 2018 and 53,931,167 issued and 48,606,425 outstanding at December 31, 2017	54,131	53,931
Treasury stock, at cost	(6,890,349)	(6,890,349)
Additional paid-in capital	28,101,146	27,535,469
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(2,472,826)	(2,200,462)
Retained earnings	27,425,063	25,548,835
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	46,217,165	44,047,424
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 50,614,718	\$ 47,989,059

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Form 10-Q and accompanying footnotes.

PROFIRE ENERGY, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Other Comprehensive Income (Loss) (Unaudited)

	For the Three Months Ended March 31,		
	2018	2017	
REVENUES			
Sales of goods, net	\$ 11,454,615	\$ 7,292,228	
Sales of services, net	715,103	532,267	
Total Revenues	12,169,718	7,824,495	
COST OF SALES			
Cost of goods sold-product	5,557,710	3,055,300	
Cost of goods sold-services	481,867	402,022	
Total Cost of Goods Sold	6,039,577	3,457,322	
GROSS PROFIT	6,130,141	4,367,173	
OPERATING EXPENSES			
General and administrative expenses	3,341,903	2,948,089	
Research and development	403,220	198,966	
Depreciation and amortization expense	128,717	149,076	
Total Operating Expenses	3,873,840	3,296,131	
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	2,256,301	1,071,042	

OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE) Gain on sale of fixed assets	64,831		2,101
Other expense	(1,792)		(5,414)
Interest income	50,708		31,278
Total Other Income	113,747		27,965
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	2,370,048		1,099,007
INCOME TAX EXPENSE	493,820		498,936
NET INCOME	\$ 1,876,228	\$	600,071
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)			
Foreign currency translation gain (loss)	\$ (239,129)	\$	75,113
Unrealized gains (losses) on investments	 (33,235)		36,288
Total Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	(272,364)		111,401
NET COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	\$ 1,603,864	\$	711,472
BASIC EARNINGS PER SHARE	\$ 0.04	\$	0.01
FULLY DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE	\$ 0.04	\$	0.01
BASIC WEIGHTED AVG NUMBER OF SHARES OUTSTANDING	 48,670,305	;	50,632,275
FULLY DILUTED WEIGHTED AVG NUMBER OF SHARES OUTSTANDING	 49,744,101	;	51,287,405

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Form 10-Q and accompanying footnotes.

PROFIRE ENERGY, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

	For the Three Months Ended March 31,			
		2018		2017
OPERATING ACTIVITIES Net income Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	\$	1,876,228	\$	600,071
Depreciation and amortization expense		220,245		237,116
Gain on sale of fixed assets Bad debt expense Stock awards issued for services Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		(64,731) 63,566 581,619		(2,101) 45,313 181,318

Changes in accounts receivable	(746,179)	249,844
Changes in income taxes receivable/payable	591,277	568,065
Changes in inventories	(863,148)	(399,410)
Changes in prepaid expenses	104,008	33,698
Changes in deferred tax asset/liability	(111,406)	(49,520)
Changes in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(198,540)	500,552
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	1,452,939	1,964,946
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from sale of equipment	139,763	30,451
Purchase of investments	(484,142)	(500,408)
Purchase of fixed assets	(234,778)	(52,720)
Net Cash Used in Investing Activities	(579,157)	(522,677)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Value of equity awards surrendered by employees for tax liability	(83,600)	_
Cash received in exercise of stock options	74,241	_
Purchase of Treasury stock	_	(318,904)
Net Cash Used in Financing Activities	(9,359)	(318,904)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	(113,644)	20,158
NET INCREASE IN CASH	750,779	1,143,523
CASH AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD	11,445,799	7,669,644
CASH AT END OF PERIOD	\$ 12,196,578	\$ 8,813,167
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION		
CASH PAID FOR:		
Interest	\$ —	\$ —
Income taxes	\$ —	\$ 78

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Form 10-Q and accompanying footnotes.



Source: Profire Energy, Inc.