

# VF Announces 15% Increase in Second Quarter Revenues and 17% Increase In EPS; 2011 Guidance Raised

- -- Revenues up 15% to over \$1.8 billion, with double-digit revenue growth in every coalition
- -- EPS increases 17% to record \$1.17
- -- 2011 guidance raised: revenues now expected to rise 12% to 13%; EPS expected to reach approximately \$7.50
- -- Timberland acquisition expected to be completed in third quarter

Information regarding VF's second quarter conference call webcast today at 8:30 a.m. ET can be found at the end of this release.

GREENSBORO, N.C.-- VF Corporation (NYSE: VFC), a global leader in branded lifestyle apparel, today announced record results for the second quarter of 2011. All per share amounts are presented on a diluted basis.

# Second Quarter Results Summary

Revenues rose 15% to \$1,840.1 million from \$1,594.1 million in 2010. All VF coalitions achieved double-digit revenue increases in the quarter, with the strongest growth in Outdoor & Action Sports, where revenues increased 23%. Jeanswear and Sportswear revenues each grew by 10%, Imagewear revenues rose 16%, and Contemporary Brands revenues were up 11%.

Gross margin declined, as anticipated, to 45.9% from 47.1% in the 2010 period, reflecting the impact of higher product costs. Gross margin in the quarter also included a 65 basis point benefit from the gain on the closure of a European jeanswear facility; this gain was anticipated and reflected in previously provided full year gross margin guidance. Operating margin was 10.3% compared with 10.6% in the 2010 period.

Growth in both net income and earnings per share of 17% was stronger than anticipated. Net income rose to \$129.4 million from \$110.8 million, while earnings per share increased to \$1.17 from \$1.00. Earnings per share in the quarter included costs related to the pending acquisition of The Timberland Company of \$.02 per share. Two items in the quarter that were anticipated and reflected in previously provided full year guidance were the aforementioned gain from the facility closure that benefited earnings by \$.07 per share, and foreign currency translation that benefited earnings by \$.03 per share.

First Half Results Summary

Revenues increased 14% to \$3,798.9 million from \$3,344.0 million in 2010, with strong growth in every coalition.

Net income of \$330.1 million represented a 20% increase over the \$274.4 million reported in the 2010 period. Earnings per share were \$2.99 compared with \$2.47, rising 21% in the first half. Earnings per share in the period benefitted by \$.11 in special items reported in the first quarter, and by \$.04 due to foreign currency translation. Earnings per share also include the aforementioned second quarter items of \$.02 in acquisition-related expenses and \$.07 benefit from the facility closure.

"With double-digit revenue growth in all coalitions, and in both our international and direct-to-consumer businesses, VF is firing on all cylinders," said Eric Wiseman, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "Our marketing investments continue to fuel outstanding growth, our brands are gaining momentum - and we are confident that this momentum is sustainable." He continued, "The signing of a definitive merger agreement between VF and The Timberland Company on June 12<sup>th</sup> marks a transformational acquisition for VF, and will result in a \$10 billion apparel and footwear powerhouse anchored in outdoor and action sports. We look forward to completing the acquisition this quarter."

#### Second Quarter Business Review

Outdoor & Action Sports: Outdoor & Action Sports achieved record revenues and operating income in the second quarter. Total global revenues in Outdoor & Action Sports rose 23% in the quarter, with Americas revenues rising 14% and international revenues up 42% (29% on a constant currency basis). Nearly all Outdoor & Action Sports brands achieved double-digit growth in the quarter, with the two largest brands - The North Face<sup>(R)</sup> and Vans<sup>(R)</sup> - achieving global revenue growth of 21% and 22%, respectively. Our Kipling<sup>(R)</sup> and Napapijri<sup>(R)</sup> businesses experienced exceptionally strong growth in the quarter, with revenues up 37% and 46%, respectively. Total direct-to-consumer revenues for Outdoor & Action Sports rose 22% in the quarter, with a 34% increase in The North Face<sup>(R)</sup> direct-to-consumer revenues and a 19% increase in Vans<sup>(R)</sup> direct-to-consumer revenues.

Operating income for the coalition rose by 10%. Reflecting a higher percentage of advertising expense to revenues versus the 2010 period, and investments to support the coalition's seasonally higher second half business, operating margin in the quarter was 12.5% compared with last year's 13.9%. The full year coalition operating margin is still expected to approximate 20%.

Jeanswear: Jeanswear revenues grew strongly in the quarter, rising 10%. Domestic revenues rose 7% with growth across the Mass Market, Lee and Western businesses. Domestically, the Wrangler<sup>(R)</sup> and Lee<sup>(R)</sup> brands continue to gain share within their respective channels, driven by success in new product innovation and superior execution. International jeans revenues increased 20% (11% on a constant currency basis); Asia revenues rose 24%, revenues in Mexico and Latin America each increased by more than 20%, and European revenues were up 13% (flat on a constant currency basis).

Operating income declined only slightly in the quarter, helped by the gain from the jeanswear facility closure. At 15.4% in the quarter, the Jeanswear operating margin remained healthy, though down from the 17.0% achieved in the prior year's quarter, despite higher product

costs.

Imagewear: Imagewear had another exceptionally strong quarter, with revenues and operating income both increasing at double-digit rates. Revenues rose 16% in the second quarter, driven by a 32% revenue increase in our Image (uniform) business, with very strong performance in our Protective Apparel business. Imagewear's unmatched business model is fueling superior growth this year, and provides it with a competitive advantage that should support its continued momentum.

Operating income rose 55% and operating margin continued to strengthen, to 16.5% from 12.3% in last year's quarter.

Sportswear: Sportswear revenues rose 10% in the second quarter. The 62% increase in Kipling<sup>(R)</sup> revenues in the U.S. was the biggest contributor to growth in the quarter, as the brand continued to expand and gain share. Nautica<sup>(R)</sup> brand revenues rose 6%, with healthy growth in the men's wholesale sportswear and direct-to-consumer businesses.

Sportswear operating income rose 20% in the quarter. Operating margin expanded to 9.7% from 8.9% in the prior year period.

Contemporary Brands: Revenues of our Contemporary Brands coalition grew 11% in the quarter driven by a 28% increase in the combined revenues of our Splendid<sup>(R)</sup> and Ella  $\mathsf{Moss}^{(R)}$  brands and a 36% increase in John  $\mathsf{Varvatos}^{(R)}$  brand revenues. Global revenues of the 7 For All  $\mathsf{Mankind}^{(R)}$  brand rose 2%, with domestic revenue growth of 4% in the quarter. New stores, comp store growth and higher e-commerce revenue drove a double-digit increase in global Contemporary Brands' direct-to-consumer revenues.

Second quarter operating income for the Contemporary Brands coalition increased 30% while operating margin improved to 9.1% from 7.7%.

# **Expansion in International Revenues**

International revenues increased 30% (20% on a constant currency basis) in the quarter, driven by the 42% increase in Outdoor & Action Sports and the 20% increase in Jeanswear international businesses. Revenues in Asia were up 30% in the quarter, with our The North Face<sup>(R)</sup>, Vans<sup>(R)</sup> and Kipling<sup>(R)</sup> businesses all growing in excess of 25%. India is a relatively small but rapidly growing market for VF's brands, with substantial future revenue potential. During the second quarter, revenues in India continued to show great momentum, rising by over 50% in the quarter and nearly 70% year to date.

### Growth in Direct-to-Consumer Revenues

Direct-to-consumer revenues grew 17% in the quarter driven by new store openings, a 40%-plus increase in e-commerce revenues, and exceptionally strong comp store growth. The direct-to-consumer businesses of The North Face<sup>(R)</sup>,  $Vans^{(R)}$ , 7 For All Mankind<sup>(R)</sup>, Napapijri<sup>(R)</sup> and Kipling<sup>(R)</sup> brands each achieved solid revenue gains in the period. A total of 29 stores were opened across our brands in the quarter and 44 year-to-date, bringing the total number of owned stores to 808.

#### 2011 Guidance Increased

"We are bullish on the outlook for our brands as we enter the second half of 2011, and are raising our full year revenue and earnings guidance accordingly," said Mr. Wiseman. "We're continuing to invest behind our strongest growth platforms, and are tremendously excited about adding a new growth platform, The Timberland Company, to our arsenal. We look forward to welcoming both Timberland<sup>(R)</sup> and Smartwool<sup>(R)</sup> to VF's family of brands." He noted that the expected accretion to revenues and earnings of \$700 million and \$.25 per share, respectively, from the pending acquisition is not included in VF's updated guidance.

Revenues are now expected to rise 12 to 13% in 2011, up from previous guidance of approximately 10%, reflecting broad-based strength across all our businesses. Accordingly, Outdoor & Action Sports revenues should grow at a high-teen percentage rate, Imagewear revenues should grow at a low-teen percentage rate, and Jeanswear, Sportswear, and Contemporary Brands revenues are each expected to rise at high single-digit rates. In addition, based on the strengthening of our businesses in both Europe and Asia, we now anticipate international revenues in 2011 could increase by more than 20%, compared with previous guidance for 15% growth, with revenue growth in Asia now expected to exceed 30%. Growth in our direct-to-consumer business, another revenue driver, should rise by about 15%, better than the 10 to 15% growth in previously provided guidance.

Earnings are now anticipated to increase to approximately \$7.50 per share, up from prior guidance for earnings of approximately \$7.25 per share, and another strong year of cash flow from operations of \$1 billion is anticipated in 2011.

#### **Dividend Declared**

The Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$.63 per share, payable on September 19, 2011 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on September 9, 2011.

# Statement on Forward Looking Statements

Certain statements included in this release are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the federal securities laws. Forward-looking statements are made based on our expectations and beliefs concerning future events impacting VF and therefore involve a number of risks and uncertainties. We caution that forward-looking statements are not guarantees and that actual results could differ materially from those expressed or implied in the forward-looking statements. Potential risks and uncertainties that could cause the actual results of operations or financial condition of VF to differ materially from those expressed or implied by forward-looking statements in this release include the overall level of consumer demand for apparel; the level of consumer confidence; fluctuations in the price, availability and quality of raw materials and contracted products; disruption and volatility in the global capital and credit markets; VF's reliance on a small number of large customers; the financial strength of VF's customers; changing fashion trends and consumer demand; increasing pressure on margins; VF's ability to implement its growth strategy; VF's ability to grow its international and direct-to-consumer businesses; VF's ability to successfully integrate and grow acquisitions; VF's ability to maintain the strength and security of its information technology systems; stability of VF's manufacturing facilities and foreign suppliers; continued use by VF's suppliers of ethical business practices; VF's ability to accurately forecast

demand for products; continuity of members of VF's management; VF's ability to protect trademarks and other intellectual property rights; maintenance by VF's licensees and distributors of the value of VF's brands; foreign currency fluctuations; and legal, regulatory, political and economic risks in international markets. More information on potential factors that could affect VF's financial results is included from time to time in VF's public reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including VF's Annual Report on Form 10-K and Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q.

#### About VF

VF Corporation is a global leader in branded lifestyle apparel with more than 30 brands, including Wrangler<sup>(R)</sup>, The North Face<sup>(R)</sup>, Lee<sup>(R)</sup>, Vans<sup>(R)</sup>, Nautica<sup>(R)</sup>, 7 For All Mankind<sup>(R)</sup>, Eagle Creek<sup>(R)</sup>, Eastpak<sup>(R)</sup>, Ella Moss<sup>(R)</sup>, JanSport<sup>(R)</sup>, John Varvatos<sup>(R)</sup>, Kipling<sup>(R)</sup>, lucy<sup>(R)</sup>, Majestic<sup>(R)</sup>, Napapijri<sup>(R)</sup>, Red Kap<sup>(R)</sup>, Reef<sup>(R)</sup>, Riders<sup>(R)</sup> and Splendid<sup>(R)</sup>.

# Webcast Information

VF will hold its second quarter conference call and webcast today at 8:30 a.m. ET. Interested parties should call 1-888-551-9020 domestic, or 1-719-457-2652 international, to access the call. You may also access this call via the Internet at <a href="https://www.vfc.com">www.vfc.com</a>. A replay will be available through July 28, 2011 and can be accessed by dialing 1-877-870-5176 domestic, and 1-858-384-5517 international. The pass code is 2286304. A replay also can be accessed at the Company's web site at <a href="https://www.vfc.com">www.vfc.com</a>.

#### VF CORPORATION

Consolidated Statements of Income

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months E	nded June	Six Months Ende	ed June
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Net Sales	\$ 1,821,218	\$ 1,576,947	\$ 3,758,342	\$ 3,307,033
Royalty Income	18,905	17,157	40,580	36,950
Total Revenues	1,840,123	1,594,104	3,798,922	3,343,983
Costs and Operating Expenses				
Cost of goods sold	994 <b>,</b> 591	842,502	2,028,447	1,774,705
Marketing, administrative and general expenses	656,861	582 <b>,</b> 078	1,307,161	1,176,494
	1,651,452	1,424,580	3,335,608	2,951,199
Operating Income	188,671	169,524	463,314	392,784

Other Income (Expense)

Interest income	1,510		496		2,476		990	
Interest expense	(15,962	)	(20,494	)	(31,902	)	(40,993	)
Miscellaneous, net	(2,735	)	1,923		(4,666	)	8,346	
	(17,187	)	(18,075	)	(34,092	)	(31,657	)
Income Before Income Taxes	171,484		151,449		429,222		361,127	
Income Taxes	41,917		39,959		98,235		86,178	
Net Income	129,567		111,490		330,987		274,949	
Net (Income) Loss Attributable to Noncontrolling Interests	(199	)	(655	)	(916	)	(598	)
Net Income Attributable to VF Corporation	\$ 129,368		\$ 110,835		\$ 330,071	:	\$ 274,351	
Earnings Per Share Attributable to VF Corporation								
Common Stockholders								
Basic	\$ 1.19		\$ 1.02		\$ 3.04	:	\$ 2.50	
Diluted	1.17		1.00		2.99		2.47	
Weighted Average Common Shares Outstanding								
Basic	109,079		108,957		108,651		109,608	
Diluted	110,890		110,479		110,453		111,054	
Cash Dividends Per Common Share	\$ 0.63		\$ 0.60		\$ 1.26	:	\$ 1.20	

Fiscal Periods:VF operates and reports using a 52/53 week fiscal year ending on the Saturday closest to December 31 of each year. Similarly, the fiscal second quarter ends on the Saturday closest to June 30. For presentation purposes herein, all references to periods ended June 2011, December 2010 and June 2010 relate to the fiscal periods ended as of July 2, 2011, January 1, 2011 and July 3, 2010, respectively.

# Consolidated Balance Sheets

# (In thousands)

	June		D	ecember	J۱	une
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ASSETS						
Current Assets						
Cash and equivalents	\$	611,478	\$	792,239	\$	540,191
Accounts receivable, net		889,201		773,083		735,022
Inventories		1,285,950		1,070,694		1,102,180
Other current assets		259,279		190,044		210,735
Total current assets		3,045,908		2,826,060		2,588,128
Property, Plant and Equipment, net		626,271		602,908		593,465
Intangible Assets		1,555,517		1,490,925		1,496,682
Goodwill		1,194,342		1,166,638		1,335,526
Other Assets		378,408		371,025		307,641
	\$	6,800,446	\$	6,457,556	\$	6,321,442
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUI	ΤY					
Current Liabilities						
Short-term borrowings	\$	42,567	\$	36,576	\$	41,970
Current portion of long-term debt		2,693		2 <b>,</b> 737		202,742
Accounts payable		456,114		510,998		427 <b>,</b> 955
Accrued liabilities		512,540		559,164		438,853
Total current liabilities		1,013,914		1,109,475		1,111,520
Long-term Debt		934,600		935,882		937,150
Other Liabilities		581,394		550,880		624,938
Commitments and Contingencies						
Stockholders' Equity						
Common Stock		109,598		107,938		107,898
Additional paid-in capital		2,221,135		2,081,367		1,976,515
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		(179,783)		(268,594)		(314,793)

Retained earnings	2,118,343	1,940,508	1,879,305	
Total equity attributable to VF Corporation	4,269,293	3,861,219	3,648,925	
Noncontrolling interests	1,245	100	(1,091)	)
Total stockholders' equity	4,270,538	3,861,319	3,647,834	
	\$ 6,800,446	\$ 6,457,556	\$ 6,321,442	

# VF CORPORATION

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(In thousands)

	Six Months	Ende	d June	
	2011	20	010	
Operating Activities				
Net income	\$ 330,987	\$	274,949	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to cash provided				
(used) by operating activities:				
Depreciation	57 <b>,</b> 091		52,485	
Amortization of intangible assets	19,246		19,859	
Other amortization	11,418		7,588	
Stock-based compensation	32 <b>,</b> 977		31,353	
Pension funding under expense	22,029		24,190	
Other, net	6 <b>,</b> 523		18,694	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities,				
net of acquisitions:				
Accounts receivable	(97,162	)	3,271	
Inventories	(199,650	)	(161,541	)
Other current assets	(15,124	)	(9,182	)
Accounts payable	(73,723	)	64,007	
Accrued compensation	(50,222	)	(14,125	)
Accrued income taxes	(56,817	)	(42,120	)
Accrued liabilities	(38,883	)	44,590	

Other assets and liabilities	8,989		(5,518	)
Cash provided (used) by operating activities	(42,321	)	308,500	
Investing Activities				
Capital expenditures	(64,022	)	(45,309	)
Business acquisitions, net of cash acquired	-		(38,446	)
Trademark acquisition	(56,598	)	-	
Software purchases	(8,221	)	(2,937	)
Other, net	(1,107	)	(3,957	)
Cash used by investing activities	(129,948	)	(90,649	)
Financing Activities				
Increase (decrease) in short-term borrowings	6,252		(2,551	)
Payments on long-term debt	(1,260	)	(1,719	)
Purchase of Common Stock	(5,166	)	(317,911	. )
Cash dividends paid	(137,182	. )	(131,340	)
Proceeds from issuance of Common Stock, net	83,845		75 <b>,</b> 490	
Tax benefits of stock option exercises	14,718		2,758	
Cash used by financing activities	(38,793	)	(375,273	; )
Effect of Foreign Currency Rate Changes on Cash	30,301		(33,936	)
Net Change in Cash and Equivalents	(180,761	. )	(191,358	; )
Cash and Equivalents - Beginning of Year	792,239		731,549	
Cash and Equivalents - End of Period	\$ 611,478	:	\$ 540,191	

# VF CORPORATION

Supplemental Financial Information

Business Segment Information

(In thousands)

	Three Months E	Inded June	Six Months Ended June			
	2011	2010	2011	2010		
Coalition Revenues						
Outdoor & Action	\$ 717,928	\$ 584,447	\$ 1,506,143	\$ 1,263,009		

Sports							
Jeanswear	613,367	556,016		1,292,610		1,178,081	
Imagewear	244,074	211,225		490,882		432,523	
Sportswear	120,272	109,074		232,166		211,251	
Contemporary Brands	118,103	106,083		230,019		210,172	
Other	26,379	27,259		47,102		48,947	
Total coalition \$ revenues	1,840,123	\$ 1,594,104		\$ 3,798,922		\$ 3,343,983	
Coalition Profit							
Outdoor & Action \$ Sports	89,472	\$ 81,524		\$ 233,377		\$ 208,551	
Jeanswear	94,365	94,741		217,491		201,549	
Imagewear	40,271	26,020		77,169		48,832	
Sportswear	11,658	9,740		19,088		16,908	
Contemporary Brands	10,689	8,214		20,373		16,666	
Other	64	(10	)	(2,010	)	(1,235	)
Total coalition profit	246,519	220,229		565,488		491,271	
Corporate and Other Expenses	(60,583)	(48,782	)	(106,840	)	(90,141	)
Interest, net	(14,452)	(19,998	)	(29,426	)	(40,003	)
Income Before Income \$	171,484	\$ 151,449		\$ 429,222		\$ 361,127	

#### VF CORPORATION

Taxes

Supplemental Financial Information

Business Segment Information - Constant Currency Basis

(In thousands)

Three Months Ended June 2011

Impact of

Foreign

As Currency Constant

Reported Exchange Currency

#### Coalition Revenues

Outdoor & Action Sports	\$ 717 <b>,</b> 928		\$ 26,911	\$ 691,017	
Jeanswear	613,367		12,498	600,869	
Imagewear	244,074		1,242	242,832	
Sportswear	120,272		-	120,272	
Contemporary Brands	118,103		2,806	115,297	
Other	26,379		-	26,379	
Total coalition revenues	\$ 1,840,123		\$ 43,457	\$ 1,796,666	
Coalition Profit					
Outdoor & Action Sports	\$ 89,472		\$ 2,770	\$ 86,702	
Jeanswear	94,365		591	93,774	
Imagewear	40,271		247	40,024	
Sportswear	11,658		-	11,658	
Contemporary Brands	10,689		19	10,670	
Other	64		-	64	
Total coalition profit	246,519		3,627	242,892	
Corporate and Other Expenses	(60,583	)	-	(60,583	)
Interest, net	(14,452	)	-	(14, 452	)
Income Before Income Taxes	\$ 171,484		\$ 3,627	\$ 167,857	

Constant Currency Financial Information

VF is a global company that reports financial information in U.S. dollars in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations affect the amounts reported by VF from translating its foreign revenues and expenses into U.S. dollars. These rate fluctuations can have a significant effect on reported operating results. As a supplement to our reported operating results, we present constant currency financial information, which is a non-GAAP financial measure. We use constant currency information to provide a framework to assess how our businesses performed excluding the effects of changes in foreign currency translation rates. Management believes this information is useful to investors to facilitate comparisons of operating results and better identify trends in our businesses.

To calculate coalition revenues and profits on a constant currency basis, operating results for the current year period for entities reporting in currencies other than the U.S. dollar are translated into U.S. dollars at the average exchange rates in effect during the comparable period of the prior year (rather than the actual exchange rates in effect during the current year period).

These constant currency performance measures should be viewed in addition to, and not in lieu of or superior to, our operating performance measures calculated in accordance with GAAP. The constant currency information presented may not be comparable to similarly titled measures reported by other companies.

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Supplemental Financial Information

Business Segment Information - Constant Currency Basis
(In thousands)

Six Months Ended June 2011

Impact of Foreign As Currency Constant Reported Exchange Currency Coalition Revenues Outdoor & Action Sports \$ 1,506,143 \$ 29,781 \$ 1,476,362 Jeanswear 1,292,610 16,055 1,276,555 Imagewear 490,882 1,930 488,952 Sportswear 232,166 232,166 Contemporary Brands 230,019 2,999 227,020 Other 47,102 47,102 Total coalition revenues \$ 3,798,922 \$ 50,765 \$ 3,748,157 Coalition Profit Outdoor & Action Sports \$ 233,377 \$ 3**,**698 \$ 229,679 Jeanswear 217,491 1,795 215,696 Imagewear 77,169 413 76,756 Sportswear 19,088 19,088 Contemporary Brands 20,373 10 20,363 Other (2,010 (2,010 ) ) Total coalition profit 565,488 5,916 559,572 Corporate and Other Expenses (106,840 ) (106,840)

Interest, net (29,426 ) - (29,426 )
Income Before Income Taxes \$ 429,222 \$ 5,916 \$ 423,306

Source: VF Corporation