

Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc. Reports Third Quarter Earnings

HOUMA, La .-- (BUSINESS WIRE) --

Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc. (NASDAQ: GIFI) today reported net income of \$2.8 million (\$.20 diluted EPS) on revenue of \$92.7 million for its third quarter ended September 30, 2008, compared to net income of \$10.0 million (\$.70 diluted EPS) on revenue of \$124.9 million for the third quarter ended September 30, 2007. Net income for the first nine months of 2008 was \$28.1 million (\$1.97 diluted EPS) on revenue of \$334.3 million, compared to net income of \$22.3 million (\$1.56 diluted EPS) on revenue of \$371.8 million for the first nine months of 2007.

The company had a revenue backlog of \$422.4 million and a labor backlog of approximately 4.6 million man-hours remaining to work, which consist of work remaining at September 30, 2008 and commitments received since September 30, 2008.

SELECTED BALANCE SHEET INFORMATION (in thousands)

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|---------------------------------------------|------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|--|
| | Sept | 2008 | December 31, 2007 | | |
| Cash and short-term investments | \$ | 5 , 559 | \$ | 24,640 | |
| Total current assets | | 126,733 | | 135,747 | |
| Property, plant and equipment, at cost, net | | 204,246 | | 188,766 | |
| Total assets | | 331,679 | | 325,213 | |
| Total current liabilities | | 57 , 241 | | 78 , 363 | |
| Debt | | _ | | _ | |
| Shareholders' equity | | 254,769 | | 228,913 | |
| Total liabilities and shareholders' equity | | 331,679 | | 325,213 | |

The management of Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc. will hold a conference call tomorrow, Friday, October 24, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. Central Time (10:00 a.m. Eastern Time) to discuss the Company's financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2008. The call is accessible by webcast (www.gulfisland.com) through CCBN and by dialing 1.888.778.8903. A digital rebroadcast of the call is available two hours after the call and ending November 7, 2008 by dialing 1.888.203.1112, replay passcode: 9473494.

Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc., based in Houma, Louisiana, is a leading fabricator of offshore drilling and production platforms, hull and/or deck sections of floating production platforms and other specialized structures used in the development and production of offshore oil and gas reserves. These structures include jackets and deck sections of fixed production platforms; hull and/or deck sections of floating production platforms (such as tension leg platforms ("TLPs")), SPARs, FPSOs and MinDOCs, piles, wellhead protectors, subsea templates and various production, compressor and utility modules, offshore living quarters, tanks and barges. The Company also provides offshore interconnect pipe hook-up, inshore marine construction, manufacture and repair of pressure vessels, heavy lifts such as ship

integration and TLP module integration, loading and offloading jack-up drilling rigs, semisubmersible drilling rigs, TLPs, SPARs or other similar cargo onshore, and offshore scaffolding and piping insulation services and steel warehousing and sales.

GULF ISLAND FABRICATION, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)
(in thousands, except per share data)

| | | | Nine Months Ended September 30, | | | |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|--|--|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 | 2007 | | |
| Revenue Cost of revenue | | \$124,900 106,904 | | 331,196 | | |
| Gross profit General and administrative | | 17,996 | 49,563 | 40,649 | | |
| expenses | 2,070 | 2 , 771 | 7 , 339 | 7 , 888 | | |
| Operating income | 4,238 | 15,225 | 42,224 | 32,761 | | |
| Other income (expense): Interest expense Interest income Other | (18) 42 (42) | (14) 63 (5) | (31) 187 (97) | (33) 343 (10) | | |
| | (18) | 44 | 59 | 300 | | |
| Income before income taxes | 4,220 | 15,269 | 42,283 | 33,061 | | |
| Income taxes | 1,384 | 5 , 229 | 14,135 | 10,745 | | |
| Net income | \$ 2,836 | \$ 10,040 | \$ 28,148 | \$ 22,316 ====== | | |
| Per share data: | | | | | | |
| Basic earnings per share: | \$ 0.20 ====== | \$ 0.71 | \$ 1.98 | \$ 1.58 ======= | | |
| Diluted income per share: | \$ 0.20 | \$ 0.70 | \$ 1.97 | \$ 1.56 ====== | | |
| Weighted-average shares Effect of dilutive securities: employee | 14,278 | 14,170 | 14,249 | 14,150 | | |
| stock options | 66 | 114 | 65 | 122 | | |
| Adjusted weighted- average shares | 14,344 | 14,284 | 14,314 | 14,272 | | |

| Depreciation and amortization included in expense above | \$ == | 4,615 | \$ 3 , 537 | \$ 13,045 | \$ 10,456 ===== |
|---------------------------------------------------------|----------|-------|----------------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| Cash dividend declared per common share | \$ | 0.10 | \$ 0.10 | \$ 0.30 | \$ 0.30 |

Source: Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc.