

# Forward Air Corporation Reports Second Quarter 2016 Results and Quarterly Cash Dividend

GREENEVILLE, Tenn.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Forward Air Corporation (NASDAQ:FWRD) today reported operating results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2016.

Operating revenue for the quarter ended June 30, 2016 decreased 4.4% to \$238.6 million from \$249.7 million for the same quarter in 2015. Loss from operations was \$14.3 million, which includes a one-time non-cash charge of \$42.4 million primarily resulting from intangible asset impairments related to the Company's TQI acquisition. This loss compares to income from operations of \$19.9 million in the prior-year quarter. Net loss during the period was \$10.1 million compared to net income of \$11.8 million in the second quarter of 2015. Net loss per share for the second quarter of 2016 was \$0.33 compared to net income per diluted share of \$0.38 in the prior-year quarter. Net of tax effects, the TQI impairment charge accounted for \$27.4 million or \$0.90 per diluted share of the second quarter of 2016 net loss.

During its customary second quarter evaluation of goodwill and intangibles, the Company determined that the fair values of its TQI goodwill and other intangibles were below their carrying values. In accordance with GAAP, the Company recorded the aforementioned charge. This one-time non-cash charge has no impact on the Company's business operations, liquidity, credit facilities or compliance with existing debt covenants.

Income from operations, adjusted to exclude the \$42.4 million impairment charge in the second quarter of 2016 and \$6.9 million in Towne deal and integration costs in the second quarter of 2015, increased to \$28.1 million for the second quarter of 2016 from \$26.8 million for the second quarter of 2015. Adjusted net income increased to \$17.3 million during the second quarter of 2016 from \$16.0 million in the prior-year quarter. Similarly, adjusted earnings per diluted share for the second quarter of 2016 increased to \$0.57 compared with \$0.51 in the prior-year quarter.

A tabular reconciliation detailing the adjustments made to arrive at the adjusted financial results set forth above from financial results determined in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles is contained in the financial summary statements attached to this press release.

Bruce A. Campbell, Chairman, President, and CEO, commenting on the second quarter results said, "Our Expedited LTL group posted an 82.8 operating ratio for the quarter, reflecting better overall linehaul pricing and outstanding operating efficiencies as we realize the benefits of the Towne integration. Within our Truckload Expedited business segment, TLX performed well while TQI, without regard to the impairment charge, continues to make

slow albeit steady progress. While our Intermodal group was able to adjust to a macro driven decline in revenue and largely maintain its relative profitability, our Pool segment posted a slight net loss addressing its second quarter revenue growth."

Commenting further, Mr. Campbell said, "In spite of a sluggish economic outlook, we feel that we are well positioned going into the second half of the year. In the meantime, any incremental pick up in freight volumes should be meaningful to the bottom line."

In closing Mr. Campbell said, "As always I would like to thank all of our employees and independent contractors for the hard work that made these results possible. With their ongoing support and commitment, our team looks forward to bringing continued value to our shareholders."

Commenting on the Company's third quarter guidance, Michael J. Morris, Senior Vice President and CFO, said, "Reflecting the outlook Bruce mentioned in his commentary, we expect third quarter year-over-year revenue growth to be in the range of 1% to 5%. We expect adjusted income per diluted share for the third quarter of 2016 to be between \$0.61 and \$0.65 per share compared to an adjusted \$0.58 per share in the third quarter of 2015. Included in this range is an estimated \$0.03 per share negative impact from lower fuel surcharges."

On July 21, 2016, our Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.12 per share of common stock. The dividend is payable to shareholders of record at the close of business on August 22, 2016, and is expected to be paid on September 6, 2016.

This quarterly dividend is pursuant to a cash dividend policy approved by the Board of Directors, which anticipates a total annual dividend of \$0.48 per share of common stock, payable in quarterly increments of \$0.12 per share of common stock. The actual declaration of future cash dividends, and the establishment of record and payment dates, is subject to final determination by the Board of Directors each quarter after its review of the Company's financial performance.

Also, on July 21, 2016, our Board of Directors approved a stock repurchase authorization for up to three million shares of the Company's common stock. In connection with this action, the board canceled the Company's 2014 share repurchase authorization. The amount and timing of any repurchases under the Company's new repurchase authorization will be at such prices as determined by management of the Company. Repurchases of common stock may also be made under a Rule 10b5-1 plan, which would permit common stock to be repurchased when the Company might otherwise be precluded from doing so under insider trading laws. Share repurchases may be commenced or suspended from time to time for any reason. The Company currently has approximately 30,020,187 shares outstanding.

Year to date through July 2016, the Company has returned approximately \$37.3 million to shareholders by paying approximately \$7.3 million in dividends and repurchasing approximately \$30.0 million of common stock.

#### **Review of Financial Results**

Forward Air will hold a conference call to discuss second quarter 2016 results on Friday, July 22, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. EDT. The Company's conference call will be available online at

<u>www.forwardair.com</u> or by dialing (800) 230-1059. A replay of the conference call will be available at <u>www.forwardair.com</u> beginning shortly after the completion of the live call.

#### **About Forward Air Corporation**

Forward Air Corporation's services can be classified into four segments: Expedited LTL, Expedited Truckload Services ("TLX"), Intermodal and Pool Distribution.

In our Expedited LTL segment, we provide time-definite transportation services to the North American deferred air freight market. Our Expedited LTL service operates a comprehensive national network for the time-definite surface transportation of expedited ground freight. The Expedited LTL service offers customers local pick-up and delivery and scheduled surface transportation of cargo as a cost effective, reliable alternative to air transportation. Expedited LTL's other services include shipment consolidation and deconsolidation, warehousing, customs brokerage, and other handling. The Expedited LTL segment primarily provides its transportation services through a network of terminals located at or near airports in the United States and Canada.

In our TLX segment we provide expedited truckload brokerage, dedicated fleet services and maximum security and temperature-controlled logistics services. We are able to expedite this service by utilizing a dedicated fleet of team owner operators, some team company drivers as well as third-party transportation providers. The TLX segment provides full truckload service in the United States and Canada.

In our Intermodal segment, we provide container and intermodal drayage services primarily within the Midwest region of the United States. Drayage is essentially the first and last mile of the movement of an intermodal container. We are providing this service both to and from ports and rail heads. Our Intermodal segment also provides dedicated contract and Container Freight Station ("CFS") warehouse and handling services. Today our Intermodal segment operates primarily in the Midwest but through acquisition as well as green-field start-ups we anticipate moving into other geographies within the United States.

In our Pool Distribution segment, we provide pool distribution services throughout the Mid-Atlantic, Southeast, Midwest and Southwest continental United States. Pool Distribution involves managing high-frequency handling and distribution of time-sensitive product to numerous destinations in specific geographic regions. Our primary customers for this service are regional and nationwide distributors and retailers, such as mall, strip mall and outlet based retail chains.

## Forward Air Corporation Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (In thousands, except per share data) (Unaudited)

	Three moi	nths ended	Six months ended			
	June 30,	June 30,	June 30,	June 30,		
	2016	2015	2016	2015		
Operating revenue:	<b>0444000</b>	<b>#</b> 455.050	<b>4070 070</b>	<b>#070.00</b> 5		
Expedited LTL	\$144,693	\$155,858	\$279,072	\$278,065		
Truckload Expedited	39,440	39,395	78,060	73,867		
Pool Distribution	31,525	27,684	64,716	54,908		
Intermodal	24,189	27,494	48,813	50,521		
Eliminations and other operations	(1,210)	(737)	(2,476)	(1,749)		
Operating revenue	\$238,637	\$249,694	\$468,185	\$455,612		
Operating expenses:						
Purchased transportation	99,267	107,482	195,743	196,819		
Salaries, wages and employee benefits	57,018	61,886	115,695	115,789		
Operating leases	14,601	18,277	28,469	34,033		
Depreciation and amortization	9,341	9,519	19,009	18,202		
Insurance and claims	6,648	6,240	12,044	11,371		
Fuel expense	2,999	4,188	5,960	8,208		
Other operating expenses	20,669	22,194	41,766	43,033		
Impairment of goodwill, intangibles and other assets	42,442	_	42,442	_		
Total operating expenses	252,985	229,786	461,128	427,455		
Operating (loss) income:						
Expedited LTL	24,921	20,796	42,011	35,681		
Truckload Expedited	(40,282)	4,141	(38,717)	7,351		
Pool Distribution	(371)	(13)	(257)	203		
Intermodal	2,757	3,318	5,130	5,307		
Other operations	(1,373)	(8,334)	(1,110)	(20,385)		
(Loss) income from operations	(14,348)	19,908	7,057	28,157		
Other income (expense):						
Interest expense	(461)	(570)	(1,015)	(934)		
Other, net	(117)	(89)	(145)	(138)		
Total other income (expense)	(578)	(659)	(1,160)	(1,072)		
(Loss) income before income taxes	(14,926)	19.249	5,897	27,085		
Income tax (benefit) expense	(4,860)	7,425	2,864	10,425		
Net (loss) income and comprehensive (loss) income	\$ (10,066)	-	\$ 3,033	\$ 16,660		
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Net (loss) income per share:	<b>ተ</b> (0.33)	¢ 0.20	¢ 0.40	¢ 0.54		
Basic	\$ (0.33)		\$ 0.10	\$ 0.54		
Diluted	\$ (0.33)	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.53		
Dividends per share:	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.24		

### Expedited LTL Segment Information (In millions) (Unaudited)

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	June 30,	Percent of	June 30,	Percent of		Percent
	2016	Revenue	2015	Revenue	Change	Change
Operating revenue	\$ 144.7	100.0%	\$ 155.8	100.0%	\$ (11.1)	(7.1)%
Operating expenses:						
Purchased transportation	55.8	38.6	66.0	42.4	(10.2)	(15.5)
Salaries, wages and employee						
benefits	33.9	23.4	39.3	25.2	(5.4)	(13.7)
Operating leases	8.5	5.9	8.4	5.4	0.1	1.2
Depreciation and amortization	5.3	3.7	5.6	3.6	(0.3)	(5.4)
Insurance and claims	3.4	2.3	2.4	1.5	1.0	41.7
Fuel expense	0.8	0.5	1.1	0.7	(0.3)	(27.3)
Other operating expenses	12.1	8.4	12.2	7.9	(0.1)	(8.0)
Total operating expenses	119.8	82.8	135.0	86.7	(15.2)	(11.3)
Income from operations	\$ 24.9	17.2%	\$ 20.8	13.3%	\$ 4.1	19.7%

#### **Expedited LTL Operating Statistics**

	Three months ended					
	June 30,	June 30,	Percent			
	2016	2015	Change			
Operating ratio	82.8%	86.7%	(4.5)%			
Business days	64.0	64.0	_			
Business weeks	12.8	12.8	_			
Expedited LTL: Tonnage						
Total pounds <sup>1</sup>	606,033	650,276	(6.8)			
Average weekly pounds <sup>1</sup>	47,346	50,803	(6.8)			
Linehaul shipments						
Total linehaul	964,756	1,010,978	(4.6)			
Average weekly	75,372	78,983	(4.6)			
Forward Air Complete shipments	206,406	256,553	(19.5)			
As a percentage of linehaul shipments	21.4%	25.4%	(15.7)			
Average linehaul shipment size	628	643	(2.3)			
Revenue per pound <sup>2</sup>						
Linehaul yield	\$ 17.58	\$ 16.98	2.8			
Fuel surcharge impact	0.94	1.20	(1.2)			
Forward Air Complete impact	3.31	3.48	(8.0)			
Total Expedited LTL yield	\$ 21.83	\$ 21.66	0.8%			

¹ - In thousands

 $<sup>^{2}\,\</sup>mbox{-}$  In dollars per hundred pound; percentage change is expressed as a percent of total yield.

### Truckload Expedited Segment Information (In millions) (Unaudited)

Three months ended June 30, Percent of June 30, Percent of Percent 2016 Revenue 2015 Revenue Change Change Operating revenue \$ 39.4 100.0% \$ 39.4 100.0% \$ Operating expenses: Purchased transportation 27.4 69.6 25.3 64.2 8.3 2.1 Salaries, wages and employee benefits 4.5 11.4 4.7 11.9 (0.2)(4.3)Operating leases 0.1 0.3 0.1 0.3 Depreciation and amortization 1.5 1.7 4.3 3.8 0.2 13.3 Insurance and claims 1.0 2.5 0.9 2.3 0.1 11.1 Fuel expense 0.6 1.5 0.9 2.3 (0.3)(33.3)Other operating expenses 2.0 5.1 1.9 4.8 0.1 5.3

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#### **Truckload Expedited Operating Statistics**

Impairment of goodwill, intangibles and other assets

Total operating expenses

(Loss) income from operations

	Three months ended							
	Ju	ne 30,	Ju	ne 30,	Percent			
		2016	_	2015	Change			
Company driver								
1		1,544		1,880	(17.9)			
Owner operator <sup>1</sup>	12,563			8,722	44.0			
Third party <sup>1</sup>		7,491		7,600	(1.4)			
Total Miles	2	21,598		8,202	18.7			
Revenue per mile	\$	1.77	\$	2.05	(13.7)			
Cost per mile	\$	1.34	\$	1.46	(8.2)%			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> - In thousands

#### Pool Distribution Segment Information (In millions) (Unaudited)

Three months ended

	June 30,	Percent of	June 30,	Percent of	ı	Percent
	2016	Revenue	2015	Revenue	Change	Change
Operating revenue	\$ 31.5	100.0%	\$ 27.7	100.0%	\$ 3.8	13.7%
Operating expenses:						
Purchased transportation	8.6	27.3	7.5	27.1	1.1	14.7
Salaries, wages and employee						
benefits	11.9	37.8	10.6	38.3	1.3	12.3
Operating leases	3.0	9.5	2.1	7.6	0.9	42.9
Depreciation and amortization	1.5	4.8	1.5	5.4	_	_
Insurance and claims	1.0	3.2	0.9	3.2	0.1	11.1
Fuel expense	1.1	3.5	1.3	4.7	(0.2)	(15.4)
Other operating expenses	4.8	15.2	3.8	13.7	1.0	26.3
Total operating expenses	31.9	101.3	27.7	100.0	4.2	15.2
Loss from operations	\$ (0.4)	(1.3)%	\$ —	—%	\$ (0.4)	(100.0)%

#### Intermodal Segment Information (In millions) (Unaudited)

Three months ended

	Ju	ne 30,	Percent of	Jυ	ıne 30,	Percent of		Percent
	2	2016	Revenue		2015	Revenue	Chan	ge Change
Operating revenue	\$	24.2	100.0%	\$	27.5	100.0%	\$ (3.	3) (12.0)%
Operating expenses:								
Purchased transportation		8.4	34.7		9.0	32.7	(0.	6) (6.7)
Salaries, wages and employee								
benefits		6.0	24.8		6.2	22.6	(0.	2) (3.2)
Operating leases		2.9	12.0		2.9	10.5	-	
Depreciation and amortization		0.9	3.7		0.9	3.3	_	
Insurance and claims		0.5	2.0		0.7	2.5	(0.	2) (28.6)
Fuel expense		0.6	2.5		0.9	3.3	(0.	3) (33.3)
Other operating expenses		2.1	8.7		3.6	13.1	(1.	5) (41.7)
Total operating expenses		21.4	88.4		24.2	88.0	(2.	8) (11.6)
Income from operations	\$	2.8	11.6%	\$	3.3	12.0%	\$ (0.	5) (15.2)%

#### Forward Air Corporation Consolidated Balance Sheets (In thousands) (Unaudited)

	June 30, 2016	December 31, 2015 (a)		
Assets				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 21,679	\$ 33,31	2	
Accounts receivable, net	109,256	109,16	5	
Other current assets	32,696	30,98	80	
Total current assets	163,631	173,45	57	
Property and equipment	355,124	343,14	7	
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	166,868	155,85	9	
Net property and equipment	188,256	187,28	88	
Goodwill and other acquired intangibles:				
Goodwill	179,301	205,60	9	
Other acquired intangibles, net of accumulated amortization	106,709	127,80	0	
Total net goodwill and other acquired intangibles	286,010	333,40	9	
Other assets	6,530	5,77	78	
Total assets	\$644,427	\$ 699,93	32	
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$ 13,815	\$ 23,33	34	
Accrued expenses	31,210	29,82	23	
Current portion of debt and capital lease obligations	55,713	55,88	37	
Total current liabilities	100,738	109,04	4	
Debt and capital lease obligations, less current portion	909	28,61	7	
Other long-term liabilities	14,071	12,34	0	
Deferred income taxes	39,227	39,87	'6	
Shareholders' equity:	200	0.0		
Common stock	302	160.95	-	
Additional paid-in capital	166,363	160,85		
Retained earnings	322,817	348,89	_	
Total shareholders' equity	489,482	510,05	_	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$644,427	\$ 699,93	32	

<sup>(</sup>a) Taken from audited financial statements, which are not presented in their entirety.

# Forward Air Corporation Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (In thousands) (Unaudited)

	Three months ended			
	Jun	e 30, 2016	Jun	e 30, 2015
Operating activities:				
Net (loss) income	\$	(10,066)	\$	11,824
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities				
Depreciation and amortization		9,341		9,519
Impairment of goodwill, intangible and other assets		42,442		_
Share-based compensation		2,159		1,890
(Gain) loss on disposal of property and equipment		(3)		116
Provision for recovery on receivables		184		102
Provision for revenue adjustments		406		935
Deferred income tax benefit		(4,150)		(3,543)
Excess tax benefit for stock options exercised		(49)		(36)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities				
Accounts receivable		(5,529)		(2,556)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		(7,052)		(5,829)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		(3,917)		(1,319)
Net cash provided by operating activities		23,766		11,103
Investing activities:				
Proceeds from disposal of property and equipment		945		41
Purchases of property and equipment		(13,352)		(6,733)
Acquisition of business, net of cash acquired		_		(52)
Other		(623)		67
Net cash used in investing activities		(13,030)		(6,677)
Financing activities:				
Payments of debt and capital lease obligations		(13,914)		(14,147)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options		213		1,212
Payments of cash dividends		(3,656)		(3,719)
Repurchase of common stock (repurchase program)		(9,996)		_
Common stock issued under employee stock purchase plan		215		228
Excess tax benefit for stock options exercised		49		36
Cash settlement of share-based awards for minimum tax withholdings		(5)		
Net cash used in financing activities		(27,094)		(16,390)
Net decrease in cash		(16,358)		(11,964)
Cash at beginning of period		38,037		54,495
Cash at end of period	\$	21,679	\$	42,531

### Forward Air Corporation Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (In thousands) (Unaudited)

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Investing activities:
Proceeds from disposal of property and equipment 1,100 623
Purchases of property and equipment (16,040) (11,962)
Acquisition of business, net of cash acquired (1,700) (62,375)
Other (601) (68)
Net cash used in investing activities (17,241) (73,782)
Financing activities:
Proceeds from term loan 125,000
Payments of debt and capital lease obligations (27,883) (73,263)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options 1,094 11,351
Payments of cash dividends (7,334) (7,433)
Repurchase of common stock (repurchase program) (19,991) —
Common stock issued under employee stock purchase plan 215 228
Excess tax benefit for stock options exercised 87 2,365
Cash settlement of share-based awards for minimum tax withholdings (1,786) (1,926)
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities (55,598) 56,322
Net (decrease) increase in cash (11,633) 1,102
Cash at beginning of period 33,312 41,429
Cash at end of period \$ 21,679 \$ 42,531

#### Forward Air Corporation Reconciliation to U.S. GAAP

The Company believes that meaningful analysis of our financial performance in 2016 and 2015 requires an understanding of the factors underlying that performance, including an understanding of items that are not on-going and directly the result of our acquisition activity. We believe that excluding intangible asset impairment costs related to the TQI segment for the three and six months ended June 30, 2016 and integration costs related to Towne Air from our results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 will assist investors in understanding our core operating performance and allow for more accurate comparisons of results. As required by SEC rules, the tables below present, for the periods indicated, a reconciliation of our presented adjusted non-GAAP measures to the most directly

#### comparable GAAP measures.

#### (In millions, except per share data) (Unaudited)

	Three months ended									
			lmp	pairment	Non-GAAP					
	June	30, 2016 (1)	C	harge	June	30, 2016				
Income from operations	\$	(14.3)	\$	42.4	\$	28.1				
Net income	\$	(10.1)	\$	27.4	\$	17.3				
Weighted average diluted shares outstanding		30,252		30,451		30,451				
Net income per share:	\$	(0.33)	\$	0.90	\$	0.57				

(1) - As reported in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles.

	Three months ended									
	<u> </u>		Integ	ration and	Noi	1-GAAP				
	June	30, 2015 (1)	De	al Costs	June	30, 2015				
Income from operations	\$	19.9	\$	6.9	\$	26.8				
Net income	\$	11.8	\$	4.2	\$	16.0				
Weighted average diluted shares outstanding		31,104		31,104		31,104				
Net income per share:	\$	0.38	\$	0.14	\$	0.51				

(1) - As reported in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles.

#### Forward Air Corporation Reconciliation to U.S. GAAP (In millions, except per share data) (Unaudited)

	Six months ended						
			Impairment		Non-GAAP		
	June 30	, 2016 (1)	(	Charge	June	30, 2016	
Income from operations	\$	7.1	\$	42.4	\$	49.5	
Net income	\$	3.0	\$	27.4	\$	30.4	
Weighted average diluted shares outstanding		30,356		30,557		30,557	
Net income per share:	\$	0.10	\$	0.90	\$	0.99	

(1) - As reported in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles.

Six months ended						
			Integration and		Non-GAAP	
	June 30, 2015 (1)		<b>Deal Costs</b>		June 30, 2015	
Income from operations	\$	28.2	\$	18.7	\$	46.9
Net income	\$	16.7	\$	11.4	\$	28.1
Weighted average diluted shares outstanding		31,088		31,088		31,088
Net income per share:	\$	0.53	\$	0.37	\$	0.90

(1) - As reported in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles.

### Forward Air Corporation Actual to Guidance EPS Bridge Three months ended June 30, 2016 (All EPS is diluted earnings per share)

Second quarter EPS as reported				
Impairment of goodwill, intangibles and other assets				
Adjusted EPS				
Variances from guidance assumptions:				
Pool Distribution operating deficiencies	0.018			
Intermodal revenue shortfall	0.018			
TLX Expedited revenue shortfall	0.004			
Expedited LTL network efficiencies	(0.020)	)		
Total variances from guidance assumptions		0.020		
Adjusted EPS with variances added back		0.590		
Mid-point of original first quarter guidance		0.590		
Remaining positive EPS variance		\$ —		

#### **Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

This press release contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements can be identified by words such as: "anticipate," "intend," "plan," "goal," "seek," "believe," "project," "estimate," "expect," "strategy," "future," "likely," "may," "should," "will" and similar references to future periods. Examples of forward-looking statements include, among others, statements we make regarding expected operating results, such as revenue growth and earnings, and guidance relating to income per diluted share for the second quarter.

Forward-looking statements are neither historical facts nor assurances of future performance. Instead, they are based only on our current beliefs, expectations and assumptions regarding the future of our business, future plans and strategies, projections, anticipated events and trends, the economy and other future conditions. Because forward-looking statements relate to the future, they are subject to inherent uncertainties, risks and changes in circumstances that are difficult to predict and many of which are outside of our control. Our actual results and financial condition may differ materially from those indicated in the forward-looking statements. Therefore, you should not rely on any of these forward-looking statements. Important factors that could cause our actual results and financial condition to differ materially from those indicated in the forward-looking statements include,

among others, the following: economic factors such as recessions, inflation, higher interest rates and downturns in customer business cycles, our inability to maintain our historical growth rate because of a decreased volume of freight moving through our network or decreased average revenue per pound of freight moving through our network, increasing competition and pricing pressure, surplus inventories, loss of a major customer, the creditworthiness of our customers and their ability to pay for services rendered, our ability to secure terminal facilities in desirable locations at reasonable rates, the inability of our information systems to handle an increased volume of freight moving through our network, changes in fuel prices, claims for property damage, personal injuries or workers' compensation, employment matters including rising health care costs, enforcement of and changes in governmental regulations, environmental and tax matters, the handling of hazardous materials, the availability and compensation of qualified independent owner-operators and freight handlers needed to serve our transportation needs and our inability to successfully integrate acquisitions.

Any forward-looking statement made by us in this press release is based only on information currently available to us and speaks only as of the date on which it is made. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement, whether written or oral, that may be made from time to time, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise.

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