

# NETSOL Technologies Reports Fiscal Third Quarter 2018 Financial Results

Further Significant Cost Reductions Lead to GAAP Quarterly Earnings per Share of \$0.25, Up 300%+ Year-over-Year

CALABASAS, Calif., May 14, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- **NETSOL Technologies, Inc.** (NASDAQ:NTWK), a global business services and enterprise application solutions provider, reported results for the fiscal third quarter ended March 31, 2018.

#### **Operational Highlights**

- Reported quarterly cost savings of \$1.8 million mostly tied to cost rationalization initiatives, bringing total savings to \$6.2 million and with an anticipated reduction of at least \$7.0 million through fiscal 2018.
- Signed a contract with a top tier multi-finance company in Indonesia to implement NFS Ascent's suite of digital apps valued at approximately \$3.0 million.
- Generated close to \$2.0 million through successful implementation of change requests from various customers with expected year-over-year growth of up to 15% in this area thanks to increasing customer demand for greater complexity and customization.
- Sold additional legacy licenses valued at \$1.0 million to a current Chinese customer due to the increase in its business.
- Received "Auto Finance Software System Leading Enterprise Award," which acknowledges the top software solutions company within the auto finance sector in China.

#### Fiscal Third Quarter 2018 Financial Results

Total net revenues for the third quarter of fiscal 2018 were \$17.0 million, compared with \$17.9 million in the prior year period. The decrease in total net revenues was primarily due to lower license fees of \$3.1 million, which was offset by an increase in services revenue of \$2.0 million.

- Total license fees were \$2.6 million, compared with \$5.7 million in the prior year period.
- Total maintenance fees were \$3.8 million, compared with \$3.6 million in the prior year

period.

• Total services revenues were \$10.6 million, compared with \$8.6 million in the prior year period.

Gross profit for the third quarter of fiscal 2018 was \$9.2 million (or 53.9% of net revenues), compared to \$9.0 million (or 50.1% of net revenues) in the third quarter of fiscal 2017. The increase in gross profit as a percentage of net revenues was primarily due to a \$1.1 million decrease in cost of revenues for the quarter. The decrease in cost of revenues was primarily due to a decrease in salaries and consultants, travel and depreciation.

Operating expenses for the third quarter of fiscal 2018 decreased 10% to \$6.4 million (or 37.8% of net revenues) from \$7.2 million (or 39.9% of net revenues) for the third quarter of fiscal 2017. The decrease in operating expenses was primarily due to decreases in selling and marketing expenses, professional services, general and administrative expenses and depreciation.

GAAP net income attributable to NETSOL for the third quarter of fiscal 2018 totaled \$2.9 million or \$0.25 per diluted share, an improvement from net income of \$700,000 or \$0.06 per diluted share in the third quarter of fiscal 2017.

Non-GAAP adjusted EBITDA for the third quarter of fiscal 2018 totaled \$4.3 million or \$0.39 per diluted share, an improvement from \$2.0 million or \$0.18 per diluted share in the third quarter of fiscal 2017 (see note regarding "Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures," below for further discussion of this non-GAAP measure).

At March 31, 2018, cash and cash equivalents were \$12.7 million, an increase from \$10.0 million at the end of the prior quarter.

#### **Stock Repurchase Program**

On February 27, 2018, NETSOL's board of directors approved a stock repurchase program that authorized potential repurchases of up to 500,000 shares of its common stock through June 30, 2018. Under the program, the company may repurchase its common stock in the open market from time-to-time, in amounts, at prices, and at such times as the company deems appropriate, subject to market conditions and federal and state laws governing such transactions. NETSOL expects to fund the repurchase with its existing cash balance and cash generated from operations. During the quarter, the company has repurchased 31,799 shares of its common stock at an aggregate value of \$149,694.

#### **Management Commentary**

"In the fiscal third quarter, we continued to improve our bottom line results and generated a solid amount of business through new wins as well as increased customization requests from longstanding customers," said NETSOL Co-Founder, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Najeeb Ghauri. "While we are working diligently to advance some of the more significant deals within our expanded pipeline, we were still able to produce our second consecutive quarter of profitability thanks greatly to the outperformance of our ongoing cost reduction initiatives, which we are now projecting to result in at least \$7 million of savings in fiscal 2018 alone. These initiatives have not only optimized our cost structure, but also created more headroom and capability to scale our business, which we believe can support a significant more amount of revenue without requiring meaningful incremental investment to support it.

"As we close out the balance of the fiscal year, we are increasingly motivated to capitalize on the greater opportunities in front of us despite the extended sales cycles our industry now faces. In the meantime, we will continue to devote the rest of our efforts to the areas where we have ability to directly impact and control our results. The renewal of our stock repurchase program is one such example that also reflects the sustained confidence and belief our leadership has in NETSOL's future. In all, our focus remains, as ever, on generating long-term, sustainable value for our shareholders."

#### Sales Outlook

"NETSOL continues to receive new RFP's and is tracking several promising opportunities, which we expect to ultimately result in positive outcomes," added President and Head of Sales Naeem Ghauri. "The Ascent platform has garnered strong traction, mainly with the tier one auto and asset captive finance companies in our major APAC markets. With more intelligence, sophistication and automation into the front office along with its unique toolset in the back office, Ascent remains the superior choice in its field. Moving forward, our pipeline remains very healthy, and we are looking forward to capitalizing on the more mature sales opportunities that will be reaching the finishing line in the near future."

#### **Conference Call**

NETSOL Technologies management will hold a conference call today (May 14, 2018) at 9:00 a.m. Eastern time (6:00 a.m. Pacific time) to discuss these financial results. A question and answer session will follow management's presentation.

U.S. dial-in: 1-877-407-0789

International dial-in: 1-201-689-8562

Please call the conference telephone number 5-10 minutes prior to the start time. An operator will register your name and organization. If you have any difficulty connecting with the conference call, please contact Liolios Group at 1-949-574-3860.

The conference call will be broadcasted live and available for replay<u>here</u> and via the Investor Relations section of NETSOL's <u>website</u>.

A replay of the conference call will be available after 12:00 p.m. Eastern time on the same day through May 28, 2018.

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

Replay ID: 13678643

#### **About NETSOL Technologies**

NETSOL Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ:NTWK) is a worldwide provider of IT and enterprise software solutions primarily serving the global Leasing and Finance industry. The company's suite of applications are backed by 40 years of domain expertise and supported by a committed team of approximately 1,350 professionals placed in eight strategically located support and delivery centers throughout the world. NFS, LeasePak, LeaseSoft or NFS Ascent – help companies transform their Finance and Leasing operations, providing a fully automated asset-based finance solution covering the complete leasing and finance lifecycle.

#### Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements in this press release are forward-looking in nature, including, but not limited to, expected net revenue and the demand for and sales lifecycle of NFS Ascent and the benefit of certain cost savings undertaken in the past fiscal year, and accordingly, are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected. The words "expects," "anticipates," variations of such words, and similar expressions, identify forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, but their absence does not mean that the statement is not forward-looking. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to certain risks, uncertainties, and assumptions that are difficult to predict. Factors that could affect the Company's actual results include the progress and costs of the development of products and services and the timing of the market acceptance. The subject Companies expressly disclaim any obligation or undertaking to update or revise any forward-looking statement contained herein to reflect any change in the company's expectations with regard thereto or any change in events, conditions or circumstances upon which any statement is based.

#### **Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

The reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA to net income, the most comparable financial measure based upon GAAP, as well as a further explanation of adjusted EBITDA, is included in the financial tables in Schedule 4 of this press release. Beginning with the fourth quarter of fiscal 2016, NETSOL has revised its calculation of Adjusted EBITDA to exclude the portion of Adjusted EBITDA that is attributable to its subsidiaries that have a minority interest.

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#### NETSOL Technologies, Inc. and Subsidiaries Schedule 1: Consolidated Balance Sheets

ASSETS	As	of March 31, 2018	As of June 30, 2017		
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	12,711,983	\$	14,172,954	
Accounts receivable, net of allowance of \$333,301 and \$571,511		22,874,866		6,583,199	
Accounts receivable, net - related party		3,412,346		1,644,942	
Revenues in excess of billings		15,286,835		19,126,389	
Revenues in excess of billings - related party		153,135		80,705	
Convertible note receivable - related party		750,000		200,000	
Other current assets		3,104,916		2,463,886	
Total current assets		58,294,081		44,272,075	
Restricted cash		-		90,000	
Revenues in excess of billings, net - long term		1,752,554		5,173,538	
Property and equipment, net		17,526,227		20,370,703	
Other assets		3,279,468		3,211,295	
Intangible assets, net		13,533,620		17,043,151	

Goodwill		9,516,568		9,516,568
Total assets	\$	103,902,518	\$	99,677,330
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities:	•	7 705 045	•	0.000.404
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	7,765,645	\$	6,880,194
Current portion of loans and obligations under capitalized leases		9,099,822		10,222,795
Unearned revenues		7,841,096		3,925,702
Common stock to be issued		88,324		88,324
Total current liabilities		24,794,887		21,117,015
Loans and obligations under capitalized leases; less current maturities		296,211		366,762
Total liabilities		25,091,098		21,483,777
Commitments and contingencies				
Stockholders' equity:				
Preferred stock, \$.01 par value; 500,000 shares authorized;		-		-
Common stock, \$.01 par value; 14,500,000 shares authorized;				
11,457,673 shares issued and 11,251,820 outstanding as of March 31, 2018 and				
11,225,385 shares issued and 11,190,606 outstanding as of June 30, 2017		114,577		112,254
Additional paid-in-capital		125,733,973		124,409,998
Treasury stock (At cost, 205,853 shares and 34,779 shares				
as of March 31, 2018 and June 30, 2017, respectively)		(1,205,024)		(454,310)
Accumulated deficit		(39,172,022)		(42,301,390)
Stock subscription receivable		(221,000)		(297,511)
Other comprehensive loss		(22,005,245)		(18,074,570)
Total NetSol stockholders' equity		63,245,259		63,394,471
Non-controlling interest		15,566,161		14,799,082
Total stockholders' equity	-	78,811,420		78,193,553
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	103,902,518	\$	99,677,330

## NETSOL Technologies, Inc. and Subsidiaries Schedule 2: Consolidated Statement of Operations

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	2018	2017	2018	2017			
Net Revenues:	'						
License fees	\$ 2,648,870	\$ 5,730,222	\$ 3,210,868	\$ 14,953,574			
Maintenance fees	3,659,998	3,538,996	10,702,171	10,651,692			
Services	9,345,210	6,669,309	25,450,138	18,844,602			
License fees - related party	-	-	261,513	246,957			
Maintenance fees - related party	105,325	51,698	309,539	233,674			
Services - related party	1,284,417	1,959,095	4,374,802	5,954,076			
Total net revenues	17,043,820	17,949,320	44,309,031	50,884,575			
Cost of revenues:							
Salaries and consultants	5,418,067	6,161,110	16,244,319	18,034,263			
Travel	425,060	764,867	1,226,073	2,313,002			
Depreciation and amortization	1,127,077	1,340,188	3,468,293	3,989,824			
Other	880,897	686,950	2,677,465	2,725,015			
Total cost of revenues	7,851,101	8,953,115	23,616,150	27,062,104			
Gross profit	9,192,719	8,996,205	20,692,881	23,822,471			
Operating expenses:							
Selling and marketing	1,962,402	2,439,948	5,605,838	7,497,464			
Depreciation and amortization	231,308	284,642	699,966	825,224			
Provision for bad debts	-	-	-	-			
General and administrative	4,048,271	4,329,798	11,862,535	12,882,407			
Research and development cost	197,643	101,193	572,619	285,732			

Total operating expenses	- 6	6,439,624		7,155,581		18,740,958		21,490,827	
Income from operations		2,753,095	1,840,624		1,951,923			2,331,644	
Other income and (expenses)									
Gain (loss) on sale of assets		40,537		1,647		24,468		(33,095)	
Interest expense		(102,522)		(60,357) (330,268)			(176,959)		
Interest income		142,356		27,229		394,837		81,085	
Gain (loss) on foreign currency exchange transactions	2	2,550,394		390,897		5,304,723		(645,886)	
Share of net loss from equity investment		(263,678)		-		(534,576)		-	
Other income (expense)		314		(219)		15,924		28,164	
Total other income (expenses)	2	2,367,401		359,197		4,875,108		(746,691)	
Net income before income taxes		5,120,496		2,199,821		6,827,031		1,584,953	
Income tax provision		(261,182)		(61,604) (486,980)			(440,363)		
Net income		1,859,314		2,138,217		6,340,051		1,144,590	
Non-controlling interest	(1	,994,869 )		(1,438,249 )		(3,210,683)		(2,999,127)	
Net income (loss) attributable to NetSol	\$ 2	2,864,445	\$	699,968	\$	3,129,368	\$	(1,854,537 )	
Net income (loss) per share:									
Net income (loss) per common share									
Basic	\$	0.26	\$	0.06	\$	0.28	\$	(0.17)	
Diluted	\$	0.25	\$	0.06	\$	0.28	\$	(0.17)	
Weighted average number of shares outstanding									
Basic	11	1,190,048	10,987,214		11,118,529		10,850,538		
Diluted	11	1,268,842	11,121,620		11,152,365		10,850,538		

### NETSOL Technologies, Inc. and Subsidiaries Schedule 3: Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

For the Nine Months

	Ended March 31,								
	 2018		2017						
Cash flows from operating activities:		<u></u>							
Net income	\$ 6,340,051	\$	1,144,590						
Adjustments to reconcile net income									
to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:									
Depreciation and amortization	4,168,259		4,815,048						
Provision for bad debts	-		732						
Share of net loss from investment under equity method	534,576		-						
(Gain) loss on sale of assets	(24,468)		33,095						
Stock based compensation	1,281,763		1,998,968						
Fair market value of warrants and stock options granted	-		26,956						
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:									
Accounts receivable	(17,848,921)		(649,776)						
Accounts receivable - related party	(2,634,063)		405,009						
Revenues in excess of billing	5,904,161		(10,388,695)						
Revenues in excess of billing - related party	(85,743)		553,767						
Other current assets	(796,126)		419,704						
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	1,139,509		337,890						
Unearned revenue	4,273,007		(715,880)						
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	 2,252,005		(2,018,592)						
Cash flows from investing activities:									
Purchases of property and equipment	(1,107,732)		(1,315,922 )						
Sales of property and equipment	348,762		149,430						

Convertible note receivable - related party	(550,000)	-
Investment in WRLD3D	(50,000 )	(905,555)
Purchase of subsidiary shares from open market	(33,987)	-
Net cash used in investing activities	(1,392,957)	(2,072,047 )
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from the exercise of stock options and warrants	215,311	785,479
Proceeds from exercise of subsidiary options	10,349	54,377
Restricted cash	90,000	-
Purchase of treasury stock	(750,714)	(38,885)
Dividend paid by subsidiary to non-controlling interest	(417,853)	(968,657)
Proceeds from bank loans	696,936	1,484,162
Payments on capital lease obligations and loans - net	(961,901)	(251,040 )
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(1,117,872 )	1,065,436
Effect of exchange rate changes	(1,202,147)	(82,209)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(1,460,971 )	(3,107,412 )
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	14,172,954	11,557,527
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 12,711,983	\$ 8,450,115

# NETSOL Technologies, Inc. and Subsidiaries Schedule 4: Reconciliation to GAAP

		Three Months Ended March 31, 2018	Three Months Ended March 31, 2017		Months Nine Months Ended Ended March 31, March 31,		nths Nine Months Ni ded Ended h 31, March 31, I		Nine Months Ended March 31, 2017	
Net Income (loss) before preferred dividend, per GAAP Non-controlling interest Income taxes Depreciation and amortization Interest expense Interest (income)	\$	2,864,445 1,994,869 261,182 1,358,385 102,522 (142,356)	\$	699,968 1,438,249 61,604 1,624,830 60,357 (27,229)	\$	3,129,368 3,210,683 486,980 4,168,259 330,268 (394,837)		1,854,537 ) 2,999,127 440,363 4,815,048 176,959 (81,085 )		
EBITDA Add back:	\$	6,439,047	\$	3,857,779	\$	10,930,721	\$	6,495,875		
Non-cash stock-based compensation		448,233		478,345		1,281,763		2,025,924		
Adjusted EBITDA, gross Less non-controlling interest (a) Adjusted EBITDA, net	\$ 	6,887,280 (2,540,702 ) 4,346,578	\$	4,336,124 (2,317,246 ) 2,018,878	\$ 	12,212,484 (4,804,869) 7,407,615	(	8,521,799 5,501,218 ) 3,020,581		
Weighted Average number of shares outstanding										
Basic Diluted		11,190,048 11,268,842		10,987,214 11,121,620		11,118,529 11,152,365		0,850,538 0,984,944		
Basic adjusted EBITDA Diluted adjusted EBITDA	\$ \$	0.39	\$	0.18	\$	0.67	\$ \$	0.28		
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to net income attributable to non-controlling interest is as follows

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	65,798		36,569		106,221		74,350
	449,828		790,065		1,382,148		2,346,603
	31,865		9,416		105,400		40,749
	(43,702)	_	(31,715)		(125,777 )	_	(83,112 )
\$	2,498,658	\$	2,242,584	\$	4,678,675	\$	5,377,717
	42,044		74,662		126,194		123,501
\$	2,540,702	\$	2,317,246	\$	4,804,869	\$	5,501,218
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