

Construction Partners, Inc. Announces Fiscal 2019 Third Quarter Results

Company Maintains Fiscal Year 2019 Outlook

DOTHAN, Ala., Aug. 08, 2019 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Construction Partners, Inc. (NASDAQ: ROAD) (the "Company"), a vertically integrated civil infrastructure company specializing in the construction and maintenance of roadways across five southeastern states, today reported financial and operating results for its third fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2019.

Key Metrics: Fiscal 2019 Third Quarter Compared to Fiscal 2018 Third Quarter

- Revenue was \$227.3 million, up 16.5%
- Gross profit was \$38.1 million, up 29.3%
- Net income was \$17.2 million, up 28.3%
- Adjusted EBITDA ⁽¹⁾ was \$31.3 million, up 37.9%

Charles E. Owens, the Company's President and Chief Executive Officer, stated, "Third quarter growth was fueled by strong operational performance and effective project execution by our workforce throughout our markets. Consistent with our historical experience, we were able to efficiently utilize our hot mix asphalt plants and equipment during the third quarter due to favorable working conditions, which contributed to higher profitability in the quarter."

"Project backlog at June 30, 2019 was \$581.1 million. We are pleased with our backlog at quarter-end and with the opportunities available for bid in the remainder of our fiscal year and beyond," continued Owens. "Accordingly, we are maintaining our outlook for fiscal year 2019 with regard to revenue, net income and Adjusted EBITDA."

Ned N. Fleming, III, the Company's Executive Chairman, stated, "Our proven strategy of sustainable growth continues as our team executes on this strategy. We are pleased with the continued opportunities for growth in our markets and the positive trends that we believe will drive future growth and enhance shareholder value."

Conference Call

The Company will conduct a conference call on Friday, August 9, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Central Time to discuss financial and operating results for the fiscal third quarter ended June 30, 2019. To access the call live by phone, dial (412) 902-0003 and ask for the Construction Partners call at least 10 minutes prior to the start time. A telephonic replay will be available through August 16, 2019 by calling (201) 612-7415 and using passcode 13691702#. A webcast of the call will also be available live and for later replay on the Company's Investor Relations website at www.constructionpartners.net.

(1) Adjusted EBITDA is a financial measure not presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). Please see "Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" at the end of this press release.

About Construction Partners, Inc.

Construction Partners, Inc. is a vertically integrated civil infrastructure company operating across five southeastern states, with 32 hot mix asphalt plants, nine aggregate facilities and one liquid asphalt terminal. Publicly funded projects make up the majority of its business and include local and state roadways, interstate highways, airport runways and bridges. The majority of the Company's public projects are maintenance-related. Private sector projects include paving and sitework for office and industrial parks, shopping centers, local businesses and residential developments. To learn more, visit www.constructionpartners.net.

Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements contained herein that are not statements of historical or current fact constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These statements may be identified by the use of words such as "may," "will," "expect," "should," "anticipate," "intend," "project," "outlook," "believe" and "plan." The forward-looking statements contained in this press release include, without limitation, statements related to financial projections, future events, business strategy, future performance, future operations, backlog, financial position, estimated revenues and losses, projected costs, prospects, plans and objectives of management. These and other forwardlooking statements are based on management's current views and assumptions and involve risks and uncertainties that could significantly affect expected results. Important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in the forward-looking statements, including, among others: our ability to successfully manage and integrate acquisitions; failure to realize the expected economic benefits of acquisitions, including future levels of revenues being lower than expected and costs being higher than expected; failure or inability to implement growth strategies in a timely manner; declines in public infrastructure construction and reductions in government funding, including the funding by transportation authorities and other state and local agencies; risks related to our operating strategy; competition for projects in our local markets; risks associated with our capitalintensive business; government requirements and initiatives, including those related to funding for public or infrastructure construction, land usage and environmental, health and safety matters; unfavorable economic conditions and restrictive financing markets; our ability to obtain sufficient bonding capacity to undertake certain projects; our ability to accurately estimate the overall risks, requirements or costs when we bid on or negotiate contracts that are ultimately awarded to us; the cancellation of a significant number of contracts or our disqualification from bidding for new contracts; risks related to adverse weather conditions; our substantial indebtedness and the restrictions imposed on us by the terms thereof; our ability to maintain favorable relationships with third parties that supply us with equipment and essential supplies; our ability to retain key personnel and maintain satisfactory labor relations; property damage, results of litigation and other claims and insurance coverage issues; risks related to our information technology systems and infrastructure; our ability to remediate material weaknesses in internal control over financial reporting identified in preparing our financial statements and to subsequently maintain effective internal control

over financial reporting; and the risks, uncertainties and factors set forth under "Risk Factors" in the Company's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made. The Company assumes no obligation to update forward-looking statements to reflect actual results, subsequent events, or circumstances or other changes affecting such statements except to the extent required by applicable law.

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- Financial Statements Follow -

Construction Partners, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Income (unaudited, in thousands, except share and per share data)

		For the TI Ended				For the N Ended			
		2019		2018		2019		2018	
Revenues	\$	227,290	\$	195,075	\$	545,921	\$	464,395	
Cost of revenues		189,198		165,606		466,900		398,379	
Gross profit		38,092		29,469		79,021		66,016	
General and administrative expenses		(15,968)		(14,788)		(45,170))	(40,572)	
Settlement income		-		-		-		14,803	
Gain on sale of equipment, net		58		86		1,085		1,117	
Operating income		22,182		14,767		34,936		41,364	
Interest expense, net		(615)		(406)		(1,509))	(956)	
Other income (expense), net		190		15		296		(45)	
Income before provision for income taxes and earnings									
from investment in joint venture		21,757		14,376		33,723		40,363	
Provision for income taxes		4,941		1,409		8,080		5,382	
Earnings from investment in joint venture		386		436		925		666	
Net income	\$	17,202	\$	13,403	\$	26,568	\$	35,647	
Net income per share attributable to common stockholders:									
Basic	\$	0.33	\$	0.29	\$	0.52	\$	0.82	
Diluted	\$	0.33	\$	0.29	\$	0.52	\$	0.81	
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:									
Basic	51,414,619		4	46,557,785		51,414,619 4		13,648,309	
Diluted	5	51,422,899	4	16,988,359	5	51,414,887	4	3,932,546	

Construction Partners, Inc. Consolidated Balance Sheets (in thousands, except share and per share data)

		June 30,	Se	ptember 30,
		2019		2018
ASSETS	(unaudited)		
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	59,648	\$	99,137
Contracts receivable including retainage, net		134,709		120,291
Costs and estimated earnings in excess of billings on uncompleted contracts		14,043		9,334
Inventories		37,069		24,556
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		13,533		14,137
Total current assets		259,002		267,455
Property, plant and equipment, net		201,712		178,692
Goodwill		36,968		32,919
Intangible assets, net		3,091		3,735
Investment in joint venture		384		1,659
Other assets		6,292		10,270
Deferred income taxes, net		1,575		1,580
Total assets	\$	509,024	\$	496,310
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	65,232	\$	63,510
Billings in excess of costs and estimated earnings on uncompleted contracts		32,344		38,738
Current maturities of debt		14,771		14,773
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		19,028		17,520
Total current liabilities		131,375		134,541
Long-term liabilities:				
Long-term debt, net of current maturities		37,096		48,115
Deferred income taxes, net		8,749		8,890
Other long-term liabilities		5,621		5,295
Total long-term liabilities		51,466		62,300
Total liabilities		182,841		196,841
Commitments and contingencies				
Stockholders' equity:				
Preferred stock, par value \$0.001; 10,000,000 shares authorized and no shares issued and outstanding at June 30, 2019 and September 30, 2018		-		-
Class A common stock, par value \$0.001; 400,000,000 shares authorized, 32,442,545 issued and outstanding at June 30, 2019, and 11,950,000 issued and outstanding at September 30, 2018		32		12
Class B common stock, par value \$0.001; 100,000,000 shares authorized, 22,162,369 issued and 19,239,417 outstanding at June 30, 2019, and 42,387,571 issued and 39,464,619 outstanding at		22		40
September 30, 2018 Additional paid in capital		22 242,639		42
Additional paid-in capital Treasury stock, at cost, 2,922,952 shares of Class B common stock, par value \$0.001				242,493
		(15,603)		(15,603)
Retained earnings		99,093		72,525
Total stockholders' equity	Φ.	326,183	•	299,469
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	Ф	509,024	\$	496,310

Construction Partners, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (unaudited, in thousands)

	For the Nine Month June 30,		s Ended	
		2019		2018
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Net income	\$	26,568	\$	35,647
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation, depletion and amortization of long-lived assets		22,698		17,929
Amortization of deferred debt issuance costs and debt discount		83		60
Provision for bad debt		421		435
Gain on sale of equipment, net		(1,085)		(1,117)
Equity-based compensation expense		146		975
Earnings from investment in joint venture		(925)		(666)
Deferred income taxes		(136)		(1,430)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Contracts receivable including retainage, net		(14,839)		14,055
Costs and estimated earnings in excess of billings on uncompleted contracts		(4,709)		(6,128)
Inventories		(11,992)		(3,335)
Other current assets		604		(9,165)
Other assets		3,978		(12,079)
Accounts payable		1,722		(7,944)
Billings in excess of costs and estimated earnings on uncompleted contracts		(6,394)		2,823
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		1,497		(6,048)
Other long-term liabilities		326		(352)
Net cash provided by operating activities, net of acquisition		17,963		23,660
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		(31,744)		(33,460)
Proceeds from sale of equipment		2,898		2,889
Business acquisition, net of cash acquired		(8,854)		(51,319)
Acquisition of liquid asphalt terminal assets		(10,848)		-
Investment in joint venture		-		(400)
Distributions from investment in joint venture		2,200		-
Net cash used in investing activities	-	(46,348)		(82,290)
Cash flows from financing activities:		, ,		
Repayments on revolving credit facility		_		(5,000)
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt, net of debt issuance costs and discount		_		21,917
Repayments of long-term debt		(11,104)		(8,665)
Proceeds from initial public offering of Class A common stock, net of offering costs		-		98,009
Proceeds from reissuance of treasury stock		_		5
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities		(11,104)		106,266
		(39,489)		47,636
Net change in cash and cash equivalents		(55,465)		47,000
Cash and cash equivalents:		99,137		27 547
Beginning of period	Φ.		ሰ	27,547
End of period	\$	59,648	\$	75,183
Supplemental cash flow information:				
Cash paid for interest		1,998		1,578
Cash paid for income taxes		3,232		12,557
Non-cash items:				
Property, plant and equipment financed with accounts payable		332		152

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Adjusted EBITDA represents net income before, as applicable from time to time, (i) interest expense, net, (ii) provision (benefit) for income taxes, (iii) depreciation, depletion and amortization of long-lived assets, (iv) equity-based compensation expense and (v) certain management fees and expenses, and excludes income recognized in connection with a legal settlement between certain of the Company's subsidiaries and a third party that did not directly relate to the Company's business and that has not, and is not expected to, recur. Adjusted EBITDA Margin represents Adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of revenues for each period. Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA Margin are supplemental measures of our operating performance that are neither required by, nor presented in accordance with, GAAP. These measures should not be considered as an alternative to net income or any other performance measure derived in accordance with GAAP as an indicator of our operating performance. Management uses Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA Margin as key performance indicators, and we believe they are measures frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other parties to evaluate companies in our industry. These measures have limitations as analytical tools and should not be considered in isolation or as substitutes for analysis of our results as reported under GAAP.

Our calculation of Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA Margin may not be comparable to similarly named measures reported by other companies. Potential differences may include differences in capital structures, tax positions and the age and book depreciation of intangible and tangible assets.

The following tables present a reconciliation of net income, the most directly comparable measure calculated in accordance with GAAP, to Adjusted EBITDA, and the calculation of Adjusted EBITDA Margin for each of the periods presented:

Construction Partners, Inc.

Net Income to Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation
Fiscal Quarters Ended June 30, 2019 and 2018
(unaudited, in thousands, except percentages)

For the Three Months Ended

\$195,075

11.6%

\$227,290

13.8%

	June 30,			
	2019	2018		
Net income	\$17,202	\$13,403		
Interest expense, net	615	406		
Provision for income taxes	4,941	1,409		
Depreciation, depletion and amortization of long-lived assets	8,059	6,621		
Equity-based compensation expense	146	371		
Management fees and expenses (1)	316	468		
Adjusted EBITDA	\$31,279	\$22,678		

(1) Reflects fees and reimbursement of certain out-of-pocket expenses under a management services agreement with an affiliate of SunTx Capital Partners, the Company's controlling stockholder.



Adjusted EBITDA Margin

Revenues

Source: Construction Partners, Inc.