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Barrett Business Services, Inc. Schedules Third Quarter Earnings Release and Conference Call

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 7 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Barrett Business Services, Inc. (Nasdaq: BBSI) will announce its 2004 third quarter operating results on Wednesday, October 27, 2004, after the market close and will hold its regular quarterly conference call, Thursday, October 28, 2004, at 9:00 a.m. PT.

The dial-in number for this conference call is 877-356-3717 and the call identification number is 1430173. The conference call will be hosted by William W. Sherertz, President and Chief Executive Officer, and Michael D. Mulholland, Vice President-Finance, of BBSI. The conference call will also be webcast live at www.barrettbusiness.com. To access the webcast, click on the investor relations section of the Web site and select webcasts.

A replay of the conference call will be available beginning at 11:00 a.m. PT on Thursday, October 28, 2004 and ending on November 4, 2004. The access telephone number for the replay is 800-642-1687 and the access code is 1430173.

BBSI provides human resource management solutions to large and small companies throughout many regions of the United States.

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