

PRESS RELEASE

PREFORMED LINE PRODUCTS ANNOUNCES FIRST QUARTER 2025 FINANCIAL RESULTS

CLEVELAND, OHIO – May 1, 2025 – Preformed Line Products Company (NASDAQ: PLPC) today reported financial results for its first quarter of 2025.

Q1 2025 Highlights compared to Q1 2024:

- Net sales growth of 5%
- Gross margin increase of 150 bps
- Net income and fully diluted EPS increase of 20%

Net sales in the first quarter of 2025 were \$148.5 million compared to \$140.9 million in the first quarter of 2024, a 5% increase. PLP-USA as well as the international segments recorded sales growth compared to the first quarter of 2024 with the USA business benefiting from increased communication sales and the rest of the world experiencing growth in energy sales. Foreign currency translation had a negative impact of \$4.4 million for the first quarter of 2025 net sales.

Net income for the quarter ended March 31, 2025, was \$11.5 million, or \$2.33 per diluted share, compared to \$9.6 million, or \$1.94 per diluted share, for the comparable period in 2024. The first quarter of 2025 net income was impacted by an increase in gross profit from higher sales levels, partially offset by higher personnel-related period expenses. Gross profit as a percentage of net sales was 32.8% for the first quarter of 2025, an increase of 150 basis points versus the same quarter in 2024.

Rob Ruhlman, Executive Chairman, said, "After a strong finish in 2024, we are off to a solid start for 2025. I am especially pleased with the sales growth in the USA communications business as well as growth in most of the international operations. While we remain optimistic about continued growth in our primary end markets, we are cautious about the impact on customer demand caused by the newly enacted tariffs. Our strong commitment to USA manufacturing will provide a competitive advantage in the current high-tariff environment, but we will incur certain cost increases related to key commodity inputs necessary for our USA production process, primarily steel and aluminum raw materials and component parts. We are actively working to mitigate the impact of cost increases caused by tariffs and other global commodity cost increases by implementing targeted selling price increases and continued focus on cost containment strategies. Our current focus is unchanged: provide our customers with the high-quality products and timely service they have come to expect from PLP."

A presentation on first quarter results will also be available on PLP's website at www.plp.com/investorrelations.



FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This news release contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 regarding the Company, including those statements regarding the Company's and management's beliefs and expectations concerning the Company's future performance or anticipated financial results, among others. Except for historical information, the matters discussed in this release are forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties which may cause results to differ materially from those set forth in those statements. Among other things, factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in such forward-looking statements include the uncertainty in global business conditions and the economy due to factors such as inflation, rising interest rates, tariffs, labor disruptions, military conflict, political instability, exchange rates, natural disasters and health epidemics, the strength of demand and availability of funding for the Company's products and the mix of products sold, the relative degree of competitive and customer price pressure on the Company's products, the cost, availability and quality of raw materials required for the manufacture of products, opportunities for business growth through acquisitions and the ability to successfully integrate any acquired businesses, changes in regulations and tax rates, security breaches, litigation and claims and the Company's ability to continue to develop proprietary technology and maintain high-guality products and customer service to meet or exceed new industry performance standards and individual customer expectations, and other factors described under the headings "Forward-Looking Statements" and "Risk Factors" in the Company's 2024 Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 13, 2025 and subsequent filings with the SEC. The Annual Report on Form 10-K and the Company's other filings with the SEC can be found on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov. The Company assumes no obligation to update or supplement forward-looking statements that become untrue because of subsequent events.

ABOUT PLP

PLP protects the world's most critical connections by creating stronger and more reliable networks. The company's precision-engineered solutions are trusted by energy and communications providers worldwide to perform better and last longer. With locations in 20 countries, PLP works as a united global corporation, delivering high-quality products and unparalleled service to customers around the world.

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PREFORMED LINE PRODUCTS COMPANY CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

		March 31, 2025		December 31, 2024	
ousands of dollars, except share and per share data)		(Unaudited)			
ASSETS					
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	\$	54,835	\$	57,244	
Accounts receivable, net		118,504		111,402	
Inventories, net		135,098		129,913	
Prepaid expenses		12,261		11,720	
Other current assets		6,024		5,514	
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		326,722		315,793	
Property, plant and equipment, net		203,083		195,086	
Goodwill		27,746		26,685	
Other intangible assets, net		9,736		9,656	
Deferred income taxes		6,284		6,546	
Other assets		18,880		20,111	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	592,451	\$	573,877	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Trade accounts payable	\$	45,252	\$	41,951	
Notes payable to banks		5,845		7,782	
Current portion of long-term debt		3,378		2,430	
Accrued compensation and other benefits		20,788		25,904	
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		30,654		30,346	
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		105,917		108,413	
Long-term debt, less current portion		25,682		18,357	
Other noncurrent liabilities and deferred income taxes		25,031		24,783	
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Common shares – \$2 par value per share, 15,000,000 shares authorized, 4,940,131 and 4,913,621 issued and outstanding, at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024		13,820		13,752	
Common shares issued to rabbi trust, 223,034 and 222,887 shares at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively		(9,594)		(9,575)	
Deferred compensation liability		9,594		9,575	
Paid-in capital		62,205		65,093	
Retained earnings		563,678		553,179	
Treasury shares, at cost, 1,969,354 and 1,961,772 shares at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively		(127,812)		(126,800)	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(76,115)		(82,909)	
TOTAL PREFORMED LINE PRODUCTS COMPANY SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		435,776		422,315	
Noncontrolling interest		45		9	
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PREFORMED LINE PRODUCTS COMPANY STATEMENTS OF CONSOLIDATED INCOME

	Three Months Ended March 31,				
		2025		2024	
(Thousands, except per share data)	(U	naudited)			
Net sales	\$	148,541	\$	140,904	
Cost of products sold		99,870		96,773	
GROSS PROFIT		48,671		44,131	
Costs and expenses					
Selling		12,181		11,900	
General and administrative		17,626		16,608	
Research and engineering		5,479		5,431	
Other operating expense (income), net		255		(1,367)	
		35,541		32,572	
OPERATING INCOME		13,130		11,559	
Other income (expense)					
Interest income		510		972	
Interest expense		(376)		(708)	
Other income, net		407		35	
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INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES		13,671		11,858	
Income tax expense		2,118		2,255	
NET INCOME	\$	11,553	\$	9,603	
Net loss (income) attributable to noncontrolling interests		(36)		(7)	
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO PREFORMED LINE PRODUCTS COMPANY					
SHAREHOLDERS	\$	11,517	\$	9,596	
AVERAGE NUMBER OF SHARES OF COMMON STOCK OUTSTANDING:					
Basic		4,928		4,915	
Diluted		4,950		4,944	
EARNINGS PER SHARE OF COMMON STOCK ATTRIBUTABLE TO PREFORMED LINE PRODUCTS COMPANY SHAREHOLDERS:					
Basic	\$	2.34	\$	1.95	
Diluted	\$	2.33	\$	1.94	
Cash dividends declared per share	\$	0.20	\$	0.20	