

Lindsay Corporation Reports Fiscal 2021 First Quarter Results

- Improving market conditions support irrigation revenue and earnings growth
- Strong irrigation system order flow in North America leads to large backlog
- Significant increase in raw material costs creates short-term margin headwinds
- Solid infrastructure results lower compared to a strong prior year first quarter

OMAHA, Neb. - Lindsay Corporation (NYSE: LNN), a leading global manufacturer and distributor of irrigation and infrastructure equipment and technology, today announced results for its first quarter of fiscal 2021, which ended on November 30, 2020.

First Quarter Summary

Revenues for the first quarter of fiscal 2021 were \$108.5 million, a decrease of \$0.9 million, or 1 percent, compared to revenues of \$109.4 million in the prior year first quarter. Net earnings for the quarter were \$7.1 million, or \$0.65 per diluted share, compared with net earnings of \$8.3 million, or \$0.77 per diluted share, for the prior year first quarter. Net earnings for the quarter include an income tax benefit of approximately \$1.7 million, or \$0.16 per diluted share, related to the release of a valuation allowance in a foreign jurisdiction.

"Irrigation market conditions improved during the quarter with rising agricultural commodity prices and higher projected net farm income. This resulted in stronger than expected order flow for irrigation equipment, particularly in the latter part of the quarter." said Randy Wood, President and Chief Executive Officer. "Our infrastructure business performed well, although results were lower than a very strong first quarter in the prior year."

First Quarter Segment Results

Irrigation segment revenues for the first quarter of fiscal 2021 increased \$4.1 million, or 5 percent to \$87.4 million, compared to \$83.3 million in the prior year first quarter. North America irrigation revenues of \$52.8 million decreased \$0.8 million, or 2 percent, compared to the prior year first quarter. The decrease resulted primarily from lower engineering services revenue related to a project in the prior year that did not repeat that was partially offset by higher irrigation equipment unit volume. International irrigation revenues of \$34.6 million increased \$4.8 million, or 16 percent, compared to the prior year first quarter. The increase resulted from higher unit sales volumes in several regions which were partially offset by the unfavorable effects of foreign currency translation of approximately \$2.4 million compared to the prior year first quarter.

Irrigation segment operating margin was 12.2 percent of sales, compared to 11.7 percent of sales in the prior year first quarter. The increase resulted primarily from the impact of higher irrigation system unit volume and was partially offset by the impact of higher raw material and freight costs.

Infrastructure segment revenues for the first quarter of fiscal 2021 were \$21.1 million, a decrease of \$5.0 million, or 19 percent, compared to \$26.1 million in the prior year first quarter. The decrease resulted primarily from a large order delivered in the prior year that did not repeat and from lower road construction activity in the current year.

Infrastructure segment operating margin was 20.1 percent of sales, compared to 33.5 percent of sales in the prior year first quarter. The decrease resulted primarily from lower revenue in higher margin product lines and an increase in raw material and other costs compared to the prior year.

The backlog of unfilled orders at November 30, 2020 was \$89.2 million compared with \$69.2 million at November 30, 2019. Included in these backlogs are amounts of \$5.4 million and \$5.2 million, respectively, that are not expected to be fulfilled within the subsequent twelve months. The increase in backlog is primarily attributable to higher order activity in North America irrigation.

Outlook

"Our backlog of irrigation equipment orders in North America supports solid revenue growth for our second quarter. We also expect improved activity levels to continue in international irrigation markets. At the same time, we are seeing rapid and significant increases in steel and freight costs that will pressure margins in the short term until pricing actions are fully implemented." said Mr. Wood. "In our infrastructure business, we continue to be encouraged by the quality of our Road Zipper[®] sales funnel. However, the timing of those projects can be difficult to predict, particularly in the current environment with coronavirus-related effects on road construction activity.

"Our financial position remains strong, providing support for our innovation growth strategy across our businesses that address global megatrends and provide solutions that conserve natural resources."

First Quarter Conference Call

Lindsay's fiscal 2021 first quarter investor conference call is scheduled for 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time today. Interested investors may participate in the call by dialing (833) 535-2202 in the U.S., or (412) 902-6745 internationally, and requesting the Lindsay Corporation call. Additionally, the conference call will be simulcast live on the Internet and can be accessed via the investor relations section of the Company's Web site, <u>www.lindsay.com</u>. Replays of the conference call will remain on our Web site through the next quarterly earnings release. The Company will have a slide presentation available to augment management's formal presentation, which will also be accessible via the Company's Web site.

About the Company

Lindsay Corporation (NYSE: LNN) is a leading global manufacturer and distributor of irrigation and infrastructure equipment and technology. Established in 1955, the company has been at the forefront of research and development of innovative solutions to meet the food, fuel, fiber and transportation needs of the world's rapidly growing population. The Lindsay family of irrigation brands includes Zimmatic[®] center pivot and lateral move agricultural irrigation systems and FieldNET[®] remote irrigation management and scheduling technology, as well as irrigation consulting and design and industrial IoT solutions. Also a global leader in the transportation industry, Lindsay Transportation Solutions manufactures equipment to improve road safety and keep traffic moving on the world's roads, bridges and tunnels, through the Barrier Systems[®], Road Zipper[®] and Snoline[™] brands. For more information about Lindsay Corporation, visit www.lindsay.com.

Concerning Forward-looking Statements

This release contains forward-looking statements that are subject to risks and uncertainties and which reflect management's current beliefs and estimates of future economic circumstances, industry conditions, Company performance and financial results. You can find a discussion of many of these risks and uncertainties in the annual, quarterly and current reports that the Company files with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Forward-looking statements include information concerning possible or assumed future results of operations and planned financing of the Company and those statements preceded by, followed by or including the words "anticipate," "estimate," "believe," "intend," "expect," "outlook," "could," "may," "should," "will," or similar expressions. For these statements, the Company claims the protection of the safe harbor for forward-looking statements contained in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The Company undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking information contained in this press release.

LINDSAY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS (Unaudited)

	Three months ended				
(in thousands, except per share amounts)	November 30, 2020		November 30, 2019		
Operating revenues	\$	108,485	\$	109,393	
Cost of operating revenues		77,077		75,319	
Gross profit		31,408		34,074	
Operating expenses:					
Selling expense		7,331		6,492	
General and administrative expense		13,452		11,804	
Engineering and research expense		3,090	3,502		
Total operating expenses		23,873		21,798	
Operating income		7,535		12,276	
Other (expense) income:					
Interest expense		(1,201)		(1,186)	
Interest income		303		615	
Other income (expense), net		246		(450)	
Total other (expense) income		(652)		(1,021)	
Earnings before income taxes		6,883		11,255	
Income tax (benefit) expense		(212)		2,910	
Net earnings	\$	7,095	\$	8,345	
Earnings per share:					
Basic	\$	0.65	\$	0.77	
Diluted	\$	0.65	\$	0.77	
Shares used in computing earnings per share:					
Basic		10,845		10,795	
Diluted		10,888		10,828	
Cash dividends declared per share	\$	0.32	\$	0.31	

LINDSAY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES SUMMARY OPERATING RESULTS (Unaudited)

(in thousands)		Three months ended			
	No	November 30, 2020		November 30, 2019	
Operating revenues:					
Irrigation:					
North America	\$	52,790	\$	53,588	
International		34,566		29,739	
Irrigation segment		87,356		83,327	
Infrastructure segment		21,129		26,066	
Total operating revenues	\$	108,485	\$	109,393	
Operating income (loss):					
Irrigation segment	\$	10,633	\$	9,784	
Infrastructure segment		4,256		8,741	
Corporate		(7,354)		(6,249)	
Total operating income	\$	7,535	\$	12,276	

The Company manages its business activities in two reportable segments as follows:

Irrigation - This reporting segment includes the manufacture and marketing of center pivot, lateral move and hose reel irrigation systems and large diameter steel tubing as well as various innovative technology solutions such as GPS positioning and guidance, variable rate irrigation, remote irrigation management and scheduling technology, irrigation consulting and design and industrial IoT solutions.

Infrastructure - This reporting segment includes the manufacture and marketing of moveable barriers, specialty barriers, crash cushions and end terminals, and road marking and road safety equipment.

Certain immaterial reclassifications have been made to the prior year operating results to conform with current year presentation, as revenues and operating income from certain product lines previously included within the Infrastructure reporting segment are now included within the Irrigation reporting segment.

LINDSAY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Unaudited)

(in thousands)	November 30, 2020	November 30, 2019	August 31, 2020	
ASSETS				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 126,802	\$ 120,910	\$ 121,403	
Marketable securities	19,624	-	19,511	
Receivables, net	74,909	79,317	84,604	
Inventories, net	114,278	97,284	104,792	
Assets held-for-sale	-	2,744	-	
Other current assets, net	20,837	16,376	17,625	
Total current assets	356,450	316,631	347,935	
Property, plant, and equipment, net	81,295	70,305	79,581	
Intangibles, net	22,817	23,739	23,477	
Goodwill	68,027	64,358	68,004	
Operating lease right-of-use assets	26,008	25,764	27,457	
Deferred income tax assets	9,924	9,902	9,935	
Other noncurrent assets, net	10,681	16,112	14,137	
Total assets	\$ 575,202	\$ 526,811	\$ 570,526	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY Current liabilities:	\$ 36,263	¢ 20.007	¢ 20.554	
Accounts payable Current portion of long-term debt	۶ 30,203 214	\$ 30,097 210	\$	
Other current liabilities	65,910	54,494	72,646	
Total current liabilities	102.387	84.801	102.395	
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Pension benefits liabilities	6,293	5,948	6,374	
Long-term debt	115,641	115,805	115,682	
Operating lease liabilities	24,863	25,323	25,862	
Deferred income tax liabilities	902	845	889	
Other noncurrent liabilities	21,215	21,089	20,806	
Total liabilities	271,301	253,811	272,008	
Shareholders' equity: Preferred stock	-	-	-	
Common stock	18,948	18,897	18,918	
Capital in excess of stated value	78,026	71,706	77,686	
Retained earnings	503,342	479,732	499,724	
Less treasury stock - at cost	(277,238)) (277,238)	(277,238)	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net	(19,177		(20,572)	
Total shareholders' equity	303,901	273,000	298,518	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 575,202	\$ 526,811	\$ 570,526	

LINDSAY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited)

		Three months ended			
(in thousands) CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		November 30,		November 30,	
		2020		2019	
Net earnings	\$	7,095	\$	8,345	
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash provided by operating activities:	Ŷ	1,000	Ψ	0,010	
Depreciation and amortization		5,140		4,748	
Provision for uncollectible accounts receivable		158		248	
Deferred income taxes		140		1,987	
Share-based compensation expense		1,583		1,160	
Foreign currency transaction (gain) loss		(203)		668	
Other, net		36		(294	
Changes in assets and liabilities:				(=• :	
Receivables		8,896		(4,122	
Inventories		(8,294)		(4,931	
Other current assets		(3,068)		(2,466	
Accounts payable		7,286		725	
Other current liabilities		(7,146)		(1,901	
Other noncurrent assets and liabilities		3,750		(2,626	
Net cash provided by operating activities		15,373		1,541	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:					
Purchases of property, plant, and equipment		(5,614)		(4,322	
Purchases of marketable securities available-for-sale		(3,844)		-	
Proceeds from maturities of marketable securities available-for-sale		3,616		-	
Proceeds from settlement of net investment hedges		-		1,092	
Other investing activities, net		-		24	
Net cash used in investing activities		(5,842)		(3,206	
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:					
Proceeds from exercise of stock options		56		-	
Common stock withheld for payroll tax obligations		(1,269)		(1,111	
Principal payments on long-term debt		(35)		(52	
Dividends paid		(3,477)		(3,353	
Net cash used in financing activities		(4,725)		(4,516	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		593		(113	
Net change in cash and cash equivalents		5,399		(6,294	
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period		121,403		127,204	
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$	126,802	\$	120,910	

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