

Navistar Loss From Continuing Operations Beats Consensus; Sees Small Second Quarter Loss and Profitability for Full Year

Industry Orders For Medium, Heavy Trucks Up Significantly in January; Leading Indicators Appear To Have Stabilized

WARRENVILLE, III., Feb 14, 2003 (BUSINESS WIRE) --

Navistar International Corporation (NYSE:NAV), the nation's largest commercial truck and mid-range diesel engine producer, today reported a first quarter loss as was anticipated and while it forecasts a small second quarter loss, the company reiterated it still expects to be marginally profitable for the full year.

The company, producer of International® brand trucks and diesel engines, said the loss from continuing operations for the quarter ended January 31, 2003, totaled \$98 million, or \$1.47 per diluted common share, compared with a loss of \$53 million, or \$0.88 per diluted common share in the first quarter a year ago. The net loss for the quarter, including discontinued operations, amounted to \$99 million, or \$1.49 per diluted common share. The consensus estimate of security analysts was for a first quarter loss of \$1.49 per share.

Consolidated sales and revenues from the company's manufacturing and financial services operations for the first quarter totaled \$1.6 billion, compared with \$1.5 billion the first quarter of 2002.

Looking ahead, John R. Horne, Navistar chairman and chief executive officer, said a small second quarter loss of 25 cents to 30 cents per diluted share is anticipated if there is a favorable resolution of negotiations with Ford Motor Company in regard to the delay of its V-6 engine program. He emphasized the company should return to profitability in the third and fourth quarters and be profitable for the full year as the result of improved industry demand, increased truck and engine shipments, realization of fixed costs reductions and resolution of the Ford V-6 issues.

"The plans we have put in place for our previously announced cost reduction of \$100 million in 2003 were on track through the first quarter," Horne said. "We have realigned our manufacturing facilities to deliver scale for focused products and have invested to make those plants the most efficient in the industry. We believe the foundation is in place to return to profitability in fiscal 2003 and in the future, to be profitable at all points in the business cycle."

According to Horne, financial results for the first quarter were on target with expectations. Income this year versus the first quarter a year ago was impacted by higher postretirement expenses, higher costs associated with the delay of the V-6 engine program, lower engine shipments to Ford and higher start-up costs associated with the ramp up of the new Ford Power Stroke® V-8 engine.

On the positive side, Horne said that the Blue Diamond joint venture with Ford continues on track. Pilot production of Ford's new medium truck began in December and the first shipments from the company's plant in Escobedo, Mexico to Ford dealers in the United States began this week.

The Blue Diamond joint venture continues to generate income through the sale of service parts for commercial trucks and diesel engines. A new line of smaller commercial vehicles is scheduled to be introduced in the fall of 2004.

Horne also noted two financing transactions that totaled \$365 million were successfully completed during the first quarter. Both financings were well received by the marketplace, demonstrating support for the company's business plans. As a result, absent any extraordinary unforeseen cash demands, the company expects that it will be able to cash flow its business through 2005 even at production volumes as low as 75,000 units.

Turning to the 2003 outlook for new truck sales, Horne said that the company's forecast for industry demand was based on the assumption that orders for new medium and heavy trucks would improve significantly in the third and fourth quarters of fiscal 2003. He noted that leading truck industry indicators such as pricing, used truck inventories and truck tonnage appear to have stabilized. Additionally, industry orders increased significantly in January for both medium and heavy trucks. Medium truck orders had been very weak prior to January.

"The orders we received in November and December were below our expectations when we developed our estimate for Class 6-7 demand in 2003," Horne said. "We experienced a significant increase in bidding activity for medium trucks over the past few months. It was only in January that we saw a significant improvement in actual orders. This increase has encouraged us that our industry forecast for medium truck demand will be met."

Horne said the company has not changed its forecast for industry volume for the year ending October 31, 2003. As previously forecast, medium truck (Class 6-7) volume is expected to increase 13 percent to 82,000 units; heavy (Class 8) volume should decline 4 percent to 156,000 units, while school bus volume is forecast at 27,500 units, consistent with 2002.

Worldwide shipments of International medium and heavy trucks and school buses during the first quarter totaled 18,700 units, compared with 16,600 units in the first quarter of 2002. Overall estimated North American market share in the first quarter amounted to 26.5 percent compared with 26.4 percent a year earlier. Class 8 shipments totaled 6,100 units, compared with 5,600 in 2002. Class 6-7 shipments totaled 7,700 units, compared with 6,800 in 2002. School bus shipments were 4,900 units, compared with 4,200 a year earlier.

Shipments of diesel engines to other original equipment manufacturers during the quarter totaled 63,400 units, down from 78,000 units in the first quarter of 2002. The decline was the result of the anticipated ramp up for the new V-8 engine. Because of the overwhelming success of the new engine, Horne said that the company is increasing its forecast for shipments to Ford from 275,000 in 2002 to 301,000 in 2003.

"Our new V-8 engine was named one of 2003's 10 best engines by Ward's AutoWorld and was the only diesel engine in the group. Additionally, Ford has told us that they can sell all that we can build," Horne said. "It is a reflection of the growing acceptability of diesel engines."

Headquartered in Warrenville, Ill., Navistar International Corporation (NYSE: NAV) is the parent company of International Truck and Engine Corporation, a leading producer of mid-range diesel engines, medium trucks, heavy trucks, severe service vehicles and a provider of parts and service sold under the International[®] brand. IC Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary, produces school buses. The company also is a private label designer and manufacturer of diesel engines for the pickup truck, van and SUV markets. Additionally, through a joint venture with Ford Motor Company, the company builds medium commercial trucks and sells truck and diesel engine service parts. International Truck and Engine has the broadest distribution network in the industry. Financing for customers and dealers is provided through a wholly owned subsidiary. Additional information can be found on the company's web site at www.nav-international.com

Forward Looking Statements

Statements contained in this news release that are not purely historical are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including statements regarding the company's expectations, hopes, beliefs and intentions on strategies regarding the future. It is important to note that the company's actual future results could differ materially from those projected in such forward-looking statements because of a number of factors, including but not limited to general economic, business and financing conditions, labor relations, governmental action, competitor pricing activity, expense volatility, and other risks detailed from time to time in Navistar's Securities and Exchange Commission filings. Navistar assumes no obligation to update the information included in this release.

Conference Call Scheduled

The company's conference call with security analysts to discuss the earnings report will be web cast at 10 a.m. CDT today. The web cast can be accessed through Navistar's website at http://www.nav-international.com/ and connecting to the link to the conference call. Additional financial information can be found at http://www.nav-international.com, via the financial and investor information link to the overview page.

AS OF JANUARY 31

NAVISTAR INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION AND CONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARIES STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION (UNAUDITED) (Millions of dollars)

	2003	2002	
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 504	\$ 432	
Marketable securities	534	475	
	1,038	907	
Receivables, net	1,697	1,761	
Inventories	602	651	
Property and equipment, net	1,337	1,670	
Investments and other assets	468	309	
Prepaid and intangible pension assets	62	273	

Deferred tax asset, net	1,598	1,017
Total assets	\$ 6,802	\$ 6,588
LIABILITIES AND SHAREOWNERS' EQUITY Liabilities	=======	=======
Accounts payable, principally trade Debt: Manufacturing operations Financial services operation	1,022	\$ 887 950 1,713
Postretirement benefits liability	1,616	1,074
Other liabilities	1,262	886
Total liabilities	6,513	5,510
Commitments and contingencies Shareowners' equity Series D convertible junior		
preference stock Common stock and additional paid in	4	4
capital (75.3 million shares issued)	2,121	2,139
Retained earnings (deficit)	(894)	(232)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(717)	(339)
Common stock held in treasury, at cos	t (225)	(494)
Total shareowners' equity	289	1,078
Total liabilities and shareowners' equity	\$ 6,802	\$ 6,588
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The Statement of Financial Condition includes the consolidated financial results of the company's manufacturing operations with its wholly owned financial services operations.

NAVISTAR INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION AND CONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARIES STATEMENT OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)

(Millions of dollars, except per share data)

Three Months Ended January 31

	2003	2002	
Sales and revenues Sales of manufactured products Finance and insurance revenue Other income	\$ 1,481 92 5	\$ 1,382 77 6	
Total sales and revenues	1,578	1,465	
Costs and expenses Cost of products and services sold Loss on sale of business Postretirement benefits expense Engineering and research expense Selling, general and administrative expense Interest expense Other expense	1,420 - 83 57 124 38 11	1,248 (1) 58 64 133 39 11	
Total costs and expenses	1,733	1,552	
Loss from continuing operations before income taxes	(155)	(87)	

Income tax benefit	(57)	(34)
Loss from continuing operations Loss from discontinued operations	(98)	(53)
Net loss	\$ (99)	\$ (56) ======
Basic earnings (loss) per share Continuing operations Discontinued operations	\$ (1.47) (0.02)	\$ (0.88) (0.05)
Net loss	\$ (1.49) =======	\$ (0.93) ======
Diluted earnings (loss) per share Continuing operations Discontinued operations	\$ (1.47) (0.02)	\$ (0.88)
Net loss	\$ (1.49) =======	\$ (0.93)
Average shares outstanding (millions) Basic Diluted	66.4 66.4	59.8 59.8

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