

Ollie's Bargain Outlet Holdings, Inc. Announces Fiscal 2016 Fourth Quarter and Full Year Financial Results

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HARRISBURG, Pa., March 28, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Ollie's Bargain Outlet Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ:OLLI) ("Ollie's" or the "Company") today announced financial results for the fourth quarter and full year ended January 28, 2017.

Fourth Quarter Summary:

- Total net sales increased 16.4% to \$283.4 million;
- Comparable store sales increased 2.0%;
- The Company opened two new stores and ended the year with a total of 234 stores in 19 states, an increase of 15.3% year over year;
- Operating income increased 21.8% to \$40.6 million;
- Net income increased 52.0% to \$24.4 million and net income per diluted share increased 50.0% to \$0.39;
- Adjusted net income⁽¹⁾ increased 30.1% to \$24.4 million and adjusted net income per diluted share⁽¹⁾ increased 25.8% to \$0.39; and
- Adjusted EBITDA⁽¹⁾ increased 21.6% to \$45.2 million.

Fiscal Year Summary:

- Total net sales increased 16.8% to \$890.3 million;
- Comparable store sales increased 3.2%;
- Operating income increased 28.4% to \$102.2 million;
- Net income increased 66.8% to \$59.8 million and net income per diluted share increased 50.0% to \$0.96;
- Adjusted net income⁽¹⁾ increased 51.2% to \$60.8 million and adjusted net income per diluted share⁽¹⁾ increased 34.7% to \$0.97; and
- Adjusted EBITDA⁽¹⁾ increased 28.8% to \$121.1 million.

(1) Adjusted net income, adjusted net income per diluted share and adjusted EBITDA are not measures recognized under generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). Please see the reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP tables included later in this release.

Mark Butler, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer stated, "Our fourth quarter results were very strong across the board and our business continues to perform at a very high level. We delivered a 2.0% increase in comparable store sales versus a 14.0% increase on a two-year stack basis. The increase in comparable store sales was broad based, with the majority of our 21 departments generating a positive comp. New stores performed above expectations and we finished the year with 234 stores in 19 states, a 15.3% increase year-over-year. Very strong deal flow, consistent performance across all stores and tight expense control helped drive strong bottom line results as well, with adjusted net income increasing 30.1% in the quarter and 51.2% for the year. During the quarter, we also implemented coupon serialization, which provides the building blocks for targeted communications with our Ollie's Army members."

Mr. Butler added, "Looking ahead, we feel very good about the underlying trends in the business. We work hard every day to further develop our vendor relationships and are confident in our ability to continue executing our long term goals of mid-teen unit growth, 1% to 2% comparable store sales growth and approximately 20% net income growth."

Fourth Quarter Results

Net sales increased 16.4% to \$283.4 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2016 from \$243.4 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2015. The increase in net sales was driven by a 2.0% increase in comparable store sales and a 15.3% increase in store count over the fourth quarter of fiscal 2015. The Company opened two stores in the fourth quarter and ended fiscal 2016 with 234 stores compared to 203 stores at the end of fiscal 2015.

Gross profit increased 14.7% to \$113.4 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2016 from \$98.8 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2015 and gross margin decreased 60 basis points to 40.0% from 40.6% in the same respective periods. The gross margin decrease was the result of a lower merchandise margin, partially offset by a decrease in transportation and distribution costs as a percentage of net sales.

Operating income increased 21.8% to \$40.6 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2016 from \$33.3 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2015. As a percentage of net sales, operating income increased 60 basis points to 14.3% in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2016.

Net income increased 52.0% to \$24.4 million, or \$0.39 per diluted share, in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2016 compared to \$16.1 million, or \$0.26 per diluted share, in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2015. Adjusted net income⁽¹⁾, which excludes the prior year loss on extinguishment of debt, net of taxes,

increased 30.1% to \$24.4 million, or \$0.39 per diluted share, in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2016 from \$18.8 million, or \$0.31 per diluted share, in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2015.

Adjusted EBITDA ⁽¹⁾ increased 21.6% to \$45.2 million, or 15.9% of net sales, in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2016 from \$37.2 million, or 15.3% of net sales, in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2015. Adjusted EBITDA excludes non-cash stock based compensation expense, non-cash purchase accounting items, and debt financing expenses.

Fiscal 2016 Results

Net sales increased 16.8% to \$890.3 million in fiscal 2016 from \$762.4 million in fiscal 2015. The increase in net sales was driven by a 3.2% increase in comparable store sales and a 15.3% increase in store count over fiscal 2015.

Gross profit increased 19.0% to \$360.4 million in fiscal 2016 from \$302.9 million in fiscal 2015. Gross margin increased 80 basis points to 40.5% from 39.7% in the same respective periods, the result of decreased transportation and distribution costs as a percentage of net sales, offset slightly by a lower merchandise margin.

Operating income increased 28.4% to \$102.2 million in fiscal 2016 from \$79.6 million in fiscal 2015. As a percentage of net sales, operating income increased 110 basis points to 11.5% in fiscal 2016.

Net income increased 66.8% to \$59.8 million, or \$0.96 per diluted share, in fiscal 2016, compared to \$35.8 million, or \$0.64 per diluted share, in fiscal 2015. Adjusted net income ⁽¹⁾, which excludes adjustments to transaction related expenses and the loss on extinguishment of debt, net of taxes, increased 51.2% to \$60.8 million, or \$0.97 per diluted share, in fiscal 2016 from \$40.2 million, or \$0.72 per diluted share, in fiscal 2015.

Adjusted EBITDA (1) increased 28.8% to \$121.1 million, or 13.6% of net sales, in fiscal 2016 from \$94.1 million, or 12.3% of net sales, in fiscal 2015. Adjusted EBITDA excludes non-cash stock based compensation expense, non-cash purchase accounting items, transaction related expenses, and debt financing expenses.

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Balance Sheet and Cash Flow Highlights

The Company's cash balance at the end of fiscal 2016 was \$98.7 million compared to \$30.3 million at the end of fiscal 2015. The Company had no borrowings and \$98.8 million of availability under its \$100.0 million revolving credit facility at the end of fiscal 2016. The Company ended fiscal 2016 with total debt of \$195.3 million compared to \$200.1 million at the end of fiscal 2015. Subsequent to fiscal year end, the Company paid down \$40 million in term loan debt.

Inventory at the end of fiscal 2016 increased 10.2% to \$210.1 million versus \$190.6 million at the end of fiscal 2015, due primarily to new store growth.

Capital expenditures for fiscal 2016 totaled \$16.4 million compared to \$14.2 million for fiscal 2015.

Outlook

Ollie's currently estimates the following results for the 53-week fiscal year ending February 3, 2018:

- Total net sales of \$1,025 million to \$1,035 million;
- Comparable store sales growth of 1.0% to 2.0%;
- The opening of 33 to 35 new stores and no planned closures;
- Operating income of \$121.5 million to \$124.0 million;
- Net income of \$73.0 million to \$74.5 million;
- Net income per diluted share of \$1.12 to \$1.15;
- Estimated weighted diluted average shares outstanding of 64.7 million; and
- Capital expenditures of \$18 million to \$20 million.

Conference Call Information

A conference call to discuss the fiscal 2016 fourth quarter and full year financial results is scheduled for today, March 28, 2017, at 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time. Investors and analysts can participate on the conference call by dialing (800) 219-7052 or (574) 990-1029 and using conference ID #83245023. Interested parties can also listen to a live webcast or replay of the conference call by logging on to the Investor Relations section on the Company's website at http://investors.ollies.us/. The replay of the conference call webcast will be available at the investor relations Web site for one year.

About Ollie's

We are a highly differentiated and fast growing, extreme value retailer of brand name merchandise at drastically reduced prices. We are known for our assortment of merchandise offered as Good Stuff Cheap®. We offer name brand products, Real Brands! Real Bargains!®, in every department, from housewares, food, books and stationery, bed and bath, floor coverings, toys, hardware and other categories. We currently operate 237 store locations in 19 states across the Eastern half of the United States. For more information, visit www.ollies.us.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements can be identified by words such as "could," "may," "might," "will," "likely," "anticipates," "intends," "plans," "seeks," "believes," "estimates," "expects," "continues," "projects" and similar references to future periods, or by the inclusion of forecasts or projections, the outlook for the Company's future business, prospects, financial performance, industry outlook, our fiscal 2017 business outlook and financial guidance. Forward-

looking statements are based on our current expectations and assumptions regarding our business, the economy and other future conditions. Because forward-looking statements relate to the future, by their nature, they are subject to inherent uncertainties, risks and changes in circumstances that are difficult to predict. As a result, our actual results may differ materially from those contemplated by the forward-looking statements. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements include regional, national or global political, economic, business, competitive, market and regulatory conditions and the following: our failure to adequately manage our inventory or anticipate consumer demand; changes in consumer confidence and spending; risks associated with intense competition; our failure to open new profitable stores, or successfully enter new markets, on a timely basis or at all; our ability to manage our inventory balances; our failure to hire and retain key personnel and other qualified personnel; our inability to obtain favorable lease terms for our properties; the loss of, or disruption in the operations of, our centralized distribution centers; fluctuations in comparable store sales and results of operations, including on a quarterly basis; risks associated with our lack of operations in the growing online retail marketplace; our inability to successfully implement our marketing, advertising and promotional efforts; the seasonal nature of our business; the risks associated with doing business with international manufacturers; changes in government regulations, procedures and requirements; and our ability to service our indebtedness and to comply with our financial covenants and our ability to comply with enhanced disclosure and other requirements now that we are a large accelerated filer, together with the other factors set forth under "Risk Factors" in our filings with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). Any forward-looking statement made by us in this press release speaks only as of the date on which it is made. Factors or events that could cause our actual results to differ may emerge from time to time, and it is not possible to predict all of them. Ollie's undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise, except as may be required by law. You are advised, however, to consult any further disclosures we make on related subjects in our public announcements and SEC filings.

Ollie's Bargain Outlet Holdings, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Income (In thousands, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

	Thirteen week	ks ended	Fiscal year ended				
	January 28,	January 30,	January 28,	January 30,			
	2017	2016	2017	2016			
Net sales	\$ 283,355	\$ 243,402	\$ 890,315	\$ 762,370			
Cost of sales	169,963	144,563	529,904	459,506			
Gross profit	113,392	98,839	360,411	302,864			
Selling, general and administrative expenses	69,823	62,541	242,891	209,783			
Depreciation and amortization expenses	2,255	1,907	8,443	7,172			
Pre-opening expenses	731	1,085	6,883	6,337			
Operating income	40,583	33,306	102,194	79,572			
Interest expense, net	1,395	3,130	5,935	15,416			
Loss on extinguishment of debt	-	4,359	-	6,710			
Income before income taxes	39,188	25,817	96,259	57,446			
Income tax expense	14,768	9,753	36,495	21,607			
Net income	\$ 24,420	\$ 16,064	\$ 59,764	\$ 35,839			
Earnings per common share:							
Basic	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.27	\$ 0.99	\$ 0.67			
Diluted	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.96	\$ 0.64			
Weighted average common shares outstanding:							
Basic	60,623	58,562	60,160	53,835			
Diluted	62,918	60,843	62,415	55,796			
Percentage of net sales (1):							
Net sales	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %			
Cost of sales	60.0	59.4	59.5	60.3			
Gross profit	40.0	40.6	40.5	39.7			
Selling, general and administrative expenses	24.6	25.7	27.3	27.5			
Depreciation and amortization expenses	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9			
Pre-opening expenses	0.3	0.4	0.8	0.8			
Operating income	14.3	13.7	11.5	10.4			
Interest expense, net	0.5	1.3	0.7	2.0			
Loss on extinguishment of debt	_	1.8	_	0.9			
Income before income taxes	13.8	10.6	10.8	7.5			
Income tax expense	5.2	4.0	4.1	2.8			
Net income	8.6 %	6.6 %	6.7 %	4.7 %			

Ollie's Bargain Outlet Holdings, Inc. Consolidated Balance Sheets (In thousands) (Unaudited)

A		nuary 28,		nuary 30,		
Assets		2017		2016		
Current assets:	Φ.	00.600	φ	20.250		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	98,683	\$	30,259		
Inventories		210,107		190,608		
Accounts receivable		301		183		
Prepaid expenses and other assets		3,739		2,756		
Total current assets		312,830		223,806		
Property and equipment, net		46,333		39,292		
Goodwill		444,850		444,850		
Trade name and other intangible assets, net		232,977		233,354		
Other assets		2,385		2,520		
Total assets	\$	1,039,375	\$	943,822		
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity						
Current liabilities:						
Current portion of long-term debt	\$	5,077	\$	5,018		
Accounts payable		50,448		52,075		
Income taxes payable		4,548		4,102		
Accrued expenses		44,748		35,573		
Total current liabilities		104,821		96,768		
Revolving credit facility		-		-		
Long-term debt		188,923		193,433		
Deferred income taxes		89,224		87,171		
Other long-term liabilities		5,146		4,501		
Total liabilities		388,114		381,873		
Stockholders' equity:						
Common stock		61		59		
Additional paid-in capital		565,861		536,315		
Retained earnings		85,425		25,661		
Treasury - common stock		(86)		(86)		
Total stockholders' equity		651,261		561,949		
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	1,039,375	\$	943,822		

Ollie's Bargain Outlet Holdings, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (In thousands) (Unaudited)

	Tŀ	nirteen wee	ks	ended	Fiscal year ended				
	January 28,		Já	anuary 30,	January 28,		Ja	nuary 30,	
		2017		2016	2017			2016	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	62,927	\$	61,231	\$	67,088	\$	45,848	
Net cash used in investing activities		(2,205)		(3,443)		(16,423)		(14,337)	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		2,000		(31,489)		17,759		(23,204)	
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		62,722		26,299		68,424		8,307	
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period		35,961		3,960		30,259		21,952	

Ollie's Bargain Outlet Holdings, Inc. Supplemental Information – Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Financial Measures (In thousands, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

The Company reports its financial results in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). We have included the non-GAAP measures of Adjusted operating income, EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted net income and Adjusted net income per diluted share in this press release as these are key measures used by our management and our board of directors to evaluate our operating performance and the effectiveness of our business strategies, make budgeting decisions, and evaluate compensation decisions. Management believes it is useful to investors and analysts to evaluate these non-GAAP measures on the same basis as management uses to evaluate the Company's operating results. We believe that excluding items that may not be indicative of, or are unrelated to, our core operating results, and that may vary in frequency or magnitude from Operating income, Net income and Net income per diluted share, enhances the comparability of our results and provides a better baseline for analyzing trends in our business.

The tables below reconcile the non-GAAP financial measures of Adjusted operating income to Operating income, Adjusted net income to Net income, Adjusted net income per diluted share to Net income per diluted share, and EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA to Net income, in each case the most directly comparable GAAP measure.

Adjusted net income and Adjusted net income per diluted share give effect, net of tax, to transaction related expenses and loss on extinguishment of debt, which may not occur with the same frequency or magnitude in future periods. Adjusted operating income gives effect to transaction related expenses and debt financing expenses. We define EBITDA as net income before net interest expense, loss on extinguishment of debt, depreciation and amortization expenses and income taxes. Adjusted EBITDA represents EBITDA as further adjusted for non-cash stock based compensation expense, non-cash purchase accounting items, transaction related expenses, and debt financing expenses, which we do not consider representative of our ongoing operating performance.

Non-GAAP financial measures should be viewed as supplementing, and not as an alternative to or substitute for, the Company's financial results prepared in accordance with GAAP. Certain of the items that may be excluded or included in non-GAAP financial measures may be significant items that could impact the Company's financial position, results of operations and cash flows and should therefore be considered in assessing the Company's actual financial condition and performance. The methods used by the Company to calculate its non-GAAP financial measures may differ significantly from methods used by other companies to compute similar measures. As a result, any non-GAAP financial measures presented herein may not be comparable to similar measures provided by other companies.

Reconciliation of GAAP operating income to Adjusted operating income

	Th	irteen wee	ks	ended	Fi	ed		
	January 28,		Ja	nuary 30,	Ja	nuary 28,	Ja	nuary 30,
		2017	2016			2017		2016
Operating income	\$	40,583	\$	33,306	\$	102,194	\$	79,572
Transaction related expenses		-		-		1,736		322
Debt financing expenses		-		89		-		89
Adjusted operating income	\$	40,583	\$	33,395	\$	103,930	\$	79,983

Reconciliation of GAAP net income to Adjusted net income

	Thirteen weeks ended						Fiscal year ended					
	January 28,		January 30,			January 28,			January			
	20	17	2016		2017		2016		16			
Net income	\$	24,420	\$	16,064		\$	59,764		\$	35,839		
Transaction related expenses		-		-			1,736			322		
Loss on extinguishment of debt		-		4,359			-			6,710		
Adjustment to provision for income taxes (1)		-		(1,646)		(672)		(2,632)	
Adjusted net income	\$	24,420	\$	18,777		\$	60,828		\$	40,239		

⁽¹⁾ The effective tax rate used for the adjustment to provision for income taxes was the effective tax rate in the quarter the related costs were incurred, which was 37.8% for the thirteen weeks ended January 30, 2016, and 38.7% and 37.4% for the fiscal years ended January 28, 2017 and January 30, 2016, respectively. The adjustment to the provision for income taxes includes the tax effect for the transaction related expenses and loss on extinguishment of debt.

diluted share

	Thirteen weeks ended			Fiscal year ended				
	January 28,		January 30,		January 28,		Ja 30	anuary),
		2017		2016	2017		2016	
Net income per share, diluted	\$	0.39	\$	0.26	\$	0.96	\$	0.64
Adjustments		-		0.05		0.02		0.08
Adjusted net income per share, diluted (1)	\$	0.39	\$	0.32	\$	0.97	\$	0.72
Weighted-average common shares outstanding, diluted		62,918		60,843		62,415		55,796

⁽¹⁾ Totals may not foot due to rounding.

Reconciliation of GAAP net income to EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA

	Thi	rteen weel	ks e	nded	Fiscal year ended					
	January 28,		Ja	nuary 30,	January 28,			anuary	30,	
	2017			2016	2017			2016		
Net income	\$	24,420	\$	16,064	\$	59,764	\$	35,83	9	
Interest expense, net		1,395		3,130		5,935		15,41	6	
Loss on extinguishment of debt		-		4,359		-		6,710		
Depreciation and amortization expenses		2,898		2,440		10,668		9,342		
Income tax expense		14,768		9,753		36,495		21,60	7	
EBITDA		43,481		35,746	112,862			88,914		
Non-cash stock based compensation expense		1,706		1,368		6,685		5,035		
Non-cash purchase accounting items		(22)		(52)		(134)	(284)	
Transaction related expenses		=		=		1,736		322		
Debt financing expenses		-		89		-		89		
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	45,165	\$	37,151	\$	121,149	\$	94,07	6	

Key Statistics

	Thirteen weeks	ended	Fiscal year ende	d
	January 28,	January 30,	January 28,	January 30,
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Number of stores - Beginning of period	232	200	203	176
New stores	2	3	31	28
Closed stores	-	-	-	(1)
Number of stores - End of period	234	203	234	203
Average net sales per store (in thousands) (1)	\$ 1,211	\$ 1,205	\$ 4,050	\$ 4,007
Comparable stores sales change	2.0 %	5.0 %	3.2 %	6.0 %
Comparable store count – end of period	194	169	194	169

⁽¹⁾ Average net sales per store represents the weighted average of total net sales divided by the number of stores open, in each case at the end of each week in a fiscal year or fiscal quarter.

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