



Bel Reports Third Quarter and First Nine Months Results

Third Quarter Earnings Exceed Analysts' Consensus Expectations

JERSEY CITY, New Jersey, October 26, 2007 -- Bel Fuse Inc. (NASDAQ:BELFA & NASDAQ:BELFB) today announced financial results for the third quarter and first nine months of 2007 which exceeded analysts' consensus expectations.

Third Quarter Results

Net sales for the three months ended September 30, 2007 were \$66,379,000. This compares to record net sales of \$73,260,000 for the third quarter of 2006. "Bel's Magnetics and Modules products performed well during the period, and were the primary driver for the sequential gain in third quarter revenue," said President Daniel Bernstein.

Net earnings for the third quarter of 2007 were \$5,914,000 compared to net earnings of \$7,745,000 for the third quarter of 2006.

Net earnings per diluted Class A common share were \$0.47 for this year's third quarter compared to \$0.62 for the year-earlier. Net earnings per diluted Class B common share were \$0.50 for this year's third quarter compared to \$0.66 a year ago.

Bel's third quarter income tax provision was affected by the release of an accrual resulting from the expiration of certain statutes of limitations and the finalization of certain tax audits in Asia, offset by changes in estimates for prior years' taxes, upon finalization of 2006 tax returns.

"Labor costs have increased in the PRC due to new regulations and a tight labor market. We have responded by selling several non-manufacturing properties and by closing our Macau manufacturing plant in September 2007 as part of a strategy to consolidate manufacturing in our larger, more efficient facilities. In December, we plan to close another small plant in the PRC. At the same time we continue to evaluate acquisition opportunities that have the potential to stimulate revenue growth and further enhance profitability," Bernstein said.

Nine Month Results

For the nine months ended September 30, 2007, net sales decreased 2.3% to \$189,798,000 compared to \$194,360,000 for the first nine months of 2006.

Net earnings for the first nine months of 2007 were \$16,081,000. This compares to net earnings for the first nine months of 2006 of \$20,506,000.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2007, net earnings per diluted Class A common share were \$1.29 compared to \$1.66 for the year-earlier period, and net earnings per diluted Class B common share were \$1.37 compared to \$1.75 last year.

Balance Sheet Highlights

At September 30, 2007, Bel reported cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities of approximately \$106,220,000, working capital of approximately \$167,762,000, a current ratio of 5.7-to-1, total long-term obligations of \$17,218,000, and shareholders' equity of \$235,682,000. At December 31, 2006, cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities were approximately \$92,337,000, working capital was approximately \$144,677,000, the current ratio was 4.5 to 1, total long-term obligations were \$4,728,000, and shareholders' equity was \$222,150,000. During the third quarter, Bel repurchased 114,100 Class A shares.

Conference Call

Bel has scheduled a conference call at 11:00 a.m. EDT today. A simultaneous webcast of the conference call may be accessed from the [Investor Info](#) link at www.BelFuse.com. A replay will be available after 1:00 p.m. EDT, for a period of 20 days, at this same Internet

address. For a telephone replay, dial (800) 633-8284, reservation #21345704 after 1:00 p.m. EDT.

About Bel

Bel (www.belfuse.com) and its subsidiaries are primarily engaged in the design, manufacture and sale of products used in networking, telecommunications, high speed data transmission, and consumer electronics. Products include magnetics (discrete components, power transformers and MagJack®s), modules (DC-DC converters, integrated analog front end modules and custom designs), circuit protection (miniature, micro and surface mount fuses) and interconnect devices (passive jacks, plugs and cable assemblies). Bel operates facilities around the world.

Forward-Looking Statements

Except for historical information contained in this news release, the matters discussed in this press release (including the Company's plan for a plant closing) are forward looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Among the factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from such statements are: the market concerns facing our customers, the continuing viability of sectors that rely on our products, the effect of business and economic conditions; capacity and supply constraints or difficulties; product development, commercializing or technological difficulties; the regulatory and trade environment; uncertainties associated with legal proceedings; the market's acceptance of the Company's new products and competitive responses to those new products and the risk factors detailed from time to time in the Company's SEC reports. In light of the risks and uncertainties, there can be no assurance that any forward-looking statement will in fact prove to be correct. We undertake no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements.

[\(table attached\)](#)

#4442

Bel Fuse Inc.
206 Van Vorst Street
Jersey City, NJ 07302
www.belfuse.com
tel 201.432.0463
fax 201.432.9542

Investor Contact:
Neil Berkman Associates
(310) 277-5162
info@berkmanassociates.com

Company Contact:
Daniel Bernstein
President
ir@BelFuse.com