

Vantage Drilling International Reports Second Quarter Results for 2019

HOUSTON, Aug. 14, 2019 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Vantage Drilling International ("Vantage" or the "Company") reported net income attributable to controlling interest of approximately \$590.7 million or \$116.96 per share for the three months ended June 30, 2019 compared to a net loss attributable to controlling interest of \$31.1 million or \$6.22 per share for the three months ended June 30, 2018.

The net income stems from the recent payments by Petrobras Venezuela Investments & Services, BV, ("PVIS"), a subsidiary of Petroleo Brasileiro S.A. ("Petrobras"), of approximately \$690.8 million to Vantage Deepwater Company, one of our subsidiaries ("VDEEP"), and by Petrobras America, Inc., a subsidiary of Petrobras ("PAI"), of approximately \$10.1 million to Vantage Deepwater Drilling, Inc., also one of our subsidiaries ("VDDI"). The payments were made pursuant to an agreement between the parties and in satisfaction of the previously rendered arbitration award and related U.S. judgment confirming the award.

The dispute arose following the Petrobras's parties' termination of the Agreement for the Provision of Drilling Services for the Titanium Explorer dated February 4, 2009 (the "Drilling Contract") between PVIS and VDEEP and which had been novated to PAI and VDDI. The Petrobras parties claimed the Vantage parties had breached their obligations under the Drilling Contract. The Vantage parties immediately filed the international arbitration claim against PAI, PVIS, and Petrobras, claiming wrongful termination of the Drilling Contract.

In July 2018, the international arbitration panel ruled in favor of the Vantage entities, rendering an arbitration award of \$622 million plus interest against PVIS, PAI and Petrobras. In May 2019, the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas confirmed the arbitration award and denied the Petrobras parties' petition to vacate the award.

As previously announced, the Petrobras parties filed their notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit seeking the reversal of the U.S. judgment. The Vantage parties believe there is no basis for reversal and intend to vigorously contest the appeal.

The three months ended June 30, 2019 includes Drilling Contract termination revenue of approximately \$594.0 million and interest income of approximately \$106.9 million associated with the payments, together with related legal contingency fee and income taxes. Adjusting for these items, pro-forma net loss for the three months ended June 30, 2019 was approximately \$37.4 million or \$7.41 per share.

As of June 30, 2019, Vantage had approximately \$896.8 million in cash, including \$10.4 million of restricted cash, compared to \$239.4 million in cash, including \$14.4 million of restricted cash at December 31, 2018.

Ihab Toma, CEO, commented. "I am very pleased about our agreement with the Petrobras parties and their payments' to us in aggregate of approximately \$701 million. Separately, I am pleased to report that we continue to achieve operational and safety excellence, recording 99% revenue efficiency for the quarter and over two years without a lost time incident. We remain focused on providing the best service to our customers."

Vantage, a Cayman Islands exempted company, is an offshore drilling contractor, with a fleet of three ultra-deepwater drillships and five premium jackup drilling rigs. Vantage's primary business is to contract drilling units, related equipment and work crews primarily on a dayrate basis to drill oil and natural gas wells globally for major, national and independent oil and natural gas companies. Vantage also provides construction supervision services and preservation management services for, and will operate and manage, drilling units owned by others.

The information above includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions identified above or as disclosed from time to time in the company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. As a result of these factors, actual results may differ materially from those indicated or implied by such forward-looking statements. Vantage disclaims any intention or obligation to update publicly or revise such statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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Vantage Drilling International
Consolidated Statement of Operations
(In thousands, except per share data)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,				Six Months Ended June 30,				
		2019		2018		2019		2018	
Revenue									
Contract drilling services	\$	35,765	\$	55,183	\$	65,745	\$	106,778	
Contract termination revenue		594,029		_		594,029		_	
Reimbursables and other		6,589		5,278		11,164		11,346	
Total revenue		636,383		60,461		670,938		118,124	
Operating costs and expenses	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·								

Operating costs		38,081		44,650		76,623		85,635
General and administrative	70,702			6,278		79,370		13,632
Depreciation	18,499			17,711		37,032		35,579
Total operating costs and expenses	127,282			68,639		193,025		134,846
Income (loss) from operations	509,101			(8,178)		477,913		(16,722)
Other income (expense)								
Interest income		108,305		220		109,369		441
Interest expense and other financing charges		(10,435)		(19,412)		(26,250)		(38,683)
Other, net	(58)			(514)		124		(1,084)
Total other expense		97,812		(19,706)		83,243		(39,326)
Income (loss) before income taxes		606,913		(27,884)		561,156		(56,048)
Income tax provision		16,454		3,210	_	18,601		7,183
Net income (loss)	590,459		(31,094)		542,555			(63,231)
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(270)		_		(284)		_
Net income (loss) attributable to shareholders	\$	590,729	\$	(31,094)	\$	542,839	\$	(63,231)
Earnings (loss) per share								
Basic	\$	116.96	\$	(6.22)	\$	107.60	\$	(12.65)
Diluted	\$	116.86	\$	(6.22)	\$	107.38	\$	(12.65)

Vantage Drilling International Supplemental Operating Data

(Unaudited, in thousands, except percentages)

	Three Months Ended June 30,					Six Months Ended June 30,					
	2019		2018		2019			2018			
Operating costs and expenses											
Jackups	\$	14,108	\$	16,523	\$	31,853	\$	30,985			
Deepwater		16,492		21,699		32,307		41,511			
Operations support		3,361		3,367		6,460		6,494			
Reimbursables		4,120		3,061		6,003		6,645			
	\$	38,081	\$	44,650	\$	76,623	\$	85,635			
Utilization											
Jackups		93.7%		88.5%		96.0%		87.3%			
Deepwater		49.2%		63.2%		40.9%		58.7%			

Vantage Drilling International Consolidated Balance Sheet (In thousands, except share and par value information) (Unaudited)

	June 30, 2019		 December 31, 2018
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	886,343	\$ 224,967
Restricted cash		5,640	10,362
Trade receivables		31,478	28,431
Inventory		45,461	45,195
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		19,552	 17,278
Total current assets		988,474	326,233
Property and equipment			
Property and equipment		1,002,161	996,139
Accumulated depreciation		(245,393)	 (208,836)
Property and equipment, net		756,768	787,303
Operating lease right-of-use assets		7,682	-
Other assets		13,483	16,026
Total assets	\$	1,766,407	\$ 1,129,562
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$	107,899	\$ 44,372
Accrued liabilities		33,653	 17,983

141,552

62,355

Total current liabilities

Long-term debt, net of discount and financing costs of \$7,240 and \$12,914	1,118,552	1,109,011
Other long-term liabilities	27,260	22,889
Commitments and contingencies		
Shareholders' equity		
Ordinary shares, \$0.001 par value, 50 million shares authorized; 5,000,053 shares issued and		
outstanding	5	5
Additional paid-in capital	373,972	373,972
Accumulated earnings (deficit)	 104,169	(438,670)
Controlling interest shareholders' equity	478,146	(64,693)
Noncontrolling interests	 897	-
Total equity	479,043	(64,693)
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 1,766,407	\$ 1,129,562

Vantage Drilling International Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows (In thousands) (Unaudited)

(onautieu)	Six Months Ended June 30,					
	2019			2018		
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	-					
Net income (loss)	\$	542,555	\$	(63,231)		
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:						
Depreciation expense		37,032		35,579		
Amortization of debt financing costs		807		234		
Amortization of debt discount		5,354		24,647		
Amortization of contract value		1,643		3,130		
PIK interest on the Convertible Notes		3,845		3,823		
Share-based compensation expense		2,064		3,772		
Deferred income tax expense		497		592		
Loss (gain) on disposal of assets		109		(2,524)		
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:						
Trade receivables		(3,047)		4,289		
Inventory		(266)		63		
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		(2,274)		(3,833)		
Other assets		2,641		865		
Accounts payable		63,527		3,366		
Accrued liabilities and other long-term liabilities		8,799		(2,441)		
Net cash provided by operating activities		663,286		8,331		
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES						
Additions to property and equipment		(6,606)		(771)		
Down payment on Soehanah acquisition		_		(15,000)		
Proceeds from sale of Vantage 260		_		4,660		
Net cash used in investing activities		(6,606)		(11,111)		
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES						
Repayment of long-term debt		_		(5,815)		
Contributions from holders of noncontrolling interest		1,181				
Debt issuance costs		(487)		_		
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	-	694		(5,815)		
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		657,374		(8,595)		
Unrestricted and restricted cash and cash equivalents—beginning of period		239,387		195,455		
Unrestricted and restricted cash and cash equivalents—end of period	\$	896,761	\$	186,860		