

PFSweb Reports First Quarter 2018 Results

May 10, 2018

ALLEN, Texas, May 10, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- PFSweb, Inc. (NASDAQ:PFSW), a global commerce services company, is reporting results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2018.

First Quarter 2018 Summary vs. Same Year-Ago Quarter

- Total revenues were \$78.4 million compared to \$78.8 million.
- Service fee equivalent (SFE) revenue (a non-GAAP measure defined below) was \$56.9 million compared to \$57.9 million.
- Service fee gross margin increased 610 basis points to 37.0%.
- Net loss improved to \$0.7 million or \$(0.04) per share, compared to a loss of \$4.9 million or \$(0.26) per share.
- Adjusted EBITDA (a non-GAAP measure defined below) increased 21% to \$4.4 million.

Management Commentary

"During the first quarter, we continued to perform at a high level for clients while executing on our profitability initiatives from 2017," said Mike Willoughby, CEO of PFSweb. "This contributed materially to our strong service fee gross margin for the quarter, as did a greater proportion of revenue coming from our higher-margin LiveArea business unit. All of this resulted in our third consecutive quarter of double-digit adjusted EBITDA growth.

"I'm also pleased to announce that during the quarter, we made significant progress on our business unit segmentation between our PFS Operations and LiveArea Professional Services businesses. For the first time, the tables below provide revenue, gross profit, direct operating expenses and adjusted EBITDA for each segment in order to provide shareholders with valuable insight and transparency into the financial performance of our businesses.

"Our PFS Operations business unit generated strong results due to higher than forecasted transactional volumes for certain clients. PFS also experienced incremental project activities as we reconfigured certain client solutions after the holiday and completed the planned transition of a large client engagement that did not meet our margin targets.

"Our LiveArea Professional Services business unit also performed well for clients, but did experience some delays in new project launches and, as a result, we expect LiveArea revenue to be more back-loaded in 2018. Gross margins for this business unit were strong, although the delay in project-starts resulted in under-utilization of certain billable resources within LiveArea for Q1, negatively impacting the LiveArea direct operating expenses for the quarter.

"We are pleased to have started 2018 with an overall strong first quarter. As we look to the remainder of the year, we will continue to focus on leveraging our proven platform and eCommerce expertise to drive growth in service fee revenue, operational efficiency and profitability. Through these efforts, we are reiterating our 2018 business unit service fee equivalent (SFE) revenue guidance and corporate SFE revenue and adjusted EBITDA guidance."

First Quarter 2018 Financial Results

Total revenues in the first quarter of 2018 were \$78.4 million compared to \$78.8 million in the same period of 2017. Service fee revenue in the first quarter was \$56.5 million compared to \$57.3 million last year. Product revenue from the company's last remaining client under this legacy business model was \$9.8 million compared to \$11.3 million in the same period of 2017.

SFE revenue was \$56.9 million compared to \$57.9 million in the year-ago quarter. The decline was driven by expected client transitions, including certain lower margin engagements, partially offset by new and expanded client relationships.

Service fee gross margin in the first quarter of 2018 increased 610 basis points to 37.0% compared to 30.9% in the same period of 2017. The increase was due to a focus on higher-margin engagements and service offerings, as well as improved operational efficiency and the transition of certain lower-margin engagements. The company also benefitted from a greater proportion of higher-margin LiveArea professional services revenue in the 2018 quarter.

Net loss in the first quarter of 2018 improved significantly to \$0.7 million or \$(0.04) per share, compared to a net loss of \$4.9 million or \$(0.26) per share in the same period of 2017. Net loss in the first quarter of 2018 included \$0.6 million of stock-based compensation expense, \$0.4 million in amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets, \$0.1 million of acquisition-related, restructuring and other costs, and \$0.1 million deferred tax expense related to goodwill amortization. This compares to \$0.5 million of stock-based compensation expense, \$0.8 million in amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets, \$2.7 million of acquisition-related, restructuring and other costs, and \$0.2 million deferred tax expense related to goodwill amortization in the same period of 2017.

Adjusted EBITDA increased 21% to \$4.4 million compared to \$3.7 million in the year-ago quarter. As a percentage of SFE revenue, adjusted EBITDA increased 150 basis points to 7.8% compared to 6.3% in the year-ago quarter, primarily due to the aforementioned increase in service fee gross margin.

Non-GAAP net income in the first quarter of 2018 increased significantly to \$0.6 million compared to a non-GAAP net loss of \$0.7 million in the first quarter of 2017.

At March 31, 2018, net debt (defined as total debt less cash and cash equivalents) decreased 8% to \$26.1 million compared to \$28.2 million at

December 31, 2017. Cash and cash equivalents totaled \$16.6 million compared to \$19.1 million at December 31, 2017. Total debt at March 31, 2018 decreased to \$42.7 million compared to \$47.3 million at the end of last year.

2018 Outlook

PFSweb continues to expect 2018 SFE revenue to range between \$237 million and \$247 million, reflecting up to 5% growth from 2017. The company also continues to expect adjusted EBITDA to range between \$24 million and \$26 million, reflecting up to 13% growth from 2017.

The company continues to expect LiveArea service fee revenue to range between \$95 million and \$100 million, with PFS SFE revenue ranging between \$142 million and \$147 million.

Conference Call

PFSweb will conduct a conference call today at 5:00 p.m. Eastern time to discuss its results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2018.

PFSweb CEO Mike Willoughby and CFO Tom Madden will host the conference call, followed by a question and answer period.

Date: Thursday, May 10, 2018

Time: 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time (2:00 p.m. Pacific time)

Toll-free dial-in number: 1-800-289-0438 International dial-in number: 1-323-794-2423

Conference ID: 6213385

Please call the conference telephone number 5-10 minutes prior to the start time. An operator will register your name and organization. If you have any difficulty connecting with the conference call, please contact Liolios at 1-949-574-3860.

The conference call will be broadcast live and available for replay <u>here</u> and via the investor relations section of the company's website at <u>www.pfsweb.com</u>.

A replay of the conference call will be available after 8:00 p.m. Eastern time on the same day through May 24, 2018.

Toll-free replay number: 1-844-512-2921 International replay number: 1-412-317-6671

Replay ID: 6213385

About PFSweb, Inc.

PFSweb (NASDAQ:PFSW) is a global commerce services company that manages the online customer shopping experience on behalf of major branded manufacturers and retailers. Across two business units – <u>LiveArea</u> for strategy consulting, creative design, digital marketing, and web development services, and <u>PFS</u> Operations for order fulfillment, contact center, payment processing/fraud management, and order management services – they provide solutions to a broad range of Fortune 500® companies and household brand names such as Procter & Gamble, L'Oréal USA, Canada Goose, PANDORA, T.J. Maxx, the United States Mint, and many more. PFSweb enables these brands to provide a more convenient and brand-centric online shopping experience through both traditional and online business channels. The company is headquartered in Allen, TX with additional locations around the globe. For more information, please visit www.corporate.pfsweb.com.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

This news release contains certain non-GAAP measures, including non-GAAP net income (loss), earnings before interest, income taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA), adjusted EBITDA and service fee equivalent revenue.

Non-GAAP net income (loss) represents net income (loss) calculated in accordance with U.S. GAAP as adjusted for the impact of non-cash stock-based compensation expense, acquisition-related, restructuring and other (income) costs, amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets and deferred tax expense for goodwill amortization.

EBITDA represents earnings (or losses) before interest, income taxes, depreciation, and amortization. Adjusted EBITDA further eliminates the effect of stock-based compensation, as well as acquisition-related, restructuring and other costs.

Service fee equivalent revenue represents service fee revenue plus the gross profit earned on product revenue and does not alter existing revenue recognition.

Our service fee equivalent revenue target for 2018 includes an estimated gross margin on product sales of approximately \$2 million (based on targeted product revenue of \$33 million to \$37 million) plus a targeted range of between \$235 million to \$245 million of service fee revenue.

The adjusted EBITDA outlook for 2018 has not been reconciled to the company's net loss outlook for the same period because certain items that would impact interest expense, income tax provision (benefit), depreciation and amortization (including amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets), stock-based compensation, and acquisition-related, restructuring and other costs, all of which are reconciling items between net loss and adjusted EBITDA, cannot be reasonably predicted. Accordingly, reconciliation of adjusted EBITDA outlook to net loss outlook for 2018 is not available without unreasonable effort.

Non-GAAP net income (loss), EBITDA, adjusted EBITDA and service fee equivalent revenue are used by management, analysts, investors and other interested parties in evaluating our operating performance compared to that of other companies in our industry. The calculation of non-GAAP net income (loss) eliminates the effect of stock-based compensation, acquisition-related, restructuring and other costs, amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets, and deferred tax expense for goodwill amortization, and EBITDA and adjusted EBITDA further eliminate the effect of financing, remaining income taxes and the accounting effects of capital spending, which items may vary from different companies for reasons unrelated to overall operating performance. Service fee equivalent revenue allows client contracts with similar operational support models but different financial models to be combined as if all contracts were being operated on a service fee revenue basis.

PFS believes these non-GAAP measures provide useful information to both management and investors by focusing on certain operational metrics and excluding certain expenses in order to present its core operating performance and results. These measures should be considered in addition to results prepared in accordance with GAAP, but should not be considered a substitute for, or superior to, GAAP results. The non-GAAP measures included in this press release have been reconciled to the GAAP results in the attached tables.

Forward-Looking Statements

The matters discussed herein consist of forward-looking information under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and is subject to and involves risks and uncertainties, which could cause actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking information. PFS' Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 identifies certain factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected in any forward looking statements made and investors are advised to review the Annual Report of the company and the Risk Factors described therein. PFS undertakes no obligation to update publicly any forward-looking statement for any reason, even if new information becomes available or other events occur in the future. There may be additional risks that we do not currently view as material or that are not presently known.

Company Contact:

Michael C. Willoughby Chief Executive Officer Or Thomas J. Madden Chief Financial Officer 972-881-2900

Investor Relations:

Sean Mansouri or Scott Liolios Liolios Investor Relations 949-574-3860 PFSW@liolios.com

PFSweb, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (In Thousands, Except Share Data)

	(Unaudited)				
	March 31,		De	ecember 31,	
		2018		2017	
ASSETS					
CURRENT ASSETS:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	16,646	\$	19,078	
Restricted cash		214		214	
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$375 and					
\$373 at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively		50,004		72,062	
Inventories, net of reserves of \$250 and \$342 at March 31, 2018 and					
December 31, 2017, respectively		6,660		5,326	
Other receivables		4,754		5,366	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		6,893		6,633	
Total current assets		85,171		108,679	
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, net		23,120		24,178	
IDENTIFIABLE INTANGIBLES, net		2,956		3,371	
GOODWILL		45,961		45,698	
OTHER ASSETS		3,742		3,861	
Total assets		160,950		185,787	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY					
CURRENT LIABILITIES:					
Trade accounts payable	\$	32,038	\$	45,070	
Accrued expenses		24,388		29,074	
Current portion of long-term debt and capital lease obligations		6,017		9,460	
Deferred revenues		5,969		7,405	
Performance-based contingent payments		4,000		3,967	
Total current liabilities		72,412		94,976	
LONG-TERM DEBT AND CAPITAL LEASE OBLIGATIONS, less current portion		36,685		37,866	

DEFERRED REVENUES, less current portion DEFERRED RENT OTHER LIABILITIES Total liabilities COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES	2,846 5,263 2,045 119,251		4,034 5,464 2,150 144,490	
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:				
Preferred stock, \$1.00 par value; 1,000,000 shares authorized; none issued				
or outstanding	_		_	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value; 35,000,000 shares authorized;				
19,154,332 and 19,058,685 shares issued at March 31, 2018 and				
December 31, 2017, respectively; and 19,120,865 and 19,025,218 shares outstanding				
at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively	19		19	
Additional paid-in capital	151,032		150,614	
Accumulated deficit	(109,754)	(109,281)
Accumulated other comprehensive income	527		70	
Treasury stock at cost, 33,467 shares	(125)	(125)
Total shareholders' equity	41,699		41,297	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 160,950		\$ 185,787	

PFSweb, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations (In Thousands, Except Per Share Data)

		arch 31, 2018	ed	2017		
REVENUES:		2010			2017	
Service fee revenue	\$	56,487		\$	57,265	
Product revenue, net	*	9,765		*	11,318	
Pass-through revenue		12,169			10,185	
Total revenues	\$	78,421		\$	78,768	
COSTS OF REVENUES:						
Cost of service fee revenue	\$	35,608		\$	39,584	
Cost of product revenue		9,316			10,725	
Cost of pass-through revenue		12,169			10,185	
Total costs of revenues	\$	57,093		\$	60,494	
Gross profit		21,328			18,274	
SELLING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES		20,659			21,718	
Income (loss) from operations		669			(3,444)
INTEREST EXPENSE, NET		605			637	
Income (loss) before income taxes		64			(4,081)
INCOME TAX EXPENSE		813			775	
NET LOSS	\$	(749)	\$	(4,856)
NON-GAAP NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$	569		\$	(733)
NET LOSS PER SHARE:						
Basic	\$	(0.04)	\$	(0.26)
Diluted	\$	(0.04)	\$	(0.26)
WEIGHTED AVERAGE NUMBER OF SHARES OUTSTANDING:						
Basic	19,145 18,736			18,736		
Diluted	19,145 18,73				18,736	
EBITDA	\$	3,647		\$	463	
ADJUSTED EBITDA	\$	4,415		\$	3,652	

PFSweb, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Unaudited Reconciliation of Certain Non-GAAP Items to GAAP (In Thousands)

		ree Months Endo arch 31, 2018		2017			
NET LOSS Income tax expense Interest expense, net Depreciation and amortization EBITDA Stock-based compensation Acquisition-related, restructuring and other costs ADJUSTED EBITDA	\$ \$	(749 813 605 2,978 3,647 646 122 4,415)	\$ \$	(4,856 775 637 3,907 463 524 2,665 3,652)	
	Three Months Ended March 31, 2018 2017						
NET LOSS Stock-based compensation Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets Acquisition-related, restructuring and other costs Deferred tax expense - goodwill amortization NON-GAAP NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$	(749 646 438 122 112 569)	\$	(4,856 524 770 2,665 164 (733)	
	Three Months Ended March 31, 2018 2017				2017		
TOTAL REVENUES Pass-through revenue Cost of product revenue SERVICE FEE EQUIVALENT REVENUE	\$	78,421 (12,169 (9,316 56,936)	\$	78,768 (10,185 (10,725 57,858)	

PFSweb, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Unaudited Consolidated Segment Information and Reconciliation of Certain Non-GAAP Items to GAAP (In Thousands)

Effective January 1, 2018, the company changed its organizational structure in an effort to create more effective and efficient operations and to improve client and service focus. As a result, the company is now presenting supplemental financial data below based on the reportable operating business segments of its PFS Operations and LiveArea Professional Services units, which are comprised of strategic businesses that are defined by the types of service offerings they provide. In addition, certain costs that are not fully directly allocable to a business unit are presented as Corporate selling, general, and administrative expenses.

The segment financial data for the three months ended March 31, 2018, reflects the financial performance for each of the segments based on the current financial presentation reviewed by the company's Chief Operating Decision Makers. The company is continuing to evaluate its segregation of costs among the business units, including an effort to further allocate certain Corporate costs into the two operating business units to enhance cost focus and responsibility.

The segment financial data for the three months ended March 31, 2017, reflects the company's current assessment for that period by business segment as if the PFS Operations and LiveArea Professional services segmentation had occurred as of the beginning of that period.

	Three Months Ended						
	Ма	rch 31,					
		2018			2017		
PFS Operations							
Revenues:							
Service fee revenue	\$	34,922		\$	37,007		
Product revenue, net		9,765			11,318		
Pass-through revenue		11,800			9,911		
Total revenues	\$	56,487		\$	58,236		
Costs of revenues:							
Cost of service fee revenue	\$	25,338		\$	29,369		
Cost of product revenue		9,316			10,725		
Cost of pass-through revenue		11,800			9,911		
Total costs of revenues	\$	46,454		\$	50,005		
Gross profit		10,033			8,231		
Direct operating expenses		3,700			2,826		
Direct contribution		6,333			5,405		
Depreciation and amortization		1,541			1,936		
ADJUSTED EBITDA	\$	7,874		\$	7,341		
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	56,487		\$	58,236		
Pass-through revenue		(11,800)		(9,911)	
Cost of product revenue		(9,316)		(10,725)	
SERVICE FEE EQUIVALENT REVENUE	\$	35,371		\$	37,600		

PFSweb, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Unaudited Consolidated Segment Information and Reconciliation of Certain Non-GAAP Items to GAAP (In Thousands)

	Three Months Ended							
	March 31,							
		2018			2017			
LiveArea Professional Services								
Revenues:								
Service fee revenue	\$	21,565		\$	20,258			
Pass-through revenue		369			274			
Total revenues	\$	21,934		\$	20,532			
Costs of revenues:								
Cost of service fee revenue	\$	10,270		\$	10,215			
Cost of pass-through revenue		369			274			
Total costs of revenues	\$	10,639		\$	10,489			
Gross profit		11,295			10,043			
Direct operating expenses		8,327			7,712			
Direct contribution		2,968			2,331			
Depreciation and amortization		692			992			
ADJUSTED EBITDA	\$	3,660		\$	3,323			
Cornorate								
•	\$	(8 632)	\$	(11 180)		
· ·	Ψ		,	Ψ		,		
·	\$	_	١	\$		١		
	Ψ		,	Ψ		,		
·								
	\$		١	\$	•	١		
Costs of revenues: Cost of service fee revenue Cost of pass-through revenue Total costs of revenues Gross profit Direct operating expenses Direct contribution Depreciation and amortization	\$	10,270 369 10,639 11,295 8,327 2,968 692))	\$	10,215 274 10,489 10,043 7,712 2,331 992)		



Source: PFSweb, Inc.