

News Release

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CAVCO INDUSTRIES REPORTS SECOND QUARTER RESULTS Sales increase 25% to \$38.6 million Income from continuing operations up 75% to \$2.0 million

PHOENIX, AZ - (October 25, 2004) – Cavco Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: CVCO) today announced financial results for the second quarter and first six months of fiscal 2005 ended September 30, 2004.

Net sales for the second quarter of fiscal 2005 rose 25% to \$38,635,000 from \$30,820,000 last year. Net income for the second quarter increased to \$2,131,000 compared with \$1,133,000 in the same period one year ago.

Net income per share for the second quarter of this year was \$0.68 based on basic weighted average shares outstanding and \$0.66 per share based on diluted weighted average shares versus \$0.36 for the second quarter of last year.

Pre-tax income from continuing operations for the second quarter of the current year was \$3,301,000 compared with \$1,888,000 for the second quarter of last year. After-tax income from continuing operations increased 75% to \$1,981,000 or \$0.61 per share versus \$1,133,000 or \$0.36 per share for last year's second quarter.

For the first six months of fiscal 2005, net sales climbed 24% to \$74,572,000 from \$60,335,000 last year. Net income for the first six months of this year increased to \$3,838,000 versus \$2,075,000 for the comparable prior year period including a proforma tax provision.

Net income per share for the first six months of fiscal 2005 was \$1.22 based on basic weighted average shares outstanding and \$1.18 per share based on diluted weighted average shares versus \$0.67 for the same period in the prior year including a proforma tax provision.

Pre-tax Income from continuing operations was \$6,145,000 for the first six months of this year compared with \$3,531,000 for the same period last year. After-tax income from continuing operations increased 74% to \$3,688,000 or \$1.13 per share versus \$2,119,000 or \$0.68 per share for the same period last year assuming a proforma income tax provision.

Commenting on the results, Joseph Stegmayer, President and Chief Executive Officer, said, "We are pleased to report improved sales and earnings for the quarter. While total industry shipments of new homes continue to be weak across most of the nation, we did benefit from strong demand for homes in the California market. Our products have also been well received in Arizona and surrounding states although industry shipments continue to be very soft throughout the Southwest."

Mr. Stegmayer continued, "From a manufacturing standpoint, higher volume and an improved product mix enabled us to increase productivity and efficiency in our plants which had a positive impact on profit margins. Offsetting these efficiencies were the increased raw material prices that we experienced during the quarter. We see no signs of relief from escalating raw material and purchased component prices and remain concerned about the adverse impact such cost increases may have on operating results in the months ahead."

Cavco also announced that it has amended its revolving credit facility with Bank One N. A. The amendment eliminates the borrowing base requirement which makes available the entire \$15 million line.

Addressing Cavco's financial position, Sean Nolen, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, said, "Cavco continues to build its financial strength with this quarter's earnings pushing us above \$100 million in stockholders' equity. Our balance sheet liquidity, positive cash flow and available line of credit give us the financial wherewithal to pursue future growth opportunities that may present themselves."

Cavco's senior management will hold a conference call to review these results tomorrow, October 26, 2004, at 1:00 p.m. (Eastern Time). Interested parties can access a live webcast of the conference call on the Internet at http://phx.corporate-ir.net/playerlink.zhtml?c=145386&s=wm&e=956581. An archive of the webcast and presentation will be available for 90 days at this website.

Cavco Industries, Inc., headquartered in Phoenix, is the largest producer of manufactured homes in Arizona, based on wholesale shipments. The company is also a leading producer of park model homes in the United States.

Certain statements contained in this release are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, Section 21E of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. In general, all statements that are not historical in nature are forward-looking. Forward-looking statements are typically included, for example, in discussions regarding the manufactured housing industry; our financial performance and operating results; and the expected effect of certain risks and uncertainties on our business, financial condition and results of operations. All forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond our control. As a result, our actual results or performance may differ materially from anticipated results or performance. Factors that could cause such differences to occur include, but are not limited to, adverse industry conditions, the cyclical nature of our business, limitations on our ability to raise capital, curtailment of available financing in the manufactured housing industry, competition, our ability to maintain relationships with retailers, pricing and availability of raw materials and our lack of recent operating history as an independent public company, together with all of the other risks described in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Cavco expressly disclaims any obligation to update any forward-looking statements contained in this release whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. Investors should not place any reliance on any such forward-looking statements.

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CAVCO INDUSTRIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Dollars in thousands)

	September 30, 2004		March 31, 2004		
	(U	naudited)			
ASSETS					
Current assets					
Cash	\$	35,783	\$	30,775	
Restricted cash		1,281		827	
Accounts receivable		7,201		6,479	
Inventories		9,742		7,995	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		1,031		1,701	
Deferred income taxes		3,680		3,570	
Retail assets held for sale		1,347		2,941	
Total current assets		60,065		54,288	
Property, plant and equipment, at cost:					
Land		2,330		2,330	
Buildings and improvements		5,058		5,043	
Machinery and equipment		6,334		6,216	
		13,722		13,589	
Accumulated depreciation		(6,103)		(5,369)	
0. 1. 71		7,619		8,220	
Goodwill		67,346		67,346	
Total assets	\$	135,030	\$	129,854	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Current liabilities					
Accounts payable	\$	5,290	\$	6,105	
Accrued liabilities		19,934		18,986	
Total current liabilities		25,224		25,091	
Deferred income taxes		7,910		6,830	
Commitments and contingencies					
Stockholders' equity					
Preferred Stock, \$.01 par value, 1,000,000 shares authorized;					
No shares issued or outstanding		-		-	
Common Stock, \$.01 par value; 10,000,000 shares authorized;					
Outstanding 3,144,365 shares		31		31	
Additional paid-in capital		120,030		120,030	
Unamortized value of restricted stock		(438)		(563)	
Accumulated deficit		(17,727)	_	(21,565)	
Total stockholders' equity		101,896		97,933	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	135,030	\$	129,854	

CAVCO INDUSTRIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Six Months Ended September 30,				
	2	2004		2003		2004		2003
Net sales	\$	38,635	\$	30,820	\$	74,572	\$	60,335
Cost of sales	Ψ	31,366	Ψ	25,526	Ψ	61,210	Ψ	49,740
Gross profit		7,269		5,294		13,362		10,595
Selling, general and administrative expenses		4,068		3,454		7,418		7,139
Income from operations		3,201		1,840		5,944		3,456
Interest income		100		48		201		75
Income from continuing operations before					-			
income taxes		3,301		1,888		6,145		3,531
Income tax expense		(1,320)		(755)		(2,457)		(755)
Income from continuing operations		1,981		1,133	-	3,688		2,776
Income (loss) from discontinued retail operations		,		,		-,		,
less income taxes of \$100 in 2004		150		_		150		(73)
Net Income	\$	2,131	\$	1,133	\$	3,838	\$	2,703
Net income per share (basic):								
Continuing operations	\$	0.63	\$	0.36	\$	1.17		
Discontinued retail operations		0.05	_	-		0.05		
Net Income	\$	0.68	\$	0.36	\$	1.22		
Net income per share (diluted):								
Continuing operations	\$	0.61	\$	0.36	\$	1.13		
Discontinued retail operations		0.05	Φ.	-		0.05		
Net Income	\$	0.66	\$	0.36	\$	1.18		
Weighted average shares outstanding:								
Basic	3,	144,365	3,	146,495	3	,144,365		
Diluted	3,	260,264	3,	146,495	3	,261,089		
Proforma financial information:								
Income from continuing operations								
before income taxes							\$	3,531
Proforma income tax expense							7	(1,412)
Proforma income from continuing								(-,)
operations								2,119
Proforma loss from discontinued								_,,
operations, net of proforma taxes								(44)
Proforma net income							\$	2,075
Proforma net income (loss) per share - Basic								
and Diluted:							_	6 · · =
Continuing operations							\$	0.68
Discontinued operations								(0.01)
Net income							\$	0.67
Proforma weighted average shares							~	110.047
outstanding - Basic and Diluted							3	,118,947

CAVCO INDUSTRIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY Other Operating Data – Continuing Operations (Dollars in thousands)

	Three Mor	nths Ended ber 30,	Six Months Ended September 30,				
	2004	2003	2004	2003			
Net sales							
Manufacturing	\$ 38,338	\$ 28,756	\$ 73,283	\$ 57,377			
Retail	2,204	4,421	4,935	8,450			
Less: Intercompany	(1,907)	(2,357)	(3,646)	(5,492)			
Net Sales	\$ 38,635	\$ 30,820	\$ 74,572	\$ 60,335			
Floor shipments - manufacturing	1,730	1,482	3,375	3,001			
Average sales price per floor - manufacturing	\$ 22,161	\$ 19,404	\$ 21,713	\$ 19,119			
Home shipments - manufacturing	1,008	850	1,942	1,734			
Average sales price per home - manufacturing	\$ 38,034	\$ 33,831	\$ 37,736	\$ 33,089			
Home shipments - retail	33	60	71	112			
Average sales price per home - retail	\$ 66,788	\$ 73,683	\$ 69,507	\$ 75,446			
Capital expenditures	\$ 37	\$ 118	\$ 216	\$ 145			
Depreciation	\$ 272	\$ 300	\$ 547	\$ 604			

Explanatory Notes

- (1) Effective June 30, 2003, Cavco Industries, LLC ("Cavco LLC") was merged into Cavco Industries, Inc. ("Cavco Inc.") and 100% of the outstanding shares of common stock of Cavco Inc. were distributed to the stockholders of Centex Corporation ("Centex"), Cavco LLC's parent company. Subsequent to this distribution, Cavco Inc. became a separate public company.
- (2) Prior to June 30, 2003, Cavco LLC was incorporated into the consolidated Federal income tax returns of Centex. Therefore, income taxes are not provided for prior to June 30, 2003. Proforma income tax expense is calculated assuming a 40% effective tax rate. In anticipation of the distribution described above, proforma tax amounts have been presented on the face of the consolidated statement of operations as if Cavco Inc. was a stand-alone taxable entity for the periods prior to June 30, 2003.