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Optex Systems Holdings, Inc. Releases Third Quarter 2013 Results

RICHARDSON, TX -- (Marketwired) -- 08/14/13 -- Optex Systems Holdings, Inc. (OTCBB: OPXS), a leading manufacturer of optical sighting systems and assemblies primarily for Department of Defense applications, reported operating results for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2013.

Revenues for the three months ended June 30, 2013 were \$4.4 million as compared to revenues during the same period one year ago of \$3.5 million, an increase of \$0.9 million or 25.7%. The increase in revenue was primarily due shipments of gunner head assemblies for \$0.8 million to the U.S. Government and increased sighting systems of \$0.4 million primarily due to deliveries of production units against the five year M36 contract. These increases were partially offset by a decrease in revenues of \$(0.3) million in our periscope product line attributable to lower customer demand of the ICWS program. The gross margin during the three months ended June 30, 2013 was \$0.67 million or 15.2% of revenues as compared to a gross margin of \$0.67 million or 19.1% for the three months ended July 1, 2012. The decreased in gross margin percentage for the quarter as compared to the prior year is primarily due to a shift in product mix toward less profitable programs during the third fiscal quarter of 2013 as compared to the prior year period. During the three months ended June 30, 2013, we recorded a net loss applicable to common shareholders of \$(0.08) million as compared to net loss applicable to common shareholders of \$(0.14) million during the three months ended July 1, 2012. The decrease in net loss of \$(0.06) million is primarily attributable to increased operating income of \$0.02 million combined with favorable changes in deferred income taxes of \$0.04 million in the current year period as compared to the prior year.

Revenues for the nine months ended June 30, 2013 were \$12.0 million as compared to revenues during the same period one year ago of \$11.6 million, an increase \$0.4 million or 3.4%. The increase in revenue is primarily due to shipments of gunner head assemblies for \$1.1 million not in the prior year, increases in the periscope shipments of \$0.1 million, sighting systems increases of \$0.5 million primarily for production units shipped against the five year M36 contract, and other products of \$0.4 million. The increased revenue was offset by the completion of the M137 Howitzer program in FY2012 of \$(1.7) million. The gross margin during the nine months ended June 30, 2013 was \$2.0 million or 16.7% of revenues as compared to a gross margin of \$2.0 million or 17.2% for the nine months ended July 1, 2012. The decrease in gross margin percentage for the year as compared to the prior year is primarily due to a shift in product mix toward less profitable programs. We expect gross margins to improve in the last fiscal quarter of 2013, and the gross margin percentage for the year to be consistent or slightly above the prior year trend. During the nine months ended June 30, 2013, we recorded a net loss applicable to common shareholders of \$(0.15) million, as compared to \$(0.15) million for the nine months ended July 1, 2012, representing a net change of zero. The net loss was unchanged from the prior year period despite the increase

in operating loss primarily as a result of changes in deferred tax benefits of \$0.2 million which was partially offset by changes in the accrued dividends on preferred stock of \$(0.11) million due to the waiver in February 2012.

Backlog as of June 30, 2013, was \$15.0 million as compared to a backlog of \$16.9 million as of July 1, 2012, representing a decrease of \$1.9 million or 11.2%. In the nine months ending June 30, 2013, Optex Systems Holdings received \$8.0 million in new orders consisting of a \$6.5 million of periscopes and \$0.2 million in sighting systems and of \$1.3 million in other product lines. The Company anticipates that buying trends from the U.S. Government will continue to be more reactive with shorter production scheduling and delivery schedules, thus reducing traditional Backlog planning.

As of June 30, 2013, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$0.9 million. During the period from October 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013, we decreased cash and cash equivalents by \$(0.75) million primarily attributable to increased purchases and inventory in support of new periscope orders and the M36 production schedule, which was partially offset by advances against the credit facility and receipts against customer deposits.

"As the U.S. defense industry adapts to the reduced government spending, we continue to find opportunities, both domestically and worldwide, for our periscopes and sighting systems" stated Optex CEO Danny Schoening. "I am pleased that our investments in developing next generation sighting products are well received by potential purchasers; we continue to believe that when defense purchasing cycles improve, Optex will be ready with both legacy and new, technology-driven products for the modern military."

ABOUT OPTEX SYSTEMS

Optex, which was founded in 1987, is a Richardson, Texas based ISO 9001:2008 certified concern, which manufactures optical sighting systems and assemblies, primarily for Department of Defense (DOD) applications. Its products are installed on various types of U.S. military land vehicles, such as the Abrams and Bradley fighting vehicles, Light Armored and Armored Security Vehicles, and have been selected for installation on the Stryker family of vehicles. Optex also manufactures and delivers numerous periscope configurations, rifle and surveillance sights and night vision optical assemblies. Optex delivers its products both directly to the military services and to prime contractors. For additional information, please visit the Company's website at www.optexsys.com.

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Optex Systems Holdings, Inc.
Consolidated Balance Sheets

	(Thousands)	
	June 30, 2013 (Unaudited)	September 30, 2012
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash	\$ 901	\$ 1,653
Accounts Receivable	1,543	1,843
Net Inventory	8,191	7,094
Prepaid Expenses	133	28
Total Current Assets	\$ 10,768	\$ 10,618
Property and Equipment		
Property Plant and Equipment	\$ 1,624	\$ 1,584
Accumulated Depreciation	(1,444)	(1,392)
Total Property and Equipment	\$ 180	\$ 192
Other Assets		
Deferred Tax Asset - Long Term	\$ 1,225	\$ 1,157
Prepaid Royalties - Long Term	188	210
Security Deposits	21	21
Total Other Assets	\$ 1,434	\$ 1,388
Total Assets	\$ 12,382	\$ 12,198
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	\$ 951	\$ 1,109
Accrued Expenses	557	754
Accrued Warranties	25	25
Customer Advance Deposits - Short Term	1,134	776
Credit Facility	323	-
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 2,990	\$ 2,664
Other Liabilities		
Customer Advance Deposits - Long Term	1,828	1,944
Total Other Liabilities	\$ 1,828	\$ 1,944
Total Liabilities	\$ 4,818	\$ 4,608
Stockholders' Equity		
Optex Systems Holdings, Inc. - (par \$0.001, 2,000,000,000 authorized, 157,346,607 and 152,346,607 shares issued and outstanding, respectively)	\$ 157	\$ 152
Optex Systems Holdings, Inc. Preferred Stock (\$0.001 par 5,000 authorized, 1,016 and 1,027 series A preferred issued and outstanding, respectively)	-	-
Additional Paid-in-capital	17,913	17,799
Retained Earnings (Deficit)	(10,506)	(10,361)
Total Stockholders' Equity	\$ 7,564	\$ 7,590
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$ 12,382	\$ 12,198

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

Optex Systems Holdings, Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Operations

	(Thousands)			
	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	June 30, 2013 (Unaudited)	July 1, 2012 (Unaudited)	June 30, 2013 (Unaudited)	July 1, 2012 (Unaudited)
Revenues	\$ 4,358	\$ 3,476	\$ 11,978	\$ 11,608
Total Cost of Sales	3,688	2,807	9,955	9,602
Gross Margin	\$ 670	\$ 669	\$ 2,023	\$ 2,006
General and Administrative	766	787	2,208	2,108
Operating Income (Loss)	\$ (96)	\$ (118)	\$ (185)	\$ (102)
Other Expenses				
Interest Expense - Net	22	2	28	19
Total Other	\$ 22	\$ 2	\$ 28	\$ 19
Income Before Taxes	\$ (118)	\$ (120)	\$ (213)	\$ (121)
Deferred Income Taxes (Benefit)	(39)	17	(68)	135
Net Income (Loss) After Taxes	<u>\$ (79)</u>	<u>\$ (137)</u>	<u>\$ (145)</u>	<u>\$ (256)</u>
Less preferred stock dividend (accrued) waived	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 106
Net income (loss) applicable to common shareholders	\$ (79)	\$ (137)	\$ (145)	\$ (150)
Basic and diluted income (loss) per share	<u>\$ (0.00)</u>	<u>\$ (0.00)</u>	<u>\$ (0.00)</u>	<u>\$ (0.00)</u>
Weighted Average Common Shares Outstanding	157,346,607	144,444,939	154,216,977	141,697,686

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