# Quanex Building Products Announces Fourth Quarter and Fiscal Year 2020 Results 

Margin Expansion Realized Across All Segments in 4Q20 Balance Sheet \& Liquidity Continue to Improve and Remain Strong ~5\% Increase in Cash Provided by Operating Activities in FY20 Repaid \$35 Million of Bank Debt in 4Q20

HOUSTON, TEXAS - December 10, 2020 - Quanex Building Products Corporation (NYSE:NX) ("Quanex" or the "Company") today announced its results for the three months and twelve months ended October 31, 2020.

The Company reported the following selected financial results:

|  | Three Months Ended October 31 |  | Twelve Months Ended October 31, |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2020 | 2019 | 2020 | 2019 |
| Net Sales | \$255.4 | \$240.4 | \$851.6 | \$893.8 |
| Gross Margin | \$66.2 | \$57.2 | \$192.8 | \$199.4 |
| Gross Margin \% | 25.9\% | 23.8\% | 22.6\% | 22.3\% |
| Net Income (Loss) | \$22.2 | (\$30.9) | \$38.5 | (\$46.7) |
| Diluted EPS | \$0.68 | (\$0.94) | \$1.17 | (\$1.42) |
| Adjusted Net Income | \$22.0 | \$14.0 | \$40.7 | \$31.4 |
| Adjusted Diluted EPS | \$0.67 | \$0.42 | \$1.24 | \$0.95 |
| Adjusted EBTTDA | \$39.4 | \$34.4 | \$104.5 | \$102.7 |
| Adjusted EBITDA Margin \% | 15.4\% | 14.3\% | 12.3\% | 11.5\% |
| Cash Provided by Operating Activities | \$53.2 | \$66.3 | \$100.8 | \$96.4 |
| Free Cash Flow | \$48.2 | \$58.4 | \$75.1 | \$71.5 |

(See Non-GAAP Terminology Definitions and Disclaimers section, Non-GAAP Financial Measure Disclosure table Selected Segment Data table and Free Cash Flow Reconciliation table for additional information)

George Wilson, President and Chief Executive Officer, commented, "Our business performed extremely well in the fourth quarter as we continued to effectively navigate the complications and uncertainty of a COVID-19 world. Demand for our products remained strong throughout the quarter, with consolidated net sales increasing $6.3 \%$ year-over-year as compared to the fourth quarter of 2019. Volumes during the quarter were especially strong in Europe, and we remain optimistic on the global economic outlook despite the recent worldwide surge in COVID-19 cases.
"In addition to the lift provided by strong demand during the fourth quarter, our relentless focus on managing working capital and generating cash continued to bear fruit throughout the fiscal year. As a result, we achieved $\$ 100.8$ million in cash provided by operating activities in 2020, representing an increase of $4.6 \%$ as compared to 2019. We generated Free Cash Flow of $\$ 75.1$ million in 2020, representing a year-over-year increase of over 5\%. We also repaid $\$ 35$ million of bank debt during the fourth quarter, which allowed us to improve our leverage ratio of Net Debt to LTM Adjusted EBITDA to a level well below our original goal of exiting 2020 at 1.0x. Overall, I am extremely pleased with our ability to successfully manage both the challenges and the opportunities presented by the pandemic. Our balance sheet is stronger now than it was prior to COVID-19, and we are well positioned to benefit from future tailwinds in the residential housing industry." (See Non-GAAP Terminology Definitions and Disclaimers section for additional information)

## Fourth Quarter and Fiscal 2020 Results Summary

The increase in net sales during the three months ended October 31, 2020 was largely due to increased demand for the Company's products across all operating segments. Conversely, Quanex reported a decrease in net sales for the twelve months ended October 31, 2020, which was primarily attributable to the negative impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the Company's results during the second and third quarters of 2020. More specifically, in addition to softer demand in North America and continental Europe during the early stages of the pandemic, Quanex's two manufacturing facilities in the UK were shut down in compliance with government orders in late March, and manufacturing operations at those plants did not restart until mid-to-late May. However, volume across all segments increased significantly in June, and net sales in July through October exceeded prior year on a consolidated basis. (See Sales Analysis table for additional information)

The increases in earnings for the three months ended October 31, 2020 were mainly due to higher volumes, improved operating leverage and lower raw material costs. The increases in earnings for the twelve months ended October 31, 2020 were primarily driven by a decrease in selling, general and administrative expenses.

## Balance Sheet \& Liquidity Update

As of October 31, 2020, the Company's leverage ratio of Net Debt to LTM Adjusted EBITDA improved to $0.6 x$. (See Non-GAAP Terminology Definitions and Disclaimers section for additional information)

The Company's liquidity increased to $\$ 268.8$ million as of October 31, 2020, consisting of $\$ 51.6$ million in cash on hand plus availability under its Senior Secured Revolving Credit Facility due 2023, less letters of credit outstanding.

## Share Repurchases

Quanex's Board of Directors authorized a \$60 million share repurchase program in September of 2018. Repurchases under this program will be made in open market transactions or privately negotiated transactions, subject to market conditions, applicable legal requirements and other relevant factors. The program does not have an expiration date or a limit on the number of shares that may be repurchased. The Company repurchased 30,201 shares of common stock for approximately $\$ 0.5$ million at an average price of $\$ 17.89$ per share during the three months ended October 31, 2020, and 450,000 shares of common stock for approximately $\$ 7.2$ million at an average price of $\$ 16.07$ per share during the twelve months ended October 31, 2020. As of October 31, 2020, approximately $\$ 11.2$ million remained under the existing share repurchase authorization.

## Outlook

George Wilson, President and Chief Executive Officer, stated, "We continue to be optimistic about the economic recovery and our current outlook is positive, especially as regards our end markets. Based on conversations with our customers, the latest macro data, and our research into current market trends, we expect mid-to-high single-digit sales growth in our North American Fenestration segment, low singledigit sales growth in our North American Cabinet Components segment, and mid-single-digit sales growth in our European Fenestration segment. Overall, on a consolidated basis and assuming there is no adverse impact from the ongoing pandemic, we believe this will equate to net sales of approximately $\$ 900$ million to $\$ 920$ million, which we expect will generate between $\$ 108$ million and $\$ 118$ million in Adjusted EBITDA* in fiscal 2021. Our balance sheet is strong and we intend to concentrate on executing our plan with a continued focus on creating shareholder value."
*When Quanex provides expectations for Adjusted EBITDA on a forward-looking basis, a reconciliation of the
differences between the non-GAAP expectations and corresponding GAAP measures is generally not available
without unreasonable effort. Certain items required for such a reconciliation are outside of the Company's control and/or cannot be reasonably predicted or estimated, such as the provision for income taxes.

## Conference Call and Webcast Information

The Company has scheduled a conference call for Friday, December 11, 2020, at 11:00 a.m. ET (10:00 a.m. CT). To participate in the conference call dial (877) 388-2139 for domestic callers and (541) 7972983 for international callers, in both cases using the conference passcode 4046353, and ask for the Quanex call a few minutes prior to the start time. A link to the live audio webcast will also be available on the Company's website at http://www.quanex.com in the Investors section under Presentations \& Events. A telephonic replay of the call will be available approximately two hours after the live broadcast ends and will be accessible through December 18, 2020. To access the replay dial (855) 859-2056 for domestic callers and (404) 537-3406 for international callers, in both cases referencing conference passcode 4046353.

## About Quanex

Quanex Building Products Corporation is an industry-leading manufacturer of components sold to Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) in the building products industry. Quanex designs and produces energy-efficient fenestration products in addition to kitchen and bath cabinet components. For more information contact Scott Zuehlke, Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer \& Treasurer, at 713-8775327 or scott.zuehlke@quanex.com.

## Non-GAAP Terminology Definitions and Disclaimers

Adjusted Net Income (Loss) (defined as net income further adjusted to exclude purchase price accounting inventory step-ups, transaction costs, certain severance charges, gain/loss on the sale of certain fixed assets, restructuring charges, asset impairment charges, other net adjustments related to foreign currency transaction gain/loss and effective tax rates reflecting impacts of adjustments on a with and without basis) and Adjusted EPS are non-GAAP financial measures that Quanex believes provide a consistent basis for comparison between periods and more accurately reflects operational performance, as they are not influenced by certain income or expense items not affecting ongoing operations. EBITDA (defined as net income or loss before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization and other, net) and Adjusted EBITDA (defined as EBITDA further adjusted to exclude purchase price accounting inventory step-ups, transaction costs, certain severance charges, gain/loss on the sale of certain fixed assets, restructuring charges and asset impairment charges) are non-GAAP financial measures that the Company uses to measure operational performance and assist with financial decision-making. The leverage ratio of Net Debt to LTM Adjusted EBITDA is a financial measure that the Company believes is useful to investors and financial analysts in evaluating Quanex's leverage. In addition, with certain limited adjustments, this leverage ratio is the basis for a key covenant in the Company's credit agreement. Free Cash Flow is a non-GAAP measure calculated using cash provided by operating activities less capital expenditures. Free Cash Flow is measured before application of certain contractual commitments (including capital lease obligations), and accordingly is not a true measure of Quanex's residual cash flow available for discretionary expenditures. The Company believes that the presented non-GAAP measures provide a consistent basis for comparison between periods, and will assist investors in understanding Quanex's financial performance when comparing results to other investment opportunities. The presented non-GAAP measures may not be the same as those used by other companies. The Company does not intend for this information to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for other measures prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

## Forward Looking Statements

Statements that use the words "estimated," "expect," "could," "should," "believe," "will," "might," or similar words reflecting future expectations or beliefs are forward-looking statements. The forwardlooking statements include, but are not limited to, the following: impacts from public health issues (including pandemics, such as the recent COVID-19 pandemic) on the economy and the demand for Quanex's products, the Company's future operating results, future financial condition, future uses of cash and other expenditures, expenses and tax rates, expectations relating to Quanex's industry, and the Company's future growth, including any guidance discussed in this press release. The statements and guidance set forth in this release are based on current expectations. Actual results or events may differ materially from this release. For a complete discussion of factors that may affect Quanex's future performance, please refer to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2019, and the Company's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q under the sections entitled "Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements" and "Risk Factors". Any forward-looking statements in this press release are made as of the date hereof, and Quanex undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements to reflect new information or events.

## QUANEX BUILDING PRODUCTS CORPORATION CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (LOSS)

(In thousands, except per share data) (Unaudited)

Net sales
Cost of sales
Selling, general and administrative
Restructuring charges
Depreciation and amortization
Asset impairment charges
Operating income (loss)
Interest expense
Other, net
Income (loss) before income taxes
Income tax expense
Net income (loss)

Earnings (loss) per common share, basic
Earnings (loss) per common share, diluted

Weighted average common shares outstanding:
Basic
32,60
Diluted

Cash dividends per share

| Three Months Ended October 31, |  |  |  | Twelve Months Ended October 31, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2020 |  | 2019 |  | 2020 |  | 2019 |  |
| \$ | 255,405 | \$ | 240,369 | \$ | 851,573 |  | 893,841 |
|  | 189,164 |  | 183,128 |  | 658,750 |  | 694,420 |
|  | 26,889 |  | 23,826 |  | 89,707 |  | 101,292 |
|  | 145 |  | 89 |  | 622 |  | 370 |
|  | 11,378 |  | 12,428 |  | 47,229 |  | 49,586 |
|  | - |  | 44,622 |  | - |  | 74,600 |
|  | 27,829 |  | $(23,724)$ |  | 55,265 |  | $(26,427)$ |
|  | (935) |  | $(2,029)$ |  | $(5,245)$ |  | $(9,643)$ |
|  | 164 |  | (345) |  | 280 |  | 116 |
|  | 27,058 |  | $(26,098)$ |  | 50,300 |  | $(35,954)$ |
|  | $(4,906)$ |  | $(4,850)$ |  | $(11,804)$ |  | $(10,776)$ |
| \$ | 22,152 | \$ | $(30,948)$ | \$ | 38,496 | \$ | $(46,730)$ |
| \$ | 0.68 | \$ | (0.94) | \$ | 1.18 | \$ | (1.42) |
|  | 0.68 | \$ | (0.94) | \$ | 1.17 | \$ | (1.42) |
| \$ | 32,608 |  | 32,893 |  | 32,689 |  | 32,960 |
|  | 32,811 |  | 32,893 |  | 32,821 |  | 32,960 |
| \$ | 0.08 | \$ | 0.08 | \$ | 0.32 | \$ | 0.32 |

## QUANEX BUILDING PRODUCTS CORPORATION CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands)
(Unaudited)


## QUANEX BUILDING PRODUCTS CORPORATION CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOW

(In thousands)
(Unaudited)

|  | Twelve Months Ended October 31, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2020 |  | 2019 |  |
| Operating activities: |  |  |  |  |
| Net income (loss) | \$ | 38,496 | \$ | $(46,730)$ |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to cash provided by operating activities: |  |  |  |  |
| Depreciation and amortization |  | 47,229 |  | 49,586 |
| Stock-based compensation |  | 879 |  | 2,045 |
| Deferred income tax |  | (189) |  | 3,260 |
| Loss on the disposition of capital assets |  | - |  | 732 |
| Asset impairment charge |  | - |  | 74,600 |
| Other, net |  | 1,689 |  | 2,176 |
| Changes in assets and liabilities: |  |  |  |  |
| (Increase) decrease in accounts receivable |  | $(5,766)$ |  | 574 |
| Decrease in inventory |  | 6,119 |  | 3,797 |
| Decrease (increase) in other current assets |  | 2,896 |  | $(2,014)$ |
| Increase in accounts payable |  | 15,922 |  | 8,124 |
| Decrease in accrued liabilities |  | $(3,156)$ |  | $(6,760)$ |
| Increase in income taxes payable |  | 237 |  | 3,416 |
| (Decrease) increase in deferred pension and postretirement benefits |  | $(2,775)$ |  | 2,531 |
| (Decrease) increase in other long-term liabilities |  | (236) |  | 513 |
| Other, net |  | (549) |  | 522 |
| Cash provided by operating activities |  | 100,796 |  | 96,372 |
| Investing activities: |  |  |  |  |
| Capital expenditures |  | $(25,726)$ |  | $(24,883)$ |
| Proceeds from disposition of capital assets |  | 502 |  | 1,324 |
| Cash used for investing activities |  | $(25,224)$ |  | $(23,559)$ |
| Financing activities: |  |  |  |  |
| Borrowings under credit facilities |  | 114,500 |  | 83,500 |
| Repayments of credit facility borrowings |  | $(154,000)$ |  | $(136,000)$ |
| Repayments of other long-term debt |  | $(1,027)$ |  | $(1,526)$ |
| Common stock dividends paid |  | $(10,534)$ |  | $(10,644)$ |
| Issuance of common stock |  | 3,626 |  | 3,287 |
| Payroll tax paid to settle shares forfeited upon vesting of stock |  | (454) |  | (330) |
| Purchase of treasury stock |  | $(7,233)$ |  | $(9,551)$ |
| Cash used for financing activities |  | $(55,122)$ |  | $(71,264)$ |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents |  | 303 |  | 316 |
| Increase in cash and cash equivalents |  | 20,753 |  | 1,865 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period |  | 30,868 |  | 29,003 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$ | 51,621 | \$ | 30,868 |

## QUANEX BUILDING PRODUCTS CORPORATION <br> FREE CASH FLOW RECONCILIATION

(In thousands)
(Unaudited)

The following table reconciles the Company's calculation of Free Cash Flow, a non-GAAP measure, to its most directly comparable GAAP measure. The Company defines Free Cash Flow as cash provided by operating activities less capital expenditures.

|  | Three Months Ended October 31, |  | Twelve Months Ended October 31, |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2020 | 2019 | 2020 | 2019 |
| Cash provided by operating activities | 53,235 | \$66,336 | \$100,796 | \$96,372 |
| Capital expenditures | $(5,053)$ | $(7,899)$ | $(25,726)$ | $(24,883)$ |
| Free Cash Flow | \$48,182 | \$58,437 | \$75,070 | \$71,489 |

## QUANEX BUILDING PRODUCTS CORPORATION <br> NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURE DISCLOSURE

(In thousands, except per share data) (Unaudited)

Reconciliation of Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted EPS

Net income (loss) as reported
Net income (loss) as reported
Adjusted net income and adjusted EPS

Reconciliation of Adjusted EBIIDA

Net income (loss) as reported
Income tax expense
Other, net
Interest expense
Depreciation and amortization
EBTDA
Reconciling items from below
Adjusted EBIDA

Reconciling Items

Net sales
Cost of sales
Selling, general and administrative
Restructuring charges
Asset impairment charges
EBTDA
Depreciation and amortizatio
Operating income (loss)
interest expense
Other, net
Income (loss) before income taxes
income tax expense
Net income (loss)
Diluted earnings (loss) per share


Three Months Ended
Three Months Ended
October 31, 2020





Reconcil

|  | $694,420$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 101,292 |  | $(4,534)$ |
|  | 370 |  | (370) |
|  | 74,600 |  | $(74,600)$ |
|  | 23,159 |  | 79,504 |
|  | 49,586 |  | (192) |
|  | $(26,427)$ |  | 79,696 |
|  | $(9,643)$ |  | - |
|  | 116 |  | 384 |
|  | $(35,954)$ |  | 80,080 |
|  | $(10,776)$ |  | $(1,925)$ |
| \$ | $(46,730)$ | \$ | 78,155 |
| \$ | (1.42) |  |  |

(1) Transaction and advisory fees, $\$ 1.4$ milion related to executive severance charges in the twelve months ended $2020, \$ 0.8$ million related to the loss on the sale of a plant in the three and twelve months ended 2019 , and $\$ 2.3$ million of severance charges related to a reorganization and executive severance in the twelve months ended 2019
(2) Restructuring charges relate to the closure of manufacturing plant facilities.
(3) Asset impairment charges relate to goodwill impairment in the North American Cabinet Components segment
4) Accelerated depreciation related to the closure of a North American Cabinet Components plant
(5) Foreign currency transaction losses (gains)

# QUANEX BUILDING PRODUCTS CORPORATION SELECTED SEGMENT DATA <br> (In thousands) <br> (Unaudited) 

This table provides gross margin, operating income (loss), EBTTDA, and Adjusted EBTTDA by reportable segment. Non-operating expense and income tax expense are not allocated to the reportable segments.

Three months ended October 31, 2020

## Net sales

Cost of sales
Gross Margin
Gross Margin \%
Selling, general and administrative
Restructuring charges
Depreciation and amortization
Operating income (loss)
Depreciation and amortization
EBTDA
Restructuring charges
Adjusted EBITDA
Adjusted EBITDA Margin \%
Three months ended October 31, 2019
Net sales
Cost of sales
Gross Margin
Gross Margin \%
Selling, general and administrative
Restructuring charges
Depreciation and amortization
Asset impairment charges
Operating income (loss)
Depreciation and amortization
EBITDA
Asset impairment charges
LIFO inventory reserve adjustment
Transaction and advisory fees
Restructuring charges
Adjusted EBTDDA
Adjusted EBITDA Margin \%
Twelve months ended October 31, 2020
Net sales
Cost of sales
Gross Margin
Gross Margin \%
Selling, general and administrative
Restructuring charges
Depreciation and amortization
Operating income (loss)
Depreciation and amortization
ЕВПDA
Transaction and advisory fees
Executive severance charges
Restructuring charges
Adjusted EВПDA
Adjusted EBITDA Margin \%
Twelve months ended October 31, 2019
Net sales
Cost of sales
Gross Margin
Gross Margin \%
Selling, general and administrative
Restructuring charges
Depreciation and amortization
Asset impairment charges
Operating income (loss)
Depreciation and amortization
EВПDA
Asset impairment charges
Transaction and advisory fees
Reorganization and executive severance
Loss on sale of plant
Restructuring charges
Adjusted EВПTDA
Adjusted EBITDA Margin \%


# QUANEX BUILDING PRODUCTS CORPORATION <br> SALES ANALYSIS 

(In thousands)
(Unaudited)

|  | Three Months Ended |  |  |  | Twelve Months Ended |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | October 31, 2020 |  | October 31, 2019 |  | October 31, 2020 |  | October 31, 2019 |  |
| NA Fenestration: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| United States - fenestration | \$ | 125,522 | \$ | 127,027 | \$ | 427,616 | \$ | 439,536 |
| International - fenestration |  | 9,301 |  | 7,631 |  | 28,585 |  | 31,106 |
| United States - non-fenestration |  | 5,500 |  | 4,771 |  | 19,279 |  | 17,061 |
| International - non-fenestration |  | 1,660 |  | 3,754 |  | 7,935 |  | 16,134 |
|  | \$ | 141,983 | \$ | 143,183 | \$ | 483,415 | \$ | 503,837 |
| EU Fenestration ${ }^{(1)}$ : $\quad \$$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| International - fenestration | \$ | 46,699 |  | 37,599 | \$ | 134,432 |  | 139,638 |
| International - non-fenestration |  | 10,124 |  | 6,195 |  | 26,622 |  | 25,359 |
|  | \$ | 56,823 | \$ | 43,794 | \$ | 161,054 | \$ | 164,997 |
| NA Cabinet Components: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| United States - fenestration | \$ | 3,381 | \$ | 3,235 | \$ | 11,842 | \$ | 13,144 |
| United States - non-fenestration |  | 53,641 |  | 50,516 |  | 196,479 |  | 214,211 |
| International - non-fenestration |  | 443 |  | 515 |  | 1,778 |  | 2,289 |
|  | \$ | 57,465 | \$ | 54,266 | \$ | 210,099 | \$ | 229,644 |
| Unallocated Corporate \& Other: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Eliminations | \$ | (866) | \$ | (874) | \$ | $(2,995)$ | \$ | $(4,637)$ |
|  | \$ | (866) | \$ | (874) | \$ | $(2,995)$ | \$ | $(4,637)$ |
| Net Sales | \$ | 255,405 | \$ | 240,369 | \$ | 851,573 | \$ | 893,841 |

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[^0]:    (1) Reflects $\$ 2.2$ million and $\$ 0.6$ million gains in revenue associated with foreign currency exchange rate impacts for the three and twelve months ended October 31, 2020, respectively.

