



STERIS Announces Financial Results for Fiscal 2019 Fourth Quarter and Full Year

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- Strong fourth quarter revenue growth
- Fourth quarter earnings improve to \$1.27 per diluted share as reported; adjusted earnings per diluted share increase to \$1.53
- Full year fiscal 2019 revenue growth and adjusted earnings per diluted share exceed outlook
- Another record year anticipated in fiscal 2020

Dublin, Ireland, May 13, 2019 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- - STERIS plc (NYSE: STE) ("STERIS" or the "Company") today announced financial results for its fiscal 2019 fourth quarter ended March 31, 2019. Revenue as reported for the quarter increased 7% to \$768.2 million compared with \$716.0 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2018, with growth across all segments. Constant currency organic revenue (see Non-GAAP Financial Measures) growth was 9% for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2019.

"We finished fiscal 2019 stronger than anticipated, with meaningful contributions from improved Customer demand, new products and services, as well as some Brexit-related inventory build-up by our Customers," said Walt Rosebrough, President and Chief Executive Officer of STERIS. "We anticipate that fiscal 2020 will be another record year resulting from underlying demand and new products and services."

Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2019 Operating Results

As reported, net income for the fourth quarter was \$108.7 million, or \$1.27 per diluted share, compared with net income of \$73.6 million, or \$0.86 per diluted share in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2018. Adjusted net income (see Non-GAAP Financial Measures) for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2019 was \$131.1 million, or \$1.53 per diluted share, compared with adjusted net income for the previous year's fourth quarter of \$105.8 million or \$1.24 per diluted share. As reported, full year net income was \$304.1 million, or \$3.56 per diluted share, compared with \$290.9 million, or \$3.39 per diluted share. Adjusted net income increased 17% to \$417.5 million, or \$4.89 per diluted share, compared with adjusted net income of \$355.6 million, or \$4.15 per diluted share in fiscal 2018.

Fourth Quarter Segment Results

Healthcare Products revenue as reported grew 7% in the quarter to \$386.6 million compared with \$360.0 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2018, driven by 10% growth in capital equipment revenue, 7% growth in service revenue and 4% growth in consumable revenue in the fourth quarter.

Constant currency organic revenue growth for Healthcare Products was 8% during the quarter. Healthcare Products operating income was \$106.7 million compared with \$86.4 million in last year's fourth quarter. The increase in profitability was primarily due to the increased volume, favorable mix and operating efficiencies.

Fiscal 2019 fourth quarter revenue for **Applied Sterilization Technologies** increased 7% as reported to \$143.1 million compared with \$133.5 million in the same period last year. Constant currency organic revenue increased 10%, primarily driven by increased volume from the segment's core medical device Customers. Segment operating income increased to \$57.4 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2019 compared with operating income of \$51.6 million in the same period last year, due primarily to the revenue growth.

Healthcare Specialty Services as reported revenue grew 11% in the quarter to \$135.5 million compared with \$122.1 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2018. Constant currency organic revenue growth was 13%. Healthcare Specialty Services operating income was \$19.8 million compared with \$14.4 million in last year's fourth quarter, benefitting from the additional volume and improved productivity.

Life Sciences fourth quarter revenue as reported grew 3% to \$103.0 million compared with \$100.3 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2018, driven by 14% growth in consumables and 2% growth in service revenue. Capital equipment revenue declined 9% in the fourth quarter compared with a strong quarter in the prior year. Constant currency organic revenue grew 4% in the quarter. Operating income was \$35.9 million compared with \$34.5 million in the prior year's fourth quarter, primarily driven by volume and disciplined expense management.

Cash Flow

Net cash provided by operations for fiscal 2019 was \$539.5 million, compared with \$457.6 million in fiscal 2018. Free cash flow (see Non-GAAP Financial Measures) for fiscal 2019 was \$355.4 million compared with \$294.3 million in the prior year period. The improvement in free cash flow is primarily due to the improved cash from operations partially offset by higher capital expenditures which fund future organic growth.

Fiscal 2020 Outlook

STERIS expects constant currency organic revenue growth to be in the range of 5-6% for fiscal 2020. Reflecting March 29, 2019 forward rates, currency movements are anticipated to be neutral for fiscal 2020. Adjusted earnings per diluted share are anticipated to be in the range of \$5.28 - \$5.43, which assumes an adjusted effective tax rate in the range of 19-20%.

Free cash flow for fiscal 2020 is expected to be approximately \$300 million, and capital spending is anticipated to be approximately \$280 million. Growth in cash from operations in fiscal 2020 will be more than offset by significantly higher capital spending, limiting free cash flow for the year. In particular, growth capital of more than \$110 million will be invested to expand global capacity in the Applied Sterilization Technologies segment. In addition, investments will continue to be made to expand outsourced instrument reprocessing within the Healthcare Specialty Services segment.

Dividend Announcement

STERIS's Board of Directors has authorized a quarterly interim dividend of \$0.34 per share. The dividend is payable June 28, 2019 to shareholders of record at the close of business on June 12, 2019.

Conference Call

As previously announced, STERIS management will host a conference call tomorrow, May 14, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern time. The conference call can be heard live over the Internet at www.steris-ir.com or via phone by dialing 1-833-535-2199 in the United States or 1-412-902-6776 internationally, then asking to join the conference call for STERIS plc.

For those unable to listen to the conference call live, a replay will be available beginning at 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time on May 14, 2019, either over the Internet at www.steris-ir.com or via phone. To access the replay of the call, please use the access code 10129994 and dial 1-877-344-7529 in the United States or 1-412-317-0088 internationally.

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Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Adjusted net income, free cash flow and constant currency organic revenue are non-GAAP measures that may be used from time to time and should not be considered replacements for GAAP results. Non-GAAP financial measures are presented in this release with the intent of providing greater transparency to supplemental financial information used by management and the Board of Directors in their financial analysis and operational decision making. These amounts are disclosed so that the reader has the same financial data that management uses with the belief that it will assist investors and other readers in making comparisons to our historical operating results and analyzing the underlying performance of our operations for the periods presented. The Company believes that the presentation of these non-GAAP financial measures, when considered along with our GAAP financial measures, provides a more complete understanding of the factors and trends affecting our business than could be obtained absent this disclosure.

Adjusted net income excludes the amortization of intangible assets acquired in business combinations, acquisition-related transaction costs, integration costs related to acquisitions, the re-measurement of deferred taxes and taxation of prior unremitted earnings impacts of the TCJA, and certain other unusual or non-recurring items. STERIS believes this measure is useful because it excludes items that may not be indicative of or are unrelated to our core operating results and provides a baseline for analyzing trends in our underlying businesses.

The Company defines free cash flow as cash flows from operating activities less purchases of property, plant, equipment and intangibles, plus proceeds from the sale of property, plant, equipment, and intangibles. STERIS believes that free cash flow is a useful measure of the Company's ability to fund future principal debt repayments and growth outside of core operations, pay cash dividends, and repurchase ordinary shares.

To measure the percentage organic revenue growth, the Company removes the impact of significant acquisitions and divestitures that affect the comparability and trends in revenue. To measure the percentage constant currency organic revenue growth, the impact of changes in currency exchange rates and acquisitions and divestitures that affect the comparability and trends in revenue are removed. The impact of changes in currency exchange rates is calculated by translating current year results at prior year average currency exchange rates.

Because non-GAAP financial measures are not standardized, it may not be possible to compare these financial measures with other companies' non-GAAP financial measures having the same or similar names. These adjusted financial measures should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for reported sales, gross profit, operating income, net earnings and net earnings per diluted share, the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures. These non-GAAP financial measures are an additional way of viewing aspects of the Company's operations that, when viewed with GAAP results and the reconciliations to corresponding GAAP financial measures below, provide a more complete understanding of the business. The Company strongly encourage investors and shareholders to review its financial statements and publicly-filed reports in their entirety and not to rely on any single financial measure.

Forward-Looking Statements

This release and the referenced conference call may contain statements concerning certain trends, expectations, forecasts, estimates, or other forward-looking information affecting or relating to STERIS or its industry, products or activities that are intended to qualify for the protections afforded "forward-looking statements" under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and other laws and regulations. Forward-looking statements speak only as to the date the statement is made and may be identified by the use of forward-looking terms such as "may," "will," "expects," "believes," "anticipates," "plans," "estimates," "projects," "targets," "forecasts," "outlook," "impact," "potential," "confidence," "improve," "optimistic," "deliver," "orders," "backlog," "comfortable," "trend," and "seeks," or the negative of such terms or other variations on such terms or comparable terminology. Many important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements including, without limitation, disruption of production or supplies, changes in market conditions, political events, pending or future claims or litigation, competitive factors, technology advances, actions of regulatory agencies, and changes in laws, government regulations, labeling or product approvals or the application or interpretation thereof. Other risk factors are described in STERIS's securities filings, including Item 1A of STERIS's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2018. Many of these important factors are outside of STERIS's control. No assurances can be provided as to any result or the timing of any outcome regarding matters described in STERIS's securities filings or otherwise with respect to any regulatory action, administrative proceedings, government investigations, litigation, warning letters, cost reductions, business strategies, earnings or revenue trends or future financial

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Attachment

- [STERIS 4Q19 Financial Tables 5.13.19](#)



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