

American Woodmark Corporation Announces First Quarter Results

WINCHESTER, Va., Aug. 23, 2011 /PRNewswire/ -- American Woodmark Corporation (NASDAQ: AMWD) today announced results for its first quarter ended July 31, 2011.

Net sales improved by 20% compared with the first quarter of the prior fiscal year to \$131,199,000. The Company experienced an increase in sales in both its remodel and new construction sales channels compared with the first quarter of its prior fiscal year.

The Company generated a net loss of (\$2,716,000) or (\$0.19) per diluted share during the first quarter of the current fiscal year, compared with a net loss of (\$3,418,000) or (\$0.24) per diluted share in the first quarter of its prior fiscal year.

Gross profit for the first quarter of fiscal year 2012 was 14.0% of net sales, compared with 13.2% in the first quarter of the prior fiscal year. The improvement in gross profit margin reflected the beneficial impact of increased sales volume on direct labor and manufacturing overhead costs. These beneficial factors were partially offset by higher sales promotional expenses and by the unfavorable impact of higher materials and fuel costs.

Selling, general and administrative costs were 17.0% of net sales in the first quarter of the current fiscal year, down from 18.2% of net sales in the first quarter of the prior fiscal year. The Company's operating expense ratio was favorably impacted by the 20% improvement in net sales that more than offset the 12% increase in costs.

The Company generated positive free cash flow of \$2.1 million (defined as cash provided by operating activities net of cash used for investing activities) in the first quarter of the current fiscal year, compared with negative free cash flow generated in the first quarter of the prior fiscal year of \$0.3 million. The improvement in free cash flow was driven primarily by the reduction in net loss and by the timing of cash receipts and disbursements.

The Company ended the first quarter of fiscal year 2012 with cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash of \$70.5 million, up from \$66.2 million one year ago, and a debt-to-capital ratio of 13.9%.

American Woodmark Corporation manufactures and distributes kitchen cabinets and vanities for the remodeling and new home construction markets. Its products are sold on a national basis directly to home centers, major builders and through a network of independent distributors. The Company presently operates eleven manufacturing facilities and nine service centers across the country.

Safe harbor statement under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995: All forwardlooking statements made by the Company involve material risks and uncertainties and are subject to change based on factors that may be beyond the Company's control. Accordingly, the Company's future performance and financial results may differ materially from those expressed or implied in any such forward-looking statements. Such factors include, but are not limited to, those described in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Annual Report to Shareholders. The Company does not undertake to publicly update or revise its forward looking statements even if experience or future changes make it clear that any projected results expressed or implied therein will not be realized.

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Unaudited Financial Highlights

(in thousands, except share data)

Operating Results

Three Months Ended		
July 31		
2011	2010	

Net Sales	\$	131,199	\$	109,303
Cost of Sales & Distribution		112,792		94,916
Gross Profit		18,407		14,387
Sales & Marketing Expense		15,976		14,103
G&A Expense		6,341		5,822
Restructuring Charges		15		23
Operating Loss		(3,925)		(5,561)
Interest & Other (Income) Expense		(17)		(26)
Income Tax Benefit		(1,192)		(2,117)
Net Loss	\$	(2,716)	\$	(3,418)
Earnings Per Share:				
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding - Diluted	14,299,683		14,222,151	
Loss Per Diluted Share	\$	(0.19)	\$	(0.24)

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet

	July 31 2011		 April 30 2011		
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$	56,118	\$ 55,420		
Customer Receivables		30,703	31,067		
Inventories		25,186	24,471		
Other Current Assets		9,909	9,458		
Total Current Assets		121,916	120,416		
Property, Plant & Equipment		97,632	100,628		
Restricted Cash		14,419	14,419		
Other Assets		33,590	32,907		
Total Assets	\$	267,557	\$ 268,370		
Current Portion - Long-Term Debt	\$	932	\$ 928		
Accounts Payable & Accrued Expenses		50,637	49,916		
Total Current Liabilities		51,569	50,844		
Long-Term Debt		24,497	24,655		
Other Liabilities		40,085	38,906		
Total Liabilities		116,151	114,405		
Stockholders' Equity		151,406	153,965		
Total Liabilities & Stockholders' Equity	\$	267,557	\$ 268,370		

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

	Three Months Ended July 31				
	2011			2010	
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$	4,208	\$	1,686	
Net Cash Used by Investing Activities		(2,087)		(2,035)	
Free Cash Flow		2,121		(349)	
Net Cash Used by Financing Activities		(1,423)		(1,126)	
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents		698		(1,475)	
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Period		55,420		53,233	
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Period	\$	56,118	\$	51,758	

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