# FOSSIL, INC. REPORTS RECORD FIRST QUARTER 2013 RESULTS <br> Net Sales Increase 15\% to a Record $\$ 681$ Million <br> EPS Increases $\mathbf{3 0 \%}$ to a Record $\mathbf{\$ 1 . 2 1}$, Including Gain on Spanish Joint Venture Provides Second Quarter Guidance and Updates Full Year Guidance 

Richardson, TX. May 7, 2013 -- Fossil, Inc. (NASDAQ: FOSL) (the "Company") today reported its financial results for the first quarter ended March 30, 2013.

## First Quarter Operating Highlights

- Net sales grew in all segments, compared to the prior fiscal year first quarter:
- North America wholesale sales increased $13 \%$
- Europe wholesale sales increased $14 \%$
- Asia wholesale sales increased $13 \%$
- Direct to consumer sales increased $22 \%$ with global retail comps increasing $4.3 \%$, the $20^{\text {th }}$ consecutive quarter of positive comps
- Operating income increased $14 \%$

The Company reported record net earnings of $\$ 72.2$ million for the first quarter of fiscal 2013, compared to $\$ 58.1$ million for the first quarter of fiscal 2012. Diluted earnings per share grew $30.1 \%$ to a record $\$ 1.21$ compared to $\$ 0.93$ for the prior fiscal year's first quarter. The current quarter results included a $\$ 6.4$ million non-cash, non-operating gain, which benefitted earnings per share by $\$ 0.11$, related to the Company's future acquisition of the remaining $50 \%$ of the Company's Spanish joint venture. The Company's current quarter results were also negatively affected by an anticipated $\$ 10$ million (or $\$ 0.05$ per share) shift of shipments, due to the current year's misalignment between the Company's and many of its customers' fiscal calendars. Separately, the current quarter results also benefitted from approximately \$15 million (or $\$ 0.07$ per share) in March 2013 shipments, which the Company had anticipated delivering in April 2013.

Kosta Kartsotis, Chief Executive Officer stated, "We are off to an excellent start in fiscal 2013, with record first quarter results that exceeded both our top and bottom line expectations. We increased FOSSIL brand sales, driven by doubledigit watch growth and the resurgence of our retail jewelry business. Our multi-brand watch portfolio sustained its positive momentum with strong performances across several brands and we continued to develop SKAGEN with the introduction of a new jewelry line in the quarter. International expansion continued to fuel our growth, with strong performances in both Asia and Europe. In the Americas, we posted solid gains and also completed the acquisition of one of our Latin America distributors, providing an important foothold in that very promising region."

Mr. Kartsotis concluded, "Our consistent performance continues to demonstrate the power of our global operating platform, our compelling portfolio of brands, design innovation and the outstanding execution by our team. We remain confident in our near and long term outlook and intently focused on our goal to build a diversified, predictable and scalable business model that generates outstanding cash flows and returns for our shareholders."

## Operating Results

The translation impact of a stronger U.S. dollar decreased the Company's reported net sales by approximately $\$ 1.4$ million during the first quarter of fiscal 2013. The following discussion of the Company's net sales is based on constant dollar performance.

First quarter fiscal 2013 worldwide net sales rose $15.7 \%$ or $\$ 92.8$ million, reflecting sales growth across each segment compared to the prior fiscal year's first quarter. The sales increase was driven by double-digit growth of the multi-brand global watch portfolio as well as the expansion of the global FOSSIL brand. Sales of the Company's jewelry products increased, while sales of leathers and eyewear declined.

Net sales from the North America wholesale segment increased 13.3\%, or $\$ 29.8$ million, as compared to the first quarter of fiscal 2012. Solid growth in the watch portfolio led the North American sales increase, including a $\$ 10$ million contribution from the addition of the SKAGEN brand. These improvements were partially offset by lower shipments of leathers and eyewear. Wholesale shipments increased in the U.S., Canada and Mexico.

Europe wholesale net sales rose $13.5 \%$, or $\$ 20.5$ million, compared to the first quarter of fiscal 2012. The sales growth was driven by increases in the watch category. This growth was partially offset by reduced shipments of eyewear and leathers. The addition of SKAGEN contributed $\$ 13$ million to first quarter of fiscal 2013 revenues. Growth in Europe was strongest in the Company's distributor markets and the UK, while Italy experienced a sales decline during the quarter.

Asia Pacific wholesale net sales rose $15.3 \%$, or $\$ 11.7$ million, in comparison to the first quarter of fiscal 2012. The period-over-period growth in sales was driven primarily by strong watch sales. The addition of SKAGEN contributed \$3 million in sales for the first quarter of fiscal 2013.

Direct to consumer net sales for the first quarter of fiscal 2013 increased by $22.7 \%$, or $\$ 30.7$ million, compared to the prior fiscal year first quarter. The sales increase was primarily driven by the expansion of the global retail store base along with a $4.3 \%$ increase in comparable store sales. The overall sales growth was driven by a strong performance in watches as well as the Company's repositioned jewelry business and a modest increase in the leathers category.

Operating profit increased $13.8 \%$, or $\$ 11.5$ million, compared to the prior year first quarter, including a positive impact of $\$ 0.2$ million related to foreign currency translation. Operating margin decreased 20 basis points to $13.9 \%$, compared to $14.1 \%$ for the same period a year earlier. Gross margin decreased by 20 basis points to $55.6 \%$, resulting primarily from the negative impact of currencies and a larger mix of sales through distributors. This was partially offset by favorable channel and product mix and improved margins in global full price retail stores. The Company's operating expense rate was flat at $41.7 \%$ compared to the first quarter of fiscal 2012. Total operating expenses increased from the prior fiscal year first quarter due to the expansion of the Company's retail store and concession base, infrastructure investments to support growth in the Asia Pacific region and global initiatives, along with the impact of newly acquired businesses.

Other income-net increased favorably by $\$ 7.2$ million compared to the prior fiscal year first quarter primarily due to a non-cash, mark-to-market valuation gain related to the Company's future acquisition of the remaining $50 \%$ of its Spanish joint venture and increased net gains on foreign currency contracts and account balances. The Company's effective income tax rate was $28.1 \%$ compared to $27.8 \%$ in the fiscal 2012 first quarter.

## Share Repurchase

During the first quarter of fiscal 2013, the Company invested $\$ 56.5$ million in repurchasing 559,000 shares of the Company's common stock at an average price of $\$ 101.10$ per share. As of March 30, 2013, the Company had remaining authority to purchase $\$ 1.01$ billion of its common stock.

## Sales and Earnings Guidance

For the second quarter of fiscal 2013, the Company expects:

- Net sales to increase approximately $8 \%$ to $9 \%$ (inclusive of a negative 2 percentage point sales impact from the $\$ 15$ million shift in shipments referred to above)
- Operating margin in a range of $11.5 \%$ to $12.0 \%$
- Diluted earnings per share in a range of $\$ 0.89$ to $\$ 0.94$

For the full fiscal year 2013, the Company now expects:

- Net sales to increase between $10 \%$ and $11 \%$
- Operating margin in a range of $16.5 \%$ to $17.0 \%$
- Diluted earnings per share in a range of $\$ 6.00$ to $\$ 6.26$

The Company's full year expectations include the impact of the gain associated with the future acquisition of the remaining interests in its Spanish joint venture and also assumes current foreign currency exchange rates that affect the Company's financial results remain at prevailing levels.

## Safe Harbor

Certain statements contained herein that are not historical facts constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and involve a number of risks and uncertainties. The actual results of the future events described in such forward-looking statements could differ materially from those stated in such forward-looking statements. Among the factors that could cause actual results to differ materially are: changes in economic trends and financial performance, changes in consumer demands, tastes and fashion trends, lower levels of consumer spending resulting from a general economic downturn, shifts in market demand resulting in inventory risks, changes in foreign currency exchange rates, and the outcome of current and possible future litigation, as well as the risks and uncertainties set forth in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 29, 2012 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC").


#### Abstract

About Fossil

Fossil is a global design, marketing and distribution company that specializes in consumer fashion accessories. The Company's principal offerings include an extensive line of men's and women's fashion watches and jewelry sold under proprietary and licensed brands, handbags, small leather goods, belts, sunglasses, soft accessories and clothing. In the watch and jewelry product categories, the Company's offerings include a diverse portfolio of globally recognized proprietary and licensed brand names under which its products are marketed. The Company's extensive range of accessory products, brands, distribution channels and price points allows it to target style-conscious consumers across a wide age spectrum on a global basis. The Company's products are sold to department stores, specialty retail stores and specialty watch and jewelry stores in the U.S. and in approximately 130 countries worldwide through approximately 25 Companyowned foreign sales subsidiaries and a network of over 60 independent distributors. The Company also distributes its products in over 450 Company-owned and operated retail stores and through international e-commerce websites and the Company's U.S. e-commerce website at www.fossil.com, where certain product, press release and SEC filing information concerning the Company are also available.


Investor Relations: Allison Malkin
ICR, Inc.
(203) 682-8225

| Consolidated Income Statement Data (in millions, except per share data): | For the 13 Weeks Ended | For the 13 Weeks Ended |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | March 30, 2013 | $\begin{gathered} \text { March 31, } \\ 2012 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| Net sales | 680.9 | \$ | 589.5 |
| Cost of sales | 302.4 |  | 260.5 |
| Gross profit | 378.5 |  | 329.0 |
| Selling and distribution expenses | 203.2 |  | 181.4 |
| General and administrative expenses | 81.0 |  | 64.7 |
| Operating income | 94.3 |  | 82.9 |
| Interest expense | 1.2 |  | 0.8 |
| Other income - net | 9.8 |  | 2.5 |
| Income before income taxes | 102.9 |  | 84.6 |
| Tax provision | 28.9 |  | 23.5 |
| Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest | 1.8 |  | 3.0 |
| Net income attributable to Fossil, Inc. | 72.2 | \$ | 58.1 |
| Basic earnings per share | 1.22 | \$ | 0.94 |
| Diluted earnings per share | \$ 1.21 | \$ | 0.93 |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding: |  |  |  |
| Basic | 59.4 |  | $\underline{61.9}$ |
| Diluted | 59.8 |  | $\underline{\underline{62.5}}$ |


| Consolidated Balance Sheet Data (in millions): | March 30, <br> $\mathbf{2 0 1 3}$ | March 31, <br> $\mathbf{2 0 1 2}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Working capital | $\$$ | 833.3 | | $\$$ |
| :--- |
| Cash, cash equivalents and securities available for <br> sale |
| Accounts receivable, net of allowances |
| Inventories |
| Total assets |
| Short-term debt |


| Business Segment Sales (\$ in millions) | Amounts <br> For the 13 Weeks Ended |  |  |  | Percentage of Total For the 13 Weeks Ended |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { March 30, } \\ 2013 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { March 31, } \\ 2012 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { March 30, } \\ 2013 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { March 31, } \\ 2012 \end{gathered}$ |
| Wholesale: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| North America | \$ | 255.2 | \$ | 225.0 | 37.5\% | 38.2\% |
| Europe |  | 173.9 |  | 152.9 | 25.6\% | 25.9\% |
| Asia Pacific |  | 86.8 |  | 76.7 | 12.7\% | 13.0\% |
| Total wholesale |  | 515.9 |  | 454.6 | 75.8\% | 77.1\% |
| Direct to consumer |  | 165.0 |  | 134.9 | 24.2\% | 22.9\% |
| Total net sales | \$ | 680.9 | \$ | 589.5 | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

## Product Category Information

| Product Sales <br> (in millions) | Amounts <br> For the 13 Weeks Ended |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
|  | March 30, <br> 2013 | March 31, <br> 2012 |
| Watches | $\$ 13.0$ | $\$$ |
| Leathers | 102.8 | 418.4 |
| Jewelry | 42.3 | 104.0 |
| Other | $\underline{22.8}$ | 39.2 |
|  |  | 27.9 |
| Total net sales | $\$$ | 680.9 |

## Store Count Information

|  | At March 30, 2013 |  |  | At March 31, 2012 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | North America | Outside North America | Total | North America | Outside North America | Total |
| Full price accessory | 105 | 145 | 250 | 102 | 145 | 247 |
| Outlets | 99 | 61 | 160 | 75 | 30 | 105 |
| Clothing | 31 | 2 | 33 | 29 | 4 | 33 |
| Full price multi-brand | 4 | 17 | 21 | 2 | 11 | 13 |
| SKAGEN branded | 5 | 8 | 13 | - | - | - |
| Total stores | $\underline{244}$ | $\underline{233}$ | 477 | 208 | 190 | 398 |

## Constant Currency Financial Information

The following table presents the Company's business segment sales on a constant currency basis. To calculate net sales on a constant currency basis, net sales for the current fiscal year period for entities reporting in currencies other than the U.S. dollar are translated into U.S. dollars at the actual effective rates during the comparable period of the prior fiscal year.

| (in millions) | Net Sales <br> For the 13 Weeks Ended March 30, 2013 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | As <br> Reported | Impact of Foreign Currency Exchange Rates | Constant Currency |
| Wholesale: |  |  |  |
| North America | \$ 255.2 | \$ 0.3 | \$ 254.9 |
| Europe | 173.9 | 0.4 | 173.5 |
| Asia Pacific | 86.8 | (1.6) | 88.4 |
| Total wholesale | 515.9 | (0.9) | 516.8 |
| Direct to consumer | 165.0 | (0.5) | 165.5 |
| Total net sales | \$ 680.9 | \$ (1.4) | \$ 682.3 |

## END OF RELEASE

