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MERIT MEDICAL REPORTS RESULTS FOR FIRST QUARTER MARCH 31, 2023

- Q1 2023 reported revenue of \$297.6 million, up 8.0% compared to Q1 2022
- Q1 2023 constant currency revenue, organic* up 9.8% compared to Q1 2022
- Q1 2023 GAAP operating margin of 8.9%, compared to 5.5% in Q1 2022
- Q1 2023 non-GAAP operating margin* of 16.1%, compared to 14.6% in Q1 2022
- Q1 2023 GAAP EPS \$0.36, compared to \$0.18 in Q1 2022
- Q1 2023 non-GAAP EPS* of \$0.64, compared to \$0.53 in Q1 2022

SOUTH JORDAN, Utah, April 26, 2023 -- Merit Medical Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: MMSI), a leading global manufacturer and marketer of healthcare technology, today announced revenue of \$297.6 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2023, an increase of 8.0% compared to the quarter ended March 31, 2022. Constant currency revenue, organic, for the first quarter of 2023 increased 9.8% compared to the prior year period.

^{*} Constant currency revenue; constant currency revenue, organic; non-GAAP EPS; non-GAAP net income; non-GAAP operating income and margin; non-GAAP gross profit and margin; and free cash flow are non-GAAP financial measures. A reconciliation of these financial measures to their most directly comparable GAAP financial measures is included under the heading "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" below.

Merit's revenue by operating segment and product category for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2023 and 2022 was as follows (unaudited; in thousands, except for percentages):

				Three Mo	onths E	Ended			
		Re	ported					Constant Cu	rrency *
	 Mare	ch 31,	,		Imp	act of foreign]	March 31,	
	 2023		2022	% Change		exchange		2023	% Change
Cardiovascular									
Peripheral Intervention	\$ 113,783	\$	105,773	7.6 %	\$	1,623	\$	115,406	9.1 %
Cardiac Intervention	85,328		81,487	4.7 %		1,819		87,147	6.9 %
Custom Procedural Solutions	47,701		46,262	3.1 %		1,243		48,944	5.8 %
OEM	 41,164		33,414	23.2 %		141		41,305	23.6 %
Total	287,976		266,936	7.9 %		4,826		292,802	9.7 %
Endoscopy									
Endoscopy Devices	 9,589		8,479	13.1 %		47		9,636	13.6 %
Total	\$ 297,565	\$	275,415	8.0 %	\$	4,873	\$	302,438	9.8 %

Merit's GAAP gross margin for the first quarter of 2023 was 46.5%, compared to GAAP gross margin of 43.9% for the prior year period. Merit's non-GAAP gross margin* for the first quarter of 2023 was 50.1%, compared to non-GAAP gross margin of 47.7% for the prior year period.

Merit's GAAP net income for the first quarter of 2023 was \$20.7 million, or \$0.36 per share, compared to GAAP net income of \$10.5 million, or \$0.18 per share, for the first quarter of 2022. Merit's non-GAAP net income* for the first quarter of 2023 was \$37.5 million, or \$0.64 per share, compared to non-GAAP net income of \$30.4 million, or \$0.53 per share, for the prior year period.

"We delivered 9.8% constant currency revenue growth in the first quarter of 2023, exceeding the high-end of our expectations, driven primarily by better-than-expected growth in both the U.S. and international markets during the month of March," said Fred P. Lampropoulos, Merit's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "We also delivered significant year-over-year improvements in profitability with non-GAAP gross and operating margins of 50.1% and 16.1%, respectively, and more than 20% growth year-over-year in both non-GAAP net income and non-GAAP earnings per share."

Mr. Lampropoulos continued: "The impressive start to fiscal year 2023 is a direct result of our team's continued focus on executing our multi-year strategic plan. We have updated our 2023 financial guidance to reflect the better-than-expected financial results in the first quarter and remain confident in our team's ability to deliver continued progress in year three of our Foundations for Growth Program and the related financial targets for the three-year period ending December 31, 2023, which call for our constant currency, organic revenue to increase at a CAGR of at least 5%, non-GAAP operating margins of at least 18% and cumulative free cash flow of more than \$300 million."

As of March 31, 2023, Merit had cash and cash equivalents of \$57.9 million, total debt obligations of \$197.8 million, and available borrowing capacity of approximately \$521 million, compared to cash and cash equivalents of \$58.4 million, total debt obligations of \$198.2 million, and available borrowing capacity of approximately \$523 million as of December 31, 2022.

Updated Fiscal Year 2023 Financial Guidance

Based upon the information currently available to Merit's management, for the year ending December 31, 2023, absent material acquisitions, non-recurring transactions or other factors beyond Merit's current expectations, Merit now expects the following:

Revenue and Earnings Guidance*

	Updated Guidance	As Reported		Prior Guidance
Financial Measure	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022	% Change from Prior Year	December 31, 2023
Net Sales	\$1.217 - \$1.229 billion	\$1.151 billion	6% - 7%	\$1.194 - \$1.210 billion
Cardiovascular Segment	\$1.179 - \$1.191 billion	\$1.118 billion	5% - 6%	\$1.156 - \$1.172 billion
Endoscopy Segment	\$37.8 - \$38.1 million	\$32.8 million	15% - 16%	\$37.5 - \$37.8 million
GAAP				
Net Income	\$100 - \$105 million	\$74.5 million		\$100 - \$105 million
Earnings Per Share	\$1.71 - \$1.79	\$1.29		\$1.72 - \$1.80
Non-GAAP				
Net Income	\$166 - \$171 million	\$155.8 million		\$163 - \$168 million
Earnings Per Share	\$2.83 - \$2.93	\$2.70		\$2.80 - \$2.89

^{*}Percentage figures approximated; dollar figures may not foot due to rounding

2023 Net Sales Guidance - % Change from Prior Year (Constant Currency) Reconciliation*

	Updated	Guidance	Prior G	uidance	
	Low	High	Low	High	
2023 Net Sales Guidance - % Change from Prior Year (GAAP)	5.7%	6.8%	4.0%	5.0%	
Estimated impact of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations	-0.4%	-0.3%	-1.0%	-1.0%	
2023 Net Sales Guidance - % Change from Prior Year (Constant Currency)	6.1%	7.1%	5.0%	6.0%	

^{*}Percentage figures approximated; dollar figures may not foot due to rounding

Merit's financial guidance for the year ending December 31, 2023 is subject to risks and uncertainties identified in this release and Merit's filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC").

CONFERENCE CALL

Merit will hold its investor conference call today, Wednesday, April 26, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. Eastern (4:00 p.m. Central, 3:00 p.m. Mountain, and 2:00 p.m. Pacific). To access the conference call, please pre-register using the following link. Registrants will receive confirmation with dial-in details. A live webcast and slide deck will also be available at merit.com.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(in thousands)

	March 31, 2023 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2022
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 57,945	\$ 58,408
Trade receivables, net	170,182	164,677
Other receivables	14,559	12,992
Inventories	289,581	265,991
Prepaid expenses and other assets	19,961	22,324
Prepaid income taxes	3,920	3,913
Income tax refund receivables	1,069	779
Total current assets	557,217	529,084
Property and equipment, net	387,450	382,976
Intangible assets, net	263,884	275,872
Goodwill	360,291	359,821
Deferred income tax assets	6,665	6,599
Operating lease right-of-use assets	62,881	65,262
Other assets	45,721	44,352
Total Assets	\$ 1,684,109	\$ 1,663,966
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Current Liabilities	Φ 65.500	Φ (0.704
Trade payables	\$ 65,588	\$ 68,504
Accrued expenses	119,197	123,189
Current portion of long-term debt	11,250	11,250
Current operating lease liabilities	10,898	11,005
Income taxes payable	9,019	6,697
Total current liabilities	215,952	220,645
Long-term debt	186,423	186,759
Deferred income tax liabilities	18,478	18,462
Long-term income taxes payable	347	347
Liabilities related to unrecognized tax benefits	1,912	1,912
Deferred compensation payable	15,868	15,264
Deferred credits	1,682	1,708
Long-term operating lease liabilities	57,893	59,736
Other long-term obligations	13,899	14,736
Total liabilities	512,454	519,569
Stockholders' Equity		
Common stock	681,108	675,174
Retained earnings	501,476	480,773
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(10,929)	(11,550)
Total stockholders' equity	1,171,655	1,144,397
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$ 1,684,109	\$ 1,663,966
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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (Unaudited; in thousands except per share amounts)

		Three Months Ended March 31,			
		2023		2022	
Net sales	\$	297,565	\$	275,415	
Cost of sales		159,203		154,508	
Gross profit		138,362		120,907	
Operating expenses:					
Selling, general and administrative		90,144		84,015	
Research and development		21,314		17,387	
Impairment charges				1,672	
Contingent consideration expense		521		2,600	
Total operating expenses		111,979		105,674	
Income from operations		26,383		15,233	
Other income (expense):					
Interest income		131		104	
Interest expense		(2,011)		(1,002)	
Other income (expense) — net		997		(164)	
Total other expense — net		(883)		(1,062)	
Income before income taxes		25,500		14,171	
Income tax expense		4,797		3,626	
meome tax expense		7,777		3,020	
Net income	\$	20,703	\$	10,545	
					
Earnings per common share					
Basic	\$	0.36	\$	0.19	
Diluted	\$	0.36	\$	0.18	
Weighted average shares outstanding					
Basic		57,352		56,593	
Diluted		58,183		57,531	

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(In thousands - unaudited)

	Three Months Endo March 31,			inded
		2023		2022
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:				
Net income	\$	20,703	\$	10,545
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization		20,537		20,466
Write-off of certain intangible assets and other long-term assets				1,672
Amortization of right-of-use operating lease assets		2,662		2,584
Adjustments related to contingent consideration liabilities		521		2,600
Stock-based compensation expense		3,969		4,642
Other adjustments		332		218
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions and divestitures		(34,179)		(30,717)
Total adjustments		(6,158)		1,465
Net cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash provided by operating activities		14,545		12,010
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:				
Capital expenditures for property and equipment		(12,785)		(9,526)
Cash paid in acquisitions, net of cash acquired		(2,000)		_
Other investing, net		(71)		(342)
Net cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash used in investing activities		(14,856)		(9,868)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:				
Proceeds from issuance of common stock		4,028		1,641
(Payments on) proceeds from issuance of long-term debt		(365)		9,625
Contingent payments related to acquisitions		(2,568)		(24,491)
Payment of taxes related to an exchange of common stock		(1,592)		(1,015)
Net cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash used in financing activities		(497)		(14,240)
Effect of exchange rates on cash		376		111
Net increase in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		(432)		(11,987)
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CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND RESTRICTED CASH:				
Beginning of period		60,558		67,750
End of period	\$	60,126	\$	55,763
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RECONCILIATION OF CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND RESTRICTED CASH TO				
THE CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS:				
Cash and cash equivalents		57,945		53,875
Restricted cash reported in prepaid expenses and other current assets		2,181		1,888
Total cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	\$	60,126	\$	55,763
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Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Although Merit's financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"), Merit's management believes that the non-GAAP financial measures referenced in this release provide investors with useful information regarding the underlying business trends and performance of Merit's ongoing operations and can be useful for period-over-period comparisons of such operations. Non-GAAP financial measures used in this release include:

- constant currency revenue;
- constant currency revenue, organic;
- non-GAAP gross profit and margin;
- non-GAAP operating income and margin;
- non-GAAP net income;
- non-GAAP earnings per share; and
- free cash flow.

Merit's management team uses these non-GAAP financial measures to evaluate Merit's profitability and efficiency, to compare operating and financial results to prior periods, to evaluate changes in the results of its operating segments, and to measure and allocate financial resources internally. However, Merit's management does not consider such non-GAAP measures in isolation or as an alternative to measures determined in accordance with GAAP.

Readers should consider non-GAAP measures used in this release in addition to, not as a substitute for, financial reporting measures prepared in accordance with GAAP. These non-GAAP financial measures generally exclude some, but not all, items that may affect Merit's net income. In addition, they are subject to inherent limitations as they reflect the exercise of judgment by management about which items are excluded. Merit believes it is useful to exclude such items in the calculation of non-GAAP earnings per share, non-GAAP gross profit and margin, non-GAAP operating income and margin, and non-GAAP net income (in each case, as further illustrated in the reconciliation tables below) because such amounts in any specific period may not directly correlate to the underlying performance of Merit's business operations and can vary significantly between periods as a result of factors such as acquisition or other extraordinary transactions, non-cash expenses related to amortization or writeoff of previously acquired tangible and intangible assets, certain severance expenses, expenses resulting from non-ordinary course litigation or administrative proceedings and resulting settlements, corporate transformation expenses, governmental proceedings or changes in tax or industry regulations, gains or losses on disposal of certain assets, and debt issuance costs. Merit may incur similar types of expenses in the future, and the non-GAAP financial information included in this release should not be viewed as a statement or indication that these types of expenses will not recur. Additionally, the non-GAAP financial measures used in this release may not be comparable with similarly titled measures of other companies. Merit urges readers to review the reconciliations of its non-GAAP financial measures to their most directly comparable GAAP financial measures, and not to rely on any single financial measure to evaluate Merit's business or results of operations.

Constant Currency Revenue

Merit's constant currency revenue is prepared by converting the current-period reported revenue of subsidiaries whose functional currency is a currency other than the U.S. dollar at the applicable foreign exchange rates in effect during the comparable prior-year period and adjusting for the effects of hedging transactions on reported revenue, which are recorded in the U.S. dollar. The constant currency revenue adjustment of \$4.9 million to reported revenue for the three-month period ended March 31, 2023 was calculated using the applicable average foreign exchange rates for the three-month period ended March 31, 2022.

Constant Currency Revenue, Organic

Merit's constant currency revenue, organic, is defined, with respect to prior fiscal year periods, as GAAP revenue. With respect to current fiscal year periods, constant currency revenue, organic, is defined as constant currency revenue (as defined above), less revenue from certain acquisitions. For the three-month period ended March 31, 2023, there were no revenues from acquisitions excluded in the calculation of Merit's constant currency revenue, organic.

Non-GAAP Gross Profit and Margin

Non-GAAP gross profit is calculated by reducing GAAP cost of sales by amounts recorded for amortization of intangible assets. Non-GAAP gross margin is calculated by dividing non-GAAP gross profit by reported net sales.

Non-GAAP Operating Income and Margin

Non-GAAP operating income is calculated by adjusting GAAP operating income for certain items which are deemed by Merit's management to be outside of core operations and vary in amount and frequency among periods, such as expenses related to acquisitions or other extraordinary transactions, non-cash expenses related to amortization or write-off of previously acquired tangible and intangible assets, certain severance expenses, performance-based stock compensation expenses, corporate transformation expenses, expenses resulting from non-ordinary course litigation or administrative proceedings and resulting settlements, governmental proceedings, and changes in governmental or industry regulations, as well as other items referenced in the tables below. Non-GAAP operating margin is calculated by dividing non-GAAP operating income by reported net sales.

Non-GAAP Net Income

Non-GAAP net income is calculated by adjusting GAAP net income for the items set forth in the definition of non-GAAP operating income above, as well as for expenses related to debt issuance costs, gains or losses on disposal of certain assets, changes in tax regulations, and other items set forth in the tables below.

Non-GAAP EPS

Non-GAAP EPS is defined as non-GAAP net income divided by the diluted shares outstanding for the corresponding period.

Free Cash Flow

Free cash flow is defined as cash flow from operations calculated in accordance with GAAP, less capital expenditures for property and equipment calculated in accordance with GAAP, as set forth in the consolidated statement of cash flows.

Non-GAAP Financial Measure Reconciliations

The following tables set forth supplemental financial data and corresponding reconciliations of non-GAAP financial measures to Merit's corresponding financial measures prepared in accordance with GAAP, in each case, for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2023 and 2022. The non-GAAP income adjustments referenced in the following tables do not reflect non-performance-based stock compensation expense of approximately \$2.7 million and \$3.4 million for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

Reconciliation of GAAP Net Income to Non-GAAP Net Income

(Unaudited; in thousands except per share amounts)

Three Months Ended March 31, 2023

		March 31, 2023						
		Pre-Tax	Ta	ax Impact		After-Tax	Per Sl	nare Impact
GAAP net income	\$	25,500	\$	(4,797)	\$	20,703	\$	0.36
Non-GAAP adjustments:								
Cost of Sales								
Amortization of intangibles		10,616		(2,553)		8,063		0.14
Operating Expenses								
Contingent consideration expense		521		(45)		476		0.01
Amortization of intangibles		1,665		(402)		1,263		0.02
Performance-based share-based compensation (a)		1,287		(87)		1,200		0.02
Corporate transformation and restructuring (b)		3,546		(851)		2,695		0.05
Acquisition-related		255		(61)		194		0.00
Medical Device Regulation expenses (c)		3,658		(878)		2,780		0.05
Other (d)		34		(8)		26		0.00
Other (Income) Expense								
Amortization of long-term debt issuance costs		151		(36)		115		0.00
Non-GAAP net income	\$	47,233	\$	(9,718)	\$	37,515	\$	0.64
Diluted shares								58.183
				Three Mon				
		Pre-Tax	т	March (ax Impact	51, 20	After-Tax	Dor Cl	nare Impact
GAAP net income	\$	14,171	\$	(3,626)	\$	10,545	\$	0.18
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Non-GAAP adjustments:								
Cost of Sales								
Amortization of intangibles		10,552		(2,587)		7,965		0.14
Operating Expenses								
Contingent consideration expense		2,600		(8)		2,592		0.05
Impairment charges		1,672		(318)		1,354		0.02
Amortization of intangibles		1,607		(398)		1,209		0.02
Performance-based share-based compensation (a)		1,245		(124)		1,121		0.02
Corporate transformation and restructuring (b)		5,077		(1,243)		3,834		0.07
Acquisition-related		228		(55)		173		0.00
Medical Device Regulation expenses (c)		1,919		(470)		1,449		0.03
Other (d)		85		(21)		64		0.00
Other (Income) Expense								
Amortization of long-term debt issuance costs		151		(37)		114		0.00
Non-GAAP net income	\$	39,307	\$	(8,887)	\$	30,420	\$	0.53
Diluted shares								57,531
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Note: Certain per share impacts may not sum to totals due to rounding.

Reconciliation of Reported Operating Income to Non-GAAP Operating Income

(Unaudited; in thousands except percentages)

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2023			Three Months March 31,		
	Amounts	% Sales		Amounts	% Sales	S
Net Sales as Reported	\$ \$ 297,565		\$	275,415		
	26,202	0.0 %		17.000		01
GAAP Operating Income	26,383	8.9 %		15,233	5.5	%
Cost of Sales						
Amortization of intangibles	10,616	3.6 %		10,552	3.8	%
Operating Expenses						
Contingent consideration expense	521	0.2 %		2,600	0.9	%
Impairment charges	_	_		1,672	0.6	%
Amortization of intangibles	1,665	0.6 %		1,607	0.6	%
Performance-based share-based compensation (a)	1,287	0.4 %		1,245	0.5	%
Corporate transformation and restructuring (b)	3,546	1.2 %		5,077	1.8	%
Acquisition-related	255	0.1 %		228	0.1	%
Medical Device Regulation expenses (c)	3,658	1.2 %		1,919	0.7	%
Other (d)	34	0.0 %		85	0.0	%
Non-GAAP Operating Income	\$ 47,965	16.1 %	\$	40,218	14.6	%

Note: Certain percentages may not sum to totals due to rounding

a) Represents performance-based share-based compensation expense, including stock-settled and cash-settled awards.

b) Includes consulting expenses related to the Foundations for Growth Program and other transformation costs, including severance related to corporate initiatives.

c) Represents incremental expenses incurred to comply with the E.U. Medical Device Regulation ("MDR").

d) Represents costs to comply with Merit's corporate integrity agreement with the U.S. Department of Justice (the "DOJ").

$Reconciliation \ of \ Reported \ Revenue \ to \ Constant \ Currency \ Revenue \ (Non-GAAP), and \ Constant \ Currency \ Revenue, Organic \ (Non-GAAP)$

(Unaudited; in thousands except percentages)

		Three Months Ended					
			Mar	ch 31,			
	% Change		2023		2022		
Reported Revenue	8.0 %	\$	297,565	\$	275,415		
Add: Impact of foreign exchange			4,873		_		
Constant Currency Revenue (a)	9.8 %	\$	302,438	\$	275,415		
Less: Revenue from certain acquisitions			_		_		
Constant Currency Revenue, Organic (a)	9.8 %	\$	302,438	\$	275,415		

⁽a) A non-GAAP financial measure. For a definition of this and other non-GAAP financial measures, see the section of this release entitled "Non-GAAP Financial Measures."

Reconciliation of Reported Gross Margin to Non-GAAP Gross Margin (Non-GAAP)

(Unaudited; as a percentage of reported revenue)

 Three Months Ended March 31, 2022

 Reported Gross Margin
 46.5 %
 43.9 %

 Add back impact of: Amortization of intangibles
 3.6 %
 3.8 %

 Non-GAAP Gross Margin
 50.1 %
 47.7 %

Note: Certain percentages may not sum to totals due to rounding

ABOUT MERIT

Founded in 1987, Merit Medical Systems, Inc. is a leading global manufacturer and marketer of healthcare technology. Merit serves client hospitals worldwide with a domestic and international sales force and clinical support team totaling in excess of 700 individuals. Merit employs approximately 7,100 people worldwide with facilities in South Jordan, Utah; Pearland, Texas; Richmond, Virginia; Aliso Viejo, California; Maastricht and Venlo, The Netherlands; Paris, France; Galway, Ireland; Beijing, China; Tijuana, Mexico; Joinville, Brazil; Ontario, Canada; Melbourne, Australia; Tokyo, Japan; Reading, United Kingdom; Johannesburg, South Africa; and Singapore.

CAUTIONARY STATEMENT REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Statements contained in this release which are not purely historical, including, without limitation, statements regarding Merit's forecasted plans, revenues, net sales, net income (GAAP and non-GAAP), operating income and margin (GAAP and non-GAAP), gross profit and margin (GAAP and non-GAAP), earnings per share (GAAP and non-GAAP), free cash flow, and other financial measures, future growth and profit expectations or forecasted economic conditions, or the implementation of, and results which may be achieved through, Merit's Foundations for Growth Program or other expense reduction initiatives, are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and are subject to risks and uncertainties such as those described in Merit's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022 (the "2022 Annual Report") and other filings with the SEC. 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