Electro-Sensors, Inc. Announces First Quarter 2017 Financial Results

Minnetonka, Minnesota (May 11, 2017) – Electro-Sensors, Inc. (NASDAQ: ELSE), a leading global provider of machine monitoring sensors and hazard monitoring systems, today announced financial results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2017.

- First quarter revenue of \$1,650,000
- Gross Margin of 54.5%
- Cash, cash equivalents and treasury bills of approximately \$8.1 million

Consolidated (Unaudited; in thousands, except per share data)

	Q1	Q1 FY17		FY16	Change	
Net Sales	\$	1,650	\$	1,716	-3.8 %	
Gross Margin		54.5 %		54.4%	10 bps	
Operating Loss	\$	(143)	\$	(148)	3.4 %	
Operating Loss Margin		(8.6)%		(8.6)%	0 bps	
Loss Before Income Taxes	\$	(132)	\$	(135)	2.2 %	
Loss Per Share (diluted)	\$	(.02)	\$	(.03)	33.3 %	

Net sales for the 2017 first quarter decreased 3.8% to \$1,650,000 from \$1,716,000 in the prior-year quarter. The quarterly decrease was primarily due to lower sales in the northwestern and northcentral US regions, as well as a lower number of large orders. The decrease was partially offset by growth in international sales led by increased system and OEM sales in Canada, along with stronger performance in non-agricultural general manufacturing markets.

"Although our 2017 first quarter revenue was slightly below the prior year comparable period, we are encouraged that our large order performance during the quarter increased approximately 20% as compared to the fourth quarter of 2016," said David L. Klenk, Electro-Sensors' president.

A full analysis of results for the period ended March 31, 2017 is available in the Company's Form 10-Q, which is available on the Company's website at www.electrosensors.com or through the Securities and Exchange Commission's Edgar database at www.sec.gov.

Electro-Sensors, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Income For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2017 and 2016 (unaudited) (in thousands except share and per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended March 31					
		2017	2016			
Sales	\$	1,650	\$	1,716		
Cost of goods sold		751		782		
Gross profit		899		934		
Operating expenses		1,042		1,082		
Operating loss		(143)		(148)		
Non-operating income, net		11		13		
Loss before income taxes		(132)		(135)		
Benefit from income taxes		(48)		(46)		
Net loss	\$	(84)	\$	(89)		
Loss per share – diluted Average shares outstanding - diluted	\$	(0.02) 3,395,521	\$	(0.03) 3,395,521		

Electro-Sensors, Inc. Consolidated Balance Sheets March 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016 (in thousands)

Assets		arch 31 2017 audited)	December 31 2016	
Current Assets				
Cash and investments	\$	8,092	\$	8,267
Trade receivables, net	,	827	,	770
Inventories		1,550		1,515
Other current assets		256		240
Total current assets		10,725		10,792
Deferred income tax asset, long-term		233		198
Intangible assets, net		976		1,035
Property and equipment, net		1,026		1,033
Total assets	\$	12,960	\$	13,058
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity				
Current Liabilities				
Current maturities of contingent earn-out	\$	195	\$	0
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		512		543
Total current liabilities		707		543
Long-term liabilities				
Other long-term liabilities		0		195
Total long-term liabilities		0		195
Stockholders' equity				
Common stock		339		339
Additional paid-in capital		1,970		1,953
Retained earnings		9,973		10,057
Other comprehensive loss		(29)		(29)
Total stockholders' equity		12,253		12,320
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	12,960	\$	13,058

About Electro-Sensors

Electro-Sensors, Inc. is a leading manufacturer of machine monitoring sensors and hazard monitoring systems, the application of which span across multiple industries. We know that when it comes to monitoring your most critical production processes, your business relies on accurate and real-time information to ensure the safety of employees and protection of equipment. We understand that unexpected downtime is stressful and expensive. Preventive and predictive maintenance based on feedback gathered from your production processes can greatly reduce the chance that a catastrophic breakdown will occur. Using Electro-Sensors products provides you the confidence to know that your equipment is running properly and within safe limits, and that any deviation will be quickly identified and neutralized. We appreciate our many loyal customers who depend upon our products every day to maintain safety and help run their plants with greater efficiency, productivity, and control.

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