# Quanex Building Products Announces Third Quarter 2019 Results 

Significant Margin Expansion in EU \& NA Fenestration Segments Above Market Growth Continues in EU \& NA Fenestration Segments Repaid \$32.5 Million of Bank Debt

HOUSTON, TEXAS - September 5, 2019 - Quanex Building Products Corporation (NYSE:NX) ("Quanex" or the "Company") today announced its results for the three months ended July 31, 2019.

Bill Griffiths, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, commented, "We continue to benefit from the successful implementation of pricing initiatives and we are performing well operationally, both of which contributed to margin expansion of approximately 100 basis points on a consolidated basis during the quarter. More specifically, margins expanded by approximately 180 basis points in our European and North American Fenestration segments. Revenue was impacted by lower-than-expected volumes, primarily in our North American Cabinet Components segment, coupled with inclement weather in the U.S. Despite softer-than-expected volumes, we benefitted from better pricing year-over-year and our European Fenestration segment realized above market sales growth of 9.3\%, excluding foreign exchange impact, and sales in our North American Fenestration segment grew at $2.2 \%$ during the quarter, which compares favorably to Ducker's latest window shipment estimate of negative $2.3 \%$ growth for the three months ended June 30, 2019. Solid free cash flow generation during the third quarter allowed us to pay down $\$ 32.5$ million in bank debt and buyback approximately $\$ 1.6$ million in stock."

## Third Quarter 2019 Results Summary

The Company reported the following selected financial results:

|  | Three Months Ended July 31, |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net Sales | $\mathbf{2 0 1 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 8}$ |
| Net Income | $\$ 238.5$ | $\$ 239.8$ |
| Diluted EPS | $\$ 11.8$ | $\$ 10.8$ |
| Adjusted Net Income | $\$ 0.36$ | $\$ 0.31$ |
| Adjusted Diluted EPS | $\$ 13.7$ | $\$ 11.6$ |
| Adjusted EBITDA | $\$ 0.41$ | $\$ 0.33$ |
| Cash provided by operating activities | $\$ 32.8$ | $\$ 30.5$ |
| Free Cash Flow | $\$ 29.9$ | $\$ 26.8$ |

(See Non-GAAP Terminology Definitions and Disclaimers section, Non-GAAP Financial Measure Disclosure table Selected Segment Data table and Free Cash Flow Reconciliation table for additional information)

The decrease in net sales during the third quarter of 2019 was primarily attributable to a weaker demand environment, mainly in the North American Cabinet Components segment, and inclement weather in the U.S. However, the European and North American Fenestration segments continued to generate net sales growth above that of their respective markets, largely due to price increases related to raw material inflation recovery. (See Sales Analysis table for additional information)

The increase in earnings was mostly driven by the successful implementation of pricing initiatives combined with operational efficiency gains.

As of July 31, 2019, Quanex's leverage ratio of Net Debt to LTM Adjusted EBITDA decreased to 2.0x. Quanex continues to expect to end fiscal 2019 with a leverage ratio between 1.5x and 2.0x. (See NonGAAP Terminology Definitions and Disclaimers section for additional information)

## Share Repurchases

The Company's Board of Directors authorized a $\$ 60$ million share repurchase program in September of 2018. Repurchases under this program will be made in open market transactions or privately negotiated transactions, subject to market conditions, applicable legal requirements and other relevant factors. The program does not have an expiration date or a limit on the number of shares that may be repurchased. During the three months ended July 31, 2019, Quanex repurchased 93,352 shares of common stock for approximately $\$ 1.6$ million at an average price of $\$ 17.50$ per share. As of July 31, 2019, approximately $\$ 21.6$ million remained under the existing share repurchase authorization.

## Outlook

Bill Griffiths, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, stated, "Looking ahead, we expect a strong finish to our fiscal year from a cash flow and earnings perspective, but consolidated revenue is trending below prior expectations. As such, we now expect consolidated net sales for the full year 2019 to be flat year-over-year. We continue to convert well and are maintaining the midpoint of our original Adjusted EBITDA* guidance, but are revising the guidance to a more narrow range of $\$ 100$ million to $\$ 105$ million. We intend to stay focused on deleveraging the balance sheet for the remainder of the year while opportunistically repurchasing stock. In the future, we will be comfortable with a Leverage Ratio of around $1.5 x$, at which time we will evaluate all options with respect to our capital allocation priorities in an effort to enhance shareholder value."
*When Quanex provides expectations for Adjusted EBITDA on a forward-looking basis, a reconciliation of the differences between the non-GAAP expectations and corresponding GAAP measures is generally not available without unreasonable effort. Certain items required for such a reconciliation are outside of the Company's control and/or cannot be reasonably predicted or estimated, such as the provision for income taxes.

## Recent Events

The Company's Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of $\$ 0.08$ per share on Quanex's common stock, payable September 30, 2019, to shareholders of record on September 16, 2019.

## Conference Call and Webcast Information

The Company has scheduled a conference call for Friday, September 6, 2019, at 11:00 a.m. ET (10:00 a.m. CT). To participate in the conference call dial (877) 388-2139 for domestic callers and (541) 7972983 for international callers, in both cases using the conference passcode 6297156, and ask for the Quanex call a few minutes prior to the start time. A link to the live audio webcast will also be available on the Company's website at http://www.quanex.com in the Investors section under Presentations \& Events. A telephonic replay of the call will be available approximately two hours after the live broadcast ends and will be accessible through September 20, 2019. To access the replay dial (855) 859-2056 for domestic callers and (404) 537-3406 for international callers, in both cases referencing conference passcode 6297156.

## About Quanex

Quanex Building Products Corporation is an industry-leading manufacturer of components sold to Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) in the building products industry. Quanex designs and produces energy-efficient fenestration products in addition to kitchen and bath cabinet components. For more
information contact Scott Zuehlke, Vice President, Investor Relations \& Treasurer, at 713-877-5327 or scott.zuehlke@quanex.com.

## Non-GAAP Terminology Definitions and Disclaimers

Adjusted Net Income (Loss) (defined as net income further adjusted to exclude purchase price accounting inventory step-ups, transaction costs, certain severance charges, gain/loss on the sale of fixed assets, restructuring charges, asset impairment charges, other net adjustments related to foreign currency transaction gain/loss and effective tax rates reflecting impacts of adjustments on a with and without basis) and Adjusted EPS are non-GAAP financial measures that Quanex believes provide a consistent basis for comparison between periods and more accurately reflects operational performance, as they are not influenced by certain income or expense items not affecting ongoing operations. EBITDA (defined as net income or loss before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization and other, net) and Adjusted EBITDA (defined as EBITDA further adjusted to exclude purchase price accounting inventory step-ups, transaction costs, certain severance charges, gain/loss on the sale of fixed assets, restructuring charges and asset impairment charges) are non-GAAP financial measures that the Company uses to measure operational performance and assist with financial decision-making. When Quanex provides expectations for Adjusted EBITDA on a forward-looking basis, a reconciliation of the differences between the nonGAAP expectations and corresponding GAAP measures is generally not available without unreasonable effort. The Company is not able to provide reconciliations of forward-looking Adjusted EBITDA to GAAP financial measures because certain items required for such reconciliations are outside of Quanex's control and/or cannot be reasonably predicted, such as the provision for income taxes. Net Debt is calculated using the sum of current maturities of long-term debt and long-term debt, minus cash and cash equivalents. The leverage ratio of Net Debt to LTM Adjusted EBITDA is a financial measure that the Company believes is useful to investors and financial analysts in evaluating Quanex's leverage. In addition, with certain limited adjustments, this leverage ratio is the basis for a key covenant in the Company's credit agreement. Free Cash Flow is a non-GAAP measure calculated using cash provided by operating activities less capital expenditures. Free Cash Flow is measured before application of certain contractual commitments (including capital lease obligations), and accordingly is not a true measure of Quanex's residual cash flow available for discretionary expenditures. The Company believes that the presented non-GAAP measures provide a consistent basis for comparison between periods, and will assist investors in understanding Quanex's financial performance when comparing results to other investment opportunities. The presented non-GAAP measures may not be the same as those used by other companies. The Company does not intend for this information to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for other measures prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

## Forward Looking Statements

Statements that use the words "estimated," "expect," "could," "should," "believe," "will," "might," or similar words reflecting future expectations or beliefs are forward-looking statements. The forwardlooking statements include, but are not limited to, the Company's future operating results, future financial condition, future uses of cash and other expenditures, expenses and tax rates, expectations relating to Quanex's industry, and the Company's future growth, including any guidance discussed in this press release. The statements and guidance set forth in this release are based on current expectations. Actual results or events may differ materially from this release. For a complete discussion of factors that may affect Quanex's future performance, please refer to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2018, under the sections entitled "Cautionary Note Regarding ForwardLooking Statements" and "Risk Factors". Any forward-looking statements in this press release are made as of the date hereof, and Quanex undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements to reflect new information or events.

## QUANEX BUI LDI NG PRODUCTS CORPORATI ON CONDENSED CONSOLI DATED STATEMENTS OF I NCOME (LOSS)

(In thousands, except per share data) (Unaudited)

|  | Three Months Ended J uly 31, |  |  |  | Nine Months Ended J uly 31, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2019 |  | $2018{ }^{(1)}$ |  | 2019 |  | $2018{ }^{(1)}$ |  |
| Net sales | \$ | 238,461 | \$ | 239,821 | \$ | 653,472 | \$ | 645,699 |
| Cost of sales |  | 181,357 |  | 185,811 |  | 511,292 |  | 509,357 |
| Selling, general and administrative |  | 25,718 |  | 24,246 |  | 77,466 |  | 72,217 |
| Restructuring charges |  | 94 |  | 243 |  | 281 |  | 851 |
| Depreciation and amortization |  | 12,182 |  | 12,691 |  | 37,158 |  | 39,274 |
| Asset impairment charges |  | - |  | - |  | 29,978 |  | - |
| Operating income (loss) |  | 19,110 |  | 16,830 |  | $(2,703)$ |  | 24,000 |
| Interest expense |  | $(2,570)$ |  | $(2,641)$ |  | $(7,614)$ |  | $(7,584)$ |
| Other, net |  | 259 |  | 195 |  | 461 |  | 884 |
| Income (loss) before income taxes |  | 16,799 |  | 14,384 |  | $(9,856)$ |  | 17,300 |
| Income tax (expense) benefit |  | $(4,958)$ |  | $(3,631)$ |  | $(5,926)$ |  | 2,536 |
| Net income (loss) | \$ | 11,841 | \$ | 10,753 | \$ | $(15,782)$ | \$ | 19,836 |
| Income (loss) per common share, basic | \$ | 0.36 | \$ | 0.31 | \$ | (0.48) | \$ | 0.57 |
| Income (loss) per common share, diluted | \$ | 0.36 | \$ | 0.31 | \$ | (0.48) | \$ | 0.56 |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic |  | 32,899 |  | 34,840 |  | 32,984 |  | 34,766 |
| Diluted |  | 33,162 |  | 35,120 |  | 32,984 |  | 35,125 |
| Cash dividends per share | \$ | 0.08 | \$ | 0.04 | \$ | 0.24 | \$ | 0.12 |

(1) Updated to reflect adoption of ASU 2017-07.

## QUANEX BUI LDI NG PRODUCTS CORPORATI ON CONDENSED CONSOLI DATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands)
(Unaudited)

| ASSETS | July 31, 2019 |  | October 31, $2018{ }^{(1)}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Current assets: |  |  |  |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ | 10,651 | \$ | 29,003 |
| Accounts receivable, net |  | 82,302 |  | 84,014 |
| Inventories, net |  | 84,762 |  | 70,730 |
| Prepaid and other current assets |  | 8,270 |  | 7,296 |
| Total current assets |  | 185,985 |  | 191,043 |
| Property, plant and equipment, net |  | 190,447 |  | 201,370 |
| Goodwill |  | 186,829 |  | 219,627 |
| Intangible assets, net |  | 108,620 |  | 121,919 |
| Other assets |  | 8,183 |  | 9,255 |
| Total assets | \$ | 680,064 | \$ | 743,214 |
| LABILTEES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUTY |  |  |  |  |
| Current liabilities: |  |  |  |  |
| Accounts payable | \$ | 52,602 | \$ | 52,389 |
| Accrued liabilities |  | 30,056 |  | 45,968 |
| Income taxes payable |  | 3,101 |  | 2,780 |
| Current maturities of long-term debt |  | 871 |  | 1,224 |
| Total current liabilities |  | 86,630 |  | 102,361 |
| Long-term debt |  | 191,109 |  | 209,332 |
| Deferred pension and postretirement benefits |  | 6,580 |  | 4,218 |
| Deferred income taxes |  | 19,051 |  | 17,510 |
| Other liabilities |  | 15,344 |  | 14,571 |
| Total liabilities |  | 318,714 |  | 347,992 |
| Stockholders' equity: |  |  |  |  |
| Common stock |  | 374 |  | 374 |
| Additional paid-in-capital |  | 254,053 |  | 254,678 |
| Retained earnings |  | 219,340 |  | 243,904 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss |  | $(38,274)$ |  | $(30,705)$ |
| Treasury stock at cost |  | $(74,143)$ |  | $(73,029)$ |
| Total stockholders' equity |  | 361,350 |  | 395,222 |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity | \$ | 680,064 | \$ | 743,214 |

(1) Updated to reflect accounting change to FIFO cost method.

# QUANEX BUI LDI NG PRODUCTS CORPORATI ON CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOW 

(In thousands)
(Unaudited)

|  | Nine Months Ended J uly 31, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2019 |  | 2018 |  |
| Operating activities: |  |  |  |  |
| Net (loss) income | \$ | $(15,782)$ | \$ | 19,836 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net (loss) income to cash provided by operating activities: |  |  |  |  |
| Depreciation and amortization |  | 37,158 |  | 39,274 |
| Stock-based compensation |  | 1,424 |  | 1,002 |
| Deferred income tax |  | 1,930 |  | $(5,788)$ |
| Asset impairment charges |  | 29,978 |  | - |
| Other, net |  | 1,724 |  | 404 |
| Changes in assets and liabilities: |  |  |  |  |
| Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable |  | 323 |  | $(1,247)$ |
| (Increase) decrease in inventory |  | $(14,747)$ |  | 310 |
| Increase in other current assets |  | $(1,022)$ |  | $(1,242)$ |
| Increase in accounts payable |  | 1,562 |  | 1,161 |
| Decrease in accrued liabilities |  | $(15,366)$ |  | $(7,565)$ |
| Increase in income taxes payable |  | 396 |  | 231 |
| Increase in deferred pension and postretirement benefits |  | 2,351 |  | 2,179 |
| (Decrease) increase in other long-term liabilities |  | (143) |  | 210 |
| Other, net |  | 250 |  | (312) |
| Cash provided by operating activities |  | 30,036 |  | 48,453 |
| Investing activities: |  |  |  |  |
| Capital expenditures |  | $(16,984)$ |  | $(21,098)$ |
| Proceeds from disposition of capital assets |  | 315 |  | 260 |
| Cash used for investing activities |  | $(16,669)$ |  | $(20,838)$ |
| Financing activities: |  |  |  |  |
| Borrowings under credit facilities |  | 66,500 |  | 33,500 |
| Repayments of credit facility borrowings |  | $(84,000)$ |  | $(62,750)$ |
| Repayments of other long-term debt |  | $(1,102)$ |  | $(1,394)$ |
| Common stock dividends paid |  | $(7,990)$ |  | $(4,202)$ |
| Issuance of common stock |  | 2,710 |  | 3,767 |
| Payroll tax paid to settle shares forfeited upon vesting of stock |  | (330) |  | (960) |
| Purchase of treasury stock |  | $(6,336)$ |  | - |
| Cash used for financing activities |  | $(30,548)$ |  | $(32,039)$ |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents |  | $(1,171)$ |  | (631) |
| Decrease in cash and cash equivalents |  | $(18,352)$ |  | $(5,055)$ |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period |  | 29,003 |  | 17,455 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$ | 10,651 | \$ | 12,400 |

## QUANEX BUI LDI NG PRODUCTS CORPORATI ON FREE CASH FLOW RECONCILIATION

(In thousands)
(Unaudited)

The following table reconciles the Company's calculation of Free Cash Flow, a non-GAAP measure, to its most directly comparable GAAP measure. The Company defines Free Cash Flow as cash provided by operating activities less capital expenditures.

|  | Three Months Ended J uly 31, |  | Nine Months Ended J uly 31, |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2019 | 2018 | 2019 | 2018 |
| Cash provided by operating activities | \$29,893 | \$26,838 | \$30,036 | \$48,453 |
| Capital expenditures | $(3,962)$ | $(5,885)$ | $(16,984)$ | $(21,098)$ |
| Free Cash Flow | \$25,931 | \$20,953 | \$13,052 | \$27,355 |

## QUANEX BUI LDI NG PRODUCTS CORPORATI ON NON-GAAP FI NANCI AL MEASURE DI SCLOSURE

(In thousands, except per share data)
(Unaudited)

## Reconciliation of Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted EP

et income (loss) as reported
Reconciling items from below
Adjusted net income and adjusted EPS

Reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA
et income (loss) as reported
income tax expense (benefit)
ther, net
interest expense
Depreciation and amortization
BITDA
econciling items from below
djusted EBITDA

Reconciling Items
et sales
ost of sales
elling general and administrative
Restructuring charges
Asset impairment charges
EBITD
Depreciation and amortization
perating income (loss)
nterest expense
Other, net
Income (loss) before income tax
ncome tax (expense) benefit
Net income (loss)


Three Months Ende July 31, 2019

| Reconciliation |  |
| :---: | ---: |
| $\$$ | 11,841 |
|  | 4,958 |
|  | $(259)$ |
|  | 2,570 |
|  | 12,182 |
|  | 31,292 |
|  | 1,495 |






Diluted (loss) earnings per share
Transaction and advisory fees, $\$ 1.2$ milion of executive severance charges in the three and nine months ended
3) Asset impairment charges relate to a goodw ill impairment in the North American Cabinet Components segment
4) Accelerated depreciation for plant re-layout in the North American Cabinet Components segment.
(5) Foreign currency transaction (gains) losses.
(6) Impact on a w ith and without basis. Three and nine months ended July 31,2019 include $\$ 0.8$ million and $\$ 0.6$ million of tax expense adjustment, respectively, and nine months ended July 31 , 2018 includes $\$ 6.5$ million of tax benefil adjustment related to the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.

# QUANEX BUI LDI NG PRODUCTS CORPORATI ON SELECTED SEGMENT DATA 

(In thousands)
(Unaudited)

This table provides operating income (loss), EBITDA, and Adjusted EBITDA by reportable segment. Non-operating expense and income tax expense are not allocated to the reportable segments.

(1) NA Fenestration and EU Fenestration were previously named "NA Engineered Components" and "EU Engineered Components," respectively.
2) Updated to reflect the adoption of ASU 2017-07.
(3) Updated to reflect a reduction in corporate allocations of $\$ 1.2$ million and $\$ 2.1$ million during the three and nine months ended July 31,2018 due to a change in allocation methodology during the fourth quarter of 2018 .

## QUANEX BUI LDI NG PRODUCTS CORPORATI ON <br> SALES ANALYSIS

(In thousands)
(Unaudited)

|  | Three Months Ended |  |  |  | Nine Months Ended |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | July 31, 2019 |  | July 31, 2018 |  | July 31, 2019 |  | July 31, 2018 |  |
| NA Fenestration: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| United States - fenestration | \$ | 119,481 | \$ | 112,914 | \$ | 312,509 | \$ | 297,700 |
| International - fenestration |  | 7,172 |  | 11,851 |  | 23,474 |  | 27,758 |
| United States - non-fenestration |  | 3,982 |  | 4,675 |  | 12,290 |  | 13,518 |
| International - non-fenestration |  | 5,624 |  | 3,957 |  | 12,381 |  | 11,304 |
|  | \$ | 136,259 | \$ | 133,397 | \$ | 360,654 | \$ | 350,280 |
| EU Fenestration ${ }^{(1)}$ : |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| International - fenestration | \$ | 36,342 | \$ | 34,881 | \$ | 102,038 | \$ | 97,597 |
| International - non-fenestration |  | 7,984 |  | 7,780 |  | 19,165 |  | 17,884 |
|  | \$ | 44,326 | \$ | 42,661 | \$ | 121,203 | \$ | 115,481 |
| NA Cabinet Components: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| United States - fenestration | \$ | 3,561 | \$ | 3,650 | \$ | 9,909 | \$ | 10,500 |
| United States - non-fenestration |  | 54,512 |  | 60,843 |  | 163,694 |  | 171,547 |
| International - non-fenestration |  | 616 |  | 621 |  | 1,774 |  | 1,658 |
|  | \$ | 58,689 | \$ | 65,114 | \$ | 175,377 | \$ | 183,705 |
| Unallocated Corporate \& Other: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Eliminations | \$ | (813) | \$ | $(1,351)$ | \$ | $(3,762)$ | \$ | $(3,767)$ |
|  | \$ | (813) | \$ | $(1,351)$ | \$ | $(3,762)$ | \$ | $(3,767)$ |
| Net Sales | \$ | 238,461 | \$ | 239,821 | \$ | 653,472 | \$ | 645,699 |

(1) Reflects reductions of $\$ 2.1$ million and $\$ 6.5$ million in revenue associated with foreign currency exchange rate impacts for the three and nine months ended July 31,2019 .

