

# Forrester Research Reports First-Quarter Financial Results Board Of Directors Declares Quarterly Dividend

**Cambridge, Mass., April 25, 2012...** Forrester Research, Inc. (Nasdaq: FORR) today announced its 2012 first-quarter financial results.

#### **First-Quarter Financial Performance**

- Total revenues were \$70.3 million for the first quarter of 2012, compared with \$65.7 million for the first quarter of last year.
- On a GAAP basis, net income was \$3.2 million, or \$0.14 per diluted share, for the first quarter of 2012, compared with net income of \$2.9 million, or \$0.13 per diluted share, for the same period last year.
- On a pro forma basis, net income was \$5.1 million, or \$0.22 per diluted share, for the first quarter of 2012, which reflects a pro forma effective tax rate of 39%. Pro forma net income excludes stock-based compensation of \$1.3 million, amortization of \$0.6 million of acquisition-related intangible assets, \$1.3 million of reorganization costs, and net investment gains of \$0.1 million. This compares with pro forma net income of \$4.8 million, or \$0.21 per diluted share, for the same period in 2011, which reflects a pro forma tax rate of 40%. Pro forma net income for the first quarter of 2011 excludes stock-based compensation of \$1.4 million, amortization of \$0.7 million of acquisition-related intangible assets, \$1.5 million of million.

A reconciliation of GAAP results to pro forma results may be found in the attached financial tables.

"Revenue for the quarter was in line with expectations, while operating margin and earnings per share exceeded guidance," said George F. Colony, Forrester's chairman and chief executive officer. "Clients are providing positive feedback regarding the realignment of our sales force and the innovative and differentiated client-facing experiences we're investing in."

Forrester is providing second-quarter 2012 financial guidance as follows:

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## Second-Quarter 2012 (GAAP):

- Total revenues of approximately \$78.5 million to \$81.5 million.
- Operating margin of approximately 12.0% to 14.0%.
- Other income, net of approximately \$0.2 million.
- An effective tax rate of 39%.
- Diluted earnings per share of approximately \$0.26 to \$0.30.

# Second-Quarter 2012 (Pro Forma):

Pro forma financial guidance for the second quarter of 2012 excludes stock-based compensation expense of \$1.0 million to \$1.2 million, amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets of approximately \$0.6 million, reorganization costs of \$0.1 million to \$0.2 million and any investment gains or losses.

- Pro forma operating margin of approximately 14.5% to 16.5%.
- Pro forma effective tax rate of 39%.
- Pro forma diluted earnings per share of approximately \$0.30 to \$0.34.

Our full-year 2012 guidance is as follows:

# Full-Year 2012 (GAAP):

- Total revenues of approximately \$308.0 million to \$316.0 million.
- Operating margin of approximately 11.0% to 12.0%.
- Other income, net of approximately \$0.8 million.
- An effective tax rate of 39%.
- Diluted earnings per share of approximately \$0.94 to \$1.00.

# Full-Year 2012 (Pro Forma):

Pro forma financial guidance for full-year 2012 excludes stock-based compensation expense of \$4.5 million to \$5.0 million, amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets of approximately \$2.4 million, reorganization costs of \$1.4 million to \$1.5 million, and any investment gains or losses.

- Pro forma operating margin of approximately 14.0% to 15.0%.
- Pro forma effective tax rate of 39%.
- Pro forma diluted earnings per share of approximately \$1.16 to \$1.22.

# **Quarterly Dividend**

Forrester also announced today that its Board of Directors has approved a quarterly dividend of \$0.14 per share payable June 20, 2012, to shareholders of record on June 6, 2012.

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The consolidated statements of income and the table of selected balance sheet and cash flow data are attached.

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