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PREFORMED LINE PRODUCTS ANNOUNCES FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER ENDED MARCH 31, 2011

- > Sales of \$95 million represent a quarterly record
- > Sales were up 33% from the 1st quarter of 2010, excluding the favorable impact of currency
- > Diluted EPS of \$1.30 were the 2nd highest in the Company's history

Mayfield Village, Ohio, May 4, 2011 – **Preformed Line Products Company (NASDAQ: PLPC)** today reported financial results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2011.

Net income for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 was \$6,998,000, or \$1.30 per diluted share, compared to \$1,132,000, or \$.21 per diluted share, for the comparable period in 2010.

Net sales for the first quarter of 2011 increased 38% to \$95,088,000 compared to \$68,908,000 in the first quarter of 2010.

Currency translation had a positive impact on sales and net income for the quarter of \$3.3 million and \$.2 million, respectively.

Rob Ruhlman, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, said, "Our first quarter results were very gratifying especially considering the continuing unstable economic environment throughout the world. I am proud of the continuing success we have achieved in integrating our two most recent acquisitions. Commodity prices continue to rise, but our programs of continuous improvement in our manufacturing processes are assisting in reducing their impact."

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Founded in 1947, Preformed Line Products is an international designer and manufacturer of products and systems employed in the construction and maintenance of overhead and underground networks for energy, telecommunication, cable operators, information (data communication), and other similar industries. Our primary products support, protect, connect, terminate, and secure cables and wires. We also provide solar hardware systems and mounting hardware for a variety of solar power applications.

Preformed's world headquarters are in Cleveland, Ohio, and the Company operates three domestic manufacturing centers located in Rogers, Arkansas, Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Albemarle, North Carolina. The Company serves its worldwide market through international operations in Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, England, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Poland, South Africa, Spain and Thailand.

This news release contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 regarding the Company, including those statements regarding the Company's and management's beliefs and expectations concerning the Company's future performance or anticipated financial results, among others. Except for historical information, the matters discussed in this release are forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties which may cause results to differ materially from those set forth in those Among other things, factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in such forward-looking statements include the strength of the economy and demand for the Company's products, increases in raw material prices, the Company's ability to identify, complete and integrate acquisitions for profitable growth, and other factors described under the headings "Forward-Looking Statements" and "Risk Factors" in the Company's 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 11, 2011 and subsequent filings with the SEC. The Annual Report on Form 10-K and the Company's other filings with the SEC can be found on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov. The Company assumes no obligation to update or supplement forward-looking statements that become untrue because of subsequent events.

PREFORMED LINE PRODUCTS COMPANY STATEMENTS OF CONSOLIDATED OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED)

In thousands, except per share data	 2011	riods ended March 31, 2010	
	 2011		2010
Net sales	\$ 95,088	\$	68,908
Cost of products sold	 62,697		48,883
GROSS PROFIT	 32,391	•	20,025
Costs and expenses			
Selling	8,036		6,502
General and administrative	10,962		9,478
Research and engineering	3,362		2,859
Other operating expense (income)	(94)		(145
	22,266		18,694
OPERATING INCOME	 10,125		1,331
Other income (expense)			
Interest income	151		83
Interest expense	(211)		(170
Other income	 184		351
	 124		264
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	10,249		1,595
Income taxes	 3,395		561
NET INCOME	6,854		1,034
Less net (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests, net of tax	 (144)		(98
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO PLPC	\$ 6,998	\$	1,132
BASIC EARNINGS PER SHARE			
Net Income to PLPC common shareholders	\$ 1.33	\$	0.22
DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE			
Net Income to PLPC common shareholders	\$ 1.30	\$	0.21
Cash dividends declared per share	\$ 0.20	\$	0.20
Weighted-average number of shares outstanding - basic	 5,272		5,252

PREFORMED LINE PRODUCTS COMPANY CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)

Thousands of dollars, except share and per share data	March 31, 2011		Dec	December 31, 2010	
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ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	24,146	\$	22,655	
Accounts receivable, less allowances of \$1,511 (\$1,213 in 2010)		62,294		56,102	
Inventories - net		81,114		73,121	
Deferred income taxes		5,974		4,784	
Prepaids		10,698		9,069	
Other current assets		1,959		1,611	
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		186,185		167,342	
Property and equipment - net		77,987		76,266	
Other intangibles - net		12,407		12,735	
Goodwill		12,388		12,346	
Deferred income taxes		2,882		3,615	
Other assets		10,014		8,675	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	301,863	\$	280,979	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Notes payable to banks	\$	3,584	\$	1,246	
Current portion of long-term debt		1,258		1,276	
Trade accounts payable		27,710		27,001	
Accrued compensation and amounts withheld from employees		12,419		9,848	
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		17,745		17,187	
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		62,716		56,558	
Long-term debt, less current portion		14,798		9,374	
Other noncurrent liabilities and deferred income taxes		19,831		19,582	
		17,031		17,502	
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY					
PLPC shareholders' equity:					
Common shares - \$2 par value, 15,000,000 shares authorized,					
5,272,804 and 5,270,977 issued and outstanding,		10.546		10.542	
net of 586,746 and 586,746 treasury shares at par, respectively		10,546		10,542	
Common shares issued to Rabbi Trust		(1,220)		(1,200)	
Paid in capital		9,514		8,748	
Retained earnings		189,957		184,060	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(3,447)		(6,010)	
TOTAL PLPC SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		205,350		196,140	
Noncontrolling interest		(832)		(675)	
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	-	204,518		195,465	
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$	301,863	\$	280,979	