



MasTec Reports 109% Rise in Income from Continuing Operations in 2006

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CORAL GABLES, Fla., March 8 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- MasTec, Inc. (NYSE: MTZ) today announced results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2006.

For the year ended December 31, 2006, income from continuing operations was \$38.9 million, or \$0.60 diluted earnings per share, on revenue of \$945.8 million. This compares with income from continuing operations of \$18.6 million, or \$0.37 diluted per share, on revenue of \$848.0 million for the prior year. Non-cash 123R stock-based compensation expense of \$7.4 million and \$0.5 million was included in the results for 2006 and 2005, respectively.

For the quarter ended December 31, 2006, income from continuing operations was \$9.0 million, or \$0.14 diluted earnings per share, on revenue of \$241.1 million. This compares with income from continuing operations of \$8.1 million, or \$0.16 diluted per share, on revenue of \$223.4 million in the prior year quarter. Non-cash 123R stock-based compensation expense of \$2.0 million and \$0.1 million was included in the fourth quarter results for 2006 and 2005, respectively.

MasTec had gross liquidity, defined as bank cash plus credit line availability, of approximately \$124.2 million at December 31, 2006 compared with \$58.5 million at the end of 2005. MasTec currently has no cash draws on its bank credit facility.

Austin J. Shanfelter, MasTec's President and Chief Executive Officer, commented, "We have had quite a few positive developments since December of 2005. Our major discontinued operations, and the related distractions, are now behind us and we have completely recapitalized the Company. Our balance sheet has been enhanced with \$156 million in new equity and a \$150 million, 7 5/8 percent, 10-year, senior note issue, both providing greater financial flexibility for the Company. These events establish the platform for full concentration on business improvements and opportunities under Jose Mas' leadership. I am extremely excited about remaining on MasTec's Board and about Jose's leadership going into 2007."

MasTec's previous guidance forecast for 2007 remains unchanged and it expects revenue to be in the range of \$1.04 to \$1.06 billion. Earnings per share from continuing operations for 2007 is expected to be between \$0.80 and \$0.90 per share.

The following tables set forth the financial results for the periods ended December 31, 2005 and 2006:

Consolidated Statements of Operations (In thousands except per share amounts)

	Year Ended December 31,		Three Months Ended	
	2006	2005	December 31, 2006	2005
Revenue	\$945,806	\$848,046	\$241,084	\$223,442
Costs of revenue	813,406	731,504	208,582	188,119
Depreciation	14,664	16,341	3,893	3,696
General and administrative expenses	74,610	64,266	19,486	18,391
Interest expense, net of interest income	10,023	19,233	2,034	4,887
Other income (expense), net	8,106	3,616	3,008	505
Income (loss) from continuing operations before benefit for income taxes and minority interest	41,209	20,318	10,097	8,854
Minority interest	(2,294)	(1,714)	(1,114)	(719)
Income (loss) from continuing operations	38,915	18,604	8,983	8,135
Discontinued operations:				

Loss from discontinued operations, net	(89,263)	(32,637)	(23,828)	(19,602)
Loss on write-off of assets of discontinued operations, net	-	(583)	-	-
Net Loss	\$ (50,348)	\$ (14,616)	\$ (14,845)	\$ (11,467)
Basic net (loss) income per share:				
Continuing operations	\$0.61	\$0.38	\$0.14	\$0.17
Discontinued operations	(1.40)	(0.68)	(0.37)	(0.40)
Total basic net loss per share	\$ (0.79)	\$ (0.30)	\$ (0.23)	\$ (0.23)
Basic weighted average common shares outstanding	63,574	48,952	65,128	49,179
Diluted net (loss) income per share:				
Continuing operations	\$0.60	\$0.37	\$0.14	\$0.16
Discontinued operations	(1.37)	(0.66)	(0.36)	(0.39)
Total diluted net loss per share	\$ (0.77)	\$ (0.29)	\$ (0.22)	\$ (0.23)
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding	65,119	49,795	66,317	50,147

Consolidated Balance Sheets
(In thousands)

	December 31	
	2006	2005
Assets		
Current assets	\$339,920	\$305,307
Property and equipment, net	61,400	48,027
Goodwill	150,702	127,143
Deferred taxes, net	49,317	51,468
Other assets	44,704	46,070
Long-term assets held for sale	70	6,149
Total assets	\$646,113	\$584,164
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity		
Current liabilities	\$175,878	\$170,238
Other liabilities	36,521	37,359
Long-term debt	128,407	196,104
Long-term liabilities related to assets held for sale	596	860
Shareholders' equity	304,711	179,603
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$646,113	\$584,164

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
(In thousands)

	Years Ended December 31,	
	2006	2005
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$46,207	\$ (18,434)
Net cash used in investing activities	(40,781)	(2,314)
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	81,783	3,320
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	87,209	(17,428)

Net effect of translation on cash	(187)	(96)
Cash and cash equivalents--beginning of period	2,024	19,548
Cash and cash equivalents--end of period	\$89,046	\$2,024

MasTec will hold a conference call to discuss these results on Friday, March 9, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern time. The call-in number for the conference call is (913) 312-1292 and the replay number is (719) 457-0820, with a pass code of 3861324. The replay will run for 30 days. Additionally, the call will be broadcast live over the Internet and can be accessed and replayed through the investor relations section of its website at www.mastec.com. MasTec has filed its Form 10-K annual report with the Securities and Exchange Commission, which is available, free of charge, through the investor relations page of the Company's website, or by request through MasTec's investor relations department.

MasTec is a leading specialty contractor operating throughout North America across a range of industries. The Company's core activities are the building, installation, maintenance and upgrade of communication and utility infrastructure systems.

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act. These statements are based on management's current expectations and are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties, and assumptions, including that our revenue and earnings per share may differ from that projected, that we may be impacted by business and economic conditions affecting our customers, material changes in estimates for legal costs or case settlements, the highly competitive nature of our industry, dependence on a limited number of customers, the ability of our customers to terminate or reduce the amount of work, or in some cases prices paid for services under many of our contracts, the adequacy of our insurance and other reserves and allowances for doubtful accounts, restrictions imposed by our credit facility and senior notes, the outcome of our plans for future operations, growth, and services, including backlog and acquisitions, as well as other risks detailed in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Actual results may differ significantly from results expressed or implied in these statements. We do not undertake any obligation to update forward-looking statements.

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