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ATLANTA, July 23, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- Interface, Inc. (Nasdaq: TILE), a worldwide carpet tile **company** and global leader in sustainability, today announced results for the second quarter ended June 29, 2014.

"Second quarter results are a vast improvement over the slow start to the year that we saw in the first quarter," said Daniel T. Hendrix, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "Strong sales in the corporate office market in Europe, mostly in the U.K. and Germany, were accompanied by continued steady growth in our Americas business, which made considerable gains in non-office segments. In our Asia-Pacific division, Australia and **China** contributed to the top line improvement, while Southeast Asia remained relatively even year-over-year. On a consolidated basis, orders continued to grow at a robust pace, up 10% to an all-time high of \$284 million, giving us more optimism about the second half of the year."

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SECOND QUARTER 2014 FINANCIAL SUMMARY & HIGHLIGHTS

Sales: Sales for the second quarter of 2014 were up 7.0% to \$260.6 million, compared with \$243.5 million in the second quarter of 2013.

-- Sales in our Americas business increased 4% year-over-year, with most of

the growth coming in non-office segments. The hospitality (up 30%), retail (up 21%) and education (up 7%) segments had the largest percentage

gains, with government (down 4%) and healthcare (down 2%) being the only

declining segments. The corporate office segment grew less than 1% compared with the second quarter last year. FLOR sales were disappointing, down 9% year-over-year.

-- Our Europe business showed the most momentum, with sales up 15% (or 9% in

local currency), mainly due to strength in the U.K., Ireland and Germany. The corporate office segment (up 18%) led the gains.

-- Sales were up 5% in the Asia-Pacific region, with Australia bouncing back

and approaching revenue levels that existed prior to the 2012 plant fire.

China also contributed to the growth, with Southeast Asia remaining flat.

Operating Income: Second quarter 2014 operating income increased to \$24.3 million, or 9.3% of sales, compared with \$21.8 million, or 9.0% of sales, in the second quarter last year. Gross profit margin was 34.7% in the second quarter of 2014, compared with 35.4% in the prior year period, but represented an improvement of 60 basis points sequentially compared with the first quarter this year. SG&A expenses were \$66.0 million, or 25.3% of sales, in the second quarter of 2014, versus \$64.4 million, or 26.5% of sales, in the second quarter of 2013. The year-over-year SG&A percentage improvement was mostly due to improved sales volume, reduced equity compensation, and reduced marketing activity in Europe.

Net Income: Net income during the second quarter of 2014 increased to \$13.1 million, or \$0.20 per share, compared with net income of \$11.0 million, or \$0.17 per share, in the second quarter last year.

Patrick C. Lynch, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, commented, "We're generally pleased with our top line performance in the second quarter, and we continued on the path of sequential gross margin improvement while keeping our SG&A expenses contained in relation to our sales level. We're also pleased about the substantial progress in Australia, with sales approaching pre-fire levels and operations beginning to normalize as we complete the ramp up of the Minto plant. With strong order momentum pointing to higher sales, our focus for the remainder of the year will be on expanding gross margin and keeping SG&A in check."

YEAR TO DATE 2014 FINANCIAL RESULTS

Sales: For the first six months of 2014, sales increased 5.7% to \$479.6 million, compared with \$453.9 million in the first six months last year.

Operating Income: Operating income for the 2014 six-month period was \$36.4 million, or 7.6% of sales. Operating income in the first six months of 2013 was \$35.8 million, or 7.9% of sales.

Net Income: The **Company** reported net income of \$17.1 million, or \$0.26 per share, for the first six months of 2014. This compares with net income of \$16.1 million, or \$0.24 per share, in the first six months of 2013, excluding a previously-reported tax dispute resolution benefit of \$1.9 million, or \$0.03 per share. With the tax resolution benefit included, net income in the first six months of 2013 was \$18.0 million, or \$0.27 per share

Mr. Hendrix concluded, "We expect the second half of the year to be better than the first, based on strong demand in Europe and steady performance in our U.S. business, which has yet to see a true office market rebound this year. We also expect to improve gross margin, as we complete the Minto plant ramp-up and rebalancing of production in the Asia-Pacific region, alongside our lean manufacturing and other efficiency and cost reduction initiatives worldwide. SG&A will be closely scrutinized, with a prioritization of investments having short-term paybacks. Another of our top priorities in the third quarter will be a restructuring of FLOR with management changes and a renewed emphasis on attracting and retaining customers, expanding its store footprint, and driving its growth and profitability."

Webcast and Conference Call Information

The **Company** will host a conference call tomorrow morning, July 24, 2014, at 9:00 a.m. Eastern Time, to discuss its second quarter 2014 results. The conference call will be simultaneously broadcast live over the Internet. Listeners may access the conference call live over the Internet at the following address:

http://www.media-server.com/m/acs/f739be59e013325bc2a4694c3390ac46 or through the **Company**'s website at: http://www.interfaceglobal.com/Investor-Relations.aspx. The archived version of the webcast will be available at these sites for one year beginning approximately one hour after the call ends.

Interface, Inc. is the world's largest manufacturer of modular carpet, which it markets under the Interface and FLOR brands. The **Company** is committed to the goal of sustainability and doing business in ways that minimize the impact on the environment while enhancing shareholder value.

Safe Harbor Statement under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995:

Except for historical information contained herein, the other matters set forth in this news release are forward--looking statements. The forward-looking statements set forth above involve a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from any such statement, including risks and uncertainties associated with economic conditions in the commercial interiors industry as well as the risks and uncertainties discussed under the heading "Risk Factors" included in Item 1A of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 29, 2013, which discussion is incorporated herein by this reference, including, but not limited to, the discussion of specific risks and uncertainties under the headings "Sales of our principal products have been and may continue to be affected by adverse economic cycles in the renovation and construction of commercial and institutional buildings," "We compete with a large number of manufacturers in the highly competitive commercial floorcovering products market, and some of these competitors have greater financial resources than we do," "Our success depends significantly upon the efforts, abilities and continued service of our senior management executives and our principal design consultant, and our loss of any of them could affect us adversely," "Our substantial international operations are subject to various political, economic and other uncertainties that could adversely affect our business results, including by restrictive taxation or other government regulation and by foreign currency fluctuations," "The worldwide financial and credit crisis could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations," "Concerns regarding the European sovereign debt crisis and market perceptions about the instability of

the euro, the potential re-introduction of individual currencies within the Eurozone, or the potential dissolution of the euro entirely, could adversely affect our business, results of operations or financial condition," "Large increases in the cost of petroleum-based raw materials could adversely affect us if we are unable to pass these cost increases through to our customers," "Unanticipated termination or interruption of any of our arrangements with our primary third party suppliers of synthetic fiber could have a material adverse effect on us, " "We have a significant amount of indebtedness, which could have important negative consequences to us," "The market price of our common stock has been volatile and the value of your investment may decline," "Our earnings in a future period could be adversely affected by non-cash adjustments to goodwill, if a future test of goodwill assets indicates a material impairment of those assets," and "Our Rights Agreement could discourage tender offers or other transactions for our stock that could result in shareholders receiving a premium over the market price for our stock." Any forward-looking statements are made pursuant to the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and, as such, speak only as of the date made. The Company assumes no responsibility to update or revise forward-looking statements made in this press release and cautions readers not to place undue reliance on any such forward-looking statements.

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Consolidated Condensed Statements of Operations	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended		
(In thousands, except per share data)	06/29/14	06/30/13	06/29/14	06/30/13	
Net Sales Cost of Sales	\$ 260,624 170,239		\$ 479,616 314,545	296,367	
Gross Profit			165,071		
Selling, General & Administrative Expenses			128,701		
Operating Income Interest Expense Other Expense (Income)	5,420 (128)	21,803 5,907 (2)	36,370 10,918 (154)	35,797 12,065 405	
Income Before Taxes Income Tax Expense	19,051 5,980	15,898 4,933	25 , 606	23,327 5,365	
NET INCOME		\$ 10,965	\$ 17,096	\$ 17,962	
Earnings Per Share Basic	\$0.20		\$0.26		
Earnings Per Share Diluted	\$0.20		\$0.26		
Common Shares Outstanding Basic Common Shares Outstanding	·	•	66,472	·	
Diluted	66,550	66 , 329	66,558	66 , 297	
Orders from Continuing Operations	\$ 283,700	\$ 258,500	\$ 524,200	\$ 479,500	
Consolidated Condensed Balanc (In thousands)	e Sheets		06/29/14	12/29/13	
Assets Cash Accounts Receivable				2 \$ 72,883 7 131,936	

Inventory					172,452	149,64	
Other Current Assets				_	34, 247 33		
Total Current Assets					406,638	388,10	
Property, Plant & Equipment Other Assets						177,38	
Total Assets				Ş	\$ 823,483	\$ 796,33	
Liabilities	bl o				¢ 57 062	\$ 52 , 51	
Accounts Payable Accrued Liabilities					78,452	77,67	
	Current Liabi	llities		-	135,514	130,18	
Senior Note Long-Term D						247,50 26,32	
Other Long-Term Liabilities				_		51,53	
Total Liabilities Shareholders' Equity					465,518 357,965	455,54 340,78	
Total	Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity					\$ 796 , 33	
Condensed Statements of		e Months Ended			Six Mor	nths Endec	
Condensed Statements of Cash Flows	06/29/14		3			06/30/1	
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in) Operating				
Activities	3.4	0.0	0.8	
(9.0)				
Cash Used in				
Investing				
Activities	(13.7)	(0.2)	(23.7)	
(15.6)				
Cash Used in				
Financing				
Activities	(2.4)	(1.3)	(0.2)	
(2.1)				
Effect of				
Exchange Rate				
Changes on				
Cash	0.2	(2.2)	0.2	
(2.5)				
Net Decrease	\$ / 10 E \	A (O =)	* / 00 0	
in Cash	\$(12.5)	\$(3.7)	\$(22.9)	
\$(29.2)				
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Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Performance Measures to GAAP Performance Measures (In millions, except per share amounts)

	Six Months Ended 06/30/13
Net Income Excluding Tax Dispute Resolution Tax Dispute Resolution	\$16.1 1.9
Net Income, As Reported	\$18.0
	Six Months Ended 06/30/13
Earnings per Share Excluding Tax Dispute Resolution Tax Dispute Resolution	\$0.24 0.03
Earnings per Share, As Reported	\$0.27

The **Company** believes that the above non-GAAP performance measures, which management uses in managing and evaluating the **Company**'s business, may provide users of the **Company**'s financial information with additional meaningful bases for comparing the **Company**'s current results and results in a prior period, as these measures reflect factors that are unique to one period relative to the comparable period. However, these non--GAAP performance measures should be viewed in addition to, and not as an alternative for, the **Company**'s reported results under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Tax effects identified above (when applicable) are calculated using the statutory tax rate for the jurisdictions in which the charge or income occurred.

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