



Aegean Marine Petroleum Network Inc. Announces Fourth Quarter 2014 Financial Results

PIRAEUS, Greece, March 16, 2015 – Aegean Marine Petroleum Network Inc. (NYSE: ANW) (“Aegean” or the “Company”) today announced financial and operating results for the fourth quarter ended December 31st, 2014.

Fourth Quarter Highlights and Full Year Highlights

- Recorded sales volumes of 3,008,060 metric tons in Q4 2014 and 11,332,385 for the full year.
- Recorded gross profit of \$85.2 million in Q4 2014 and \$335.2 million for the full year.
- Recorded operating income of \$18.5 million for the quarter and \$57.9 million for the full year.
- Recorded net income attributable to Aegean shareholders of \$7.5 million or \$0.16 basic diluted earnings per share in Q4 2014 and \$17.6 million or \$0.37 basic and diluted earnings per share for the full year.
 - Net income attributable to Aegean shareholders adjusted for bad debt expense related to the OW bankruptcy and a sale of non-core assets was \$10.4 million or \$0.22 basic and diluted earnings per share in Q4 2014 and \$37.8 or \$0.79 basic diluted earnings per share for the full year.
- Recorded EBITDA of \$22.9 million in Q4 2014 and \$82.0 million for the full year.
 - EBITDA adjusted for bad debt expense related to the OW bankruptcy and a sale of non-core assets was \$25.8 million in Q4 2014 and \$102.2 million for the full year.¹
- Operational Highlights:
 - Integrated U.S. East Coast operations.
 - Launched commercial leasing efforts for Fujairah storage facility.
 - Launched physical supply and marketing operations in Germany.
 - Commenced operations in the Gulf of Mexico
 - Commenced operations in Los Angeles
 - Increased liquidity through convertible note offering

“2014 was a landmark year for Aegean,” commented E. Nikolas Tavlarios, President of Aegean Marine Petroleum Network. “We took advantage of recent sector turbulence to expand into new markets, and announced new operations across four continents. We have already fully integrated our new operations in the Gulf of Mexico and the Port of Los Angeles, and are close to completing the integration of our new operations in Hamburg, Germany, and St. Petersburg, Russia. In addition, we launched our long-awaited Fujairah storage facility, fully integrated our U.S. East Coast operations, and continued to streamline our expenses to maximize utilization of our fleet. We are proud to have significantly grown our company and delivered solid results despite industry-wide headwinds.”

¹ Please see below for a reconciliation of EBITDA, a non-GAAP measure, to net income.

Mr. Tavlarios continued, “Throughout 2014 we successfully executed on our strategy to streamline our infrastructure and leverage our full-year results, which include fourth quarter and full-year operating income growth of 42 and 47% respectively. Looking ahead, we expect to continue building on our strong momentum in 2015 to deliver continued bottom line growth. We look forward to evaluating additional expansion opportunities and leveraging our strengthened global position to drive continued growth and value creation.”

For the three months ended December 31, 2014 the Company achieved net income attributable to Aegean shareholders of \$7.5 million, or \$0.16 basic diluted earnings per share. Net income attributable to Aegean shareholders excluding a write-down on bad debt expense related to the OW bankruptcy and a non-cash gain from the sale of non-core assets was \$10.4 million or \$0.22 basic and diluted earnings per share. For the three months ended December 31, 2013, the Company recorded net income attributable to Aegean shareholders of \$7.0 million, or \$0.15 basic and diluted earnings per share. Net income attributable to Aegean shareholders excluding a non-cash loss from the sale of a non-core vessel was \$7.5 million or 0.16 basic and diluted earnings per share.

Following a reduction in commodity prices our total revenues for the three months ended December 31, 2014, decreased by 2.2% to \$1,437.7 million compared with \$1,470.4 million reported for the same period in 2013. For the three months ended December 31, 2014, sales of marine petroleum products decreased by 2.2% to \$1,421.0 million compared with \$1,453.0 million for the same period in 2013. Gross profit, which equals total revenue less directly attributable cost of revenue increased by 13.6% to \$85.2 million in the fourth quarter of 2014 compared with \$75.0 million in the same period in 2013.

For the three months ended December 31, 2014, the volume of marine fuel sold by the Company increased by 26.2% to 3,008,060 metric tons compared with 2,384,376 metric tons in the same period in 2013.

Operating income for the fourth quarter of 2014 amounted to \$18.5 million compared to \$14.5 million for the same period in 2013. Operating expenses increased by \$6.2 million, or 10.2%, to \$66.7 million for the three months ended December 31, 2014, compared with \$60.5 million for the same period in 2013 largely due to a \$3.3m bad debt expense related to the OW bankruptcy.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$193.9 million for the three months ended December 31, 2014. Net income, as adjusted for non-cash items (as defined in Note 9) was \$6.2 million for the period.

Net cash used in investing activities was \$25.3 million for the three months ended December 31, 2014, primarily driven by the construction and completion of our storage facility in Fujairah.

Net cash used in financing activities was \$140.2 million for the three months ended December 31, 2014, which was used to repay short term borrowings.

As of December 31, 2014, the Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$143.1 million and working capital of \$205.3 million. Non-cash working capital, or working capital excluding cash and debt, was \$431.1 million.

As of December 31, 2014, the Company had \$912.4 million in available liquidity, which includes unrestricted cash and cash equivalents of \$143.1 million and available undrawn amounts under the Company’s working capital facilities of \$769.3 million, to finance working capital requirements.

The weighted average basic and diluted shares outstanding for the three months ended December 31, 2014 were 46,336,307. The weighted average basic and diluted shares outstanding for the three months ended December 31, 2013 were 45,685,472.

Spyros Gianniotis, Aegean's Chief Financial Officer, stated, "Aegean continues to successfully execute on a strategy of expanding/ enhancing its global offering while streamlining its operating platform and has achieved strong growth despite market volatility. Notably, we upsized and priced our previously announced 4.00% Convertible Senior Notes due 2018, which will provide us with additional liquidity to continue pursuing growth opportunities."

Ms. Gianniotis concluded, "Going forward we will continue to vigilantly monitor our capital allocation to capitalize on our expanded global scale and world-class integrated logistics platform and enhance shareholder value. I'd like to welcome all of our new employees around the world, and thank our dedicated team for their strong execution that is allowing us to enhance value for our shareholders."

Summary Consolidated Financial and Other Data (Unaudited)

	For the Three Months Ended December 31,		For the Year Ended December 31,	
	2013	2014	2013	2014
<i>(in thousands of U.S. dollars, unless otherwise stated)</i>				
Income Statement Data:				
Revenues - third parties	\$ 1,462,023	\$ 1,431,457	\$ 6,303,105	\$ 6,635,316
Revenues - related companies	8,407	6,281	31,624	26,699
Total revenues	1,470,430	1,437,738	6,334,729	6,662,015
Cost of revenues - third parties	1,299,902	1,301,227	5,621,408	5,975,541
Cost of revenues— related companies	95,562	51,343	427,329	351,311
Total cost of revenues	1,395,464	1,352,570	6,048,737	6,326,852
Gross profit	74,966	85,168	285,992	335,163
Operating expenses:				
Selling and distribution	50,951	55,690	201,597	218,899
General and administrative	8,553	11,059	29,727	38,099
Amortization of intangible assets	473	376	1,603	3,323
Loss/(Gain) on sale of vessels, net	495	(413)	4,312	12,864
Vessel impairment charge	-	-	-	4,062
Operating income	14,494	18,456	48,753	57,916
Net financing cost	8,265	8,679	27,998	33,781
Gain on sale of subsidiary, net	-	-	(4,174)	-
Foreign exchange (gains) / losses, net	(370)	2,787	(1,123)	6,032
Other expense	-	-	-	-
Income taxes expense / (income)	(423)	(509)	(978)	464
Net income	7,022	7,499	27,030	17,639
Less income/(loss) attributable to non-controlling interest	10	(17)	(33)	49
Net income attributable to AMPNI shareholders	\$ 7,012	\$ 7,516	\$ 27,063	\$ 17,590
Basic earnings per share (U.S. dollars)	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.37
Diluted earnings per share (U.S. dollars)	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.37
EBITDA⁽¹⁾	\$ 22,392	\$ 22,894	\$ 83,231	\$ 82,019
Other Financial Data:				
Gross spread on marine petroleum products ⁽²⁾	\$ 65,029	\$ 78,238	\$ 256,724	\$ 303,150
Gross spread on lubricants ⁽²⁾	932	828	3,914	2,948
Gross spread on marine fuel ⁽²⁾	64,097	77,410	252,810	300,202
Gross spread per metric ton of marine fuel sold (U.S. dollars) ⁽²⁾	26.9	25.7	25.4	26.5
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 38,705	\$ 193,857	\$ 40,583	\$ 181,546
Net cash used in investing activities	(151,290)	(25,292)	(181,821)	(58,834)
Net cash provided by/ (used in) financing activities	102,394	(140,183)	125,978	(36,753)
Sales Volume Data (Metric Tons):⁽³⁾				
Total sales volumes	2,384,376	3,008,060	9,941,061	11,332,385
Other Operating Data:				
Number of owned bunkering tankers, end of period ⁽⁴⁾	51.0	48.0	51.0	48.0
Average number of owned bunkering tankers ⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾	52.3	48.4	53.8	50.2
Special Purpose Vessels, end of period ⁽⁶⁾	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Number of operating storage facilities, end of period ⁽⁷⁾	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0

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	As of December 31, 2013	As of December 31, 2014
<i>(in thousands of U.S. dollars, unless otherwise stated)</i>		
Balance Sheet Data:		
Cash and cash equivalents	62,575	143,078
Gross trade receivables	472,543	354,459
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(2,622)	(5,851)
Inventories	303,297	156,990
Current assets	896,730	750,415
Total assets	1,616,185	1,498,252
Trade payables	241,743	120,451
Current liabilities (including current portion of long-term debt)	652,277	545,067
Total debt	783,317	754,407
Total liabilities	1,072,439	930,836
Total stockholder's equity	543,746	567,416
Working Capital Data:		
Working capital ⁽⁸⁾	244,453	205,348
Working capital excluding cash and debt ⁽⁸⁾	541,919	431,081

Notes:

- EBITDA represents net income before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization. EBITDA does not represent and should not be considered as an alternative to net income or cash flow from operations, as determined by United States generally accepted accounting principles, or U.S. GAAP, and our calculation of EBITDA may not be comparable to that recorded by other companies. EBITDA is included herein because it is a basis upon which the Company assesses its operating performance and because the Company believes that it presents useful information to investors regarding a company's ability to service and/or incur indebtedness. The following table reconciles net income to EBITDA for the periods presented:

	For the Three Months Ended December 31,	
	2013	2014
<i>(in thousands of U.S. dollars, unless otherwise stated)</i>		
Net income attributable to AMPNI shareholders	7,012	7,516
Add: Net financing cost including amortization of financing costs	8,265	8,679
Add/ (Less): Income tax expense/ (income)	(423)	(509)
Add: Depreciation and amortization excluding amortization of financing costs	7,538	7,208
EBITDA	22,392	22,894

2. Gross spread on marine petroleum products represents the margin the Company generates on sales of marine fuel and lubricants. Gross spread on marine fuel represents the margin that the Company generates on sales of various classifications of marine fuel oil (“MFO”) or marine gas oil (“MGO”). Gross spread on lubricants represents the margin that the Company generates on sales of lubricants. Gross spread on marine petroleum products, gross spread of MFO and gross spread on lubricants are not items recognized by U.S. GAAP and should not be considered as an alternative to gross profit or any other indicator of a Company’s operating performance required by U.S. GAAP. The Company’s definition of gross spread may not be the same as that used by other companies in the same or other industries. The Company calculates the above-mentioned gross spreads by subtracting from the sales of the respective marine petroleum product the cost of the respective marine petroleum product sold and cargo transportation costs. For arrangements in which the Company physically supplies the respective marine petroleum product using its bunkering tankers, costs of the respective marine petroleum products sold represents amounts paid by the Company for the respective marine petroleum product sold in the relevant reporting period. For arrangements in which the respective marine petroleum product is purchased from the Company’s related company, Aegean Oil S.A., or Aegean Oil, cost of the respective marine petroleum products sold represents the total amount paid by the Company to the physical supplier for the respective marine petroleum product and its delivery to the custom arrangements in which the Company purchases cargos of marine fuel for its floating storage facilities, transportation costs may be included in the purchase price of marine fuels from the supplier or may be incurred separately from a transportation provider. Gross spread per metric ton of marine fuel sold represents the margin the Company generates per metric ton of marine fuel sold. The Company calculates gross spread per metric ton of marine fuel sold by dividing the gross spread on marine fuel by the sales volume of marine fuel. Marine fuel sales do not include sales of lubricants. The following table reflects the calculation of gross spread per metric ton of marine fuel sold for the periods presented:

	For the Three Months Ended	
	December 31,	
	2013	2014
Sales of marine petroleum products	\$ 1,452,993	\$ 1,421,025
Less: Cost of marine petroleum products sold.....	(1,387,964)	(1,342,787)
Gross spread on marine petroleum products	65,029	78,238
Less: Gross spread on lubricants	(932)	(828)
Gross spread on marine fuel.....	64,097	77,410
Sales volume of marine fuel (metric tons)	2,384,376	3,008,060
Gross spread per metric ton of marine fuel sold (U.S. dollars)	\$ 26.9	\$ 25.7

3. Sales volume of marine fuel is the volume of sales of various classifications of MFO and MGO for the relevant period and is denominated in metric tons. The Company does not use the sales volume of lubricants as an indicator. The Company’s markets include its physical supply operations in the United Arab Emirates, Gibraltar, Jamaica, Singapore, Northern Europe, Vancouver, Portland (U.K.), Trinidad and Tobago (Southern Caribbean), Tangiers (Morocco), Las Palmas, Tenerife, Panama, Hong Kong, Barcelona, Algeciras, US East and West Coast, Gulf of Mexico, Russia, Germany and Greece, where the Company conducts operations through its related company, Aegean Oil.
4. Bunkering fleet comprises both bunkering vessels and barges.
5. Figure represents average bunkering fleet number for the relevant period, as measured by the sum of the number of days each bunkering tanker or barge was used as part of the fleet during the period divided by the cumulative number of calendar days in the period multiplied by the number of bunkering tankers at the end of the period. This figure does not take into account non-operating days due to either scheduled or unscheduled maintenance.

6. Special Purpose Vessels consists of the Orion, a 550 dwt tanker which is based in our Greek market.
7. The Company owns one barge, the Mediterranean, as a floating storage facility in Greece and a small tanker, the Tapuit, as a floating storage facility in Northern Europe. The Company also operates on-land storage facilities in Portland, Las Palmas, Tangiers, Panama, U.S.A., Barcelona and Fujairah.

The ownership of storage facilities allows the Company to mitigate its risk of supply shortages. Generally, storage costs are included in the price of refined marine fuel quoted by local suppliers. The Company expects that the ownership of storage facilities will allow it to convert the variable costs of this storage fee mark-up per metric ton quoted by suppliers into fixed costs of operating its owned storage facilities, thus enabling the Company to spread larger sales volumes over a fixed cost base and to decrease its refined fuel costs.
8. Working capital is defined as current assets minus current liabilities. Working capital excluding cash and debt is defined as current assets minus cash and cash equivalents minus restricted cash minus current liabilities plus short-term borrowings plus current portion of long-term debt.
9. Net income as adjusted for non-cash items, such as depreciation, provision for doubtful accounts, restricted stock, amortization, deferred income taxes, loss on sale of vessels, net, unrealized loss/(gain) on derivatives and unrealized foreign exchange loss/(gain), net, is used to assist in evaluating our ability to make quarterly cash distributions. Net income as adjusted for non-cash items is not recognized by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States and should not be considered as an alternative to net income or any other indicator of the Company's performance required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

Fourth Quarter 2014 Dividend Announcement

On March 16, 2015, the Company's Board of Directors declared a fourth quarter 2014 dividend of \$0.02 per share payable on April 13, 2015 to shareholders of record as of March 30, 2015. The dividend amount was determined in accordance with the Company's dividend policy of paying cash dividends on a quarterly basis subject to factors including the requirements of Marshall Islands law, future earnings, capital requirements, financial condition, future prospects and such other factors as are determined by the Company's Board of Directors. The Company anticipates retaining most of its future earnings, if any, for use in operations and business expansion.

Conference Call and Webcast Information

Aegean Marine Petroleum Network Inc. will conduct a conference call and simultaneous Internet webcast on Tuesday, March 17, 2015 at 8:30 a.m. Eastern Time, to discuss its fourth quarter results. Investors may access the webcast and related slide presentation, by visiting the Company's website at www.ampni.com, and clicking on the webcast link. The conference call also may be accessed via telephone by dialing (888) 378-0320 (for U.S.-based callers) or (719) 457-1035 (for international callers) and enter the passcode: 9791775.

A replay of the webcast will be available soon after the completion of the call and will be accessible on www.ampni.com. A telephone replay will be available through March 31, 2014 by dialing (888) 203-1112 or (for U.S.-based callers) or (719) 457-0820 (for international callers) and enter the passcode: 9791775.

About Aegean Marine Petroleum Network Inc.

Aegean Marine Petroleum Network Inc. is an international marine fuel logistics company that markets and physically supplies refined marine fuel and lubricants to ships in port and at sea. The Company procures product from various sources (such as refineries, oil producers, and traders) and resells it to a diverse group of customers across all major commercial shipping sectors and leading cruise lines. Currently, Aegean has a global presence in 30 markets, including Vancouver, Montreal, Mexico, Jamaica, Trinidad and Tobago, Gibraltar, U.K., Northern Europe, Piraeus, Patras, the United Arab Emirates, Singapore, Morocco, the Antwerp-Rotterdam-Amsterdam (ARA) region, Las Palmas, Tenerife, Panama, Hong Kong, Barcelona, the U.S. East Coast, Los Angeles Algeciras, Germany and Russia. The Company has also entered into a strategic alliance to extend its global reach to China. To learn more about Aegean, visit <http://www.ampni.com>.

Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

Matters discussed in this press release may constitute forward-looking statements. The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 provides safe harbor protections for forward-looking statements in order to encourage companies to provide prospective information about their business. Forward-looking statements include statements concerning plans, objectives, goals, strategies, future events or performance, and underlying assumptions and other statements, which are other than statements of historical facts.

The Company desires to take advantage of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and is including this cautionary statement in connection with this safe harbor legislation. The words "believe," "intend," "anticipate," "estimate," "project," "forecast," "plan," "potential," "may," "should," "expect" and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements in this press release are based upon various assumptions, many of which are based, in turn, upon further assumptions, including without limitation, our management's examination of historical operating trends, data contained in our records and other data available from third parties. Although we believe that these assumptions were reasonable when made, because these assumptions are inherently subject to significant uncertainties and contingencies which are difficult or impossible to predict and are beyond our control, we cannot assure you that we will achieve or accomplish these expectations, beliefs or projections.

In addition to these important factors, other important factors that, in our view, could cause actual results to differ materially from those discussed in the forward-looking statements include our ability to manage growth, our ability to maintain our business in light of our proposed business and location expansion, our ability to obtain double hull secondhand bunkering tankers, the outcome of legal, tax or regulatory proceedings to which we may become a party, adverse conditions in the shipping or the marine fuel supply industries, our ability to retain our key suppliers and key customers, material disruptions in the availability or supply of crude oil or refined petroleum products, changes in the market price of petroleum, including the volatility of spot pricing, increased levels of competition, compliance or lack of compliance with various environmental and other applicable laws and regulations, our ability to collect accounts receivable, changes in the political, economic or regulatory conditions in the markets in which we operate, and the world in general, our failure to hedge certain financial risks associated with our business, our ability to maintain our current tax treatments and our failure to comply with restrictions in our credit agreements and other factors. Please see our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a more complete discussion of these and other risks and uncertainties.

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