

Forrester Research Reports First-Quarter Financial Results

Cambridge, Mass., April 28, 2011 . . . Forrester Research, Inc. (Nasdaq: FORR) today announced its first-quarter ended March 31, 2011 financial results.

First-Quarter Financial Performance

- Total revenues were \$65.7 million, compared with \$59.2 million for the first quarter of last year.
- On a GAAP basis, net income was \$2.9 million, or \$0.13 per diluted share, compared with net income of \$5.8 million, or \$0.25 per diluted share, for the same period last year.
- On a pro forma basis, net income was \$4.8 million, or \$0.21 per diluted share, for the first quarter of 2011, which reflects a pro forma effective tax rate of 40%. Pro forma net income excludes stock-based compensation of \$1.4 million, amortization of \$0.7 million of acquisition-related intangible assets, \$1.5 million of duplicate lease costs, \$0.4 million of acquisition costs, and net investment gains of \$0.6 million. This compares with pro forma net income of \$6.3 million, or \$0.28 per diluted share, for the same period in 2010, which reflects a pro forma tax rate of 40%. Pro forma net income for the first quarter of 2010 excludes stock-based compensation of \$1.1 million, amortization of \$0.9 million of acquisition-related intangible assets, \$0.3 million of acquisition-related credits, and net investment gains of \$0.4 million.

"Our first quarter financial performance was consistent with our expectations during a year of planned significant investments to support growth in our business," said George F. Colony, Forrester's chairman of the board and chief executive officer. "In addition to delivering doubledigit revenue growth in the first quarter, our key metrics remained strong."

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

Forrester is providing second-quarter 2011 financial guidance as follows:

Second-Quarter 2011 (GAAP):

- Total revenues of approximately \$71.5 million to \$74.5 million.
- Operating margin of approximately 11.0% to 13.0%.

- Other income, net of \$100,000.
- An effective tax rate of 40%.
- Diluted earnings per share of approximately \$0.21 to \$0.25.

Second-Quarter 2011 (Pro Forma):

Pro forma financial guidance for the second quarter of 2011 excludes stock-based compensation expense of \$1.1 million to \$1.3 million, amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets of approximately \$0.4 million, duplicate lease costs of approximately \$1.5 million, and any acquisition costs and investment gains or losses.

- Pro forma operating margin of approximately 15.0% to 17.0%.
- Pro forma effective tax rate of 40%.
- Pro forma diluted earnings per share of approximately \$0.29 to \$0.33.

Our full-year 2011 guidance is as follows:

Full-Year 2011 (GAAP):

- Total revenues of approximately \$282 million to \$288 million.
- Operating margin of approximately 12.0% to 13.0%.
- Other income of approximately \$0.5 million.
- An effective tax rate of 40%.
- Diluted earnings per share of approximately \$0.96 to \$1.02.

Full-Year 2011 (Pro Forma):

Pro forma financial guidance for full-year 2011 excludes stock-based compensation expense of \$5.0 million to \$5.5 million, amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets of approximately \$1.8 million, duplicate lease costs of approximately \$3.5 million, and any acquisition costs and investment gains or losses.

- Pro forma operating margin of approximately 16.0% to 17.0%.
- Pro forma effective tax rate of 40%.
- Pro forma diluted earnings per share of approximately \$1.22 to \$1.28.

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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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