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BRP REPORTS FOURTH-QUARTER AND FISCAL YEAR 2016 RESULTS



The model year 2017 Ski-Doo line-up was launched on February 22, 2016. © BRP 2016

Highlights:

- Revenues of \$3,829.2 million for FY2016, an 8.6% increase compared to FY2015;
- Normalized EBITDA^[1] of \$460.0 million, a 9.2% increase compared to the same period last year;
- Normalized net income^[1] of \$200.8 million resulting in a normalized diluted earnings per share^[1] of \$1.71;
- Net income of \$51.6 million, a decrease of \$18.5 million compared to the same period last year;
- Non-cash impairment charge of \$45.1 million, net of income taxes, related to its outboard engine assets; and
- Reaffirmed our leadership in the snowmobile market with the launch of a new Ski-Doo platform.

Valcourt, Québec, March 18, 2016 – BRP Inc. (TSX:DOO) today reported its financial results for the three- and twelve-month periods ended January 31, 2016. All financial information is in Canadian dollars unless otherwise noted. The complete financial results are available at www.sedar.com.

“Despite intense competition and a softer economy in certain key markets, the BRP team has really come together and delivered on our plan. This has been a year marked by solid product introductions, flawless execution on all our programs and gains across our product lines. I would highlight in particular the introduction of all our new products, the completion of our second state-of-the-art manufacturing facility in Juárez, Mexico, and the addition of 105 new powersports dealers to our North American network,” said José Boisjoli, president and CEO.

[1] See “Non-IFRS Measures” section.

“We feel the momentum across all our product lines, particularly with Can-Am vehicles where we’ve committed to deliver a new side-by-side model every six months for the next four years. I’m also very proud of the recently launched Ski-Doo platform that will maintain our leadership position.”

In closing, Boisjoli added: “Our continued focus on innovation, which consistently drives market share gains, as well as our geographic and product diversification and global manufacturing footprint, continue to provide us with the levers required to deliver growth. In addition, given our team’s determination and the breadth of products to be announced over the coming year, across our six product lines, I am confident that we will reach our financial targets for Fiscal Year 2017.”

Highlights for the Three- and Twelve-Month Periods Ended January 31, 2016

Revenues increased by \$40.7 million, or 3.8%, to \$1,108.8 million for the **three-month period** ended January 31, 2016, compared with \$1,068.1 million for the corresponding period ended January 31, 2015. The revenue increase was mainly due to a favourable foreign exchange rate variation of \$98 million related largely to the strengthening of the U.S. dollar against the Canadian dollar and to higher wholesale in Year-Round Products. The increase was partially offset by lower wholesale in Seasonal Products.

Gross profit decreased by \$3.8 million, or 1.3%, to \$285.9 million for the **three-month period** ended January 31, 2016, compared with \$289.7 million for the corresponding period ended January 31, 2015. The gross profit decrease is mainly due to lower wholesale and additional sales program costs in snowmobiles, partially offset by a favourable foreign exchange rate variation of \$13 million. Gross profit margin percentage decreased by 130 basis points to 25.8% from 27.1% for the three-month period ended January 31, 2015. The decrease in gross profit margin percentage was primarily due to higher sales programs in snowmobiles, to an unfavourable channel mix in outboard engines and to an unfavourable foreign exchange variation, partially offset by general price increases.

Revenues increased by \$304.5 million, or 8.6%, to \$3,829.2 million for the **twelve-month period** ended January 31, 2016, compared with \$3,524.7 million for the corresponding period ended January 31, 2015. The revenue increase was attributable to a favourable foreign exchange rate variation of \$254 million mainly due to the strengthening of the U.S. dollar against the Canadian dollar and to a higher wholesale in Year-Round Products and PAC.

Gross profit increased by \$68.6 million, or 8.1%, to \$914.2 million for the **twelve-month period** ended January 31, 2016, compared with \$845.6 million for the corresponding period ended January 31, 2015. The gross profit increase includes a favourable foreign exchange rate variation of \$23 million. Gross profit margin percentage remained stable at 23.9% for the twelve-month period ended January 31, 2016 compared with 24.0% for the twelve-month period ended January 31, 2015. Higher sales program costs in Seasonal Products and unfavourable foreign exchange rate impact were offset by lower production costs and general price increases.

Net Income data

(in millions of Canadian dollars)	Three-month periods ended		Twelve-month periods ended		
	January 31, 2016	January 31, 2015	January 31, 2016	January 31, 2015	January 31, 2014
Revenues by category					
Year-Round Products	\$ 482.6	\$ 416.0	\$ 1,439.2	\$ 1,306.3	\$ 1,204.9
Seasonal Products	356.7	391.6	1,367.3	1,288.9	1,136.2
Propulsion Systems	99.0	108.7	395.4	373.7	343.7
PAC	170.5	151.8	627.3	555.8	509.3
Total Revenues	1,108.8	1,068.1	3,829.2	3,524.7	3,194.1
Cost of sales	822.9	778.4	2,915.0	2,679.1	2,386.4
Gross profit	285.9	289.7	914.2	845.6	807.7
<i>As a percentage of revenues</i>	25.8%	27.1%	23.9%	24.0%	25.3%
Operating expenses					
Selling and marketing	62.6	54.5	265.0	242.1	230.7
Research and development	47.6	39.0	164.4	158.2	144.9
General and administrative	42.7	34.9	143.5	144.4	143.8
Impairment charge (reversal)	70.3	—	70.3	—	(0.3)
Other operating expenses (income)	(12.6)	(13.0)	5.7	(4.1)	(6.5)
Total operating expenses	210.6	115.4	648.9	540.6	512.6
Operating income	75.3	174.3	265.3	305.0	295.1
Net financing costs	16.1	14.3	59.1	56.6	62.0
Foreign exchange loss on long-term debt	77.4	111.5	105.8	123.9	96.4
Increase in fair value of common shares	—	—	—	—	19.6
Income (loss) before income taxes	(18.2)	48.5	100.4	124.5	117.1
Income taxes expense	10.5	40.0	48.8	54.4	57.4
Net income (loss)	\$ (28.7)	\$ 8.5	\$ 51.6	\$ 70.1	\$ 59.7
Attributable to shareholders	\$ (28.7)	\$ 8.5	\$ 51.6	\$ 70.2	\$ 59.9
Attributable to non-controlling interest	—	—	—	(0.1)	(0.2)
Normalized EBITDA^[1]	\$ 173.9	\$ 199.3	\$ 460.0	\$ 421.3	\$ 380.2
Normalized net income^[1]	86.8	116.5	200.8	196.2	168.3
Earnings (loss) per share - basic	\$ (0.25)	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.44	\$ 0.59	\$ 0.53
Earnings (loss) per share - diluted	(0.25)	0.07	0.44	0.59	0.53
Normalized earnings per share – basic ^[1]	0.75	0.98	1.72	1.66	1.50
Normalized earnings per share – diluted ^[1]	0.75	0.98	1.71	1.65	1.49

^[1] See "Non-IFRS Measures" section.

QUARTERLY REVIEW BY CATEGORIES

Year-Round Products

Revenues from Year-Round Products increased by \$66.6 million, or 16.0%, to \$482.6 million for the three-month period ended January 31, 2016, compared with \$416.0 million for the corresponding period ended January 31, 2015. The increase resulted from a favourable foreign exchange rate variation of \$51 million, from a higher volume of SSV sold following the introduction of the Defender and from general price increases. The increase was partially offset by an unfavourable product mix of SSV sold.

Seasonal Products

Revenues from Seasonal Products decreased by \$34.9 million, or 8.9%, to \$356.7 million for the three-month period ended January 31, 2016, compared with \$391.6 million for the corresponding period ended January 31, 2015. The decrease resulted primarily from a lower volume of snowmobiles sold mainly attributable to earlier shipments during the year and additional sales program costs due to a lack of snowfall in North America and an economic slowdown experienced in Western Canada. The decrease was partially offset by a favourable mix in PWC and a favourable foreign exchange rate variation of \$24 million.

Propulsion Systems

Revenues from Propulsion Systems decreased by \$9.7 million, or 8.9%, to \$99.0 million for the three-month period ended January 31, 2016, compared with \$108.7 million for the corresponding period ended January 31, 2015. The decrease in revenues was mainly attributable to a lower volume and an unfavourable mix of outboard engines sold. The decrease was partially offset by a favourable foreign exchange rate variation of \$9 million.

PAC (Parts, Accessories, Clothing and other services)

Revenues from PAC increased by \$18.7 million, or 12.3%, to \$170.5 million for the three-month period ended January 31, 2016, compared with \$151.8 million for the corresponding period ended January 31, 2015. The increase was mainly attributable to a favourable foreign exchange rate variation of \$14 million and to a higher volume of SSV and roadsters PAC sold resulting from new product introductions. The increase was partially offset by a lower volume of snowmobile PAC sold resulting from a lack of snowfall in North America and an economic slowdown experienced in Western Canada.

Operating expenses increased by \$95.2 million, or 82.5%, to \$210.6 million for the three-month period ended January 31, 2016, compared with \$115.4 million for the three-month period ended January 31, 2015. This increase was mainly due to a non-cash impairment charge of \$70.3 million (\$45.1 million net of income taxes) related to outboard engine assets and to an unfavourable foreign exchange impact of \$17 million. The impairment was triggered by the strengthening of the U.S. dollar against almost all currencies which has negatively impacted the profitability of outboard engine products sold outside of the United States, and by lower overall performance than expected.

Normalized net income^[1] stood at \$86.8 million, a decrease of \$29.7 million, which resulted in a normalized diluted earnings per share^[1] of \$0.75, a decrease of \$0.23 per share. The decrease was primarily due to lower wholesale in snowmobiles and higher operating expenses.

Fiscal Year 2017 Guidance

The table below sets forth BRP's financial guidance for Fiscal Year 2017 when compared to actual results for Fiscal Year 2016. The individual targets are based on certain assumptions for currency exchange rates and exclude the effects of future fluctuations.

Financial Metric	FY17 Guidance vs FY16 Results
Revenues	
Year-Round Products	Up 6% to 10%
Seasonal Products	Flat to up 4%
Propulsion Systems	Up 5% to 10%
PAC	Up 5% to 10%
Total Company Revenues	Up 4% to 8%
Normalized EBITDA ^[1]	Up 7% to 10%
Effective Tax Rate ^[2]	27% - 28% (vs 26.6% in FY16)
Normalized Net Income ^{[1][3]}	Flat to up 7%
Normalized Earnings per Share – Diluted ^{[1][3]}	\$1.75 to \$1.85 (up 2% to 8% from \$1.71 in FY16)
Capital Expenditures	\$190M to \$205M (vs \$211M in FY16)

[1] See "Non-IFRS Measures" section.

[2] Effective tax rate based on Normalized Earnings before Normalized Income Tax.

[3] Assuming a \$150M depreciation expense (compared to \$126M in FY16), \$62M Net Financing Costs and 115.4M shares.

The above targets are based on a number of economic and market assumptions the Company has made in preparing its Fiscal Year 2017 financial guidance, including assumptions regarding the performance of the economies in which it operates, foreign exchange currency fluctuations, market competition and tax laws applicable to its operations. The Company cautions that the assumptions used to prepare the forecasts for Fiscal Year 2017, although reasonable at the time they were made, may prove to be incorrect or inaccurate. In addition, the above forecasts do not reflect the potential impact of any non-recurring or other special items or of any new material commercial agreements, dispositions, mergers, acquisitions, other business combinations or other transactions that may be announced or that may occur after March 17, 2016. The financial impact of such transactions and non-recurring and other special items can be complex and depends on the facts particular to each of them. We therefore cannot describe the expected impact in a meaningful way or in the same way we present known risks affecting our business. Accordingly, our actual results could differ materially from our expectations as set forth in this news release. The outlook provided constitutes forward-looking statements within

the meaning of applicable securities laws and should be read in conjunction with the "Caution Concerning Forward-Looking Statements" section.

Conference Call and Webcast Presentation

Today at 9 a.m. (EDT), BRP Inc. will host a conference call and webcast to discuss BRP's FY2016 fourth-quarter results released this morning. The call will be hosted by José Boisjoli, president and CEO, and Sébastien Martel, CFO. A slide presentation and link to the audio webcast will be posted in the [Event Calendar](#) section.

To listen to the conference call by phone, for the English integral version (event number 4237594), please dial 514-861-1681 or 800-766-6630 (toll-free in North America). For the French version (event number 4237595), please dial 514-392-1478 or 866-225-0198 (toll-free in North America). [Click for international dial-in numbers.](#)

A replay of the conference call will be available two hours after the call for 30 days following the original broadcast.

To listen to an instant replay of the call, please dial 514-861-2272 or 800-408-3053. For the English integral version, please enter the pass code 7500930. For the French translation, enter 5363392.

About BRP

BRP (TSX:DOO) is a global leader in the design, development, manufacturing, distribution and marketing of powersports vehicles and propulsion systems. Its portfolio includes Ski-Doo and Lynx snowmobiles, Sea-Doo watercraft, Can-Am all-terrain and side-by-side vehicles, Can-Am Spyder roadsters, Evinrude and Rotax marine propulsion systems as well as Rotax engines for karts, motorcycles and recreational aircraft. BRP supports its line of products with a dedicated parts, accessories and clothing business. With annual sales of over CA\$3.8 billion from over 100 countries, the Company employs approximately 7,900 people worldwide.

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CAUTION CONCERNING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain information included in this release, including, but not limited to, statements relating to our Fiscal Year 2017 financial outlook (including revenues, gross profit margin, operating expenses, Normalized EBITDA, Effective Tax Rate, Normalized net income and Normalized earnings per share), and other statements that are not historical facts, are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Canadian securities laws. Forward-looking statements are typically identified by the use of terminology such as "may", "will", "would", "should", "could", "expects", "forecasts",

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KEY ASSUMPTIONS

The Company made a number of economic and market assumptions in preparing its Fiscal Year 2017 financial guidance, including assumptions regarding the performance of the economies in which it operates, market competition, tax laws applicable to its operations and foreign exchange currency fluctuation. In addition, many factors could cause the Company’s actual results, level of activity, performance or achievements or future events or developments to differ materially from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements, including, without limitation, the following factors, which are discussed in greater detail under the heading “Risk Factors” of this Annual Information Form: impact of adverse economic conditions on consumer spending; decline in social acceptability of the Company’s products; fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates; high levels of indebtedness; unavailability of additional capital; unfavourable weather conditions; seasonal sales fluctuations; the Company’s ability to comply with product safety, health, environmental and noise pollution laws; dependence on dealers, distributors, suppliers, financing sources and other strategic partners who may be sensitive to economic conditions; large fixed cost base; inability of dealers and distributors to secure adequate access to capital; supply problems, termination or interruption of supply arrangements or increases in the cost of materials; covenants in the Company’s financing and other material agreements; competition in product lines; loss of members of management team or employees who possess specialized market knowledge and technical skills; inability to maintain and enhance reputation and brands; adverse determination in any significant product liability claim against the Company; significant product repair and/or replacement due to product warranty claims or product recalls; reliance on a network of independent dealers and distributors to manage the retail distribution of its products; dependence on OEM customers for its outboard engine and Rotax engine business; unsuccessful management of inventory levels; risks associated with international operations; unsuccessful execution of growth strategy; protection of intellectual property; failure of information technology systems; declining prices for used versions of products and oversupply by competitors; unsuccessful execution of manufacturing strategy; changes in tax laws and unanticipated tax liabilities; higher fuel costs; deterioration in relationships with employees; pension plan liabilities; natural disasters; failure to carry proper insurance coverage; volatile market price for Subordinate Voting Shares; no current plans to pay dividends; conduct of business through subsidiaries; significant influence by Beaudier Group and Bain Capital; and future sales of Shares by Beaudier Group, Bain Capital, directors, officers or senior management of the Company. These factors are not intended to represent a complete list of the factors that could affect the Company; however, these factors should be considered carefully.

BRP undertakes no obligation to update or revise forward-looking statements to reflect future events, changes in circumstances, or changes in beliefs, unless required by applicable Canadian securities laws. In the event that BRP does update any forward-looking statement, no inference should be made that BRP will make additional updates with respect to that statement, related matters, or any other forward-looking statement.

NON-IFRS MEASURES

This press release makes reference to certain non-IFRS measures. These measures are not recognized measures under IFRS, do not have a standardized meaning prescribed by IFRS and are therefore unlikely to be comparable to similar measures presented by other companies. Rather, these measures are provided as additional information to complement those IFRS measures by providing further understanding of the Company’s results of operations from management’s perspective. Accordingly, they should not be considered in isolation nor as a substitute for analysis of the Company’s financial information reported under IFRS. The Company uses non-IFRS measures including Normalized EBITDA, Normalized Net Income, Normalized basic earnings per share and Normalized diluted earnings per share to provide investors with supplemental measures of the Company’s operating performance. The Company believes non-IFRS measures are important supplemental measures of operating performance because they eliminate items that have less bearing on the Company’s operating performance and thus highlight trends in its core business that may not otherwise be apparent when relying solely on IFRS measures. The Company also believes that securities analysts, investors and other interested parties frequently use non-IFRS measures in the evaluation of companies, many of which present similar metrics when reporting their results. Management also uses non-IFRS

measures in order to facilitate operating performance comparisons from period to period, prepare annual operating budgets and assess the Company's ability to meet its future debt service, capital expenditure and working capital requirements. Because other companies may calculate these non-IFRS measures differently than the Company does, these metrics are not comparable to similarly titled measures reported by other companies.

Normalized EBITDA is defined as net income before financing costs, financing income, income taxes expense (recovery), depreciation expense and normalized elements. Normalized Net Income is defined as net income before normalized elements adjusted to reflect the tax effect on these elements. Normalized income taxes expense is defined as income taxes expense adjusted to reflect the tax effect on normalized elements. Normalized earnings per share - basic and normalized earnings per share – diluted are calculated respectively by dividing the normalized net income by the weighted average number of shares – basic and the weighted average number of shares – diluted. The Company refers the reader to the “Selected Consolidated Financial Information” section of the MD&A for the reconciliations of Normalized EBITDA and Normalized Net Income presented by the Company to the most directly comparable IFRS measure.

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