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NUCO2 INC. REPORTS GAINS IN FIRST QUARTER RESULTS

- - - - - OPERATING CASH FLOW INCREASES SIGNIFICANTLY

STUART, FLORIDA, November 5, 2007 – NuCO2 Inc. (NASDAQ: NUCO), the largest supplier in the U.S. of bulk CO2 systems and services for carbonating fountain beverages, today reported operating results for the fiscal first quarter ended September 30, 2007, in line with the Company's fiscal 2008 strategic growth plan.

- Total revenues for the quarter amounted to \$34.9 million, compared with \$32.4 million in the corresponding year-ago period, an increase of 8.0%.
- Gross profit increased to \$18.3 million from \$17.6 million in the prior year's first quarter and, as a percentage of total revenues was 52.3% as compared to 54.3% in the year-ago same period. The percentage change represents increased expenses for accelerated equipment upgrades offset by productivity gains in delivery costs during the first quarter.
- Selling, general and administrative expenses (SG&A) amounted to \$6.4 million, compared with \$6.6 million in the prior year period, and as a percentage of total revenues improved to 18.2% from 20.3% reflecting increased efficiencies, particularly in selling and marketing expenses.
- EBITDA (earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization), which the Company regards as useful information as to liquidity, excluding non-cash stock option expense, totaled \$11.7 million in the quarter, compared with \$11.3 million a year ago.
- Fully diluted net income per share for the fiscal 2008 first quarter rose 25% to \$0.20, from \$0.16 a year ago.
- Operating cash flow for the quarter amounted to \$13.0 million, up from \$8.8 million in the corresponding year-ago period, an increase of 47%, reflecting gains in income and working capital, particularly reductions in accounts receivable.

- Free cash flow, defined as cash flow from operations less capital expenditures, amounted to \$8.1 million for the quarter, compared to \$0.5 million in the year ago period.
- Capital expenditures for the quarter amounted to \$4.8 million, compared to \$8.3 million a year ago, a reduction of 41.6%. The reduction in capex is in line with the Company's program to improve asset utilization and reduce tank purchases, in part by accelerated tank recoveries and tank refurbishing.
- A total of 274,195 common shares were repurchased by the Company at a cost of \$7.1 million during the quarter as part of the Company's previously announced \$50 million share repurchase plan. To date, a total of 1,180,304 common shares have been repurchased at a cost of approximately \$29.6 million. The share repurchases were financed from free cash flow.

“The quarter's results were solidly on track with our plan and reflect gains in operational productivity, asset management and providing the highest quality customer service, while strengthening operating and free cash flow,” said Michael E. DeDomenico, Chairman and CEO. “During the quarter, we continued to achieve targeted gains in adding to our customer roster while refining and strengthening our customer base in line with our strategic focus on higher quality accounts.”

About NuCO2

NuCO2 Inc. is the leading and only national provider of bulk CO2 products and services to the U.S. fountain beverage industry. With service locations within reach of virtually all of the fountain beverage users in the Continental U.S., NuCO2's experienced professionals comprise the largest network of sales and support specialists in the industry serving national restaurant chains, convenience stores, theme parks and sports and entertainment complexes, among others. NuCO2's revenues are largely derived from the installation, maintenance and rental of bulk CO2 systems and delivery of beverage grade CO2, which are increasingly replacing high pressure CO2, until now the traditional method for carbonating fountain beverages. The technology offers consistent quality, greater ease of operation, and heightened efficiency and safety utilizing permanently installed on-site cryogenic storage tanks. NuCO2 provides systems and services that allow its customers to spend more time serving their customers. Visit the Company's website at www.nuco2.com.

Conference Call

A conference call to report operating results for the fiscal 2008 first quarter will be held tomorrow, Tuesday, November 6, 2007, at 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time. It can be accessed over the Internet via NuCO2's website at www.nuco2.com. To listen to the live call, please go to the website at least fifteen minutes early to register, download and install any necessary audio software. For those who cannot listen to the live broadcast, a replay will be available on NuCO2's website shortly after the call.

Statements contained in this press release concerning the Company's outlook, competitive position and other statements of management's beliefs, goals and expectations are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in or implied by the statements. With respect to such forward-looking statements, we claim protection under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, the ability of the Company to add new accounts, competition and future operating performance. The Company disclaims any obligation to update any forward-looking statement as a result of developments occurring after the date of this press release.

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CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS
(In thousands)

ASSETS	September 30, 2007	June 30, 2007
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 246	\$ 343
Trade accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$735 and \$1,004, respectively	12,130	11,823
Inventories	320	297
Prepaid insurance expense and deposits	3,416	3,121
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	1,095	1,412
Deferred tax assets - current portion	8,262	8,264
Total current assets	25,469	25,260
Property and equipment, net	121,764	122,364
Goodwill & other intangible assets, net	38,648	39,180
Deferred tax assets	1,970	3,813
Other	225	221
Total other assets	40,843	43,214
Total assets	\$ 188,076	\$ 190,838
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 8,225	\$ 6,061
Accrued expenses & other current liabilities	5,524	5,889
Total current liabilities	13,749	11,950
Long-term debt	33,000	34,750
Customer deposits	4,270	4,246
Total liabilities	51,019	50,946
Total shareholders' equity	137,057	139,892
Total liabilities & shareholders' equity	\$ 188,076	\$ 190,838

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STATEMENTS OF INCOME (In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended September 30,	
	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Revenues:		
Product sales	\$ 23,393	\$ 21,551
Equipment rentals	<u>11,540</u>	<u>10,805</u>
Total revenues	<u>34,933</u>	<u>32,356</u>
Costs and expenses:		
Cost of products sold, excluding depreciation & amortization	14,532	13,986
Cost of equipment rentals, excluding depreciation & amortization	2,132	791
Selling, general and administrative expenses	6,370	6,557
Depreciation and amortization	5,023	4,845
Loss on asset disposal	<u>946</u>	<u>442</u>
	<u>29,003</u>	<u>26,621</u>
Operating income	5,930	5,735
Interest expense	<u>580</u>	<u>576</u>
Income before provision for income taxes	5,350	5,159
Provision for income tax	<u>2,360</u>	<u>2,640</u>
Net income	<u>\$ 2,990</u>	<u>\$ 2,519</u>
Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding		
Basic	<u>14,843</u>	<u>15,675</u>
Diluted	<u>15,172</u>	<u>16,042</u>
Net income per basic common share	<u>\$ 0.20</u>	<u>\$ 0.16</u>
Net income per diluted common share	<u>\$ 0.20</u>	<u>\$ 0.16</u>

RECONCILIATION OF GAAP NET INCOME TO NON-GAAP MEASURES EBITDA AND EBITDA EXCLUDING STOCK OPTION EXPENSE

	September 30,	
	2007	2006
Net income	\$ 2,990	\$ 2,519
Interest expense	580	576
Depreciation & amortization	5,023	4,845
Provision for income taxes	2,360	2,640
EBITDA	\$ 10,953	\$ 10,580
Noncash option expense	756	699
EBITDA excluding stock option expense	<u>\$ 11,709</u>	<u>\$ 11,279</u>
Cash flows provided by (used in):		
Operating activities	\$ 12,979	\$ 8,835
Investing activities	\$ (4,849)	\$ (8,302)
Financing activities	\$ (8,227)	\$ (402)

Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (“EBITDA”) is one of the principal financial measures by which the Company measures its financial performance. EBITDA is a widely accepted financial indicator used by many investors, lenders and analysts to analyze and compare companies on the basis of operating performance, and the Company believes that EBITDA provides useful information regarding the Company’s ability to service its debt and other obligations. However, EBITDA does not represent cash flow from operations, nor has it been presented as a substitute to operating income or net income as indicators of the Company’s operating performance. EBITDA excludes significant costs of doing business and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for measures of performance prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In addition, the Company’s calculation of EBITDA may be different from the calculation used by its competitors, and therefore comparability may be affected. The Company’s lender also uses EBITDA to assess the Company’s compliance with debt covenants. These financial covenants are based on a measure that is not consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Such measure is EBITDA (as defined) as modified by certain defined adjustments.