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Standard Motor Products, Inc. Announces Third Quarter 2020 Results and Reinstates Quarterly Dividend

New York, NY, October 28, 2020.....Standard Motor Products, Inc. (NYSE: SMP), an automotive replacement parts manufacturer and distributor, reported today its consolidated financial results for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2020.

Consolidated net sales for the third quarter of 2020 were \$343.6 million, compared to consolidated net sales of \$307.7 million during the comparable quarter in 2019. Earnings from continuing operations for the third quarter of 2020 were \$36.2 million or \$1.59 per diluted share, compared to \$22.7 million or \$1.00 per diluted share in the third quarter of 2019. Excluding non-operational gains and losses identified on the attached reconciliation of GAAP and non-GAAP measures, earnings from continuing operations for the third quarter of 2020 were \$36.2 million or \$1.59 per diluted share, compared to \$23.1 million or \$1.02 per diluted share in the third quarter of 2019.

Consolidated net sales for the nine months ended September 30, 2020, were \$845.9 million, compared to consolidated net sales of \$896.7 million during the comparable period in 2019.

Earnings from continuing operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2020, were \$57.7 million or \$2.53 per diluted share, compared to \$56.3 million or \$2.47 per diluted share in the comparable period of 2019. Excluding non-operational gains and losses identified on the attached reconciliation of GAAP and non-GAAP measures, earnings from continuing operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2020 and 2019 were \$57.8 million or \$2.53 per diluted share and \$57.3 million or \$2.51 per diluted share, respectively.

Loss from discontinued operations, net of income taxes, in the third quarter of 2020 was \$7.6 million compared to \$7.9 million in the comparable period last year. The loss pertains to asbestos-related liabilities from a brake business, originally acquired in 1986 and subsequently divested in 1998, which are adjusted in the third quarter each year when the Company engages an independent actuary to assess the Company's exposure.

Mr. Eric Sills, Standard Motor Products' Chief Executive Officer and President stated, "We are very pleased with our third quarter results as we set all-time records for both sales and profits in a single quarter. While sales have not fully caught up year-to-date, our profits are now roughly even with the first nine months of 2019, in this year of dramatic ups and downs. Perhaps more important in the long run is that sales—both for us and for the industry as a whole—rebounded so quickly from the April trough, confirming the resilience of our industry and how essential it is to the economy as a whole.

"These last few months also reconfirmed the strength and loyalty of our work force. With minimal precedent to guide us, our people were able to reconfigure our facilities, and establish safety protocols often more stringent than CDC requirements. In the midst of the crisis our frontline employees came to work every day, often six or seven days a week. As a result, we were able to keep our factories and distribution centers running, while protecting the health of our employees. We wish to publicly thank all of our people for their heroic efforts during the crisis.

"Our sales in the quarter were strong in both segments. Engine Management sales were up 6.3%, partially offsetting the missed sales at the height of the pandemic. Customer POS was strong throughout the quarter and has carried forward into October, which we believe reflects ongoing pent-up demand from earlier in the year. We anticipate demand ultimately normalizing towards our longer range forecast of low single digit growth. Our Temperature Control Sales were extremely strong in the quarter, up 25% over the third quarter last year, the result of very hot summer weather across most of the U.S., following light pre-season orders in the first half of the year.

"On the expense side, as previously announced, we instituted many temporary cost reductions, including limits on travel and other discretionary expenses, as well as a reduction in Executive and Board of Directors compensation, always making sure that none of these actions would affect the long-term health of our company. We anticipate that we will maintain some, but not all, of these reductions in the future.

"Though our crystal ball is somewhat cloudy, with coronavirus infection rates rising again and unemployment still at high levels, we are optimistic looking forward. Accordingly, the Board of Directors has approved a reinstatement of a quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on common stock outstanding. The dividend will be paid on December 1, 2020, to stockholders of record on November 16, 2020. We have also reinstated our share purchase program, which has remaining authorization from our Board of Directors in the amount of \$11.3 million."

Finally, the company announced that Lawrence Sills, Executive Chairman, is stepping down as an officer of the company and will continue in his role as Chairman of the Board, effective January 1, 2021. Mr. Sills stated, "This change in status reflects the fact that I will be stepping back from day-to-day duties, though I will remain closely involved with the Company as Board Chairman. I am very optimistic about the future. We have assembled an experienced and talented management team, which performed so well during the Covid-19 crisis, and am very confident that the team will continue its outstanding performance for many years ahead."

Conference Call

Standard Motor Products, Inc. will hold a conference call at 11:00 AM, Eastern Time, on Wednesday, October 28, 2020. The dial-in number is 800-791-4813 (domestic) or 785-424-1102 (international). The playback number is 800-934-4851 (domestic) or 402-220-1181 (international). The participant passcode is 76717.

Under the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, Standard Motor Products cautions investors that any forward-looking statements made by the company, including those that may be made in this press release, are based on management's expectations at the time they are made, but they are subject to risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results, events or performance to differ materially from those contemplated by such forward looking statements. Among the factors that could cause actual results, events or performance to differ materially from those risks and uncertainties discussed in this press release are those detailed from time-to-time in prior press releases and in the company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the company's annual report on Form 10-K and quarterly reports on Form 10-Q. By making these forward-looking statements, Standard Motor Products undertakes no obligation or intention to update these statements after the date of this release.

STANDARD MOTOR PRODUCTS, INC. Consolidated Statements of Operations

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	1	SEPTEN 2020	MONTHS ENDED PTEMBER 30, 2019		NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 2019			
NET SALES	\$	Unau) 343,609	udited) \$	307,723	\$	Unau) 845,850	udited) \$	896,661
COST OF SALES		235,861		215,635		603,349		637,705
GROSS PROFIT		107,748		92,088		242,501		258,956
SELLING, GENERAL & ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES RESTRUCTURING AND INTEGRATION EXPENSES OTHER EXPENSE, NET		59,497 250 37		59,947 825 12		163,698 464 31		180,483 1,469 15
OPERATING INCOME		47,964		31,304		78,308		76,989
OTHER NON-OPERATING INCOME, NET		514		225		592		2,282
INTEREST EXPENSE		462		1,508		2,107		4,319
EARNINGS FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS BEFORE TAXES		48,016		30,021		76,793		74,952
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES		11,804		7,367		19,118		18,639
EARNINGS FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS		36,212		22,654		57,675		56,313
LOSS FROM DISCONTINUED OPERATION, NET OF INCOME TAXES		(7,587)		(7,903)		(9,456)		(9,914)
NET EARNINGS	\$	28,625	\$	14,751	\$	48,219	\$	46,399
NET EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE:								
BASIC EARNINGS FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS DISCONTINUED OPERATION NET EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE - BASIC	\$ \$	1.62 (0.34) 1.28	\$ \$	1.01 (0.35) 0.66	\$ \$	2.58 (0.42) 2.16	\$ \$	2.52 (0.44) 2.08
DILUTED EARNINGS FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS DISCONTINUED OPERATION NET EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE - DILUTED	\$ \$	1.59 (0.33) 1.26	\$ \$	1.00 (0.35) 0.65	\$ \$	2.53 (0.41) 2.12	\$ \$	2.47 (0.44) 2.03

WEIGHTED AVERAGE NUMBER OF COMMON SHARES	22,349,093	22,329,835	22,372,466	22,359,637
WEIGHTED AVERAGE NUMBER OF COMMON AND DILUTIVE SHARES	22,758,458	22,754,440	22,795,426	22,814,228

STANDARD MOTOR PRODUCTS, INC. Segment Revenues and Operating Income

(In thousands)

	THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,	NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,
	2020 2019 (Unaudited)	2020 2019 (Unaudited)
<u>Revenues</u> Ignition, Emission Control, Fuel & Safety Related System Products Wire and Cable Engine Management	\$ 190,891 \$ 180,826 38,663 35,147 229,554 215,973	\$ 498,204 \$ 538,718 105,621 108,486 603,825 647,204
Compressors Other Climate Control Parts Temperature Control	70,785 52,776 39,608 35,525 110,393 88,301	141,011 145,080 93,216 96,551 234,227 241,631
All Other Revenues	3,662 3,449 \$ 343,609 \$ 307,723	7,798 7,826 \$ 845,850 \$ 896,661
<u>Gross Margin</u> Engine Management Temperature Control All Other Gross Margin	\$ 72,361 31.5% \$ 66,264 30.7% 32,212 29.2% 22,973 26.0% 3,175 2,851 2,9851 \$ 107,748 31.4% \$ 92,088 29.9%	\$ 175,296 29.0% \$ 189,737 29.3% 60,828 26.0% 61,715 25.5% 6,377 7,504 7,504 \$ 242,501 28.7% \$ 258,956 28.9%
<u>Selling, General & Administrative</u> Engine Management Temperature Control All Other Selling, General & Administrative	\$ 35,665 15.5% \$ 35,950 16.6% 15,571 14.1% 15,495 17.5% 8,261 8,502 \$ 59,497 17.3% \$ 59,947 19.5%	\$ 100,237 16.6% \$ 110,723 17.1% 40,568 17.3% 45,033 18.6% 22,893 24,727 \$ 163,698 19.4% \$ 180,483 20.1%
Operating IncomeEngine ManagementTemperature ControlAll OtherSubtotalRestructuring & IntegrationOther Expense, NetOperating Income	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

STANDARD MOTOR PRODUCTS, INC. Reconciliation of GAAP and Non-GAAP Measures

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,				NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,				
		2020		2019		2020		2019	
EARNINGS FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	(Unaudited)					(Unaudited)			
GAAP EARNINGS FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	\$	36,212	\$	22,654	\$	57,675	\$	56,313	
RESTRUCTURING AND INTEGRATION EXPENSES		250		825		464		1,469	
CERTAIN TAX CREDITS AND PRODUCTION DEDUCTIONS FINALIZED IN PERIOD		(235)		(144)		(235)		(144)	
INCOME TAX EFFECT RELATED TO RECONCILING ITEMS		(65)		(214)		(121)		(382)	
NON-GAAP EARNINGS FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	\$	36,162	\$	23,121	\$	57,783	\$	57,256	
DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS									
GAAP DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	\$	1.59	\$	1.00	\$	2.53	\$	2.47	
RESTRUCTURING AND INTEGRATION EXPENSES		0.01		0.04		0.02		0.06	
CERTAIN TAX CREDITS AND PRODUCTION DEDUCTIONS FINALIZED IN PERIOD		(0.01)		(0.01)		(0.01)		(0.01)	
INCOME TAX EFFECT RELATED TO RECONCILING ITEMS		-		(0.01)		(0.01)	·	(0.01)	
NON-GAAP DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	\$	1.59	\$	1.02	\$	2.53	\$	2.51	
OPERATING INCOME									
GAAP OPERATING INCOME	\$	47,964	\$	31,304	\$	78,308	\$	76,989	
RESTRUCTURING AND INTEGRATION EXPENSES		250		825		464		1,469	
OTHER EXPENSE, NET		37		12		31		15	
NON-GAAP OPERATING INCOME	\$	48,251	\$	32,141	\$	78,803	\$	78,473	

MANAGEMENT BELIEVES THAT EARNINGS FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS, DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS, AND OPERATING INCOME, EACH OF WHICH ARE NON-GAAP MEASUREMENTS AND ARE ADJUSTED FOR SPECIAL ITEMS, ARE MEANINGFUL TO INVESTORS BECAUSE THEY PROVIDE A VIEW OF THE COMPANY WITH RESPECT TO ONGOING OPERATING RESULTS. SPECIAL ITEMS REPRESENT SIGNIFICANT CHARGES OR CREDITS THAT ARE IMPORTANT TO AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE COMPANY'S OVERALL OPERATING RESULTS IN THE PERIODS PRESENTED. SUCH NON-GAAP MEASUREMENTS ARE NOT RECOGNIZED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES AND SHOULD NOT BE VIEWED AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO GAAP MEASURES OF PERFORMANCE.

STANDARD MOTOR PRODUCTS, INC. Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

(In thousands)

		EMBER 30, 2020 naudited)	DEC	EMBER 31, 2019				
ASSETS								
CASH	\$	16,781	\$	10,372				
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE, GROSS ALLOWANCE FOR DOUBTFUL ACCOUNTS ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE, NET		244,106 <u>6,061</u> 238,045		140,728 <u>5,212</u> 135,516				
INVENTORIES UNRETURNED CUSTOMER INVENTORY OTHER CURRENT ASSETS		311,390 19,964 10,094		368,221 19,722 15,602				
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		596,274		549,433				
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, NET OPERATING LEASE RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS GOODWILL OTHER INTANGIBLES, NET DEFERRED INCOME TAXES INVESTMENT IN UNCONSOLIDATED AFFILIATES OTHER ASSETS		88,288 30,910 77,681 58,543 39,807 38,945 20,549		89,649 36,020 77,802 64,861 37,272 38,858 18,835				
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	950,997	\$	912,730				
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY								
NOTES PAYABLE CURRENT PORTION OF OTHER DEBT ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ACCRUED CUSTOMER RETURNS ACCRUED CORE LIABILITY OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$	8,416 3,580 79,260 75,279 19,981 117,298	\$	52,460 4,456 92,535 44,116 24,357 91,540				
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		303,814		309,464				
OTHER LONG-TERM DEBT NONCURRENT OPERATING LEASE LIABILITIES ACCRUED ASBESTOS LIABILITIES OTHER LIABILITIES		103 23,452 53,164 25,560		129 28,376 49,696 20,837				
TOTAL LIABILITIES		406,093		408,502				
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		544,904		504,228				
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$	950,997	\$	912,730				

STANDARD MOTOR PRODUCTS, INC. Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(In thousands)

		NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 2019				
		(Unaud	dited)			
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</u> NET EARNINGS ADJUSTMENTS TO RECONCILE NET EARNINGS TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	\$	48,219	\$	46,399		
DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION OTHER CHANGE IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES:		19,313 19,098		19,261 21,623		
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE INVENTORIES ACCOUNTS PAYABLE PREPAID EXPENSES AND OTHER CURRENT ASSETS SUNDRY PAYABLES AND ACCRUED EXPENSES OTHER NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES		(104,020) 53,330 (13,117) 5,634 51,867 (1,719) 78,605		(16,583) 11,824 (24,107) (6,502) (2,551) (6,260) 43,104		
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</u> ACQUISITIONS OF AND INVESTMENTS IN BUSINESSES NET PROCEEDS FROM SALE OF FACILITY CAPITAL EXPENDITURES OTHER INVESTING ACTIVITIES NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES	_	- (13,170) <u>14</u> (13,156)		(43,490) 4,801 (12,329) 47 (50,971)		
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES NET CHANGE IN DEBT PURCHASE OF TREASURY STOCK DIVIDENDS PAID OTHER FINANCING ACTIVITIES NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES		(44,852) (8,726) (5,615) <u>86</u> (59,107)	_	34,656 (10,738) (15,429) 1,109 9,598		
EFFECT OF EXCHANGE RATE CHANGES ON CASH NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS at beginning of Period CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS at end of Period	\$	67 6,409 10,372 16,781	\$	390 2,121 11,138 13,259		