

## LGI Homes, Inc. Reports First Quarter 2019 Results

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THE WOODLANDS, Texas, May 07, 2019 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- LGI Homes, Inc. (Nasdaq:LGIH) today announced results for the first quarter 2019.

## First Quarter 2019 Results and Comparisons to First Quarter 2018

- Net Income of \$18.3 million, or \$0.81 Basic EPS and \$0.73 Diluted EPS
- Net Income Before Income Taxes of \$21.7 million
- Home Sales Revenues increased 3.1% to \$287.6 million
- Home Closings remained similar at 1,228
- Average Home Sales Price increased 4.4% to \$234,197
- Gross Margin as a Percentage of Homes Sales Revenues was 23.1% as compared to 24.8%
- Adjusted Gross Margin (non-GAAP) as a Percentage of Home Sales Revenues was 25.1% as compared to 26.4%
- Active Selling Communities at March 31, 2019 increased to 87 from 79
- 50,700 Total Owned and Controlled Lots at March 31, 2019

Please see "Non-GAAP Measures" for a reconciliation of Adjusted Gross Margin (a non-GAAP measure) to Gross Margin, the most directly comparable GAAP measure.

## **Management Comments**

"The first quarter provided a solid start to the year with 1,228 homes closed," said Eric Lipar, the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board. "LGI Homes continues to benefit from our strategic focus on the entry-level buyer. Throughout the quarter we saw continued demand for affordable homes coupled with a positive response from buyers to lower interest rates resulting in an 8% increase in net orders over the first quarter of last year."

"First quarter performance, year-over year, was impacted by lower overall margins, our acquisition of Wynn Homes, and increased construction overhead due to our targeted growth. Although revenues were similar we incurred additional costs primarily associated with marketing and personnel related to our geographic and community count expansion."

"Overall, we remain optimistic on industry dynamics and are encouraged by the strength of our sales in recent months. We are confident in our ability to deliver robust results and believe we are on track to meet our goal of 6,900 to 7,800 home closings in 2019 and generate basic EPS in the range of \$7.00 to \$8.00 per share," Lipar concluded.

## 2019 First Quarter Results

Home closings during the first quarter of 2019 totaled 1,228 showing a slight decrease of 1.3% from 1,244 home closings during the first quarter of 2018. This decrease was primarily attributable to decreases in home closings in the Northwest and Florida divisions mostly due to close out of or transition between communities. The decrease was partially offset by increases in home closings in the Southeast and West divisions during the first quarter of 2019 as compared to the first quarter of 2018. At the end of the first quarter active selling communities increased to 87, up from 79 communities at the end of the first quarter of 2018.

Home sales revenues for the first quarter of 2019 were \$287.6 million, an increase of \$8.6 million, or 3.1%, over the first quarter of 2018. The increase in home sales revenues is primarily due to the increase in the average home sales price during the first

quarter of 2019, partially offset by the decrease in home closings.

The average home sales price was for the first quarter of 2019 was \$234,197, an increase of \$9,901, or 4.4%, over the first quarter of 2018. This increase in average home sales price was primarily due to changes in product mix, higher price points in certain new markets and increases in sales prices in existing communities.

Gross margin as a percentage of home sales revenues for the first quarter of 2019 was 23.1% as compared to 24.8% for the first quarter of 2018. Adjusted gross margin (non-GAAP) as a percentage of home sales revenues for the first quarter of 2019 was 25.1% as compared to 26.4% for the first quarter of 2018. This decrease in gross margin as a percentage of home sales revenues is primarily due to a combination of higher construction costs, construction overhead, lot costs, and to a lesser degree purchase accounting, partially offset by higher average home sales price for the first quarter of 2019 as compared to the first quarter of 2018. Please see "Non-GAAP Measures" for a reconciliation of adjusted gross margin (non-GAAP) to gross margin, the most comparable GAAP measure.

Net income of \$18.3 million, or \$0.81 per basic share and \$0.73 per diluted share, for the first quarter of 2019 decreased \$9.0 million, or 32.8%, from \$27.3 million, or \$1.23 per basic share and \$1.10 per diluted share, for the first quarter of 2018. The decrease in net income is primarily attributed to lower gross margin, increased advertising and additional costs realized from the increase in personnel associated with the increase in community count and start-up costs in the Southeast, partially offset by a higher average sales price realized during the first quarter of 2019 as compared to the first quarter of 2018.

On May 6, 2019, the Company entered into a Fourth Amended and Restated Credit Agreement with several financial institutions, and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as administrative agent (the "Credit Agreement"), which amends and restates and has substantially similar terms and provisions to the 2018 Credit Agreement and provides for a \$550.0 million revolving credit facility, which can be increased at the request of the Company by up to \$100.0 million, subject to the terms and conditions of the Credit Agreement.

## Outlook

Subject to the caveats in the Forward-Looking Statements section of this press release, the Company reaffirms its prior 2019 guidance. The Company believes it will have between 105 and 115 active selling communities at the end of 2019, close between 6,900 and 7,800 homes in 2019, and generate basic EPS between \$7.00 and \$8.00 per share during 2019. In addition, the Company believes 2019 gross margin as a percentage of home sales revenues will be in the range of 23.5% and 25.5% and 2019 adjusted gross margin (non-GAAP) as a percentage of home sales revenues will be in the range of 25.5% and 27.5% with capitalized interest accounting for substantially all of the difference between gross margin and adjusted gross margin. The Company also believes that the average home sales price in 2019 will be between \$235,000 and \$245,000. This outlook assumes that general economic conditions, including interest rates and mortgage availability, in the remainder of 2019 are similar to those experienced in the first quarter of 2019 and that average home sales price, construction costs, availability of land, land development costs and overall absorption rates in the remainder of 2019 are consistent with the Company's recent experience. In addition, this outlook assumes that none of the Company's 4.25% Convertible Notes due 2019 (\$70.0 million aggregate principal amount currently outstanding) are converted prior to their maturity on November 15, 2019.

## Earnings Conference Call

The Company will host a conference call via live webcast for investors and other interested parties beginning at 12:30 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, May 7, 2019 (the "Earnings Call"). The Earnings Call will be hosted by Eric Lipar, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board, and Charles Merdian, Chief Financial Officer.

Participants may access the live webcast by visiting the Investor Relations section of the Company's website at www.LGIHomes.com. The Earnings Call can also be accessed by dialing (855) 433-0929, or (970) 315-0256 for international participants.

An archive of the webcast will be available on the Company's website for approximately 12 months. A replay of the Earnings Call will also be available later that day by calling (855) 859-2056, or (404) 537-3406, using conference id "7796845". This replay will be available until May 14, 2019.

## About LGI Homes, Inc.

Headquartered in The Woodlands, Texas, LGI Homes, Inc. engages in the design, construction and sale of homes in Texas, Arizona, Florida, Georgia, New Mexico, Colorado, North Carolina, South Carolina, Washington, Tennessee, Minnesota, Oklahoma, Alabama, California, Oregon, Nevada and West Virginia. The Company has a notable legacy of more than 16 years of homebuilding operations, over which time it has closed over 30,000 homes. For more information about the Company and its new home developments please visit the Company's website at <a href="https://www.LGIHomes.com">www.LGIHomes.com</a>.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

Any statements made in this press release or on the Earnings Call that are not statements of historical fact, including statements about the Company's beliefs and expectations, are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws, and should be evaluated as such. Forward-looking statements include information concerning projected 2019 home closings, year-end selling communities, basic earnings per share, gross margin as a percentage of home sales revenues, adjusted gross margin as a percentage of home sales revenue, and average home sales price, as well as market conditions and possible or assumed future results of operations, including descriptions of the Company's business plan and strategies. These forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology, including the terms "anticipate," "believe," "continue," "could," "estimate," "expect," "forecast," "goal," "intend," "may," "objective," "plan," "potential," "projection," "should," "will"

or, in each case, their negative, or other variations or comparable terminology. For more information concerning factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in the forward-looking statements please refer to the "Risk Factors" section in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018, including the "Cautionary Statement about Forward-Looking Statements" subsection within the "Risk Factors" section, and subsequent filings by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company bases these forward-looking statements or projections on its current expectations, plans and assumptions that it has made in light of its experience in the industry, as well as its perceptions of historical trends, current conditions, expected future developments and other factors it believes are appropriate under the circumstances and at such time. As you read and consider this press release or listen to the Earnings Call, you should understand that these statements are not guarantees of future performance or results. The forward-looking statements and projections are subject to and involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions and you should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements or projections. Although the Company believes that these forward-looking statements and projections are based on reasonable assumptions at the time they are made, you should be aware that many factors could affect the Company's actual results to differ materially from those expressed in the forward-looking statements and projections. The Company undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. If the Company does update one or more forward-looking statements, there should be no inference that it will make additional updates with respect to those or other forward-looking statements.

## LGI HOMES, INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Unaudited) (In thousands, except share data)

ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents \$ 35	
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	5,084 \$ 46,624
Accounts receivable 31	,987 42,836
Real estate inventory 1,290	,855 1,228,256
Pre-acquisition costs and deposits 43	3,698 45,752
Property and equipment, net 1	,478 1,432
Other assets 19	9,943 15,765
Deferred tax assets, net 1	,140 2,790
Goodwill and intangible assets, net 12	2,018 12,018
Total assets \$ 1,436	5,203 \$ 1,395,473
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Accounts payable \$ 14	,690 \$ 9,241
Accrued expenses and other liabilities 68	3,512 76,555
Notes payable676	6,075 653,734
Total liabilities 759	,277 739,530

## COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES EQUITY

Common stock, par value \$0.01, 250,000,000 shares authorized, 23,964,730 shares issued<br/>and 22,925,730 shares outstanding as of March 31, 2019 and 23,746,385 shares issued and<br/>22,707,385 shares outstanding as of December 31, 2018239Additional paid-in capital244,635Retained earnings450,108Treasury stock, at cost, 1,039,000 shares(18,056)Total equity676,926Total liabilities and equity1,436,203

## LGI HOMES, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (Unaudited) (In thousands, except share and per share data)

237

241,988

431,774

(18,056)

655,943

1,395,473

\$

	Th	Three Months Ended Marc 31,			
		2019		2018	
Home sales revenues	\$	287,594	\$	279,024	
Cost of sales		221,290		209,765	
Selling expenses		26,791		22,949	
General and administrative		18,438		15,440	
Operating income		21,075		30,870	
Loss on extinguishment of debt				175	
Other income, net		(619)		(532)	
Net income before income taxes		21,694		31,227	
Income tax provision		3,360		3,925	
Net income	\$	18,334	\$	27,302	
Earnings per share:					
Basic	\$	0.81	\$	1.23	
Diluted	\$	0.73	\$	1.10	
Weighted average shares outstanding:					
Basic	2	22,744,726		22,188,121	
Diluted	2	5,086,183	2	4,772,027	

#### Non-GAAP Measures

In addition to the results reported in accordance with U.S. GAAP, the Company has provided information in this press release relating to adjusted gross margin.

Adjusted gross margin is a non-GAAP financial measure used by management as a supplemental measure in evaluating operating performance. The Company defines adjusted gross margin as gross margin less capitalized interest and adjustments resulting from the application of purchase accounting included in the cost of sales. Management believes this information is useful because it isolates the impact that capitalized interest and purchase accounting adjustments have on gross margin. However, because adjusted gross margin information excludes capitalized interest and purchase accounting adjustments, which have real economic effects and could impact results, the utility of adjusted gross margin information as a measure of operating performance may be limited. In addition, other companies may not calculate adjusted gross margin information in the same manner that the Company does. Accordingly, adjusted gross margin information should be considered only as a supplement to gross margin information as a measure of performance.

The following table reconciles adjusted gross margin to gross margin, which is the GAAP financial measure that our management believes to be most directly comparable (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended March 31,			
		2019		2018
Home sales revenues	\$	287,594	\$	279,024
Cost of sales		221,290		209,765
Gross margin		66,304		69,259
Capitalized interest charged to cost of sales		5,394		4,312
Purchase accounting adjustments <sup>(1)</sup>		630		(3)
Adjusted gross margin	\$	72,328	\$	73,568
Gross margin % <sup>(2)</sup>		23.1 %		24.8%
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1. Adjustments result from the application of purchase accounting for acquisitions and represent the amount of the fair value step-up adjustments included in cost of sales for real estate inventory sold after the acquisition dates.

2. Calculated as a percentage of home sales revenues.

# Home Sales Revenues, Home Closings, Average Home Sales Price, Average Community Count and Average Monthly Absorption Rates by Reportable Segment

(Revenues in thousands, unaudited)

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2019							
	F	evenues	Home Closings		ASP	Average Community Count	Average Monthly Absorption Rate	
Central	\$	124,197	578	\$	214,874	32.0	6.0	
Northwest		36,254	99		366,202	11.0	3.0	
Southeast		52,414	230		227,887	19.0	4.0	
Florida		28,912	142		203,606	11.0	4.3	
West		45,817	179		255,961	11.3	5.3	
Total	\$	287,594	1,228	\$	234,197	84.3	4.9	

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2018						
	R	Revenues	Home Closings		ASP	Average Community Count	Average Monthly Absorption Rate
Central	\$	107,498	521	\$	206,330	29.3	5.9
Northwest		57,173	155		368,858	10.3	5.0
Southeast		45,108	229		196,978	17.0	4.5
Florida		42,443	209		203,077	11.3	6.2
West		26,802	130		206,169	9.0	4.8
Total	\$	279,024	1,244	\$	224,296	76.9	5.4

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