

DIRECT FOCUS, INC. ANNOUNCES RECORD FOURTH QUARTER RESULTS

EPS Increases to \$0.84 Per Diluted Share eCommerce Sales Increase 56% From Previous Quarter

Vancouver, WA-February 22, 2000-Direct Focus, Inc. (Nasdaq: DFXI), a marketing company for fitness and healthy lifestyle products with a direct business model, today announced its results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 1999.

For the fourth quarter of 1999, Direct Focus reported net revenue of \$37.9 million, an increase of 102% from \$18.8 million in the fourth quarter of 1998. For 1999, the Company reported net revenue of \$121.0 million, up 111% from \$57.3 million for 1998. Excluding revenue of \$19.1 million from the Nautilus division, acquired in January 1999, net revenue for 1999 increased 78% from 1998.

Net income for the fourth quarter of 1999 was \$9.0 million or \$0.84 per diluted share, up 80% from \$5.0 million or \$0.52 per diluted share for the same period of 1998. Net income for 1999 was \$20.3 million or \$1.95 per diluted share, up 62% from \$12.5 million or \$1.28 per diluted share for the previous year. Net income for the Nautilus division for the fourth quarter of 1999 was \$765,000 or \$0.07 per diluted share.

eCommerce sales were \$3.9 million for the fourth quarter, up 56% sequentially from \$2.5 million in the previous quarter. The Company expects to continue to strengthen its back-office infrastructure, management team, advertising and consumer financing programs related to expanding its eCommerce sales effort.

"We are very pleased with our record sales and profits for the quarter and the year," said Brian Cook, President and Chief Executive Officer. "During the fourth quarter, we continued to see growing sales of our Bowflex and Nautilus products. Throughout the quarter, demand for our Bowflex product was stronger than expected. We also began the initial roll out of our Nautilus Sleep System near the end of the quarter."

"During the year, we dramatically improved the sales and achieved profitability in our Nautilus division. In the coming year, we expect to more fully leverage the strong brand awareness of Nautilus. Building on the early success of our eCommerce effort, we believe we are well-positioned to leverage our direct marketing experience, consumer data and strong brands to reach more targeted households. We are very excited about the opportunities before us."

A replay Internet broadcast of Direct Focus Inc.'s fourth quarter conference call (2:00 PM Pacific/5:00 PM Eastern) will be available today at www.directfocusinc.com under "Investor Relations."

About Direct Focus, Inc.

Direct Focus, Inc. is a marketing company for fitness and healthy lifestyle products with a direct business model. The Company currently markets its Bowflex line of home fitness equipment and Nautilus Sleep Systems directly to consumers, using an effective combination of television advertising, 800-call centers and Web sites. The Company also sells its Nautilus commercial fitness equipment directly to health clubs and other institutions, and its Nautilus fitness accessories through retail athletic stores. The Company is headquartered in Vancouver, Washington. Direct Focus is located on the Web at www.directfocusinc.com.

This press release contains forward-looking statements relating to anticipated revenues, net income, earnings and the development of the Company's products and services, including statements regarding its Nautilus business. Factors that could affect the Company's actual results include its reliance on a limited product line, market acceptance of its existing and future products, growth management challenges and difficulties integrating the Company's Nautilus operations. A more detailed description of certain factors that could affect actual results include, but are not limited to, those discussed in the Company's registration statement on Form S-1 in the section entitled "Risk Factors."

DIRECT FOCUS, INC.
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three months ended Dec 31, Twelve months ended Dec 31, 1999 1998 1999 1998

| COST OF SALES | 10,880,800 | 3,801,596 | 34,422,577 | 12,442,307 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Gross profit | 27,008,038 | 15,007,275 | 86,595,900 | 44,854,573 |
| EXPENSES: Selling and marketing General and administrative Royalty expense Litigation expense | 11,590,956 684,661 905,337 | | 44,629,825 4,236,804 2,897,278 4,000,000 | 1,700,956 |
| Total operating expenses | 13,180,954 | 7,354,605 | 55,763,907 | 25,966,567 |
| INCOME FROM OPERATIONS | 13,827,084 | 7,652,670 | 30,831,993 | 18,888,006 |
| OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE Interest income State business tax and other - net | 422,688 | 223,253 | | 526,961 |
| Total other expense - net | 548,326 | 119,565 | 1,006,323 | 305,072 |
| INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES | 14,375,410 | 7,772,235 | 31,838,316 | 19,193,078 |
| INCOME TAX EXPENSE | 5,406,112 | 2,749,196 | 11,495,425 | 6,707,584 |
| NET INCOME | 8,969,298 | 5,023,039 | 20,342,891 | 12,485,494 |
| BASIC EARNINGS PER SHARE DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE | 0.86 | 0.54 | 2.00 | 1.34 |
| Basic shares outstanding Diluted shares outstanding | 10,429,746 | 9,336,525 | 10,165,617 | 9,336,525 9,725,958 |

DIRECT FOCUS, INC. BALANCE SHEETS

| | December 31, 1999 | December 31, 1998 |
|----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| CURRENT ASSETS | | |
| Cash | 35,703,457 | 18,910,675 |
| Trade receivables | 4,744,213 | 218,207 |
| Inventories | 9,167,554 | 2,614,673 |
| Prepaid expenses and other | | |
| assets | 1,863,951 | 378,409 |
| Deferred income taxes | 820,789 | 215,737 |

| Total current assets | 52,299,964 | 22,337,701 |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT | 10,644,838 | 1,842,712 |
| OTHER ASSETS | 4,364,963 | 192,859 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 67,309,765 | 24,373,272 |
| LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY | | |
| CURRENT LIABILITIES Trade Payables | 5,871,369 | 3,602,074 |
| Income taxes payable | 2,177,236 | 504,775 |
| Accrued liabilities | 4,051,541 | 1,851,253 |
| Royalty payable to stockholders | 893,563 | 548,211 |
| Customer deposits | 1,097,748 | 148,937 |
| Total current Liabilities | 14,091,456 | 6,655,250 |
| LONG-TERM DEFERRED INCOME TAXES | 187,484 | 66,880 |
| STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY | | |
| Common stock | 18,602,420 | 3,565,628 |
| Retained earnings | 34,428,405 | 14,085,514 |
| Total stockholders' equity | 53,030,824 | 17,651,142 |
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