Owens-Illinois Announces Fourth Quarter Earnings Conference Call

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TOLEDO, Ohio, Jan. 17 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Owens-Illinois, Inc., (NYSE: OI) today announced that it expects to issue a news release announcing Fourth quarter 2001 financial results after 5 p.m. (Eastern Time) on Tuesday, January 29. The company will hold a conference call on Wednesday, January 30, at 8:30 a.m. (Eastern Time) to discuss these financial results.

A live webcast and a replay of the conference call will be available on the Internet at the Owens-Illinois web site (www.o-i.com).

The conference call also may be accessed by dialing 888-733-1701 (U.S. and Canada) or 706-634-4943 (International) by 8:20 a.m. (Eastern Time) on January 30. Ask for the Owens-Illinois conference call.

A replay of the call will be available from approximately 11:30 a.m. (Eastern Time) on January 30 through February 8. In addition to the Owens- Illinois web site, the replay also may be accessed by dialing 800-642-1687 (U.S. and Canada) or 706-645-9291 (International). The conference ID number to access the replay is 2904696.

Owens-Illinois is the largest manufacturer of glass containers in North America, South America, Australia, New Zealand, and China, and one of the largest in Europe. The company also is a worldwide manufacturer of plastics packaging, with operations in North America, South America, Australia, Europe, and Asia. Plastics packaging products manufactured by O-I include containers, closures, and prescription containers.

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