Webcast Alert: Owens-Illinois Announces Second Quarter Earnings Conference Call Webcast

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TOLEDO, Ohio, July 17 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Owens-Illinois (NYSE: OI) announces the following Webcast:

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What:     Owens-Illinois Second Quarter Earnings Conference Call

When:     Wednesday, July 24, 2002, at 10:00 a.m. EDT

Where:    http://www.o-i.com or
          http://www.firstcallevents.com/service/ajwz362534995gf12.html

How:      Live over the Internet -- Simply log on to the web at the
          address above.

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If you are unable to participate during the live webcast, the call will be archived at http://www.o-i.com. The replay will be available through August 2.

Owens-Illinois is the largest manufacturer of glass containers in North America, South America, Australia and New Zealand, and one of the largest in Europe. O-I also is a worldwide manufacturer of plastics packaging with operations in North America, South America, Europe, Australia and New Zealand. Plastics packaging products manufactured by O-I include consumer products (blow molded containers, injection molded closures and dispensing systems) and prescription containers.

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(Minimum Requirements to listen to broadcast: The Windows Media Player software, downloadable free from http://www.microsoft.com/windows /windowsmedia/EN/default.asp and at least a 28.8Kbps connection to the Internet. If you experience problems listening to the broadcast, send an email to webcastsupport@tfprn.com .)

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