Owens-Illinois Announces First Quarter Earnings Conference Call

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TOLEDO, Ohio, April 9 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Owens-Illinois, Inc., (NYSE: OI) today announced that it expects to issue a news release announcing first quarter financial results after 5 p.m. (Eastern Time) on Tuesday, April 22. The company will hold a conference call on Wednesday, April 23, 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 April 23. Ask for the Owens-Illinois conference call.

A replay of the call will be available from approximately 11:30 a.m. (Eastern Time) on April 23 through May 2. 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 9410700.

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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