H&R Block Announces Interim Tax Season Results

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KANSAS CITY, Mo.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--March 29, 2007--H&R Block Inc. (NYSE: HRB) today reported tax season results for the interim period from Nov. 1, 2006, through March 15, 2007.

Total clients served (for both the company's retail operations and digital tax solutions business) reached 14.6 million, an increase of 467,000, or 3.3 percent, over the prior year period. Digital tax clients served advanced 14.1 percent over 2006 while office-based clients increased 0.5 percent.

"As we head toward the final weeks of tax season, H&R Block's expert tax professionals are ready to serve late-season filers," said Mark A. Ernst, chairman and chief executive officer.

H&R Block plans to release additional interim tax season results for its U.S. tax operations before the NYSE market opening on April 19 and May 10.

About H&R Block

H&R Block Inc. (NYSE: HRB) is a leading provider of tax, financial, and accounting and business consulting services and products. H&R Block is the world's largest tax services provider, having prepared more than 400 million tax returns since 1955. The company and its subsidiaries generated revenues of \$3.6 billion and net income of \$287 million from continuing operations in fiscal year 2006. The company currently operates in three principal business segments: Tax Services (income tax preparation and advice via in-office, online and software solutions); Business Services (accounting, tax and business consulting services for midsized companies); and Consumer Financial Services (investment and financial advisory services and banking services). Headquartered in Kansas City, Mo., H&R Block markets its continuing services and products under two leading brands - H&R Block and RSM McGladrey. For more information visit our Online Press Center at www.hrblock.com.

| H&R BLOCK Preliminary U.S. Tax Operati | | | | |
|--|-----------|-------------|------------|------------------------|
| (in thousands, except ave | | nd number o | of offices |) |
| | | February | March | |
| | 11/1-1/31 | | 3/1-3/15 | 11/1-3/15 |
| Net tax preparation fees: (1) Fiscal year 2007 | | | | |
| Company-owned operations Franchise operations | 218,894 | 298,496 | 73,014 | \$1,207,447 590,404 |
| | \$643,664 | \$911,771 | \$242,416 | \$1,797,851 |
| Fiscal year 2006 (2) Company-owned | | | | |
| operations Franchise operations | 190,535 | | 68,080 | \$1,147,199 540,742 |
| | \$566,954 | \$888,205 | \$232,782 | \$1,687,941 |
| Percent change | | | | |
| Company-owned operations | | | | 5.3% |
| Franchise operations | 14.9% | 5.8% | 7.2% | 9.2% |
| Total retail operations | 13.5% | 2.7% | 4.1% | 6.5% |

Total clients served: (3)

| Company-owned | | | | |
|--|--|--|---|--|
| operations | 2,729 | 3,535 | 1,000 | 7,264 |
| Franchise operations | 1,607 | 1,948 | 486 | 4,041 |
| Total retail offices | 4,336 | 5,483 | | |
| Digital tax solutions | 1,279 | 1,620 | - | 3,302 |
| | | | | 14,607 |
| | ========= | | | |
| Fiscal year 2006 (2) Company-owned | | | | |
| operations | 2,390 | | 1,030 | |
| Franchise operations | 1,406 | - | 486 | - |
| Total retail offices | 3,796 | | 1,516 | |
| Digital tax solutions | 1,157 | 1,362 | 374 | 2,893 |
| | 4,953 | | | 14,140 |
| Percent change | | | | |
| Company-owned | | | | |
| operations | | | -2.9% | |
| Franchise operations | 14.3% | -6.4% | 0.0% | 1.1 |
| Total retail operations | | | | 0.5 |
| Digital tax solutions | 10.5% | 18.9% | 7.8% | 14.1 |
| Total | 13.4% | -2.7% | | 3.3 |
| | | | | |
| average fee - retail: Fiscal vear 2007 | | | | |
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| Fiscal year 2007 Company-owned operations | | | \$169.48 | |
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(1)Gross tax preparation fees less coupons and discounts.

(2)Prior year numbers have been reclassified between company-owned and franchise offices for offices which commenced company-owned

operations during fiscal year 2007.

(3)Tax preparation clients for which revenue was earned and Instant Money Advance Loan (IMAL) clients.

preparation clients served.

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