## WIMM-BILL-DANN FOODS OJSC ANNOUNCES FIRST QUARTER 2005 FINANCIAL RESULTS

During the first three months of 2005, Wimm-Bill-Dann's sales rose by $17.0 \%$ to US $\$ 325.7$ million, compared to US $\$ 278.3$ million in the first quarter of 2004 . Gross profit increased by $15.7 \%$ compared to the same period last year, while gross margins declined to $25.7 \%$ in the first three months of 2005 from $26.0 \%$ in the same period of 2004 . Operating income increased by $26.3 \%$ year-on-year from US $\$ 7.6$ million to US $\$ 9.6$ million. Adjusted EBITDA* increased by $17.2 \%$ year-on-year from US $\$ 18.6$ million to US $\$ 21.8$ million. Adjusted EBITDA* margin remained flat at $6.7 \%$. Net income decreased to US $\$ 2.9$ million in the first quarter of 2005 from US $\$ 5.3$ million in the first quarter of 2004.
Commenting on today's announcement Sergei Plastinin, Chief Executive Officer of Wimm-Bill-Dann Foods OJSC, said: «Traditionally, the first quarter is the most challenging one throughout the year. Despite this, our sales continued to demonstrate stable growth: our dairy sales were up 18.4\% largely due to regional expansion, the launch of new innovative products and the strengthening of the already existing product range. Following the success of Imunele, our immune system booster, we launched Imunele Forte, a new product enriched with probiotics and vitamins. We also initiated an awareness campaign to focus people's minds on healthier lifestyles. During the first quarter we almost doubled the output of Lamber cheese, following increasing consumer demand for this product. Our operating income grew $26.3 \%$, while our net income decreased mainly as a result of substantial decline in foreign currency translation gain as compared to the first quarter of 2004 due to the change in the exchange rate dynamics».
Key Operating and Financial Indicators of 3m 2005

## Q1 2005 Q1 2004 Change

|  | US\$ mln US\$ mln |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Sales | $\mathbf{3 2 5 . 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 7 8 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 7 . 0 \%}$ |
| Dairy | 232.0 | 195.9 | $18.4 \%$ |
| Baby Food | 20.8 | 14.7 | $41.5 \%$ |
| Beverages | 72.9 | 67.7 | $7.7 \%$ |
| Gross Profit | 83.8 | 72.4 | $15.7 \%$ |
| Selling and distribution expenses | $(44.7)$ | $(40.9)$ | $9.3 \%$ |
| General and administrative expenses (27.0) | $(21.6)$ | $25.0 \%$ |  |
| Operating income | 9.6 | 7.6 | $26.3 \%$ |
| Financial income and expenses, net | $(3.9)$ | 1.8 | - |
| Net income | $\mathbf{2 . 9}$ | $\mathbf{5 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{( 4 5 . 3} \%$ |
| Adjusted EBITDA* | $\mathbf{2 1 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 8 . 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 7 . 2 \%}$ |
| CAPEX including acquisitions | 20.3 | 10.8 | $88.0 \%$ |

* Note: See Attachment A for definitions of Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA margin and reconciliations to net income. Wimm-Bill-Dann's sales reached US $\$ 325.7$ million in the first three months 2005 compared to US $\$ 278.3$ million in the same period 2004.
Baby Food as a separate business unit came into effect as of January 1, 2005. Prior to 2005, Baby Food was part of the Dairy Segment. Juice and Water segments were merged into a singe Beverages Segment as of March 1, 2005.
Sales in the Dairy Segment increased by $18.4 \%$ from US $\$ 195.9$ million in the first three months of 2004 to US $\$ 232.0$ million in the first three months of 2005, while the average selling price rose by $15.5 \%$ from US\$0.71 per 1 kg in the first three months of 2004 to US $\$ 0.82$ per 1 kg in the same period of 2005 . This increase was primarily driven by ruble price increases. Gross margins in the Dairy Segment declined from $22.8 \%$ in the first three months of 2004 to $22 \%$ in the same period of 2005 . This change was primarily driven by the increase in raw materials costs mostly due to the $14.1 \%$ year-on-year increase in the weighted average US dollar price of raw milk and higher packaging and personnel costs.
Sales in the Baby Food Segment increased by $41.5 \%$ from US $\$ 14.7$ million in the first three months of 2004 to US $\$ 20.8$ million in the first three months of 2005, while the average selling price rose by $19.7 \%$ from US $\$ 1.22$ per 1 kg in the first three months of 2004 to US $\$ 1.46$ per 1 kg in the same period of 2005 . This increase was primarily driven by ruble average price growth. Gross margins in the Baby Food Segment rose from 32.7\% in the first three months of 2004 to $35.1 \%$ in the same period of 2005.
Sales in the Beverages Segment (combined Juice and Water Segments) increased by $7.7 \%$ from US $\$ 67.7$ million in the first three months of 2004 to US $\$ 72.9$ million in the same period of 2005 , while the average selling price increased by $7.8 \%$ from US $\$ 0.64$ per liter in the first three months of 2004 to US $\$ 0.69$ per liter in the same period of 2005 primarily due to ruble price increases. Gross margin in the Beverages Segment increased to $35.2 \%$ in the first quarter 2005 from $34.0 \%$ in the same period last year.
Selling and distribution expenses decreased as a percentage of sales from $14.7 \%$ during the first three months of 2004 to $13.7 \%$ in the same period of 2005. Advertising and marketing expenses decreased as a percentage of sales from $4.5 \%$ in the first quarter of 2004 to $3.9 \%$ in the first quarter of 2005.
General and administrative expenses increased as a percentage of sales from $7.8 \%$ during the first three months of 2004 to $8.3 \%$ in the same period of 2005. This increase was primarily caused by rising personnel expenses mostly due to additional personnel in the Baby Food Segment and in the Dairy Segment in key regions, as well as the recruitment of additional managers at the holding company level in 2004
Financial expenses in the first three months of 2005 totaled US $\$ 3.9$ million compared to US $\$ 1.8$ million financial income in the same period of 2004. Foreign currency translation gain decreased from US $\$ 7.5$ million to US $\$ 1.7$ million in the first three months of 2005 . Interest expenses stayed almost flat at US $\$ 5.5$ million.


## Attachment A

## *Reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA margin to US GAAP Net Income

Adjusted EBITDA is a non-U. S. GAAP financial measure. The following table presents reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA to net income (and Adjusted EBITDA margin to net income as a percentage of sales), the most directly comparable U. S. GAAP financial measure.

|  | 3 months ended <br> March 31, 2005 |  | 3 months ended <br> March 31, 2004 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | US\$ 'mIn \% of sales US\$ 'mIn \% of sales |  |  |

Adjusted EBITDA represents net income before interest, income taxes and depreciation and amortization, adjusted for interest income, currency remeasurement gains, bank charges and other financial expenses and minority interest. Adjusted EBITDA margin is Adjusted EBITDA expressed as a percentage of sales.

We present Adjusted EBITDA because we consider it an important supplemental measure of our operating performance. In particular, we believe Adjusted EBITDA provides useful information to securities analysts, investors and other interested parties because it is used in the «debt to EBITDA» debt incurrence financial measurement in certain of our financing arrangements.
Adjusted EBITDA has limitations as an analytical tool, and you should not consider it in isolation, or as substitute for analysis of our operating results as reported under U. S. GAAP. Since we adjust EBITDA for recurring items in order to calculate Adjusted EBITDA, we particularly caution users that Adjusted EBITDA is not an alternative to net income, operating income or any other GAAP measure, nor to EBITDA. Moreover, other companies in our industry may calculate Adjusted EBITDA differently or may use it for different purposes than we do, limiting its usefulness as a comparative measure.
Adjusted EBITDA also should not be considered as an alternative to cash flow from operating activities or as a measure of our liquidity. In particular, Adjusted EBITDA should not be considered as a measure of discretionary cash available to us to invest in the growth of our business.

WIMM-BILL-DANN FOODS
Consolidated Statements of Operations (unaudited)
(Amounts in thousands of U.S. dollars, except share and per share data)
Three months ended March 31,

|  | 2005 | 2004 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sales | \$ 325,724 | \$ 278,271 |
| Cost of sales | $(241,886)$ | $(205,827)$ |
| Gross profit | 83,838 | 72,444 |
| Selling and distribution expenses | $(44,682)$ | $(40,927)$ |
| General and administrative expenses | $(26,991)$ | $(21,622)$ |
| Other operating expenses | $(2,554)$ | $(2,259)$ |
| Operating income | 9,611 | 7,636 |
| Financial income and expenses, net | $(3,937)$ | 1,797 |
| Income before provision for income taxes and minority interest | 5,674 | 9,433 |
| Provision for income taxes | $(2,043)$ | $(2,999)$ |
| Minority interest | (702) | $(1,143)$ |
| Net income | \$ 2,929 | \$ 5,291 |
| Other comprehensive income, net of tax |  |  |
| Currency translation adjustment | $(1,078)$ | 11,139 |
| Comprehensive income | \$ 1,851 | \$ 16,430 |
| Net income per share - basic and diluted: | \$ 0.07 | \$ 0.12 |
| Weighted average number of shares outstanding | 44,000,000 | 44,000,000 |

## WIMM-BILL-DANN FOODS

Consolidated Balance Sheets
(Amounts in thousands of U.S. dollars)

| March | December |
| :--- | :--- |
| (unaudited) | (audited) |

## ASSETS

Current assets:

| Cash and cash equivalents | $\mathbf{\$ 3 8 , 4 4 2}$ | $\$ 23,791$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Trade receivables, net | $\mathbf{5 8 , 5 6 8}$ | 62,210 |
| Inventory, net | $\mathbf{9 5 , 6 0 6}$ | 102,039 |
| Taxes receivable | $\mathbf{8 2 , 8 6 7}$ | 85,578 |
| Advances paid | $\mathbf{2 1 , 0 3 9}$ | 19,494 |
| Net investment in direct financing leases | $\mathbf{2 , 3 6 8}$ | 2,109 |
| Deferred tax asset | $\mathbf{9 , 3 6 6}$ | 6,265 |
| Other current assets | $\mathbf{1 0 , 2 3 4}$ | $\mathbf{7 , 1 4 5}$ |
| Total current assets | $\mathbf{3 1 8 , 4 9 0}$ | $\mathbf{3 0 8 , 6 3 1}$ |

## Non-current assets:

| Property, plant and equipment, net | $\mathbf{4 4 4 , 4 0 1}$ | 440,096 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Intangible assets | $\mathbf{2 , 2 0 1}$ | 2,251 |
| Goodwill | $\mathbf{2 6 , 5 7 5}$ | 26,291 |
| Net investment in direct financing leases - long-term portion | $\mathbf{3 , 9 0 5}$ | 3,895 |
| Long-term investments | $\mathbf{2 , 3 0 7}$ | 2,417 |
| Deferred tax asset - long-term portion | $\mathbf{8 , 0 8 1}$ | 7,001 |
| Other non-current assets | $\mathbf{6 , 3 6 8}$ | 5,506 |
| Total non-current assets | $\mathbf{4 9 3 , 8 3 8}$ | 487,457 |
| Total assets | $\mathbf{\$ 8 1 2 , 3 2 8}$ | $\$ 796,088$ |

LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY
Current liabilities:

| Trade accounts payable | $\mathbf{\$ 6 7 , 6 0 7}$ | $\$ 62,400$ |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Advances received | $\mathbf{3 , 2 3 9}$ | 3,492 |
| Short-term loans | $\mathbf{1 7 , 3 1 3}$ | 17,554 |
| Long-term loans - current portion | $\mathbf{6 , 7 6 0}$ | 936 |
| Taxes payable | $\mathbf{1 3 , 8 2 4}$ | 13,281 |
| Accrued liabilities | $\mathbf{2 0 , 3 0 3}$ | 14,691 |
| Government grants - current portion | $\mathbf{2 , 3 2 2}$ | 2,329 |
| Other payables | $\mathbf{3 6 , 6 3 2}$ | 29,615 |
| Total current liabilities | $\mathbf{1 6 8 , 0 0 0}$ | 144,298 |

Long-term liabilities:

| Long-term loans | $\mathbf{7 7 1}$ | 7,120 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Long-term notes payable | $\mathbf{2 0 1 , 6 5 3}$ | 201,709 |
| Other Inna-term navahles | $\mathbf{3 5 . 5 0 9}$ | 39 >94 |


| Other long-term payables | 35,509 | 39,294 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Government grants - long-term portion | 4,561 | 5,156 |
| Deferred taxes - long-term portion | 11, 783 | 10,268 |
| Total long-term liabilities | 254,277 | 263,547 |
| Total liabilities | 422,277 | 407,845 |
| Minority interest | 17,284 | 17,327 |
| Shareholders' equity : |  |  |
| Common stock: 44,000,000 shares authorized, issued and outstanding with a par value of 20 Rubles at March 31, 2005 and December 31, 2004 | 29,908 | 29,908 |
| Share premium account | 164,132 | 164,132 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income: |  |  |
| Currency translation adjustment | 42,827 | 43,905 |
| Retained earnings | 135,900 | 132,971 |
| Total shareholders' equity | \$ 372,767 | \$ 370,916 |
| Total liabilities and shareholders' equity | \$ 812,328 | \$ 796,088 |

## WIMM-BILL-DANN FOODS

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
(Amounts in thousands of U.S. dollars)

|  | Three months ended March 31, |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Cash flows from operating activities: | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 4}$ |
| Net income | $\$ 2,929$ | $\$ 5,291$ |

Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:

| Minority interest | 702 | 1,143 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Depreciation and amortisation | 12,210 | 10,957 |
| Currency remeasurement gain relating to bonds payable and long-term payables (444) | $(8,062)$ |  |
| Obsolescence and net realizable value expense | 588 | - |
| Provision for doubtful accounts | 475 | 2,721 |
| Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment | 156 | 775 |
| Earned income on net investment in direct financing leases | $(95)$ | $(107)$ |
| Deferred tax benefit | $(2,617)$ | $(1,776)$ |
| Non-cash rental received | 613 | 521 |
| Write off of long-term investments | 882 | - |
| Write off of trade receivables | 414 | 830 |
| Amortisation of bonds issue expenses | 265 | 258 |
| Other | - | $(16)$ |

Changes in operating assets and liabilities:

| Decrease in inventories | 5,560 | 8,381 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Decrease (increase) in trade accounts receivable | 2,579 | $(1,318)$ |
| Increase in advances paid | $(1,598)$ | $(3,480)$ |
| Decrease in taxes receivable | 1,548 | 10,409 |
| Increase in other current assets | $(3,107)$ | $(616)$ |
| Increase in trade accounts payable | 5,378 | 1,367 |
| Decrease in advances received | $(243)$ | $(459)$ |
| Increase (decrease) in taxes payable | 1,505 | $(6,016)$ |
| Increase in accrued liabilities | 5,641 | 5,223 |
| Increase in other current payables | 3,874 | 2,870 |
| Increase (decrease) in other long-term payables | 310 | $(7)$ |
| Total cash provided by operating activities | 37,525 | $\mathbf{2 8 , 8 8 9}$ |

Cash flows from investing activities:
Cash paid for acquisition of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired

## Cash paid for property, plant and equipment

Cash paid for acquisition of investments
$(2,679)$

Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment
Cash paid for net investments in direct financing leases
(796)

Cash (paid) received for other long-term assets

Cash flows from financing activities:

| Short-term loans and notes, net | $(193)$ | $\mathbf{3 , 1 9 6}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Repayment of long-term loans | $(222)$ | $\mathbf{( 5 1 6 )}$ |
| Repayment of long-term payables | $\mathbf{( 3 , 4 2 5 )}$ | $\mathbf{( 4 , 5 0 2 )}$ |
| Total cash used in financing activities | $\mathbf{( 3 , 8 4 0 )}$ | $\mathbf{( 1 , 8 2 2 )}$ |
| Total cash provided by operating, investing and financing activities | $\mathbf{1 4 , 9 0 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 , 0 6 2}$ |
| Impact of exchange rate differences on cash and cash equivalents | $(253)$ | $\mathbf{1 , 4 2 8}$ |
| Net increase in cash and cash equivalents | $\mathbf{1 4 , 6 5 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 3 , 4 9 0}$ |
| Cash and cash equivalents, at beginning of period | $\mathbf{2 3 , 7 9 1}$ | 40,264 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, at the end of period | $\$ 38,442$ | $\$ 53,754$ |

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