WEYCO REPORTS FOURTH QUARTER AND FULL YEAR 2014 RESULTS

(Milwaukee, Wisconsin---March 2, 2015) Weyco Group, Inc. (NASDAQ:WEYS) (the "Company") today announced financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2014.

FOURTH QUARTER

Net sales for the fourth quarter of 2014 were \$95.3 million, an increase of 21% from 2013 net sales of \$78.5 million. Earnings from operations were \$13.4 million in the fourth quarter of 2014, up 24% as compared to \$10.8 million in 2013. Net earnings attributable to the Company were \$8.1 million in the fourth quarter of 2014, as compared to \$6.8 million in 2013, an increase of 19%. Earnings for the fourth quarter of 2014 included \$611,000 (\$373,000 after tax) of expense resulting from an increase in the estimated liability for future payments related to the 2011 acquisition of The Combs Company ("Bogs"). Without this adjustment, earnings from operations and net earnings attributable to the Company would have been up 30% and 25%, respectively, for the quarter.

Diluted earnings per share increased to \$0.75 in the fourth quarter of 2014, up from \$0.62 per share in the fourth quarter of 2013. Without the Bogs liability adjustment described above, diluted earnings per share on an adjusted basis would have been \$0.78 in the fourth quarter of 2014, as shown in the "Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measure" table below.

Net sales in the North American wholesale segment, which include North American wholesale sales and licensing revenues, were \$73.9 million for the fourth quarter of 2014, up 27% as compared to \$58.2 million in 2013. Within the wholesale segment, net sales of our BOGS brand were up 69% this quarter, driven by increased sales of women's and children's boots in the U.S. and Canada. Stacy Adams net sales increased 19% for the quarter, due to sales volume increases in the modern dress shoe category which resulted in higher sales with department stores and national shoe chains. Net sales of the Nunn Bush brand were up 13% for the quarter, mainly due to higher sales with department stores and internet retailers. Florsheim net sales were up 10% for the quarter, driven by higher sales volumes with national shoe chains and internet retailers. Wholesale gross earnings were 35.2% of net sales in the fourth quarter of 2014, compared to 36.2% in the fourth quarter of 2013. The decrease in gross earnings percentage was the result of significantly lower margins in our Canadian business, caused by the weaker Canadian dollar relative to the U.S. dollar in the fourth quarter of 2014, as compared to last year's fourth quarter. Driven by higher sales volumes, wholesale earnings from operations increased 26% to \$9.8 million in the fourth quarter of 2014, from \$7.8 million in 2013. This year's fourth quarter earnings from operations included additional expense resulting from the Bogs liability adjustment described above. Without this adjustment, wholesale earnings from operations would have been up 33% for the quarter.

Net sales in the North American retail segment, which include sales from the Company's Florsheim retail stores and its internet business in the United States, were \$7.5 million in the fourth quarter of 2014, up 9% as compared to \$6.9 million in 2013. Same store sales were up 11% for the quarter. There was one fewer domestic retail store operating during the fourth quarter of 2014 than there was in last year's fourth quarter. Earnings from operations for the retail segment were \$1.7 million in the fourth quarter of 2014, up 14% as compared to \$1.5 million in 2013. The increase in both sales and operating earnings was due to improved performance in the Company's U.S. internet business.

Other net sales, which include the wholesale and retail sales of Florsheim Australia and Florsheim Europe, were \$13.9 million in the fourth quarter of 2014, up 3% as compared to \$13.5 million in 2013. This increase was primarily due to higher net sales in Florsheim Europe's wholesale business. Florsheim Australia's net sales were flat at \$12.1 million this quarter, compared to the same period last year. In local currency, Florsheim Australia's net sales were up 8% for the quarter, due to higher sales in its retail businesses, where sales were up 15% (same store sales up 6%), partially offset by lower sales in its wholesale businesses, where sales were down 7% for the quarter. Florsheim Australia's net sales in U.S. dollars were negatively impacted by the weaker Australian dollar relative to the U.S. dollar in 2014. Earnings from operations of these businesses were \$1.9 million in the fourth quarter of 2014, up 23% as compared to \$1.6 million in the same period one year ago. This increase was driven by higher gross margins in Florsheim Australia's wholesale businesses.

FULL YEAR 2014

Overall net sales in 2014 were \$320.5 million, an increase of 7% from 2013 net sales of \$300.3 million. Earnings from operations were \$30.7 million in 2014, up 10% as compared to \$27.8 million in 2013. Net earnings attributable to the Company were \$19.0 million in 2014, as compared to \$17.6 million in 2013, an increase of 8%. Earnings for 2014 included \$611,000 (\$373,000 after tax) of expense resulting from an increase in the estimated liability for future payments related to the 2011 acquisition of Bogs. Without this adjustment, earnings from operations and net earnings attributable to the Company would have been up 12% and 10%, respectively, for the year.

Diluted earnings per share increased to \$1.75 in 2014, up from \$1.62 per share in 2013. Without the Bogs liability adjustment described above, 2014 diluted earnings per share on an adjusted basis would have been \$1.78, as shown in the "Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measure" table below.

Net sales in the North American wholesale segment, which include North American wholesale sales and licensing revenues, were \$243.4 million in 2014, up 8% as compared to \$225.7 million in 2013. Within the wholesale segment, net sales of our BOGS brand were up 46% for the year, driven by increased sales of women's and children's boots in the U.S. and Canada. Stacy Adams net sales were up 5% for the year, due to sales volume increases in the modern dress shoe category which resulted in higher sales across a number of distribution categories. Net sales of our Nunn Bush and Florsheim brands were down 4% and 1%, respectively, for the year. The decline at Nunn Bush was mainly due to lower sales with one major department store. Florsheim net sales were down due to lower sales with department stores and independent stores, partially offset by increases with chain stores and internet retailers. Wholesale gross earnings were 32.3% of net sales in 2014, compared to 32.6% in 2013. The decrease in gross earnings percentage was the result of significantly lower margins in our Canadian business, caused by the weaker Canadian dollar relative to the U.S. dollar in 2014, as compared to 2013. Driven by higher sales volumes, wholesale earnings from operations increased 9% to \$22.5 million in 2014, from \$20.7 million in 2013. This year's earnings from operations increased 9% to \$22.5 million in 2014, from \$20.7 million in 2013. This year's earnings from operations increased 9% to \$22.5 million in 2014, for the year.

In the North American retail segment, net sales were flat at \$23.3 million in 2014 and 2013. There were seven fewer domestic retail stores operating in 2014 than in 2013; one store that closed in 2014 and six stores that closed throughout 2013. The sales losses from these closed stores were offset by a 5% increase in same store sales for the year. Earnings from operations for the retail segment were \$3.3 million in 2014, up 9% as compared to \$3.0 million in 2013. This increase was due to improved performance in the Company's U.S. internet business.

The Company's other businesses had net sales of \$53.7 million in 2014, up 5% as compared with \$51.4 million in 2013. This increase was due to higher sales volumes at both Florsheim Europe and Florsheim Australia. Florsheim Australia's net sales were up \$1.4 million, or 3%, for the year. In local currency, Florsheim Australia's net sales were up 10% for the year. This increase was due to higher sales in both its retail businesses, where sales were up 13% (same store sales up 10%), and its wholesale businesses, where sales were up 6%. Florsheim Australia's net sales in U.S. dollars were negatively impacted by the weaker Australian dollar relative to the U.S. dollar in 2014. Earnings from operations of these businesses were \$4.8 million in 2014, up 21% as compared to \$4.0 million last year. The increase was primarily due to higher operating earnings at Florsheim Australia.

"We are excited about the growth of our BOGS brand this year, which was fueled by the growing popularity of the brand in both the U.S. and Canada," stated Thomas W. Florsheim, Jr., the Company's Chairman and CEO. "We are also encouraged by the positive momentum our legacy brands enjoyed during the second half of the year. As we embark on 2015, we feel our brands are well-positioned in their respective markets for future growth."

On March 2, 2015, the Company's Board of Directors declared a cash dividend of \$0.19 per share to all shareholders of record on March 16, 2015, payable March 31, 2015.

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measure

	Three Months Ended December 31,				Twelve Months Ended December 31,				
	2014		2013		2014		2013		
Diluted earnings per share, as reported	\$	0.75	\$	0.62	\$	1.75	\$	1.62	
Effect of Bogs liability adjustment		0.03		-		0.03		-	
Diluted earnings per share, as adjusted	\$	0.78	\$	0.62	\$	1.78	\$	1.62	

In addition to the results reported in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") included in this release, the table above (as well as the information provided in this release) provides certain non-GAAP financial information, related to diluted earnings per share excluding the impact of the Bogs liability adjustment (as described in more details above). Management believes that presentation of this non-GAAP financial measure provides useful information to investors because this information may allow investors to better evaluate ongoing business performance and certain components of the Company's results. In addition, the Company believes the presentation of diluted earnings per share excluding the impact of the Bogs liability adjustment enhances an investor's ability to make period-to-period comparisons of the Company's operating results. This information should be considered in addition to the results presented in accordance with GAAP, and should not be considered a substitute for the GAAP results. The Company has reconciled the non-GAAP financial information included in this release to the nearest GAAP measure.

Conference Call Details

Weyco Group will host a conference call on March 3, 2015, at 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time to discuss the fourth quarter and full year 2014 financial results in more detail. To participate in the call please dial 888-679-8035 or 617-213-4848, referencing passcode 55353660, five minutes before the start of the call. A replay will be available for one year beginning about two hours after the completion of the call at the following webcast link: <u>http://edge.media-server.com/m/p/30433q3z</u>. Alternatively, the conference call and replay will be available by visiting the investor relations section of Weyco Group's website at <u>www.weycogroup.com</u>.

About Weyco Group

Weyco Group, Inc., designs and markets quality and innovative footwear for men, women and children under a portfolio of well-recognized brand names including: Florsheim, Nunn Bush, Stacy Adams, BOGS, Rafters and Umi. The Company's products can be found in leading footwear, department, and specialty stores worldwide. Weyco Group also operates Florsheim concept stores in the United States and Australia, as well as in a variety of international markets.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the "safe harbor" provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Various factors could cause the results of Weyco Group to be materially different from any future results expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Such factors include, but are not limited to, the Company's ability to: (i) successfully market and sell its products in a highly competitive industry and in view of changing consumer trends, consumer acceptance of products and other factors affecting retail market conditions; (ii) procure its products from independent manufacturers; and (iii) other factors, including those detailed from time to time in Weyco Group's filings made with the SEC. Weyco Group undertakes no obligation to update publicly any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

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WEYCO GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS FOR THE THREE AND TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013 (UNAUDITED)

	Three Months Ended December 31,			Twelve Months Ended December 31,				
	2014		2013		2014		2013	
			(In th	nousands, excep	t per shar	e amounts)		
Net sales	\$	95,271	\$	78,545	\$	320,488	\$	300,284
Cost of sales		56,205		45,208		197,420		182,971
Gross earnings		39,066		33,337		123,068		117,313
Selling and administrative expenses		25,685		22,536		92,411		89,558
Earnings from operations		13,381		10,801		30,657		27,755
Interest income		282		317		1,174		1,461
Interest expense		(55)		(70)		(178)		(384)
Other (expense) and income, net		(334)		97		(595)		(653)
Earnings before provision for income taxes		13,274		11,145		31,058		28,179
Provision for income taxes		4,746		3,887		11,234		9,930
Net earnings		8,528		7,258		19,824		18,249
Net earnings attributable to noncontrolling interest		438		454		804		648
Net earnings attributable to Weyco Group, Inc.	\$	8,090	\$	6,804	\$	19,020	\$	17,601
Weighted average shares outstanding								
Basic		10,735		10,807		10,791		10,779
Diluted		10,845		10,939		10,888		10,865
Earnings per share								
Basic	\$	0.75	\$	0.63	\$	1.76	\$	1.63
Diluted	\$	0.75	\$	0.62	\$	1.75	\$	1.62
Cash dividends declared (per share)	\$	0.19	\$	0.18	\$	0.75	\$	0.54

WEYCO GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)

	Dece	December 31, 2014		December 31, 2013	
	(Dollars in thousands)				
ASSETS:	•		•		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	12,499	\$	15,969	
Marketable securities, at amortized cost		5,914		5,196	
Accounts receivable, net		55,100		48,530	
Accrued income tax receivable		-		1,055	
Inventories		69,015		63,196	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		7,521		6,136	
Total current assets		150,049		140,082	
Marketable securities, at amortized cost		24,540		25,024	
Deferred income tax benefits		1,999		-	
Property, plant and equipment, net		33,694		35,112	
Goodwill		11,112		11,112	
Trademarks		34,748		34,748	
Other assets		21,304		21,455	
Total assets	\$	277,446	\$	267,533	
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY:					
Short-term borrowings	\$	5,405	\$	12,000	
Accounts payable		15,657		13,956	
Dividend payable		2,045		1,949	
Accrued liabilities		12,752		10,902	
Accrued income tax payable		151		-	
Deferred income tax liabilities		1,747		849	
Total current liabilities		37,757		39,656	
Deferred income tax liabilities		-		1,993	
Long-term pension liability		33,379		21,901	
Other long-term liabilities		8,356		6,991	
Common stock		10,821		10,876	
Capital in excess of par value		37,966		31,729	
Reinvested earnings		160,179		156,983	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	_	(18,030)		(9,422)	
Total Weyco Group, Inc. equity		190,936		190,166	
Noncontrolling interest	_	7,018		6,826	
Total equity		197,954		196,992	
Total liabilities and equity	\$	277,446	\$	267,533	

WEYCO GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)

	Twel	ve Months Er 2014	nded December 31, 2013		
			thousands)		
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:				-	
Net earnings	\$	19,824	\$	18,249	
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash					
provided by operating activities -					
Depreciation		3,659		3,962	
Amortization		361		272	
Bad debt expense		240		132	
Deferred income taxes		1,115		1,268	
Net losses on remeasurement of contingent consideration		611		24	
Net foreign currency transaction losses		268		279	
Stock-based compensation		1,465		1,283	
Pension contributions		(1,300)		(1,282)	
Pension expense		2,212		3,737	
Other-than-temporary investment impairment		-		200	
Increase in cash surrender value of life insurance		(552)		(540)	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities -		(002)		(010)	
Accounts receivable		(6,787)		421	
Inventories		(5,807)		2,048	
Prepaid expenses and other assets		(901)		(295)	
Accounts payable		1,626		2,846	
Accrued liabilities and other		604		(2,858)	
Accrued income taxes				()	
		<u>1,205</u> 17,843			
Net cash provided by operating activities		17,043		29,020	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:					
Purchase of marketable securities		(8,427)		(122)	
Proceeds from maturities of marketable securities		8,177		13,968	
Life insurance premiums paid		(155)		(155)	
Investment in real estate		-		(3,206)	
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(2,890)		(2,699)	
Net cash (used for) provided by investing activities		(3,295)		7,786	
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		()		(N	
Cash dividends paid		(8,029)		(3,904)	
Cash dividends paid to noncontrolling interest of subsidiary		(198)		(205)	
Shares purchased and retired		(7,984)		(4,623)	
Proceeds from stock options exercised		4,881		3,932	
Payment of contingent consideration		-		(1,270)	
Proceeds from bank borrow ings		101,200		11,000	
Repayments of bank borrowings		(107,795)		(44,000)	
Income tax benefits from stock-based compensation		133		570	
Net cash used for financing activities		(17,792)		(38,500)	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		(226)		(431)	
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	\$	(3,470)	\$	(1,319)	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS at beginning of year		15,969		17,288	
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SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION:					
Income taxes paid, net of refunds	\$	8,875	\$	7,807	
Interest paid	\$	127	\$	335	
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