

FTAI Reports First Quarter 2020 Results, Dividend of \$0.33 per Common Share

April 30, 2020

NEW YORK, April 30, 2020 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Fortress Transportation and Infrastructure Investors LLC (NYSE:FTAI) (the "Company" or "FTAI") today reported financial results for the first quarter 2020. The Company's consolidated comparative financial statements and key performance measures are attached as an exhibit to this press release.

Financial Overview

(in thousands, except per share data)

Selected Financial Results		Q1'20
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities	\$	(11,806)
Net Loss Attributable to Shareholders	\$	(2,863)
Basic and Diluted Loss per Common Share	\$	(0.03)
Funds Available for Distribution ("FAD") (1)	\$	96,037
Adjusted EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	\$	71,995

⁽¹⁾ For definitions and reconciliations of non-GAAP measures, please refer to the exhibit to this press release.

For the first quarter of 2020, total FAD was \$96.0 million. This amount includes \$121.3 million from our aviation leasing portfolio, and \$1.7 million from our infrastructure business, offset by \$(27.0) million from corporate and other.

First Quarter 2020 Dividends

On April 28, 2020, the Company's Board of Directors (the "Board") declared a cash dividend on its common shares of \$0.33 per share for the quarter ended March 31, 2020, payable on May 26, 2020 to the holders of record on May 15, 2020.

Additionally, on April 28, 2020, the Board declared cash dividends on its Fixed-to-Floating Rate Series A Cumulative Perpetual Redeemable Preferred Shares ("Series A Preferred Shares") and Fixed-to-Floating Rate Series B Cumulative Perpetual Redeemable Preferred Shares ("Series B Preferred Shares") of \$0.51563 and \$0.50000 per share, respectively, for the quarter ended March 31, 2020, payable on June 15, 2020 to the holders of record on June 1, 2020.

Additional Information

For additional information that management believes to be useful for investors, please refer to the presentation posted on the Investor Relations section of the Company's website, www.ftandi.com, and the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, when available on the Company's website. Nothing on the Company's website is included or incorporated by reference herein.

Conference Call

The Company will host a conference call on Friday, May 1, 2020 at 8:00 A.M. Eastern Time. The conference call may be accessed by dialing (877) 447-5636 (from within the U.S.) or (615) 247-0080 (from outside of the U.S.) ten minutes prior to the scheduled start of the call; please reference "FTAI First Quarter 2020 Earnings Call." A simultaneous webcast of the conference call will be available to the public on a listen-only basis at www.ftandi.com.

Following the call, a replay of the conference call will be available after 12:00 P.M. on Friday, May 1, 2020 through midnight Friday, May 8, 2020 at (855) 859-2056 (from within the U.S.) or (404) 537-3406 (from outside of the U.S.), Passcode: 1623849.

About Fortress Transportation and Infrastructure Investors LLC

Fortress Transportation and Infrastructure Investors LLC owns and acquires high quality infrastructure and equipment that is essential for the transportation of goods and people globally. FTAI targets assets that, on a combined basis, generate strong and stable cash flows with the potential for earnings growth and asset appreciation. FTAI is externally managed by an affiliate of Fortress Investment Group LLC, a leading, diversified global investment firm.

Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements in this press release may constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements are based on management's current expectations and beliefs and are subject to a number of trends and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements, many of which are beyond the Company's control. The Company can give no assurance that its expectations will be attained and such differences may be material. Accordingly, you should not

place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements contained in this press release. For a discussion of some of the risks and important factors that could affect such forward-looking statements, see the sections entitled "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in the Company's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, which are available on the Company's website (www.ftandi.com). In addition, new risks and uncertainties emerge from time to time, and it is not possible for the Company to predict or assess the impact of every factor that may cause its actual results to differ from those contained in any forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this press release. The Company expressly disclaims any obligation to release publicly any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statements contained herein to reflect any change in the Company's expectations with regard thereto or change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any statement is based. This release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities.

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Withholding Information for Withholding Agents

This announcement is intended to be a qualified notice as provided in the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code") and the Regulations thereunder. For U.S. federal income tax purposes, the common dividend and the Series A Preferred and Series B Preferred dividends declared in April 2020 will be treated as a partnership distribution and guaranteed payments, respectively. For U.S. tax withholding purposes, the per share distribution components are as follows:

Common Distribution Components	
U.S. Portfolio Interest Income ⁽¹⁾	\$ 0.02500
U.S. Dividend Income ⁽²⁾	\$ _
Income Not from U.S. Sources ⁽³⁾	\$ 0.13690
U.S. Long Term Capital Gain (4)	\$ 0.16810
Distribution Per Share	\$ 0.33000
Series A Preferred Distribution Components	
Guaranteed Payments ⁽⁵⁾	\$ 0.51563
Distribution Per Share	\$ 0.51563

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Distribution Per Share	

Series B Preferred Distribution Components

0.50000 (1) Eligible for the U.S. portfolio interest exemption for any holder not considered a 10-percent shareholder under §871(h)(3)(B) of the Code.

For U.S. shareholders: In computing your U.S. federal taxable income, you should not rely on this qualified notice, but should generally take into account your allocable share of the Company's taxable income as reported to you on your Schedule K-1.

Exhibit - Financial Statements

Guaranteed Payments⁽⁵⁾

FORTRESS TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTORS LLC

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (Unaudited)

(Dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data)

Three Months	Ended March 31,
2020	2019

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⁽²⁾ This income is subject to withholding under §1441 or §1442 of the Code.

⁽³⁾ This income is not subject to withholding under §1441, §1442 or §1446 of the Code.

⁽⁴⁾ U.S. Long Term Capital Gain attributable to the sale of a U.S. Real Property Holding Corporation. As a result, the gain will be treated as income that is effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business and be subject to withholding.

⁽⁵⁾ Brokers and nominees should treat this income as subject to withholding under §1441 or §1442 of the Code.

Revenues		
Equipment leasing revenues	\$ 86,449	\$ 72,452
Infrastructure revenues	26,391	42,442
Total revenues	 112,840	114,894
Expenses		
Operating expenses	33,444	54,310
General and administrative	4,663	4,184
Acquisition and transaction expenses	3,194	1,474
Management fees and incentive allocation to affiliate	4,766	3,838
Depreciation and amortization	42,197	38,863
Interest expense	22,861	20,734
Total expenses	111,125	 123,403
Other income (expense)		
Equity in earnings (losses) of unconsolidated entities	265	(384)
(Loss) gain on sale of assets, net	(1,819)	1,718
Loss on extinguishment of debt	(4,724)	_
Interest income	41	91
Other income (expense)	 33	(2,603)
Total other expense	(6,204)	 (1,178)
Loss from continuing operations before income taxes	 (4,489)	 (9,687)
(Benefit from) provision for income taxes	(98)	267
Net loss from continuing operations	 (4,391)	(9,954)
Net income from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	1,331	158
Net loss	(3,060)	 (9,796)
Less: Net loss attributable to non-controlling interests in consolidated subsidiaries:		
Continuing operations	(4,736)	(3,360)
Discontinued operations		(56)
Dividends on preferred shares	4,539	_
Net loss attributable to shareholders	\$ (2,863)	\$ (6,380)
Earnings (loss) per share: Basic		

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Continuing operations Discontinued operations	\$ \$	(0.05) 0.02	\$ \$	(0.07) 0.00
Diluted			·	
Continuing operations	\$	(0.05)	\$	(0.07)
Discontinued operations	\$	0.02	\$	0.00
Weighted average chares outstanding:				

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Basic	86,008,099	85,986,453
Diluted	86,008,099	85,986,453

FORTRESS TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTORS LLC

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Unaudited) (Dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data)

	(Unaudited)	:d)				
	March 31, 2020	December 31, 2019				
Assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 45,120	\$ 226,512				
Restricted cash	78,268	16,005				
Accounts receivable, net	57,945	49,470				
Leasing equipment, net	1,680,646	1,707,059				

Operating lease right-of-use assets, net	62,965		37,466
Finance leases, net	7,995		8,315
Property, plant, and equipment, net	789,300		732,109
Investments	194,352		180,550
Intangible assets, net	25,115		27,692
Goodwill	122,735		122,639
Other assets	112,147		129,105
Total assets	\$ 3,176,588	\$	3,236,922
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Liabilities			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 82,928	\$	144,855
Debt, net	1,445,735		1,420,928
Maintenance deposits	198,694		208,944
Security deposits	42,182		45,252
Operating lease liabilities	62,524		36,968
Other liabilities	32,701		41,118
Total liabilities	\$ 1,864,764	\$	1,898,065
Commitments and contingencies			
Equity			
Common shares (\$0.01 par value per share; 2,000,000,000 shares authorized; 85,114,636 and 84,917,448 shares issued and outstanding as of March 31, 2020 and December 31, 2019,			
respectively)	\$ 851	\$	849
Preferred shares (\$0.01 par value per share; 200,000,000 shares authorized; 8,050,000 and 8,050,000 shares issued and outstanding as of March 31, 2020 and December 31, 2019,	•	•	
respectively)	81		81
Additional paid in capital	1,110,028		1,110,122
Retained earnings	159,199		190,453
Accumulated other comprehensive income	9,130		372
Shareholders' equity	1,279,289		1,301,877
Non-controlling interest in equity of consolidated subsidiaries	32,535		36,980
Total equity	1,311,824		1,338,857
	\$ 3,176,588	\$	3,236,922
Total liabilities and equity	φ 3,170,300	Ψ	3,230,322

FORTRESS TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTORS LLC

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited)

(Dollar amounts in thousands, unless otherwise noted)

	Three Months Ended March		March 31,	
		2020		2019
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Net loss	\$	(3,060)	\$	(9,796)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Equity in (earnings) losses of unconsolidated entities		(265)		384
Gain on sale of subsidiaries		(1,331)		_
Loss (gain) on sale of assets, net		1,819		(1,725)
Security deposits and maintenance claims included in earnings		8,844		(2,953)
Loss on extinguishment of debt		4,724		_
Equity-based compensation		291		228
Depreciation and amortization		42,197		39,533
Change in current and deferred income taxes		3,822		338
Change in fair value of non-hedge derivative		181		3,220
Amortization of lease intangibles and incentives		6,868		8,334

Amortization of deferred financing costs		2,065	2,025
Bad debt expense		632	2,950
Other		362	221
Change in:			
Accounts receivable		(10,780)	(1,127)
Other assets		7,063	(5,295)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		(46,316)	(14,348)
Management fees payable to affiliate		(20,865)	(1,158)
Other liabilities	-	(8,057)	(561)
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities		(11,806)	20,270
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Investment in unconsolidated entities		(2,452)	_
Principal collections on finance leases		320	1,289
Acquisition of leasing equipment		(57,570)	(108,919)
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment		(60,402)	(81,241)
Acquisition of lease intangibles		1,161	(589)
Purchase deposits for acquisitions		(3,100)	(4,625)
Proceeds from sale of leasing equipment		28,568	27,292
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		_	7
Return of capital distributions from unconsolidated entities		_	398
Return of deposit on sale of engine		2,350	_
Net cash used in investing activities		(91,125)	(166,388)
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Proceeds from debt		303,980	352,680
Repayment of debt		(275,991)	(47,222)
Payment of deferred financing costs		(11,767)	(28,611)
Receipt of security deposits		130	1,935
Return of security deposits		(3,815)	(233)
Receipt of maintenance deposits		13,626	13,495
Release of maintenance deposits		(9,185)	(9,807)
Issuance costs of preferred shares		(246)	_
Cash dividends - common shares		(28,391)	(28,383)
Cash dividends - preferred shares		(4,539)	_
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities		(16,198)	253,854
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash		(119,129)	107,736
Cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning of period		242,517	120,837
Cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash, end of period	\$	123,388	\$ 228,573

Key Performance Measures

The Chief Operating Decision Maker ("CODM") utilizes Adjusted EBITDA as the key performance measure.

Adjusted EBITDA provides the CODM with the information necessary to assess operational performance, as well as make resource and allocation decisions. Adjusted EBITDA is defined as net income (loss) attributable to shareholders from continuing operations, adjusted (a) to exclude the impact of (benefit from) provision for income taxes, equity-based compensation expense, acquisition and transaction expenses, losses on the modification or extinguishment of debt and capital lease obligations, changes in fair value of non-hedge derivative instruments, asset impairment charges, incentive allocations, depreciation and amortization expense, and interest expense, (b) to include the impact of our pro-rata share of Adjusted EBITDA from unconsolidated entities, and (c) to exclude the impact of equity in earnings (losses) of unconsolidated entities and the non-controlling share of Adjusted EBITDA.

The following table sets forth a reconciliation of net income attributable to shareholders from continuing operations to Adjusted EBITDA for the three months ended March 31, 2020 and 2019:

(in thousands)	2020		2019	
Net loss attributable to shareholders from continuing operations	\$	(4,194)	\$	(6,594)
Add: (Benefit from) provision for income taxes		(98)		267
Add: Equity-based compensation expense		291		182
Add: Acquisition and transaction expenses		3,194		1,474
Add: Losses on the modification or extinguishment of debt and capital lease obligations		4,724		
Add: Changes in fair value of non-hedge derivative instruments		181		3,220
Add: Asset impairment charges		_		
Add: Incentive allocations		_		162
Add: Depreciation and amortization expense (1)		49,064		47,197
Add: Interest expense		22,861		20,734
Add: Pro-rata share of Adjusted EBITDA from unconsolidated entities (2)	nconsolidated entities (2)		(118)	
Less: Equity in (earnings) losses of unconsolidated entities		(265)		384
Less: Non-controlling share of Adjusted EBITDA (3)		(3,350)		(2,153)
Adjusted EBITDA (non-GAAP)	\$	71,995	\$	64,755

⁽¹⁾ Includes the following items for the three months ended March 31, 2020 and 2019: (i) depreciation and amortization expense of \$42,197 and \$38,863, (ii) lease intangible amortization of \$1,132 and \$2,462 and (iii) amortization for lease incentives of \$5,735 and \$5,872, respectively.

The Company uses Funds Available for Distribution ("FAD") in evaluating its ability to meet its stated dividend policy. FAD is not a financial measure in accordance with GAAP. The GAAP measure most directly comparable to FAD is net cash provided by operating activities. The Company believes FAD is a useful metric for investors and analysts for similar purposes.

The Company defines FAD as: Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities plus principal collections on finance leases, proceeds from sale of assets, and return of capital distributions from unconsolidated entities, less required payments on debt obligations and capital distributions to non-controlling interest, and excluding changes in working capital.

The following table sets forth a reconciliation of Net Cash (Used In) Provided by Operating Activities to FAD for the three months ended March 31, 2020 and 2019:

		∟nded	ended March 31,		
(in thousands)		2020		2019	
Net Cash (Used in) Provided by Operating Activities	\$	(11,806)	\$	20,270	
Add: Principal Collections on Finance Leases		320		1,289	
Add: Proceeds from Sale of Assets		28,568		27,299	
Add: Return of Capital Distributions from Unconsolidated Entities		_		398	
Less: Required Payments on Debt Obligations (1)		_		(1,562)	
Less: Capital Distributions to Non-Controlling Interest		_		_	
Exclude: Changes in Working Capital		78,955		22,489	
Funds Available for Distribution (FAD)	\$	96,037	\$	70,183	

⁽¹⁾ Required payments on debt obligations for the three months ended March 31, 2020 exclude repayments of \$144,200 for the Series 2016 Bonds, \$50,262 for the Jefferson Revolver, \$45,520 for the Series 2012 Bonds and \$36,009 for the FTAI Pride Credit Agreement and for the three months ended March 31, 2019 exclude repayments of \$40,000 for the Revolving Credit Facility and \$5,660 for the CMQR Credit Agreement.

The following tables set forth a reconciliation of Net Cash (Used in) Provided by Operating Activities to FAD for the three months ended March 31, 2020:

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Equipment Leasing	Infrastructure	Corporate and Other	Total
	Equipment	Equipment Infrastructure	intrastructure

⁽²⁾ Includes the following items for the three months ended March 31, 2020 and 2019: (i) net income (loss) of \$223 and \$(420), (ii) interest expense of \$35 and \$36, (iii) depreciation and amortization expense of \$962 and \$266, (iv) acquisition and transaction expenses of \$81 and \$0 and (v) changes in fair value of non-hedge derivatives of \$(1,714) and \$0, respectively.

⁽³⁾ Includes the following items for the three months ended March 31, 2020 and 2019: (i) equity based compensation of \$47 and \$21, (ii) provision for income taxes of \$28 and \$18, (iii) interest expense of \$720 and \$845, (iv) depreciation and amortization expense of \$1,524 and \$1,090, (v) changes in fair value of non-hedge derivative instruments of \$38 and \$179 and (vi) loss on extinguishment of debt of \$993 and \$0, respectively.

Funds Available for Distribution (FAD)	\$ 121,254	\$ 1,703	\$ (26,920)	\$ 96,037
Less: Principal Collections on Finance Leases				(320)
Less: Proceeds from Sale of Assets				(28,568)
Less: Return of Capital Distributions from Unconsolidated Entities				_
Add: Required Payments on Debt Obligations				_
Add: Capital Distributions to Non-Controlling Interest				_
Include: Changes in Working Capital				(78,955)
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities				\$ (11,806)

FAD is subject to a number of limitations and assumptions and there can be no assurance that the Company will generate FAD sufficient to meet its intended dividends. FAD has material limitations as a liquidity measure of the Company because such measure excludes items that are required elements of the Company's net cash provided by operating activities as described below. FAD should not be considered in isolation nor as a substitute for analysis of the Company's results of operations under GAAP, and it is not the only metric that should be considered in evaluating the Company's ability to meet its stated dividend policy. Specifically:

- FAD does not include equity capital called from the Company's existing limited partners, proceeds from any debt issuance or future equity offering, historical cash and cash equivalents and expected investments in the Company's operations.
- FAD does not give pro forma effect to prior acquisitions, certain of which cannot be quantified.
- While FAD reflects the cash inflows from sale of certain assets, FAD does not reflect the cash outflows to acquire assets as the Company relies on alternative sources of liquidity to fund such purchases.
- FAD does not reflect expenditures related to capital expenditures, acquisitions and other investments as the Company has
 multiple sources of liquidity and intends to fund these expenditures with future incurrences of indebtedness, additional
 capital contributions and/or future issuances of equity.
- FAD does not reflect any maintenance capital expenditures necessary to maintain the same level of cash generation from our capital investments.
- FAD does not reflect changes in working capital balances as management believes that changes in working capital are primarily driven by short term timing differences, which are not meaningful to the Company's distribution decisions.
- Management has significant discretion to make distributions, and the Company is not bound by any contractual provision that requires it to use cash for distributions.

If such factors were included in FAD, there can be no assurance that the results would be consistent with the Company's presentation of FAD.



Source: Fortress Transportation and Infrastructure Investors LLC