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## MIDWAY REPORTS 2005 Q1 NET REVENUES OF \$13.8 MILLION

- Q1 EPS of \$(0.19) -

Chicago, Illinois, May 9, 2005 -- Midway Games Inc. (NYSE:MWY) today announced results of operations for the three month period ended March 31, 2005. The Company also updated its guidance for the year ending December 31, 2005 and provided revenue and earnings guidance for the quarter ending June 30, 2005.

#### FIRST OUARTER RESULTS

Net revenues for the 2005 first quarter were \$13.8 million, compared with 2004 first quarter net revenues of \$20.1 million. The 2005 first quarter net loss was \$15.9 million, compared with a 2004 first quarter net loss of \$14.2 million. The 2005 first quarter loss applicable to common stock was \$16.0 million or \$0.19 per share, compared with a 2004 first quarter loss applicable to common stock of \$15.0 million or \$0.27 per share.

Other first quarter operating and financial items include:

- Midway released *Mortal Kombat: Deception* for GameCube and one budget videogame, *NARC*, for PlayStation 2 and Xbox, in North America;
- Midway signed publishing agreements with Warner Bros. Interactive Entertainment, licensing
  Cartoon Network properties for videogames based on four of the network's top-rated programs. The
  multi-territory agreements include games for consoles, handheld devices and the PC platform;
- Midway also signed a publishing agreement with Warner Bros. Interactive Entertainment to develop videogames based on *Happy Feet*, an animated comedy adventure film written and directed by George Miller and scheduled for release in November 2006. The multi-territory agreement includes games for consoles, handheld devices and the PC platform;
- Midway signed a new non-exclusive licensing agreement with the NBA to continue to develop and publish sequels to our highly-successful *NBA Ballers* title on an every-other-year basis. The

agreement gives Midway the rights to use NBA teams as well as current and retired NBA players in our games. The NBA will also work closely with Midway to heavily promote *NBA Ballers* sequels with marketing and global branding through the league's various assets including NBA TV and NBA.com; and

Midway opened a new sales and marketing office in Munich, Germany to increase the Company's
direct-to-retailer distribution capabilities in Europe and leverage the Company's growing line of
products with international sales potential, particularly its PC products.

"The first quarter revenue is in line with our guidance and the reported net loss was better than what we projected. Most importantly, we made further progress during the quarter toward increasing the strength of our product pipeline. The recently executed publishing agreements with Warner Bros. Interactive Entertainment for animated film and Cartoon Network properties add high profile licensed content to our portfolio and provide a solid foundation from which to build our new family-friendly line of games," commented David F. Zucker, president and chief executive officer.

### **OUTLOOK**

For the quarter ending June 30, 2005, the Company expects net revenues of approximately \$40.0 million with a net loss of approximately \$25.0 million. Midway released *Unreal Championship 2* in North America on April 18, 2005 for Xbox and released *Area 51* for PlayStation 2 and Xbox on April 25, 2005. The Company also expects to release both *Unreal Championship 2* and *Area 51* in Europe during the second quarter of 2005.

"We are very excited about our product pipeline and the growth we expect to achieve in this area in 2005 and 2006. We are actively devoting resources to achieving the size and scale necessary to generate consistent and significant profits in the next console cycle. Furthermore, in the next console cycle, we intend to produce the vast majority of our products using internal studio resources. Consistent with this strategy, we anticipate significantly increasing our spending and investment in product development which may include substantial headcount increases and further acquisitions of development studios. We expect some of this spending and investment to adversely impact our 2005 results," added Mr. Zucker.

For the year ending December 31, 2005, Midway continues to expect net revenues of approximately \$225.0 million, representing an approximate 40% increase over 2004 revenue levels. The Company expects major releases for the second half of the year to include: *LA Rush, Mortal Kombat Shaolin Monks, The Suffering: Ties That Bind, Gauntlet: Seven Sorrows, Ed,Edd 'n Eddy: The Mis-Edventures* and *Blitz: The League*. The Company now expects a net loss of approximately \$47.0 million for the year ending December 31, 2005, an increase from the Company's prior expectation of a net loss of approximately \$38.0 million.

#### **CONFERENCE CALL**

Midway Games Inc. is hosting a conference call and simultaneous webcast open to the general public at 4:45 p.m. EDT today, Monday, May 9, 2005. The conference call number is (212) 676-5394; please call five minutes in advance to ensure that you are connected prior to the presentation. Interested parties may also access the live call on the Internet at <a href="www.investor.midway.com">www.investor.midway.com</a> or at <a href="www.fulldisclosure.com">www.fulldisclosure.com</a>. Please log on fifteen minutes in advance to ensure that you are connected prior to the call's initiation. Following its completion, a replay of the call will be available for twelve months on the Internet via <a href="www.investor.midway.com">www.investor.midway.com</a>.

Midway Games Inc. is a leading developer and publisher of interactive entertainment software. Midway videogames are available for play on major videogame platforms including the PlayStation<sup>®</sup>2 computer entertainment system, Xbox<sup>TM</sup> video game system from Microsoft, and Nintendo GameCube<sup>TM</sup> and Game Boy<sup>®</sup> Advance.

This press release contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the federal securities laws concerning future business conditions and the outlook for Midway Games Inc. (the "Company") based on currently available information that involve risks and uncertainties. The Company's actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in the forward-looking statements as a result of these risks and uncertainties, including, without limitation, the financial strength of the interactive entertainment industry, dependence on new product introductions and the ability to maintain the scheduling of such introductions, the upcoming console platform transition and other technological changes, dependence on major platform manufacturers and other risks more fully described under "Item 1. Business - Risk Factors" in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004, and in the more recent filings made by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

- tables follow -

## MIDWAY GAMES INC.

## Consolidated Statements of Operations (In thousands, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

### Three-Months Ended

	March 31,				
	2005		2004		
Net Revenues	\$	13,815	\$ 2	20,131	
Cost of sales:					
Product costs and distribution		5,066		9,175	
Royalties and product development		3,530		6,325	
Total cost of sales		8,596		15,500	
Gross profit		5,219		4,631	
Research and development expense		8,966		5,069	
Selling and marketing expense		7,280		9,078	
Administrative expense		4,180		4,309	
Operating loss		(15,207)	(1	3,825)	
Interest income		628		98	
Interest expense		(353)		(178)	
Other income and (expense), net		(633)		62	
Loss before income taxes		(15,565)	(1	3,843)	
Provision for income taxes		328		328	
Net Loss		(15,893)	(1	4,171)	
Preferred stock dividends:					
Distributed		63		503	
Imputed		2		310	
Loss applicable to common stock	\$	(15,958)	\$ (14	1,984)	
Basic and diluted loss per share of common stock	\$	(0.19)	\$	(0.27)	
Average number of shares outstanding		85,642	5	5,830	

<sup>-</sup> balance sheet follows -

## MIDWAY GAMES INC. Consolidated Balance Sheets (In thousands)

		rch 31, 005	December 31, 2004		
Assets	(Una	udited)			
Current assets:	•	•			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	93,350	\$	118,313	
Receivables, net		7,014		15,724	
Inventories		5,952		6,893	
Capitalized product development costs		42,227		27,850	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		8,296	6,570		
Total current assets		156,839		175,350	
Capitalized product development costs		1,461		809	
Property and equipment, net		19,639		15,470	
Goodwill		39,576		39,533	
Other assets		11,646		11,155	
Total assets	\$	229,161	\$	242,317	
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$	8,213	\$	6,673	
Accrued compensation and related benefits		6,295		5,183	
Accrued royalties		4,144		3,493	
Accrued selling and marketing		1,700		3,525	
Current portion of long-term debt		3,333		3,333	
Other accrued liabilities		11,004		11,249	
Total current liabilities		34,689		33,456	
Long-term debt		9,444		10,278	
Deferred income taxes		7,101		6,773	
Other noncurrent liabilities		1,375		340	
Redeemable convertible preferred stock, Series D, redeemable at \$4,460		4,455		4,453	
Stockholders' equity:					
Common stock		879		879	
Additional paid-in capital		392,313		392,177	
Accumulated deficit		(206,505)		(190,612)	
Accumulated translation adjustment		(1,235)		(1,420)	
Deferred compensation		(3,727)		(4,379)	
Treasury stock		(9,628)		(9,628)	
Total stockholders' equity		172,097		187,017	
Total liabilities and stockholder's equity	\$	229,161	\$	242,317	

## MIDWAY GAMES INC. Net Revenue by Platform (in thousands)

# Three-Months Ended March 31,

Platform	 2005		_		4	
Sony PlayStation 2	\$ 6,391	46.3%		\$	10,809	53.7%
Microsoft Xbox	2,654	19.2%			6,855	34.1%
Nintendo Gamecube	2,606	18.9%			1,431	7.1%
Nintendo Game Boy Advance	297	2.1%			184	0.9%
Royalties and Other	 1,867	13.5%	_		852	4.2%
Total Net Revenue	\$ 13,815	100.0%	_	\$	20,131	100.0%