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## SCANSOURCE REPORTS RECORD SALES FOR FIRST QUARTER 2012

## Strong Results Led by North American Communications Businesses

**GREENVILLE, SC** -- October 27, 2011 -- ScanSource, Inc. (NASDAQ: SCSC), the leading international distributor of AIDC (automatic identification and data capture), point of sale, communications, and physical security products for the reseller market, today announced complete financial results for its first quarter ended September 30, 2011.

#### Quarter ended September 30, 2011:

Net sales \$770.3 million
Net income \$18.4 million
Diluted EPS \$0.67 per share

"We delivered another quarter of record sales, driven by our North American communications and security sales units," said Mike Baur, CEO, ScanSource, Inc. "Our strong operating performance in North America overshadowed the weakness we are seeing in our European businesses. Excluding our acquisition of CDC Brasil, our international growth rate slowed to 9% over the prior year."

For the quarter ended September 30, 2011, net sales increased 21.4% to \$770.3 million compared to \$634.5 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010. Operating income increased by 27.3% to \$31.6 million from \$24.8 million in the comparable prior year quarter. Other expense included a \$2.5 million non-recurring loss on foreign exchange contracts. Net income increased 17.0%

to \$18.4 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2011 versus \$15.7 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010. The effective tax rate for the quarter decreased to 34.5% in the current quarter from 35.6% in the prior year quarter. Diluted earnings per share increased 15.5% to \$0.67 in the current quarter compared to \$0.58 in the prior year quarter.

#### **Outlook for Next Quarter**

The Company announced its current expectations for the second quarter of fiscal 2012. ScanSource expects that net revenues for the quarter ending December 31, 2011 could range from \$755 million to \$775 million, and diluted earnings per share could be in the range of \$0.64 to \$0.67 per share.

#### **Webcast Details**

ScanSource will present additional information about its financial results and outlook on a conference call today at 5:00 p.m. (ET). A webcast of the call will be available for all interested parties and can be accessed at www.scansourceinc.com (Investor Relations section). The webcast will be available for replay for 30 days.

## **Safe Harbor Statement**

This press release contains comments that are "forward looking" statements that involve risks and uncertainties; these statements are subject to the safe harbor created by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Any number of important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from anticipated or forecasted results, including, but not limited to, factors affecting our expanded operations in emerging markets, such as Brazil, that expose us to greater political and economic volatility than our operations in established markets, the results of purchase accounting,

macroeconomic circumstances that could impact our business, such as currency fluctuations, continued adverse capital and credit market conditions and an economic downturn. For more information concerning factors that could cause actual results to differ from anticipated results, see the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2011 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Except as may be required by law, the Company expressly disclaims any obligation to update these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this press release or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

#### **Non-GAAP Financial Information**

In addition to disclosing results that are determined in accordance with United States Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP"), the Company also discloses return on invested capital ("ROIC"), a non-GAAP measure. Management uses ROIC as a performance measurement because it believes that this metric best balances the Company's operating results with its asset and liability management. It excludes the results of capitalization decisions, is easily computed and understood, and drives changes in shareholder value. In addition, the Company's Board of Directors uses this non-GAAP measure in evaluating management performance and setting management compensation. Analysis of results and outlook on a non-GAAP basis should be used as a complement to, and in conjunction with, data presented in accordance with GAAP. A reconciliation of the Company's non-GAAP financial information to GAAP is set forth in the following table.

## About ScanSource, Inc.

ScanSource, Inc. (NASDAQ:SCSC) is the leading international distributor of specialty technology products, consisting of seven sales units in North America, Latin America and Europe.

ScanSource POS and Barcoding in North America, Latin America and Europe delivers AIDC and POS

solutions; Catalyst Telecom in the U.S. and ScanSource Communications in North America and Europe provide voice, video and converged communications equipment; and ScanSource Security in North America offers physical security solutions. Founded in 1992, the company ranks #839 on the Fortune 1000. For more information, call the toll-free sales telephone number at 800.944.2432 or visit www.scansourceinc.com.

## ScanSource , Inc. and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited) (in thousands)

	September 30, 2011			June 30, 2011*	
Assets					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	37,252	\$	28,747	
Accounts receivable, less allowance of		478,675		462,102	
\$26,316 at September 30, 2011					
\$26,562 at June 30, 2011					
Inventories		481,253		467,350	
Prepaid expenses and other assets		42,421		35,421	
Deferred income taxes		15,371		15,894	
Total current assets		1,054,972		1,009,514	
Property and equipment, net		37,984		36,819	
Goodwill		55,310		59,090	
Other assets, including identifiable intangible assets		68,371		76,765	
Total assets	\$	1,216,637	\$	1,182,188	
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity					
Current liabilities:					
Current portion of revolving credit facility	\$	24,573	\$	-	
Short-term borrowings		4,079		3,164	
Current portion of contingent consideration		2,140		2,398	
Accounts payable		390,045		406,453	
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		59,400		60,157	
Income taxes payable		11,500		5,175	
Total current liabilities		491,737		477,347	
Long-term debt		30,429		30,429	
Borrowings under revolving credit facility		44,958		26,513	
Long-term portion of contingent consideration		19,113		21,396	
Other long-term liabilities		32,742		39,109	
Total liabilities		618,979		594,794	
Shareholders' equity:					
Common stock		127,335		123,608	
Retained earnings		478,536		460,157	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(8,213)		3,629	
Total shareholders' equity		597,658		587,394	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	1,216,637	\$	1,182,188	

<sup>\*</sup> June 30, 2011 results are derived from audited consolidated financial statements.

# ScanSource , Inc. and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Income Statements (Unaudited) (in thousands, except per share information)

		Quarter ended September 30,		
		2011		2010
Net sales	\$	770,259	\$	634,530
Cost of goods sold		691,169		571,049
Gross profit		79,090		63,481
Operating expenses:				
Selling, general and administrative expenses		46,569		38,633
Change in fair value of contingent consideration		894		-
Operating income		31,627		24,848
Other expense (income):				
Interest expense		486		366
Interest income		(450)		(300)
Other, net		3,530		373
Income before income taxes		28,061		24,409
Provision for income taxes		9,681		8,701
Net income	\$	18,380	\$	15,708
Per share data:				
Net income per common share, basic	\$	0.68	\$	0.59
Weighted-average shares outstanding, basic	_	27,138		26,713
Net income per common share, diluted	\$	0.67	\$	0.58
Weighted-average shares outstanding, diluted		27,551		26,992

## ScanSource , Inc. and Subsidiaries Supplementary Information (Unaudited) (in thousands)

Quarter en	ded
September	30.

	September 30,				
		2011		2010	% Change
Net Sales by Geographic Segment:					
North American (a)	\$	573,472	\$	494,324	16.0%
International		196,787		140,206	40.4%
Consolidated	\$	770,259		634,530	21.4%
Non-GAAP Financial Information:					
Return on invested capital (ROIC), annualized (b)		18.2%		19.5%	
Reconciliation of EBITDA to Net Income					
Net income - GAAP	\$	18,380	\$	15,708	
Plus: Income taxes		9,681		8,701	
Plus: Interest expense		486		366	
Plus: Depreciation and amortization		2,582		1,510	
EBITDA (numerator for ROIC)	\$	31,129	\$	26,285	
Invested Capital Calculation					
Equity - beginning of the quarter	\$	587,394	\$	486,851	
Equity - end of quarter		597,658		513,646	
Average equity		592,526		500,249	
Average funded debt (c)		86,780		34,362	
Invested capital (denominator for ROIC)	\$	679,306	\$	534,611	

## Notes:

<sup>(</sup>a) Includes the United States and Canada

<sup>(</sup>b) Calculated as net income plus income taxes, interest expense, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) divided by invested capital

<sup>(</sup>c) Daily average interest-bearing debt