

# CECO Environmental Reports Second Quarter and Year-to-date 2021 Results;

- Continued Growth in Backlog and Increases in Revenue Support Second Half Momentum
- Company Announces Share Buyback Plan

DALLAS, Texas, August 3, 2021 -- CECO Environmental Corp. (Nasdaq: CECE), a leading global air quality and fluid handling company serving the energy, industrial and other niche markets, today reported its financial results for the second quarter of 2021.

Highlights of the Second Quarter 2021\*

- Revenue of \$78.7 million, compared with \$75.2 million
- Gross profit of \$25.2 million (32.1% margin), compared with \$25.8 million (34.3% margin)
- Operating income of \$2.1 million, compared with \$4.4 million
- Non-GAAP operating income of \$4.7 million, compared with \$7.4 million
- Net income of \$0.3 million, compared with \$3.3 million
- Non-GAAP net income of \$3.1 million, compared with \$5.1 million
- Adjusted EBITDA of \$6.4 million, compared with \$8.2 million
- Bookings of \$85.5 million, compared with \$60.0 million
- Backlog of \$210.0 million, compared with \$183.1 million as of December 31, 2020
- Earnings per diluted share of \$0.01, compared with \$0.09
- Non-GAAP earnings per diluted share of \$0.09, compared with \$0.14
- Bank Debt of \$68.6 million, compared with \$74.0 million as of December 31, 2020

\*All comparisons are versus the comparable prior-year period, unless otherwise stated

Today the company also announced that its Board of Directors approved a new share repurchase program. Under this program, the company intends to repurchase up to \$5 million of outstanding CECO Environmental common stock. The repurchase program will terminate at the end of calendar year 2021.

Todd Gleason, Chief Executive Officer, commented, "I am very pleased with our second quarter and first half 2021 results which continues to build a strong backlog for future revenue. Demand for our environmental solutions across a diversified set of industrial markets gives us conviction that we will deliver renewed revenue growth in the coming periods. Year-to-date our bookings were up over 30 percent, and our opportunity pipeline remains strong and broad based."

Mr. Gleason added, "Today's stock buyback announcement reflects our confidence in CECO's business and our expectations that we will execute our strategic growth plans to deliver strong shareholder value. Our improved business performance and healthy balance sheet has positioned CECO to drive strategic acquisitions, invest in our core businesses and return cash to shareholders."

## **CONFERENCE CALL**

A conference call is scheduled for today at 8:30 a.m. ET to discuss the second quarter 2021 financial results. The conference call may also be accessed by dialing (888) 346-4547 (Toll-Free) within the U.S., (855) 669-9657 (Toll-Free) within Canada or Toll/International (412) 317-5251.

The live webcast and slides can also be accessed at <u>https://investors.cecoenviro.com/events-webcasts-and-presentations</u>

A live and archived replay of the conference call will be available on the Company's website for 90 days. The telephone replay will be available one hour after the call ends through August 10, 2021. To access the replay, please dial (877) 344-7529 (Toll-Free) within the U.S., (855) 669-9658 (Toll-Free) within Canada, or Toll/International (412) 317-0088 and entering access code 10158155.

### ABOUT CECO ENVIRONMENTAL

CECO Environmental is a global leader in industrial air quality and fluid handling serving a broad landscape of industrial and other niche markets. Providing innovative technology and application expertise, CECO helps companies grow their business with safe, clean, and more efficient solutions that help protect our shared environment. In regions around the world, CECO works to improve air quality, optimize the energy value chain, and provide custom Engineered Systems for applications including power generation, petrochemical processing, general industrial, refining, midstream oil & gas, electric vehicle production, poly silicon fabrication, battery recycling, beverage can, and water/wastewater treatment along with a wide range of other applications. CECO is listed on Nasdaq under the ticker symbol "CECE". For more information, please visit www.cecoenviro.com.

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## CECO ENVIRONMENTAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(dollars in thousands, except per share data)	unaudited) ine 30, 2021	December 31, 2020		
ASSETS				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 32,229	\$	35,992	
Restricted cash	2,291		1,819	
Accounts receivable, net	65,650		63,046	
Costs and estimated earnings in excess of billings on uncompleted contracts	46,839		45,498	
Inventories, net	17,271		17,343	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	12,729		11,530	
Prepaid income taxes	3,216		7,790	
Assets held for sale	 		467	
Total current assets	180,225		183,485	
Property, plant and equipment, net	15,895		16,228	
Right-of-use assets from operating leases	10,420		11,376	
Goodwill	161,782		161,820	
Intangible assets – finite life, net	29,369		29,637	
Intangible assets – indefinite life	9,738		12,937	
Deferred charges and other assets	3,273		3,831	
Total assets	\$ 410,702	\$	419,314	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Current portion of debt	\$ 3,750	\$	3,125	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	81,938		84,997	
Billings in excess of costs and estimated earnings on uncompleted contracts	19,232		20,691	
Income taxes payable			543	
Total current liabilities	104,920		109,356	
Other liabilities	19,645		20,576	
Debt, less current portion	63,720		69,491	
Deferred income tax liability, net	7,100		6,970	
Operating lease liabilities	8,484		9,310	
Total liabilities	 203,869		215,703	
Commitments and contingencies	 <u> </u>		<u> </u>	
Shareholders' equity:				
Preferred stock, \$.01 par value; 10,000 shares authorized, none issued	_			
Common stock, \$.01 par value; 100,000,000 shares authorized, 35,749,488				
and 35,504,757 shares issued and outstanding at June 30, 2021 and				
December 31, 2020, respectively	357		355	
Capital in excess of par value	256,598		255,296	
Accumulated loss	(36,667)		(38,141)	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(14,151)		(14,496)	
	 206,137		203,014	
Less treasury stock, at cost, 137,920 shares at June 30, 2021 and December 31, 2020	(356)		(356)	
Total CECO shareholders' equity	 205,781		202,658	
Noncontrolling interest	1,052		953	
Total shareholders' equity	206,833		203,611	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 410,702	\$	419,314	

#### CECO ENVIRONMENTAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (unaudited)

		Three months ended June 30,				Six months er	June 30,	
(dollars in thousands, except per share data)		2021		2020		2021		2020
Net sales	\$	78,680	\$	75,170	\$	150,572	\$	155,656
Cost of sales		53,426		49,354		100,910		101,561
Gross profit		25,254		25,816		49,662		54,095
Selling and administrative expenses		20,510		18,407		39,965		40,383
Amortization and earnout expenses		2,282		1,785		4,072		3,498
Restructuring expenses		280		530		280		882
Acquisition and integration expenses		37		699		146		699
Income from operations		2,145		4,395		5,199		8,633
Other (expense) income, net		(860)		371		(1,339)		1,347
Interest expense		(704)		(944)		(1,430)		(1,967)
Income before income taxes	·	581		3,822	·	2,430		8,013
Income tax expense		199		564		750		1,343
Net income	·	382		3,258	·	1,680		6,670
Noncontrolling interest		89				206		
Net income attributable to CECO Environmental Corp.	\$	293	\$	3,258	\$	1,474	\$	6,670
Earnings per share:								
Basic	\$	0.01	\$	0.09	\$	0.04	\$	0.19
Diluted	\$	0.01	\$	0.09	\$	0.04	\$	0.19
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:								
Basic		35,491,725		35,275,729		35,444,477		35,215,553
Diluted		35,819,269		35,410,182		35,797,001		35,402,524

## CECO ENVIRONMENTAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES RECONCILIATION OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP MEASURES

	THREE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30,				SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30				
(dollars in millions)	2	2021	2020		20	21	2	020	
Operating income as reported in accordance with GAAP	\$	2.1	\$	4.4	\$	5.2	\$	8.6	
Operating margin in accordance with GAAP		2.7%		5.9%		3.5%		5.5%	
Amortization and earnout expenses		2.3		1.8		4.1		3.5	
Restructuring expenses		0.3		0.5		0.3		0.9	
Acquisition and integration expenses				0.7		0.1		0.7	
Non-GAAP operating income	\$	4.7	\$	7.4	\$	9.7	\$	13.7	
Non-GAAP operating margin		6.0%		9.8%		6.4%		8.8%	

	THREE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30,			5	SIX MONTHS E	ED JUNE 30		
(dollars in millions)	2021			2020		2021		2020
Net income as reported in accordance with GAAP	\$	0.3	\$	3.3	\$	1.5	\$	6.7
Amortization and earnout expenses		2.3		1.8		4.1		3.5
Restructuring expenses		0.3		0.5		0.3		0.9
Acquisition and integration expenses				0.7		0.1		0.7
Foreign currency remeasurement		1.1		(0.6)		1.7		(0.1)
Tax benefit of adjustments		(0.9)		(0.6)		(1.5)		(1.3)
Non-GAAP net income	\$	3.1	\$	5.1	\$	6.2	\$	10.4
Depreciation		0.8		0.6		1.6		1.1
Non-cash stock compensation		0.9		0.2		1.6		0.8
Other (income) expense		(0.2)		0.2		(0.3)		(1.2)
Interest expense		0.7		0.9		1.4		2.0
Income tax expense		1.1		1.2		2.3		2.6
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	6.4	\$	8.2	\$	12.8	\$	15.7
Earnings per share:								
Basic	\$	0.01	\$	0.09	\$	0.04	\$	0.19
Diluted	\$	0.01	\$	0.09	\$	0.04	\$	0.19
Non-GAAP net income per share:								
Basic	\$	0.09	\$	0.14	\$	0.17	\$	0.29
Diluted	\$	0.09	\$	0.14	\$	0.17	\$	0.29

### NOTE REGARDING NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

CECO is providing certain non-GAAP historical financial measures as presented above as the Company believes that these figures are helpful in allowing individuals to better assess the ongoing nature of CECO's core operations. A "non-GAAP financial measure" is a numerical measure of a company's historical financial performance that excludes amounts that are included in the most directly comparable measure calculated and presented in the GAAP statement of operations.

Non-GAAP operating income, non-GAAP net income, non-GAAP operating margin, non-GAAP earnings per basic and diluted share and adjusted EBITDA, as we present them in the financial data included in this press release, have been adjusted to exclude the effects of amortization expenses for acquisition related intangible assets, contingent retention and earnout expenses, restructuring expenses primarily relating to severance and legal expenses, acquisition and integration expenses which include retention, legal, accounting, banking, and other expenses and other nonrecurring or infrequent items and the associated tax benefit of these items. Management believes that these items are not necessarily indicative of the Company's ongoing operations and their exclusion provides individuals with additional information to compare the Company's results over multiple periods. Management utilizes this information to evaluate its ongoing financial performance. Our financial statements may continue to be affected by items similar to those excluded in the non-GAAP adjustments described above, and exclusion of these items from our non-GAAP financial measures should not be construed as an inference that all such costs are unusual or infrequent.

Non-GAAP operating income, non-GAAP net income, non-GAAP operating margin, non-GAAP earnings per basic and diluted share and adjusted EBITDA are not calculated in accordance with GAAP, and should be considered supplemental to, and not as a substitute for, or superior to, financial measures calculated in accordance with GAAP. Non-GAAP financial measures have limitations in that they do not reflect all of the costs associated with the operations of our business as determined in accordance with GAAP. As a result, you should not consider these measures in isolation or as a substitute for analysis of CECO's results as reported under GAAP. Additionally, CECO cautions investors that non-GAAP financial measures used by the Company may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies.

In accordance with the requirements of Regulation G issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission, non-GAAP operating income, non-GAAP net income, non-GAAP operating margin and non-GAAP earnings per basic and diluted share and adjusted EBITDA stated in the tables above are reconciled to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures.

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Any statements contained in this Press Release, other than statements of historical fact, including statements about management's beliefs and expectations, are forward-looking statements and should be evaluated as such. These statements are made on the basis of management's views and assumptions regarding future events and business performance. We use words such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "intends," "estimate," "forecast," "project," "will," "plan," "should" and similar expressions to identify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such statements. Potential risks and uncertainties, among others, that could cause actual results to differ materially are discussed under "Part I - Item 1A. Risk Factors" of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020 and include, but are not limited to: the sensitivity of our business to economic and financial market conditions generally and economic conditions in CECO's service areas; dependence on fixed price contracts and the risks associated therewith, including actual costs exceeding estimates and method of accounting for revenue; the effect of growth on CECO's infrastructure, resources, and existing sales; the ability to expand operations in both new and existing markets; the potential for contract delay or cancellation; liabilities arising from faulty services or products that could result in significant professional or product liability, warranty, or other claims; changes in or developments with respect to any litigation or investigation; failure to meet timely completion or performance standards that could result in higher cost and reduced profits or, in some cases, losses on projects; the potential for fluctuations in prices for manufactured components and raw materials, including as a result of tariffs and surcharges; the substantial amount of debt incurred in connection with our strategic transactions and our ability to repay or refinance it or incur additional debt in the future; the impact of federal, state or local government regulations; economic and political conditions generally; our ability to successfully realize the expected benefits of our restructuring program; our ability to successfully integrate acquired businesses and realize the synergies from strategic transactions; unpredictability and severity of catastrophic events, including cyber security threats, acts of terrorism or outbreak of war or hostilities or public health crises, such as uncertainties regarding the extent and duration of impacts of matters associated with the novel coronavirus ("COVID-19"), as well as management's response to any of the aforementioned factors. Many of these risks are beyond management's ability to control or predict. Should one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or should the assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may vary in material aspects from those currently anticipated. Investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such forward-looking statements as they speak only to our views as of the date the statement is made. Furthermore, forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made. Except as required under the federal securities laws or the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, we undertake no obligation to update or review any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.