

SkyPeople Fruit Juice Reports First Quarter 2011 Financial Results

Hedetang® and Qian Mei Duo™ Juice Beverages Drive Growth in the Quarter XI'AN, China, May 16, 2011 /PRNewswire-Asia-FirstCall/ -- SkyPeople Fruit Juice, Inc. (NASDAQ: SPU) ("SkyPeople" or "the Company"), a processor and manufacturer of kiwifruit, apple, pear and other concentrated specialty fruit juices and manufacturer of Hedetang-branded fruit beverages, today announced record financial results for its first quarter ended March 31, 2011.

First Quarter 2011 Highlights

Total revenue grew 10% to \$19.4 million year-over-year
Gross profit margin expanded 390 basis points to 44.3% year-over-year
Fruit beverages revenue increased 156% year-over-year
Net income was \$5.7 million, up 185% year-over-year
Cash flows from operations increased 123% to \$13.5 million year-over-year; \$65.7 million cash and cash equivalents at March 31, 2011

First Quarter 2011 Results

	1Q 2011	1Q 2010	CHANGE
Net Sales	\$19.4 million	\$17.7 million	+10%
Gross Profit	\$8.6 million	\$7.2 million	+19%
Net Income	\$5.7 million	\$2.0 million	+185%
Adjusted Net Income*	\$5.7 million	\$4.1 million	+39%
EPS (Diluted)	\$0.20	\$0.08	+150%
Adjusted EPS (Diluted)* **	\$0.20	\$0.18	11.1%
Diluted Avg. Shares Outstanding	26.7 million	20.6 million	+29%

^{*}Adjusted net income and adjusted EPS for the three months ended March 31, 2010 exclude \$2.1 million loss due to the change in fair value of warrant liability.

Yonkue Xue, Chief Executive Officer of SkyPeople Fruit Juice explained, "Our diversified product portfolio produced respectable growth in the first quarter despite weather effects on the harvest seasons for apple and pear over the last six months. Sales of our Hedetang and Qian Mei Duo beverages grew significantly in the quarter and were the single largest revenue stream for the Company. Our branded beverages are now sold in over 100 retail stores in

^{**} EPS (diluted) for the period ended March 31 was based on 20.6 million fully diluted shares in 2010 and 26.7 million fully diluted shares in 2011.



approximately 13 cities including Xi'an, Beijing and now, Tianjin. We are excited about the growth potential for this market and the continued growth of our concentrate business in Chinaand international markets."

First Quarter 2011 Segment Revenue

Three	Months	Ended	March	31
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					%
	2011		2010		Change
Concentrated apple juice and apple					
aroma	\$	3,673	\$	4,483	(18.1%)
Concentrated kiwifruit juice and					
kiwifruit puree (excluding inter-segment					
sales)		2,985		2,661	12.2%
Concentrated pear juice		4,022		4,169	(3.5%)
Fruit juice beverages		7,277		2,841	156.1%
Fresh fruits and vegetables		1,458		3,567	(59.1%)
Consolidated	\$	19,415	\$	17,721	9.6%

In the first quarter of the year SkyPeople Fruit Juice launched its Hedetang Juices in a 500ml bottle, added both pear and apple flavors to its product line and also introduced four, high-fiber, boxed juice flavors branded as Qian Mei Duo™ (which means "More fiber, better for You" in English) targeted to female consumers 18-29 years old. Corresponding revenues increased 156.1% for the period ended March 31, 2011. Retailers of Hedetang and Qian Mei Duo juices include Walmart, La Cuisine Royale and Juying stores. The Company regards its juice beverages as a key driver for revenue growth in 2011 and a natural fit for its kiwi, apple and pear concentrates manufacturing.

Sales of kiwi concentrates and purees originally forecasted in the fourth quarter of 2010 were sold in the first quarter of 2011. In the first quarter of 2011, Kiwi puree and concentrate sales totaled \$3.0 million, an increase of 12% over the same period of 2010. Pear juice concentrates were down slightly due to a shortage of pears during the season. Lower temperatures than normal reduced the availability of pear and subsequently increased the price of concentrated pear juice per ton. SkyPeople sold 3,481 tons of pear juice concentrate in the quarter versus 4,930 in the same period of prior year. For the first quarter of 2011, sales of pear juice concentrate decreased 3.5% to \$4.0 million as compared with that of the same period of prior year. Due to a very strong fourth quarter in 2010, the Company anticipated lower apple concentrate revenues in the first quarter of 2011. As compared with



the first quarter of 2010, sales from apple-related products of the first quarter of 2011 fell by \$0.8 million, or 18%, to \$3.7 million due to a shortage of fresh apples as a result of cold weather in the Liaoning Province, the growing area for SkyPeople's apples and the location of the Company's Yingkou facilities.

Total revenue for the first quarter ended March 31, 2011 was \$19.4 million, up 10% from \$17.7 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2010.

Gross profit for the first quarter of 2011 was \$8.6 million, a 20% increase from \$7.2 million in the same period in 2010. Gross profit margin expanded by 390 basis points due to higher margins in fruit juice beverages and a shift in the sales mix toward higher margin kiwifruit juice and juice beverages. The Company's gross margins fluctuate based on the availability and price of each type of fruit, but have averaged between 30% and 45% on a consolidated basis for the past three years. SkyPeople's four production and processing plants are located near local farms for each type of fruit it produces, and thus the Company secures fruit supply at competitive market prices.

Operating expenses for the quarter were \$1.4 million, or 7% of sales, flat from the same period last year. Operating income increased 25% to \$7.2 million while operating margins were 37%, 14% improvement year over year.

Net income and earnings per share for the first quarter of 2011 were \$5.7 million and \$0.20, respectively, compared to \$3.7 million and \$0.08, respectively, in the first quarter of 2010. Fully diluted shares were 26.7 million for the first quarter of 2011, versus 20.6 million for the first quarter of 2010, reflecting the sale of 5.2 million shares of the Company's Common Stock in the third quarter of 2010.

Financial Condition

As of March 31, 2011, the Company had \$65.7 million in cash and cash equivalents, up from \$49.4 million as of December 31, 2010 due to \$13.5 million of cash generated from operations. Working capital was \$85.6 million, up from \$78.6 million as of December 31, 2010. Accounts receivable were \$36.2 million, compared to \$46.0 million as of December 31, 2010; accounts receivable turnover was 193 days in the first quarter of 2011. There was no accounts receivable over 120 days outstanding as of March 31, 2011 compared to 3.1% of accounts receivable outstanding as of December 31, 2010. Shareholders' equity was \$130.0 million as of March 31, 2011, a 6% increase from \$123.2 million reported on December 31, 2010. The Company had \$12.8 million in short term loans with local and provincial banks in Shaanxi and Liaoning Provinces as of March 31, 2011.

Capacity Expansion Updates

The Company's growth plan includes building an integrated manufacturing infrastructure to support higher production volumes for juice beverages and concentrates. The following table



presents the capital projects that we intend to finance using the proceeds generated from our public offering consummated in 2010:

		Ca	apital
		Ex	penditure
Facility	Priority Projects	(ir	n million)
	A refrigeration storage and a concentrated fruit juice		
Huludao Wonder	mixing center		4.4
Huludao Wonder	A 50 ton/hour concentrated apple juice production line		10.7
Huludao Wonder	A fruit juice beverage production line		3.0
Huludao Wonder	Construction and environmental project expenses		6.7
Total Capital Expo	enditure on Priority Projects	\$	24.8

Recent Updates:

Huludao Wonder Projects

As of March 31, 2011, SkyPeople has completed the infrastructure construction work for the fruit juice beverage production line and has ordered the necessary machinery. Management expects to complete machinery installation and test the new beverage production line in the second quarter and commence operations in the third quarter of 2011.

In the first quarter of 2011, the Company halted all construction work on its new concentrated apple production line because of the cold weather in Huludao, which regularly suffered sub-zero daytime temperatures. The Company recommenced the infrastructure construction work in April 2011 and expects the project to be completed and production to commence by early 2012.

The Company needs to incorporate new wastewater processing facilities to properly service its apple juice concentrate expansion. This project is expected to commence in the third quarter of 2011 and be completed by early 2013.

SkyPeople plans to start the construction of the refrigeration storage unit for concentrated fruit juices and fresh fruits and vegetables in the third quarter of 2011, and a concentrated fruit juice-mixing center in the fourth quarter of 2011. Both projects are expected to be completed in the fourth quarter of 2011 or early 2012.





As of March 31, 2011, the Company has spent \$1.2 million on the construction work of Huludao Wonder. The planned capital expenditures for these projects collectively total \$24.8 million.

Qiyiwangguo Projects

Management has decided to delay several projects at its Qiyiwangguo factory based on the current market conditions and potential opportunities, including a 24,000 PET bottle/hour fruit juice beverage cold-filling line, concentrated pomegranate juice line, a PET bottle blowing machine, and a refrigeration system.

Other Projects

The Company plans to add another concentrated 20 tons pear juice line as a part of its 2011 capital expenditure plan. The production equipment for a 20 tons/hour line has been ordered and management expects to commence operations during the third quarter of 2011. In addition, the Company plans to change its 30 ton/hour concentrated apple juice line in the Huludao Wonder factory into a concentrated pear juice line which has an estimated annual capacity of 6,000 tons once the Company completes the 50 ton/hour concentrated apple juice production line in the Huludao Wonder factory. The estimated capital expenditure for this project is \$4 million.

First quarter 2011 Conference Call

At the conclusion of the call, the management team will host a question and answer session with the Company's CEO, Mr. Yongke Xue, and Ms. Spring Liu, CFO.

To attend the call, please use the dial-in information below. When prompted, ask for "SkyPeople Fruit Juice" and/or be prepared to provide the conference ID.

Conference Call

Date: Tuesday, May 17, 2011

Time: 8:30 a.m. Eastern Time, U.S.

Conference Line Dial-In: +1-877-941-1429
International Dial-In: +1-480-629-9666

Conference ID: 4440644 "SkyPeople Fruit Juice Call"

Please dial in at least 10 minutes before the call to ensure timely participation. A playback will be available through May 24, 2011. To listen, please call + 1-877-870-5176 within the



United States or +1-858-384-5517 when calling internationally. Utilize the pass code 4440644 for the replay.

This call is being web cast by ViaVid Broadcasting and can be accessed at ViaVid's website at http://www.viavid.net or at the following link: http://viavid.net/dce.aspx?sid=00008668.

About SkyPeople Fruit Juice, Inc.

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About Non-GAAP Financial Measures

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SKYPEOPLE FRUIT JUICE, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS AS OF MARCH 31, 2011 AND DECEMBER 31, 2010

	March 31, 2011 (Unaudited)		December 31, 2010	
ASSETS				
CURRENT ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	65,719,936	\$49,350,385	
Restricted cash		405,708	505,581	
Accounts receivable, net of allowance of \$44,800 and \$44,405 as of March 31, 2011 and				
December 31, 2010, respectively		36,217,365	46,029,962	
Other receivables		1,393,280	1,272,648	
Inventories		6,328,309	5,436,117	
Advances to suppliers and other current				
assets		59,850	31,604	
Total current assets		110,124,448	102,626,297	
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, Net		36,380,869	36,337,251	
LAND USAGE RIGHTS, Net		6,554,901	6,541,825	
OTHER ASSETS		1,487,901	1,694,486	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	154,548,119	\$147,199,859	
LIABILITIES				
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	\$	5,954,423	\$3,446,797	
Accrued expenses		3,236,744	4,871,934	
Income taxes payable		1,945,353	4,377,039	
Advances from customers		181,084	573,609	
Short-term bank loans		12,836,186	10,238,856	
Short-term notes payable		405,708	505,581	
Total current liabilities		24,559,498	24,013,816	



Commitments and contingencies (Note 11)

STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

SkyPeople Fruit Juice, Inc. stockholders' equity: Preferred Stock, \$0.001 par value; 10,000,000 shares authorized; 1,456,647 and 1,456,647Series B Preferred Stock issued and outstanding as of March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively 1,457 1,457 Common Stock, \$0.001 par value; 66,666,666 shares authorized; 25,690,402 and 25,690,402 shares issued and outstanding as of March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively 25,690 25,690 Additional paid-in capital 59,189,374 59,189,374 Retained earnings 56,710,459 51,418,283 Accumulated other comprehensive income 8,920,567 7,823,967 Total SkyPeople Fruit Juice, Inc. stockholders' equity 124,847,547 118,458,771 Noncontrolling interests 5,141,074 4,727,272 129,988,621 TOTAL EQUITY 123,186,043 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY 154,548,119 \$147,199,859

SKYPEOPLE FRUIT JUICE, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2011 AND 2010 (UNAUDITED)

	For the Three Months Ended March 31,		
	2011	2010	
Revenue	\$ 19,414	4,915 \$17,721,296	_
Cost of Sales	10,809	9,357 10,558,248	
Gross Margin	8,605,	7,163,048	_
Operating Expenses			
General and administrative expenses	816,16	60 766,232	
Selling expenses	454,67	74 364,777	
Research and development expenses	136,46	<u>278,152</u>	



Total operating expenses		1,407,301	1,409,161
Income from Operations		7,198,257	5,753,887
Other Income (Expenses)			
Interest income		76,312	22,096
Subsidy income		483,067	43,562
Interest expense		(163,795)	(222,959)
Change in fair value of warrant liability			(2,092,972)
Others		(3,033)	(238)
Total other income (expenses)		392,551	(2,250,511)
Income Before Income Tax		7,590,808	3,503,376
Income Tax Provision		1,929,808	1,505,897
Net Income		5,661,000	1,997,479
Less: Net Income Attributable to			
Noncontrolling Interests	_	368,824	332,262
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO			
SKYPEOPLE FRUIT JUICE, INC.	\$	5,292,176	\$1,665,217
Earnings Per Share:			
Basic earnings per share	\$	0.20	\$0.08
Diluted earnings per share	\$	0.20	\$*0.08
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding			
Basic		25,690,402	18,341,103
Diluted		26,662,599	20,637,806
Comprehensive Income			
Net income	\$	5,661,000	\$1,997,479
Foreign currency translation adjustment		1,141,578	(29,365)
Total Comprehensive Income	\$	6,802,578	\$1,968,114
Comprehensive income attributable to			
noncontrolling interests	_	413,802	301,701
Comprehensive Income Attributable to			
SkyPeople Fruit Juice, Inc.	\$	6,388,776	\$1,666,413



* The effect of 1,228,333 warrants and the related change in fair value of warrant liability was not included for the computation of diluted earnings per share for the period ended as the inclusion would be anti-dilutive.

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