Freelancer delivers another exceptional quarter with record cash receipts in Q3 2015 up 42%, positive operating cashflow year to date, expects to deliver acceleration of revenue growth in FY15

Thursday, 15th October 2015 - Freelancer Limited (ASX: FLN), the world’s largest freelancing and crowdsourcing marketplace by total number of users and projects posted, today released its Quarterly Cash Flow Statement (Appendix 4C) for the quarter ending 30th September 2015 (Q3 2015).

Record cash receipts for the third quarter of $9.7 million, up 42%
In Q3 2015, the Company booked record cash receipts of $9.7 million, up 42% over the prior corresponding period.

Strong balance sheet with $42.6 million cash & equivalents
As at 30 September 2015, the Company held cash and equivalents of $42.6 million.

Year to date positive operating cashflow
For 2015 YTD, the Company has had positive operating cashflow of $1.1 million.

Exceptional growth in operating metrics to 16.8 million users and 8.6 million projects & contests posted
In Q3 2015, Freelancer added over 850,000 users (to 16.8 million) and 450,000 projects & contests (to 8.6 million). This represented a 39% YoY increase in users who post projects or contests with a 9% QoQ increase (41% annualised) and brings the all-time posted project value to US$2.8 billion.

NASA partnership
During Q3, NASA partnered with Freelancer.com to crowdsourc software and design solutions. So far, this partnership has resulted in a total of 23 NASA contests including:

- A smartwatch application used by astronauts aboard the International Space Station for scheduling, space station systems updates and more
- Concepts for usage of Disruption Tolerant Networking with implications ranging from deep space exploration to planet colonization
- 3D tools for Robonaut, a robot assistant used on the International Space Station
- Logos, Banners and 3D trophies for various NASA agencies worldwide

This activity resulted in over 1,500 entries from 81 participating countries and 100+ hits in media including Techcrunch, Forbes, NBC, Time Magazine and Wired. More information is available here: https://www.freelancer.com.au/contest/challenges/nasa
Escrow.com update
In 1H 2015, Freelancer signed a definitive agreement to acquire Escrow.com - the leading provider of secure online payments for consumers and businesses on the Internet. In 2014, Escrow.com had gross payment volume of US$265 million (all-time US$2.2 billion), net revenue of US$5 million and EBITDA of US$1.2 million. Seven out of eight regulators have approved the transaction, and the company anticipates the final regulator to approve in Q4 2015.

Freelancer.com product updates
During the quarter a number of product updates were made to the Freelancer platform:
• Significant improvements were made to the mobile offerings. **The complete project funnel was added across all platforms (iPhone, Android & Mobile Web).** Browse jobs and Bidding were added to the iPhone app. Accept Job Offers was added across all mobile platforms.
• A new and improved Project View Page was released for all users on web, with more real time features and improved project management. **About 60% of our projects now receive a bid within one minute, and all bids are ranked and surfaced in real time.**
• A large number of improvements have been made to the **platform experience, core algorithms and collaborative tools** including the Freelancer Desktop App.
• **Brazilian Real** was added as a currency in Q3, bringing the total number of currencies to 20.

Other product updates
The first phase of network infrastructure improvements for Warrior Forum has now completed and with more emphasis on product, **revenue was up 21% on Q2** (107% annualised).

Awards
Freelancer and its management team scooped a number of awards in the quarter including:
• **Top Winner, 2015 People’s Choice Stevie Awards for Favourite Companies**
• **Gold Stevie for Company of the Year - Internet/New Media Awards,** The 2015 International Business Awards
• **Gold Stevie for Communications Team of the Year,** The 2015 International Business Awards
• People’s Choice Award for Internet/New Media, The 2015 International Business Awards
• People’s Choice Award for Media & Entertainment and Business Services, The 2015 International Business Awards
• Silver Stevie for Communications or PR Campaign of the Year, The 2015 International Business Awards
• Silver Stevie for Executive of the Year (Matt Barrie), Business Services, The 2015 International Business Awards
• Silver Stevie for Company of the Year - Business or Professional Services, The 2015 International Business Awards
Silver Stevie for Business Services, The 2015 International Business Awards
Bronze Stevie for PR Executive of the Year (Sebastian Siseles), The 2015 International Business Awards
Bronze Stevie for Matt Barrie, Executive of the Year - Internet / New Media, The 2015 International Business Awards
Bronze Stevie for Utilities & Services, The 2015 International Business Awards
Top 100 Most Influential Engineers in Australia (Matt Barrie), Engineers Australia 2015
Most viewed professionals in Australia - CEO (Matt Barrie), Technology (Matt O’Kane) and Human Resources Category, LinkedIn Power Profiles 2015

Executive changes
Darren Williams will transition to a non-executive director role with Freelancer from October 2015 to spend more time with his young family. Dr Williams has been Chief Technology Officer and an executive director, and will remain on the board of Freelancer after leaving the business day-to-day.

Willix Halim has been promoted from Vice President to Senior Vice President of Growth. Willix has done an exceptional job in growing the revenue and product side of the business and the promotion is well deserved.

Conclusion
Matt Barrie, Chief Executive of Freelancer, commented on the results, “Freelancer once again achieved exceptional results in Q3 with record receipts from customers and record projects & contests posted with an acceleration on the first half results. FY15 will be an outstanding year”.


About Freelancer
Quadruple Webby award-winning Freelancer.com is the world's largest freelancing and crowdsourcing marketplace by total number of users and projects posted. Over 16 million registered users have posted more than 8 million projects and contests to date in over 750 areas as diverse as website development, logo design, marketing, copywriting, astrophysics, aerospace engineering and manufacturing. Freelancer Limited is listed on the Australian Securities Exchange under the ticker ASX:FLN.

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