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Value Line, Inc. Announces First Quarter Earnings

New York - (Globe Newswire) - Value Line, Inc., (NASDAQ: <u>VALU</u>) reported results for the first fiscal quarter ended July 31, 2019.

During the three months ended July 31, 2019, the Company's income from operations of \$2,025,000 was 59.4% above income from operations of \$1,270,000 during the three months ended July 31, 2018. For the three months ended July 31, 2019, operating expenses were well controlled and decreased 1.4% below those during the three months ended July 31, 2018. During the three months ended July 31, 2019, the Company's net income of \$3,690,000, or \$0.38 per share, was 18.9% above net income of \$3,104,000, or \$0.32 per share, for the three months ended July 31, 2018. The largest factors in the increase in net income during the three months ended July 31, 2019, compared to the prior fiscal year were an increase in copyright fees, an increase from revenues and profits interests in EAM Trust and well controlled overall expenses.

Shareholders' equity reached \$49,276,000 at July 31, 2019, an increase of 3.7% over the shareholders' equity of \$47,524,000 at April 30, 2019. As of July 31, 2019, and April 30, 2019, retained earnings were \$50,356,000 and \$48,598,000, respectively, and liquid assets were \$26,303,000 and \$28,321,000, respectively, with the change in liquid assets being explained by the timing of certain cash receipts and an increase in investments in dividend-paying equity ETFs.

During the three months ended July 31, 2019, there were 9,660,631 average common shares outstanding as compared to 9,689,442 average common shares outstanding during the three months ended July 31, 2018.

The Company's quarterly report on Form 10-Q has been filed with the SEC and is available on the Company's website at www.valueline.com/About/corporate_filings.aspx. Shareholders may receive a printed copy, free of charge upon request.

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- maintaining revenue from subscriptions for the Company's digital and print published products;
- changes in market and economic conditions, including global financial issues;
- protection of intellectual property rights;
- dependence on non-voting revenues and non-voting profits interests in EULAV Asset Management, a Delaware statutory trust ("EAM" or "EAM Trust"), which serves as the investment advisor to the Value Line Funds and engages in related distribution, marketing and administrative services;
- fluctuations in EAM's and third party copyright assets under management due to broadly based changes in the values of equity and debt securities, redemptions by investors and other factors;
- the valuation of EAM's intangible assets from time to time;
- generating future revenues or collection of receivables from significant customers;
- dependence on key personnel;
- competition in the fields of publishing, copyright and investment management;
- the impact of government regulation on the Company's and EAM's businesses;
- availability of free or low cost investment data through discount brokers or generally over the internet;
- terrorist attacks, cyber attacks and natural disasters;
- other risks and uncertainties, including but not limited to the risks described in Item 1A, "Risk Factors" of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended April 30, 2019; and in Part II, Item 1A of the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended July 31, 2019; and
- other risks and uncertainties arising from time to time.

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