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# FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## GEOSPACE TECHNOLOGIES REPORTS FISCAL YEAR 2020 FIRST QUARTER RESULTS

Houston, Texas – February 5, 2020 – Geospace Technologies (NASDAQ: GEOS) today announced that it narrowed its net loss to \$1.3 million, or \$0.10 per diluted share, on revenue of \$25.7 million for its first quarter ended December 31, 2019. This compares with a net loss of \$5.9 million, or \$0.44 per diluted share, on revenues of \$17.9 million for the first quarter of the prior year.

Walter R. ("Rick") Wheeler, President and CEO of Geospace Technologies (the "Company") said, "Increased demand for our ocean-bottom marine nodal recording systems fueled first quarter fiscal year 2020 results. Our first quarter revenue outperformed last year's first quarter by an increase of 44%. In addition, gross profits generated on this higher revenue more than tripled compared to last year, reaching \$10.5 million.

Wheeler continued, "Operating expenses in the first quarter increased 13% over last year, primarily as a result of our acquisition of the OptoSeis<sup>®</sup> fiber optic sensing technology, as well as an increase in other research and development project expenditures. Despite the increase in operating expenses, Geospace narrowed its net loss for the quarter by 78% to (0.10) per share as compared to the first quarter of the prior year."

#### **Oil and Gas Markets Segment**

For the three months ended December 31, 2019, revenue from the Company's oil and gas markets segment totaled \$19.5 million, an increase of approximately 77% compared to \$11.0 million for the equivalent three-month period one year ago. Increased revenue generated during the first quarter of fiscal year 2020 is attributed to higher rental deployment of the Company's OBX marine nodal recording systems. As of December 31, 2019, Geospace had approximately 33,000 OBX stations in its rental fleet, most of which were actively utilized on performing rental contracts with multiple seismic contractors. The Company is in active conversations with new and existing customers to extend current rental contracts as well as execute future rental contracts for its OBX stations. These activities are carefully

considered by management in order to gauge the need for potential expansion of the Company's OBX rental fleet for current and future clients. The Company expects fiscal year 2020 cash investments into its wireless product rental fleet to be \$8 million, or more, based on the current level of demand.

The Company's traditional seismic products generated \$2.4 million of revenue in the first fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2019, a decrease of approximately 15%, compared to \$2.8 million in the corresponding quarter last year. Management attributes the decline in revenue in this segment to decreasing demand for the Company's traditional sensor products. The reduction was partially offset by an increase in demand for its marine seismic products.

Revenue for the first quarter of fiscal year 2020 from the Company's wireless seismic products totaled \$16.9 million, a 132% increase, compared to \$7.3 million in the same quarter last year. The increase was driven by higher rental demand and utilization of the Company's fleet of OBX marine seismic recorders. In the first quarter, the Company also entered into a \$12.5 million sales agreement with SAExploration, Inc. for a system comprised of 30,000 channels of its advanced GCL land nodal recorder. Delivery of the system occurred in the Company's second fiscal quarter. This sale was primarily financed with a promissory note due in January 2023.

In the first fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2019, total revenue produced by the Company's reservoir seismic products amounted to \$218,000, a decrease of approximately 77%, compared to \$937,000 in last year's first quarter. The decrease in revenue is attributed to lower demand for the Company's borehole seismic sensing and recording products. The Company expects revenue from this product segment to remain low unless and until it is engaged in a contract for the delivery of a permanent reservoir monitoring (PRM) system. Management believes that its broad portfolio of PRM accomplishments and engineered products, which now includes OptoSeis<sup>®</sup> fiber optic sensing technology, greatly enhances its opportunity to win future PRM contracts. There are currently no open tenders in the industry for a PRM system, although management believes a tender offering is likely to come out in fiscal year 2020. However, revenue from such a contract, if awarded to Geospace, would not be expected to occur within fiscal year 2020.

#### **Adjacent Markets Segment**

In the first fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2019, revenue from the Company's adjacent markets segment totaled \$6.1 million, a decrease of approximately 8%, compared to \$6.6 million in the first quarter last year. The decrease was primarily due to unforeseen delays in the production of certain of the Company's graphic imaging equipment and a decline in demand for its film and industrial sensor products. The decrease was partially offset by an increase in demand for the Company's water meter cable and connector products. Despite lower first quarter revenue from the year ago period, management believes opportunities for revenue growth in its adjacent markets segment remain promising. The Company further believes that the revenue generated from its adjacent markets segment acts as a strategic hedge and helps to provide stability and offset some of the volatility that may occur in the demand for the Company's oil and gas market segment products.

#### **Emerging Markets Segment**

Revenue for the first quarter 2020 from the Company's emerging markets segment totaled \$97,000, an increase of approximately 10% compared to \$88,000 in the corresponding quarter last year. The increase in revenue is not considered consequential or a reflection of any underlying trend. This market segment is comprised solely of products and services offered through the Company's subsidiary, Quantum Technology Sciences, Inc. These unique specialty products combine seismic acoustic technology with highly sophisticated analytics to provide actionable information through persistent surveillance and detection of potential threats around physical borders and perimeters. These products have applications in both domestic and international markets in both commercial and governmental settings. The Company believes this unique technology achievement, accomplished through its acquisition and integration of Quantum, can generate meaningful revenue going forward. Management believes contract opportunities for the deployment and utilization of these products are likely to occur in the near future and could lead to ensuing revenue in the current fiscal year.

#### **Balance Sheet and Liquidity**

Over the three months ended December 31, 2019, Geospace invested \$5.2 million of cash in its rental equipment, primarily to augment the number of OBX stations in its rental fleet, and used \$1.7 million for additions to property, plant, and equipment. As of December 31, 2019, the Company had \$10.1 million in cash, cash equivalents, and short-term investments, and maintained an additional borrowing availability of \$24.7 million under its bank credit agreement with no borrowings outstanding. Thus, as of December 31, 2019, the Company's total liquidity stood at \$34.8 million. The Company additionally owns unencumbered property and real estate in both domestic and international locations.

As of December 31, 2019, the Company had \$8.7 million of accounts receivable due from an international customer who is currently leasing a significant portion of its OBX nodal equipment. The Company has experienced on-going cash collection difficulties with this customer throughout fiscal year 2019 and the first quarter of fiscal year 2020. In November, the Company accepted from the customer a plan to bring its unpaid invoices to a satisfactory status. The customer did not make any of the scheduled payments as detailed in that plan. In late November 2019, the Company ceased recognizing revenue from this customer and expects to continue to do so until the customer exhibits an ability to service its debts owed to the Company. The unrecognized revenue from the customer was \$1.5 million for the first fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2019. The Company has also commenced negotiations with the customer to enter into an agreement requiring the customer to pay a portion of the trade accounts receivable in the near term, to pay all rental payments going forward on a current basis, and to convert the remaining owed amounts into a debt instrument, secured by certain of the customer's assets.

The Company has significant concerns about the collection of these accounts receivable, but has not provided additional bad debt reserves toward this customer's outstanding accounts receivable balance due to on-going negotiations. If it becomes probable (in the Company's judgement) that the customer is unable to generate cash flows sufficient to satisfy the customer's obligations from a variety of options available to it, the Company will record additional bad debt reserves. The current negotiations may not lead to a definitive agreement being entered into; or the fair market value of the customer's collateral securing the debt instrument under the agreement may not equal or exceed the balance of accounts

receivable owed by the customer; or the customer may not meet its payment obligations. If any of these situations occur, the Company could record a significant bad debt reserve as early as the second quarter of fiscal year 2020.

Wheeler continued, "Within the oil and gas market segment, our traditional exploration and reservoir seismic products remain extremely challenged by very low demand. This directly affirms the historic low levels to which seismic exploration activity in the oil and gas industry has fallen, and there are no real indications of improvement for these products on the horizon. These conditions have similarly impacted our wireless seismic products for onshore use. However, we believe recent sales of our advanced GCL nodal recording system help demonstrate the value that our technology offers to our customers while navigating this down market."

Wheeler concluded, "On the other hand, our OBX marine nodal recording systems continue to represent a bright spot in an otherwise dim seismic equipment market, showing continued revenue growth and a seemingly uninterrupted increase in demand. We believe that the renewed focus on offshore reserves by many of today's E&P operators is driving this behavior and the corresponding increase in demand that we are presently seeing. At the same time, we believe that the increased focus on offshore reserves is creating renewed interest in our PRM Systems, an interest that we believe may result in one or more tenders and opportunities for PRM contracts in fiscal year 2020. That said, we continue to move forward with our diversification strategies for the adjacent and emerging markets in order to help mitigate the volatility we face in our oil and gas market segment. Based on our technological accomplishments, we believe the onset of meaningful Quantum product revenue could start this year from our border and perimeter security customers."

#### **Conference Call Information**

Geospace Technologies will host a conference call to review its fiscal year 2020 first quarter financial results on February 6, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time (9 a.m. Central). Participants can access the call at (866) 342-8591 (US) or (203) 518-9713 (International). Please reference the conference ID: GEOSQ120 prior to the start of the conference call. A replay will be available for approximately 60 days and may be accessed through the Investor tab of our website at <u>www.geospace.com</u>.

#### **About Geospace Technologies**

Geospace principally designs and manufactures seismic instruments and equipment. These seismic products are marketed to the oil and gas industry and used to locate, characterize and monitor hydrocarbon producing reservoirs. We also market our seismic products to other industries for vibration monitoring, border and perimeter security and various geotechnical applications. We design and manufacture other products of a non-seismic nature, including water meter products, imaging equipment and offshore cables.

#### **Forward Looking Statements**

This press release contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. These forward-looking statements can be identified by terminology such as "may", "will",

"should", "intend", "expect", "plan", "budget", "forecast", "anticipate", "believe", "estimate", "predict", "potential", "continue", "evaluating" or similar words. Statements that contain these words should be read carefully because they discuss our future expectations, contain projections of our future results of operations or of our financial position or state other forward-looking information. Examples of forwardlooking statements include, among others, statements that we make regarding our expected operating results, the results and success of our transactions with Quantum and the OptoSeis<sup>®</sup> technology, the adoption and sale of our products in various geographic regions, potential tenders for PRM systems, future demand for OBX systems, the completion of new orders for channels of our GCL system, the fulfillment of customer payment plans, or the value of the security associated with such plans, anticipated levels of capital expenditures and the sources of funding therefore, and our strategy for growth, product development, market position, financial results and the provision of accounting reserves. These forwardlooking statements reflect our current judgment about future events and trends based on the information currently available to us. However, there will likely be events in the future that we are not able to predict or control. The factors listed under the caption "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, which is on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, as well as other cautionary language in any subsequent Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, or in our other periodic reports, provide examples of risks, uncertainties and events that may cause our actual results to differ materially from the expectations we describe in our forward-looking statements. Such examples include, but are not limited to, the failure of the Quantum or OptoSeis<sup>®</sup> technology transactions to yield positive operating results, decreases in commodity price levels, which could reduce demand for our products, the failure of our products to achieve market acceptance, despite substantial investment by us, our sensitivity to short term backlog, delayed or cancelled customer orders, product obsolescence resulting from poor industry conditions or new technologies, bad debt write-offs associated with customer accounts, lack of further orders for our OBX systems, failure of our Quantum products to be adopted by the border and security perimeter market, infringement or failure to protect intellectual property. The occurrence of the events described in these risk factors and elsewhere in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K or in our other periodic reports could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial position, and actual events and results of operations may vary materially from our current expectations. We assume no obligation to revise or update any forward-looking statement, whether written or oral, that we may make from time to time, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise.

#### GEOSPACE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(in thousands, except share and per share amounts) (unaudited)

	Three Months Ended				
Revenue:	Dece	ember 31, 2019	Dec	ember 31, 2018	
Products	\$	9,083	\$	10,459	
Rental	Ψ	16,615	Ψ	7,416	
Total revenue		25,698		17,875	
Cost of revenue:		20,000		17,075	
Products		9,903		11,220	
Rental		5,305		3,565	
Total cost of revenue		15,208	·	14,785	
Gross profit		10,490		3,090	
Operating expenses:					
Selling, general and administrative		5,997		6,085	
Research and development		4,296		3,171	
Bad debt expense (recovery)		27		(103)	
Total operating expenses		10,320		9,153	
Income (loss) from operations		170	÷	(6,063)	
Other income (expense):					
Interest expense		(12)		(34)	
Interest income		134		272	
Foreign exchange gains (losses), net		(132)		67	
Other, net		(29)		(88)	
Total other income (loss), net		(39)		217	
Income (loss) before income taxes		131		(5,846)	
Income tax expense		1,420		7	
Net loss	<u>\$</u>	(1,289)	\$	(5,853)	
Loss per common share:					
Basic	\$	(0.10)	\$	(0.44)	
Diluted	\$	(0.10)	\$	(0.44)	
Weighted average common shares outstanding:					
Basic		13,454,254		13,339,408	
Diluted		13,454,254		13,339,408	
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#### GEOSPACE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

#### CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(in thousands except share amounts)

(unaudited)

	Decen	nber 31, 2019	Sept	ember 30, 2019
ASSETS				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	10,141	\$	18,925
Trade accounts receivable, net		32,681		24,193
Financing receivables		2,517		3,233
Inventories		23,907		23,855
Property held for sale		691		—
Income tax receivable		11		7
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		1,960		1,001
Total current assets		71,908		71,214
Non-current financing receivables		116		184
Non-current inventories		19,223		21,524
Rental equipment, net		66,985		62,062
Property, plant and equipment, net		31,615		31,474
Operating right-of-use asset		184		
Goodwill		5,008		5,008
Other intangible assets, net		9,630		10,063
Deferred income tax assets, net		262		236
Prepaid income taxes		65		64
Other assets		180		179
Total assets	\$	205,176	\$	202,008
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LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable trade	\$	6,339	\$	4,051
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		6,241		6,370
Deferred revenue and customer deposits		3,658		2,724
Operating lease liability		160		
Income tax payable		35		25
Total current liabilities	<u></u>	16,433		13,170
		10,100		10,170
Contingent consideration		9,940		9,940
Non-current operating lease liability		42		
Deferred income tax liabilities		46		51
Total liabilities		26,461		23,161
		20,101		23,101
Commitments and contingencies				
Stockholders' equity:				
Preferred stock, 1,000,000 shares authorized, no shares issued and outstanding				
Common stock, \$.01 par value, 20,000,000 shares authorized, 13,661,489 and				
13,630,666 shares issued and outstanding		127		126
Additional paid-in capital		137 89,250		136 88,660
Retained earnings		89,230 104,519		
				105,808
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(15,191)	_	(15,757)
Total stockholders' equity	¢	178,715	¢	178,847
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	205,176	\$	202,008

#### GEOSPACE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

### (in thousands)

(unaudited)

		onths Ended
	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018
sh flows from operating activities:		
Net loss	\$ (1,289)	\$ (5,85
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Deferred income tax benefit	(25)	((
Rental equipment depreciation	4,443	2,7
Property, plant and equipment depreciation	930	9
Amortization of intangible assets	433	30
Amortization of premiums on short-term investments		
Stock-based compensation expense	590	6
Bad debt expense (recovery)	27	(10
Inventory obsolescence expense	1,436	1,42
Gross profit from sale of used rental equipment	(284)	-
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(14)	
Realized loss on short-term investments	_	
Effects of changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Trade accounts and other receivables	(8,460)	1,82
Income tax receivable	(4)	
Inventories	(3,126)	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(949)	
Prepaid income taxes	(1)	
Accounts payable trade	2,284	4,2
Accrued expenses and other	(283)	
Deferred revenue and customer deposits	925	8
Income tax payable	9	
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	(3,358)	
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sh flows from investing activities:		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(1,670)	(7
Proceeds from the sale of property, plant and equipment	40	(7
Investment in rental equipment	(5,152)	(10,1
Proceeds from the sale of used rental equipment	1,146	7
Proceeds from the sale of short-term investments	1,140	16,0
Business acquisition		(1,8
Payments for damages related to insurance claim Proceeds from insurance claim		(1
	(5.(2))	4.0
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(5,636)	4,0
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sh flows from financing activities:		า
Proceeds from the exercise of stock options		2
Net cash provided by financing activities		2
ect of exchange rate changes on cash	210	(2)
		(3)
rease (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(8,784)	
sh and cash equivalents, beginning of fiscal year	18,925	<u> </u>
sh and cash equivalents, end of fiscal period	<u>\$ 10,141</u>	<u>\$ 17,1</u>
PPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION:		
sh paid for interest	\$ 12	\$
sh paid for income taxes	1,440	

#### GEOSPACE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES SUMMARY OF SEGMENT REVENUE AND OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)

(in thousands)

(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended			
	December 31, 2019		Decemb	er 31, 2018
Oil and Gas Markets				
Traditional seismic exploration product revenue	\$	2,354	\$	2,785
Wireless seismic exploration product revenue		16,930		7,282
Reservoir product revenue		218		937
		19,502		11,004
Adjacent Markets				
Industrial product revenue		3,596		3,561
Imaging product revenue		2,503		3,074
		6,099		6,635
Emerging Markets				
Border and perimeter security product revenue		97		88
Corporate				148
Total revenue	\$	25,698	\$	17,875

	Three Months Ended			
	December 31, 2019		Decemb	er 31, 2018
Operating income (loss):				
Oil and Gas Markets segment	\$	4,099	\$	(2,601)
Adjacent Markets segment		851		982
Emerging Markets segment		(1,365)		(1,192)
Corporate		(3,415)		(3,252)
Total operating income (loss)	\$	170	\$	(6,063)