



Ross Stores to Present at Bear Stearns Retail & Apparel Conference

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NEWARK, Calif., Feb 25, 2002 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX/ -- Ross Stores, Inc. (Nasdaq: ROST) announced today that it will participate in the Bear Stearns Seventh Annual Retail and Apparel Conference that is being held Wednesday, February 27th through Friday, March 1st, 2002 at the Bear Stearns World Headquarters, in New York City.

Ross Stores is currently scheduled to make its presentation on Thursday, February 28, 2002 at approximately 8:15 a.m. eastern time. Management will discuss its recent business trends and the company's future outlook. A live audio simulcast of the presentation will be available at www.bearstearns.com/conferences/retail. In addition, a webcast replay of the presentation will be available at approximately 4:00 p.m. eastern time at the same location. The webcasts will require the software program Real Player(TM) that can be downloaded at www.real.com. A link to both the audio and slide presentations on the Bear Stearns web site also will be featured on the press release page of the Ross Stores web site located at www.rossstores.com.

Ross Stores, Inc. reported sales of \$3.0 billion in 2001, its most recent fiscal year. The off-price retailer operates 452 stores in 22 states and Guam, offering first-quality, in season, branded apparel, accessories and footwear for the entire family as well as gift items and linens for the home all at everyday savings of 20% to 60% less than regular department and specialty store prices.

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