



Ross Stores Announces First Quarter 2003 Earnings Release and Conference Call

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NEWARK, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--May 15, 2003--Ross Stores, Inc. (Nasdaq: ROST) will announce its first quarter earnings results on Tuesday, May 20, 2003. A press release will be sent out that morning, before market opening, at approximately 8:00 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time.

The company will provide additional details concerning its first quarter results and business outlook on a conference call to be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2003 at 11:00 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time. Participants may listen to a real time audio webcast of the conference call by visiting the company's web site located at www.rossstores.com. A recorded version of the call will also be available until the end of the month at the web site address and via a telephone recording through May 27, 2003 at 402-220-5900, PIN #2342.

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