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**ALERE INC. ANNOUNCES
SECOND QUARTER 2013 RESULTS**

WALTHAM, MA...July 31, 2013...Alere Inc. (NYSE: ALR), a global leader in enabling individuals to take charge of their health at home through the merger of rapid diagnostics and health information solutions, today announced its financial results for the quarter ended June 30, 2013.

Ron Zwanziger, Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President of Alere said, “We are pleased to report a very strong quarter for Alere and continued progress against the three-point strategic plan that we implemented in November 2012. In particular, our currency adjusted organic growth rate for our professional diagnostics segment, excluding changes in our U.S. Triage and influenza revenues, was 8.6%, reflecting the strength of our highly-differentiated portfolio across the globe. In addition, our combined adjusted research and development and selling, general and administrative expenses decreased as a percentage of revenue by 230 basis points from the prior year quarter. Our growth rate in the quarter, coupled with disciplined expense control, demonstrates our continued momentum and commitment to enhancing value for our shareholders.”

Financial results for the second quarter of 2013:

- Net revenue of \$764.0 million for the second quarter of 2013, compared to \$700.5 million for the second quarter of 2012. Non-GAAP adjusted net revenue was \$764.6 million for the second quarter of 2013, compared to \$701.6 million for the second quarter of 2012.
- Net loss of \$65.9 million attributable to common stockholders of Alere Inc., and respective net loss per diluted common share of \$0.81, for the second quarter of 2013, compared to net loss of \$18.2 million attributable to common stockholders of Alere Inc., and respective net loss per diluted common share of \$0.23, for the second quarter of 2012.
- Non-GAAP adjusted net income per diluted common share of \$0.64 for the second quarter of 2013, compared to non-GAAP adjusted net income per diluted common share of \$0.48 for the second quarter of 2012.
- Net product and services revenue from our Professional Diagnostics segment was \$599.6 million in the second quarter of 2013, compared to net product and services revenue of \$536.9 million in the second quarter of 2012. Non-GAAP adjusted net product and services revenue from our Professional Diagnostics segment was \$600.2 million in the second quarter of 2013, compared to non-GAAP adjusted net product and services revenue of \$538.0 million in the second quarter of 2012. Recent professional diagnostics acquisitions contributed \$47.4 million of incremental

net revenue compared to the second quarter of 2012.

- North American influenza sales decreased to \$2.0 million for the second quarter of 2013, from \$4.2 million for the second quarter of 2012.
- Excluding the impact of the change in North American influenza revenues and the impact on revenues from the reduction in our U.S. meter-based Triage product sales, currency adjusted organic growth in our Professional Diagnostics segment was 8.6%.
- Net product and services revenue from our Health Information Solutions segment was \$134.8 million in the second quarter of 2013, compared to \$138.6 million in the second quarter of 2012 and \$134.2 million in the first quarter of 2013. Despite the decrease in revenue as compared to Q2 2012, Non-GAAP adjusted operating income increased to \$6.3 million in the second quarter of 2013 from \$3.0 million in the second quarter of 2012, as a result of a reduction in segment operating expenses, as compared to the prior year period.

The Company's GAAP results for the second quarter of 2013 exclude \$0.6 million of revenue associated with acquired software license contracts that are not recognized due to business combination accounting rules and include amortization of \$79.3 million, \$8.1 million of restructuring charges, \$4.7 million of stock-based compensation expense, \$0.4 million of acquisition-related costs recorded in accordance with ASC 805, *Business Combinations*, \$5.3 million of expense recorded for fair value adjustments to acquisition-related contingent consideration, \$0.8 million of interest expense recorded in connection with fees paid for certain debt modifications, \$0.5 million in compensation charges and \$0.2 million of related interest accretion associated with acquisition-related contingent consideration obligations, a \$0.7 million charge associated with the write-up to fair market value of inventory acquired in connection with the acquisition of Epocal Inc., \$35.6 million of expense associated with the extinguishment of debt and a \$5.1 million non-cash write-off of an investment, offset by a \$8.1 million bargain purchase gain in connection with our acquisition of the Liberty business. The Company's GAAP results for the second quarter of 2012 exclude \$1.1 million of revenue associated with acquired software license contracts that are not recognized due to business combination accounting rules and include amortization of \$81.7 million, \$1.4 million of restructuring charges, \$4.4 million of stock-based compensation expense, \$3.8 million of acquisition-related costs recorded in accordance with ASC 805, *Business Combinations*, and \$1.3 million of interest expense associated with fees paid for modification of certain debt agreements, offset by \$6.7 million of income recorded for fair value adjustments to acquisition-related contingent consideration obligations. These amounts, net of tax, have been excluded from the non-GAAP adjusted net income per diluted common share attributable to Alere Inc. for the respective quarters.

Detailed reconciliations of the non-GAAP financial measures presented in this release to the most directly comparable financial measures under GAAP, as well as a discussion regarding these non-GAAP financial measures, are included in the schedules to this press release.

The Company will host a conference call beginning at 8:30 a.m. (Eastern Time) today, July 31, 2013, to discuss these results, as well as other corporate matters. During the conference call, the Company may answer questions concerning business and financial developments and trends and other business and financial matters. The Company's responses to these questions, as well as other matters discussed during the conference call, may contain or constitute material information that has not been previously disclosed.

The conference call may be accessed by dialing (877) 270-2148 (domestic) or (412) 902-6510 (international) and asking for Alere Inc. A webcast of the call can also be accessed via the Alere website at www.alere.com/investors, or directly through the following link: <http://www.videonewswire.com/event>.

A replay of the call will be available approximately one hour after the conclusion of the call and will remain available for a period of seven days following the call. The replay may be accessed by dialing (877) 344-7529 (domestic) or (412) 317-0088 (international) and entering replay code 10031621. The replay will also be available via online webcast at <http://www.videonewswire.com/event> or via the Alere website at www.alere.com/investors for a period of 60 days following the call.

Additionally, reconciliations to non-GAAP financial measures not included in this press release that may be discussed during the call will also be available at the Alere website (<http://www.alere.com/investors>) under the Earnings Calls and Releases section shortly before the conference call begins and will continue to be available on this website.

For more information about Alere, please visit our web site at <http://www.alere.com>.

By developing new capabilities in near-patient diagnosis, monitoring and health information solutions, Alere enables individuals to take charge of improving their health and quality of life at home. Alere's global leading products and services, as well as its new product development efforts, focus on cardiology, infectious disease, toxicology and diabetes. Alere is headquartered in Waltham, Massachusetts.

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