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American Physicians Service Group, Inc.

Press Release for Immediate Release

AMERICAN PHYSICIANS SERVICE GROUP, INC. REPORTS 92% EPS INCREASE IN SECOND QUARTER

AUSTIN, TEXAS, August 8, 2005 - American Physicians Service Group, Inc. ("APS") (NASDAQ: AMPH) today announced results for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 2005. For the three months ended June 30, 2005, revenues were \$7,033,000 compared to \$7,295,000 for the three months ended June 30, 2004. Net earnings were \$1,367,000 or \$.48 per share, compared to \$689,000 or \$.25 per diluted share for the three months ended June 30, 2004. For the six months ended June 30, 2005, revenues were \$13,695,000 compared to \$14,585,000 for the six months ended June 30, 2004. Net earnings were \$2,220,000 or \$.77 per diluted share, compared to \$1,383,000 or \$.49 per diluted share for the six months ended June 30, 2004.

Ken Shifrin, APS Chairman of the Board stated, "We are pleased that, taken together, operating income at our two core business segments exceeded operating income in the comparable quarter a year-ago. The increase was approximately 7% on approximately 9% lower revenues. On an individual basis, our insurance services segment continued its positive trend, while interest rate and inflation concerns kept our financial services segment underperforming last year."

Mr. Shifrin continued, "As in the first quarter, we were able to realize gains this quarter on equity investments, recognizing \$1,289,000 in pretax income. Partially offsetting the gain were expenses related to the sale that are

included in general and administrative expenses. Proceeds of the sale have been invested primarily in government securities, with a portion set aside to fund our recently announced dividend.

Mr. Shifrin concluded, "Along with operating performance we remain focused on value and liquidity. Book value per share as of the June 30, 2005 balance sheet increased to \$9.62 from \$8.23 per share at June 30, 2004. Contributing to the book value improvement has been our management of shares outstanding. At our Annual Meeting, shareholders approved new equity compensation plans that continue to align managements' and shareholders' interests, while minimizing share dilution. We also remain active with our share repurchase plan and have now invested approximately \$1.4 million of the \$2.0 million authorized by our board of directors. With a current ratio exceeding 5:1, our liquidity has never been better and we remain alert to opportunities that have the potential to increase shareholder value."

ABOUT THE COMPANY

APS is a management and financial services firm with subsidiaries that provide: medical malpractice insurance services for doctors; and brokerage and investment services to institutions and high net worth individuals. The Company is headquartered in Austin, Texas and maintains offices in Dallas and Houston.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This press release includes forward-looking statements related to the

Company that involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially. These forward-looking statements are made in reliance on the "safe harbor" provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. For further information about the factors that could affect the Company's future results, please see the Company's recent filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Prospective investors are cautioned that forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance. Actual results may differ materially from management expectations. Copies of the filings are available upon request from the Company's investor relations department.

AMERICAN PHYSICIANS SERVICE GROUP, INC. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA (In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Mo Ju	
	2005		2005	
Revenues:				
Financial services Insurance services	\$3,698 3,335	\$4,227 3,068	\$6,965 6,730	
Total revenues	7,033	7,295	13,695	
Expenses:				
Financial services Insurance services General and administrative Gain on sale of assets	3,270 2,422 722 (49)	3,660 2,380 555 (44)	6,220 4,925 1,389 (84)	
Total expenses	6,365	6 , 551	12,450	
Operating income Sale of investments and other	668 1,289	744 230	1,245 1,880	
<pre>Income from operations before interest, income taxes and minority interest</pre>	1,957	974	3,125	
Interest and other income	154	96	327	
Income tax expense Minority interest	742 2 	381 	1,219 13 	
Net income Diluted income per share:	\$1,367 =====	\$ 689 =====	\$2,220 =====	

Net income	\$0.48	\$0.25	\$0.77
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Weighted average shares outstanding (diluted)	2,876 =====	2 , 791	2,892 =====

AMERICAN PHYSICIANS SERVICE GROUP, INC. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA, continued

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(In Thousands)	June 30				
	2005				
ASSETS					
Current assets	\$15 , 125	11,855			
Notes receivable, less current portion Property and equipment Investment in available for sale equity fixed	338 686	318 554			
income securities-non-current Goodwill Other assets	11,201 1,247 267	11,065 1,247 392			
Total Assets	\$28,864 ======	\$25,431 ======			
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY Current liabilities	2 , 739	3,487			
Other liabilities	344	1,042			
Total liabilities	3,083	4,529			
Minority interests	14				
Shareholders' Equity:					
Common stock Additional paid-in capital Retained earnings Accumulated other comprehensive income	268 7,695 16,168	254 7,192 13,756			
(loss), net of taxes	1,636	(300)			
Total shareholders' equity	25 , 767	20 , 902			
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	\$28,864 =====	\$25,431 ======			

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