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## EZENET FIRST QUARTER REVENUE GROWS 251% OVER PREVIOUS YEAR

- Performance for Core Canadian Business Remains Strong - - Fitech Inc. Acquisition Strengthens Platform for US Market Penetration -

**Toronto, Ontario, April 26, 2001** – **Ezenet Corp.** (**TSE:EZE**), a provider of customer-centric wealth management technologies for the global financial services industry, today announced its financial results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2001.

Revenue for the first quarter grew 251% to \$3,002,000, up from \$854,000 during the comparable prior year period. On a sequential basis, revenue grew by 6.3% over the previous quarter, representing the 5th period of consecutive quarterly growth. Net loss for the first quarter of \$531,000 compares to a loss of approximately \$48,000 during the corresponding period in 2000. Net loss per share was \$0.03 for the first quarter of 2001 versus a loss of \$0.01 for the same period in the last fiscal year.

During the quarter, the Company continued to invest in product development and strengthening its infrastructure, with a focus on sales and marketing and management depth, in preparation for anticipated growth in the Canadian market. Operating expenses in connection with the U.S. operation amounted to approximately CDN \$270,000 for the first quarter, as the Company commenced initial product marketing activities in the US.

The Fitech acquisition was completed on February 2, 2001. The Company expects that the acquisition will offer both existing and prospective clients a broader product range that now includes integrated financial planning tools, calculators and budgeting software. Ongoing product development will profile the customer's financial picture, offering a comprehensive suite of financial planning tools, allowing the customer to set and track goals, and enabling transactions via multiple access channels. The new product development is complementary to Ezenet's back-end processing software.

Gary Guthro, Chief Financial Officer of Ezenet Corp., said, "While our results demonstrate progress, we are only just starting to realize the revenue potential that we expect to achieve from our ongoing investment in growing our business. The acquisition of Fitech has added additional revenue sources and we expect that it will assist us in establishing our presence in the US market. It should be noted that our consolidated revenue figure for the first quarter ended March 31, 2001 includes only two months of sales generated through the acquisition of Fitech and no revenue from the US operation. However, our results for this period do include the costs associated with the acquisition and preparations for US market launch."

"We continue to conserve our cash reserves as evidenced by a minimal operating burn rate of only \$38,000 and we have entered the second quarter in a strong financial position with approximately \$36.8 million in cash and cash equivalents," said Guthro.

The Company also reported that the initial prototype of its back-end processing system for the US market has been released, and that the Fitech financial planning and sales tools product suite is expected to expand the Company's product portfolio offered in the US.

Jay Cashmore, President and Chief Executive Officer of Ezenet Corp., said, "The continuing revenue and utilization trends validate our core business model and demonstrate that we are making steady progress towards becoming a dominant provider of integrated wealth management technology for the financial services industry. Canada remains our initial primary market and with recent new business announcements with CIBC and other contract renewals, we have a considerably stronger platform for future growth."

"We are continually reviewing and measuring those investment opportunities that will best support our business expansion which includes an aggressive organic growth and acquisition strategy, while maximizing the return on our investment. Over time, we believe execution on this strategy will deliver value for our shareholders," concluded Cashmore.

#### Other

On October 2, 2000, the Company announced a Normal Course Issuer Bid, which will run for one year. Ezenet believes that the recent market price of its common shares may not reflect their underlying value. The maximum number of shares that the Company can repurchase in a one-year period is 690,000. To date, the Company has repurchased a total of 320,700 shares. Ezenet believes that the repurchase of these shares increases the proportionate interest for each shareholder, and will be advantageous to investors.

Ezenet Corp. will hold its Annual General Meeting on May 30, 2001 at 10am (EDT) at the Toronto Stock Exchange Conference Centre.

#### **About Ezenet**

# EZENET CORP. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

			(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)			(Audited)
	Note		3/31/2001		3/31/2000		12/31/2000
<b>ASSETS</b>							
Current							
Cash and cash equivalents		\$	36,790,346	\$	16,937,174	\$	40,452,760
Accounts receivable			1,879,331		343,363		1,385,924
Prepaid expenses and sundry assets			188,944		107,874		219,366
Income taxes recoverable			799,474		35,950		669,056
			39,658,095		17,424,361		42,727,106
Capital assets	2		1,667,670		464,345		1,576,813
Goodwill			10,784,552		-		7,784,541
Future income tax assets	3		833,207		-		882,493
Product development costs			-		1,396,236		
		\$	52,943,524	\$	19,284,942	\$	52,970,953
LIABILITIES							
Current		Φ	1.024.274	Φ	170 276	Φ	2 120 112
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		\$	1,924,374	\$	172,376	\$	2,120,112
Future income tax liabilities	3		_		354,700		-
			1,924,374		527,076		2,120,112
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY							
Capital stock	6		52,960,943		18,228,252		52,372,387
Contributed surplus	6		24,527		-		-
Retained earnings (deficit)			(1,966,320)		529,614		(1,521,546)
			51,019,150		18,757,866		50,850,841
		\$	52,943,524	\$	19,284,942	\$	52,970,953

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### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF RETAINED EARNINGS (DEFICIT)

(Unaudited)

Three months ended

		March 31			
	Note	2001	2000		
Balance at beginning of period		\$ (1,521,546) \$	645,039		
Net loss for the period		(531,153)	(47,925)		
Dividends declared and payable on preferred shares		-	(67,500)		
Excess of carrying amount of shares over cost to		-			
purchase for cancellation	6	86,379			
Balance at end of period		\$ (1,966,320) \$	529,614		

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### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

	(Unaudited)					
	Three months ended					
		Ma	arch 31			
		2001		2000		
REVENUES						
Banking	\$	2,434,398	\$	790,205		
Interest		551,515		20,597		
Other		15,693		43,366		
TOTAL REVENUES		3,001,606		854,168		
EXPENSES						
Salaries and benefits		2,421,430		480,255		
Administration		641,407		133,645		
Professional fees		20,476		7,330		
Direct product and service costs		51,715		142,104		
Investor relations		78,825		18,527		
Amortization		443,898		33,282		
Amortization of product development costs		-		136,050		
		3,657,751		951,193		
LOSS BEFORE INCOME TAXES		(656,145)		(97,025)		
INCOME TAXES		(105.115)				
Current		(186,446)		- (40.400)		
Future		61,454		(49,100)		
		(124,992)		(49,100)		
NET LOSS	\$	(531,153)	\$	(47,925)		
NET LOSS PER SHARE						
Basic	\$	(0.03)	\$	(0.01)		

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## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

			(Unaudited		
		Thre	ee months		led
		2001	March 31		2000
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CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<b>c</b>	(521 152)		Φ	(47.025)
1	\$	(531,153)		\$	(47,925)
Add (deduct) items not affecting cash:		442.000			22.202
Amortization		443,898			33,282
Future income taxes		49,286			(49,100)
Amortization of product development costs		(27.050)			136,050
		(37,969)			72,307
Changes in non-cash working capital items (net of effects of					
acquisition of subsidiary).					
Accounts receivable		(182,848)			(113,002)
Prepaid expenses and sundry assets		36,063			(13,822)
Income taxes receivable		(31,398)			(1,560)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		(424,755)			(35,525)
		(602,938)			(163,909)
		(640,907)			(91,602)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES					
Purchase of capital assets		(176,246)			(70,637)
Investment in product development costs		-			(53,986)
Business acquisitions		(2,626,675)			-
		(2,802,920)			(124,623)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES					
Issuance of capital stock		-			17,000,353
Shares purchased pursuant to a normal course issuer bid (net)		(237,865)			-
Payment of preferred share dividend		(27,049)			_
Exercise of stock options		46,328			_
Expenditures re. issuance of capital stock		-			(17,423)
•		(218,587)			16,982,930
Increase (decrease) in cash position during the period		(3,662,414)			16,766,705
Cash position at beginning of the period		40,452,760			170,469
	\$	36,790,346		\$	16,937,174
Cash position at end of the period	Ψ	30,770,340		Ψ	10,737,174
Cash position consists of:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	20,823,431		\$	16,937,174
Short-term investments	\$	15,966,915		\$	-
Supplemental Disclosure					
Amount of income taxes paid during the period	\$	229,893		\$	1,560
Tax refunds received during the period	\$	355,659		\$	,

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