

## Connection (CNXN) to Release Third Quarter Results on November 1, 2018; Provides Estimated Results

MERRIMACK, N.H.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Oct. 18, 2018-- Connection (PC Connection, Inc.; NASDAQ: <u>CNXN</u>), an industry-leading technology solutions provider of a full range of information technology (IT) solutions to business, government, and education markets, today announced certain estimated financial results for the guarter ended September 30, 2018.

Connection expects to report revenue in the range of \$657 million to \$659 million for the third quarter ended September 30, 2018, representing a decrease of approximately 10% as reported during the same period a year ago. Please note that on January 1, 2018, the Company adopted a new revenue recognition standard ("ASC 606") that was not applied to prior years, as was more fully discussed in the Company's most recent Form 10-Q filing with the SEC on August 2, 2018. Had the third quarter of 2018 been reported under the previous revenue recognition standard, expected third quarter revenue would have been in the range of \$765 million to \$767 million, resulting in a year-over-year growth rate of approximately 5%. For additional information and reconciliation of our revenue results between the new and prior revenue recognition standards, please see the table included below in this press release.

Gross profit for the third quarter is expected to range between \$99 million and \$101 million. In addition, for the third quarter, Connection expects to report net income between \$13 million and \$14 million, and diluted earnings per share between \$0.49 and \$0.51.

"In the quarter, we experienced a seasonally strong July and August consistent with our expectations. However, towards the end of September, we experienced lower than expected growth mainly from both our small- to medium-sized customers and our federal customers attributable to supply shortages, weakness in the healthcare sector and timing of shipments to customers. Going forward we remain focused on driving advanced technology solutions, maintaining a strong balance sheet, and improving operational efficiencies," said Tim McGrath, President and Chief Executive Officer.

The Company will release its third quarter operating results after close of market on Thursday, November 1, 2018. At 4:30 p.m. ET on that date, management will review these results during their quarterly conference call. To access the conference call (audio only), please dial 877-776-4016 (US) or 973-638-3231 (International). The live webcast (audio with slides) and replays of the conference call can be accessed online through the investor relations section of our website at <a href="http://ir.connection.com">http://ir.connection.com</a>.

## **About Connection**

PC Connection, Inc. and its subsidiaries, dba **Connection®**, (www.connection.com; NASDAQ: CNXN) is a Fortune 1000 company headquartered in Merrimack, NH. With offices throughout the United States, Connection delivers custom-configured computer systems overnight from its ISO 9001:2015 certified technical configuration lab at its distribution center in Wilmington, OH. In addition, the Company has over 2,500 technical certifications to ensure it can solve the most complex issues of its customers. Connection also services international customers through its GlobalServe subsidiary, a global IT procurement and service management company. Investors and media can find more information about Connection at <a href="http://ir.connection.com">http://ir.connection.com</a>.

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## RECONCILIATION OF CHANGES IN REVENUE STANDARD FOR ESTIMATED NET SALES

(Unaudited, in millions)

Three months ended September 30, 2018

	As reported	Adjustments	Balances without adoption of ASC 606
Net sales (est.)	\$657 -\$659	\$108	\$765 - \$767

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