



The Wet Seal, Inc. Announces Change to Release Date of Financial Results

FOOTHILL RANCH, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--March 23, 2005--Specialty retailer The Wet Seal, Inc. (Nasdaq:WTSLA) today announced that it will postpone the release of fourth quarter and fiscal year 2004 results to April 12, 2005.

Headquartered in Foothill Ranch, California, The Wet Seal, Inc. is a leading specialty retailer of fashionable and contemporary apparel and accessory items. The company currently operates a total of 402 stores in 47 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, including 308 Wet Seal stores and 94 Arden B. stores. The company's products can also be purchased online at www.wetseal.com or www.ardenb.com. For more company information, visit www.wetsealinc.com.

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