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PDL BioPharma Announces 2016 Second Quarter Dividend

INCLINE VILLAGE, Nev., May 4, 2016 /PRNewswire/ -- PDL BioPharma, Inc. (NASDAQ: PDLI) today announced that its board of directors has declared a \$0.05 per share dividend for the second quarter of 2016. The cash dividend will be paid on June 13, 2016 to all stockholders who own shares of PDL on June 6, 2016, the record date for the second quarter dividend payment.

Stockholders desiring to purchase shares with rights to the dividend must ensure that their trades are executed prior to the "ex-dividend" date and settled prior to the record date. NASDAQ generally establishes an ex-dividend date that is two business days prior to the record date. Investors should consult with their brokers or financial advisors regarding their specific situations.

About PDL BioPharma

PDL manages a portfolio of patents and royalty assets, consisting of its Queen et al. patents, license agreements with various biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies, and royalty and other assets acquired. To acquire new income generating assets, PDL provides non-dilutive growth capital and financing solutions to late-stage public and private healthcare companies and offers immediate financial monetization of royalty streams to companies, academic institutions, and inventors. PDL has committed over \$1 billion and funded approximately \$937 million in these investments to date. PDL evaluates its investments based on the quality of the income generating assets and potential returns on investment. PDL is currently focused on acquiring new income generating assets, the management of its intellectual property and income generating assets, and maximizing value for its stockholders.

The Company was formerly known as Protein Design Labs, Inc. and changed its name to PDL BioPharma, Inc. in 2006. PDL was founded in 1986 and is headquartered in Incline Village, Nevada. PDL pioneered the humanization of monoclonal antibodies and, by doing so, enabled the discovery of a new generation of targeted treatments for cancer and immunologic diseases for which it receives significant royalty revenue.

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This Press Release contains "forward-looking" statements as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements are based on management's current expectations or predictions of future conditions, events or results based on various assumptions and management's estimates of trends and economic factors in the markets in which we are active, as well as our business plans. Words such as "expects", "anticipates", "intends", "plans", "believes", "seeks", "estimates", "projects", "forecasts", "may", "should", variations of such words and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements may include, without limitation, statements regarding product development, product potential or financial performance. As all dividend payments are subject to compliance with legal requirements, dividend announcements constitute "forward-looking" statements and could be withdrawn prior to payment at the discretion of the Company's board of directors. Our financial performance could affect or limit the ability of our board of directors to declare or pay a dividend. The forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, which may cause results to differ materially from those set forth in the statements. Forward-looking statements in this release should be evaluated together with the many uncertainties that affect the business of PDL and its markets, particularly those discussed in the risk factors and cautionary statements contained in the Company's 2015 Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 23, 2016. All forward-looking statements are expressly qualified in their entirety by such factors. The forward-looking statements are representative only as of the date they are made, and PDL assumes no responsibility to update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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