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NICE Reports Record 2005 Second Quarter Earnings

Highlights:

Q2 record revenue at excess of \$72.2 million

Q2 pro-forma gross margin improved to 56.7%

Pro forma EPS was \$0.36, up 38% from Q2 2004

Integration of Dictaphones CRS business on track

Ra'anana, Israel, August 3, 2005 - NICE Systems (NASDAQ: NICE), the global provider of advanced solutions that enable organizations to extract insight from interactions to drive performance, today announced record results for the second quarter ending June 30, 2005.

Second quarter 2005 revenue was at a company record high of \$72.2 million. Second quarter revenue represents an 18% increase over \$61.3 million in the same quarter of 2004.

Second quarter pro-forma gross margin, which excludes amortization of intangible assets, was 56.7%, an improvement from the 54.5% reported in the second quarter of 2004.

The company reported a second quarter pro forma operating profit of \$7.1 million and operating margins of 9.8%, compared with \$4.1 million and 6.8% in the second quarter of 2004.

Pro-forma net income, was \$7.3 million or \$0.36 per fully diluted share in the second quarter of 2005, up from \$4.7 million or \$0.26 per fully diluted share in the same quarter of 2004. On GAAP basis Second quarter net income was \$6.8 million, or \$0.33 per fully diluted share, compared with net income of \$4.5 million, or \$0.24 per share, on a fully diluted basis, in the second quarter of 2004.

Total cash and equivalents at June 30, 2005 were at \$169.3 million, even after the \$38.5 million cash acquisition of Dictaphone CRS assets. DSO's for the second quarter stood at 73 days.

Commenting on the quarter, Haim Shani, Chief Executive Officer of NICE, said, "This was another outstanding quarter for NICE, with record results. We are extremely pleased by the strong momentum we are seeing in both the enterprise and public and security sectors, each driven by increasing demand for our products across the board. The increase in demand is particularly gratifying as it reflects successful execution of our near and long-term strategy for strengthening our position as the global leader in providing Insight from Interactions solutions."

"On June 1st we announced the completion of the Dictaphone CRS acquisition. We are on track with the integration and are pleased by the pace at which we are progressing."

"We are encouraged by the strong momentum of both the enterprise and public and security sectors, and further to this success and the fast and smooth integration of Dictaphone CRS, we are raising our annual guidance to revenues at \$304 - \$309 million from the previous guidance of \$295-\$300 million and pro-forma EPS to \$1.55 - 1.63 from \$1.50-1.60. We are also introducing first-time guidance for Q3 with a 28% - 32% growth in revenues to \$81 - \$84 million from the \$63.5 million reported in the third quarter of last year. In terms of earnings, we expect pro-forma EPS to be between \$0.38 and \$0.42 per share, a 36% - 50% increase over the third quarter 2004 EPS of \$0.28."

Conference Call

NICE will host a conference call to discuss the results and its business outlook today at 8:30 a.m. EST (15:30 Israel). The call will be broadcast live on the internet via NICE's website at www.nice.com. A telephone replay will be available for up to 72 hours after the call. The replay information: US Toll-free: 1-866-276-1485; International: +972-3-925-5930; Israel: 03-925-5930.

Pro forma basis results exclude the amortization of acquired intangible assets of \$0.49 million in Q2 2005 and \$0.23 million in Q2 2004. A reconciliation between results on a GAAP and pro forma basis is provided in a table immediately following the Consolidated Statement of Operations (Pro Forma Basis).

About NICE

NICE Systems (NASDAQ: NICE) is the leading provider of Insight from Interactions, based on advanced content analytics of telephony, web, radio and video communications. NICE's solutions improve business and operational performance, as well as security. NICE has over 23,000 customers in 100 countries, including the world's top 10 banks and over 75% of the Fortune 100 companies. More information is available at www.nice.com.

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NICE SYSTEMS LTD. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

U.S. dollars in thousands (except per share amounts)

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	June 30,	2005	June 30,	2005
	2004	2005	2004	2005
	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited
Revenue				
Product	\$44,157	\$47,673	\$85,554	\$94,950
Services	17,112	24,557	34,058	43,402
Total revenue	61,269	72,230	119,612	138,352
Cost of revenue				
Product	15,761	15,346	30,616	30,903
Services	12,241	16,243	24,364	30,234
Total cost of revenue	28,002	31,589	54,980	61,137
Gross Profit	33,267	40,641	64,632	77,215
Operating Expenses:				
Research and development, net	6,218	6,999	12,433	13,756
Selling and marketing	15,231	17,949	30,404	33,979
General and administrative	7,819	8,901	15,684	17,241
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	87	206	175	244
Total operating expenses	29,355	34,055	58,696	65,220
Operating income	3,912	6,586	5,936	11,995
Financial income, net	1,177	1,245	2,078	2,297
Income before taxes on income	5,089	7,831	8,014	14,292
Taxes on income	585	1,030	895	1,715
Net income from continuing operations	4,504	6,801	7,119	12,577
Net income from discontinued operation	-	-	3,236	-
Net income	\$4,504	\$6,801	\$10,355	\$12,577
Basic income per share from continuing operations	\$0.26	\$0.36	\$0.41	\$0.68
Basic income per share from discontinued operation	-	-	\$0.19	-
Basic income per share	\$0.26	\$0.36	\$0.60	\$0.68
Diluted income per share from continuing operations	\$0.24	\$0.33	\$0.38	\$0.63
Diluted income per share from discontinued operation	-	-	\$0.17	-

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Diluted income per share	\$0.24	\$0.33	\$0.56	\$0.63
Weighted average number of shares outstanding used to compute:				
Basic income per share	17,395	18,768	17,251	18,590
Diluted income per share	18,553	20,305	18,561	20,083

NICE provides pro-forma net income and pro forma earnings per share data as additional information to its operating results. These measures are not in accordance with or an alternative for, GAAP and may be different from pro-forma measures used by other companies. The company believes that this presentation of pro-forma data provides useful information to management and investors regarding certain additional financial and business trends relating to its financial condition and result of operations. In addition, the Company's management uses these measures for reviewing the financial results of the Company and for budget purposes:

**NICE SYSTEMS LTD. AND SUBSIDIARIES
FOR COMPARATIVE PURPOSES
NET INCOME AND INCOME PER SHARE EXCLUDING DISCONTINUED
OPERATION AND AMORTIZATION OF ACQUIRED INTANGIBLE ASSETS**
U.S. dollars in thousands (except per share amounts)

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	June 30,		June 30,	
	2004	2005	2004	2005
	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited
GAAP net income	\$4,504	\$6,801	\$10,355	\$12,577
Adjustments:				
GAAP net income from discontinued operation	-	-	(3,236)	-
Amortization of acquired intangible assets				
Included in gross profit	149	289	299	440
Included in operating expenses	87	206	175	244
Non-GAAP net income from continuing operations	\$4,740	\$7,296	\$7,593	\$13,261
Non-GAAP basic income per share from continuing				
operations	\$0.27	\$0.39	\$0.44	\$0.71
Non-GAAP diluted income per share from continuing	\$0.26	\$0.36	\$0.41	\$0.66

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NICE SYSTEMS LTD. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

U.S. dollars in thousands

	December 31, 2004 Audited	June 30, 2005 Unaudited
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 26,579	\$34,953
Short-term bank deposits	175	126
Marketable securities	24,348	22,620
Trade receivables	46,407	54,951
Other receivables and prepaid expenses	7,937	8,064
Inventories	12,615	20,296
Assets of discontinued operation	652	653
Total current assets	118,713	141,663
LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS:		
Long-term marketable securities	114,805	111,621
Other long-term investments	9,410	9,207
Total long-term investments	124,215	120,828
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, NET	16,981	15,683
OTHER ASSETS, NET	12,665	26,087
GOODWILL	25,745	49,432
TOTAL ASSETS	\$298,319	\$353,693
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Trade payables	\$11,975	\$17,121
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	55,302	83,560
Liabilities of discontinued operation	8	6
Total current liabilities	67,285	100,687
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	8,163	8,237

SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	222,871	244,769
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$298,319	\$353,693

NICE SYSTEMS LTD. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENTS

U.S. dollars in thousands

	Three months ended		Six
	June 30,		months
	2004	2005	ended
	Unaudited	Unaudited	June 30,
			2005
			Unaudited
<u>Cash flows from operating activities:</u>			
Net income	\$4,504	\$6,801	\$12,357
Less income for the period from discontinued operation	-	-	(3,236)
Adjustments required to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	3,396	2,951	6,908
Accrued severance pay, net	97	248	889
Amortization of discount (premium) and accrued interest on marketable securities	445	164	745
Decrease (increase) in trade receivables	(1,449)	3,133	1,396
Decrease (increase) in other receivables and prepaid expenses	(1,290)	712	(442)
Decrease (increase) in inventories	988	(1,499)	1,295
Increase (decrease) in trade payables	533	1,609	(4,008)
Increase in accrued expenses and other liabilities	937	5,068	7,856
Other	(36)	35	(26)
Net cash provided by operating activities from continuing operations	8,125	19,222	15,908
Net cash provided by operating activities from discontinued operation	646	-	850
Net cash provided by operating activities	8,771	19,222	16,698
<u>Cash flows from investing activities:</u>			
Purchase of property and equipment	(1,355)	(1,351)	(2,722)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment	60	44	65
Investment in short-term bank deposits	(32)	(3)	(35)
Proceeds from short-term bank deposits	24	33	77
Proceeds from maturity of short-term marketable securities	7,685	95,625	114,950
Investment in short-term marketable securities	(2,000)	(67,425)	(210,025)
Proceeds of call of long-term held-to-maturity marketable securities	4,002	6,130	10,832
Investment in long-term held-to-maturity marketable securities	(32,507)	(9,225)	(67,828)
Capitalization of software development costs	(231)	(210)	(677)
Payment for acquisition of certain assets and liabilities of Dictaphone CRS Division	-	(38,939)	-(38,939)
Decrease in accrued acquisition costs	-	-	(75)
Payment in respect of terminated contract from TCS acquisition	-	-	(1,483)
Proceeds from related party in respect of TCS acquisition	-	-	4,531

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Net cash used by investing activities from continuing operations	(24,354)	(15,321)	(39,675)
Net cash provided by investing activities from discontinued operation	-	-	4,136
Net cash used by investing activities	(24,354)	(15,321)	(35,539)
<u>Cash flows from financing activities:</u>			
Proceeds from issuance of shares and exercise of share options, net	1,896	5,766	9,146
Net cash provided by financing activities	1,896	5,766	9,146
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	(61)	(134)	(70)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(13,748)	9,533	(8,329)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	37,878	25,420	26,859
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$24,130	\$34,953	\$24,130