

NEWS RELEASE

# American Vanguard Reports First Quarter 2025 Results

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# Substantially Reduced Operating Expenses

# Materially Decreased Net Working Capital Consumption

# Industry In the Early Innings of a Recovery

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- American Vanguard<sup>®</sup> Corporation (NYSE: AVD), a diversified specialty and agricultural products company that develops, manufactures, and markets solutions for crop protection and nutrition, turf and ornamental management and commercial pest control, today reported financial results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2025.

# Financial and Operational Highlights – First Quarter 2025 versus First Quarter 2024:

- Net sales of \$115.8 million v. \$135.1 million;
- Adjusted EBITDA<sup>1</sup> of \$3.0 million v. \$15.5 million;
- EPS of \$(0.30) v. \$0.06

### Other Operational Highlights:

- Reduced net working capital by \$85M year-over-year
- While operating expenses decreased by 5% on a GAAP basis, as compared to the year ago period, they decreased by 14% excluding transformation expenses and a non-recurring item

CEO Douglas A. Kaye III stated, "The first quarter of 2025 presented a challenging environment for suppliers to the

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global agricultural sector, continuing trends that we have experienced over the past 18-24 months. Against a backdrop of global economic uncertainty and generally high interest rates, customers focused on managing working capital by reducing inventory and limiting procurement to a just-in-time basis. In the face of these conditions, our results for the quarter declined, as compared to last year. While I am pleased with the progress we have made, if market conditions do not improve, we will enact further cost reduction initiatives over the coming quarters. We have made meaningful improvement to our cost structure, but much of that progress is currently being overshadowed in our financial results so far this year by the continued weakness in the agricultural environment."

Mr. Kaye continued, "The environment is beginning to improve in the second quarter, and, like most industry participants in the agricultural chemical industry, we expect the second half of 2025 to be both seasonally stronger and to benefit from improving customer order rates. We expect to realize the benefit of commercial and operational improvements that are either completed or are well underway. As we continue to transform and simplify this business, future margins will improve, and further margin enhancement in 2026 and beyond is the target."

David T. Johnson, Vice President, CFO and Treasurer, stated "While the industry recovers from its cyclical downturn, the team has made meaningful improvement to the cost structure. We are pleased with the results from our initial efforts to contain costs and will continue to keep a tight rein on non-essential costs for the foreseeable future. In addition to minimizing operating expenses, we have made significant improvements to our balance sheet. We ended the quarter with total debt of \$167 million, which was down from \$187 million the prior year. Net working capital decreased to \$153 million versus \$238 million a year ago. We will continue to focus on strengthening our balance sheet and positioning American Vanguard for a return to growth."

Mr. Kaye concluded, "I believe that simplifying many of the things we do will allow us to better understand what is important and to deliver against high priority tasks. My message across the organization in this regard is straightforward – SIMPLIFY, PRIORITIZE and DELIVER. If we embrace this mantra, I believe that we can reaffirm American Vanguard's position as a trusted provider of proven agricultural and environmental solutions."

# Earnings Conference Call

The company will be hosting an earnings conference call at 9 am Eastern Time on June 6, 2025. The conference call

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can be accessed through the following link: https://www.webcaster4.com/Webcast/Page/3070/52413. A replay can also be accessed through the website. In addition, the company plans to post on the Investor Relations section of the company's website a presentation that should be read in connection with this earnings release.

### About American Vanguard

American Vanguard Corporation is a diversified specialty and agriculture products company that develops and markets products for crop protection and management, turf and ornamentals management, and public and animal health. Over the past 20 years, through product and business acquisitions, the Company has significantly expanded its operations and now has more than 1,000 product registrations worldwide. To learn more about the Company, please reference **www.american-vanguard.com**.

The Company, from time to time, may discuss forward-looking information. Except for the historical information contained in this release the matters set forth in this press release include forward-looking statements. These statements can be identified by the fact that they do not relate strictly to historical or current facts. Forward-looking statements often use words such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "estimate," "project," "outlook," "forecast," "target," "trend," "plan," "goal," or other words of comparable meaning or future-tense or conditional verbs such as "may," "will," "should," "would," or "could." These forward-looking statements are based on the current expectations and estimates by the Company's management and are subject to various risks and uncertainties that may cause results to differ from management's current expectations. Such factors include risks detailed from time-to-time in the Company's SEC reports and filings. All forward-looking statements, if any, in this release represent the Company's judgment as of the date of this release. The company disclaims any intent or obligation to update these forward-looking statements.

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ASSETS		March 31, 2025	D	ecember 31, 2024
Current assets:	¢	11.005	¢	12 51 4
Cash Receivables:	\$	11,805	\$	12,514
Trade, net of allowance for credit losses of \$10,321 and \$9,19 respectively	0,	159,559		169,743
Other		8,155		4,699
Total receivables, net		167,714		174,442
Inventories		184,596		179,292
Prepaid expenses		8,507		7,615
Income taxes receivable		5,226		5,030
Total current assets		377,848		378,893
Property, plant and equipment, net		57,016		58,169
Operating lease right-of-use assets, net		18,430		19,735
Intangible assets, net		147,668		150,497
Goodwill		20,291		19,701
Deferred income tax assets		1,331		1,242
Other assets		9,004		8,484
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AMERICAN VANGUARD CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (In thousands, except share data) (Unaudited)

Total assets	-	621 500		c2( 721
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Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	93,920	\$	69,159
Customer prepayments		24,460		52,675
Accrued program costs		70,319		69,449
Accrued expenses and other payables		17,119		31,989
Operating lease liabilities, current Income taxes payable		5,986 1,261		6,136 2,942
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Total current liabilities		213,065		232,350
Long-term debt		167,498		147,332
Operating lease liabilities, long-term Deferred income tax liabilities		13,074 8,924		14,339 7,989
Other liabilities		1,673		1,601
Total liabilities		404,234		403,611
Commitments and contingent liabilities (Note 13)				
Stockholders' equity:				
Preferred stock, \$0.10 par value per share; authorized 400,000 shares;				
none issued				_
Common stock, \$0.10 par value per share; authorized 40,000,000 shares; issued 34,850,030 shares at March 31, 2025 and 34,794,548 shares at				
December 31, 2024		3,485		3,479
Additional paid-in capital		115,554		114,679
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(16,904)		(18,729)
Retained earnings		196,420		204,882
	-	298,555		304,311
Less treasury stock at cost, 5,915,182 shares at March 31, 2025 and				
December 31, 2024		(71,201)		(71,201)
Total stockholders' equity		227,354		233,110
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	631,588	\$	636,721
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#### AMERICAN VANGUARD CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (In thousands, except per share data) (Unaudited)

		For the three months ended March 31				
	2025		2024			
Net sales	\$ 115,800	\$	135,143			
Cost of sales	(85,609)		(92,725)			
Gross profit	30,191		42,418			
Dperating expenses Selling, general and administrative Research, product development and regulatory Transformation	(26,566) (5,682) (2,253)		(29,469) (5,706) (1,152)			
Operating (loss) income Change in fair value of an equity investment nterest expense, net	(4,310) 		6,091 638 (3,693)			
(Loss) income before provision for income taxes ncome tax expense	(8,075) (387)		3,036 (1,484)			
Net (loss) income	\$ (8,462)	\$	1,552			
Net (loss) income per common share—basic	\$ (0.30)	\$	0.06			
Net (loss) income per common share—assuming dilution	\$ (0.30)	\$	0.06			
Neighted average shares outstanding—basic	28,271		27,844			
Neighted average shares outstanding—assuming dilution	 28,271		28,128			

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#### (In thousands), (Unaudited) For the three months ended

		March 31,					
		2025		2024	C	hange	% Change
Net sales:							
U.S. crop	\$	57,176	\$	67,257	\$	(10,081)	-15%
U.S. non-crop		15,601		17,768		(2,167)	-12%
Total U.S.		72,777		85,025		(12,248)	-14%
International		43,023		50,118		(7,095)	-14%
Total net sales	\$	115,800	\$	135,143	\$	(19,343)	-14%
Total cost of sales	\$	(85,609)	\$	(92,725)	\$	7,116	-8%
Total gross profit	\$	30,191	\$	42,418	\$	(12,227)	-29%
Total gross margin	-	26%		31%			

#### AMERICAN VANGUARD CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (In thousands) (Unaudited)

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		2025	4	2024	
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Net (loss) income	\$	(8,462)	\$	1,552	
Adjustments to reconcile net (loss) income to net cash used in operating activities:					
Depreciation and amortization of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets		4,744		5,441	
Amortization of other long-term assets Provision for bad debts		5		189	
		1,056 559		700 2.005	
Stock-based compensation Change in deferred income taxes		1,348		(1,025)	
Change in liabilities for uncertain tax positions or unrecognized tax		1,540		(1,023)	
benefits		90		35	
Change in equity investment fair value				(638)	
Other		126		(5)	
Foreign currency transaction gains		(99)		(373)	
Changes in assets and liabilities associated with operations:		()			
Decrease (increase) in net receivables		6,892		(5,579)	
Increase in inventories		(4,721)		(9,353)	
Increase in prepaid expenses and other assets		(856)		(1,466)	
Change in income tax receivable and payable, net		(1,885)		1,014	
Increase in accounts payable		22,966		2,366	
Decrease in customer prepayments		(28,215)		(37,037)	
Increase in accrued program costs		837 (14,961)		6,399 (332)	
Decrease in other payables and accrued expenses				( ) ( ) ( ) ( ) ( ) ( ) ( ) ( ) ( ) ( )	
Net cash used in operating activities		(20,576)		(36,107)	
Cash flows from investing activities:		(101)			
Capital expenditures		(431)		(3,565)	
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment		12		23	
Intangible assets		(27)		(25)	
Net cash used in investing activities		(446)		(3,567)	
Cash flows from financing activities:		(00,000)			
Payments under line of credit agreement		(89,098) 109,265		(35,346) 77,146	
Borrowings under line of credit agreement Payment of deferred loan fees		(687)		//,140	
Net receipt from the issuance of common stock under ESPP		332		430	
Net payment from common stock purchased for tax withholding		(11)		(14)	
Payment of cash dividends		(11)		(834)	
Net cash provided by financing activities		19,801		41,382	
Net (decrease) increase in cash		(1,221)		1,708	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		512		585	
Cash at beginning of period		12,514		11,416	
Cash at end of period		11,805		13,709	
	\$	11,000	\$	13,705	

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#### AMERICAN VANGUARD CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME (LOSS) TO ADJUSTED EBITDA (Unaudited)

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Reconciliation of Net Income to EBITDA		March 31, 2025	Mai	rch 31, 2024
Net income, as reported	\$	(8,462)	\$	1,552
Provision for income taxes		387		1,484 3,693
Interest expense, net		3,765		3,693
Depreciation and amortization		4,749		5,630 2,005
Stock compensation		559		2,005
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Transformation costs		2,191		1,152
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>2</sup>	\$	2,973	\$	15,516

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