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Coastal Contacts To Resume Trading

VANCOUVER, British Columbia, Canada – April 15, 2010, - Coastal Contacts Inc. (TSX: COA; NASDAQ OMX:COA) (“Coastal Contacts” or the “Company”) the leading online retailer of contact lenses and prescription eyeglasses announced today that trading in the shares of the Company was halted this morning pending an announcement. Coastal Contacts announces that it is currently reviewing certain potential transactions which are focused on increasing shareholder value. At this time, the Company does not have any material information to disclose. In the event that there is any material information to disclose, the Company will make appropriate disclosure on a timely basis.

About Coastal Contacts:

Coastal Contacts Inc. is the world’s leading direct-to-consumer vision products company which designs, produces and distributes a diversified offering of contact lenses and eyeglasses. The Company’s unique combination of branded and private label products represent quality, value and above all, service. Coastal sells into more than 150 countries through proprietary web properties which reflect the culture and consumer preference of the target market. As new markets for eyeglasses and contact lenses evolve, the Company is positioned to become the vision product consumer’s retailer of choice owing to its compelling value proposition combining value and service. A leader in many of its markets, Coastal is rapidly advancing toward its goal of becoming the “World’s Optical Store”.

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Forward Looking Statements

All statements made in this news release, other than statements of historical fact, are forward-looking statements. The words “may”, “would”, “could”, “will”, “intend”, “plan”, “anticipate”, “believe”, “estimate”, “expect”, “goal”, “target”, “should,” “likely,” “potential,” “continue,” “project,” “forecast,” “prospects,” and similar expressions typically are used to identify forward-looking statements.

Forward-looking statements are based on the then-current expectations, beliefs, assumptions, estimates and forecasts about our business and the industry and markets in which we operate. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions which are difficult to predict.

Persons reading this news release are cautioned that forward-looking statements or information are only predictions, and that our actual future results or performance may be materially different due to a number of factors. Reference should also be made to the section entitled “Risk Factors” contained in our most recently filed Annual Information Form dated January 29, 2010 and in the NASDAQ OMX Stockholm listing prospectus dated October 14, 2009, as filed on Sedar and with the Swedish Financial Supervisory Authority, for a detailed description of the risks and uncertainties relating to our business. These risks, as well as others, could cause actual results and events to vary significantly. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements and information, which are qualified in their entirety by this cautionary statement. These forward-looking statements are made as of the date of this news release and we expressly disclaim any intent or obligation to update these forward-looking statements, unless we specifically state otherwise and except as required by applicable law.