



Encore Capital Group, Inc. to Announce First Quarter 2012 Results on May 9th

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SAN DIEGO, April 19, 2012 /PRNewswire via COMTEX/ --Encore Capital Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: ECPG), a leading consumer debt buying and recovery company, announced today that it will release its financial results for the first quarter of 2012 on Wednesday, May 9, 2012, after the market closes. The Company will also host a conference call the same day at 2:00 p.m. Pacific / 5:00 p.m. Eastern time to discuss the reported results.

Members of the public are invited to listen to the event via a telephone conference call line or the Internet. To access the live listen-only telephone conference call, please dial (877) 670-9781 or (408) 940-3818. To access the live webcast via the Internet, log on at the Investor Relations page of the Company's website at www.encorecapital.com.

For those who cannot listen to the live broadcast, a telephonic replay will be available for seven days by dialing (404) 537-3406 and entering the conference number 73935141. A replay of the conference call will also be available shortly after the call on the Company's website.

About Encore Capital Group, Inc.

Encore Capital Group is a leader in consumer debt buying and recovery. The company purchases portfolios of defaulted consumer receivables from major banks, credit unions, and utility providers and partners with individuals as they repay their obligations and work toward financial recovery. Encore's success and future growth are driven by its sophisticated and widespread use of analytics, its broad investments in data and behavioral science, the significant cost advantages provided by both its worldwide operations and its enterprise-wide, account-level cost database, and the company's demonstrated commitment to conducting business ethically and in ways that support its consumers' financial recovery.

Headquartered in San Diego, Encore is a publicly traded NASDAQ Global Select company (ticker symbol: ECPG) and a component stock of the Russell 2000, the S&P SmallCap 600, and the Wilshire 4500. More information about the company can be found at www.encorecapital.com.

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