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## Metabolix Announces Listing Transfer to Nasdaq Capital Market

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Jan. 5, 2015 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Metabolix, Inc. (Nasdaq:MBLX), an advanced biomaterials company focused on sustainable solutions for the plastics industry, today announced that it received a positive determination from the Nasdaq Stock Market on January 5, 2015 granting approval of the Company's request to transfer its listing to the Nasdaq Capital Market from the Nasdaq Global Market. The Company's securities will begin trading on the Nasdaq Capital Market effective at the start of trading on Wednesday, January 7, 2015. The Company's shares will continue to trade on Nasdaq under the symbol "MBLX." The Nasdaq Capital Market is a continuous trading market that operates in substantially the same manner as the Nasdaq Global Market and listed companies must meet certain financial requirements and comply with Nasdaq's corporate governance requirements.

As previously reported, Metabolix was notified by Nasdaq on July 7, 2014, that it no longer satisfied the minimum bid price requirement for continued listing of \$1.00 per share, as set forth in Nasdaq Listing Rule 5450(a)(1). In anticipation of not meeting the minimum bid price requirement by January 5, 2015, the end of its initial 180-day grace period, the Company applied to transfer the listing of its stock to the Nasdaq Capital Market. Upon transfer to the Capital Market, the Company is being afforded an additional 180-day grace period to regain compliance with the Nasdaq's minimum bid price requirement. In order to regain compliance, the minimum bid price per share of the Company's common stock must be at least \$1.00 for at least ten consecutive business days during the additional 180-day grace period, which will end on July 6, 2015. If the Company fails to regain compliance during this grace period, the Company's common stock will be subject to delisting by Nasdaq. The Company has provided written notice of its intention to cure the minimum bid price deficiency during the second grace period by effecting a reverse stock split if necessary.

## **About Metabolix**

Metabolix, Inc. is an innovation-driven specialty materials company focused on delivering high- performance biopolymer solutions to customers in the plastics industry. Metabolix's Mirel® biopolymer resins, which are derived from renewable resources, are a family of biobased performance additives based on PHA (polyhydroxyalkanoates). Metabolix's proprietary biotechnology platform enables the creation of specialty biopolymers for use in a broad range of applications such as construction and packaging materials, as well as industrial, consumer and personal care products.

For more information, please visit <u>www.metabolix.com</u>. (MBLX-G)

## Safe Harbor for Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements which are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. The forward-looking statements in this release do not constitute guarantees of future performance. Investors are cautioned that statements in this press release which are not strictly historical, including, without limitation, statements regarding the Company's intentions with regard to curing the minimum bid price deficiency, constitute forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated, including the risks and uncertainties detailed in Metabolix's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including its 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013 filed on March 28, 2014.

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