

Coty Outlines Long-Term Growth Plan and Reclaims Position as a True Beauty Powerhouse

Company to Host Investor Day Event at New York Stock Exchange today Reveals Plan for Above Market Growth through FY25 and beyond Unveils Major New Product Launches in Mass and Prestige Skincare Increases Cost Savings Targets to Fuel Reinvestment and Profit Expansion

NEW YORK - November 18, 2021-- Coty Inc. (NYSE: COTY) ("Coty" or "the Company"), one of the world's leading beauty companies and global leader in fragrance, today will host an Investor Day at the New York Stock Exchange. At the event, Coty will provide an update on the significant progress made on the Company's six strategic pillars, elaborate on key upcoming operational milestones, report on its comprehensive transformation "All-In To Win" program, and announce its financial goals through FY25 and beyond.

Sue Y. Nabi, Chief Executive Officer of Coty, said: "Coty has reclaimed its position as a true beauty powerhouse. We expect to outperform the beauty market through FY25 and beyond. I am very proud of the significant progress our teams have made, delivering against each of our strategic pillars. I am more confident than ever in Coty's future and our ability to deliver significant value for all of our stakeholders.

Coty's unique and beautiful portfolio of brands, our talented team, and our single-minded focus on delivering sustainable, profitable growth, coupled with targeted reinvestment, are enabling us to evolve. We continue to capitalize on the tremendous growth opportunities in prestige fragrances, skincare, China, clean beauty and e-commerce."

Event Overview

During today's event, members of Coty's leadership team will outline how the business has continued to deliver enhanced performance against its previously communicated strategic priorities, including:

- Stabilizing and growing its Consumer Beauty business
- Accelerating luxury fragrances and establishing Coty as a key player in prestige make-up
- Building a skincare portfolio across its Prestige and Consumer Beauty divisions
- Enhancing e-commerce and Direct-to-Consumer (DTC) capabilities
- Expanding in China through Prestige and select Consumer Beauty brands
- Establishing Coty as an industry leader in sustainability

In addition, presenters will also provide insights into the Company's growth framework and the numerous initiatives underway that are transforming and positioning Coty to succeed, including:

- The "All-In to Win" program, encompassing cost saving and capital deployment initiatives that have ignited the full potential of Coty, with an additional \$75M of savings identified for FY24;
- Coty's unique and differentiated brand portfolio, spanning key beauty categories across prestige and mass channels;
- The robust plans to accelerate Coty's skincare business, that now incorporates a licensing agreement with the ultra premium, multi-award winning, Orveda skincare brand, and the recently announced CoverGirl Clean Fresh Skincare line; and



• Coty's outstanding growth opportunities that can be achieved by harnessing the power of its brands, distribution reach, R&D, IP, and category expertise.

Financial Outlook

The Company is continuing to expand gross margin and cost savings, allowing it to reinvest into key strategic initiatives and simultaneously deliver annual profit growth, targeting an adjusted EBITDA of at a minimum \$900 million for FY22, and approaching \$1 billion in CY22. The growing confidence in business progress and capital structure improvement leads Coty to raise its FY22 adjusted EPS guidance to \$0.20-0.24 from its previous guidance of \$0.19-0.23.

Over the coming years, Coty expects to benefit from an improving beauty market, including a stronger U.S. and Chinese market, a robust rebound in Travel Retail, and steady improvement across Europe. Based on this favorable market backdrop, the strong performance of recent brand repositioning and product launches, and Coty's robust category and market expansion plans, the Company is announcing the following financial targets through FY25 and beyond:

- Net Revenues to grow 6% to 8% annually LFL through FY25 and beyond, ahead of expected beauty market growth of 3% to 5%
- Gross Margin to reach mid 60% by FY25, and further annual expansion thereafter
- Adjusted operating margin expansion of 50-70bps annually through FY25 and beyond
- Adjusted EBITDA to grow at 9% to 11% annually through FY25 and beyond
- Adjusted EPS above 30% CAGR through FY25, with mid to high teens % growth thereafter
- Strong annual improvement in free cash flow
- Leverage target of approximately 4x by end of CY22 and 3x by end of CY23 through EBITDA and free cash flow expansion, with an optimal leverage level of below 2x
- Complete divestiture of remaining 26% stake in Wella by FY25, further strengthening Coty's balance sheet and leverage

Webcast Information

Coty's Investor Day presentation will be available via webcast at <u>investors.coty.com</u> from 8:30 a.m. ET (Eastern Time), concluding at approximately 12:00 p.m. ET. The webcast and presentation materials can be accessed through Coty's investor relations website. A replay of the webcast will be available following the event.

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Coty is one of the world's largest beauty companies with an iconic portfolio of brands across fragrance, color cosmetics, and skin and body care. Coty is the global leader in fragrance, and number three in color cosmetics. Coty markets, sells and distributes the products in approximately 130 countries and territories. Coty and its brands are committed to a range of social causes as well as seeking to minimize its impact on the environment. For additional information about Coty Inc., please visit www.coty.com.



Forward Looking Statements

Certain statements in this press release are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements reflect the Company's current views with respect to, among other things, the impact of COVID-19 and potential recovery scenarios, the Company's comprehensive transformation agenda (the "Transformation Plan"), strategic planning, targets, segment reporting and outlook for future reporting periods (including the extent and timing of revenue, expense and profit trends and changes in operating cash flows and cash flows from operating activities and investing activities), the impact of the Wella divestiture and the related transition services (the "Wella TSA"), the Company's future operations and strategy (including the expected implementation and related impact of its strategic priorities), ongoing and future cost efficiency, optimization and restructuring initiatives and programs, strategic transactions (including their expected timing and impact), the Company's capital allocation strategy and payment of dividends (including suspension of dividend payments and the duration thereof), investments, licenses and portfolio changes, synergies, savings, performance, cost, timing and integration of acquisitions, including the strategic partnership with Kylie Jenner and the strategic partnership with Kim Kardashian West, future cash flows, liquidity and borrowing capacity, timing and size of cash outflows and debt deleveraging, the availability of local government funding or reimbursement programs in connection with COVID-19 (including expected timing and amounts), the timing and extent of any future impairments, and synergies, savings, impact, cost, timing and implementation of the Company's Transformation Plan, including operational and organizational structure changes, operational execution and simplification initiatives, fixed cost reductions, supply chain changes, e-commerce and digital initiatives, and the priorities of senior management. These forward-looking statements are generally identified by words or phrases, such as "anticipate". "are going to", "estimate", "plan", "project", "expect", "believe", "intend", "foresee", "forecast", "will", "may", "should", "outlook", "continue", "temporary", "target", "aim", "potential", "goal" and similar words or phrases. These statements are based on certain assumptions and estimates that we consider reasonable, but are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond our control, which could cause actual events or results (including our financial condition, results of operations, cash flows and prospects) to differ materially from such statements, including risks and uncertainties relating to:

- the impact of COVID-19 (or future similar events), including demand for the Company's products, illness, quarantines, government actions, facility closures, store closures or other restrictions in connection with the COVID-19 pandemic, and the extent and duration thereof, the availability and widespread distribution of a safe and effective vaccine, related impact on the Company's ability to meet customer needs and on the ability of third parties on which the Company relies, including its suppliers, customers, contract manufacturers, distributors, contractors, commercial banks and joint-venture partners, to meet their obligations to the Company, in particular collections from customers, the extent that government funding and reimbursement programs in connection with COVID-19 are available to the Company, and the ability to successfully implement measures to respond to such impacts;
- the Company's ability to successfully implement its multi-year Transformation Plan, including its management realignment, reporting structure changes, operational and organizational changes, and the initiatives to further reduce the Company's cost base, and to develop and achieve its global business strategies (including mix management, select price increases, more disciplined promotions, and foregoing low value sales), compete effectively in the beauty industry, achieve the benefits contemplated by its strategic initiatives (including revenue growth, cost control, gross margin growth and debt deleveraging) and successfully implement its strategic priorities (including innovation performance in prestige and mass channels, strengthening its positions in core markets, accelerating its digital and e-commerce capabilities, building on its skincare portfolio, and expanding its presence in China) in each case within the expected time frame or at all;
- the Company's ability to anticipate, gauge and respond to market trends and consumer preferences, which
 may change rapidly, and the market acceptance of new products, including new products related to Kylie
 Jenner's or Kim Kardashian West's existing beauty business, any relaunched or rebranded products and
 the anticipated costs and discounting associated with such relaunches and rebrands, and consumer



receptiveness to our current and future marketing philosophy and consumer engagement activities (including digital marketing and media);

- use of estimates and assumptions in preparing the Company's financial statements, including with regard to
 revenue recognition, income taxes (including the expected timing and amount of the release of any tax
 valuation allowance), the assessment of goodwill, other intangible and long-lived assets for impairments,
 the market value of inventory, the fair value of the equity investment, and the fair value of acquired assets
 and liabilities associated with acquisitions;
- the impact of any future impairments;
- managerial, transformational, operational, regulatory, legal and financial risks, including diversion of management attention to and management of cash flows, expenses and costs associated with the Company's response to COVID-19, the Transformation Plan, the Wella TSA, the integration of the King Kylie transaction and the KKW transaction, and future strategic initiatives, and, in particular, the Company's ability to manage and execute many initiatives simultaneously including any resulting complexity, employee attrition or diversion of resources;
- the timing, costs and impacts of divestitures and the amount and use of proceeds from any such transactions;
- future divestitures and the impact thereof on, and future acquisitions, new licenses and joint ventures and the integration thereof with, our business, operations, systems, financial data and culture and the ability to realize synergies, avoid future supply chain and other business disruptions, reduce costs (including through the Company's cash efficiency initiatives), avoid liabilities and realize potential efficiencies and benefits (including through our restructuring initiatives) at the levels and at the costs and within the time frames contemplated or at all;
- increased competition, consolidation among retailers, shifts in consumers' preferred distribution and marketing channels (including to digital and prestige channels), distribution and shelf-space resets or reductions, compression of go-to-market cycles, changes in product and marketing requirements by retailers, reductions in retailer inventory levels and order lead-times or changes in purchasing patterns, impact from COVID-19 on retail revenues, and other changes in the retail, e-commerce and wholesale environment in which the Company does business and sells its products and the Company's ability to respond to such changes (including its ability to expand its digital, direct-to-consumer and e-commerce capabilities within contemplated timeframes or at all);
- the Company and its joint ventures', business partners' and licensors' abilities to obtain, maintain and
 protect the intellectual property used in its and their respective businesses, protect its and their respective
 reputations (including those of its and their executives or influencers), public goodwill, and defend claims by
 third parties for infringement of intellectual property rights, and specifically in connection with the strategic
 partnerships with Kylie Jenner and Kim Kardashian, risks related to the entry into a new distribution
 channel, the potential for channel conflict, risks of retaining customers and key employees, difficulties of
 integration (or the risks associated with limiting integration), risks related to regulation of multi-level
 marketing business models, ability to protect trademarks and brand names, litigation or investigations by
 governmental authorities, and changes in law, regulations and policies that affect KKW Holdings, LLC's
 ("KKW Holdings") business or products, including risk that direct selling laws and regulations may be
 modified, interpreted or enforced in a manner that results in a negative impact to KKW Holdings' business
 model, revenue, sales force or business;
- any change to the Company's capital allocation and/or cash management priorities, including any change in the Company's dividend policy or, if the Company's Board declares dividends, the Company's stock dividend reinvestment program;
- any unanticipated problems, liabilities or integration or other challenges associated with a past or future acquired business, joint ventures or strategic partnerships which could result in increased risk or new, unanticipated or unknown liabilities, including with respect to environmental, competition and other regulatory, compliance or legal matters;



- the Company's international operations and joint ventures, including enforceability and effectiveness of its joint venture agreements and reputational, compliance, regulatory, economic and foreign political risks, including difficulties and costs associated with maintaining compliance with a broad variety of complex local and international regulations;
- the Company's dependence on certain licenses (especially in the fragrance category) and the Company's ability to renew expiring licenses on favorable terms or at all;
- the Company's dependence on entities performing outsourced functions, including outsourcing of distribution functions, and third-party manufacturers, logistics and supply chain suppliers, and other suppliers, including third-party software providers, web-hosting and e-commerce providers;
- administrative, product development and other difficulties in meeting the expected timing of market expansions, product launches, re-launches and marketing efforts, including in connection with new products related to Kylie Jenner's or Kim Kardashian West's existing beauty businesses;
- global political and/or economic uncertainties, disruptions or major regulatory or policy changes, and/or the
 enforcement thereof that affect the Company's business, financial performance, operations or products,
 including the impact of Brexit (and related business or market disruption), the current U.S. administration
 and recent election, changes in the U.S. tax code, and recent changes and future changes in tariffs,
 retaliatory or trade protection measures, trade policies and other international trade regulations in the U.S.,
 the European Union and Asia and in other regions where the Company operates;
- currency exchange rate volatility and currency devaluation;
- the number, type, outcomes (by judgment, order or settlement) and costs of current or future legal, compliance, tax, regulatory or administrative proceedings, investigations and/or litigation, including litigation relating to the tender offer by Cottage Holdco B.V. (the "Cottage Tender Offer") and product liability cases (including asbestos), and litigation or investigations relating to the strategic partnerships with Kylie Jenner and Kim Kardashian West;
- the Company's ability to manage seasonal factors and other variability and to anticipate future business trends and needs;
- disruptions in operations, sales and in other areas, including due to disruptions in our supply chain, restructurings and other business alignment activities, the Wella Transaction and related carve-out and transition activities, manufacturing or information technology systems, labor disputes, extreme weather and natural disasters, impact from COVID-19 or similar global public health events, and the impact of such disruptions on the Company's ability to generate profits, stabilize or grow revenues or cash flows, comply with its contractual obligations and accurately forecast demand and supply needs and/or future results;
- restrictions imposed on the Company through its license agreements, credit facilities and senior unsecured bonds or other material contracts, its ability to generate cash flow to repay, refinance or recapitalize debt and otherwise comply with its debt instruments, and changes in the manner in which the Company finances its debt and future capital needs;
- increasing dependency on information technology, including as a result of remote working in response to COVID-19, and the Company's ability to protect against service interruptions, data corruption, cyber-based attacks or network security breaches, including ransomware attacks, costs and timing of implementation and effectiveness of any upgrades or other changes to information technology systems, and the cost of compliance or the Company's failure to comply with any privacy or data security laws (including the European Union General Data Protection Regulation, the California Consumer Privacy Act and the Brazil General Data Protection Law) or to protect against theft of customer, employee and corporate sensitive information;
- the Company's ability to attract and retain key personnel and the impact of senior management transitions and organizational structure changes;
- the distribution and sale by third parties of counterfeit and/or gray market versions of the Company's products;



- the impact of the Transformation Plan as well as the Wella Transaction on the Company's relationships with key customers and suppliers and certain material contracts;
- the Company's relationship with Cottage Holdco B.V., as the Company's majority stockholder, and its affiliates, and any related conflicts of interest or litigation;
- the Company's relationship with KKR, whose affiliates KKR Rainbow Aggregator L.P. and KKR Bidco are
 respectively a significant stockholder in Coty and an investor in the Wella Business, and any related
 conflicts of interest or litigation;
- future sales of a significant number of shares by the Company's majority stockholder or the perception that such sales could occur; and
- other factors described elsewhere in this document and in documents that the Company files with the SEC from time to time.

When used herein, the term "includes" and "including" means, unless the context otherwise indicates, "including without limitation". More information about potential risks and uncertainties that could affect the Company's business and financial results is included under the heading "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2021 and annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2021 and other periodic reports the Company has filed and may file with the SEC from time to time.

All forward-looking statements made in this release are qualified by these cautionary statements. These forward-looking statements are made only as of the date of this release, and the Company does not undertake any obligation, other than as may be required by applicable law, to update or revise any forward-looking or cautionary statements to reflect changes in assumptions, the occurrence of events, unanticipated or otherwise, or changes in future operating results over time or otherwise.