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MEDIA INFORMATION

Definitive half-year report 2010 of the EMS Group

On July 9, 2010 the EMS Group published its provisional half-year report 2010. The definitive consolidated half-year report is now available based on the individual financial statements of the affiliated companies as at June 30, 2010. The definitive half-year report contains no significant deviations from the provisional report.

As already stated on July 9, 2010, the consolidated **net sales** rose by 54.3% to CHF 836 million (541). This is an increase of 58.4% in local currencies. The **net operating income (EBIT)** rose by 116.3% to CHF 154 million (71).

Net financial income amounted to CHF 2 million (2).

Net income for the first half of 2010 amounted to CHF 128 million (58) which is 118.8% above previous year.

Equity increased to CHF 1'266 million (31.12.2009: CHF 1'022 million). The **equity ratio** is 69.6% (31.12.2009: 59.7%).

Key figures

EMS Group in the 1st half of 2010

CHF million	2010 Jan-Jun	2009 Jan-Jun
Net sales	836	541
Change	+54.3%	
In local currencies	+58.4%	
With the same scope of consolidation ⁴⁾	+51.2%	
EBITDA ¹⁾	180	98
Change	+83.4%	
In % of net sales	21.6%	
EBIT ²⁾	154	71
Change	+116.3%	
In % of net sales	18.5%	
Net financial income	2	2
Change	+16.1%	
Income taxes	29	15
Change	+93.4%	
Net income	128	58
Change	+118.8%	
In % of net sales	15.3%	
Earnings per share in CHF - basic	5.27	2.57
Change	+105.3%	
Cash flow ³⁾	156	85
In % of net sales	18.6%	
Investments	12	16
In % of cash flow	7.4%	
	30.06.2010	31.12.2009
Equity	1'266	1'022
Balance sheet equity ratio	69.6%	59.7%
Change in % against 31.12.	+23.9%	
Equity per share (in CHF)	54.74	45.67
Number of employees on 30.06.2010 / 31.12.2009	2'143	2'106

¹⁾ EBITDA = Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortisation
= operational cash flow

²⁾ EBIT = Earnings Before Interest and Taxes
= net operating income

³⁾ Cash flow = net income plus write-downs on intangible assets, property, plant and equipment plus value adjustments to securities.

⁴⁾ EMS-CHEMIE (Neumünster) (previously Nexis Fibers, Germany) was taken over as per November 16, 2009. The company EFTEC Aftermarket GmbH was sold on January 20, 2010.

Development of net sales and result from the business areas in the 1st half of 2010

CHF million	2010 (Jan-Jun)	%-dev. prev. year	2009 (Jan-Jun)
Performance Polymers			
Net sales	679	+51.4%	448
- In local currencies		+55.7%	
- With the same scope of consolidation ¹⁾		+53.9%	
EBITDA	145	+70.8%	85
- In % of net sales	21.4%		
EBIT	125	+94.1%	65
- In % of net sales	18.5%		
Fine Chemicals / Engineering			
Net sales	157	+68.5%	93
- In local currencies		+71.6%	
- With the same scope of consolidation ²⁾		+38.4%	
EBITDA	35	+164.4%	13
- In % of net sales	22.1%		
EBIT	29	+326.9%	7
- In % of net sales	18.6%		
EMS Group			
Net sales	836	+54.3%	541
- In local currencies		+58.4%	
- With the same scope of consolidation ^{1), 2)}		+51.2%	
EBITDA	180	+83.4%	98
- In % of net sales	21.6%		
EBIT	154	+116.3%	71
- In % of net sales	18.5%		

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As the net sales and income results of the individual business areas do not deviate to any significant degree from the information provided in the provisional half-year report dated July 9, 2010, we refer to the commentary provided in the half-year report dated July 9, 2010.

Outlook 2010

The recovery of worldwide demand for consumer and investment goods which has been apparent since the middle of 2009 is continuing. The continually increasing cost of raw materials and the worsened exchange rate from Euro to Swiss Franc will not relax in the next months.

EMS will continue without change to follow its successful strategy of focusing on speciality business in the main area of Performance Polymers and expanding worldwide market positions. In this way, EMS will focus on further expanding the marketing organisation in Asia and will invest worldwide in creating additional production capacity.

For the **whole year 2010**, EMS expects considerably higher **net sales** and a significantly higher **net operating income (EBIT)** than in the previous year.

The detailed half-year report is available at <http://www.ems-group.com>, under "Investors / Business and Financial reports".

Schedule

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| - Third-quarter report 2010 | October 2010 |
| - Media conference / Annual results 2010 | February 2011 |
| - First-quarter report 2011 | April 2011 |
| - Media conference / Half-year results 2011 | July 2011 |

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