



FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

for the first six months

in millions of euros	2009	2008	
<u>Consolidated profit & loss account</u>			
Revenues	433.6	511.6	- 15%
Operating result before depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA)	38.7	59.4	- 35%
Operating result before amortisation (EBITA)	20.9	45.3	- 54%
Operating result before amortisation as % of revenues	4.8%	8.9%	- 46%
Operating result (EBIT)	16.3	40.4	- 60%
Net profit	15.2	25.4	- 40%
<u>Consolidated balance sheet</u>			
Average net capital employed *	784.1	642.1	22%
Net interest-bearing debt	287.2	349.1	- 18%
<u>Consolidated cash flow statement</u>			
Cash flow from operating activities	42.3	- 11.3	
Investment / divestments of tangible and intangible fixed assets	- 7.3	- 25.0	
Free cash flow	35.0	- 36.3	
Net acquisition / disposal of operating companies and associated companies	9.1	- 86.7	
<u>(x 1,000)</u>			
Number of outstanding shares at period end	25,068	23,967	5%
Average number of outstanding shares (before dilution)	25,070	23,422	7%
Average number of outstanding shares (after dilution)	25,086	23,494	7%
<u>Employees **</u>			
Number of staff at year-end	4,193	4,858	- 14%
- of which in the Netherlands	945	1,114	- 15%

<u>Key figures per sector</u>	Q1	Q2	Q1	Q2
Revenues	203.2	230.4	209.4	302.2
Operating result before amortisation (EBITA)	7.5	13.4	13.4	31.9
Net result	1.8	13.4	7.3	18.1

* for comparison reasons the 2008 figure has been adjusted towards average net capital employed past 12 months.

** including contracted personnel; 2008 figures have been adjusted accordingly



KEY FIGURES PER SEGMENT
for the first six months

in millions of euros	2009	2008	
Advanced Textiles & Composites *			
Revenues	215.3	246.0	- 12%
EBITA	20.3	31.2	- 35%
EBITA margin	9.4%	12.7%	- 26%
Capital expenditures	2.2	5.1	- 57%
Depreciation	4.9	4.1	20%
Amortisation	2.6	3.2	- 19%
Average net capital employed **	287.9	223.7	29%
Number of staff-years at period-end ***	1,487	1,728	- 14%
Geosynthetics & Grass			
Revenues	192.8	236.5	- 18%
EBITA	4.5	16.9	- 73%
EBITA margin	2.3%	7.1%	- 68%
Capital expenditures	5.3	21.8	- 76%
Depreciation	11.8	9.0	31%
Amortisation	1.5	1.3	15%
Average net capital employed **	445.8	377.1	18%
Number of staff-years at period-end ***	2,030	2,266	- 10%
Technologies / Technical Components / Holding & Services *			
Revenues	25.5	29.1	- 12%
EBITA	-3.9	-2.8	
Capital expenditures	0.6	2.5	- 76%
Depreciation	1.1	1.0	5%
Amortisation	0.5	0.4	
Average net capital employed **	50.4	41.3	
Number of staff-years ***	676	864	- 22%

* for comparison reasons the 2008 figure has been adjusted for portfolio changes between segments

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