

Good Group Result for PVA TePla AG in the First Nine Months of 2006

- **Group revenues increased by 46% to €53 million**
- **Operating result (EBIT) of €2.5 million**
- **EBIT margin of 4.8%**

(Asklar, November 14, 2006) – In the first nine months of 2006, PVA TePla AG increased Group revenues to €53 million, representing an increase of 46% on the same period in the previous year (PY). The operating result (EBIT) increased to +€2.5 million (PY: +€0.4 million). The EBIT margin reached 4.8%.

Sales revenue

The main force behind the growth in revenues is the Crystal Growing division, which generated revenues of €21.7 million (PY: €3.7 million). The Vacuum Systems division contributed revenues of €21.2 million, marginally lower than the excellent value of €24.3 million contributed in the previous year. The Plasma Systems division reported revenues of €10.1 million, exceeding the previous year's figure of €8.3 million.

Profitability

The improvement in results when compared with the previous year is mostly due to a substantial rise in gross profit to €12.7 million (PY: €8.6 million). On the basis of rising Group revenues, the gross margin also climbed slightly to €24 million (PY: €23.8 million). There was a vast increase in EBIT to €2.5 million (PY: +€0.4 million), which led to a similar improvement of the EBIT margin to 4.8% (PY: +1.1%). In addition, at +€1.6 million the net income of

the Group was significantly higher than the previous year's value of +€0.5 million.

The operating cash flow rose to its current value of +€2.7 million (PY: +€1.6 million), while the free cash flow rose to +€0.9 million (PY: +€0.4 million).

Incoming orders

Incoming orders grew to €61.3 million, an increase of 39.6% when compared with September 30, 2005 (€43.9 million). The book-to-bill ratio was therefore 1.16 (PY: 1.21). Orders on hand amounted to €41.4 million (PY: +€27.7 million).

Forecast

Based on the figures up to September 30, 2006, we can confirm our forecasted doubling of the order volume, a 30 % annual increase in Group revenues, and an EBIT margin of 4-6 % for the current financial year.

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