

PVA TePla AG: Excellent order book in Vacuum Systems division

(Asslar, December 19, 2006) – The Vacuum Systems division of PVA TePla AG, Asslar, also recorded a significant increase in orders for its high-tech products in Germany and abroad. As a result of these orders, incoming orders for the whole of 2006 will be significantly higher than originally forecast in the company’s internal planning.

Incoming orders will turn out around 25% higher than planned for 2006 and will even exceed the good level of incoming orders achieved in the previous year by around 40%. The division’s order book is thus very healthy at the beginning of the new year.

The strong increase in incoming orders was particularly marked in the last weeks of the year: four sintering systems for the hard metal market are being delivered to prestigious customers in South Africa and Russia. Here, the division’s employees are celebrating a particular landmark: the 100th pressure sintering system for hard metal has been ordered and will leave the Asslar factory next year.

A further five systems for high-temperature vacuum and CVD applications used in the treatment of high-purity graphite for semi-conductor applications, the division’s second core competence, have been ordered by companies in Germany. These processing systems are used to post-clean graphite components that are incorporated in manufacturing systems for the wafer and chip industry.

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