

PSB INDUSTRIES

Beauty Packaging



Customized Packaging



Specialty Chemicals



2005

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The Board of Directors of PSB Industries approved the 2005 financial statements at a meeting held on 24 February 2006 chaired by Jean-Baptiste Bosson

Consolidated figures (in EUR 000's)	Year 2004 published French Gaap	Year 2004 IFRS	Year 2005 IFRS
Sales	171,014	172,221	182,618
Operating profit	17,728	18,078	17,036
Non current items	(1,241)		
Net income	9,451	10,530	9,614
Goodwill	1,283		
Minority interests	681	877	697
Consolidated net income	7,487	9,653	8,917
Cash flow	25,050	24,892	24,470

ACTIVITY

Sales increased by 6.0% (identical figure at constant exchange rate), exceeding the objective of 5%. The highest growth rates were achieved in the Beauty-packaging (+8.6%) and Specialty Chemicals (+10.2%) businesses.

EARNINGS

In spite of a harsh environment characterised by significant increases in the cost of plastic raw materials, energy and transport, both in Europe and in the United States, the positive response by the teams of PSB Industries made it possible to achieve an operating profit of 9.3% of sales.

It should be noted that IFRS standards do not now permit the use of non current items and the amortization of goodwill.

PROSPECTS

PSB Industries announces that its objectives for 2006 are an increase in sales in excess of 5% together with an operating profit margin near to 10%.

This year will be also marked by increasing the level of capital expenditure in the specialty chemicals business so that the production capacity, in turn, increases by approximately 70% by 2007. This is in the context of a strong rise in demand.

DIVIDEND

The Board of Directors will propose to the General Assembly on 24 May 2006 to raise the dividend to 1.20 euro per share, an increase of 9%. An interim dividend of 0.55 euro per share has already been paid on 31 January 2006 under this dividend.

Sales results for the first quarter of 2006 will be published on 14 April 2006.