

AUGUSTA records dynamic first half of 2008 for earnings and revenue

- **Profitable growth in both segments**
- **Raise in annual targets as a result of Prosilica acquisition**

Munich, August 14, 2008. The sensor and automation technology specialist group AUGUSTA Technologie AG (ISIN DE000A0D6612) was able to demonstrate continued strong growth in the first half of 2008 despite the generally difficult economic environment.

With sales revenues of EUR 63.09 million, the AUGUSTA Group noted an increase of 10.3 percent compared to the prior year (EUR 57.22 million). It was also possible to increase earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT) compared to the prior year (EUR 8.62 million) by 10.6 percent to EUR 9.53 million. The net income rose disproportionately and reached an amount of EUR 6.57 million, an increase of 28.9 percent compared to the prior year (EUR 5.09 million). Earnings per share at EUR 0.83 were also considerably above that of the prior year (EUR 0.61 per share). Booked business increased to EUR 43.99 million, which corresponds to an increase of 14.2 percent compared to the prior year (EUR 38.52 million). Holding costs were reduced in comparison to the previous year despite increasing acquisition activity expenses by 6.8 percent to EUR 1.64 million.

Operating core values in both segments above prior year

While the Controls segment was able to note a disproportionate increase in revenue and earnings, the Sensors segment developed according to plan.

Sales revenues in the **Sensors** segment were at EUR 39.46 million in the first half of the year and were higher by 5.8 percent compared to the prior year (EUR 37.32 million). Earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT) rose by 4.8 percent to EUR 6.39 million in the first half of 2008 (prior year: EUR 6.10 million), meaning the EBIT margin was at 16.2 percent.

Sales revenues in the **Controls** segment rose considerably and with EUR 23.63 million were around 18.7 percent above the prior year value (EUR 19.91 million). The operational result showed strong growth. It was possible to increase EBIT by 11.6 percent with EUR 4.80 million compared to the prior year (EUR 4.30 million). The EBIT margin was at 20.3 percent.

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In EUR million	Half-year 2008	Half-year 2007	Growth
Sales revenues			
Group	63.09	57.22	+10.3%
Sensors	39.46	37.32	+5.8%
Controls	23.63	19.91	+18.7%
EBIT			
Group	9.53	8.62	+10.6%
Holding costs	-1.64	-1.76	-6.8%
Sensors	6.39	6.10	+4.8%
Controls	4.80	4.30	+11.6%
Key figures			
Net income for the period acc. to DCO	6.57	5.09	+28.9%
Profit per share in EUR	0.83	0.61	+35.7%
Orders on hand	43.99	38.52	+14.2%

Outlook

The Managing Board reinforces once again its guidance for 2008 for the booked business despite flagging growth dynamics in the Sensors segment. Due to the acquisition of Prosilica Inc. in the vision technology sector (consolidating as of August 1, 2008), AUGUSTA is raising its estimates corridor for the current fiscal year as follows:

Guidance 2008 new	Group	Sensors	Controls
Sales revenues	130-132	83-85	47-49
EBIT	19-21	12-14	9-11
Guidance 2008 up to now			
Sales revenues	127-129	83-85	44-46
EBIT	18-20	12-14	8-10

The complete 2008 semi-annual report is available for downloading on the company's website at www.augusta-ag.de.

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The Company

AUGUSTA Technologie AG is an integrated technology group with a focus on the niche markets of sensors and automation technology.

In the Sensors division, the company develops, produces and sells sensor systems for customer-specific applications. The product portfolio ranges from the sale of individual pressure sensors to the development of complex sensor and measuring systems. The main areas of application are medical technology, general manufacturing, automotive industry, and aerospace.

The Controls segment delivers solutions for process flow automation and quality management. The application areas range from industrial image processing to automation solutions for logistics and special vehicles.

In the fiscal year 2007, AUGUSTA's sales amounted to EUR 119.3 million, with earnings before interest and tax (EBIT) of EUR 17.5 million.