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MEDIA INFORMATION

EMS Group:

Positive course of business

Third-quarter report 2007 (January - September 2007)

Summary

With its companies combined in EMS-CHEMIE HOLDING AG and global activities in the business areas **Performance Polymers** and **Fine Chemicals / Engineering**, the EMS Group reports net sales for the first nine months of 2007 up by 11.3% over the previous year. This increase meets company expectations.

Consolidated **net sales** were boosted by 11.3% to CHF 1'160 million (1'042), the corresponding increase in local currencies is 9.2%. The specialities business in main area Performance Polymers was expanded further. The course of business was supported by the continuing positive economic situation in main sales markets Europe and Asia.

For 2007, EMS continues to expect growth of net sales and net operating income (EBIT) against the previous year in the high single-digit percentage range.

Development of net sales for the EMS Group January - September 2007 in comparison with the previous year

Net sales in CHF million	2007 (Jan-Sep)	in local currencies	2006 (Jan-Sep)
Total EMS Group change against previous year	1'160 +11.3%	+9.2%	1'042 +10.1%
- Performance Polymers change against previous year	1'065 +12.9%	+10.9%	943 +12.1%
- Fine Chemicals / Engineering change against previous year	95 -4.0%	-8.3%	99 -5.7%

Business with speciality products in the main business area **PERFORMANCE POLYMERS** was expanded further. All Business Units were able to open up new fields of application. The business performance was promoted by the lasting positive economic development in the main markets Europe and Asia. The tense raw material situation with prices continuing to climb and increasing shortages, made continued sales price increases necessary.

The secondary business area **FINE CHEMICALS / ENGINEERING** reported an expected drop in net sales.

Outlook

The current global economic situation is inconsistent. For some time now EMS has been observing a slow-down of industrial development in North America. Asia and Europe continue to show a positive economic performance. However, signs of developing uncertainty can be felt. EMS expects a global economic slow-down for 2008. The current strategy with focus on speciality products in the business area Performance Polymers will be continued consistently.

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Schedule

- Media conference / Annual results 2007 February 8, 2008
- First-quarter report 2008 April 2008
- Media conference / Half-year report 2008 July 11, 2008
- Annual General Meeting 2008 August 9, 2008

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