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PRESS RELEASE

SEMPERIT AG HOLDING: DIVIDEND INCREASE PROPOSED FOR 2009

- Preliminary results confirmed
- Dividend proposal to the Annual General Meeting: Increase to EUR  $1.15~\mathrm{per}$  share

Vienna, April 6, 2010 - The Semperit Group confirmed the figures announced on February 18, 2010 for the 2009 business year. Although consolidated revenue declined to EUR 588.1 million (previous year: EUR 655.3 million) as a result of a cyclically-related downturn in demand in nearly all divisions (with the exception of Sempermed), the Semperit Group succeeded in improving earnings before tax (EBT) by 23.8% to EUR 71.9 million. With this result, the Semperit Group has once again confirmed their strong operational performance in an extremely challenging financial year.

2008 2009 Change in %
Revenue in EUR million 655.3 588.1 - 10.3
EBT in EUR million 58.1 71.9 + 23.8
Consolidated net profit 37.6 38.8 + 3.2
Dividend per share in EUR 1.09 1.15\* + 5.5
\* Proposal to the Annual General Meeting

Consolidated net profit, at EUR 38.8 million, achieved an increase of 3.2%, as the minority interests grew disproportionately. Capital and reserves without minority interests rose to EUR 310.6 million (previous year: EUR 291.9 million). Gross cash-flow improved in 2009 by 23.8% to EUR 96.6 million, providing the Semperit Group with a solid financial basis for further growth.

Overall, Semperit succeeded in emerging strengthened from the crisis of the year 2009, in spite of the difficult economic environment. Against this backdrop, the Management Board will propose a dividend increase to EUR 1.15 per share to the Annual General Meeting for the 2009 business year (previous year: EUR 1.09 per share).

The outlook for the 2010 financial year remains subject to uncertainties relating to the current economic environment, which are intensified by the increase in raw materials prices. However, the Management Board expects a satisfactory development of earnings for the 2010 financial year.

The annual report and the annual financial statements are available for download immediately at www.semperit.at. The Annual General Meeting of Semperit AG Holding will take place on April 28, 2010.

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