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(in K€)	Semester 1 2016	Semester 1 2015	2015
Net Consolidated sales	53 005	52 850	105 327
Operational result	4 273	3 678	8 636
In % of net sales	8.1%	7.0%	8.2%
Net Result (controlling interests)	2 385	2 079	5 285
In % of net sales	4.5%	3.9%	5.0%
Earnings per shares (in Euros)	4.3	3.7	9.5

# First Semester 2016 consolidated results

The non-executive committee (conseil de surveillance), met on September 26<sup>th</sup> 2016. The Directory President approved and presented the first semester 2016 unaudited consolidated financial statements. The financial statements have been reviewed by the auditors.

## Consolidated sales increase by 0.3 % and the operational result reaches 8.1 % (vs. 7,0 % in 2015)

During the first semester of 2016, the Precia Molen Group achieved a turnover of 53.0 M€. This represents an increase of 0.3 % compared to the first semester of 2015.

The operational result for the period reaches 4.3 M $\in$ , corresponding to 8.1 % of the consolidated sales. It increases significantly by 0.6 M $\in$  (+16.2 %).

The financial result amounts to 54 K€, the income tax correspond to 41 % of the pre-tax result and the net result amounts to 2,4 M€ (+14,7 %), it represents 4.5% of the sales against 3.9 % in 2015.

The earning per share increases by 16 % at 4.3 € per share.

## A solid financial structure despite significant investments during the period

Cash net of financial debts amounts to 13.1 M $\in$  versus 18.5 M $\in$  as at December 2015. This is mainly explained an increase in working capital (3,2 M $\in$ ) and mostly by large investments (5.4 M $\in$ ) in business acquisitions (3.0 M $\in$ ) and fixed assets (2.4 M $\in$ ).

## Many acquisitions during the semester and after

The Group achieved three acquisitions during the period and two in July and August 2016 in France and the United States. These acquisitions mostly aim to reinforce the Group's presence worldwide in new territories and activities.

## **Outlook and forecast**

The Group foresee a level of sales amounting to 110 M€ for the full year 2016 thanks to a good order in-take level and the business brought by recent acquisitions.

The good level of profitability brought by the recent acquisitions and the global good performance of the first semester indicate that the target of a 9 % global profitability shall be achieved for the full year

#### Consolidated financial statements for the semester

The financial statements as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2016 will be available on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016 on the group web site: <u>http://www.preciamolen.com/fr/le-groupe/informations-reglementees-2/</u> (FR only)

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PRECIA-MOLEN designs, manufactures, markets and maintains industrial weighing solutions and systems, both static and dynamic, including continuous weighing and dosing systems, to a wide range of industries. Key market sectors include heavy industry, e.g. mining, quarrying, steel production, environment and energy; light industry, e.g., food processing, petrochemicals, transportation and logistics, as well as public sectors such as the postal service and local authorities.

From design to after sales service PRECIA-MOLEN is able to provide total weighing solutions for all businesses having a presence in 42 countries, which includes 13 commercial subsidiaries and a wide network of selling agents. There are production sites in France, The Netherlands, India, the United Kingdom and Morocco. The Group pursues an extensive research and innovation programme and has been granted an "Innovating Company" status by the French authority Oseo.

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