



Uponor

Review of operations in 2007

President and CEO Jan Lång

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Improved performance in a challenging market

- Continued downturn in US housing market
- Also European residential construction markets started to decline
- Uponor's operating profit improved from the previous year
- Net sales growth target was reached



Strategic programmes and development initiatives yielded results

- Europe –WES recorded a strong growth
- Uponor expanded and strengthened foothold in growing markets
- New offices and training centres were opened in several countries
- In North America, initiatives to improve performance gave results
- Profit development hampered by strong fluctuations in demand



Active development of the business to continue

- Growth investments to continue according to plan
 - the high-rise segment
 - strengthening of the positions in North America, expansion in Europe
- Management of cost and productivity

Growth

Corporate brand

**Operational
excellence**

**Build on current
platforms**

**Strengthening of
the Uponor
corporate brand**

**Integrate the
company**

Guidance for 2008

- Uponor estimates that it can:
 - grow the net sales organically
 - at least reach the 2007 operating profit level

Long-term financial targets 2007-09	Scale	Achievement in 2007
Annual organic net sales growth (over the cycle)	> 6%	6.2%
Operating profit margin	~15%	12.4%
Return on investment (ROI)	>30%	39.2%
Gearing (average across quarters)	30–70	43.9
Growing ordinary dividend payment	> 50% earnings	100.7% of earnings



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Presentation of financial statements 2007

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- Reported change in **net sales**: +5.4%
 - Organic growth (excluding divestments): +6.2%
 - Highest growth, in euros, from Uponor Europe – West, East, South and Uponor Nordic
- Improvement of **gross profit margin** mainly due to advantages from increased production volume and favourable development of sales mix

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- **Fixed operation** expenses increased by approx. 7%
 - planned investments in new growth projects (high-rise segment and geographical expansion) and a common enterprise resource planning (ERP) system increased expenses
 - **Operating profit** increased by 5.1% and came to 151.0 million euros, or 12.4% of net sales
 - **Profit for the financial year** totalled 101.9 million euros

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- The most significant changes in **fixed and non-current assets** were the unfinished acquisitions related to, e.g., plant extension in the United States
 - Because of growth, increased materials expenses, and slower demand toward the end of the year, the capital tied up in **inventories** increased by 22.5 million euros from that of the year before

- Net interest-bearing liabilities stood at 84.5 million euros
- The consolidated balance sheet total amounted to 664.3 million euros, of which shareholders' equity accounted for 333.0 million euros
- Return on investment (ROI) stood at 39.2%
- The equity ratio was 50.2%

- With the improved profit margin, **income financing** improved by approx. 5 million euros from the previous year's level
- As a result of increased inventories and decreased accounts payable, assets tied up in net working capital stood at 45.1 million euros
- The **cash flow from operations** came to 93.8 million euros



- **Investments in fixed assets** amounted to 58.1 million euros, the biggest ones being:
 - European enterprise resource planning (ERP) system, €7.4 million
 - plant extension in the USA
- The **cash flow from financing** stood at -47.2 million euros, of which 102.5 million euros was paid to shareholders as dividends



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