

## First Results 2005

Bossard Group, the leading provider worldwide of components, engineering and logistics solutions for industrial fastenings reached sales in Swiss francs of 515 million (2004: CHF 497 million). Compared to the prior year, this is an increase in sales of 3.5 %. Adjusted for divestments, sales rose by 6.8 %. The unaudited provisional consolidated result shows a profit in the order of some CHF 21 million (2004: CHF 19 million) and is thus in line with the expectations announced in October 2005. After a strong prior year, the group has again improved its profit, which is proportionally higher than sales growth.

The meeting for financial analysts and the group's press conference will be held on March 14, 2006. Detailed financial data and final proposals to the annual general meeting will be announced then. The annual report will also be dispatched on that date. The annual general meeting will be held on April 19, 2006 in the Theater-Casino in Zug, Switzerland.

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