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Third quarter 2009 sales Gradual recovery of activity

Third quarter sales for fiscal 2009 slipped 17% in relation to 2008, compared to a 35% and 25% drop in the first two quarters.

- **Strong growth in Asia** (up 30%);
- **Improvement in North America:** down 30% compared to a 53% fall in the second quarter and a 47% drop in the first quarter;
- **Clear improvement in Europe** with a 17% dip compared to a drop of 23% in the second quarter and 34.5% in the first quarter.

In million euros (EUR)	3rd quarter 2009	Change 2009/2008	Total end September 2009	Change 2009/2008
Automotive Seating <i>at constant exchange rates</i>	995.8	(16.8)% (17.0)%	2,863.2	(27.7)% (28.2)%
Vehicle Interiors <i>at constant exchange rates</i>	610.8	(20.6)% (19.2)%	1,858.8	(27.5)% (26.6)%
Interior Modules <i>at constant exchange rates</i>	1,606.6	(18.3)% (17.9)%	4,722.0	(27.6)% (27.6)%
Exhaust Systems <i>excluding monoliths</i> & <i>at constant exchange rates</i>	456.7 252.6	(31.8)% (16.0)% (14.2)%	1,312.6 708.5	(40.6)% (29.3)% (28.7)%
Exterior Systems <i>at constant exchange rates</i>	204.5	(10.0)% (10.1)%	613.3	(16.0)% (16.1)%
Other Modules <i>excluding monoliths</i> & <i>at constant exchange rates</i>	661.2 457.0	(26.3)% (13.4)% (12.5)%	1,925.9 1,321.8	(34.5)% (23.7)% (23.4)%
Total <i>excluding monoliths</i>	2,267.8 2,063.7	(20.8)% (17.3)%	6,647.9 6,043.8	(29.8)% (26.8)%
<i>& at constant exchange rates</i>		(16.7)%		(26.7)%

GROUP SALES

Excluding monoliths, like-for-like sales in the third quarter totaled 2,063.7 million euros, down 16.7% in relation to the third quarter of 2008. This figure encompasses a drop in sales of tools, R&D and prototypes at 158 million euros versus 221 million euros in 2008.

Product sales (excluding monoliths, tools and research expenditure) totaled 1,905.5 million euros against 2,272.5 million euros, a 15% drop.

Sales with Renault-Nissan Group rose 8.8% and increased 13% with Hyundai during the third quarter.

The drop in sales with Ford was limited to 6.7% (down 3.2% in Europe) and with BMW to 12.8% (down 0.5% in Europe and down 33.3% in North America).

Sales in the third quarter of 2009 with Volkswagen, PSA Peugeot Citroën, GM and Daimler were down 22.8%, 17.1%, 23.0% and 44.5% respectively.

Third quarter 2009 sales break down as follows by region:

- **In Europe**, sales totaled 1,663.6 million euros, down 16.7% on a like-for-like basis and excluding monoliths;
- **In North America**, sales totaled 271.4 million euros, down 30.6% on a like-for-like basis and excluding monoliths;
- **In South America**, sales totaled 82.9 million euros, down 10% on a like-for-like basis and excluding monoliths;
- **In Asia**, on a like-for-like basis excluding monoliths, sales rose 34.9% in China and 29.8% in Korea. Overall, sales totaled 212.8 million euros in the region, up 29.7% on a like-for-like basis and excluding monoliths.

In the first nine months of fiscal year 2009, Faurecia sales totaled 6,647.9 million euros, a drop of 26.7% on a like-for-like basis and excluding monoliths.

BREAKDOWN OF SALES BY ACTIVITY

- **Automotive Seating**

Like-for-like sales were down 17.0% in the third quarter:

- . down 18.4% in Europe ;
- . down 26.9% in North America;
- . down 3.0% in South America and up 34.7% in Asia.

- **Vehicle Interiors**

Like-for-like sales were down 19.2%:

- . down 17.5% in Europe;
- . down 28.2% in North America;
- . down 21.7% in South America;
- . up 3.7% in Asia.

- Exhaust Systems

Excluding monoliths, like-for-like sales were down 14.2%:

- . down 14.7% in Europe;
- . down 39.1% North America;
- . up 37.7% in Asia with an increase of 43.1% in China and 28.8% in Korea;
- . up 3.9% en South America.

- Exterior Systems

Third quarter sales totaled 204.5 million euros, down 10.1% on a like-for-like basis. In Europe, which generated nearly all this business (95.5% of the total), there was a drop of 11% on a like-for-like basis.

HIGHLIGHTS AND OUTLOOK

In July 2009, Faurecia's working hypothesis for the second half year was based on a 10% drop in product sales in Europe and a 35% drop in North America, while Asia continued to enjoy sustained growth.

These forecasts have been:

- confirmed for Asia;
- raised to a fall of around 25% for North America;
- adjusted to a 5% fall in Europe.

Against this backdrop, and as a result of the cost reductions achieved by the "Challenge 2009" plan, Faurecia is targeting positive operating income, together with global cash flow close to break-even.

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