

European Leader in the distribution of high value metals, Listed on the Eurolist of the Euronext Paris Stock of Exchange

2006 SALES: + 47%

In € Millions	2006 (1)	2005 (2)	Variation	2005 (3)
4th quarter sales	70,0	44,1	59%	45,6
Annual sales	247,1	168,4	47%	172,3
Sales - Export	204,2	131,4	55%	133,1
Sales - France	42,9	37,0	16%	39,2

- (1) Changes in exchange rates compared to those of 2005 have no significant impact on 2006 sales
- (2) Pro forma on a like to like basis, taking into account the sale of 3F in April 2006
- (3) As released in 2005

In 4th quarter of 2006, Group sales reached a record at 70 M€. In 2006, export sales represent 83% compared to 77% in 2005. This trend should continue with the recent start of activity of Shanghai and Philadelphia service centres and the scheduled launch of Houston and Saragossa respectively in February and September 2007.

The 2006 annual results will be released on the 29th of March 2007 after closure of the financial market.

JACQUET Metals is distributor of stainless steels and nickel alloys, primarily for thick plate format, so-called "QUARTO". Thanks to a network of 31 subsidiaries, the Group serves 7,000 customers in 60 countries throughout the world operating in the sectors of water treatment, environment, energy, mechanical construction, chemistry and agri-food industry.

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