



Consolidated turnover at end of September 2007 up 13.9% to €188.3 million

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LE BELIER Group posted consolidated turnover of €188.3 million at the end of September 2007, up 13.9% compared to 2006. Growth in the third quarter alone increased by 12.8%.

Adjusted to take into account aluminium price fluctuations as quoted by the LME, this increase in turnover amounts to 10.4% year to date and 14.9% for the quarter. In the first half-year, the increase in turnover at constant aluminium prices was 5.3%.

The activities carried out in our Mexican and Chinese sites now represent 21% of total consolidated turnover at the end of September 2007, up 34.2% compared to 2006.

Values in thousands of euros	30/09/2007	30/09/2006	%age change
FOUNDRIES	154,654	135,149	+14.4
MACHINING	17,156	13,448	+27.6
TOOL-MAKING	7,671	6,696	+14.6
OTHERS	8,836	10,056	+12.1
TOTAL	188,317	165,349	+13.9

● Foundries

The tonnage invoiced year to date is up 5.3%, while the foundries turnover increased by 14.4% in the same period (and by 12.6% in the quarter). At constant aluminium prices, growth in the foundries turnover is up 10.1% year to date with an increase of 14.8% in the quarter.

● Machining

Machining continues to grow strongly, both in Hungary, where the transfer to the new industrial site is complete, and in Mexico, where this business is also expanding.

● Tool-making

The increase in sales for tool-making is in line with Group objectives.

● Others

This figures covers depreciation of machining equipment and miscellaneous services.

These 9-month results enable LE BELIER Group to confirm its objective of annual turnover of €240 million.

Next press release:

Publication of 2007 annual turnover on 28 January 2008.

LE BELIER is a specialist manufacturer of aluminium safety components for the automotive industry, notably with a 35% share of the world braking systems market. The Group offers a complete range from prototype to machined part via its three activities: Foundry, Machining and Tool-Making. In 2006, LE BELIER's turnover was €220 million.

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