

Press Release

Recession impacts JENSEN-GROUP order backlog

Trading update 1st quarter 2009

Revenue during Q1 was 50,0 mio euro; 19 % below the comparable figure for the same period in 2008.

The order backlog at the end of April 2009 was 26% below the level as at the end of April 2008.

To secure profitability, programs were implemented to reduce costs and to adapt the production capacity to this lower order backlog-level. The headcount has been adjusted to approximately 950 employees.

Dividend payment

During the Annual Shareholders Meeting of May 19, 2009, the Board of Directors will propose to pay out a gross dividend of 0,25 euro per share.

Shareholders' calendar

May 19, 2009: 10 a.m. Annual Shareholders Meeting

August 19, 2009: Half year results 2009 (analysts' meeting).



Profile

The JENSEN-GROUP assists heavy-duty laundries worldwide to provide quality textile services economically. We have become the preferred supplier in the laundry industry by leveraging our broad laundry expertise to design and supply **sustainable** single machines, systems and integrated solutions. We are continuously growing by extending our offer and by developing **environmental friendly** and innovative products and services that address specific customer needs. Our success results from combining our global skills with our local presence. The JENSEN-GROUP has operations in 13 countries and has distribution in more than 50 countries. Worldwide, the JENSEN-GROUP employs approximately 950 employees.

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