



## **Media Release**

### **Preliminary Key Figures for Financial Year 2005**

## **Improved Order Situation / Positive Results**

**StarragHeckert Group, listed on the SWX Swiss Exchange, increased its order intake 2005 to 168.1 million CHF (prior year: 160.0 million CHF). This is an increase over prior year of 5.0%. Sales revenue rose from 151.9 to 159.9 million CHF. The turnaround could be achieved with regard to the operating result EBIT as well as the net earnings after taxes.**

Order backlog at the end of 2005 amounted to 64.2 million CHF which is 21.8% above 2004 (52.7 million CHF). For the new financial year, this gives a backlog of work for approximately four months. The results of financial year 2005 will be significantly above prior year. The detailed figures will be published on March 10.

The target markets aerospace, jet engine, power generation, transport and precision machine building mainly contributed to the higher order intake. Especially in the USA, the order intake could be increased significantly from a very low basis in the prior year.

The restructuring and performance improvements measures initiated since the second half year 2004 were implemented as planned and contributed to increasing the earning power of StarragHeckert to a positive level in 2005.

*StarragHeckert is a globally active machine tool group with its holding head office in Rorschacherberg (Switzerland) and production sites in Rorschacherberg and Chemnitz (Saxony, Germany), as well as distribution subsidiaries and offices in all its key sales markets. The company manufactures milling centers and flexible machining systems for the aerospace, automotive and other industries. It also supplies technology packages (software, processes, tools, etc.) for its customers. StarragHeckert's shares are listed on the SWX Swiss Exchange.*

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StarragHeckert Holding AG

### **Key Figures for Annual Accounts 2005 (Provisional, Unaudited)**

(in million CHF)	2005	2004	Changes	
Order intake	168.1	160.0	+8.1	+5.0%
Order backlog	64.2	52.7	+11.5	+21.8%
Sales revenue	159.9	151.9	+8.0	+5.2%

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### **Diary**

- Key figures financial year 2005 March 10, 2006
- Media and analysts conference on annual results April 7, 2006
- Annual general meeting May 13, 2006
- Key figures 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2006 May 15, 2006
- Half-year report 2006 August 18, 2006
- Key figures 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2006 November 10, 2006

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