

RESULTS FOR THE THIRD QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER 30th 2005

Main highlights for the first nine months of 2005 (% increase from last year):

Net Revenues: € 636,7 millions (+173,3%)

Group Ebitda: € 142,9 millions (+120,7%)

Group Ebit: € 97,1 millions (+108,2%)

Rome, November 10th 2005

Today Cementir Group board of directors, under the chairmanship of Francesco Caltagirone jr, approved Third Quarter results ended September 30th 2005.

In the first nine months of 2005 Net Revenues increased by 173,3% to € 636,7 m from € 232,9 m reported in the comparable period of last year; Ebitda increased by 120,7% reaching € 142,9 m (€ 64,7 m in Q3 2004), Ebit increased by 108,2% to €97,1 m (€ 46,5 m in Q3 2004). Third quarter figures, prepared according to international accounting standards (IAS/IFRS), include the € 572m acquisition of Aalborg Portland and Unicon closed on October 29th 2004.

Cementir Group Net Sales geographical breakdown highlights a 214,8% increase in Europe, where sales for the first nine months of 2005 reached € 484,9 m (€ 154 m in the same period of 2004); 33,3% increase in Asia where sales reached € 105,2 m (€ 78,9 m in Q3 2004), North America and North Africa divisions reported Net Sales of € 28,6 m and € 18 m, respectively (no comparable 2004 figures available).

Group Sales breakdown by product were as follows:

grey and white cement : € 406,8 m (€ 204,9m in Q3 2004);

ready mix concrete : € 229,9 m (€ 28m in Q3 2004).

2005 Third quarter results

Third quarter 2005 Group Net Sales reached € 234,2 m (€ 82 m in Q3 2004), Ebitda € 60,8 m (€ 26,9 m in Q3 2004) and Ebit € 45,8 m (€ 21 m in Q3 2004).

2005 Third quarter results at constant perimeter

Third quarter figures 2005 at constant perimeter (excluding Aalborg Portland and Unicon) were as follows: Group Net Sales € 94,8 m (€ 81,9 m in Q3 2004), Ebitda € 25,5 m (€ 26,9 m in Q3 2004) and Ebit € 18,8 m (€ 21 m in Q3 2004).

2005 Nine Months results at constant perimeter

Net Sales for the first nine months of 2005 at constant perimeter reached € 253,3 m (€ 232,9 m in 2004); EBITDA € 56,8 m (€ 64.7 m in 2004); EBIT € 37,1 m (€ 46,6 m).

Net Financial Position

Cementir Group Net Debt on September the 30th, 2005 was € 294,8 millions (€ 329,5 millions on June the 30th 2005). Such improvement was due to good operating performance. On October the 31st 2005 Net Debt declined further to € 277,1 m. Therefore in the last four months the Group has reduced Net Debt by € 50 m as a consequence of good operating results, efficient working capital management and optimisation of financial charges. It is worth highlighting that Net Debt was significantly better than expectations at the beginning of the year.

Forecast

The Group expects the Danish subsidiaries to perform better than budgeted, given the good performance in the ready-mix business; the Turkish market keeps growing stronger than originally forecast and profitability is improving, too; the Italian market, which was weak in the first half of 2005, showed some improvement from the third quarter which we expect to continue throughout the year.

Amongst important events subsequent to 30.09.05 we highlight that Cimentas -Cementir Turkish subsidiary- acquired the Edirne cement plant, a further step towards the internationalisation of Cementir production capacity, which started in 2001 with the acquisition of Cimentas and continued with Aalborg and Unicon in 2004. This deal has a relevant strategic value for Cementir because it improves its competitive position in the country, increasing production capacity to 4 million tons per annum. The transaction has an EV of € 166,5 m and is subject to Antitrust Authority approval. The price should be paid before year end.

Nine months and Third Quarter 2005 Results

Table A

<i>(Euro 000)</i>	Jan-Sept 2005	Jan-Sept 2004	Δ %	Q3 2005	Q3 2004	Δ %
NET SALES	636.724	232.940	173,34	234.346	81.979	185,86
OTHER REVENUES	8.425	2.298	266,62	3.672	1.074	241,90
RAW MATERIALS	(243.621)	(96.206)	153,23	(87.693)	(32.012)	173,94
EXTERNAL SERVICES	(159.560)	(46.888)	240,30	(55.697)	(15.336)	263,18
LABOUR COSTS	(87.894)	(24.628)	256,89	(29.710)	(8.036)	269,71
OTHER COSTS	(11.142)	(2.768)	302,53	(4.139)	(719)	475,66
EBITDA	142.932	64.748	120,75	60.779	26.950	125,53
<i>EBITDA MARGIN %</i>	<i>22,45</i>	<i>27,80</i>		<i>25,94</i>	<i>32,87</i>	
D&A	(45.882)	(18.153)	152,75	(14.940)	(5.941)	151,47
EBIT	97.050	46.595	108,28	45.839	21.009	118,19
<i>EBIT MARGIN %</i>	<i>15,24</i>	<i>20,00</i>		<i>19,56</i>	<i>25,63</i>	
FINANCIAL RESULT	(4.577)	6.234		(1.688)	548	
PROFIT BEFORE TAXES	92.473	52.829	75,04	44.151	21.557	104,81

Nine months and Third Quarter 2005 Results at constant perimeter

Table B

(Euro 000)	Jan-Sept 2005 §	Jan-Sept 2004	Δ %	Q 3 2005 §	Q 3 2004	Δ %
NET SALES	253.284	232.940	8,73	94.837	81.979	15,68
OTHER REVENUES	1.454	2.298	(36,73)	525	1.074	(51,12)
RAW MATERIALS	(112.693)	(96.206)	17,14	(39.986)	(32.012)	24,91
EXTERNAL SERVICES	(54.040)	(46.888)	15,25	(19.572)	(15.336)	27,62
LABOUR COSTS	(27.912)	(24.628)	13,33	(8.971)	(8.036)	11,64
OTHER COSTS	(3.319)	(2.768)	19,91	(1.299)	(719)	80,67
EBITDA	56.774	64.748	(12,32)	25.534	26.950	(5,25)
<i>EBITDA MARGIN %</i>	<i>22,42</i>	<i>27,80</i>		<i>26,92</i>	<i>32,87</i>	
D&A	(19.662)	(18.153)	8,31	(6.741)	(5.941)	13,47
EBIT	37.112	46.595	(20,35)	18.793	21.009	(10,55)
<i>EBIT MARGIN %</i>	<i>14,65</i>	<i>20,00</i>		<i>19,82</i>	<i>25,63</i>	
FINANCIAL RESULT	(1.493)	6.234		(685)	548	
PROFIT BEFORE TAXES	35.619	52.829	(32,58)	18.108	21.557	(16,00)

§ 2005 figures do not include Aalborg Portland and Unicon results

Net Financial Position

Table C

<i>(Euro 000)</i>	30/Sept./2005	30/June/2005	31/Dec./2004
NET CASH	146.544	143.568	59.974
LONG TERM DEBT	(170.537)	(169.661)	(105.657)
SHORT TERM DEBT	(268.722)	(303.436)	(252.966)
NET FINANCIAL POSITION	(294.810)	(329.529)	(298.649)