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2016 annual results

Operating profit: €49.7m (+9%) Net income: €32.4m (+11%)

Paris, March 14, 2017.

Audited accounts (*) (€ m)	2015	2016	16/15
Net sales	327.4	365.6	+12%
Gross margin % of sales	208.1 63.5%	236.9 <i>64.8</i> %	+14%
Operating profit % of sales	45.8 14.0%	49.7 13.6%	+9%
Net income % of sales	29.2 8.9%	32.4 8.9%	+11%
Total's shareholders equity	387.5	404.4	+ 4%
Cash & current financial assets Borrowings & financial liabilities	226.0 90.5	230.6 70.7	+ 2% -22%

(*)Audit report in the process of being issued

Another year of earnings growth

The gross margin for 2016 rose 14% from the prior year, bolstered by the integration of Rochas fragrances on a full-year basis and the volume effect from selected fragrance lines, including in particular the Montblanc brand.

After reaching a very high level in 2015 due to the US dollar's strong appreciation, the operating margin for 2016 was 13.6% despite growth in marketing and advertising spending (+19%).

A solid financial structure at December 31, 2016

By maintaining strict controls over working capital, the net cash position had risen by more than €25 million to €160 million at year-end. Shareholders' equity exceeded €400 million (70% of total assets).

Philippe Benacin, Chairman and CEO commented: «Today we have a portfolio of exceptionally high quality with strong international brands offering considerable growth potential. These include in particular Montblanc, Jimmy Choo, Coach and Lanvin but also Rochas, based on expectations for 2017. While the global economic environment remains uncertain, we expect to once again outperform the fragrance and cosmetics market with guidance for annual sales of €385-€390 million for 2017.»

Philippe Santi, Executive Vice President and CFO, added: «For yet another year, we have chosen to devote substantial resources to develop our brands by allocating an annual budget of more than €90 million to marketing and advertising for 2017. With a model for business growth that has demonstrated its effectiveness year after year, our operating margin of 2017 should fall within the 13%-13.5% range.»

A significantly higher dividend

The Board of Directors, after meeting on March 13, 2017, will ask the Annual General Meeting of April 28, 2017 to approve:

- A dividend of €0.55 per share⁽¹⁾ for fiscal 2016 (representing a payout ratio of 60%), a $21\%^{(2)}$ increase from 2015, after a 25% increase the prior year;
- For the 18th consecutive year, a bonus share issue in June providing for a grant of one new share for every ten shares held.

Balmain license

Effective as of December 31, 2016, by mutual agreement Interparfums and Balmain decided to terminate the license agreement entered into in 2012. The final deliveries will cease on March 31, 2017.

(1) Ex-rights date: May 5, 2017 (midnight) - Payment date: May 9, 2017 (2) In light of the bonus share issue of June 2016

Dividend per share⁽¹⁾ € 0.55 (+21%)

Bonus share 1 for 10

Upcoming events

Publication of 2017 first-quarter sales April 28, 2017 (before the opening of Euronext Paris)

2017 Annual General Meeting (Pavillon Gabriel - Paris) April 28, 2017 (2:00 p.m.)

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