

PRESS RELEASE

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Ordinary and Extraordinary Shareholders' General Meeting

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Approval of 2006 financial statements

The Ordinary and Extraordinary Shareholders' General Meeting held today approved the statutory financial statements and the consolidated financial statements for 2006, which show net income from recurring operations of €308.3 million, a + 7.2% increase from 2005.

Dividend

The net dividend was increased from €1.65 to €1.80 per share, i.e., a + 9.1% increase. It will be paid from May 15, 2007.

Other resolutions

The other resolutions adopted at the Ordinary and Extraordinary Shareholders' General Meeting concern, in particular:

- The renewal as Directors of Mr. Paul Desmarais, Jr., Mr. Grégoire Olivier, Mr. Robert Peugeot and Mr. Thierry de Rudder for three years, following the expiry of their term of office;
- The appointment of Mr. Jean Monville as a new Director of the Company for a three-year term, replacing Mr. Yves-René Nanot, whose term of office could not continue for statutory reasons. Mr. Nanot was warmly thanked for his active contribution to the work of the Board, especially as President of the Audit Committee;
- The renewal of the financial authorizations given to the Board of Directors to increase capital, issue securities, and buy back the Company's own shares.

The world leader in adding value to minerals, Imerys is active in 45 countries through over 250 locations. The Group achieved €3.3 billion in sales in 2006. Imerys mines and processes minerals from reserves with rare qualities in order to develop solutions that improve its customers' product performance and manufacturing efficiency. The Group's products have a great many applications in everyday life, including construction, personal care, paper, paint, plastic, ceramics, telecommunications and beverage filtration.

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