

FIRST HALF OF 2010 SHARP RISE IN SALES AND PROFIT LEVELS

Angers, September 14, 2010 – Evolis, the leader in the European market for technological and secure ID card systems, today published its consolidated accounts for the first half of 2010 to 30 June.

RETURN TO STRONG AND PROFITABLE GROWTH CONFIRMED

In an improved economic and monetary environment during the first half of 2010, Evolis benefited from the industrial, commercial and organisational initiatives and investments made during the recession to speed up its acquisition of market share and gradually return to normal margins.

Consolidated sales thus jumped by 31% to €20.5 million in the first half of 2010. Despite a tense price environment on some markets, the main driving force of the Group's growth was printer sales, which increased by 40% in value to €11.5 million due to higher sales volumes and the product mix. Sales of consumables continued to grow and were up by 23% to €7.5 million.

The Group therefore had its best-ever first half, exceeding the pre-recession activity levels of the first half of 2008. All the major geographical segments returned to significant growth levels, with Asia 24% up, EMEA 29% up and a 39% rise for the Americas.

Although pressure on prices remained high, the Group recorded a strong rise of 47% in its operating profit to €3.2 million due notably to higher sales volumes and care with indirect costs. The operating margin grew by 1.6 points to 15.7%. The movement in the US dollar had a favourable impact of €1 million on net financial items during H1. Net profit more than doubled to €2.8 million in H1, equal to a net margin of 13.5%.

- Summary income statement

In € million	H1 2009	H1 2010	10/09
Sales	15.6	20.5	+31%
Value added	6.6	8.7	+32%
Employee costs	-3.5	-4.2	+20%
Net depreciation charges	-0.7	-1.0	+37%
Duties and taxes	-0.2	-0.3	+28%
Operating profit	2.2	3.2	+47%
Operating margin	14.1%	15.7%	+1.6 pt
Net financial items	-0.1	1.0	N/S
Income tax	-0.7	-1.5	+96%
Net profit	1.3	2.8	+106%
Net margin	8.6%	13.5%	+4.9 pts

The Group's profits were well reflected in its cash flow in the first half. Cash flow amounted to €3.7 million, equal to 18% of sales, a rise of 3.3 points. Due to a very low consumption of WCR, operating cash flow was €5.0 million. The Group therefore became more financially solid and has net cash of €10.8 million.

STRONG GROWTH PROSPECTS

Evolis is confident of its ability to continue to grow on a market which should remain buoyant. The Group therefore intends to continue to expand the international coverage of its distribution network, particularly in emerging countries. Also Evolis will offer a series of product innovations in order to broaden its offer to distribution networks.

The Group's positioning on the most dynamic markets should allow it to grow by more than 20% for the whole of 2010 with sales of close to €40 million and margin levels equivalent to the first half of 2010.

Next key date:

Publication of 3rd quarter sales on 12 October 2010 after trading hours

About Evolis:

Evolis (Alternext: ALTVO) develops, manufactures and markets a complete range of on-demand technological and secure card printers. Its printers provide all options needed for graphic, magnetic and electric personalisation (chip card with or without contact – RFID technology) of all types of cards (employee badges, student cards, bank cards, etc.). Based in Angers (France) with subsidiaries in Miami (United States) and Singapore, and representative offices in Tokyo (Japan) and Shenzhen (China), Evolis posted sales of €32.7 million in 2009, of which 92% on international markets. The Company has 160 employees and is represented in more than 110 countries throughout the world. For more information, go to www.evolis.com

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