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(September 29, 2008, Milan - Italy) SAES Getters S.p.A. announces the closing of the acquisition of Memry Corporation, an American company focused on manufacturing advanced products for the medical device industry, utilizing shape memory alloys based on nitinol and extruded plastic materials.

Following the signature of the agreement and plan of merger, announced on June 24, 2008 and approved at the special shareholders meeting of Memry Corporation held today in Bethel, CT, Saes Devices Corp., a Delaware corporation, has been merged with and into Memry Corporation, with the latter as the surviving company. Memry Corporation's shares are no longer listed on the American Stock Exchange and Memry is now a wholly owned U.S. subsidiary of SAES Getters International Luxembourg S.A.

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Headquartered in Connecticut (with one plant in Bethel and one in Dayville) and with two manufacturing facilities in Menlo Park, California, Memry is a leading provider of design support, engineering, development, and manufacturing services to the medical device and other industries using the company's proprietary technologies. Memry is a technical leader in the fields of shape memory alloys and sophisticated polymer extrusions. The company's major products include stent components, catheter components, laparoscopic sub-assemblies and complex multi-lumen, multi-layer extrusions used for guidewires, catheter shafts and other delivery systems. The company employs approximately 350 people.

For the fiscal years ended on June 30, 2008 and June 30, 2007, Memry Corporation reported revenues of \$56.2 million and \$51.7 million respectively. Gross profit was \$18.5 million versus \$16.6 million in the previous year. In Fiscal Year 2008, operating loss and net loss were \$(1.1) million and \$(0.7) million; in Fiscal Year 2007 operating income was \$1.3 million and net income was \$0.3 million. EBITDA¹ was \$ 2.2 million (\$4.2 million in 2007), while adjusted EBITDA was \$7.7 million (\$6.5 million in 2007). Full Year 2008 figures were

¹ Memry Corporation defines EBITDA as earnings before income taxes, interest expense, net, depreciation and amortization. The company defines Adjusted EBITDA as EBITDA further adjusted to exclude material non-cash items and items that may be infrequent in occurrence or, in management's view, not indicative of the company's continuing operating performance and cash flows.

negatively affected by \$4 million one-off costs for Kentucky Oil litigation defense and related settlement expenses, and transaction fees due to the merger (around \$0.6 million).

Pioneering the development of getter technology, the SAES Getters Group is the world leader in a variety of scientific and industrial applications where stringent vacuum conditions or ultra-pure gases are required. For over 60 years its getter solutions have been supporting innovation in the information display and lamp industries, in technologies spanning from large vacuum power tubes to miniaturized silicon-based micromechanical devices, as well as in sophisticated high vacuum systems and in vacuum thermal insulation. The Group also holds a leading position in ultra pure gas handling for the semiconductor and other hi-tech markets.

Starting in 2004, by leveraging the core competencies in special metallurgy and materials science, the SAES Getters Group has expanded its business into advanced material markets, with the introduction of new optical crystal and shape memory alloy.

A total production capacity distributed at 12 manufacturing plants across 3 continents, a worldwide-based sales & service network, more than 1.000 employees allow the Group to combine multicultural skills and expertise to form a truly global enterprise.

SAES Getters is headquartered in the Milan area (Italy) and has been listed on the Italian Stock Exchange Market, STAR segment, since 1986.

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