



For Immediate Release

Saes Getters announces the signature of the agreement for the acquisition of the minority shareholding in Nanjing Saes Huadong Getters Co. Ltd.

*Through the acquisition Saes Getters becomes the sole shareholder in the company.
The purchase price for the 35% shareholding in the company is USD 11 million.*

(January 11, 2006, Milan - Italy) Saes Getters S.p.A. announces that, following previous press release dated December 22, 2005, today the final contract for the acquisition of the 35% shareholding in Nanjing Saes Huadong Getters Co. Ltd. ("NSHGC"), located in Nanjing, Jiangsu Province, China, has been signed with Nanjing Huadong Electronic Information Technology Co. Ltd., current partner in the joint venture. Through the acquisition, Saes Getters becomes the sole shareholder in NSHGC.

The acquisition allows to further strengthen the Group's presence in China, strategic market, and to seize in a more flexible way the growth chances in one of the most important geographic areas.

NSHGC operates in the production and marketing of barium getters for cathode ray tubes.

The closing, estimated to take place by the end of January 2006, will be subject to the granting of the approval by the parent company of Nanjing Huadong Electronic Information Technology Co. Ltd. and the prescribed authorizations by the competent Chinese authorities. The purchase price is equal to USD 11 million in cash, of which USD 5 million paid upon signature of the equity transfer agreement and the remaining USD 6 million at the closing.

In the first nine months of 2005 NSHGC sales were €6.6 million (€1.3 million in 2004), operating income was €1.7 million (€1.2 million in 2004), net income was €1.6 million (€3.9 million in 2004). Shareholders' equity was equal to €18.1 million as of September 30, 2005.

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 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, shape memory alloy and metalorganic precursor product lines.

A total production capacity distributed at 8 manufacturing plants across 3 continents, a worldwide-based sales & service network, over 800 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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