

The Board of Directors approves 2007 consolidated financial statements

ASTALDI, IN 2007 REVENUES +23% AND NET PROFIT + 26.6% PROPOSED AN INCREASED DIVIDEND OF 0.10 EURO PER SHARE

Main consolidated data as at December 31, 2007

- Total revenues Euro 1,329.1 million (+23%)
- EBITDA Euro 155.5 million (+26.4%)
- EBIT Euro 114.1 million (+33.7%)
- Net profit Euro 38.1 million (+26.6%)
- New contracts for Euro 2.6 billion
- Orders backlog Euro 8.3 billion (+18.6%)
- Net financial position Euro (393.5) million
- Debt/Equity: 1.26

Rome, March 27, 2008 – The Board of Directors of Astaldi, in today's meeting chaired by its Chairman, Vittorio Di Paola, examined 2007 draft financial statements, approved the consolidated financial statements and resolved to submit to next Shareholders' Meeting, to be held on April 23, the proposal of payment of a dividend of Euro 0.10 per share (0.085 per share in the previous fiscal year) to be paid on May 8, 2008 (ex dividend date May 5, 2008).

"2007 results outperformed 2007-2011 Business Plan targets and, thanks to the start of new important initiatives undertaken during the last three years, they guarantee, also for the year 2008, a growth trend better than previously planned, both in terms of revenues and profitability", Stefano Cerri, Chief Executive Officer affirms, adding that "Such results have been achieved thanks to the work carried out during the last few years, aimed at taking advantage of the best opportunities offered in Italy and abroad in those countries where Astaldi has been operating for many years now and which ensure important forthcoming investment plans in the infrastructure sector".

Consolidated results at December 31, 2007

The 2007 consolidated income statement confirms the growth trend already recorded during the last quarter of the previous period and showed **total revenues** amounting to Euro 1,329.1 million, which scored a record

increase of +23%. Foreign activities contributed to the determination of revenues by 62%, while transportation infrastructure, with a 74% of revenues, confirmed to the be the reference sector within Group's activities.

The increase in production volumes is in accordance with an improved income profile, also thanks to the incidence of production costs which decreased from 72.1% of the previous year to 71.4%.

EBITDA (gross operating margin), which in 2007 equalled Euro 155.6 million, increased by +26.4% in comparison with 2006, with an increased EBITDA margin of 11.7% (11.4% in the previous year).

Also **EBIT** (operating result) increased to Euro 114.1 million, thus improving by +33.7% in comparison with the amount recorded in 2006, with EBIT margin increasing to 8.6%, in comparison with 7.9% of 2006.

The important investments and the financial support required by new initiatives entailed an increase in financial indebtedness and, consequently, in financial charges which equalled Euro 45.5 million (Euro 31.8 million in 2006); such amount also includes the increased costs of guarantees (bid and performance bonds) connected with the higher average value of projects being executed in Italy and abroad.

The 2007 consolidated financial statements show a profit before income taxes of Euro 70.7 million (+19.8% on an annual basis), thus contributing to an increased **net profit** of Euro 38.1 million (+26.6% with respect to the previous year) and a net margin of 2.9%.

The net financial position as at December 31, 2007, net of treasury shares, equalled Euro (393.5) million (in comparison with the amount of Euro (281) million recorded at end of 2006), with an increase of Euro 113 million on an annual basis, essentially related to operating phases requiring high investments, which characterize the start-up of new initiatives. It should be noted that, already starting from the fourth quarter, the financial cycle showed a reverse trend, with a significant net financial position decrease of Euro 45 million.

Therefore, the debt/equity ratio totalled 1.26, while the corporate debt/equity ratio, excluding the quota of indebtedness relating to concession and project finance activities because of its non-recourse nature, is approximately equivalent to 1.

Order backlog

During the period, new orders have been acquired for an amount of € 2.6 billion, thus increasing he orders backlog as at 31 December, 2007 to Euro 8.2 billion, thus achieving business plan targets one year earlier and witnessing a growth in both quantitative and qualitative terms. The total order backlog was determined by construction activities, contributing by Euro 6.2 billion, and concessions contributing by Euro 2.1 billion. From a geographical point of view, the order backlog is constituted by 67% of domestic projects and by the remaining 33% of foreign projects.

Next meetings with the market

The 2008-2012 Business Plan will be submitted to the Board of Directors' approval on April 15 the next. As already stated for year 2008, the new Business Plan sets an increase in revenues and profitability higher than previous business plan forecasts, and will be illustrated to the financial community on April 17 the next.

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Furthermore, the Board of Directors proposed, pending the approval by the next Shareholders' Meeting, to extend (as from May 2, 2008, expiry date of the previous plan) the plan of purchase and sale of Company's own shares by 12 additional months, with the purpose of investment, and to favour the normal course of negotiations and to guarantee a proper market liquidity. The method of implementation of the plan provides for the purchase of Company's own up to a maximum rolling number of 9,842,490 shares of a nominal value of 2.00 euro each, at a unit price not lower than 2.00 euro and not higher than the average price of the latest 10 stock market working days immediately preceding the date of purchase, increased by 10%, and with the additional obligation that the amount of share shall never exceed Euro 24,600,000.00 (subject to the limit of distributable profits and reserves available pursuant to Section 2357 paragraph 1 of the Italian Civil Code). The Company may further sell the shares so purchased, at a unit price not lower than the average price of the latest 10 stock market working days preceding the date of sale, decreased by 10%. Moreover, it is underlined that, at today's date, the Company holds No. 1,050,000 treasury shares, corresponding to 1% of its share capital.

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Dr. Paolo Citterio, in his capacity as Chief Financial Officer of Astaldi, does hereby certify, pursuant to paragraph 2 of art. 154-bis of Legislative Decree No. 58/1998, that the accounting information set forth herein corresponds to that of accounting books and records.

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Listed on the STAR segment of the Italian stock exchange, Astaldi Group has been active for more than 80 years, in Italy and abroad, in designing and constructing large-scale civil engineering works.

The Group operates in the following areas of activity:

- transportation infrastructure (railways, undergrounds, roads, motorways, ports, and airports);
- hydraulic works and power plants (dams, hydroelectric plants, water systems, oil pipelines, gas pipelines, and water treatment plants);
- civil and industrial construction (hospitals, universities, airports, law courts, construction works for electrical and nuclear plants, car parks);
- operation under concession of works such as hospitals, urban transport infrastructure, car parks.

The Group is currently a General Contractor capable of promoting financial aspects and coordinating all resources and skills for the optimal development and management of complex and high-value public works.

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CONSOLIDATED RECLASSIFIED INCOME STATEMENT

Euro/000	31/12/07		31/12/06	
Revenues	1,273,373	95.8%	1,030,044	95.3%
Other Operating Revenues	55,758	4.2%	50,819	4.7%
Total revenues	1,329,131	100.0%	1,080,863	100.0%
Production costs	(948,890)	(71.4)%	(777,355)	(71.9)%
Added value	380,241	28.6%	303,508	28.1%
Costs of Personnel	(193,889)	(14.6)%	(165,301)	(15.3)%
Other operating costs	(30,883)	(2.3)%	(15,238)	(1.4)%
EBITDA	155,470	11.7%	122,970	11.4%
Amortization	(35,794)	(2.7)%	(29,127)	(2.7)%
Provisions	(2,582)	(0.2)%	(9,489)	(0.9)%
Depreciations	(3,535)	(0.3)%	(22)	(0.0)%
(Capitalisation of internal construction costs)	550	0.0%	1,045	0.1%
EBIT	114,109	8.6%	85,376	7.9%
Net financial income and charges	(45,542)	(3.4)%	(31,848)	(2.9)%
Effects of valuation of investments using the net equity method	2,101	0.2%	5,470	0.5%
Profit (loss) before income taxes	70,667	5.3%	58,998	5.5%
Taxes	(32,251)	(2.4)%	(28,172)	(2.6)%
Profit (loss) connected with discontinued operations		0.0%		0.0%
Profit (loss) for the period	38,416	2.9%	30,826	2.9%
Profit (loss) attributable to third parties	(319)	(0.0)%	(735)	(0.1)%
Group's net profit	38,097	2.9%	30,091	2.8%

CONSOLIDATED RECLASSIFIED BALANCE SHEET

Euro/000	Dec. 31, 2007	Dec. 31, 2006	
Intangible fixed assets	3,374	3,795	
Tangible fixed assets	246,675	193,197	
Equity investments	96,877	96,492	
Other net fixed assets	30,364	36,731	
TOTAL Fixed assets (A)	377,290	330,215	
Inventories	60,915	51,600	
Contracts in progress	519,229	397,712	
Trade receivables	36,844	29,850	
Accounts receivable from employers	426,223	408,028	
Other assets	160,091	117,870	
Tax receivables	88,592	73,275	
Advances from employers	(237,466)	(209,324)	
Subtotal	1,054,428	869,011	
Trade payables	(88,474)	(90,906)	
Payables to Suppliers	(383,834)	(313,349)	
Other liabilities	(213,518)	(186,600)	
Subtotal	(685,826)	(590,854)	
Working capital (B)	368,603	278,156	
Employees benefits	(10,932)	(12,470)	
Provision for non-current risks and charges	(24,333)	(30,035)	
Total provisions (C)	(35,265)	(42,506)	
Net invested capital (D) = $(A) + (B) + (C)$	710,628	565,866	
Cash and cash equivalents	295,538	237,623	
Current financial receivables	22,943	21,062	
Non-current financial receivables	2,423	916	
Securities	14,764	18,983	
Current financial liabilities	(322,385)	(224,192)	
Non-current financial liabilities	(411,826)	(339,199)	
Net financial payables / receivables (E)	(398,543)	(284,806)	
Group's net equity	(310,251)	(279,668)	
Minority interests	(1,834)	(1,392)	
Net equity (G) = (D) - (E)	312,085	281,059	

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

(Euro/000)

A – CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	31.12.2007	31.12.2006
Result for the period attributable to both the Group and minority shareholders	38,416	30,825
Adjustments to reconcile net profit (loss) with cash flow generated (used) by operating activities		
Deferred taxes	3,348	551
Amortisation, depreciation and write-downs	39,329	29,149
Provision for risks and charges	2,116	9,489
Costs for employee severance indemnity and defined benefit plans	1,561	3,208
Costs for employee incentive plans	2,767	1,945
Losses on disposals of non-current assets	622	1,015
Effects of valuation of investments using the equity method	(2,101)	(5,470)
Gains on disposals of non-current assets	(4,816)	(2,122)
Subtotal	42,826	37,765
Differences in operating assets and liabilities (working capital,	(05.400)	(50.04.4)
Trade receivables	(25,190)	(53,814)
Inventories and receivables from Employers	(130,832)	(90,227)
Trade payables	89,663	119,662
Provision for risks and charges	(7,818)	(18,435)
Advances from employers Other operating assets	28,142	92,335
	(81,622) 19,703	(60,787) 51,993
Other operating liabilities	(3,099)	(2,256)
Payments of employee severance indemnity and defined benefit plans Subtotal	(3,099)	38,471
Cash flow from discontinued operations	(111,055)	30,471
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B – CASH FLOW FROM INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES:	(27,011)	107,001
Purchase in investment property	6	6
Net investments in intangible fixed assets	(444)	(712)
Net investments in tangible fixed assets	(91,950)	(91,135)
Sale (Purchase) of other investments net of acquired cash, coverage of losses of non-consolidated		
companies and other differences in consolidation area	1,716	(13,411)
Collections from the sale of tangible and intangible fixed assets and investment property	4,194	1,107
Collections from the sale of equity investments and other assets		
Differences in financing of equity investments	4,046	1,727
Contributions received		
Net effect of change in consolidation area		
Cash flow from discontinued operations	(00.400)	(400, 440)
C – CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:	(82,432)	(102,418)
Capital increase against payment Dividends paid + other movements	<i>(</i> 7 201)	/4 NE7
Registration (repayment) of non-current payables net of commission	(7,391) 73,727	(6,057) 77,563
Net change in current financial payables (including leasing)	73,727 98,193	11,437
Loan repayment to Astaldi Finance	70,173	11,437
Net change in financial assets	0	٢
Sale (purchase) of securities/bonds and company's shares	5,629	(25,381)
Net effect of change in consolidation area	3,027	(20,001)
Cash flow from discontinued operations		
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D – EXCHANGE RATE DIFFERENCES ON CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		5.,00 <u>2</u>
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NET INCREASE (DECREASE) NET OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	57,915	62,205
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENT AT END OF YEAR	237,623	175,418
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