

PRESS RELEASE

Turnover in the 1st half of 2009/2010

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Turnover up by 29.4% in the 1st half of 2009/2010 **Skylander: a valuation of €140M and developments of the SK105** **Reims Aviation: an increase in ASS business**

In €M	1 st Half of 2009/2010 (April-September)	1 st Half of 2008/2009 (April-September)	Variation
Engineering division	24.6	21.7	+13.2%
1 st Quarter	12.1	10.8	+12.0%
2 nd Quarter	12.5	10.9	+14.7%
Aviation division	3.4	-	N/A
1 st Quarter	1.3	-	
2 nd Quarter	2.1	-	
Turnover	28.1	21.7	+29.4%

Foreword: Reims Aviation has been consolidated into the GECI International figures since the 1st of October 2008. Reims Aviation's financial year started on the 1st of January 2009 and will end on the 31st of March 2010, so as to align activity with the GECI International group's financial year. Therefore, this press release includes Reims Aviation activity for the April-September 2009 period, which corresponds to the 1st half of the GECI International group's financial year.

Engineering division: a strong growth dynamic

In the first half of the financial year, the engineering division achieved a turnover of €24.6 M, compared to €21.7 M for the same period of the previous financial year, representing a 13.2 % increase in business.

This level reflects the excellent trend noted quarter after quarter and proves the pertinence of GECI International's business model of offering its expertise and complete solutions to large industrial groups looking for partners to support them in the development of their products.

Control of fixed price activities in the major European aeronautic projects has supported the growth in turnover in the half year just gone.

Aviation division:

SKY AIRCRAFT: the programme is making rapid progress and today, a few days before the Dubai air show, the group is unveiling the latest developments of the Skylander SK-105 in a press conference. By capitalising on requests from customers, along with recommendations from the DGA (French armaments procurement agency), SKY AIRCRAFT has introduced developments that improve the aircraft's performances and give it a decisive advantage in this market niche.

The Skylander has been equipped with flaps, similar to those of the Reims Aviation Industries F406, that improve in particular its approach speed performance. Its optimised aerodynamics gives it better cruising and maximum speeds. With two pilot doors, the SK105 also uses the whole of its 28m³ volume in freight configuration and is fitted with a double sliding rear door in its basic passenger, freight and military transport versions. The SK105 keeps its wings, cabin and fin-tailplane assembly but has now a more aerodynamic and simpler cockpit, with a reduced windscreen.



The last quarter saw a strengthening of the Sky Aircraft management with very experienced and well-known professionals. The teams have put particular effort into the design of systems and their optimum integration into the aircraft. Considerable progress has also been made in the prototypes development as well as setting up test procedures and production methodology.

The first flight is planned for the 2nd quarter of 2011 and the first deliveries for the 2nd quarter of 2012.

Apart from the civilian market, which is showing enormous interest in the Skylander, the aircraft's performance provide a completely adapted response to the requirements of military logistic support, such as liaison, parachuting, training tactical transport pilots or airdrops. This response opens up an additional potential market estimated at 300 aircraft.

Today, the sales objective of 1,500 Skylander aircraft for the years 2012-2027 seems, therefore, even more realistic.

The Skylander's customer sales book has reached more than 600 aircraft, 325 of which are being negotiated with 24 operators, demonstrating the interest of professionals in this market, which is characterised by a very limited offer, with aircraft that are aging and being brought back into production.

Within this context, a well-known consulting firm recently valued the Skylander project at €140 M.

REIMS AVIATION: The company is now consolidated into the group's figures for the first time and had a turnover of €3.4 M in the first half year, accounting for more than 10% of the total turnover. A particular feature of this second quarter was the increase in after sales service business, which grew by 60% compared to the previous quarter. The company benefits from the GEI International group management's support, providing it with additional development resources, particularly in commercial, support and quality matters.

The market, studied in detail by the group, is characterised by a great need for simple and reliable machines, to which the F406 is an excellent response. Every effort is being made to rationalise production around partners who are competitive equipment makers. Planned developments will soon equip the aircraft with additional tanks, a new interior with a glass cockpit and an optimised air conditioning system.

All of these selling points will give the F406 new competitive advantages that will strengthen its sales book, which currently has 138 aircraft in the process of negotiation for 25 customers and promises the announcement of new orders soon.

Development and prospects:

GEI International benefits from its very strong positioning on technical excellence and its references as a priority partner of the largest industrial groups in the aeronautic sector: Airbus EADS (in 2009, the group gained E2S listing as a priority supplier of engineering services), Arianespace, CNES, Dassault, Thales... This trust strengthens the Group's position and offers prospects of strong growth in the coming years. GEI International is therefore confirming the objectives of two-figure growth of its engineering business for the financial year.

On the strength of its customer sales book for the F406 and SK1 05 aircraft, the group is confirming its growth objectives, its new business model ensuring visibility, longevity and profitability.

About GEI International

For 30 years, GEI International has been combining commitment, excellence, passion and innovation. Working in the four corners of the world, the 800 staff, engineers and researchers of GEI International are constantly at the ready to meet the technological challenges of today and the future. GEI International is active on two fronts: GEI Engineering, offering expertise and solutions in the sectors of aeronautics, transport and infrastructures, and GEI Aviation, with its range of aircraft and its abilities as a systems integrator.

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