

Ad-hoc announcement pursuant to Section 15 WpHG

PC-WARE Half-year result 2009/10 marked by restructuring expenses

- Revenue: 368.4 million EURO (-7.0% y.o.y.)
- Gross profit: 58.4 million EURO (-6.9% y.o.y.)
- EBITDA: -12.5 million EURO (-17.1 million EURO y.o.y.)
- EBIT: -16.5 million EURO (-18.5 million EURO y.o.y.)
- EBT: -16.6 million EURO (-18.2 million EURO y.o.y.)
- Profit for the period: -15.3 million EURO (-16.4 million EURO y.o.y.)

Leipzig, 16 November 2009 – PC-WARE looks back over the first half year which was characterized by the company's reorientation. Two core areas of the business were defined and reorganized into software and the related services on one side and the Data Center business on the other.

This reorientation caused various one-off costs to be incurred and these have left their mark on the Group's result for the half-year. In all, one-off losses attributable to the restructuring and amounting to -10.0 million EURO were noted in the Profit and Loss account at the end of the period.

The total losses over the first half-year were -15.3 million EURO, while in the corresponding half of 2008 a surplus of 1.1 million EURO had been recorded. Therefore the operating loss that was not due to one-off effects was -5.3 million EURO. The main reasons for this, in addition to lower gross receipts with a constant percentage gross margin, were the increased operating staff costs of 48.5 million EURO (43.5 million EURO over the same period the previous year), the major cause of which is the increase in staffing levels during the preceding quarter.

After a first half year that was greatly affected by the reorientation, the Board anticipates that the measures introduced will lead to an improved cost structure and a sustained improvement in the profitability of the PC-WARE Group. The full report for the first half of 2009/10 can be viewed in the "Reports" section of the company's website at www.ir.pc-ware.de.

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