



2007 Full Year Results



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Another year of progress



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Business activity and challenges : Another year of progress

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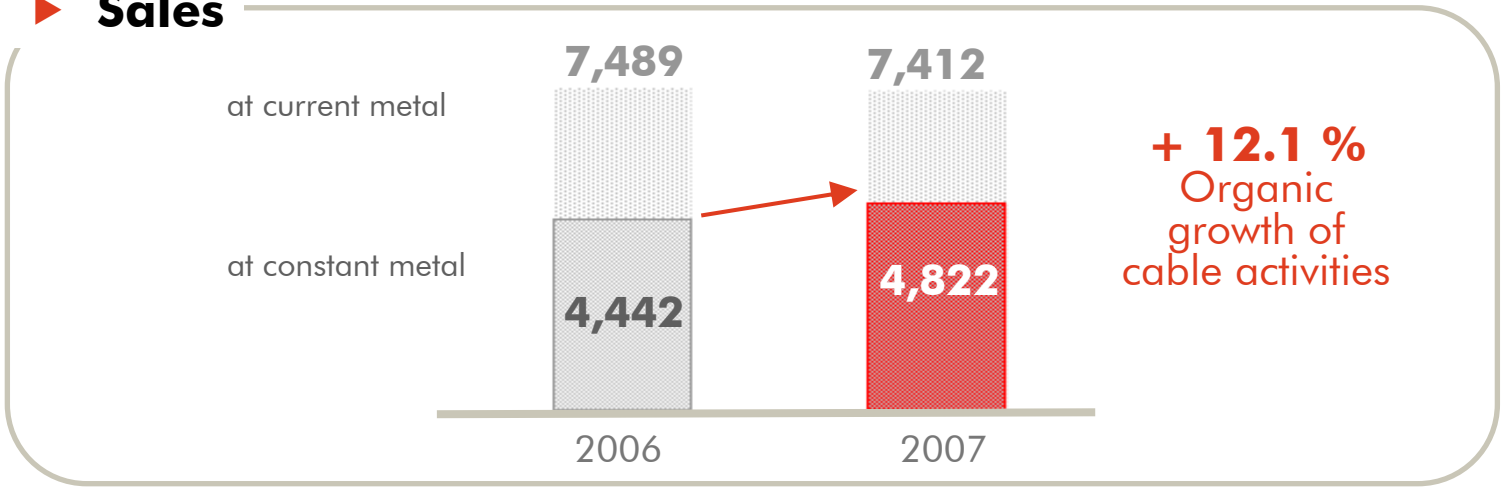
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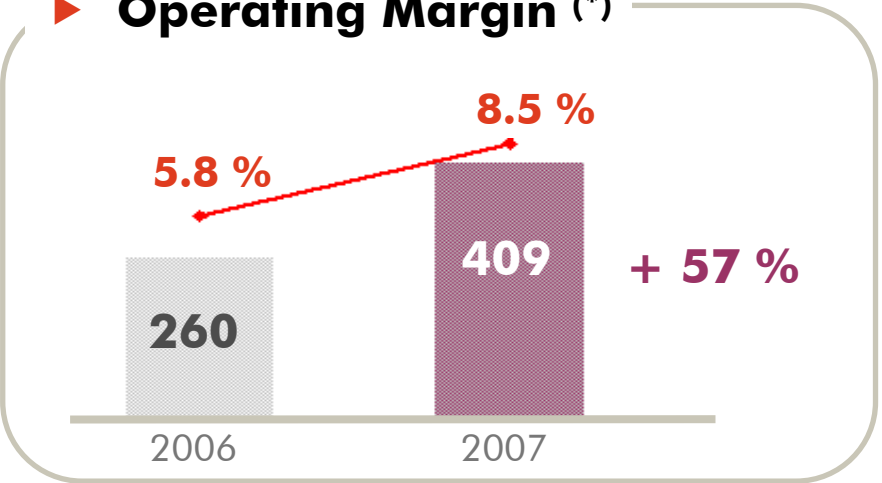
Solid performance (1/2)

► Sales

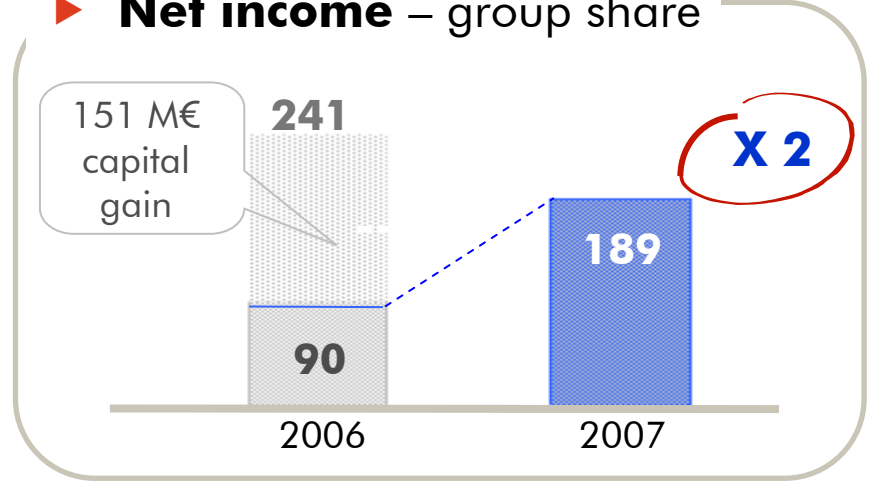
in M€



► Operating Margin (*)



► Net income – group share



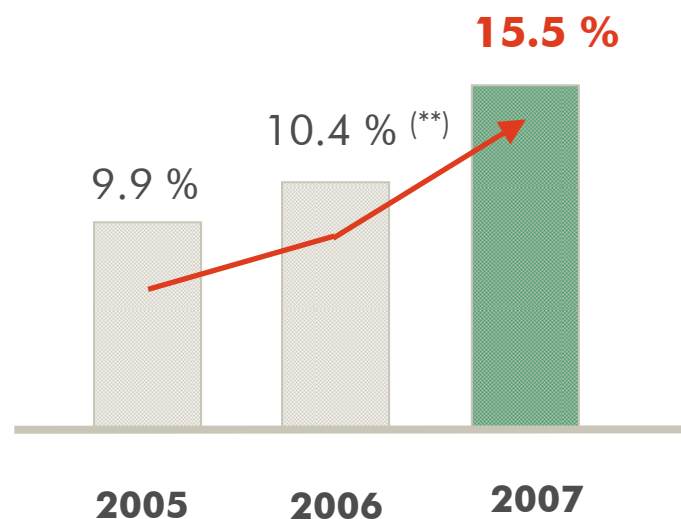
(*) OM rate on sales at constant metal prices



Solid performance (2/2)

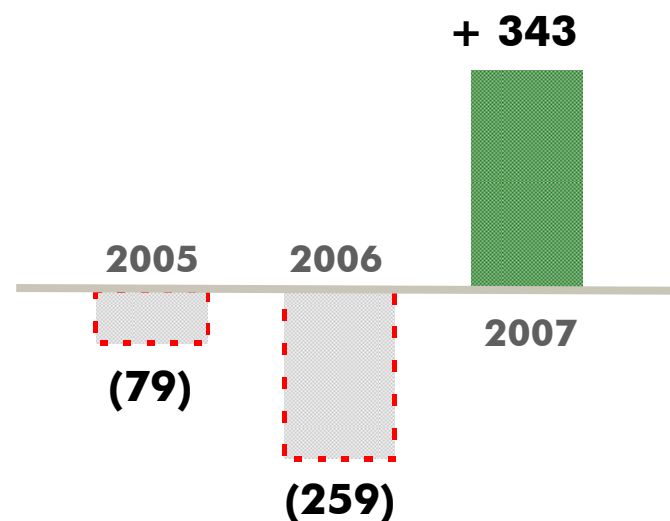
▶ Value creation

Operating ROCE
before tax (*)



▶ Cash generation

Change in Net debt



(*) Operating margin on average capital employed over the year, restated for accounting change in core-exposure impact

(**) excluding Olex, subsidiary acquired on December 2006



Business activity

▶ 2007: a year of quickening pace

▶ Business review

- ❑ **Energy infrastructure**
- ❑ **Industry**
- ❑ **Building**
- ❑ Telecom (infrastructure and **LAN**)
- ❑ **Electrical Wires**



Faster portfolio turnover ..

2007

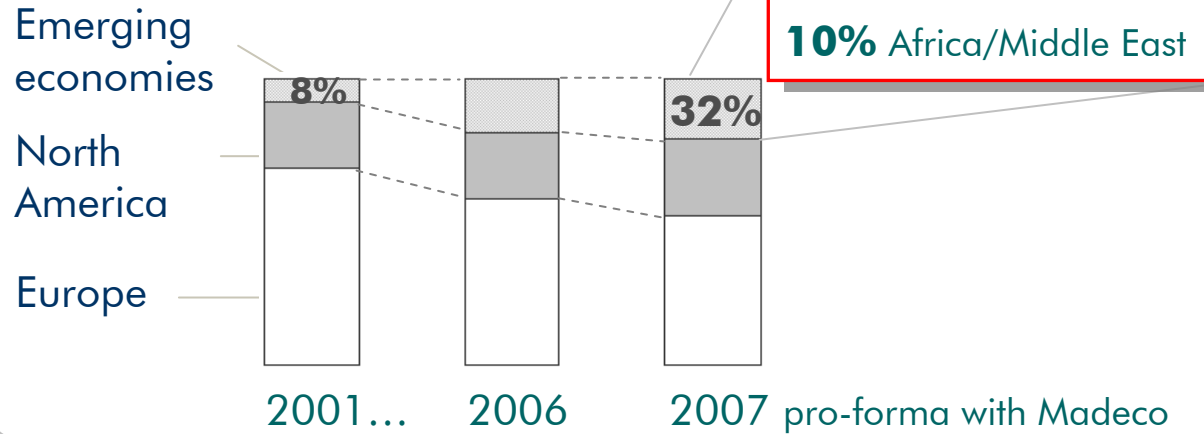
Integration of **Olex**

Down-sizing of **Electrical Wires**

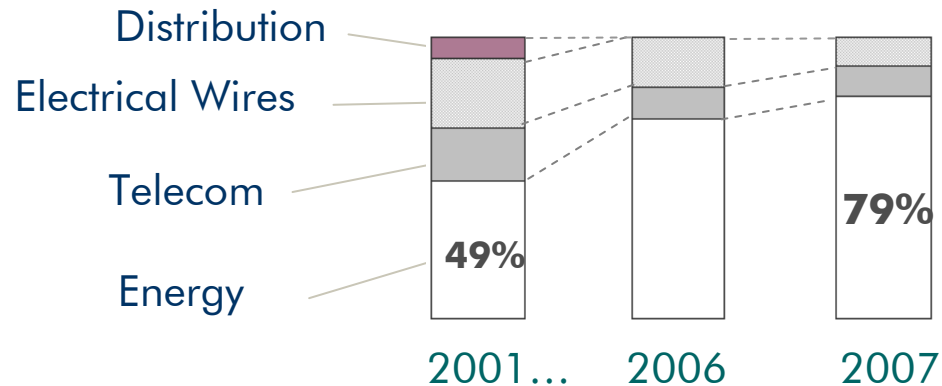
Divestiture of **Winding Wires**

Acquisition of **Madeco**

▶ Geographic (*)



▶ Businesses (**)



(*) Sales by destination at current metal prices (***) at constant metal prices



Olex : a successful integration

▶ **In line with strategic plan**

▶ **Integration completed in 2007**

▶ **Accretive effect confirmed**

- N°1 worldwide for energy cables in Australia/ New Zealand
- Rapidly expanding geographic area
- Product range focused on Energy Networks and Specialty cables
- Implementation of all procedures and Group's manufacturing best practices
- Implementation of metal hedging processes in accordance with those of the Group
- Structural changes
- EBITDA/ sales close to 17 % in 2007
- Synergies Target = 12 MA\$ / year
- Accretive to EPS as early as 2007



... currently considering two divestitures

▶ **Automotive harnesses business**

Sales:	250 M€
Number of sites:	15
Headcount:	4,400

▶ **Copper Telecom business (Santander)**

Sales:	55 M€
at constant metal prices	
Number of sites:	1
Headcount:	340

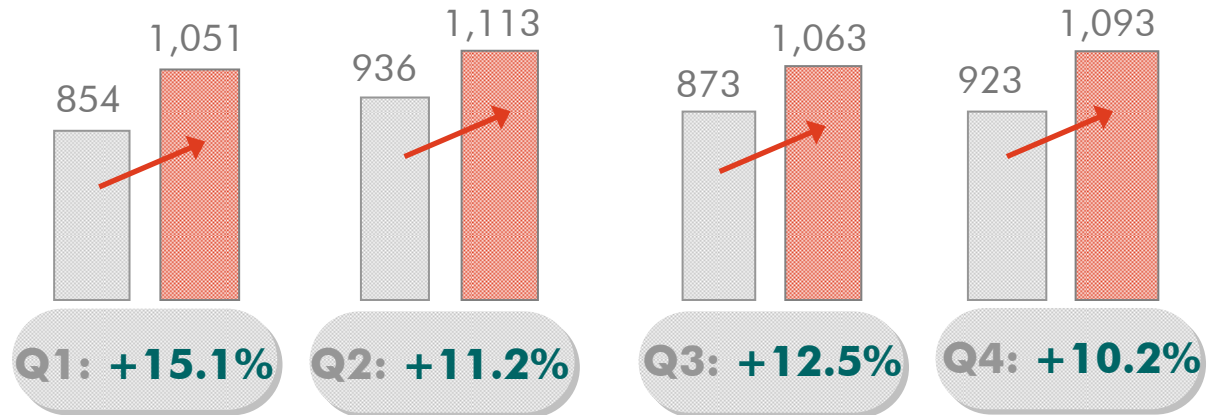


A redeployed group



Organic growth

Cable activities



2006 : +9.4%

H1 2007: +12.9%

H2 2007: +11.1%

Sales in M€
at constant metal prices and exchange rates :

- 2007
- 2006

**Continuing strong growth
at year end**



Strong growth in all segments

Organic growth of Cable activities	H1	Q3	Q4	2007
Energy Infrastructure	6.5 %	9.0 %	18.0 %	10.2 %
Industry	20.7 %	18.3 %	10.6 %	17.5 %
Building	14.5 %	15.5 %	Stable	10.4 %
Telecom Infrastructure	13.5 %	7.4 %	4.5 %	9.9 %
Private networks (LAN)	17.3 %	7.5 %	14.2 %	13.9 %
Total Cable	12.9 %	12.5 %	10.2 %	12.1 %

Quarterly change inherent in project activities but sizeable order backlog

Base Effect of Q4 2006 on Building

Persistently high growth rates

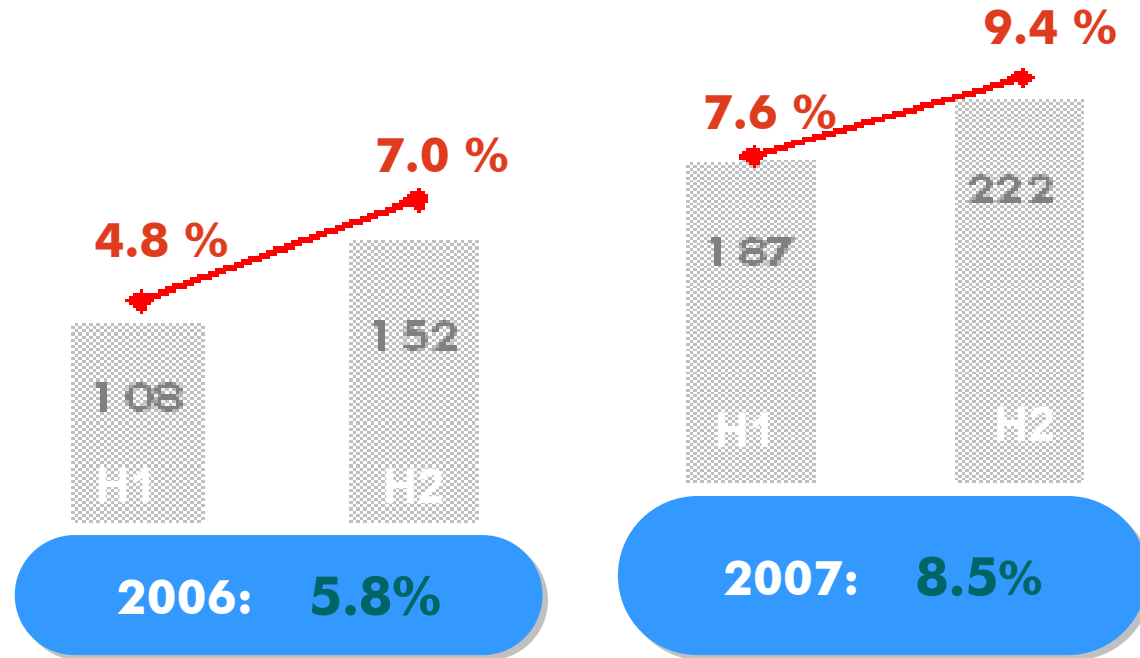
Medium to long-term objectives confirmed



Sharper increase in margins

Operating Margin

(in M€ and % of Sales at constant metal prices)



Profitability still rising at second half



Improved profitability in all segments

Operating Margin rate

	2006	H1 '07	H2 '07	2007
Energy Infrastructure	7.1%	7.2%	11.2%	9.3%
Industry	5.6%	7.7%	9.7%	8.7%
Building	10.4%	10.9%	11.2%	11.1%
Telecom Infrastructure	7.0%	7.1%	7.3%	7.2%
Private networks (LAN)	9.2%	12.3%	9.8%	11.1%
Electrical wires	-0.5%	1.4%	2.0%	1.7%
Total Group	5.8%	7.6%	9.4%	8.5%

**Energy
Infrastructure
quicken**

**Industry
margins
improved**

**Building
margins
maintained**

**Medium to long-term objectives
confirmed**



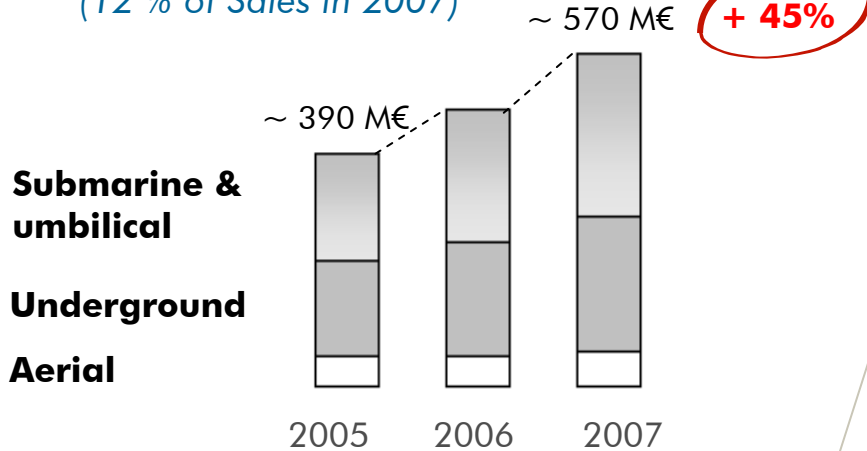
Energy infrastructure: greater visibility and improved profitability

▶ Solid fundamentals

- ▶ Position of **co-leader in the world**
- ▶ Powerful growth drivers :
 - Network renovation
 - New energy sources
 - Emerging economies

▶ Increasing weight of High Voltage

(12 % of Sales in 2007)



▶ Marked increase in order backlog



▶ Appropriate resources

- ▶ Capacity **X 2** in two years **for HV submarine**

In 2008 :

- Sustained growth
- Further improvement to margins



Industry: High potential for growth and profitability

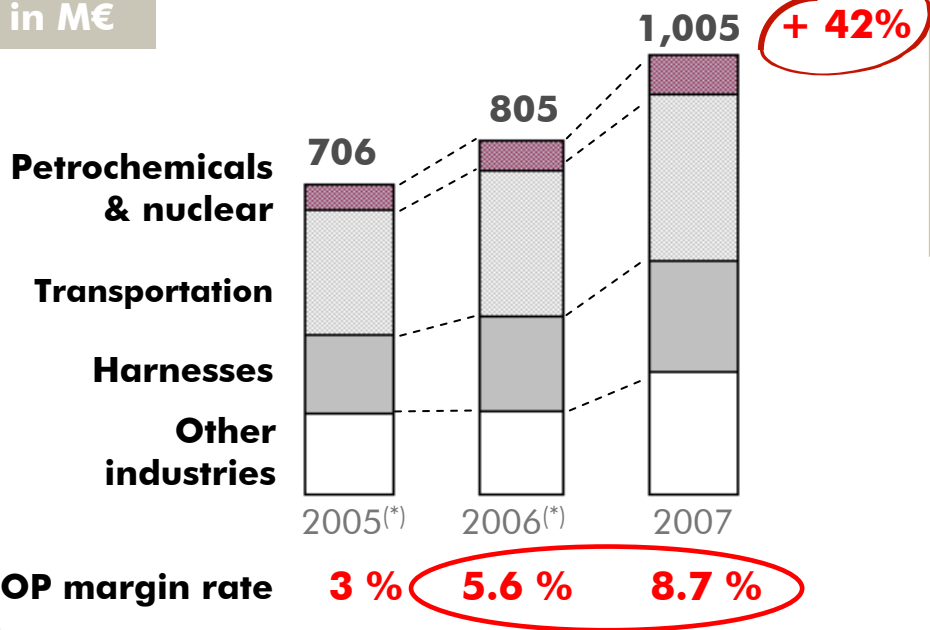
▶ Appropriate resources

- ▶ New sales organization for global markets
- ▶ Multi-site offering structure
- ▶ Capacity freed up by re-examining customer and product portfolios

▶ Backed by growth sectors

- **Oil & Gas :**
 - ✓ 2007/2011 Capex of this industry increased by 25% vs 2002/2006 period
- **Shipyards :** order backlog **X 3** in 5 years (Hyundai, Mitsubishi ...)
- **Other Transportation :**
 - ✓ Alstom : order backlog entries doubled in 2007
 - ✓ Airbus 5 years' order backlog
- **Mining Industries**

in M€



In 2007 : Profitability up sharply

In 2008 :

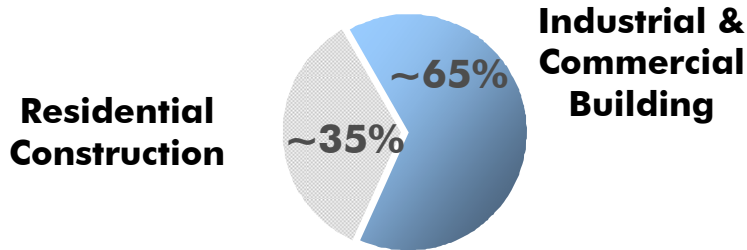
- 6 to 7% growth
- Continued margin growth
- Divestiture of harnesses business

(*) Restated for segmentation changes made in 2007



Building: strength of Nexans business model

▶ A balanced product mix



- ✓ residential US very limited : 30 M€/year
- ✓ balanced breakdown in Europe (Maintenance & renovation = 43 % of the market)

▶ 2002/2007 : a different business model

✓ Significant changes:

- Development of product portfolios
- Geographic redistribution
- Industrial restructuring (Nexans = 26 M€ in 4 years)

▶ A geographical balance

In % of Sales (*)

France - Benelux	35 %
Scandinavia	9 %
Other Europe	24 %
North America	15 %
Asia-Pacific	7 %
Emerging economies	10 %

(*) at constant metal prices

In 2008 :

- Steady volume activity overall
- Pressure on margins (observed in North America and likely in Europe)



Telecom: clarified positioning

▶ LAN

- ▶ Systems offering under development
- ▶ Progression of 10 Gigabit

**Confirmed in
"Core Business" activity**

▶ Fiber Optic

- ▶ Rollout in progress in Europe
- ▶ Technology and service offering
- ▶ Potential partnerships

Growth opportunities

▶ Telecom copper Infrastructure

- ▶ Lack of critical size

**Divestiture project
started**

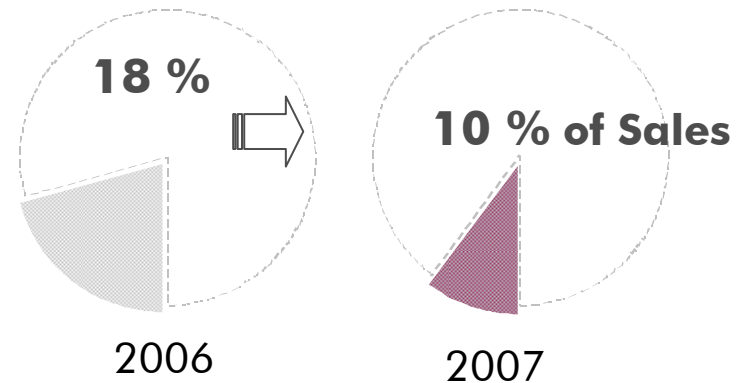


Electrical Wires: ongoing down-sizing

Faster down-sizing

- ▶ 37 % reduction in external sales in 2007
- ▶ Improved margins (prices and costs control)

Weight in Nexans Sales (*)



Optimized capital employed

- ▶ Capital employed reduced to **~180 M€** at December end 2007

Reduction program stepped up:

Objective: minimal external sales in 2009



- ▶ Underlying markets remain solid
 - *Growth driven by energy demand*
 - *Development of raw materials and transportation related sectors*
 - *Geographic redistribution of growth*

- ▶ A changing business portfolio
 - *Acquisition of Madeco W&C*
 - *Intention to divest Telecom copper activities in Europe (Santander)*
 - *Intention to divest Harnesses activities*

- ▶ A group well prepared to pursue its transformation in the current context



Medium and long-term ambitions confirmed



Financial results :
Profitability up sharply

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Chief Financial Officer



Key Figures

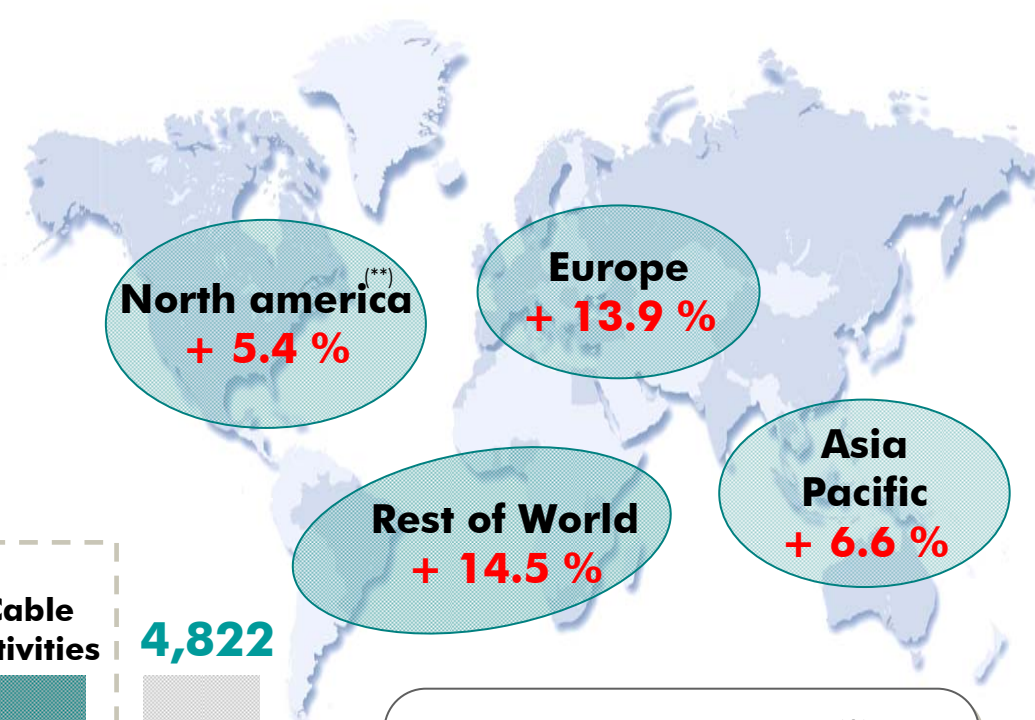
(in Million €)	2006	2007	07/06 ▲
Sales at current metal	7 489	7 412	Down-sizing in Electrical Wires
Sales at constant metal prices and exchange rates	4 373	4 822	+ 4.8 % organic + 12.1% cable activities
Operating Margin <i>Operating margin rate at constant metal prices</i>	260 5.8 %	409 8.5 %	+ 57 %
Net income (group share) <i>before exceptional capital gain</i>	90	185	Multiplied by 2
Net income (group share)	241	189	
Operating Return on Capital Employed before tax ^(*)	10.4 % ^(**)	15.5 %	
Net debt	633	290	Divided by 2

(*) based on average capital employed over the year

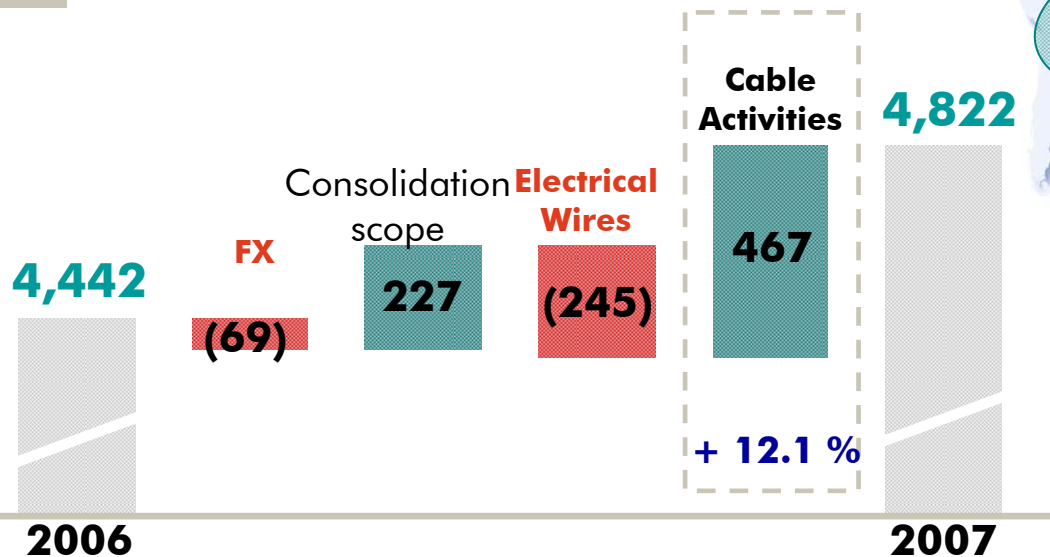
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Strong growth in Cable Activities



In M€ Sales at constant metal prices



Cable Activities (*)
+ 12.1 % organic

(*) Excluding Electrical wires
 (**) Excluding Quebec city = 9.9 %



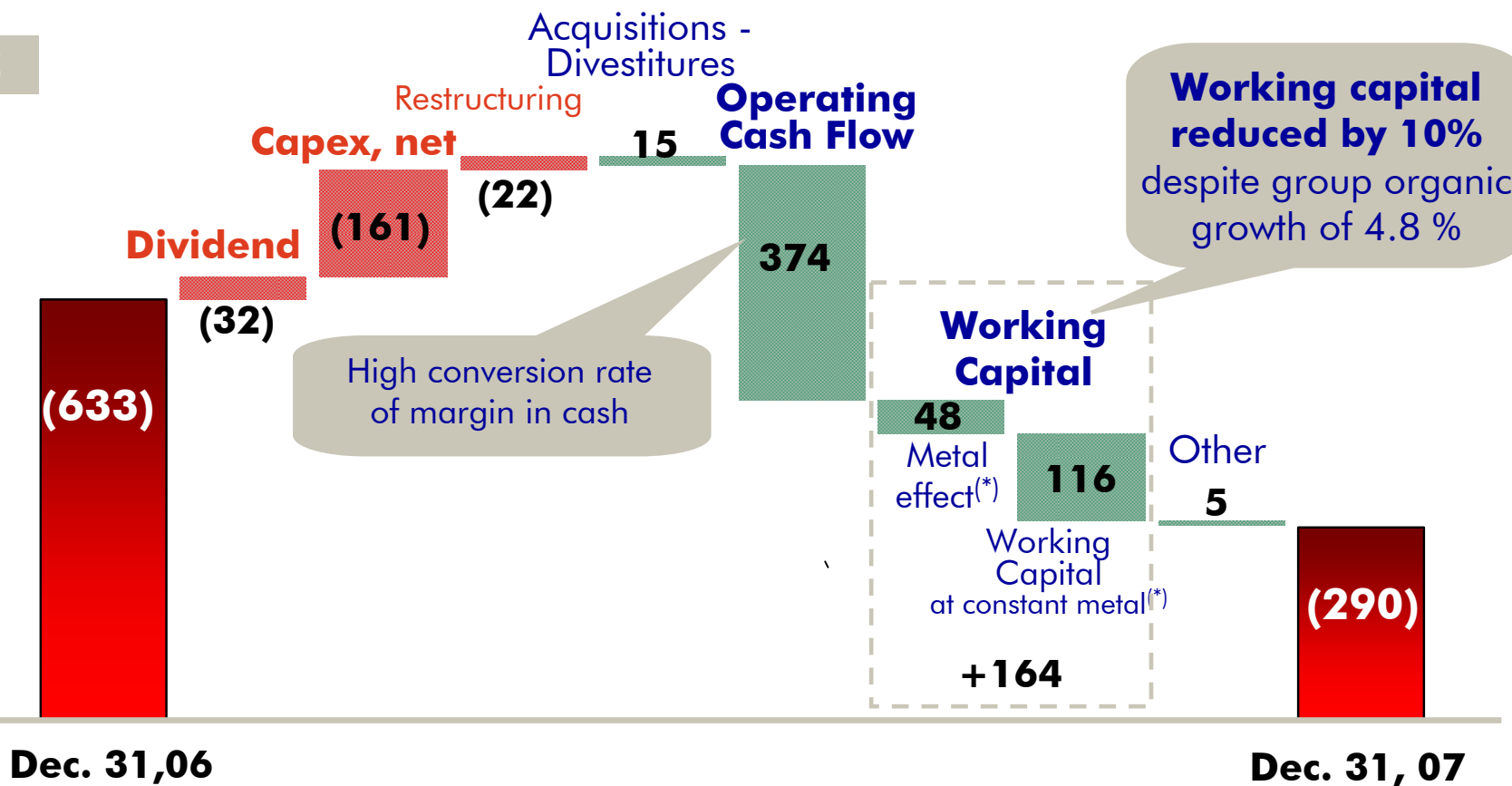
From Operating Margin to Net Income

(in Million €)	2006	2007	07/06 ▲
Operating margin	260	409	+ 57 %
<i>Operating margin rate (%)</i>	<i>5.8 %</i>	<i>8.5 %</i>	
"core-exposure impact"	107	20	Metal effect
Asset impairment, net	(99)	(21)	
Change in fair value of metal derivatives and other	(7)	(36)	
Capital gain and loss on asset divestitures	151	4	+ 69% excl. 2006 exceptional capital gain
Restructuring	(48)	(14)	
Operating income	363	362	
Financial charge	(69)	(81)	Extension of debt maturity
Other revenue	3	-	
Income before tax	297	281	
Income tax	(48)	(84)	Effective rate : 30%
Net income from operations	249	197	
Net income (group share)	241	189	X2 excl. 2006 exceptional capital gain



Net debt reduced by half

in M€



(*) estimation based on tons of metal within inventories and change in prices



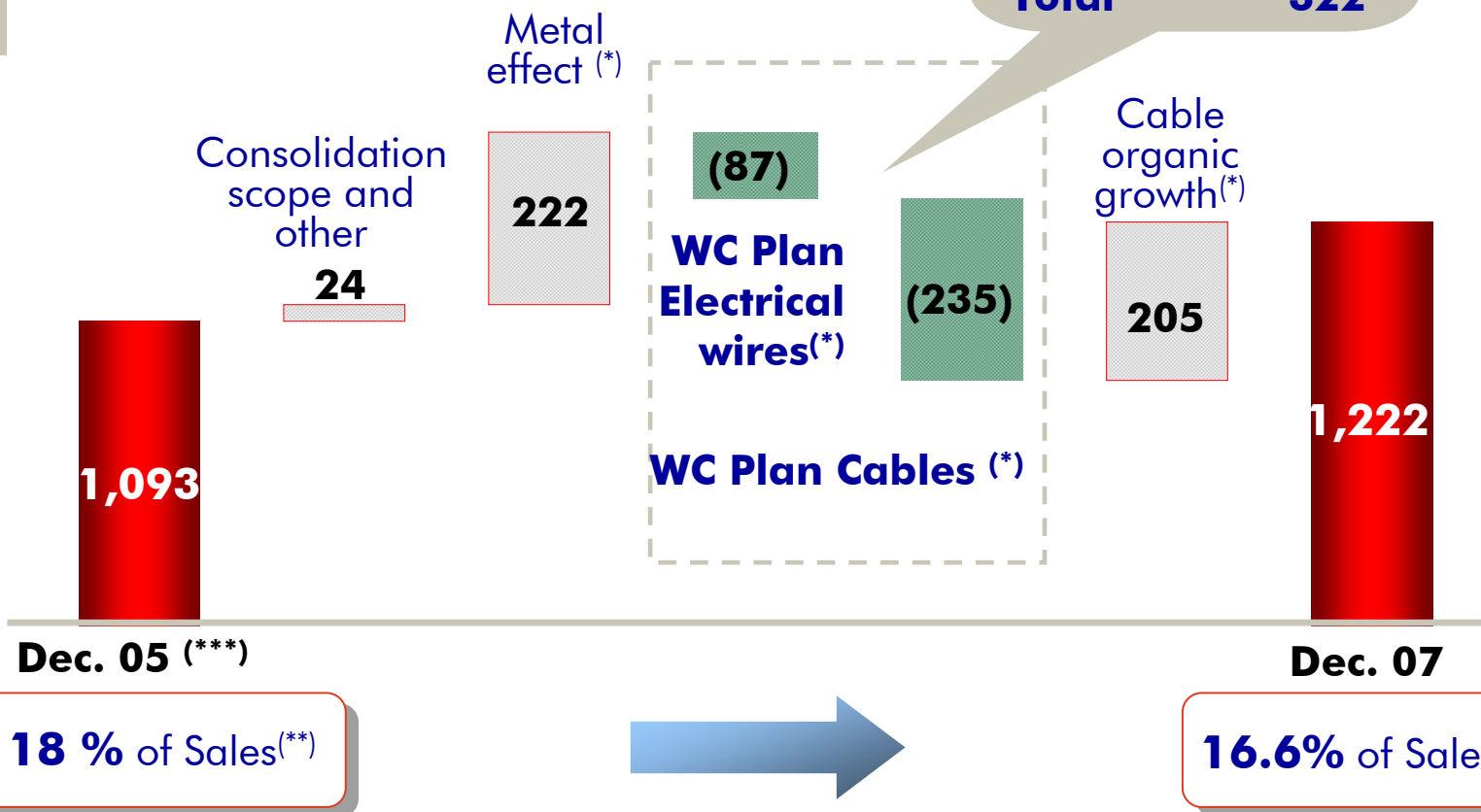
Success in reducing Working Capital

- ▶ Plan « 300 » for Working Capital reduction launched in march 2006

« Plan 300 »

Impact 2006	150
Impact 2007	172
Total	322

In M€



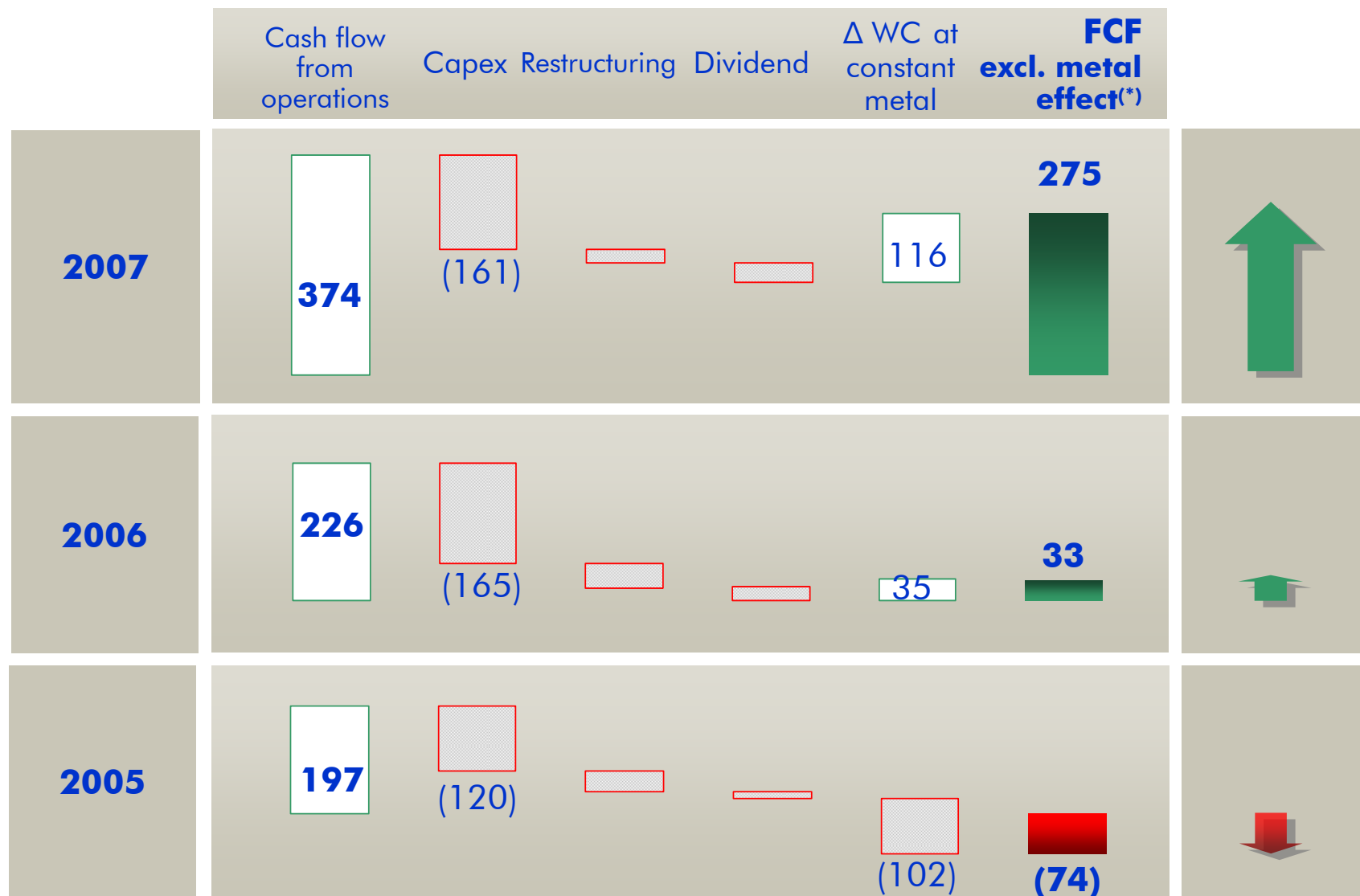
(*) estimates

(**) based on Q4 sales annualized

(***) restated for accounting change in core-exposure impact



Ability to generate cash



(*) « Free Cash Flow » excluding impact of change in metal prices



Solid financial structure

(in Million €)	Dec. 31, 06	Dec. 31, 07
Long-term fixed assets	1,155	1,192
<i>of which goodwill</i>	<i>253</i>	<i>192</i>
Deferred tax assets	100	48
Non-current assets	1,255	1,240
Working capital	1,465 ^(*)	1,222
Assets (net) held for sale	38	105
Total to finance	2,758	2,567
Net financial debt	633	290
Reserves	469	434
Deferred tax liabilities	67	85
Shareholders' equity and Minority interests	1,589	1,758
Total financing	2,758	2,567
Gearing =	40 %	16 %
Leverage (Net debt/ EBITDA) =	1.6 x	0.6 x



Identified financial risks 1/2

Currency

- ▶ Sales mainly within area of production
- ▶ Hedging of any residual risk
- ▶ A 10% depreciation of US \$ impact on P&L < 1 M€

Interest rates

- ▶ 2/3 of gross debt in medium & long term fixed rates
- ▶ Net Cash position at variable interest rates representing 330 M€ at December 31, 2007
- ▶ A 50 bp increase of interest rate (€ ; USD) impact on P&L < 1 M€ at December 31, 2007



Identified financial risks 2/2

Client risk

- ▶ No client accounting for more than 5% of Group receivables
- ▶ Credit insurance

Oil

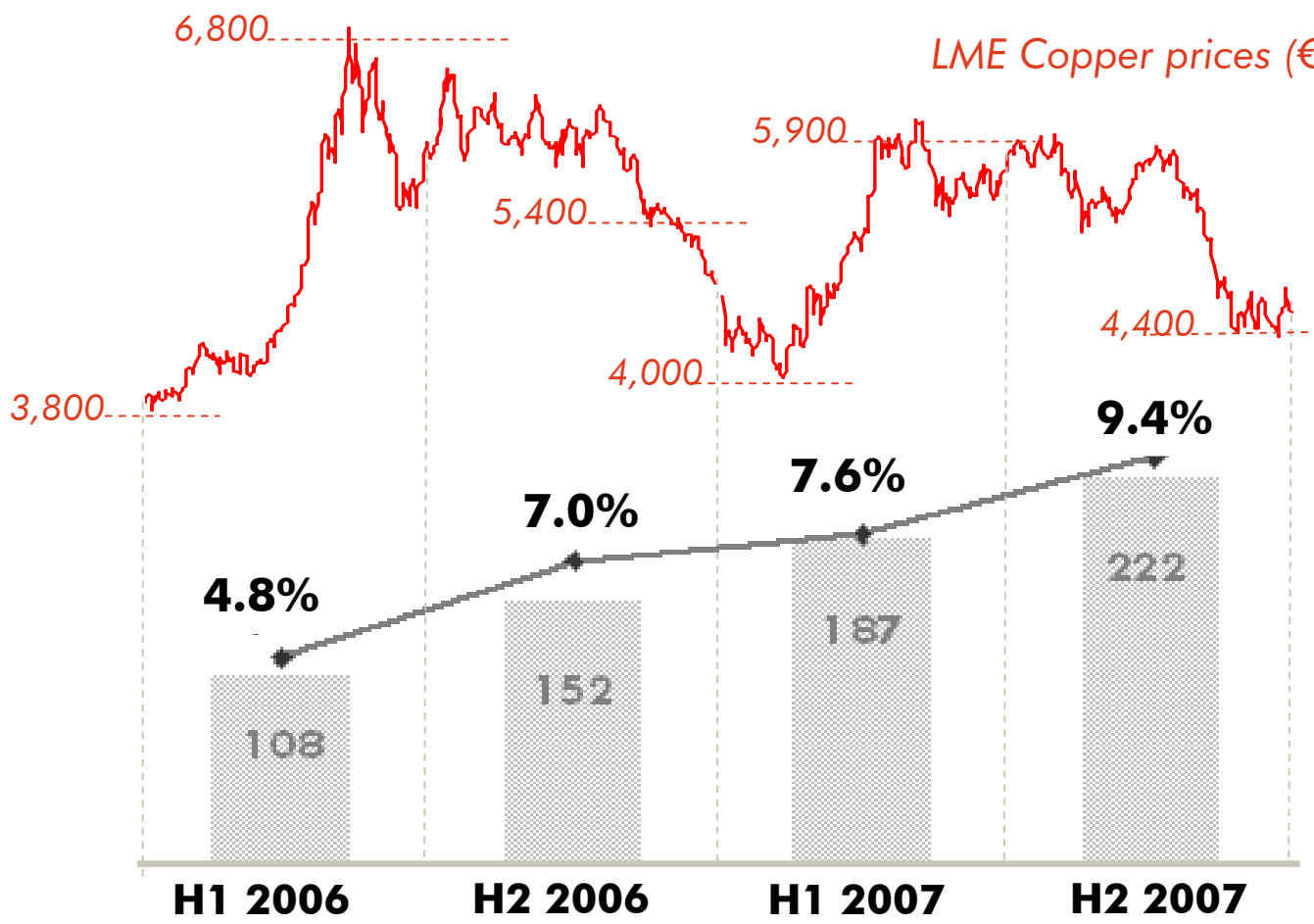
- ▶ Impact on P&L of Oil price remaining at 100 \$/ barrel in 2008 (ie + 39 % vs 2007 average) : ~ 25 M€ , and:
- ▶ Pass-through mechanisms or escalation clauses, that exist for a large number of contracts

Copper

- ▶ Passed on in prices + hedging processes
- ▶ Reduction of activities with high copper content (Electrical Wires)



Copper prices and margins : uncorrelated variations



Pass-through

+

Hedging efficiency

=

Operating margin protected

Operating Margin
(in M€ and % of Sales at constant metal prices)



Results up sharply :

- ▶ + 12.1 % organic growth of cable activities
- ▶ 8.5 % operating margin rate
- ▶ Net income X 2, excluding exceptional capital gains

A very solid balance sheet structure

- ▶ Resulting from a high generation of cash

Monitoring financial risks



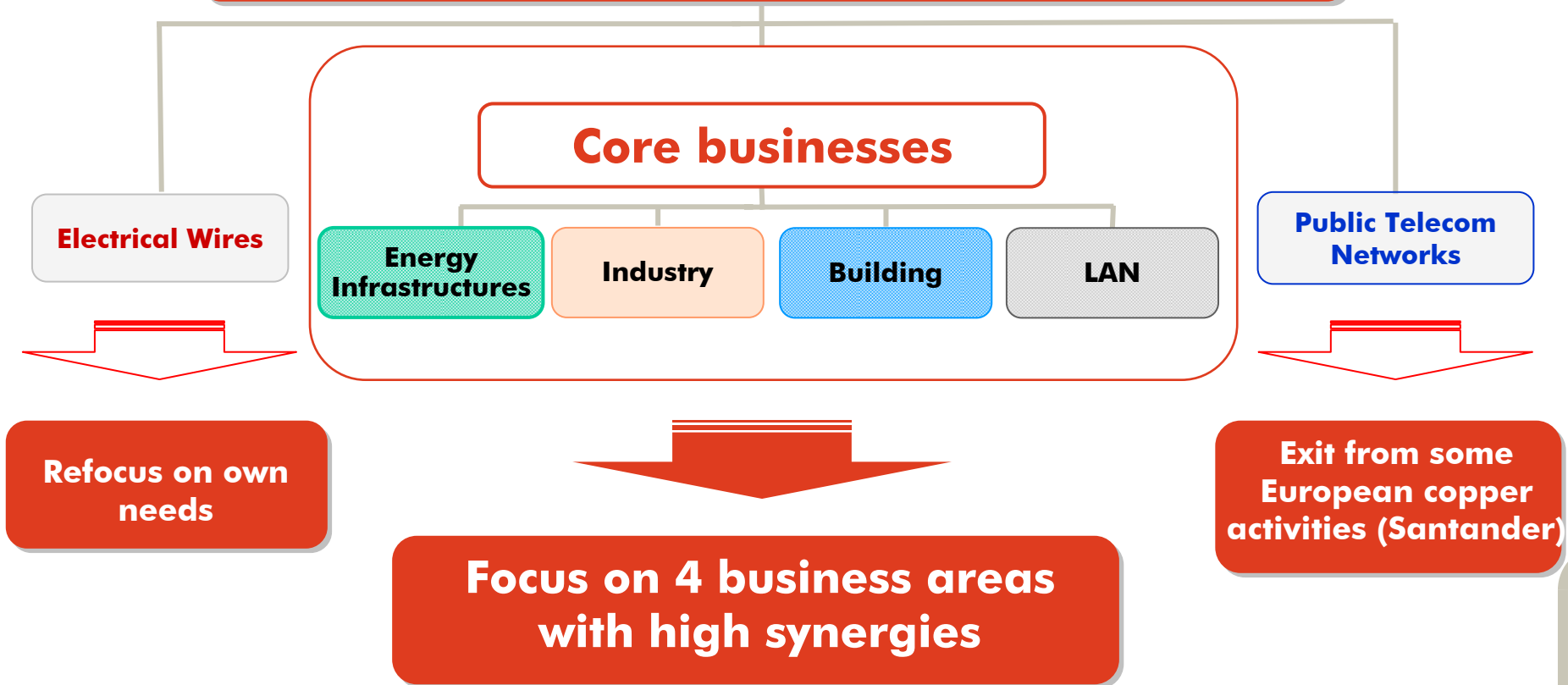
Outlook :
**Solid business model
and confidence in the future**

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A clear strategy

2008 activities portfolio review

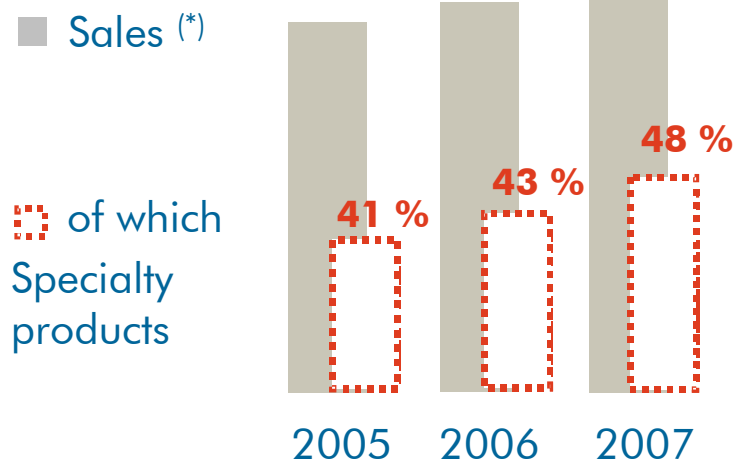




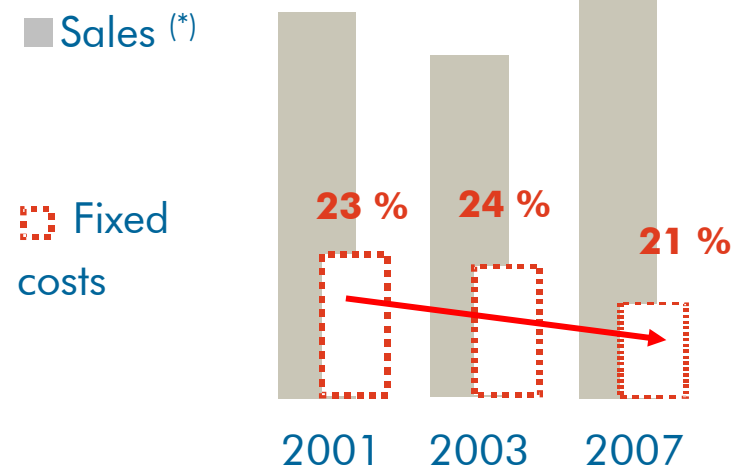
A stronger Business model 1/3

► Lower break-even point

Growing exposure to high added-value products



Fixed costs under control



(*) at constant metal price

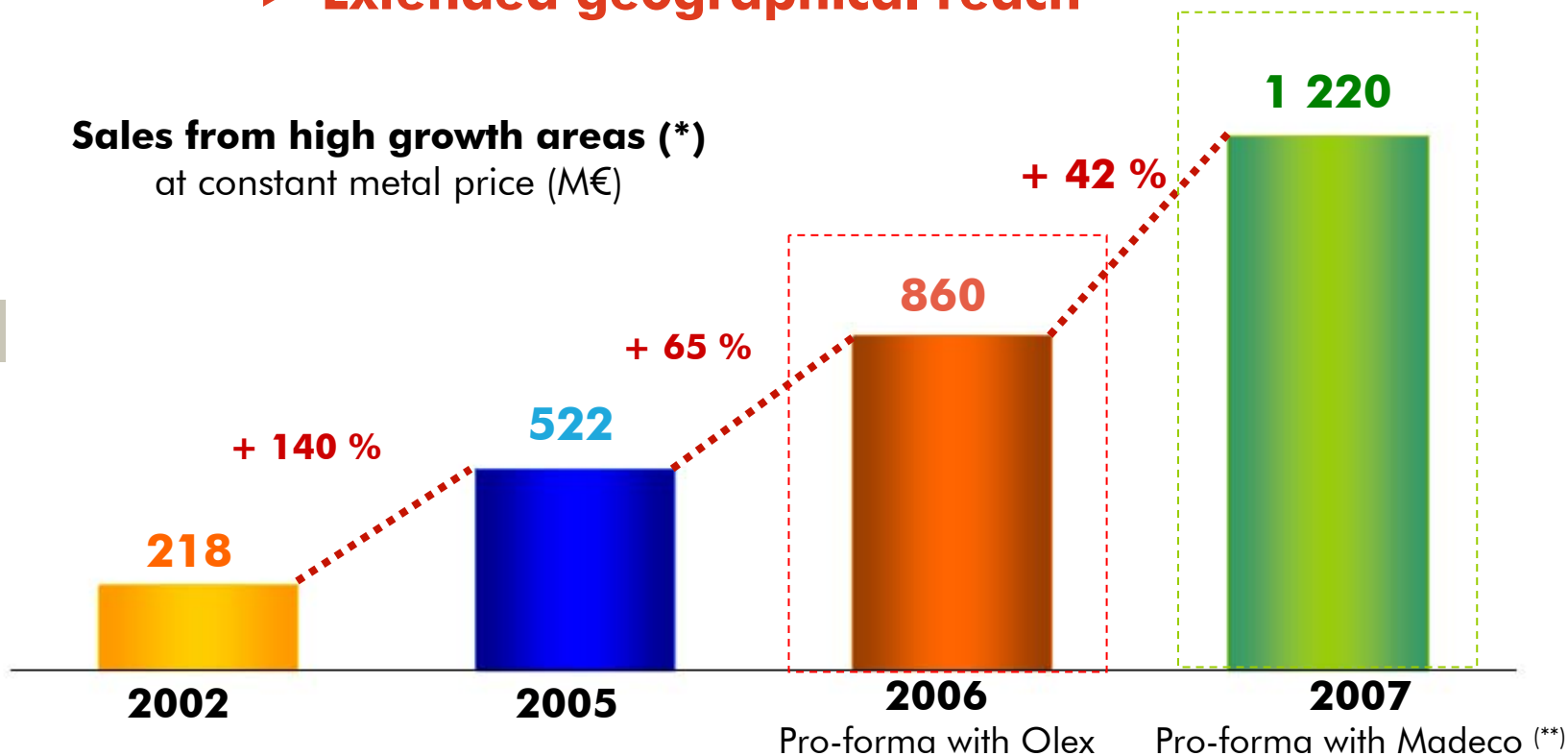


A stronger Business model 2/3

► Extended geographical reach

Sales from high growth areas (*)
at constant metal price (M€)

in M€



■ Activity X 6 in 5 years

- 30% through internal growth and 70% through acquisitions

(*) Including China, Vietnam, South Korea, Middle-East, Morocco, Australasia and Latin America

(**) based on estimated 2007 Sales for Madeco

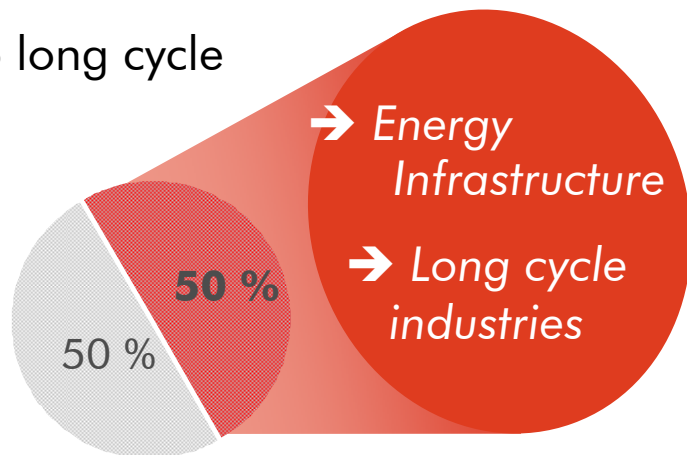


A stronger Business model 3/3

▶ Reinforced visibility

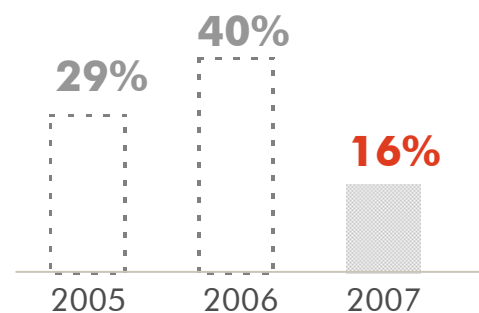
- ✓ Higher exposure to long cycle businesses

- Long cycle activities
- Other activities



▶ Strengthened financial structure

Gearing ratio



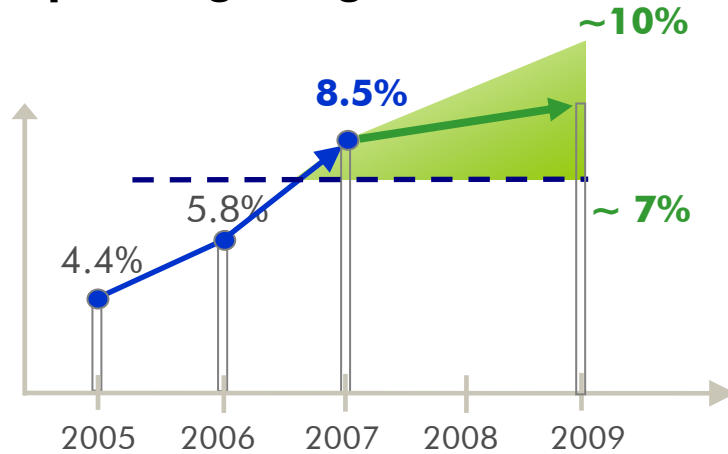
(*) à cours des métaux constants

Reduced exposure to cycle downturns



2009 objectives

▶ Operating margin

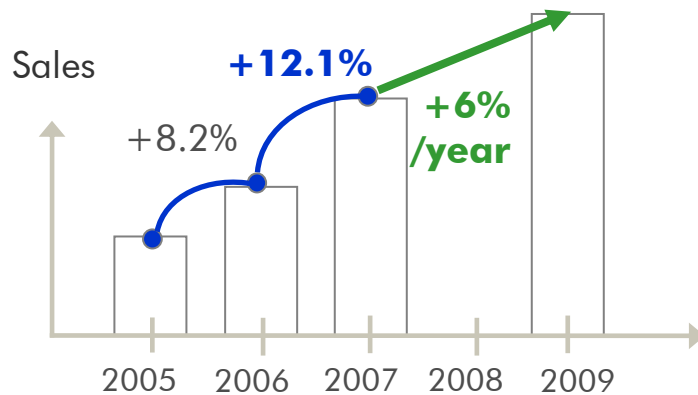


under favourable economic environment

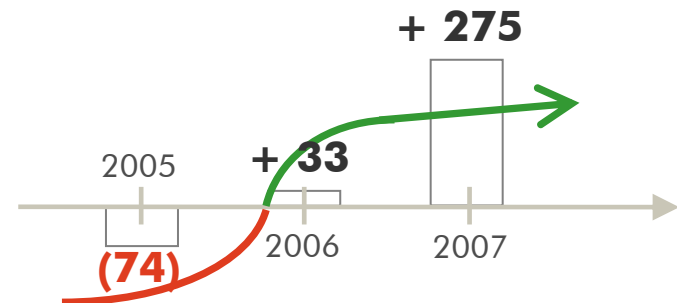
under depressed economic environment

 *New targets including announced M&A operations*
 *Achieved results*

▶ Organic growth of Cable activities



▶ Free Cash Flow excluding metal effects (*)



(*) Free Cash Flow excl. metal = Cash from operations + ▲ WCR at constant metal - Capex - Dividends



Confidence in the future

**More focused
Activity portfolio**

**Strengthened
Business model**

**Profitability &
Cash generation**

Growth

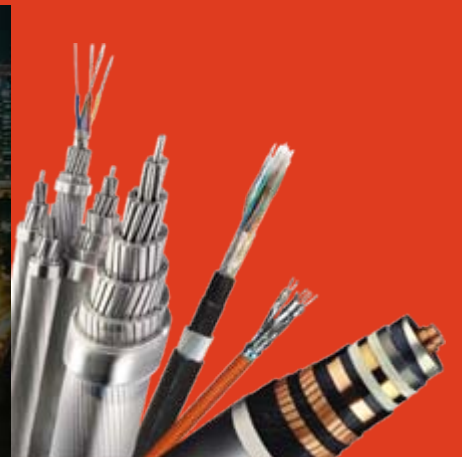
**Dividend
brought to 2 €/share^(*)
ie + 67 %**

**Share buy-back
program up to 70 M€**

(*) subject to Annual Shareholder's Meeting vote on April 22nd, 2008



Appendixes

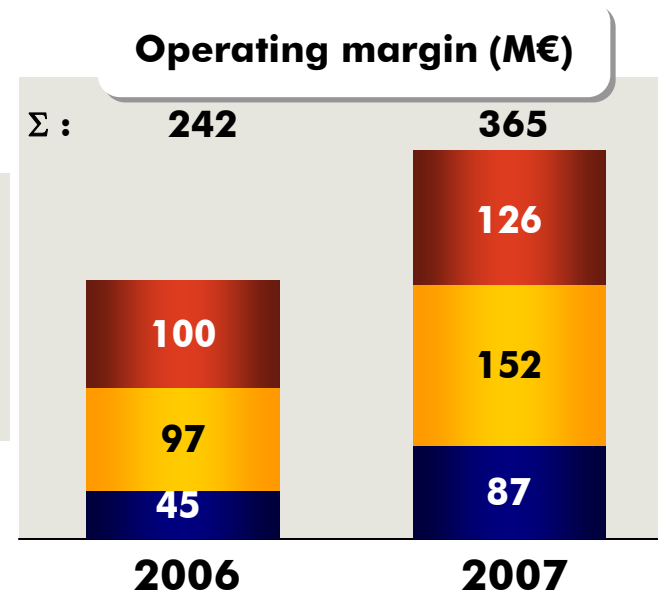
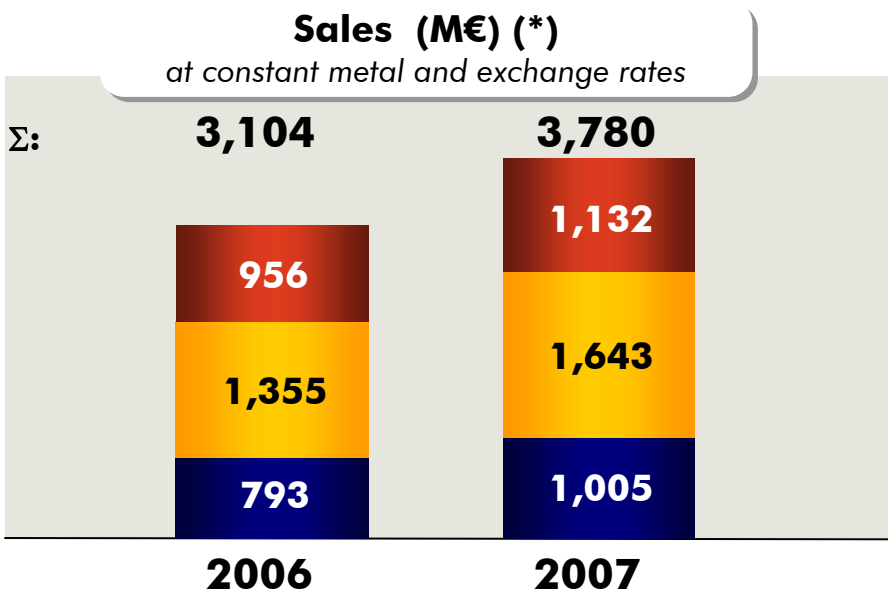




Foreign exchange & consolidation scope impacts on 2007 Sales

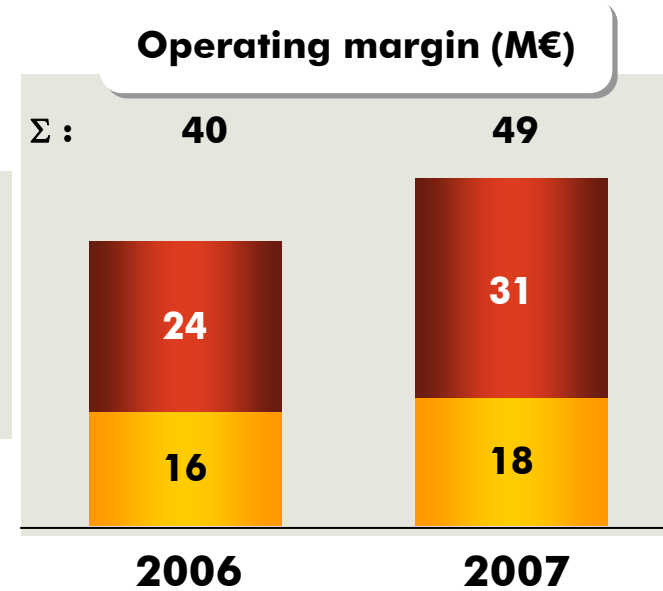
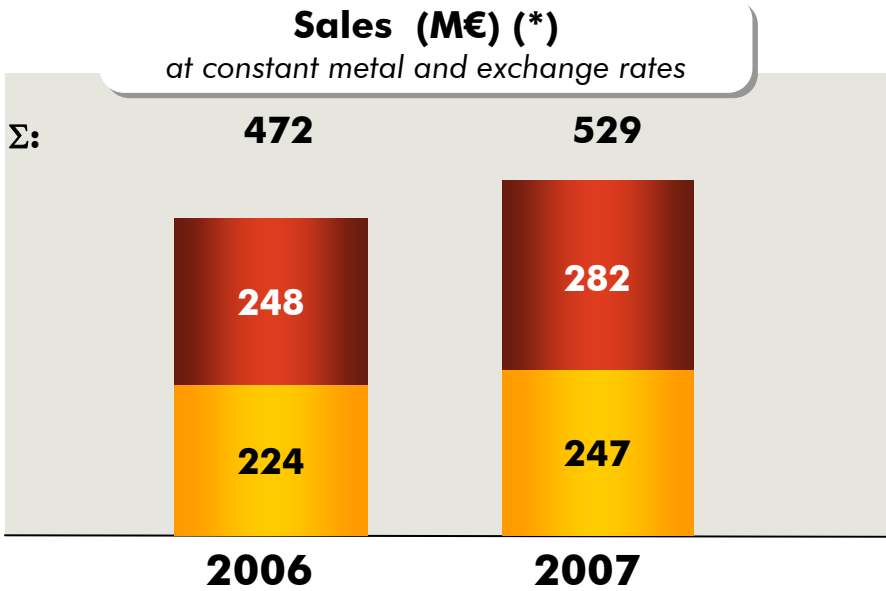
in M€

	2006	Foreign Exchange	Consolidation scope	Organic growth	2007
Sales at constant metal price					
Energy infrastructure	1,370	(15)	137	151	1,643
Industry	806	(12)	62	149	1,005
Building	968	(12)	69	107	1,132
Telecom Infrastructure	228	(4)	-	23	247
Private Networks (LAN)	260	(12)	-	34	282
Other	9	-	-	2	11
Electrical Wires	801	(14)	(41)	(244)	502
Total	4,442	(69)	227	222	4,822



- Building
- Infrastructures
- Industry

(*) Organic growth = + 12.1 %

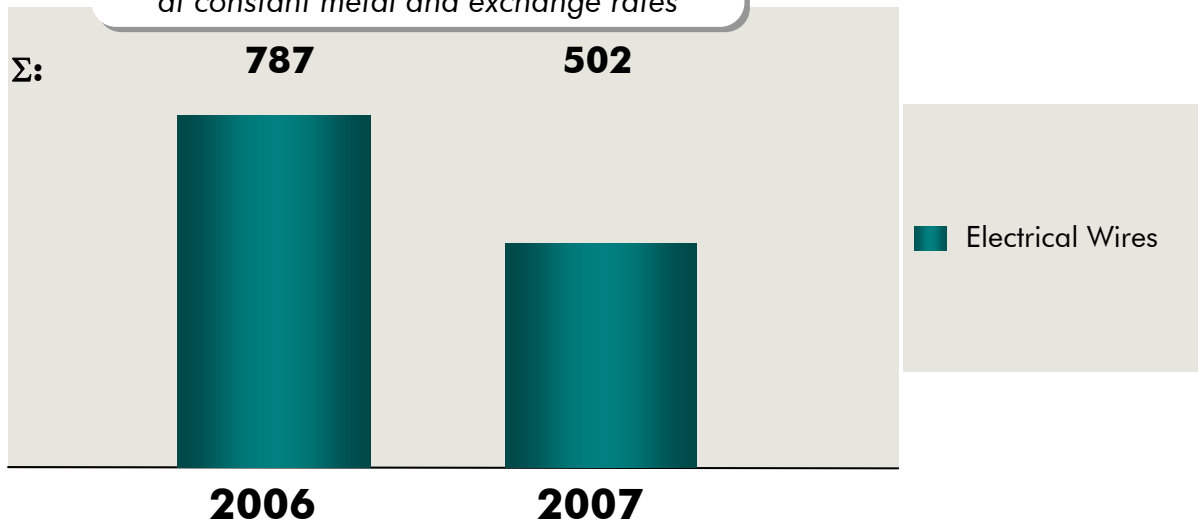


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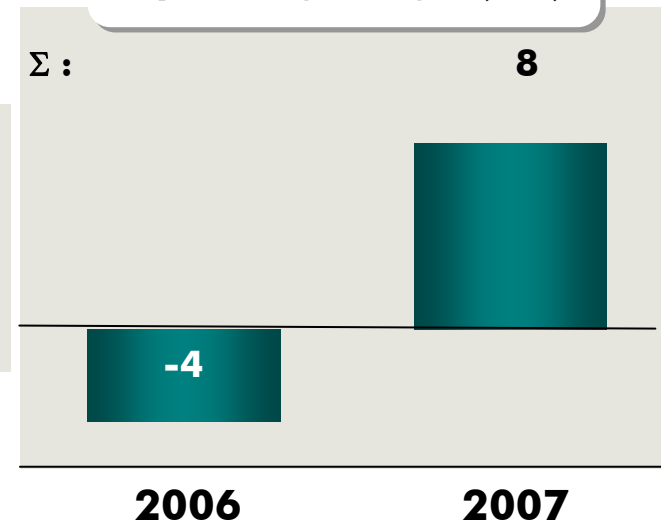


Electrical Wires

Sales (M€) (*)
at constant metal and exchange rates



Operating margin (M€)

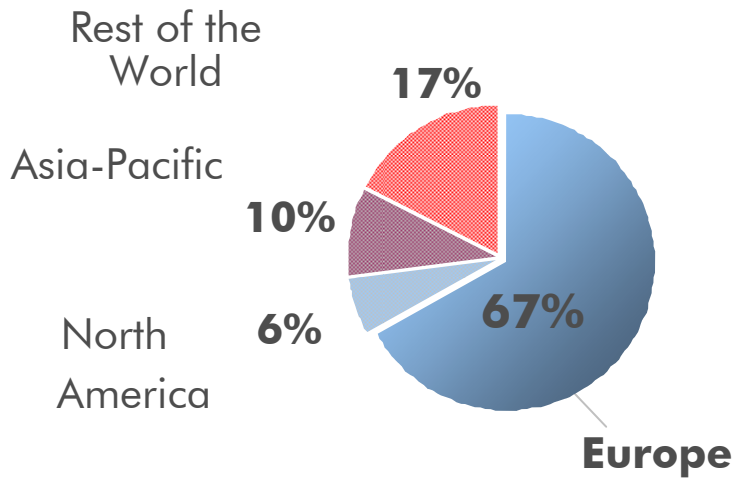


(*) Organic growth = - 33 %

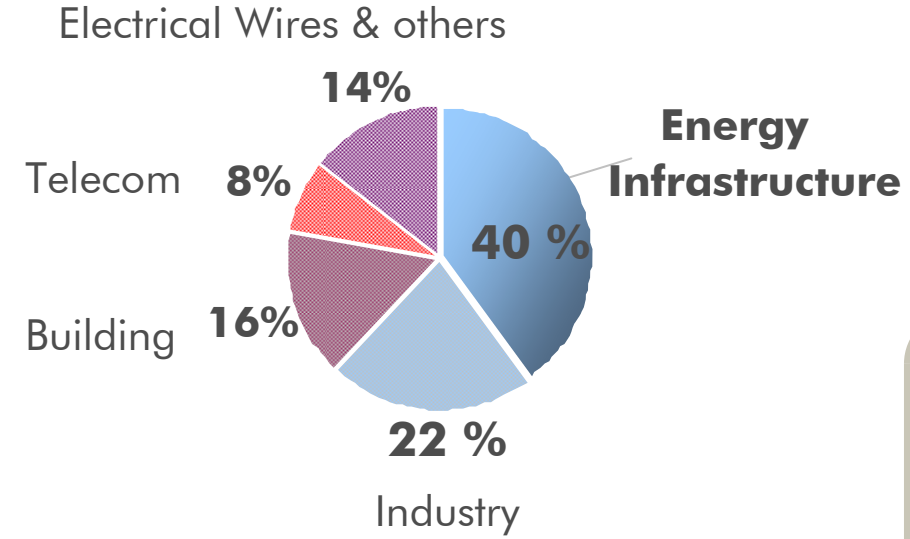


► 170 M€ Capex plan in 2007

2007 Capex geographical breakdown



2007 Capex breakdown by business





Main financing arrangements

	Facility	Un-drawn 07/12/31
Uncommitted		
▶ Commercial Paper program	500 M€	N/A
▶ Money Market Lines	200 M€	196 M€
▶ Cash pooling overdraft facility	69 M€	67 M€
Committed		
▶ Multi-currency revolving facility → <i>Maturity: October 2011 (extendable up to Oct. 2012)</i>	580 M€	580 M€
▶ Convertible Bond (OCEANE) → <i>7 year tenor (July 2013)</i> → <i>Issuer calls possible from July 2008 (subject to certain conditions)</i>	280 M €	-
▶ 2017 5.75 % Straight Bond	350 M€	-

Headroom : **580 M€**



Structure of Group Debt

as of December 31st 2007

in M€

	Holding	Subsidiary	Total	Interest
Net Debt	151	139	290	
– 2012 Convertible Bond (*)	258		258	FIXED
– 2017 Bond (According to IFRS)	345		345	FIXED
– Syndicated Credit facility	0		0	variable
– Money Market Lines	4		4	variable
– A/R Securitisation		108	108	variable
– Commercial Paper	0		0	variable
– Other borrowings	2	177	179	variable
– Accrued interests	18		18	
Gross debt	627	285	912	
	69%	31%	100%	
Cash & equivalents	(476)	(146)	(622)	variable
	77%	23%	100%	

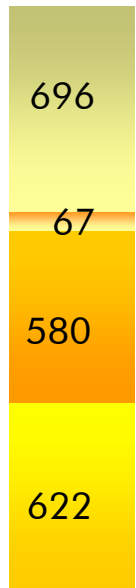
* Out of the 280 M€ convertible bond issue, 22 M€ are booked in Equity



Debt redemption coverage as of December 31st 2007

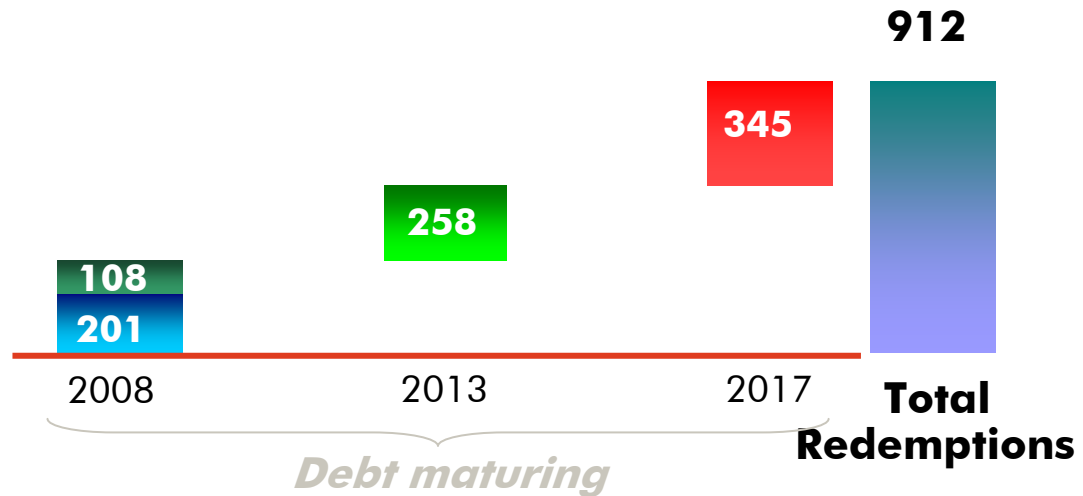
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1,965



Liquidity sources

- Cash & equivalents
- Undrawn committed facilities
- Overdraft facility
- Back-up sources



- A/R Securitisation
- Other borrowings
- Convertible Bond
- Straight Bond