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## HEXPOL's annual report for 2009 published

HEXPOL's annual report for 2009 has today been published on our website www.hexpol.com and is under distribution to the Group's shareholders.

Georg Brunstam, HEXPOL's CEO and President, comments the year in the annual report:

- 2009 was one of the most turbulent years we will ever experience. Despite volume declines of up to 35-45% noted by our primary markets and customers, we succeeded in achieving earnings per share, excluding items affecting comparability, of 6.48 SEK (6.89) nearly on par with the preceding year.
- Operating cash flow was very strong at 462 MSEK (411) as a result of positive operative income and excellent management of inventories, accounts receivable and accounts payable, as well as lower investments. Our equity/assets ratio was strengthened to 44% and we reduced our net debt forcefully by 433 MSEK to 760 MSEK (1,193).
- Our employees' expertise and motivation have been of great value in this extreme market situation. Since our strategy is based on in-depth and broad based polymer and application expertise, we have been very careful to maintain our development and process expertise. Consequently, we have been able to successfully continue development of new applications and products and thereby strengthen our market share.

The annual report can be downloaded from the website, <a href="www.hexpol.com">www.hexpol.com</a>. The website also provides information on giving notice of intention to attend HEXPOL's AGM on May 7. Printed copies of the annual report can be ordered via HEXPOL's Communication department at <a href="info@hexpol.com">info@hexpol.com</a>.

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HEXPOL is a world-leading polymers group with strong global positions in advanced rubber compounds (Compounding), gaskets for plate heat exchangers (Gaskets) and wheels made of plastic and rubber materials for truck and castor wheel applications (Wheels). Customers are primarily OEM manufacturers of plate heat exchangers and trucks, as well as global systems suppliers to the automotive industry. The Group is organized in two business areas, HEXPOL Compounding and HEXPOL Engineered Products, and had about 1,800 employees in nine countries at year-end. In 2009, HEXPOL had sales of about 2,600 MSEK. Read more at <a href="https://www.hexpol.com">www.hexpol.com</a>.