

**PRESS RELEASE**

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**SALES UP +31.8% IN Q1 2007**

*In Q1 2007, Coil's consolidated sales totaled €8,006,000, compared with €5,588,000 for Q1 2006.*

For the first time, the sales published for Q1 2007 incorporate business generated by the new subsidiaries, LHT Anodisers Ltd and Heywood Metal Finishers Ltd, the UK's two leading unit-based anodizing firms. These subsidiaries were acquired at the start of 2007 and have been consolidated as of February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007.

(€'000)

2007*	2006	Change	2007 pro forma (3 months)
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Continuous anodizing

COIL	<b>6,140</b>	5,588	+9.9%	6,140
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Unit-based anodizing

HMF	691			1,017	
LHT	537			849	
Consolidated sales for Q1	7,367	5,588	+31.8%	8,006	+43.3%

\* The basis for consolidation includes HMF and LHT as of February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007.

Set against a favorable economic context and a strong level of demand for anodized aluminum, the COIL Group confirmed the good trend seen in 2006 over the first quarter of 2007. Indeed, consolidated sales totaled €7,367,000 over the period, up 31.8%. Business generated by the new UK subsidiaries, specialized in unit-based anodizing, came to €1,228,000.

On organic growth and on its continuous anodizing activity alone, sales are up 9.9%, which represents a high level in light of a strong basis for comparison, with Q1 2006 seeing organic growth of 8.6%.

For better visibility, pro forma data have been drawn up for Q1 2007, showing consolidated sales of €8,006,000, with €1,866,000 generated on the unit-based anodizing business.

In the end, the start of 2007 has been marked by a high level of business and a strengthening of positions in the Group's main regions, notably in the UK further to the acquisitions carried out over the start of this year.

For each product category, the Group's achievements are in line with its expectations. Indeed, they have remained unchanged, with the architecture, building and industrial markets (welded tubes and double-glazing spacers) benefiting from a favorable environment.

Over the full year, COIL is maintaining its forecast for double-digit growth in business over 2007, with a strong increase in operating income.

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As Tim Hutton, COIL's Chief Executive Officer, explains: *"We are satisfied with the strong growth achieved over the past quarter. The integration of LHT Anodisers Ltd and Heywood Metal Finishers Ltd is moving ahead as planned. We are also currently benefiting from a sustained level of demand, effectively covered by our entire industrial tool.*

*With its dynamic growth picking up pace over the first quarter, COIL is drawing on its unique fundamentals to achieve lasting profitable growth. In this way, Coil aims to consolidate the quality of its fundamentals over 2007 in order to hone its international development strategy, while pursuing its profitable growth over time".*

**NEXT DATE:** general meeting to be held on June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2007

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**About COIL**

*COIL, a Belgian Group listed on Euronext Paris Eurolist C since June 26<sup>th</sup>, 1996 is the world's largest architectural and industrial anodizer, specializing in the surface treatment of aluminum extrusions, castings and flat-rolled products.*

*Anodizing is an electrochemical process – electrolysis – that develops a natural and protective exterior layer on aluminum that can be colored, providing exceptional corrosion protection and/or increased functionality for the metal.*

*Anodizing preserves all the natural and ecological properties of aluminum – it retains its high strength-to-weight ratio, non-magnetic properties and exceptional corrosion resistance without any impact on the total and repeated recyclability of the metal.*

*Anodized aluminum is used across a wide range of architectural, designer, industrial and automotive applications.*

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