

# HUGO BOSS

Press Release

## **HUGO BOSS: Preliminary year-end figures for 2005**

**Group sales rise by 12% to EUR 1,309 million**

**Earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT) up 21% to EUR 163 million**

Metzingen. The HUGO BOSS fashion group increased total sales in fiscal 2005 by 12% to EUR 1,309 million (2004: EUR 1,168 million). The increase also amounted to 12% when adjusted for currency effects. Earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT) rose by 21% to EUR 163 million (2004: EUR 135 million), and net income increased by 23% to EUR 108 million (2004: EUR 88 million).

“We have again outperformed the global fashion market in all key business areas in 2005. The BOSS Black Womenswear collections were particularly successful with sales growth of 38%,” commented Dr. Bruno Sälzer, Chairman of HUGO BOSS AG’s Managing Board, on this performance.

The Managing Board continues to anticipate an upward trend in sales and earnings for 2006.

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