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Sika gains Market Share

For the year 2002 the Sika Group achieved net sales within the expected amount of about CHF 2.12 Billion. Net sales were therefore slightly above those of the previous year. Measured in local currencies net sales grew by more than 7.5%. Above average increases in sales were achieved particularly in the Eastern and Southern European as well as the Asian markets. The growth in local currencies despite the fact of largely shrinking markets shows that Sika managed to gain market share in a highly competitive environment.

More detailed financial results will be published on March 19 2003.

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Company Profile Sika AG

Sika AG, based in Baar, Switzerland, is a leading global supplier of specialty chemicals. Sika offers process materials for sealing, bonding, damping, reinforcing and protecting of load-bearing structures in construction (buildings and infrastructure) and in industry (transportation, automotive, marine and appliances & equipment). Sika's product line includes concrete admixtures, speciality mortars, sealants, adhesives, speciality acoustic and reinforcing materials, structural strengthening systems, industrial flooring and membranes.

Locally based operations in more than 60 countries with over 8'000 employees connect customers directly with Sika and guarantee for the success of all our partners. With this concept Sika achieves an annual sales of approximately CHF 2.1 billion.

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