

## Caltagirone Editore: the Board of Directors approves 2010 first half results

- Revenues: Euro 124.2 million (Euro 128 million as of June 30<sup>th</sup> 2009)
- Ebitda: Euro 12.3 million (Euro 2,9 million as of June 30<sup>th</sup> 2009)
- Ebit: Euro 6.1 million (Euro -6.1 million as of June 30<sup>th</sup> 2009)
- Group Net Profit: Euro 3.1 million (Euro -18.8 million as of June 30<sup>th</sup> 2009)

**Rome, July 28<sup>th</sup> 2010** – The Board of Directors of Caltagirone Editore, chaired by Francesco Gaetano Caltagirone, today approved the results for the first half of 2010.

### Consolidated financial highlights

<i>(Euro million)</i>	<b>H1 2010</b>	<b>H1 2009</b>	<b>Change %</b>
Revenues	124.2	128.1	-3
• <i>Circulation</i>	39	40.8	-4.5
• <i>Advertising</i>	80	80.7	-0.9
• <i>Other operating revenues</i>	5.2	6.4	-19.6
Ebitda	12.3	2.9	n.a.
Ebit	6.1	-6.1	n.a.
Group Net Profit	3.1	-18.8	n.a.

Caltagirone Editore Group ended 2010 first half with results still suffering from persisting crisis. However the strict cost reduction plan launched in 2009 and still under way led to gradual improving results and to a net profit figure in the first half.

**Revenues** reached Euro 124.2 million (Euro 128 million in the corresponding period of 2009). It is worth noting that the Group has not increased newspapers cover price unlike most competitors.

**Ebitda** reached Euro 12.3 million (Euro 2.9 million as of June 30<sup>th</sup> 2009) increasing with respect to the first half of 2009 thanks to a sizeable operating costs reduction and to lower personnel costs (-10.5%).

**Operating profit**, before amortization, depreciation and provisions, reached Euro 6.1 million (Euro - 6.1 million in the corresponding period of 2009).

**Net financial result** reached Euro 1.4 million (Euro -8.2 million as of June 30<sup>th</sup> 2009), including financial income of Euro 2.9 million and financial charges of Euro 1.5 million.

**Group Net Profit** reached Euro 3.1 million (Euro -18.8 million in the corresponding period of 2009).

**Net cash position** reached Euro 209.2 million (Euro 226.3 million as of December 31<sup>st</sup> 2009). The reduction of Euro 17.1 million was the effect of investments in listed companies and dividend distribution.

### Outlook

To face up the scenario still characterized by a high degree of uncertainty, the Group implemented a strict cost control policy; during the first six months of 2010 this caused significant benefits that will continue also in the next months.

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*The Executive responsible for the preparation of the corporate accounting documents, Roberto Di Muzio, declares in accordance with article 154 bis, paragraph 2, of the “Testo Unico della Finanza”, that the accounting information contained in the present press release corresponds to the underlying documents, records and accounting entries.*

*The balance sheet and income statement are attached, currently being examined by the independent audit firm and by the Board of Statutory Auditors.*

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## CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

### ASSETS

*In thousands of Euro*

	30/06/2010	31/12/2009
<b>Non-current assets</b>		
Intangible assets with definite life	2,478	2,777
Goodwill and other indefinite intangible assets	447,316	447,317
Property, plant and equipment	83,349	87,091
Equity investments valued at cost	1,843	2,051
Equity investments valued at net equity	4,012	4,256
Equity investments and non-current securities	97,211	113,748
Non-current financial assets	27	32
Other non-current assets	1,078	901
Deferred tax asset	24,169	24,922
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>661,483</b>	<b>683,095</b>
<b>Current assets</b>		
Inventories	2,934	3,713
Trade receivables	77,681	76,387
<i>of which related parties</i>	1,279	1,122
Current financial assets	5,471	5,505
<i>of which related parties</i>	5,435	5,435
Tax receivables	371	1,167
Other current assets	1,764	3,028
Cash and cash equivalents	263,779	284,460
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>352,000</b>	<b>374,260</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>1,013,483</b>	<b>1,057,355</b>

## SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY AND LIABILITIES

*In thousands of Euro*

	30/06/2010	31/12/2009
<b>Shareholders' Equity</b>		
Share capital	125,000	125,000
Share capital issue costs	(18,865)	(18,865)
Other reserves	652,061	719,794
Profit (Loss) for the period	3,142	(39,206)
<b>Group Shareholders' Equity</b>	<b>761,338</b>	<b>786,723</b>
Minority interest shareholders' equity	786	1,898
<b>TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>	<b>762,124</b>	<b>788,621</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>		
Employee provisions	40,050	41,060
Other non-current provisions	7,677	7,641
Non-current financial liabilities	37,558	41,387
Other non-current liabilities	2,921	3,100
Deferred tax liabilities	65,524	69,165
<b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>153,730</b>	<b>162,353</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Current provisions	7,506	9,837
Trade payables	31,669	35,733
<i>of which related parties</i>	106	142
Current financial liabilities	22,492	22,266
Current income taxes	518	-
Other current liabilities	35,444	38,545
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>97,629</b>	<b>106,381</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>251,359</b>	<b>268,734</b>
<b>TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>	<b>1,013,483</b>	<b>1,057,355</b>

## CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

*In thousands of Euro*

	<b>30/06/2010</b>	<b>30/06/2009</b>
Revenues from sales and services	120,11	124,304
<i>of which related parties</i>	270	239
Other operating revenues	4,110	3,750
<i>of which related parties</i>	30	13
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>124,221</b>	<b>128,054</b>
Raw material costs	12,849	16,663
Personnel costs	49,892	55,096
Other operating charges	49,181	53,346
	1,919	1,954
<b>TOTAL COSTS</b>	<b>111,922</b>	<b>125,105</b>
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>12,299</b>	<b>2,949</b>
Amortisation	4,675	5,066
Depreciation	765	2,812
Other write-downs	718	1,192
<b>EBIT</b>	<b>6,141</b>	<b>(6,121)</b>
<b>Net result of the share of associates</b>	<b>(341)</b>	<b>(6,858)</b>
Financial income	2,895	6,040
	97	153
Financial charges	(1,522)	(14,285)
	(9)	-
<b>Net financial result</b>	<b>1,373</b>	<b>(8,245)</b>
<b>PROFIT BEFORE TAX</b>	<b>7,173</b>	<b>(21,224)</b>
Income taxes for the period	(4,164)	2,175
<b>PROFIT FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS</b>	<b>3,009</b>	<b>(19,049)</b>
<b>PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD</b>	<b>3,009</b>	<b>(19,049)</b>
Group net profit (loss)	3,142	(18,822)
Minority interest share	(133)	(227)
Earnings per share (Euro per share)	0,024	(0,152)
Diluted earnings per share (Euro per share)	0,024	(0,152)