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LPKF confirms figures budgeted for the first quarter

The worldwide economic development of the first quarter 2002 has confirmed the cautious optimism of LPKF Laser & Electronics AG. The year-on-year turnover increased by 24.4% to K€ 6,850 (K€ 5,507). This results in a group result of K€ 664 (K€ 645) with a profit margin after tax of 9.7% (11.7%).

The diluted result per share is € 0.06.

The success of the laser systems was mainly responsible for the positive quarterly result.

The current orders on hand of LPKF Laser & Electronics AG are € 3.5 (€ 2.4) million.

Concerning laser systems which support a further miniaturisation of electronic components, LPKF offers and sells an outstandingly well-placed product range. However, there still is a strong restraint of potential customers when it comes to investment.

The assessment of the economic development of the current financial year still remains cautiously optimistic, because many economy experts predict the second half of the year to be clearly more positive than the same period of last year.