



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### ***ITALIAN STOCK EXCHANGE - STAR SEGMENT***

#### **PRIMA INDUSTRIE**

**CLOSED THE TRANSACTION OF ACQUISITION OF THE OSAI GROUP BY THE SUBSIDIARY PRIMA ELECTRONICS (THE CONTROL DATED BACK TO 07/02/2007) THROUGH:**

- **THE DETERMINATION AND PAYMENT TO THE VENDORS OF THE EARN-OUT**
- **THE ACQUISITION BY OSAI S.p.A OF THE MINORITIES (18%) OF OSAI UK Ltd.**

*Turin, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008* – The Shareholders' Meeting of OSAI S.p.A., controlled by Prima Industrie S.p.A. through Prima Electronics S.p.A., having acknowledged the consolidated result of the group OSAI as at December 31, 2007, established in 795 thousand euros the amount to be paid as earn-out to the vendor shareholders (defined within the share purchase agreement as 3 times the EBITDA growth the between 2006 and 2007, with floor equal to zero and cap equal to 1.5 million euros).

The Company Shareholders' Meeting also acknowledged the acquisition, carried out at the end of last week, of the minorities relevant to OSAI UK Ltd. (18%, formerly held by the management). The payment amounted to 203 thousand British Pounds.

**PRIMA ELECTRONICS S.p.A.**, founded in 1978, is owned by **PRIMA INDUSTRIE S.p.A.**, a public company listed on the Italian Stock Exchange (STAR Segment). With almost 120 employees and revenues of 28 millions euros in 2007, PRIMA ELECTRONICS, leader in the DOTS (**D**edicated **O**ff-**T**he-**S**helf)<sup>TM</sup> market, designs and manufactures industrial-grade electronic boards and modules dedicated to specific customer applications. CNC and Motion-control, automation, energy and transportations are within the main markets where the company is engaged with major Italian and international customers.

During the year 2007 through the acquisition of the group Osai, the company entered the sector of numerical control destined, in particular, to be installed on marble, wood and glass processing machines.

**PRIMA INDUSTRIE**, established in 1977 and listed at the Italian Stock Exchange since 1999, currently present on the STAR segment, develops, manufactures and markets high-power laser systems for cutting, welding and drilling of three-dimensional (3D) and bi-dimensional (2D) parts.

PRIMA INDUSTRIE leads a Group with nearly 780 employees, with manufacturing facilities in Italy (PRIMA INDUSTRIE S.p.A. and PRIMA ELECTRONICS S.p.A.); USA (PRIMA North America Inc.) and China (Shanghai Unity Prima Ltd. and Shenyang Prima Laser Machine Company Ltd.), and with a wide sales network in almost 50 countries.

At present the Group has over 2500 systems installed worldwide with more than 1000 customers in the automotive, aerospace and in a wide range of other industries.

After 30 years from its incorporation, PRIMA INDUSTRIE's mission is still the same of its origin: innovation, excellence, growth.

The Group recently widened its borders acquiring the Finnish company Finn-Power, leading a group with great experience and know-how in the sector of sheet metal fabrication, and so becoming a worldwide lead role player in the sector of laser systems and sheet metal processing .

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