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Sports car manufacturer remains committed to investments in the future

Porsche: Profits dip comparatively moderately

**Stuttgart.** Porsche confronts the effects of the corona crisis in the first three months of 2020: The company's operating result fell by 34 percent at €0.6 billion as compared to the previous year. The return on sales was 9.5 percent. Deliveries were down by 5 percent. The company handed over 53,125 vehicles to customers by the end of March. Since the beginning of the year, the workforce grew by one percent to 35,866 employees.

Lutz Meschke, Deputy Chairman of the Executive Board at Porsche AG and Member of the Executive Board responsible for Finance and IT: "At €6 billion, the company was even able to achieve a slight increase in sales revenues as compared to the previous year. This was due to a positive model mix, and the business units besides the car business also developed positively." As a result of the corona crisis, a drop in volume and costs related to continued high investments in electrification and digitalisation both worked against the positive developments. In addition to these costs was an increase in overheads from the introduction of new models – particularly the all-electric Taycan. Due to the corona crisis, these expenditures were not able to be offset by increased earnings in the first quarter.

"The global corona crisis is a major challenge for Porsche. It is important to maintain an essentially optimistic overall approach and systematic management, so that when the crisis is over work can be resumed at full speed. We are committed to our investments in the future in terms of electrification and the digitalisation of our cars," says

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Oliver Blume, Chairman of the Executive Board of Porsche AG. "In times like these, it

is also our intention to be true to our social responsibility. We are helping with donations

and supporting the government with, for example, the procurement of medical protec-

tive equipment. Beyond that, many of our employees are volunteering their services."

"We are determined to make responsible decisions in response to the crisis, and to

see it as an opportunity," says Meschke. "Now we are concentrating completely on

managing costs, liquidity and cashflow, in order to protect our business and to be pre-

pared to return to fully implementing our strategy when the crisis is behind us."

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