

**ESAB INDIA LIMITED**

Regd. Office: Plot No. 13, 3rd Main Road,  
Industrial Estate, Ambattur, Chennai - 600 058

Unaudited Financial Results  
for the quarter/six months ended 30 June 2008

(Rs In Lacs)

Particulars	Quarter Ended 30-06-08 (Unaudited)	Quarter Ended 30-06-07 (Unaudited)	Six Months Ended 30-06-08 (Unaudited)	Six Months Ended 30-06-07 (Unaudited)	Previous Accounting Year Ended 31-12-07 (Audited)
Gross Sales	12926	9939	24362	19202	39200
Less : Excise Duty	1486	1208	2857	2354	4905
Net Sales / Income from Operations	11440	8731	21505	16848	34295
Other Income	197	126	328	201	746
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>11637</b>	<b>8857</b>	<b>21833</b>	<b>17049</b>	<b>35041</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
(Increase)/Decrease in Stock-in-trade	(816)	(132)	(808)	(134)	(439)
Consumption of Raw & Packing Materials	6544	4307	11441	8406	17526
Purchases - Finished Goods	760	816	1656	1375	2846
Staff Cost	808	670	1588	1227	2529
Depreciation	162	132	320	266	561
Other Expenditure	1332	902	2411	1848	3837
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>8790</b>	<b>6695</b>	<b>16608</b>	<b>12988</b>	<b>26860</b>
Interest and Finance Charges	29	23	53	43	88
Exceptional Items	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Profit from Ordinary Activities before tax</b>	<b>2818</b>	<b>2139</b>	<b>5172</b>	<b>4018</b>	<b>8093</b>
Tax Expense	969	727	1782	1374	2753
<b>Net Profit from Ordinary Activities after tax</b>	<b>1849</b>	<b>1412</b>	<b>3390</b>	<b>2644</b>	<b>5340</b>
Extraordinary Items (net of tax expense)	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net Profit for the period</b>	<b>1849</b>	<b>1412</b>	<b>3390</b>	<b>2644</b>	<b>5340</b>
Paid-up Equity Share Capital (Face Value of Rs. 10 each)	1539	1539	1539	1539	1539
Reserves excluding revaluation reserves (As at 31-12-2007)	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	8836
Basic and Diluted Earnings Per Share (Rs.)	12.01	9.17	22.02	17.18	34.69
Aggregate of public shareholding					
- Number of shares	6840731	9649820	6840731	9649820	6840731
- Percentage of holding (to total shareholding)	44.40	62.70	44.40	62.70	44.40
<b>SEGMENT REPORTING</b>					
<b>Segment Revenue (Net)</b>					
Consumables	8657	6190	15803	12129	24470
Equipment	2783	2541	5702	4719	9825
<b>Total</b>	<b>11440</b>	<b>8731</b>	<b>21505</b>	<b>16848</b>	<b>34295</b>
<b>Segment Results</b>					
Consumables	2524	1737	4511	3381	6614
Equipment	470	511	932	870	1904
<b>Total</b>	<b>2994</b>	<b>2248</b>	<b>5443</b>	<b>4251</b>	<b>8518</b>
<b>Less :</b>					
i) Interest and Finance Charges	29	23	53	43	88
ii) Other unallocated expenditure net of unallocated income	147	86	218	190	337
<b>Total Profit Before Tax</b>	<b>2818</b>	<b>2139</b>	<b>5172</b>	<b>4018</b>	<b>8093</b>
<b>Capital Employed</b>					
Consumables	9653	6470	9653	6470	7144
Equipment	3076	2398	3076	2398	2513
Un allocated	1036	613	1036	613	719

1. The above financial results of the Company, which exclude the results of the subsidiary, were reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors at their respective meetings held on 24 July, 2008.

2. A penalty of Rs.679 lacs had been levied on the company by the Enforcement Directorate, Mumbai, for an alleged violation under Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999. The company had appealed against this levy of penalty in the High Court of Bombay and the court has quashed the order of penalty and reverted the matter back to the Enforcement Directorate. The management is confident that no claim would arise out of these proceedings.

3. The statutory auditors have carried out a limited review of the above results.

4. The Company had no investor complaints pending at the beginning of the quarter. 18 complaints were received during the quarter and all were disposed of during the quarter.

5. The provision for taxation of Rs. 969 lacs during the quarter comprises Rs. 961 lacs in respect of current year taxation, Rs. (4) lacs for deferred tax and Rs. 12 lacs in respect of Fringe Benefits Tax.

6. ESAB Welding and Cutting Systems Limited, (EWCS) the wholly owned subsidiary merged with the company, vide the order of the Hon'ble High Court of Madras, dated 24 June 2008. The order was filed with the Registrar of Companies, Chennai on 1 July 2008. As envisaged in the scheme of amalgamation, 1 July 2008 shall be deemed to be Effective Date of the merger and 1 January 2008 is the Appointed Date from which date all the assets and liabilities of the transferor company, EWCS will vest with the Company. The financial impact of the merger is not material and hence not considered in the above financial results for this quarter and six months ended on that date.

7. The Board of Directors declared an interim dividend to the equity shareholders @ 130% i.e. Rs. 13 per share of Rs. 10 each.

8. Previous periods' figures have been regrouped or reclassified wherever necessary.

for ESAB INDIA LIMITED

G. Hariharan  
Managing Director

Chennai, 24 July 2008