## **INVESTORDAYS**

## **Financial review**

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## 1H'07 key figures

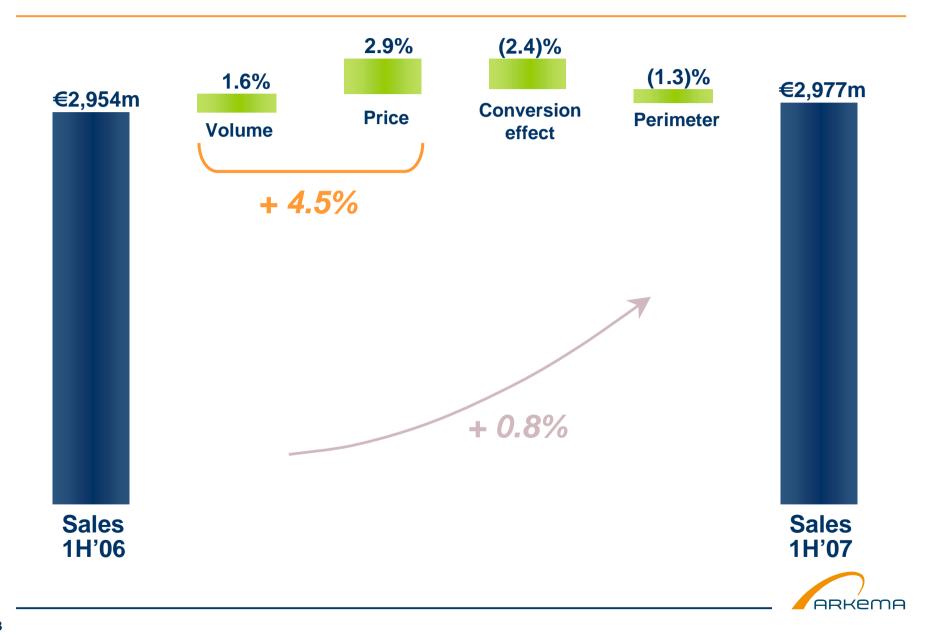
	1H'06	1H'07	Variation*
Sales	2,954	2,977	+0.8%
EBITDA	234	284	+21%
EBITDA margin	7.9%	9.5%	
Operating income (rec.)	124	177	+43%
NR items	(40)	(79)	n/a
Net income (group share)	37	67	+81%
Adj. net income	67	119	+78%
Cash flows**	(149)	132	<i>n.m.</i>
Net debt (vs 12/31/06)	324	198	(39%)

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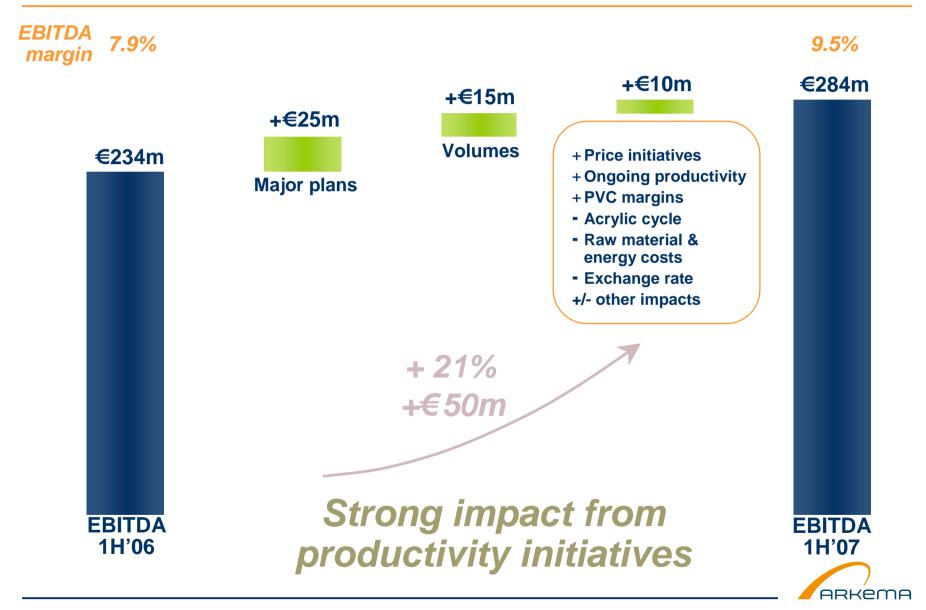


\*\* Related to operations and investments

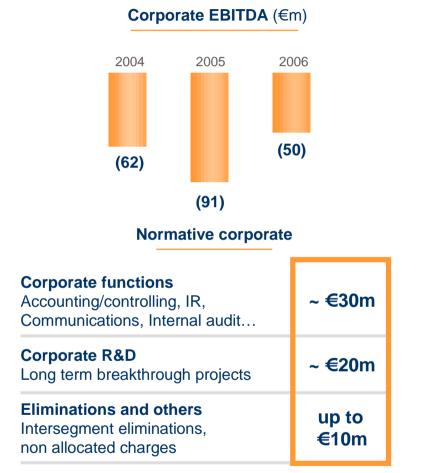
## Sales growth sustained by price increases



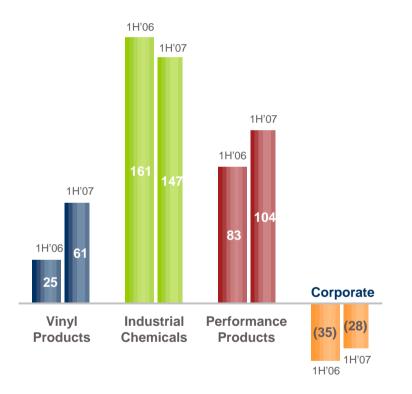
## +21% EBITDA growth



## Strict management of corporate segment



EBITDA by segment (€m)



## Less than 1% of sales



## **Density of restructuring initiatives**

#### **NR** items related to restructuring initiatives

In €m	1H'06	2H'06	1H'07
P&L charges	(31)	(51)	(81)
Expected savings	15	40	75
Full impact in	2007	2008	2009

#### Cash expenses related to restructuring at €42m in 1H'07

- €22m related to pre-spin off items
- €20m related to new restructuring initiatives announced post spin off

## Full EBITDA impact in 2009: ~€100m



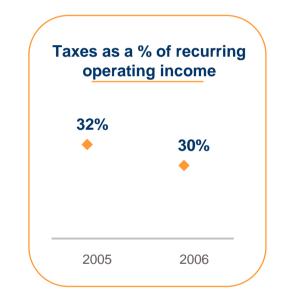
## **Tax situation**

#### **Specificity of our tax situation in France**

- High level of restructuring charges
- Tax losses
- Deferred taxes not recognized yet
- Define a tax rate based on recurring operating income (ROI)
  - Geographical spread of profit: average around 36.5% of ROI
  - Non-operating expenses are tax deductible and represent 15 to 20% of ROI

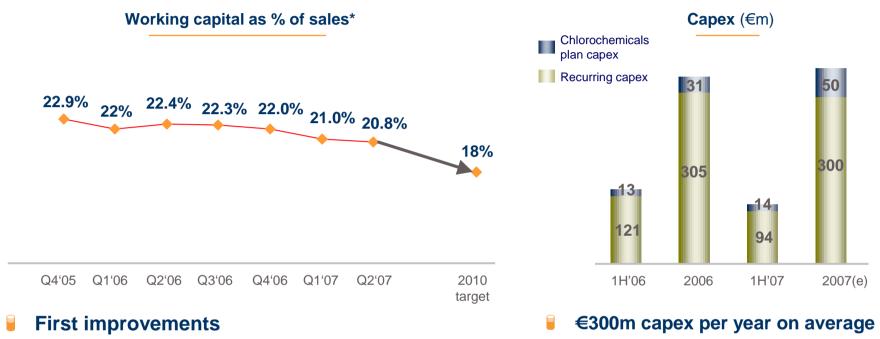
Tax expenses = 30% of ROI

- 1H'07 rate below guidance
  - Impact of restructuring expenses outside France
  - French tax group





# Working capital and CAPEX in line with guidance



- Reduction of overdues
- Reduction of "sleeping inventory"
- Optimization of spare parts

#### Mid-term actions

- Reduction of DSO
- Lower level of inventories sustained by better production reliability

## Variable part of management compensation partly linked to WC improvement

items >€50m capex in Asia in average for the next three years

Capex for chlorochemicals plan

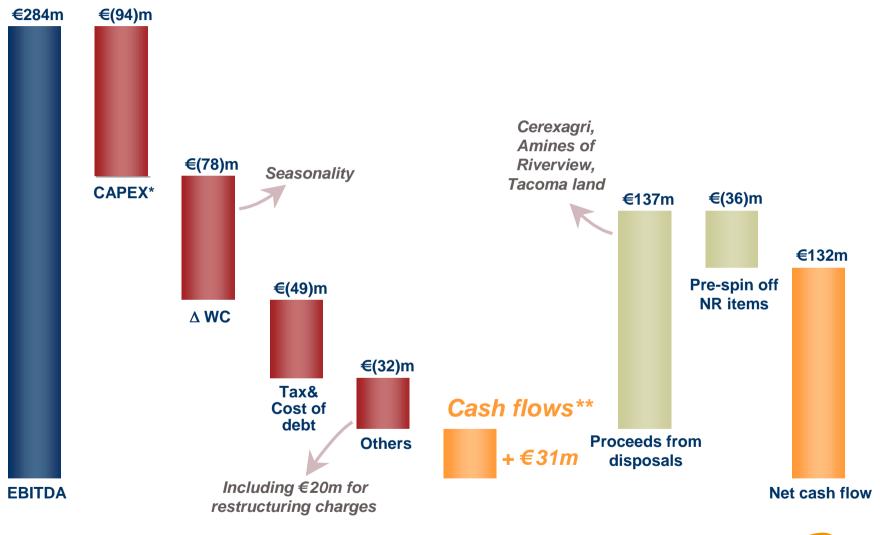
(€100m) included in NR pre-spin off

50% of capex dedicated to growth

and productivity projects



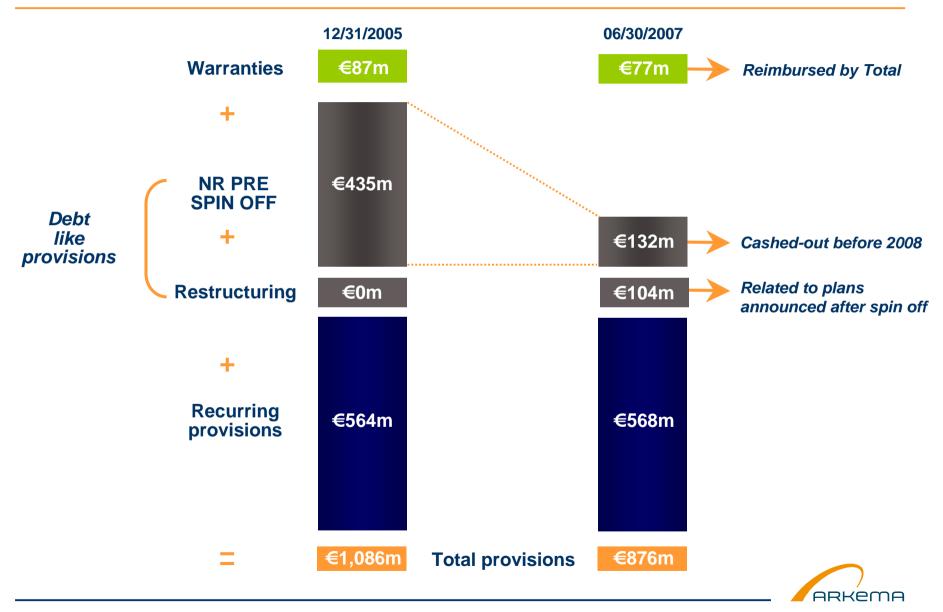
## A positive cash flow





\* Excluding capex related to Vinyl Products restructuring plan (included in pre-spin off NR items) \*\* Calculated as cash flows before pre-spin off NR items and portfolio management

## €236m debt like provisions end of June 2007



## **Recurring provisions around €550m**

#### Social

- Retirees kept by Total
- Defined benefit supplementary pensions:
  - France: close in 1973
  - Germany: close in 2002
  - US: close to new entrant in 2007 and to employees younger than 50 years old in 2008
- Provision split

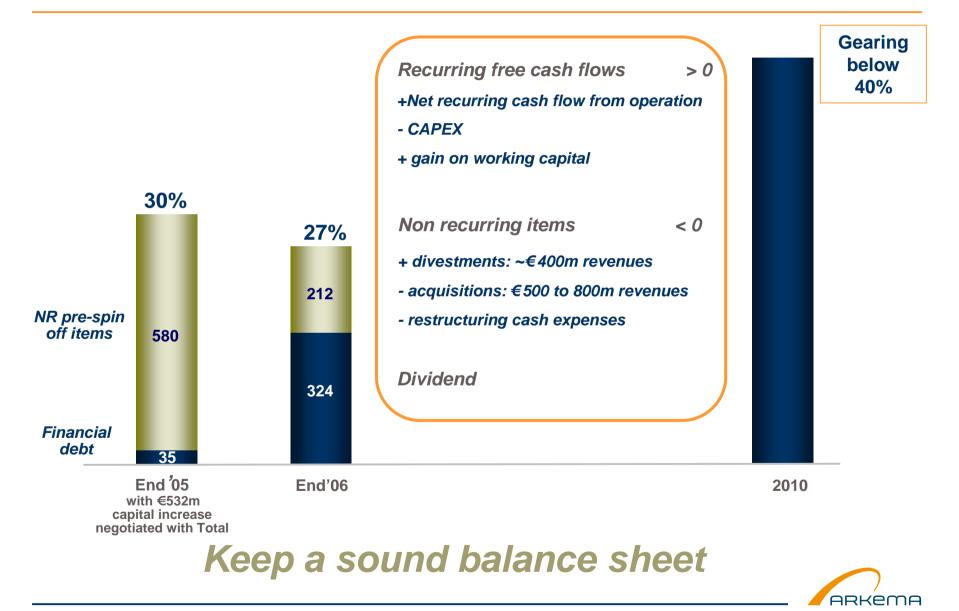
Pensions:	€173m	France:	65%
Other benefits:	€97m	US:	12%
		Germany:	21%

- EBITDA impact: €25m (service costs)
- Cash outflows: €24m





## A strict allocation of cash



## Conclusion

- Strong performance above targets reflecting Arkema's transformation
- Very selective use of cash for projects with high returns (restructuring and growth projects, acquisitions)
- Maintain a sound balance sheet
- **Confident in our 2010 financial targets** 
  - 12% EBITDA margin
  - Working capital at 18% of sales
  - Gearing at 40%

