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Key figures

F	Figures stated in mill. EUR	1st quarter 2012 (IFRS)	1st quarter 2011 (IFRS)
Revenue		23.7	20.8
Business Solutions		10.4	10.8
Wholesale		10.2	7.0
New Business		3.1	3.0
Gross earnings		6.3	6.3
Business Solutions		4.8	4.8
Wholesale		0.3	0.3
New Business		1.2	1.2
EBITDA		1.8	1.7
in % of revenue		7.6 %	8.0 %
EBIT		1.0	0.9
in % of revenue		4.4 %	4.4 %
Consolidated profit		0.5	0.4
Earnings per share ¹ (in EUR)		0.14	0.11
Balance sheet total		44.5	46.9
Equity capital		22.2	20.5
in % of the balance sheet total		49.9 %	43.6 %
Number of shares as of 03/31.		3,752,500	3,752,500
Net debt		3.0	5.7
Cash flow from ongoing business	activities	0.6	1.8
Cash flow from investment activitie		-0.5	-0.3
Cash flow from financing activities		-1.0	-1.0
Financial resources as of 03/31		5.4	6.5
Free cash flow ³		0.2	1.6
Employees as of 03/31 ²		185	189

- 1) both undiluted and diluted
- without minority companies (mvneco GmbH) 2)
- 3) taking into account interest payment after tax shield





Dear Shareholders,

The ecotel group started the year 2012 successfully and remains on course. Revenue in the reporting period increased due to growth in the Wholesale segment by a total of 14 % to 23.7 mill. EUR (previous year: 20.8 mill. EUR), while revenue in the B2B segment underwent a slight decline of 4 % from the comparison period. On the other hand, the gross profit has already stabilized at 6.3 mill. EUR, which corresponds to a gross profit margin of 27 %.

The continuing positive trend in the B2B segment with increasing orders received in the marketing of VPN and data products as well as growing revenue in the segment of full access products confirms that the planned foundation for the growth of revenue in the core business which we are striving for in 2013 can be laid in the current business year.

EBITDA totalled 1.8 mill. EUR and was therefore 6 % higher than in the previous year. This corresponds to an EBITDA margin of 8 %. EBIT, at 1.0 mill. EUR, also improved slightly in the first quarter by 0.1 mill. EUR. Consolidated profit totalled 0.5 mill. EUR, which corresponds to earnings per share of 0.14 EUR compared with 0.11 EUR in the previous year.

The net debt of 3.0 mill. EUR due to delayed payments from two key accounts was identical to the previous quarter. The equity ratio improved in the reporting period from 47 % to 50 %.

ecotel is consistently continuing on the planned course for increased profitability, debt repayment and realignment for the marketing of strategic and sustainable products in the B2B segment in the year 2012. As of 31 March, we had about 13,000 active full access orders. Meanwhile, these make up almost 25 % of the total B2B revenue. In addition, the revenue earned with broadband data access (ADSL, SHDSL and Ethernet) meanwhile makes up 23 % of the total B2B revenue.

Based on these trends we are again expecting a positive business development in the current business year 2012. Therefore, we reaffirm the forecast for 2012 with EBITDA of 6.0–7.0 mill. EUR and revenue of 80–90 mill. EUR.

Düsseldorf, in May 2012

Bernhard Seidl Executive Board Finances

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Peter Zils Chief Executive Officer

Achim Theis Executive Board Sales



Earnings and performance

In the first quarter 2012 the revenue of ecotel totalled 23.7 mill. EUR, which was 14 % above the revenue of the same period last year (20.8 mill. EUR). The gross profit in the first quarter 2012, 6.3 mill. EUR, remained constant compared with the same quarter last year. The gross profit margin dropped slightly from 30 % to 27 % due to the increase in revenue.

The Business Solutions segment in the first quarter 2012 contributed 44 % to the total revenue and 77 % to the gross profit of the ecotel group. Revenue in the Business Solutions segment decreased slightly by 0.4 mill. EUR (–4 %) from 10.8 mill. EUR to 10.4 mill. EUR. The gross profit remained constant compared with the first quarter 2011 and totalled 4.8 mill. EUR. The gross profit margin in the first quarter 2012 was 46 %, compared with 44 % in the same quarter of the previous year.

The Wholesale segment attained revenue of 10.2 mill. EUR (previous year: 6.9 mill. EUR) in the first quarter 2012, therefore contributing 43 % to the total profit. The gross profit remained unchanged at 0.3 mill. EUR, resulting in a gross profit margin of 4 %.

The New Business segment attained revenue of 3.1 mill. EUR (previous year: 3.0 mill. EUR) in the first quarter 2012 and a gross profit of 1.2 mill. EUR (previous year: 1.2 mill. EUR).

The personnel costs in the first quarter totalled 2.5 mill. EUR, which is 0.1 mill. EUR less than in the same quarter last year. The number of employees (not including minority companies) decreased to 185 (previous year: 189). The costs for other expenses decreased to 2.1 mill. EUR (previous year: 2.3 mill. EUR).

EBITDA increased slightly in the first quarter to 1.8 mill. EUR (previous year: 1.7 mill. EUR). Depreciations in the first quarter 2012 totalled 0.8 mill. EUR, as in the same period of the previous year. EBIT in the first quarter totalled 1.0 mill. EUR, which is 0.1 mill. EUR more than in the same quarter last year.

The financial result in the first quarter 2011 was -0.1 mill. EUR. It comprises essentially interest payments on outstanding loans.

The tax expense in the first quarter was 0.2 mill. EUR. The consolidated profit after third-party shares totalled 0.5 mill. EUR, compared with 0.4 mill. EUR in the comparison period. This corresponds to earnings per share of 0.14 EUR compared with 0.11 EUR in the comparison period of the previous year.



Financial position

The cash flow from ongoing business activities in the first quarter amounted to 0.6 mill. EUR. The working capital (the difference between accounts receivable and accounts payable) increased temporarily in comparison with the last quarter by 1.2 mill. EUR, since two key accounts did not pay outstanding payments until after the end of the quarter.

The cash flow from investment activities in the first quarter 2011 totalled -0.5 mill. EUR for routers & servers, installations in computing centres, software, licenses and in-house software development.

The cash flow from financial operations in the first quarter 2011 amounted to -1.0 mill. EUR and is composed essentially of the repayment of loans and leasing obligations totalling 0.9 mill. EUR as well as interest payments totalling 0.1 mill. EUR.

The liquid funds therefore decreased since the beginning of the year from 6.2 mill. EUR to 5.4 mill. EUR.

Net worth

As of 31 March 2012 the balance sheet total was 44.5 mill. EUR, a decline of 2 % compared with 45.4 mill. EUR as of 31 December 2011.

On the assets side, the non-current assets decreased from 24.5 mill. EUR to 24.2 mill. EUR due to continuing depreciations. The current assets decreased by 3 % from 21.0 mill. EUR to 20.3 mill. EUR. This decline is composed essentially of an increase by 0.2 mill. EUR in the open accounts receivable and the reduction of funds by 0.9 mill. EUR.

On the liabilities side, the equity capital increased from 21.4 mill. EUR to 22.2 mill. EUR. The equity ratio improved from 47 % at the end of 2011 to 50 %. The noncurrent provisions and financial obligations decreased from 7.6 mill. EUR to 7.0 mill. EUR. Of this amount, 0.9 mill. EUR are attributed to latent income tax liabilities. The current provisions and obligations decreased from 16.4 mill. EUR to 15.3 mill. EUR. The net debt (debt minus liquid funds) totalled 3.0 mill. EUR, unchanged in comparison with the 2011 annual financial statements.



Risk report

The business activities of ecotel are subject to the opportunities and risks of the telecommunications market and the company-specific risks. ecotel uses a corresponding risk management system and an internal control system to identify and control these risks

In this connection we point out the information in the risk report of the 2011 annual report, which remains valid with respect to the current risk situation.

Outlook

In view of the successful start of the business year 2012, ecotel confirms its forecast for the entire year. For 2012 the company expects consolidated revenue of about 80–90 mill. EUR, and EBITDA of 6–7 mill. EUR. In addition, the company plans to continue reducing the current net debt of 3 mill. EUR to zero EUR by the end of the year.

The company will continues in 2012 with the business focus on the high-margin B2B segment. The company is planning medium-term increase in revenue, as well as an increase in the EBITDA margin.

In this connection we point out the information in the forecast report of the 2011 annual report, which remains valid with respect to the company's outlook.





Overview of the ecotel share

In the first quarter the price of the ecotel share experienced a constant upward trend. The price of the ecotel share started in the first quarter at 4.80 EUR and reached 5.03 EUR at the end of the quarter. During the course of the quarter the price dropped occasionally below the 4.80 EUR starting mark, but recovered quickly and reached the top price of 5.15 EUR, ending the quarter at 5.03 EUR.

The average daily trading volume of the share was 2,130 shares per day in the first quarter 2012, compared with 1,983 shares in the first quarter 2011.

At the end of the quarter ecotel had a market capitalization of 18.9 mill. EUR at a price per share of 5.03 EUR.

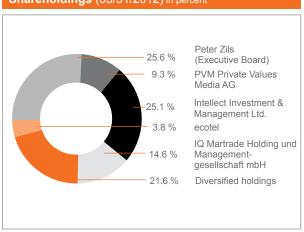
Shareholder structure

As of 31 March 2012 the share capital of ecotel communication ag totalled 3,900,000 shares. Currently ecotel holds 147,500 company-owned shares (3.8 %), so that the subscribed capital in the balance sheet totals 3,752,500 EUR. In the first quarter there was no significant change in the shareholder structure of ecotel. PVM Private Values Media AG holds 9.3 % of the company's voting shares. The company's other major shareholders are still Peter Zils with a share of 25.6 %, Intellect Investment & Management Ltd. with 25.1 % and IQ Martrade Holding und Management-gesellschaft mbH with a share of 14.6 % of the voting shares. The diversified holdings totalled 21.6 %.

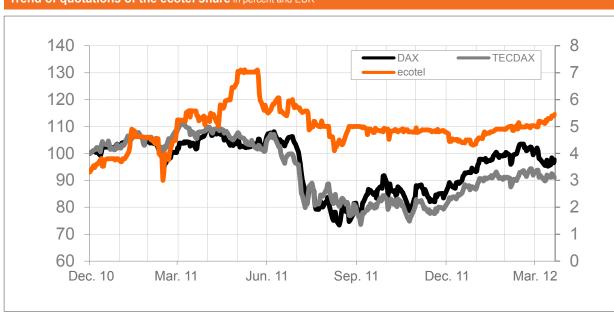
Key figures Ø 2012

WKN	585434	Date of first listing	03/29/2000
ISIN	DE0005854343	Number of shares as of 31/03/2012	3,752,500
Symbol	E4C	Average Daily trading volume in the first quarter 2012 (EUR)	2,130
Market segment starting 01/07/200	77 Prime Standard	Highest and lowest quotation in the first quarter 2012 (EUR)	n 5.15 / 4.31
Index affiliation	CDAX, Prime All Share Technology All Share	Market capitalization as of 31/03/2012 (mill EUR)*	18.9
Class	Non par value shares	Designated Sponsor Close B	rothers Seydler

Shareholdings (03/31/2012) in percent



Trend of quotations of the ecotel share in percent and EUR









Assets	Amounts in EUR	03/31/2012	12/31/2011
A. Non-current assets			
I. Goodwill and other inta	ngible assets	16,700,988.76	16,967,170.81
II. Fixed assets		5,100,103.00	5,079,565.01
III. Financial assets valued	based on the equity method	1,633,044.71	1,586,134.39
IV. Other financial assets		0.00	25,000.00
V. Non-current receivables	3	632,486.74	623,799.25
VI. Latent income tax claim	ns	84,287.40	193,361.40
Total non-current assets B. Current assets		24,150,910,61	24,475,030.86
I. Inventories		141,532.43	88,777.48
II. Accounts receivable		13,306,049.30	13,424,477.59
III. Other receivables and a	assets	1,495,670.70	1,211,435.67
IV. Effective income tax cla	nims	12,654.76	9,194.76
V. Funds		5,360,862.98	6,235,215.59
Total current assets		20,316,770.17	20,969,101.09
Total assets		44,467,680.78	45,444,131.95



Liabilities	Amounts in EUR	03/31/2012	12/31/2011
A. Equity capital			
I. Subscribed capital		3,752,500.00	3,752,500.00
II. Capital reserves		1,678,036.50	1,678,036.50
III. Other reserves		15,604,907.53	15,087,043.00
Total shareholders' equity		21,035,444.02	20,517,579.50
IV. Shares of other shareholders		1,139,416.06	900,115.78
Total equity capital		22,174,860.08	21,417,695.28
B. Non-current provisions and liabilities			
I. Latent income tax		931,745.21	979,058.08
II. Other provisions		0.00	0.00
III. Non-current loans		6,031,250.00	6,609,375.00
IV. Other financial debts		0.00	0.00
Total non-current provisions			
and liabilities		6,962,995.21	7,588,433.08
C. Short-term provisions and liabilities			
Actual income tax		424,214.10	313,903.36
II. Other provisions		0.00	0.00
III. Financial debts		2,417,962.43	2,715,502.70
IV. Accounts payable		10,628,490.03	11,555,216.98
V. Liabilities toward affiliated compa	anies	174,915.44	133,765.95
VI. Other liabilities		1,684,243.49	1,719,614.60
Total current provisions and liabilities		15,329,825.49	16,438,003.59
Total liabilities		44,467,680.78	45,444,131.95



	Amounts in EUR	01/01-03/31 2012	01/01-03/31 2011
1.	Sales revenue	23,693,069.16	20,780,018.73
2.	Other revenues or gains	170,549.94	212,406.79
3.	Increase or decrease in inventories of finished goods and work in process	0.00	0.00
4.	Other company-manufactured items capitalized	2,495.00	0.00
5.	Total operating performance	23,866,114.10	20,992,425.52
6.	Cost of materials and expenses for services purchased	-17,442,776.85	-14,432,943.12
7.	Personnel costs		
7.1	Wages and salaries	-2,146,412.28	-2,231,760.76
7.2	Social contributions and expenses for pensions and benefits	-338,835.22	-324,228.59
8.	Scheduled depreciations	-765,580.66	-815,226.09
9.	Unscheduled depreciations		
9.1	of non-current assets	0.00	0.00
9.2	of current assets	0.00	0.00
10.	Other expenses or losses	-2,128,997.97	-2,280,348.76
11.	Operating result (EBIT)	1,043,511.12	907,918.20
12.	Financial result	-80,628.74	-87,350.67
13.	Earnings from companies valued based on the equity method	28,160.32	0.00
14.	Earnings from normal business activities before income tax	991,042.70	820,567.53
15.	Taxes from income and revenue	-233,877.91	-323,596.52
16.	Consolidated profit (= income and earnings) from continuing business segments	757,164.79	496,971.01
17.	Share in earnings of other shareholders	-239,300.28	-83,107.22
18.	Consolidated profit to which shareholders of ecotel communication ag are entitled	517,864.51	413,863.79
	iluted earnings per share	0.14	0.11
Dilu	ted earnings per share	0.14	0.11





Consolidated cash flow statement for the first quarter 2012 and for the first three months of 2011 (unaudited)

Amounts in EUR	01/01-03/31 2012	01/01-03/31 2011
Consolidated profit for the year before income tax and third-party shares	991,042.70	820,567.53
Net interest income	66,328.74	78,600.67
Depreciations (+) / appreciations (–) on fixed assets	765,580.66	815,226.09
Earnings from companies valued based on the equity method	-28,160.32	0.00
Cashflow	1,794,791.78	1,714,394.29
Other expenses (+) and income (–) not affecting the balance sheet	0.00	5,646.60
Increase (-) / decrease (+) in the accounts receivable	81,629.81	1,650,949.80
Increase (+) / decrease (–) in receivables and other assets	-300,036.32	-85,275.13
Increase (+) / decrease (–) in the accounts payable	-926,726.95	-1,989,580.25
Increase (+) / decrease (–) in liabilities (without financial debts)	-21,196.62	518,992.13
Paid income tax	-65,266.04	-43.69
Inflow of funds from ongoing business activities	563,296.31	1,815,083.75
Inpayments from retirements of intangible assets	1,032.68	0.00
Payments for investments in tangible and intangible assets	-493,085.28	-320,686.69
Payments for the acquisition of subsidiaries minus acquired cash	23,835.18	0.00
Interest paid in	38.12	4,917.94
Outflow of funds from investment activities	-468,179.30	-315,768.75
Inpayments from taking out financing loans	0.00	0.00
Payments for repayment of financing loans	-857,793.01	-938,571.66
Interest paid out	-111,676.61	-145,784.25
Inflow / outflow of funds from financing activities	-969,469.62	-1,084,355.91
Change in funds balance affecting the balance sheet	-874,352.61	414,959.09
Changes in the funds balance due to exchange rates and other changes in value and presentation	0.00	0.00
Change in funds balance	-874,352.61	414,959.09
Funds balance at start of period	6,235,215.59	6,133,176.51
Funds balance at end of period	5,360,862.98	6,548,135.60



Development of consolidated equity as of 31 March 2012 (unaudited)

			Retained	dearnings	Equity capital to		
Amounts in TEUR Notes	Subscribed capital	Capital reserves	Other retained earnings	Consolidated profit	be allocated to shareholders of ecotel com- munication ag	Shares of other share-holders	Total
As per 31 December 2009	3,752	1,662	13,918	56	19,388	585	19,973
Reposting of previous year's earnings	0	0	56	-56	0	0	0
Changes in equity capital							
not affecting the earnings		0	56	-56	0	0	0
Share options plan	0	5	0	0	5	0	5
Consolidated profit for 1st quarter 2011	0	0	0	414	414	83	497
Changes in equity capital affecting the earnings	0	5	0	414	419	83	502
As per 31 March 2011	3,752	1,667	13,974	414	19,807	668	20,475
Change due to first consolidation	0	0	40	0	40	-158	-118
Regrouping due to easybell GmbH P/L transfer agreement	0	0	0	0	0	-154	-154
Changes in equity capital not affecting the earnings	0	0	40	0	40	-312	-272
Share options plan	0	11	0	0	11	0	11
Consolidated profit for 2nd–4th quarter 2011	0	0	0	659	659	544	1,203
Changes in equity capital affecting the earnings	0	11	0	659	670	544	1,214
As per 31 December 2011	3,752	1,678	14,014	1,073	20,517	900	21,417
Reposting of previous year's earnings	0	0	1,073	-1,073	0	0	0
Changes in equity capital not affecting the earnings	0	0	1,073	-1,073	0	0	0
Consolidated profit for 1st quarter 2012	0	0	0	518	518	240	758
Changes in equity capital affecting the earnings	0	0	0	518	518	240	758
As per 31 March 2012	3,752	1,678	15,087	518	21,035	1,140	22,175



Consolidated notes as of 31 March 2012

General information

The consolidated financial statements of ecotel communication ag as the reporting parent company were prepared as of 31 March 2012 in compliance with the regulations of IAS 34 and applying Section 315a of the German Commercial Code in accordance with the rules in force on the closing date of the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) of the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) taking into account the interpretations of the International Financial Reporting Interpretation Committee (IFRIC) – as accepted by the EU. IFRS not yet in force or their interpretations have not been prematurely applied. The comparative figures of the previous period were determined based on the same principles.

The same accounting policies were used in the interim statement as in the consolidated financial statements for business year 2011.

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Segments

The internal organizational and management structure and the internal reporting to the Executive Board and the Supervisory Board form the basis for defining the criteria for classification of the business segments of ecotel communication ag.

The **classification of segments** is based on the internal reporting by business segments, which are defined as follows:

- In the Business Solutions segment (operative core segment) ecotel offers SMEs "bundled" voice, data and value added services as well as direct connections for voice and data communications from one source.
- In the Wholesale segment ecotel markets products and comprehensive solutions for other telecommunications companies (including resellers and call shops) and outside distributors.
- The New Business segment includes the fast-growing business segments and subsidiaries, as well
 as new media.

	Business Solutions		Wholesale		New Bu	usiness	Gro	oup
Amounts in TEUR	2012 1st quarter	2011 1st quarter						
Sales revenue	10,447.0	10,826.7	10,177.3	6,942.6	3,068.8	3,010.7	23,693.1	20,780.0
Gross earnings	4,799.8	4,839.7	279.1	306.2	1,171.4	1,201.2	6,250.3	6,347.1
Operating result (EBIT)	540.1	601.1	149.9	35.6	353.5	271.2	1,043.5	907.9



Consolidated notes as of 31 March 2012

Consolidated companies and acquisitions

The consolidated companies of the ecotel consolidated financial statements as of 31 March 2012 have been expanded to include another subsidiary since 31 December 2011. The company is init.voice GmbH, Berlin, founded in November 2011, and was not yet included in the consolidated annual financial statements as of 31 December 2011 due to lack of material business operations. As of 1 January 2012 the company was completely consolidated for the first time. With initial capital stock of 25 TEUR the company reported fixed assets of 27 TEUR, liquid funds of 24 TEUR and debts of 27 TEUR at the time of initial consolidation, so that a goodwill of 1 TEUR was shown on the balance sheet.

As of 31 March 2012 a negative equity value of -930 TEUR remains due to the proportional cumulative negative earnings of mvneco GmbH; this negative amount is disregarded. The full amount of this equity value is reported as affecting the net income as of 31 March 2012 as an adjustment of the loan of ecotel communication ag to mvneco GmbH in the consolidated financial statements, whereas in the first quarter 2012 in comparison with the adjustment of the previous years, an adjustment of 28 TEUR was reported as affecting the net income.

Due to the negative proportional earnings of synergyPlus GmbH, also valued at equity, the equity value was already depreciated to zero in the business year 2010. The negative equity value of synergyPlus, reported as not affecting the net income, is –138 TEUR as of 31 March 2012.

Taxes from income and revenue

The income taxes reported in the income statement are composed as follows:

	01/01-03/31 2012	01/01-03/31 2011
Taxes from income and revenue – effective	-172,116.76	-63,902.92
Taxes from income and revenue – latent	-61,761.15	-259,693.60
Taxes from income and revenue	-233,877.91	-323,596.52

Earnings per share

The undiluted earnings per share are calculated in accordance with IAS 33 as the quotient of the consolidated profit for the year to which the shareholders of ecotel communication ag are entitled and the weighted average number of bearer non par value shares in circulation during the reporting period.

A dilution of the earnings per share occurs if the average number of shares is increased due to the additional issue of potential shares from options and convertible financial instruments. As of 31 March 2012 there were no longer any share options, since the share options expired on 30 September 2011. As of the previous year's closing date the exercise price of the existing 145,000 share options was significantly above the average market price of the ecotel share listed for the corresponding period. In accordance with IAS 33.47 these options would have had no diluting effect as of the previous year's closing date, so that the undiluted and the diluted earnings are identical. As of 31 March 2012 a dilution effect no longer existed.



	01/01-03/31 2012	01/01-03/31 2011
Accrued consolidated profit for the year (in EUR)	517,864.51	413,863.79
Weighted average number of shares	3,752,000	3,752,500
Undiluted / diluted earnings per share (in EUR)	0.14	0.11

Other information

No significant transactions with related parties were conducted in the first quarter 2012.

Düsseldorf, 11 May 2012

The Executive Board



Declaration of the legal representatives in accordance with § 37y Securities Trading Act (WpHG)

We assure to the best of our knowledge that in accordance with the accounting principles applied, the consolidated interim financial report reflects a true and fair view of the group's net worth, financial position and earnings and performance and that the consolidated interim financial report depicts the business trend, including the group's profit and financial position in a manner corresponding to the actual circumstances, as well as describing the essential opportunities and risks of the expected development of the group.

Düsseldorf, 15 May 2012 ecotel communication ag

The Executive Board

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Financial calendar

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