

PRESS RELEASE

CONTINUED STRONG GROWTH MOMENTUM

Q1 GROWTH: + 29.2%

Q1 SALES: €121.7m

Puteaux, 9th May 2007: the ORPEA group, a leading player in long-term care (nursing homes), post-acute care and psychiatric care, today announced its sales for the 2006 1st Quarter, ended March 31st.

<i>In € million IFRS</i>	Q1 2007	Q1 2006	<i>Var. (%)</i>
France <i>% of total sales</i>	111.9 92 %	89.8 95 %	+24.6%
International <i>% of total sales</i>	9.8 8 %	4.4 5 %	+123.1%
Total sales <i>Organic growth</i>	121.7	94.2	+ 29.2% +11.8%

Yves Le Masne, the Group's COO, commented: "The first quarter of 2007 confirms the Orpea Group's strong growth momentum, with sales up almost 30%. Organic growth reached 11.8% driven by the gradual ramp-up in the number of beds under renovation. A targeted acquisition policy resulted in external growth of over 17%, mainly due to acquisitions in Spain and Belgium. With reserves of more than 5,000 beds under renovation or construction, Orpea offers excellent visibility in terms of growth over the coming quarters and so it is comforting its 2007 revenue target of €520 millions."

Next press release: H1 sales
17th July 2007 before market opening

About ORPEA (www.orpea-corp.com): Listed on Euronext Paris since April 2002, and recently promoted to the Deferred Settlement Service, the ORPEA group is a leading player in the Long-Term Care and Post-Acute Care sectors. The Group has a unique network of healthcare facilities, with 18 014 beds (14 790 of them operational) across 193 sites at 1st March 2007, including:

- 14 053 beds: 11 446 operational (including 994 being renovated) + 2 607 under construction, spread across 150 sites for long-term care (nursing homes),
- 3 961 beds: 3 344 operational (including 820 being renovated) + 617 under construction, spread across 43 sites for post-acute care (medium-term clinics and psychiatry).

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