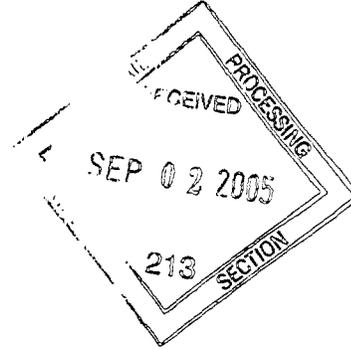


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Dear Sirs,

The enclosed press release is being furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on behalf of Saia-Burgess Electronics Holding AG (the "Company") pursuant to the exemption from the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act") afforded by Rule 12g3-2(b) thereunder.

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Very truly yours,

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**Press Release**

Murten, August 4, 2005

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**Saia-Burgess:**

**Report by the Board of Directors on the hostile takeover bid on August 11 –  
Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders on August 30, 2005**

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The Japanese Sumida Corp., who has launched an unfriendly takeover bid for Saia-Burgess Electronics Holding AG, has now withdrawn its request for a due diligence audit which was declared inadmissible by the Swiss Takeover Board; therefore the ten-day qualifying period will not be extended. The offer period for the takeover will run from August 5 to September 1 as originally announced. The extension of the offer period will probably start on September 8 until September 21, 2005.

The Board of Directors of Saia-Burgess will be publishing its formal report on the unwelcome takeover bid on August 11, 2005. The Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of Saia-Burgess Electronics Holding AG will be held on August 30, 2005, 11.00 hrs, in Murten. The invitation will be sent out on August 9, 2005.

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**Agenda**

- 09.08.05 Invitation to the Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders to be sent out
- 11.08.05 Publication of the report by the Board of Directors on the hostile takeover bid from Sumida
- 30.08.05 Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in Murten

**Special website 'Unwelcome takeover bid'**

All information in connection with the hostile takeover bid announced by the Japanese Sumida Corp. on June 30, 2005 is published on the special website [www.saia-burgess.com/shareholders](http://www.saia-burgess.com/shareholders).

**Saia-Burgess Group**

Saia-Burgess with its products – switches, actuators, electronic products and electronic controllers – serves important segments within the Automotive and Industry areas as well as infrastructure automation. Development and manufacturing are carried out in own production locations in Europe, North America, Africa and Asia.

In 2004 Saia-Burgess achieved sales of CHF 568.4 Mio with 3'719 employees worldwide.

The registered shares of Saia-Burgess (SBEN) are listed on the SWX Swiss Exchange.

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