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Interim Management Statement

Hampson Industries PLC (“Hampson” or “the Group”), the international aerospace and precision engineering group, today issues the following Interim Management Statement covering the period from 1 October 2009 to the current date.

Trading in the period has been satisfactory, with performance in each of the Group’s divisions being influenced by the principal factors discussed in the Half Year Report. Net debt as at 31 December 2009 stood at £146.3 million.

Although the Group’s results in the period remain below those achieved in the comparable period of the previous year, Hampson’s principal business, aerospace tooling, has continued to see early signs of the anticipated recovery of market demand. The twelve month tooling order book at 31 December 2009 had increased by 13% since 31 March 2009 and by 25% since August 2009. In addition, at US\$315 million, the level of business in the quotation pipeline remains very strong across a number of commercial, military and general aviation programmes.

Following a two and a half year delay, the Boeing 787 Dreamliner made its long awaited first flight on 15 December 2009. This marks a crucial programme milestone and its successful outcome is an important technical endorsement of the extensive use of composite materials in critical primary flight structures for large commercial aircraft. The Board anticipates that with this important programme now entering the more advanced phases of certification, further tooling will be required to support the necessary build-up to planned levels of production throughout the supply chain.

Texstars, Inc. and Composites Horizons, Inc., the Group’s composite component businesses, have continued to trade in line with the Board’s expectations in the period, with demand in the military aerospace sector remaining robust.

In the Aerospace Components & Structures division, action remains ongoing to restructure the Group’s loss-making UK aerostructures business, which continues to impact results for this division. The destocking seen by certain customers in the shims businesses in the first half appears to have ended, with Lamsco in particular seeing an upturn in new orders in the period.

The Automotive Turbocharger division’s order book has continued to strengthen in the period, in line with the gradual recovery in global automotive markets.

The Board has continued to support the Group’s strong strategic positions with selective senior management hires in the United States and investment in the most appropriate information technology systems.

Although the initial signs of recovery in tooling demand are encouraging, the Board considers it appropriate to remain cautious on the short-term outlook, pending further clear evidence of this trend being sustained. In the meantime, the Board will continue to focus on reducing debt and taking actions to improve operational efficiency as key management priorities to strengthen the Group for the medium and longer terms. As the largest aerospace tooling business in the world, the Directors believe that the Group is well placed for the anticipated resumption of longer-term growth in its core markets.

The terms “Trading Results” or “Results” used in this IMS are before exceptional items relating to restructuring and rationalisation charges, impairment charges, changes in the net value of derivative financial instruments and the amortisation of intangible assets on acquisition.

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About Hampson:

The Group's operations are structured into three business segments, serving the global commercial and military aerospace and specialist engineering markets from manufacturing facilities in the UK, North America and India.

Approximately 95% of the Group's sales are derived from its aerospace activities, the balance from the market for automotive turbocharger components. Hampson are world leaders in the design and manufacture of close tolerance tooling and assembly systems for composite and metallic aerostructures. The Group employs over 1,500 people worldwide.

Hampson Industries PLC is listed on the main market of the London Stock Exchange (Symbol: HAMP). For more information on Hampson: www.hampsongroup.com

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