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**BONDPARTNERS SA (BPL):** After an excellent financial year 2005, the Lausanne based securities trading house also reports a good year 2006. The individual net profit climbed 8% to CHF 2.6m and the consolidated net income to CHF 3.5m (+11,5%). The shareholders' equity has increased and the total balance sheet reached CHF 126m, or an 11% hike. If the segments of activity linked to stock and bond trading have turned a higher income in slightly lower turnover, the result from currency exchange has, for its part, followed a downward trend, the Swiss franc having markedly strengthened against certain currencies as did the dollar and the yen. The over-the-counter "*Helvetica*" market for capitalizations that are not quoted on a stock exchange has continued to grow within volumes that were once again on a sharp rise. The profit for distribution comes in at CHF 3.2m (consolidated balance carried forward CHF 8m) and in May a dividend increased to 42% will be offered to shareholders.

**About Bondpartners:** Founded in 1972, BPL is a Swiss financial company whose activities hinge on three main axes, namely the inter-professional dealing of securities, securities market making and portfolio management. It is authorized and supervised by the Federal Banking Commission. It is listed on the Swiss stock exchange since 1986 and employs about forty collaborators.

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