

Interim Report January – June 2023

QUARTERLY RESULTS APRIL – JUNE

- Net sales amounted to SEK 1,120 (1,144) m, a decrease of 2% compared with the same quarter the previous year. Excluding currency effects, the decrease amounted to 8%.
- EBITDA amounted to SEK 215 (247) m corresponding to an EBITDA margin of 19.2% (21.6%).
- Operating profit amounted to SEK 178 (211) m, corresponding to an operating margin of 15.9% (18.4%).
- Profit for the period amounted to SEK 145 (164) m and earnings per share amounted to SEK 2.16 (2.44).
- Cash flow from operating activities was SEK 245 (118) m.
- Return on operating capital, 12 months, was 32.1% (27.3%).
- The net debt/EBITDA ratio, 12 m, was 1.3 (2.2).
- The sales volume amounted to 69.4 (77.6) ktonnes.

KEY FIGURES

SEK m	2023 Q2	2022 Q2	Δ, %	2023 Jan–Jun	2022 Jan–Jun	Δ, %	2022 R12	2022 Full year
Net sales	1,120	1,144	-2	2,425	2,196	10	4,668	4,440
EBITDA	215	247	-13	498	484	3	835	821
EBITDA margin, %	19.2	21.6		20.5	22.0		17.9	18.5
Operating profit	178	211	-16	422	413	2	685	676
Operating margin, %	15.9	18.4		17.4	18.8		14.7	15.2
Net profit for the period ¹	145	164	-12	318	325	-2	559	566
Earnings per share, SEK ^{1,2}	2.16	2.44		4.75	4.86		8.35	8.46
Cash flow from operating activities	245	118	108	265	170	56	655	560
Return on operating capital, 12 m, %	32.1	27.3		32.1	27.3		32.1	32.5
Net debt/EBITDA, 12 m, ratio	1.3	2.2		1.3	2.2		1.3	1.2
Sales volume, ktonnes	69.4	77.6	-11	142.8	154.4	-7	272,9	284.5

¹ Net profit R12 and for full-year 2022 includes a capital gain in net financial items of SEK 42 million from the sale in Q4 2022 of the minority shareholding in Åmotfors Energi AB.

² Before and after dilution

CEO'S COMMENTS



STRONG RESULT IN A CONTINUED SOFT MARKET

Net sales in the second quarter amounted to SEK 1,120 million and the EBITDA margin to a healthy 19.2% in a continued soft market with decreasing product prices in both of the company's segments. The strength of our business model shows as the result was achieved despite that sales volumes in tonnes decreased by 11% compared to the second quarter last year, a very strong quarter in terms of deliveries. The lower sales volume was an effect of our decision to curtail volumes during the quarter to ease the pressure on product prices. Product prices have decreased from peak levels of the first quarter of 2023, but were still 6% higher in local currency in the second quarter compared to the same quarter last year. In addition, there is also a positive currency effect of 6% compared to the second quarter 2022.

Earnings per share amounted to SEK 2.16 for the quarter and SEK 8.35 on a rolling 12-month basis. Cash flow from operating activities reached the high level of SEK 245 million and the balance sheet remains strong which provides us with strategic flexibility.

DECREASING INVENTORY LEVELS FURTHER ALONG THE VALUE CHAIN

Around 65% of Nordic Paper's business is related to food. These market segments have stable volume growth over time. In the short term, however, demand is affected by inventory variations at several stages further along the value chain. With the strong market situation in 2021 and 2022, many of our customers built up their inventory to mitigate the risk of having to turn business away due to a shortage of paper. This trend was strengthened by disruptions in the global logistics chains. Our assessment is that the ongoing downward inventory adjustment towards more normal stock levels has impacted us by lowering the volume of incoming orders in the first and second quarters of this year. The effects vary between product groups and geographical markets. At the time of writing this, the impact was most evident in baking cup paper within the Natural Greaseproof segment and in MG paper within the Kraft Paper segment. We assess that several other product groups have returned to more normal demand patterns. There are also differences geographically with demand being stronger in Asia, remaining weak in Europe and decreasing in North America.

For the third quarter we expect market to remain soft with downward pressure on our product prices. We will also in the third quarter continue to curtail volumes to ease the price pressure.

POSITIVE EFFECTS FROM DECREASING PRICES FOR INPUT GOODS

The price of several of Nordic Paper's input goods such as paper pulp, electricity, fuel and chemicals continued to decrease during the quarter, primarily impacting Natural Greaseproof in a positive direction. Despite weaker economic activity in industry, prices for pulpwood increased to historically high levels, with a negative effect on results for the Kraft Paper segment. One of the drivers of this development is increased demand as Finnish pulpwood consumers replace a portion the wood previously imported from Russia with Swedish wood. Overall for the company as a whole, the input goods price development made a positive contribution to the quarter's profits compared with the first quarter.

POSITIVE DEVELOPMENT IN WORK ENVIRONMENT

Our efforts within safety at work never ceases. Our vision is zero accidents within the company's operations. However, over the past two years there have been many incidents resulting in sick leave and in 2021 we therefore decided to strengthen our efforts. We are now seeing positive development in the form of a decrease in lost time incidents. In the first half of this year we had the lowest frequency of lost time incidents for several years. We are on the right path but we still have work left to do.

The results of the company is the sum of all contributions at work from our employees. We are dependent on retaining current employees but also on attracting our future employees. To provide young people with workplace experience and an insight into the various work roles our company has to offer, we offer internships every summer. We have summer interns throughout our company – from production and lab work to dispatch and customer service. Our hope is that these summer jobs will generate interest in our industry and in Nordic Paper and will provide a path towards a job within our company in the future.

On that note I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our employees, customers and shareholders a pleasant continuation of the summer!

Anita Sjölander, CEO

GROUP PERFORMANCE

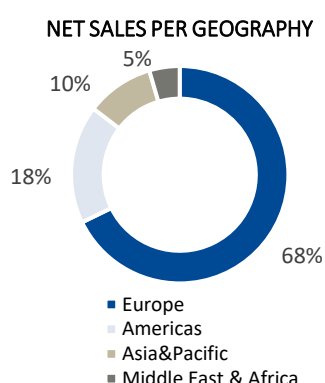
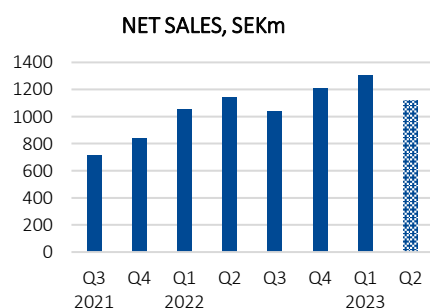
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MARKET AND SALES

The market for Nordic Paper's products remained soft in the second quarter of the year within both the Kraft Paper and Natural Greaseproof segments. This was mainly explained by ongoing inventory reduction among Nordic Paper's customers. This was most evident in the European market, while the market in North America was somewhat stronger before slightly weakening towards the end of the quarter. The company's selling prices have decreased in the weak market situation and to avoid further pressure on selling prices, the company has decided to curtail sales volumes. Sales volumes in tonnes for the quarter were 11% lower than in the second quarter of 2022 when deliveries were very strong.

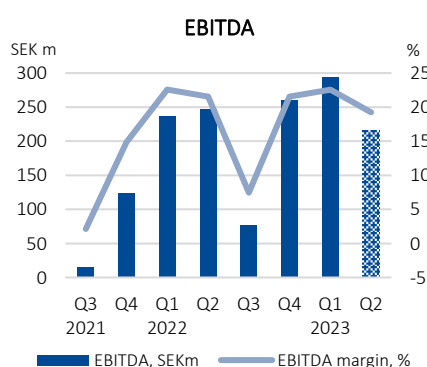
Net sales for the second quarter amounted to SEK 1,120 (1,144) million, which is 2% lower than the same period in 2022, above all affected by the lower sales volumes. Although selling prices fell during the second quarter, they were 6% higher than in the second quarter last year. Currency effects impacted net sales positively by 6%.

Compared with the second quarter of 2022 the changes in net sales per geographical area were marginal in absolute terms. Net sales increased slightly in Europe but fell in other geographies.



CHANGE IN NET SALES

Q2 2022, SEK m		1,144
Sales volume		-13%
Product mix		-1%
Selling price		6%
Currency		6%
Q2 2023, SEK m		1,120



RESULTS

EBITDA amounted to SEK 215 (247) million for the second quarter, which is 13% lower than in the same period last year.

Compared with the second quarter of 2022, EBITDA was primarily impacted by the lower sales volumes. Input prices have moved in different directions with an overall negative impact on EBITDA. Pulpwood prices have increased significantly compared with 2022, while the price of freight, paper pulp and energy have gone down. Currency effects had a positive impact on EBITDA of SEK 24 million compared with the same quarter the previous year.

The EBITDA margin was 19.2% (21.6%).

Operating profit amounted to SEK 178 (211) million, corresponding to an operating margin of 15.9% (18.4%). Net financial items for the second quarter amounted to SEK 1 (-5) million of which net interest made up SEK -15 (-8) million and were otherwise explained by exchange rate differences on cash and cash equivalents. Tax costs for the second quarter amounted to SEK 34 (42) million, corresponding to a tax rate of 19.0% (20.6%).

Net profit for the period was SEK 145 (164) million.

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MARKET AND SALES

Net sales for the first half of the year increased by 10% to SEK 2,425 (2,196) million. Higher selling prices were the main factor in the increase.

CHANGE IN NET SALES

Jan–June 2022, SEK m	2,196
Sales volume	-9%
Product mix	-1%
Selling price	13%
Currency	7%
Jan–June 2023, SEK m	2,425

RESULTS

EBITDA for the first half of the year increased to SEK 498 (484) million, corresponding to an EBITDA margin of 20.5% (22.0%). The positive impact of higher selling prices on EBITDA was greater than the negative effects on EBITDA from a lower sales volume and higher costs for inputs compared with the same period the previous year.

Operating profit amounted to SEK 422 (413) million, corresponding to an operating margin of 17.4% (18.8%).

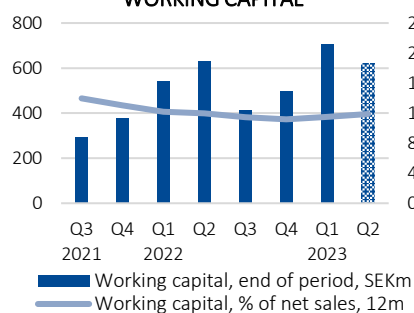
Net financial items for the first half of the year were SEK -23 (-4) million of which net interest was SEK -30 (-19) million.

Tax costs for the period amounted to SEK 81 (84) million, corresponding to a tax rate of 20.0% (20.1%).

Net profit for the period was SEK 318 (325) million.

CASH FLOW AND FINANCIAL POSITION

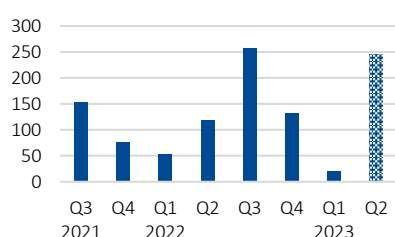
WORKING CAPITAL



WORKING CAPITAL AND CASH FLOW

Working capital as of 30 June 2023 was SEK 620 (623) million and, as a percentage of net sales over the past 12 months, was 11.9% (12.0%). Cash flow from operating activities amounted to SEK 245 (118) million for the second quarter of the year. The higher cash flow is primarily explained by changes in accounts receivable.

CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES, SEKm



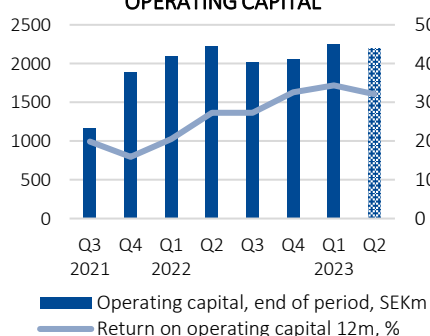
INVESTMENTS AND OPERATING CAPITAL

Investments during the quarter amounted to SEK 28 (32) million. Operating capital as of 30 June was SEK 2,198 (2,219) million, of which SEK 739 (756) million consisted of property, plant and equipment. Intangible assets amounted to SEK 1,043 (1,024) million and consisted mainly of goodwill of SEK 765 (750) million and customer relationships of SEK 215 (232) million. Return on operating capital for the past 12-month period was 32.1% (27.3%).

FINANCING

As of 30 June, the Group's net debt had decreased to SEK 1,048 (1,349) million despite dividend payments in the quarter of SEK 311 (134) million. Interest-bearing liabilities amounted to SEK 1,283 (1,519) million, of which SEK 28 (39) million was attributable to lease liabilities according to IFRS 16. Cash and cash equivalents were SEK 235 (170) million. The company also has access to undrawn credit facilities of SEK 800 (600) million, including an overdraft facility of SEK 200 (200) million. The equity/assets ratio was 28.7% (23.3%) and the net debt/EBITDA multiple, 12 m, was 1.3 (2.2).

OPERATING CAPITAL



CURRENCY HEDGING

The Group hedges future net flows in foreign currencies where the exposure is material. Typically, 50–75% of the net flows are hedged for the coming six-month period and 25–50% for the subsequent 7–12 months. EBITDA for the second quarter includes an earnings effect from realised currency hedges of SEK -24 (-11) million. For the coming 12-month period the hedges are as follows:

Currency	Average rate for currency hedges	Exchange rate, 30 June	Local currency total, m	Total, SEK m	Fair value, net, SEK m	Currency hedge as % of estimated net exposure, 1–6 months	Currency hedge as % of estimated net exposure, 7–12 months
EUR	11.17	11.79	99	1,106	-60	72%	41%
USD	10.49	10.85	11	113	-2	63%	40%
GBP	12.56	13.72	12	151	-12	63%	42%
				1,370	-75		

KRAFT PAPER SEGMENT

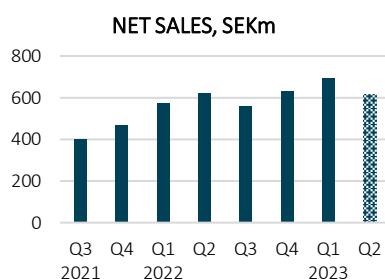
The Kraft Paper segment produces unbleached sack paper, MG paper and various kinds of high-quality speciality paper for industrial use. Examples of applications for MG and sack paper are bags and sacks for food and construction materials, and masking and protection paper for various applications.

The speciality papers are used in the manufacture of products such as laminates, in stainless steel production and in electrical transformers. The paper mills in Bäckhammar and Åmotfors belong to this segment. The segment also sells a certain amount of pulp.

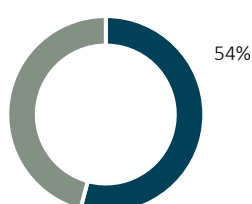
SEK m	2023 Q2	2022 Q2	Δ, %	2023 Jan-Jun	2022 Jan-Jun	Δ, %	R 12 m	2022 Full year
Net sales	614	624	-2	1,309	1,199	9	2,497	2,388
EBITDA	186	223	-16	447	448	0	768	768
EBITDA margin, %	30.4	35.8	-	34.2	37.4	-	30.7	32.2
Operating profit	172	209	-18	418	420	-1	710	712
Operating margin, %	28.0	33.5	-	31.9	35.0	-	28.4	29.8
Sales volume ¹ , ktonnes	53.0	58.5	-9	107.6	116.8	-8	204.1	213.3

For reconciliation of the result for the segment to the group result, see Quarterly data per segment p 24.

¹Includes intra-group deliveries



**SHARE OF GROUP'S NET SALES
Q2 2023**



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MARKET AND SALES

The market for kraft paper remained soft in the second quarter of the year as a consequence of ongoing inventory reduction among Nordic Paper's customers. For certain kraft paper segments the inventory reductions are considered to be finished and demand in absorbent paper, for example, is returning to a more normal level. In other segments, such as in MG paper, inventory adjustments started in the second quarter.

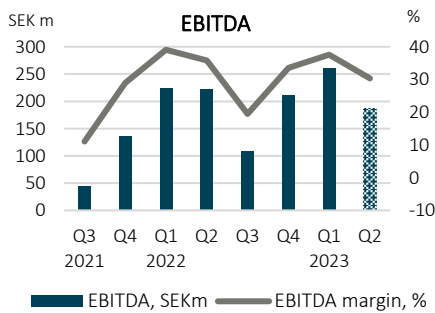
Selling prices fell during the second quarter. Price increases in the previous year still resulted in selling prices in local currency for the second quarter being 3% higher than in the same quarter last year. To ease pressure on selling prices the company took a decision during the quarter to limit sales volumes.

Net sales decreased by 2% to SEK 614 (624) million compared to the same quarter last year. Sales volumes impacted net sales negatively by 10% compared to the second quarter of 2022 when deliveries were strong. Currency effects had a positive impact on net sales of 6%.

Net sales in absolute terms per geographical market were only showing marginal differences compared with the same period in 2022.

CHANGE IN NET SALES

Q2 2022, SEK m	624
Sales volume	-10%
Product mix	-1%
Selling price	3%
Currency	6%
Q2 2023, SEK m	614



RESULTS

EBITDA decreased by 16% to SEK 186 (223) million, the majority of which was driven by the lower sales volume. EBITDA was negatively impacted by the higher price of input goods, with above all pulpwood increasing significantly in price compared with the same quarter the previous year. The cost of chemicals, such as those used for pulp production in Bäckhammar, also increased, while the price of energy and freight decreased.

The EBITDA margin decreased to 30.4% (35.8%).

Operating profit decreased to SEK 172 (209) million and the operating margin was 28.0% (33.5%).

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Net sales for the first half of the year increased by 9% to SEK 1,309 (1,199) million compared to the first half of last year. Increased selling prices were the main reason for this, but currency effects also impacted net sales positively compared to the same period last year. Excluding currency effects, net sales increased by 3%. Lower sales volumes negatively impacted net sales by 9%.

EBITDA decreased marginally to SEK 447 (448) million and the EBITDA margin decreased to 34.2% (37.4%). Operating profit amounted to SEK 418 (420) million and the operating margin was 31.9% (35.0%).

NATURAL GREASEPROOF SEGMENT

The Natural Greaseproof segment produces premium natural greaseproof paper for the food industry. Greaseproof paper is used in the preparation, production, packaging and storage of food, for instance in baking cups, baking papers, food containers for ready meals, and barrier papers for wrapping meat, butter and other fatty foods. The paper mills in Greåker, Säffle and Québec belong to this segment.

SEK m	2023 Q2	2022 Q2	Δ, %	2023 Jan-Jun	2022 Jan-Jun	Δ, %	R 12 m	2022 Full year
Net sales	519	539	-4	1,145	1,033	11	2,236	2,124
EBITDA	63	37	70	125	73	72	178	126
EBITDA margin, %	12.0	6,8		10.9	7,1		8.0	5.9
Operating profit	43	18	132	86	37	136	102	52
Operating margin, %	8.3	3.4		7.5	3.5		4.5	2.5
Sales volume, ktonnes	18.8	22.4	-16	40.3	44.3	-9	80.1	84.0

For reconciliation of the result for the segment to the group result, see Quarterly data per segment p 24.

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MARKET AND SALES

The market for greaseproof paper remained soft in the second quarter of the year as a consequence of ongoing inventory reduction among Nordic Paper's customers. The market for baking paper recovered during the quarter after a weak first quarter, while the opposite was true for baking cup paper. In the soft market situation, the company's selling prices fell from the peak levels of the first quarter. The energy surcharges introduced in 2022 were discontinued in full in the quarter.

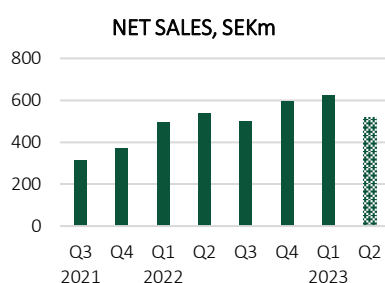
To ease pressure on selling prices, the company chose to limit production and sales volumes during the quarter, which led to a reduction of 16% in sales volumes compared with the second quarter of 2022 when deliveries were very strong.

Net sales in the second quarter decreased by 4% to SEK 519 (539) million. Prices in local currency were 8% higher than in the same quarter last year and currency effects impacted net sales positively by 7%. Sales volume and product mix impacted net sales negatively by 19% compared with the same quarter the previous year.

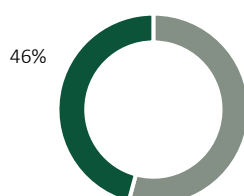
Net sales increased slightly for the European market while sales in other markets decreased. However, in absolute terms the differences were marginal.

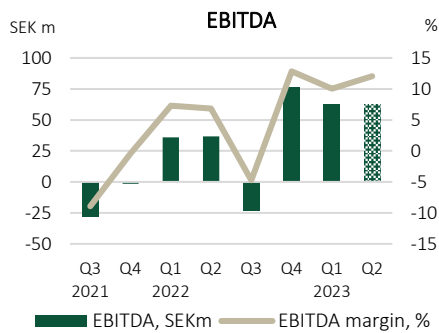
CHANGES IN NET SALES

Q2 2022, SEK m	539
Sales volume	-16%
Product mix	-3%
Selling price	8%
Currency	7%
Q2 2023, SEK m	519



SHARE OF GROUP'S NET SALES Q2 2023





RESULTS

EBITDA for the second quarter increased to SEK 63 (37) million, corresponding to an EBITDA margin of 12.0% (6.8%), primarily driven by higher selling prices compared to the same period last year.

Compared with the second quarter of 2022 EBITDA was also positively impacted by reduced market prices, mainly for freight, energy, and pulp, while the lower sales volumes had a negative impact.

Operating profit amounted to SEK 43 (18) million, corresponding to an operating margin of 8.3% (3.4%).

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In the first half of the year net sales increased by 11% to SEK 1,145 (1,033) million, compared with the first half of last year. Implemented price increases contributed positively to the increase in net sales, as did positive currency effects. Excluding currency effects, net sales increased by 4%. EBITDA increased to SEK 125 (73) million, corresponding to an EBITDA margin of 10.9% (7.1%). Operating profit amounted to SEK 86 (37) million and the operating margin was 7.5% (3.5%).

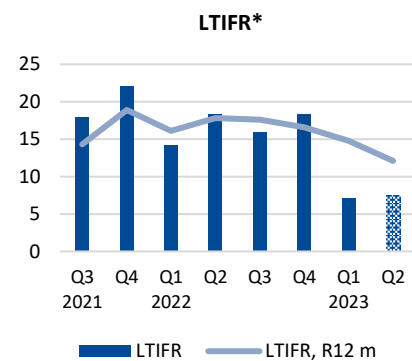
SUSTAINABILITY

Nordic Paper strives to integrate sustainability as a natural part of its daily work. Based on a materiality analysis performed, the company has selected three focus areas for its efforts:

- Sustainable work environment
- Reduce climate impact,
- Products that support sustainability

SUSTAINABLE WORK ENVIRONMENT

The overall goal is to ensure that a healthy and safe workplace is provided for the company’s employees as well as for contractors, temporary personnel and visitors. The vision is to have zero injuries within Nordic Paper’s operations. An interim target has been set to reduce the Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate (LTIFR) to below 9 per million hours worked. During the second quarter there were two lost time incidents, the same number as in the first quarter. The number of incidents corresponds to an LTIFR* of 7.5 for the quarter and 12.1 for the last 12-month period. The company is working according to a plan to boost systematic health and safety efforts, as a result of which additional resources have been allocated to drive this work within the company.



*Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate: accidents resulting in sick leave per 1 million hours worked. Calculated as the number of accidents involving sick leave divided by actual hours worked by the company’s own employees.

REDUCE CLIMATE IMPACT

The emissions of fossil greenhouse gases in all three scopes of the company amounted to about 36,000 tonnes CO₂eq during the second quarter, which is a decrease by a full 13,7% compared to the same quarter last year. The decrease is primarily explained by lower production volume during the quarter compared to the same quarter last year, but also by that the company has managed to decrease the specific emissions from the goods and services the company consumes. Of the total emissions, 16.4% were direct emissions in the operations of Nordic Paper (scope 1), 44.2% were indirect emissions from purchased energy (scope 2) and the remaining 39.4% were indirect emissions from purchased goods and services other than from energy (scope 3).

PRODUCTS THAT SUPPORT SUSTAINABILITY

Good sustainability performance is part of Nordic Paper’s customer offering. To increase knowledge and awareness about this among Nordic Paper’s customers in the Kraft Paper segment a seminar concept has been developed during the year in which representatives from Nordic Paper discuss sustainability and innovation with the customers. The concept was launched during the first half of the year and so far ten seminars have been held. Examples of seminar content are sustainability aspects in Swedish forestry and the company’s climate performance.

OTHER

SEASONAL EFFECTS

Nordic Paper is to a certain extent impacted by seasonal variation during the financial year, primarily due to planned production shutdowns. The company's plants in Åmotfors and Greåker both have summer holiday shutdowns lasting three to four weeks which fall in the third quarter. Much of the annual maintenance work at the plants is also carried out during these shutdowns. The production plant in Säffle also operated this way until 2021, but as from 2022 the Säffle plant has changed to continuing production during the summer weeks and having a shorter maintenance shutdown lasting less than two weeks in the course of the third quarter. The production plants in Bäckhammar operate all year round and therefore have an annual maintenance shutdown which generally falls in the third quarter. The Bäckhammar maintenance shutdown is typically less than two weeks. The business in Québec also operates all year round, with an annual maintenance shutdown in the third quarter of about a week.

During shutdowns, whether for maintenance or for summer holidays, production comes to a standstill and operating profit is negatively impacted by direct maintenance costs as well as lower contribution margins and somewhat lower sales volumes. At the plants which shut down production for the summer holidays the third quarter is also impacted by lower personnel costs.

SEK m	Direct costs of maintenance during planned maintenance shutdowns in Q3		
	Estimated 2023	Actual 2022	Actual 2021
Kraft Paper	Up to 80	75	70
Natural Greaseproof	Up to 25	21	27
Total	Up to 105	96	97

Net sales in December can be somewhat negatively affected as a consequence of low availability of transportation in connection with the Christmas and New Year holidays. This can result in increased inventory levels at year-end and net sales being postponed to the first quarter of the following year. Nordic Paper works actively to develop its way of working to minimise these effects through planning and preparatory work together with suppliers of transportation services, with the result that this seasonal variation did not arise in the fourth quarter 2022.

RISKS AND RISK MANAGEMENT

Russia's war against Ukraine continues. Prior to the invasion Nordic Paper's commercial relations with both Russia and Ukraine were limited, and consequently the war's direct impact on the company has not been financially significant. Indirectly Nordic Paper is impacted by, for example, the ban that the EU has imposed on imports of Russian unbleached kraft paper, which strengthens demand for Nordic Paper's products, and by increased competition for wood in the Baltic region as Russian exports of pulpwood to Finland have been stopped. Nordic Paper could be impacted by further indirect effects of the geopolitical situation following Russia's invasion of Ukraine, by the sanctions imposed on Russian interests and by the effects of the sanctions on the global economy.

In 2022 prices on the spot market for electricity increased substantially, which had a negative impact on the company's results. Prices for electricity have thereafter during 2023 decreased to lower levels. Nordic Paper generates about one fourth of its electricity need internally from a turbine in Bäckhammar, and the share of electricity consumption purchased externally is largely procured under fixed-price contracts. The company's hedging strategy means that around 70% of electricity requirements in the near future are purchased under contracts in which prices are fully or partly fixed, after which the proportion gradually declines to zero over five years. In the second half of 2022 the company introduced energy surcharges on its product prices in the Natural Greaseproof segment to compensate for the cost increases.

Nordic Paper is also exposed to other strategic, operational, financial, legal and regulatory risks that could significantly affect the company. Risk management is a normal part of business operations and is regularly reviewed by Group management and reported to the Board. These material risks include the following:

- Nordic Paper operates in markets that compete on both pricing and product quality, and the company could fail to compete effectively.
- Macroeconomic factors and trends in various markets, such as for food and industrial goods, could lead to variations in the demand for and pricing of Nordic Paper's products.
- The cost of other input goods and services used by Nordic Paper in production varies over time and could adversely affect Nordic Paper's operations. Besides energy, the company's main variable cost items are wood, pulp and chemicals.
- If customers or agents were to run into difficulties or if relationships with customers or agents were to deteriorate, this could have an impact on Nordic Paper's business and operating results.
- Damage to production equipment and other disruptions in production could lead to temporary stoppages at one or more of Nordic Paper's production plants.
- Nordic Paper is dependent on IT systems for its ongoing operations and interruptions or errors in critical systems could disrupt production and important business processes.
- Failure to effectively implement strategic plans, erroneous investment decisions, failure to establish commitment to adopted strategies, and risks relating to acquisitions and the integration of acquired operations could adversely affect Nordic Paper's business.
- Nordic Paper is exposed to currency risks through transactions in currencies other than SEK and through the foreign subsidiaries in the Group.
- Nordic Paper's operations are exposed to environmental risks and must comply with various environmental regulations.
- Nordic Paper's operations are exposed to risks related to regulations on sanctions, corruption and competition.
- Nordic Paper's operations are exposed to health and safety risks and must comply with various work-related health and safety regulations.

A more comprehensive description of the risks is provided in Nordic Paper's Annual Report 2022, which is available at www.nordic-paper.com

TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

In accordance with a proposal from the Board of Directors, the Annual General Meeting on 24 May 2023 approved the issue of a maximum of 329,000 warrants as part of a long-term incentive programme for senior executives within Nordic Paper. The incentive program is a three-year program and encompasses not more than eight individuals.

During the quarter, warrants for a total value of SEK 0.2 million were acquired by senior executives after the value of each warrant was established at SEK 0.77.

SHAREHOLDERS

Nordic Paper had 12,446 shareholders as of 30 June 2023.

Shareholders 30 June 2023	Votes and capital (%)
Sutriv Holding AB	48.2%
Swedbank Robur Fonder	6.7%
AMF - Försäkring och Fonder	5.8%
Norges Bank	2.9%
Försäkringsaktiebolaget Avanza Pension	2.7%
Handelsbanken fonder	2.2%
SEB Life International Assurance	2.1%
Nordnet Pensionsförsäkring	1.5%
Nordea Norwegian Stars Fund	1.2%
Eric Sturdza Investment	1.0%
Other	25.7%
Total	100.0%

The undersigned hereby confirm that this interim report provides a fair overview of the parent company's and group's operations, position and performance, and describes material risks and uncertainties faced by the parent company and group companies.

20 July 2023

Nordic Paper Holding AB (publ)

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Group

CONDENSED INCOME STATEMENT

SEK m	2023 Q2	2022 Q2	2023 Jan-Jun	2022 Jan-Jun	2022 Full year
Net sales ¹	1,120	1,144	2,425	2,196	4,440
Other operating income	15	5	24	11	41
Raw materials, energy, and consumables	-548	-500	-1,171	-1,000	-2,139
Change in inventories of work-in-progress and finished goods	19	-5	20	32	87
Other external costs	-200	-222	-444	-423	-954
Personnel costs	-165	-155	-303	-299	-588
Other operating expenses	-25	-20	-53	-34	-66
EBITDA	215	247	498	484	821
Depreciation and amortisation	-38	-36	-76	-71	-145
Operating profit	178	211	422	413	676
Divestment of associated companies	-	-	-	-	42
Financial income	19	8	11	19	41
Financial expense	-19	-13	-35	-23	-50
	1	-5	-23	-4	33
Profit before tax	178	206	399	409	709
Tax	-34	-42	-81	-84	-143
Net profit for the period	145	164	318	325	566
Profit attributable to:					
Parent company shareholders	145	164	318	325	566
Non-controlling interests	-	-	-	-	-
Net profit for the period	145	164	318	325	566
Earnings per share, SEK ²	2.16	2.44	4.75	4.86	8.46

¹Net sales consist entirely of sales of goods

² Before and after dilution

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

SEK m	2023 Q2	2022 Q2	2023 Jan-Jun	2022 Jan-Jun	2022 Full year
Net profit for the period	145	164	318	325	566
<i>Items that have been or may be reclassified to profit or loss</i>					
Changes in the fair value of cash flow hedges	-30	-26	-28	-27	-26
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	25	17	19	33	34
Tax attributable to items that have been or may be reclassified to profit or loss	6	6	6	6	6
<i>Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss</i>					
Change in provisions for defined benefit pension plans	-	-	-	-	15
Tax attributable to items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss	-	-	-	-	-6
Other comprehensive income for the period	2	-3	-3	13	24
Comprehensive income for the period	146	160	315	338	590
Comprehensive income for the period attributable to:					
Parent company shareholders	146	160	315	338	590

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET

SEK m	2023 30 Jun	2022 30 Jun	2022 31 Dec
Trademark	36	35	34
Customer relations	215	232	214
Goodwill	765	750	740
Other intangible assets	27	7	7
Buildings and land	34	44	40
Machinery and plant	542	479	544
Equipment, tools and installations	6	8	7
Construction in progress	129	186	151
Right-of-use assets	28	39	32
Deferred tax assets	24	25	18
Long term receivables	10	-	10
Total non-current assets	1,816	1,805	1,796
Inventories	702	546	625
Accounts receivable	686	741	769
Income tax receivables	-	3	-
Other receivables	136	98	85
Derivatives	0	1	2
Prepaid expenses and accrued revenue	18	25	24
Cash and cash equivalents	235	170	325
Total current assets	1,777	1,584	1,830
Total assets	3,593	3,389	3,626
Share capital	19	19	19
Reserves	-30	-20	-23
Retained earnings including profit for the year	1,056	790	1,045
Total equity	1,045	789	1,041
Liabilities to credit institutions	950	1,150	950
Lease liabilities	17	27	20
Provisions for defined benefit pension plans	17	36	16
Deferred tax liabilities	227	209	228
Derivatives	41	39	25
Other liabilities and provisions	100	99	101
Total non-current liabilities	1,352	1,560	1,341
Factoring credit line	289	295	284
Accounts payables	352	348	419
Liabilities to associated companies	-	10	-
Income tax liability	29	18	43
Lease liabilities	11	12	11
Derivatives	75	43	45
Other liabilities	12	15	17
Accrued expenses and deferred income	427	301	426
Total current liabilities	1,195	1,040	1,245
Total equity and liabilities	3,593	3,389	3,626

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

SEK m	2023 30 Jun	2022 30 Jun	2022 31 Dec
Equity, opening balance	1,041	584	584
Net profit for the period	318	325	566
Other comprehensive income for the period	-3	13	24
Transactions with owners of the parent:			
Issue of warrants	0	1	1
Dividend	-311	-134	-134
Equity, closing balance	1,045	789	1,041
Equity attributable to:			
Parent company shareholders	1,045	789	1,041

CONDENSED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

SEK m	2023 Q2	2022 Q2	2023 Jan-Jun	2022 Jan-Jun	2022 Full year
Operating activities					
Operating profit	178	211	422	413	676
Interest received	3	0	4	0	0
Interest paid	-18	-8	-34	-17	-40
Adjustments, cash flow	63	80	107	144	188
Paid income tax	-29	-50	-106	-78	-73
Cash flow from operating activities before changes in working capital	196	233	394	462	750
Cash flow from changes in working capital					
Change in inventories	-62	-15	-82	-71	-148
Change in accounts receivable	118	-108	85	-191	-220
Change in current receivables	-18	-16	-44	18	32
Change in accounts payable	33	35	-61	-37	32
Change in current liabilities	-22	-11	-26	-11	113
Cash flow from operating activities	245	118	265	170	560
Investing activities					
Acquisition of tangible assets	-28	-32	-51	-69	-145
Acquisition of subsidiaries	-	21	-	21	21
Divestment of associated companies	-	-	-	-	42
Change in financial assets	-	-	-	-	-10
Cash flow from investing activities	-28	-11	-51	-48	-92
Financing activities					
Change in non-current liabilities to credit institutions	-	-200	-	-200	-400
Repayment of lease liabilities	-3	-3	-6	-5	-11
Net change in factoring credit line	9	9	5	22	11
Dividend paid	-311	-134	-311	-134	-134
Cash flow from financing activities	-304	-328	-312	-317	-534
Cash flow for the period	-88	-221	-97	-195	-66
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	307	384	325	360	360
Exchange rate difference in cash and cash equivalents	16	7	7	4	30
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	235	170	235	170	325
Adjustments for non-cash items					
Depreciation and amortisation	38	36	76	71	145
Changes in exchange rates	-17	6	1	6	-28
Change in fair value of derivatives	27	30	26	47	35
Other	15	8	5	20	35
Total	63	80	107	144	188

Accounting policies and other information

NOTE 1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Group's interim report has been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting and with applicable parts of the Swedish Annual Accounts Act. The parent company has prepared its interim report in accordance with the Swedish Annual Accounts Act (1995:1554) and the Swedish Financial Reporting Board's recommendation RFR 2, Accounting for Legal Entities. The accounting policies applied when preparing the interim report are the same for all periods and accord with the accounting policies presented in Note 2 in the Annual Report 2022.

All amounts are stated in SEK million (SEKm) unless otherwise stated. Rounding differences of SEK +/- 1m may occur in the totals of amounts. In cases where an underlying amount is SEK 0m after rounding, the amount is stated as 0. Amounts in parentheses refer to the corresponding period in the previous year.

Information according to IAS 34.16A is also presented in other parts of the interim report, as well as in the financial statements and related notes.

At the Annual General Meetings 2022 and 2023, long term incentive programs in the form of the issue of warrants for senior executives were approved. The incentive programmes are reported in accordance with IFRS 2.

NOTE 2 FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

The Group has derivatives that are measured at fair value according to level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. Other financial instruments have short maturities and for these, fair value is equivalent to the carrying amount. For further information please see note 23 in the Annual Report 2022.

NOTE 3 OTHER PROVISIONS

Other provisions of SEK 100m relate to assessed future remediation costs for buildings and land. The provision breakdown includes SEK 76m for future demolition of buildings and remediation of land related to the discontinuation of pulp production in Säffle, while the remaining amount is associated with remediation of a landfill site in Bäckhammar.

NOTE 4 LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PROGRAMME

In accordance with a proposal from the Board of Directors, the Annual General Meeting on 24 May 2023 approved the issue of a maximum of 329,000 warrants as part of a long-term incentive programme for senior executives of the Nordic Paper Group. The rationale for the incentive programme is to create opportunities to motivate and retain senior executives within the Nordic Paper Group. During the quarter, the incentive programme has been implemented according to the decision of the Annual General Meeting. After the implementation, the number of outstanding warrants amounts to 292,000.

The warrants were offered at market price. Each warrant entitled the holder to subscribe for one new share in the company. The exercise price was 120% of the volume-weighted average price of the company's share during the period of 10 trading days falling immediately prior to the offer to subscribe for the warrants, but no less than the quota value of the share. The final price of the warrants was SEK 0.77. The value of the warrants has been calculated according to the Black-Scholes model.

The company is partly subsidising the participants' acquisitions of warrants. The subsidy is paid out at the end of the programme. The subsidy to the participants is equal to 50% of the participants' investment net after tax. The total cost of the subsidy, based on a warrant value of SEK 0.77 and an estimated marginal tax rate of 55%, amounts to SEK 0.3m including social security contributions. With some exceptions, in order to be eligible for the subsidy the participant must be employed by the company at the time of payment of the bonus, must remain employed until the warrants can be exercised and must not have transferred their warrants prior to this.

Based on the number of shares in Nordic Paper as at the date of the annual general meeting, the maximum dilution effect of the warrant programme will be approximately 0.50%. The company has a previous incentive programme as well outstanding, decided at the Annual General Meeting 2022. The total maximum dilution from the two programmes amounts to about 1.39%

Key figures

SEK m	2023 Q2	2022 Q2	2023 Jan-Jun	2022 Jan-Jun	2022 Full year
Net sales growth, %	-2	45	10	41	44
EBITDA margin, %	19.2	21.6	20.5	22.0	18.5
Operating margin, %	15.9	18.4	17.4	18.8	15.2
Cash flow from operating activities	245	118	265	170	560
Cash conversion, %	85.2	37.2			70.5
Return on operating capital, 12 m, %	32.1	27.3			32.5
Return on equity, 12 m, %	55.4	54.7			69.5
Working capital	620	623			497
Operating capital	2,198	2,219			2,065
Interest-bearing liabilities	1,283	1,519			1,281
Net debt/equity ratio, %	100.2	170.9			91.8
Net debt/EBITDA, 12 m, multiple	1.3	2.2			1.2
Equity/assets ratio, %	28.7	23.3			28.7
Working capital, % of net sales, 12 m	11.9	12.0			11.2
Investments	28	32	51	69	145
Sales volume, ktonnes	69.4	77.6	142.8	154.4	284.5
Number of employees at end of period	685	681	685	681	672
Number of shares, end of period	66,908,800	66,908,800	66,908,800	66,908,800	66,908,800
Earnings per share, SEK ¹	2.16	2.44	4.75	4.86	8.46

¹ Before and after dilution

ALTERNATIVE PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Reference is made in the financial report to a number of financial performance measures that are not defined according to IFRS or the Swedish Annual Accounts Act. These performance measures provide supplementary information and are used to help investors as well as group management to analyse the company's operations. Since not all companies calculate financial performance measures in the same way, these are not always comparable with measures used by other companies.

EBITDA	2023	2022	2023	2022	2022
SEK m	Q2	Q2	Jan-Jun	Jan-Jun	Full year
Operating profit	178	211	422	413	676
Depreciation/amortisation	38	36	76	71	145
EBITDA, SEKm	215	247	498	484	821
EBITDA MARGIN	2023	2022	2023	2022	2022
SEKm	Q2	Q2	Jan-Jun	Jan-Jun	Full year
EBITDA	215	247	498	484	821
Net sales	1,120	1,144	2,425	2,196	4,440
EBITDA margin, %	19.2	21.6	20.5	22.0	18.5
OPERATING MARGIN	2023	2022	2023	2022	2022
SEKm	Q2	Q2	Jan-Jun	Jan-Jun	Full year
Operating profit	178	211	422	413	676
Net sales	1,120	1,144	2,425	2,196	4,440
Operating margin, %	15.9	18.4	17.4	18.8	15.2
CASH CONVERSION	2023	2022	2023	2022	2022
SEKm	Q2	Q2	Jan-Jun	Jan-Jun	Full year
EBITDA, 12 m	835	623			821
Change in working capital	3	-182			-97
Investments, 12 m	-127	-209			-145
Total	711	232			579
EBITDA, 12 m	835	623			821
Cash conversion %, 12 m	85.2	37.2			70.5
WORKING CAPITAL	2023	2022	2023	2022	2022
SEKm	Q2	Q2	Jan-Jun	Jan-Jun	Full year
Inventories	702	546			625
Accounts receivable	686	741			769
Other operating receivables excl. derivatives	154	126			109
Accounts payable	-352	-348			-419
Other operating liabilities excl. derivatives	-570	-442			-587
Working capital	620	623			497
Working capital, 12 m	554	444			496
Net sales, 12 m	4,668	3,717			4,440
Working capital, % of net sales, 12 m	11.9	12.0			11.2

OPERATING CAPITAL	2023	2022	2022
SEK m	Q2	Q2	Full year
Working capital	620	623	497
Intangible assets	1,043	1,024	995
Property, plant and equipment	739	756	773
Deferred tax assets/liabilities	-204	-184	-211
Operating capital	2,198	2,219	2,055
Operating profit, 12 m	685	459	676
Operating capital, 12 m	2,132	1,683	2,074
Return on operating capital, %, 12 m	32.1	27.3	32.5
NET DEBT	2023	2022	2022
SEK m	Q2	Q2	Full year
Non-current liabilities to credit institutions	950	1,150	950
Lease liabilities, non-current	17	27	20
Provisions for employee benefits	17	36	16
Factoring credit line	289	295	284
Lease liabilities, current	11	12	11
Interest-bearing liabilities	1,283	1,519	1,281
Cash and cash equivalents	235	170	325
Net debt/net cash (+/-)	1,048	1,349	956
EBITDA, 12 m	835	623	821
Net debt/EBITDA, 12 m, multiple	1.3	2.2	1.2
NET DEBT/EQUITY RATIO	2023	2022	2022
SEK m	Q2	Q2	Full year
Net debt/net cash (+/-)	1,048	1,349	956
Equity	1,045	789	1,041
Net debt/equity ratio, %	100.2	170.9	91.8
EQUITY/ASSETS RATIO	2023	2022	2022
SEK m	Q2	Q2	Full year
Equity	1,045	789	1,041
Total assets	3,593	3,389	3,626
Equity/assets ratio, %	28.7	23.3	28.7
RETURN ON EQUITY	2023	2022	2022
SEK m	Q2	Q2	Full year
Net profit for the period, 12 m	559	353	566
Equity	1,045	789	1,041
Equity, 12 m	1,008	645	814
Return on equity, 12 m, %	55.4	54.7	69.5

Definitions

Non-IFRS performance measures	Description	Reasons for use
Sales volume	Sales of paper and pulp by the segment and the Group respectively, expressed in ktonnes.	Shows if the business is expanding or contracting.
EBITDA	EBITDA (earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortisation) consists of operating profit plus depreciation, amortisation and impairment losses.	A measure that eliminates costs that do not affect cash flow and indicates the ability of a business to generate cash flow.
Significant items affecting comparability	Significant items affecting comparability may include effects of substantial restructuring of production plants, impairment losses, revaluation, specific effects of disputes or strategic decisions of a non-recurring nature.	Provides a better understanding of the development of operating activities over time.
Adjusted EBITDA	EBITDA adjusted for significant items affecting comparability.	Increases comparability of EBITDA between different periods and provides a better understanding of the development of operating activities over time.
EBITDA margin	EBITDA as a percentage of net sales.	Shows how much cash the business can generate in relation to revenue.
Adjusted EBITDA margin	Adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of net sales.	Increases comparability of the EBITDA margin between different periods.
Operating profit	Profit before financial income, financial expense and tax.	Shows the result of the company's operating activities.
Adjusted operating profit	Operating profit adjusted for significant items affecting comparability.	Increases comparability of operating profit between different periods and provides a better understanding of the development of operating activities over time.
Operating margin	Operating profit as a percentage of net sales.	Shows operating profit in relation to net sales and is a measure of the profitability of the company's operating activities.
Adjusted operating margin	Adjusted operating profit as a percentage of net sales.	Increases comparability of the operating margin between different periods.
Cash flow from operating activities	Cash flow before acquisitions of intangible non-current assets and property, plant and equipment and financial non-current assets, and before loan repayments, Group contributions and dividends to shareholders.	Indicates how much liquidity an entity generates through its operating activities.
Cash conversion*	Total EBITDA minus change in working capital minus investments, divided by EBITDA, expressed as a percentage.	Cash conversion shows how effective an entity is at generating cash flow in relation to EBITDA.
Investments	The effect of acquisitions of property, plant and equipment and intangible non-current assets on cash flow.	Shows the amount of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets acquired to maintain and develop operations.
Working capital	Total inventories, accounts receivable, other operating assets and operating liabilities, excluding derivatives, and other provisions (non-interest-bearing).	Shows the net of current assets and current liabilities used in operating activities.
Change in working capital	Working capital for the current period minus working capital for the previous period.	Shows development of the company's working capital.
Working capital as a percentage of net sales*	Working capital divided by net sales.	Indicates how effectively the company is using working capital.
Operating capital	Working capital plus intangible non-current assets and property, plant and equipment, deferred tax assets and tax liabilities.	Shows the total capital used in operating activities.
Return on operating capital*	Operating profit as a percentage of operating capital.	Shows the company's performance in generating profit from the capital used in operating activities.
Return on equity*	Profit for the period as a percentage of equity.	Shows the return generated on equity invested in the business.
Interest-bearing liabilities	Interest-bearing liabilities, current and non-current, plus interest-bearing provisions.	Shows the extent of the company's financing in the form of interest-bearing liabilities.
Net debt	Interest-bearing liabilities less cash and cash equivalents.	A measure of the company's financial position. Shows how much liquidity would remain if all liabilities were to be settled.
Net debt/EBITDA ratio*	Net debt in relation to EBITDA, expressed as a multiple.	A measure of financial risk and an indication of repayment capacity.
Net debt/equity ratio	Net debt divided by equity, expressed as a percentage.	Shows the relationship between externally financed capital and equity.
Equity/assets ratio	Equity divided by total assets, expressed as a percentage.	Shows what proportion of the assets are financed through equity.

*Calculated on the basis of the last 12-month period, as an average of 12 months. The 12-month figure enables comparisons that reflect both current and seasonal variations, which improves the ability to make comparisons over time.

Quarterly data by segment

NET SALES								
	2021		2022				2023	
SEKm	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
Kraft Paper segment	401	469	575	624	557	631	695	614
Natural Greaseproof segment	314	369	494	539	497	594	626	519
Eliminations	-4	-28	-17	-19	-17	-19	-15	-13
Total Group	711	810	1,052	1,144	1,037	1,206	1,305	1,120

EBITDA								
	2021		2022				2023	
SEKm	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
Kraft Paper segment	44	136	225	223	109	212	261	186
Natural Greaseproof segment	-28	-2	36	37	-23	76	63	63
Parent company and undistributed items	-4	-23	-29	-40	-11	-31	-42	-65
Eliminations etc.	2	13	6	27	3	3	1	31
EBITDA Group	15	124	237	247	77	260	282	215
Depreciation and amortisation	-29	-64	-35	-36	-37	-37	-38	-38
Operating profit	-14	61	202	211	40	223	244	178
Divestment associated companies	-	-	-	-	-	42	-	-
Financial income	2	0	11	8	24	0	2	19
Financial expense	-7	-8	-11	-13	-13	-16	-26	-19
Profit before tax	-18	52	203	206	51	249	220	178

EBITDA MARGIN								
	2021		2022				2023	
%	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
Kraft Paper segment	11.0	29.0	39.1	35.8	19.5	33.5	37.6	30.4
Natural Greaseproof segment	-8.9	-0.4	7.3	6.8	-4.7	12.8	10.0	12.0
Group	2.1	15.4	22.6	21.6	7.4	21.5	21.6	19.2

OPERATING PROFIT								
	2021		2022				2023	
SEKm	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
Kraft Paper segment	32	120	212	209	94	197	246	172
Natural Greaseproof segment	-40	-45	18	18	-42	58	43	43
Parent company and undistributed items	-4	-23	-29	-40	-11	-31	-42	-65
Eliminations etc.	-3	9	2	23	-1	-1	-3	28
Total Group	-14	61	202	211	40	223	244	178

OPERATING MARGIN								
	2021		2022				2023	
%	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
Kraft Paper segment	8.0	25.6	36.8	33.5	16.9	31.3	35.4	28.0
Natural Greaseproof segment	-12.6	-12.2	3.7	3.4	-8.5	9.7	6.9	8.3
Group	-1.9	7.5	19.2	18.4	3.9	18.5	18.7	15.9

SALES VOLUMES								
	2021		2022				2023	
Ktonnes	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
Kraft Paper segment	48.0	54.1	58.3	58.5	46.1	50.4	54.6	53.0
Natural Greaseproof segment	16.4	18.7	21.9	22.4	18.7	21.0	21.6	18.8
Eliminations	-2.4	-3.6	-3.3	-3.4	-2.9	-3.3	-2.7	-2.4
Total Group	62.0	69.3	76.9	77.6	61.9	68.2	73.5	69.4

Parent company

CONDENSED INCOME STATEMENT

SEK m	2023	2022	2023	2022	2022
	Q2	Q2	Jan-Jun	Jan-Jun	Full year
Net sales	16	17	31	29	57
Other operating income	0	0	0	0	0
Other external costs	-19	-17	-50	-30	-66
Personnel costs	-5	-3	-9	-11	-13
Other operating expenses	-57	-37	-79	-56	-90
Operating profit	-65	-40	-107	-69	-111
Profit from participations in Group companies	-	-	-	-	19
Financial income and similar items	25	8	14	21	21
Financial expense and similar items	-88	-12	-103	-21	-43
Profit after financial items	-128	-44	-197	-69	-114
Appropriations	-	-	-	-	610
Profit before tax	-128	-44	-197	-69	496
Tax	32	7	45	15	-100
Net profit for the period	-96	-37	-152	-54	396

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET

SEK m	2023	2022	2022
	30 Jun	30 Jun	31 Dec
Shares in Group companies	1,165	1,165	1,165
Receivables from Group companies	342	421	345
Deferred tax assets	16	9	10
Total non-current assets	1,522	1,594	1,519
Receivables from Group companies	2	269	720
Current tax assets	69	38	-
Other receivables	1	-	-
Prepaid expenses and accrued income	0	0	11
Cash and bank balances	314	74	109
Total current assets	386	380	840
Total assets	1,909	1,974	2,360
Share capital	19	19	19
Retained earnings	446	361	361
Net profit for the period	-152	-54	396
Total equity	312	326	776
Untaxed reserves	508	398	508
Non-current liabilities to credit institutions	950	1,150	950
Derivatives	41	39	25
Total non-current liabilities	991	1,189	975
Liabilities to Group companies	0	-	1
Accounts payable	1	0	2
Derivatives	75	43	45
Other liabilities	1	2	1
Income tax liability	-	-	48
Accrued expenses and deferred income	20	15	5
Total current liabilities	98	60	101
Total equity and liabilities	1,909	1,974	2,360

CONFERENCE CALL

On the publication of the interim report a telephone conference will be held on Thursday 20 July at 10.30 CEST. CEO Anita Sjölander and CFO Niclas Eriksson will present and comment on the report. The presentation will be in English. The press and analyst conference will be streamed and the webcast can be accessed at www.nordic-paper.com. It is also possible to participate in the conference by telephone.

- Link to watch webcast: <https://fronto.vancastvideo.com/event/ILs9mGYf/8386/?lang=7731>
- Link to register to participate by telephone: <https://services.choruscall.it/DiamondPassRegistration/register?confirmationNumber=5043520&linkSecurityString=73c673e80>

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