



Interim Report January – September 2023

QUARTERLY RESULTS JULY – SEPTEMBER

- Net sales amounted to SEK 1,077 (1,037) m, an increase of 4% compared with the same quarter the previous year. Excluding currency effects, net sales decreased by 2%.
- EBITDA amounted to SEK 108 (77) m corresponding to an EBITDA margin of 10.0% (7.4%).
- Operating profit amounted to SEK 69 (40) m, corresponding to an operating margin of 6.4% (3.9%).
- Profit for the period amounted to SEK 34 (38) m and earnings per share amounted to SEK 0.50 (0.57).
- Cash flow from operating activities was SEK 301 (257) m.
- Return on operating capital, 12 months, was 34.0% (27.3%).
- The net debt/EBITDA ratio, 12 months, was 0.9 (1.6).
- The sales volume amounted to 67.6 (61.9) ktonnes.
- During the quarter, a decision was made to invest approximately SEK 850 m in a new wood room and a new electrofilter at the Bäckhammar mill. The investments will be carried out in the years 2023–2025. They are expected to add around SEK 100 m annually to EBITDA with full effect in 2026, while significantly decreasing emissions of dust to air.

KEY FIGURES

SEK m	2023 Q3	2022 Q3	Δ, %	2023 Jan-Sep	2022 Jan-Sep	Δ, %	2022 R12	2022 Full year
Net sales	1,077	1,037	4	3,501	3,234	8	4,708	4,440
EBITDA	108	77	40	606	561	8	865	821
EBITDA margin, %	10.0	7.4		17.3	17.4		18.4	18.5
Operating profit	69	40	73	491	453	8	714	676
Operating margin, %	6.4	3.9		14.0	14.0		15.2	15.2
Net profit for the period ¹	34	38	-12	352	363	-3	554	566
Earnings per share, SEK ^{1,2}	0.50	0.57		5.26	5.43		8.28	8.46
Cash flow from operating activities	301	257	17	567	428	32	699	560
Return on operating capital, 12 m, %	34.0	27.3		34.0	27.3		34.0	32.5
Net debt/EBITDA, 12 m, ratio	0.9	1.6		0.9	1.6		0.9	1.2
Sales volume, ktonnes	67.6	61.9	9	210.5	216.3	-3	278.7	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



ANOTHER STRONG QUARTER FROM NORDIC PAPER

The third quarter was strong and shows once again the strength of Nordic Paper's business. Even in soft market conditions we are delivering good results!

Net sales for the quarter amounted to SEK 1,077 million, an increase of 4% compared with the same period the previous year. Excluding positive currency effects, net sales decreased by 2%. We are satisfied with the EBITDA margin of 10.0% for the quarter which is good for a quarter in which there were maintenance stops in all of our plants.

We are again seeing how our structure consisting of two segments with different business dynamics has a stabilising effect on the company's earnings. In the Natural Greaseproof segment the EBITDA margin for the third quarter increased to 11.4% compared with a negative EBITDA margin in the third quarter last year. The improvement comes from somewhat higher selling prices while costs for inputs were lower. In the Kraft Paper segment, the EBITDA margin decreased to 11.8%, mainly driven by lower selling prices. On a rolling 12-month basis Nordic Paper's EBITDA amounted to SEK 865 million.

Cash flow from operating activities reached the high level of SEK 301 million and the balance sheet continued to strengthen. The net debt/EBITDA ratio amounted to 0.9 at the end of the quarter compared to 1.6 one year ago. The financial target for this ratio is to be below 2.5. Return on operating capital increased to 34.0%.

VERY STRONG SALES VOLUMES DESPITE A REMAINING SOFT MARKET

The market has remained unchanged soft compared to the second quarter and inventory reductions are still taking place further ahead in the value chain. Similar to in the second quarter, this was most evident within MG paper in the Kraft Paper segment and within baking cup paper in the Natural Greaseproof segment. Incoming orders from customers usually increase at the beginning of autumn when the European customers return from their summer holidays. This year this effect was less apparent than normal. The continuing soft demand resulted in a decrease in the selling price for the company's products by close to 6% in local currency compared with the previous quarter. The decrease was slightly higher in the Kraft Paper segment and slightly lower in Natural Greaseproof.

We succeeded in increasing our sales volumes by a full 9% compared to the third quarter last year. Our production level was good despite that we chose to continue to adjust our production levels somewhat in the soft market conditions. Planned annual maintenance stops were carried out at all of the company's plants during the quarter with costs according to plan.

POSITIVE EFFECTS FROM DECREASING PRICES FOR PURCHASED GOODS AND SERVICES

The price of several of Nordic Paper's inputs, such as paper pulp, electricity, fuel, chemicals and freight, continued to decrease during the quarter, which had a positive impact primarily on Natural Greaseproof. Despite weaker economic activity in industry, pulpwood prices continued to increase from already historically high levels, having a negative impact on earnings for the Kraft Paper segment.

STRATEGIC INVESTMENT DECISION FOR BÄCKHAMMAR

Nordic Paper's Board of Directors decided during the quarter to invest around SEK 850 million in the Bäckhammar mill. The investments, which will be carried out during the years 2023–2025, will further improve sustainability performance and further strengthen the competitiveness of the plant. An important part of the investments is a new wood room which will provide the plant with strategic flexibility in its raw material supply and lead to production efficiency gains. Emissions of dust to air will be significantly reduced with the installation of a new electrofilter. The investments will add around SEK 100 million annually to Nordic Paper's EBITDA with full effect in 2026. They will also lay the foundation for development of the plant and future growth in production output.

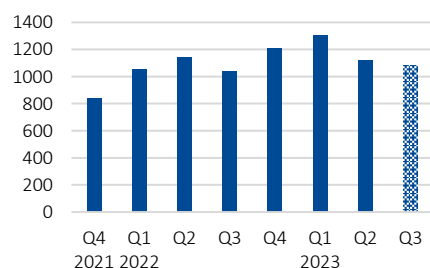
The investment decision is important to create an even stronger Nordic Paper. The work we do through continuous improvements in our daily business is also an important component in building strength for the future. We are glad to see that our active efforts during the last couple of years within work environment continue to show result in the form of decreasing number of lost time incident frequency rate. With sustainability as a driver, we continue to deliver value to our customers, employees and shareholders.

Anita Sjölander, CEO

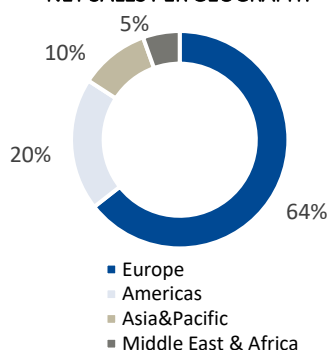
GROUP PERFORMANCE

JULY – SEPTEMBER

NET SALES, SEKm



NET SALES PER GEOGRAPHY



MARKET AND SALES

The market for Nordic Paper’s products remained soft in the third quarter of the year within both the Kraft Paper and Natural Greaseproof segments. This was mainly due to continued inventory reduction among Nordic Paper’s customers. The company’s average selling prices have fallen in the soft market situation and to avoid further pressure on selling prices, the company chose to reduce sales volumes to some extent. The quarter’s sales volumes in tonnes were still 9% higher than in the third quarter of 2022. During the third quarter, the company had a good production level and also sold paper from inventory.

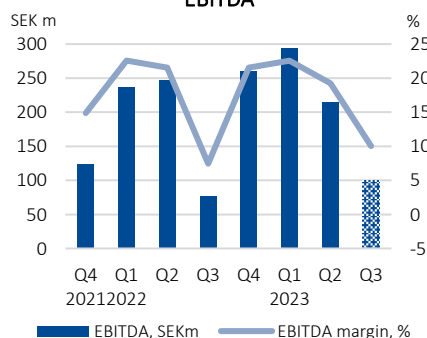
Net sales for the third quarter amounted to SEK 1,077 (1,037) million, which is 4% higher than the same period in 2022, above all affected by positive currency effects and by the higher sales volumes. Selling prices in local currency were 5% lower than in the third quarter last year.

Compared with the third quarter 2022, net sales in Europe – the company’s largest market – were stable, while sales increased in North and South America, where most of the sales is in USD, and also in the Middle East and Africa.

CHANGE IN NET SALES

Q3 2022, SEK m		1,037
Sales volume		5%
Product mix		-2%
Selling price		-5%
Currency		6%
Q3 2023, SEK m		1,077

EBITDA



RESULTS

EBITDA amounted to SEK 108 (77) million for the third quarter, which is an increase of 40% compared with the same period last year. The quarter’s EBITDA includes electricity support received from the Swedish government of SEK 20 million.

Input prices have moved in different directions with an overall positive impact on EBITDA. Pulpwood prices have increased significantly compared with 2022, while the prices of energy, pulp and freight have decreased. Currency effects had a positive impact on EBITDA of SEK 22 million compared with the same quarter the previous year.

The EBITDA margin was 10.0% (7.4%). The margin was negatively impacted by product mix, as for example there were external sales of market pulp at lower profitability than paper within the segment Kraft Paper.

Operating profit amounted to SEK 69 (40) million, corresponding to an operating margin of 6.4% (3.9%). Net financial items for the third quarter amounted to SEK –21 (11) million of which net interest made up SEK –16 (–10) million, and otherwise explained by exchange rate differences on cash and cash equivalents. Tax expense for the third quarter was SEK 15 (13) million.

Net profit for the period was SEK 34 (38) million.

JANUARY – SEPTEMBER

MARKET AND SALES

Net sales for the first nine months of the year increased by 8% to SEK 3,501 (3,234) million. Higher selling prices were the main factor explaining the increase.

CHANGE IN NET SALES

Jan–Sep 2022, SEK m	3,234
Sales volume	-4%
Product mix	-1%
Selling price	7%
Currency	6%
Jan–Sep 2023, SEK m	3,501

RESULTS

EBITDA for January–September increased to SEK 606 (561) million, corresponding to an EBITDA margin of 17.3% (17.4%). The higher selling prices had a positive effect on EBITDA, while lower sales volumes had a negative impact compared with the same period the previous year.

Operating profit amounted to SEK 491 (453) million, corresponding to an operating margin of 14.0% (14.0%).

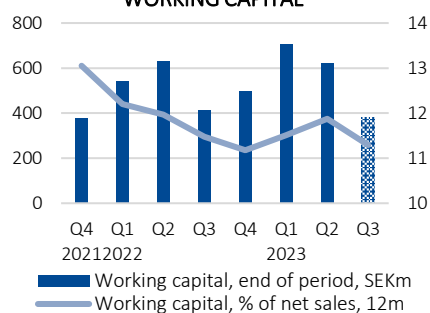
Net financial items for the period were SEK –44 (7) million of which net interest was SEK –47 (–31) million.

Tax costs for the period amounted to SEK 95 (96) million, corresponding to a tax rate of 21.3% (20.9%).

Net profit for the period was SEK 352 (363) million.

CASH FLOW AND FINANCIAL POSITION

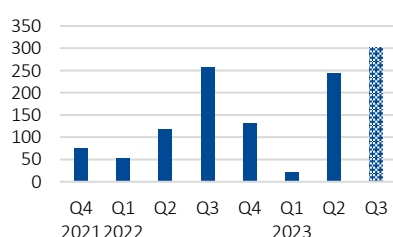
WORKING CAPITAL



WORKING CAPITAL AND CASH FLOW

Working capital as of 30 September 2023 was SEK 386 (414) million and 11.3% (11.5%) as a percentage of net sales for the last 12-month period. Cash flow from operating activities amounted to SEK 301 (257) million for the third quarter of the year. The higher cash flow is mainly explained by a reduction of finished goods inventory. Cash conversion amounted to 88,7% (54,8).

CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES, SEKm



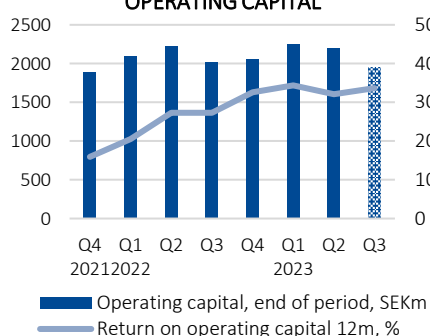
INVESTMENTS AND OPERATING CAPITAL

Investments during the quarter amounted to SEK 42 (43) million. Operating capital as of 30 September was SEK 1,951 (2,037) million of which SEK 751 (770) million consisted of property, plant and equipment. Intangible assets amounted to SEK 1,025 (1,037) million and consisted mainly of goodwill of SEK 758 (762) million and customer relations of SEK 206 (232) million. Return on operating capital for the past 12-month period was 34.0% (27.3%).

FINANCING

As of 30 September the Group's net debt had decreased to SEK 792 (1,110) million. Interest-bearing liabilities amounted to SEK 1,285 (1,515) million, of which SEK 25 (35) million was attributable to lease liabilities according to IFRS 16. Cash and cash equivalents were SEK 494 (405) 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 30.0% (23.4%) and the net debt/EBITDA ratio, 12 months, was 0.9 (1.6).

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 third quarter includes an earnings effect from realised currency hedges of SEK –34 (–12) million. For the coming 12-month period the hedges are as follows:

Currency	Average rate for currency hedges	FX rate, 30 Sep	Total FX, 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	11.42	11.49	86	982	-10	64%	46%
USD	10.54	10.84	11	114	-3	63%	40%
GBP	12.91	13.27	12	155	-4	72%	48%
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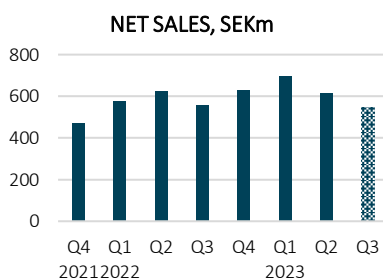
KRAFT PAPER SEGMENT

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.

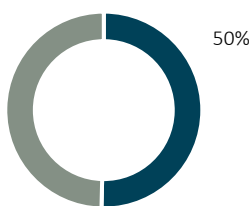
SEK m	2023 Q3	2022 Q3	Δ, %	2023 Jan-Sep	2022 Jan-Sep	Δ, %	R 12 m	2022 Full year
Net sales	546	557	-2	1,855	1,757	6	2,486	2,388
EBITDA	64	109	-41	512	557	-8	723	768
EBITDA margin, %	11.8	19.5	-	27.6	31.7	-	29.1	32.2
Operating profit	49	94	-48	467	515	-9	665	712
Operating margin, %	9.0	16.9	-	25.2	29.3	-	26.7	29.8
Sales volume ¹ , ktonnes	49.8	46.1	8	157.4	162.9	-3	207.8	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
Q3 2023**



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MARKET AND SALES

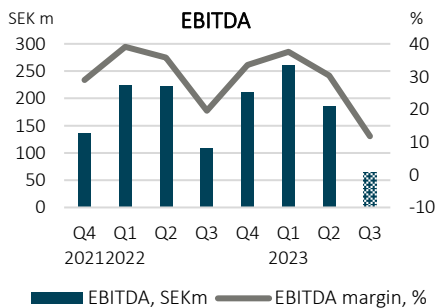
The kraft paper market remained soft in the third quarter of the year as a consequence of ongoing inventory reduction among Nordic Paper's customers or further ahead in the value chain. MG paper was the segment within Kraft Paper where this was the most evident during the quarter. Selling prices continued to fall in the soft market. Selling prices in local currency decreased by 11% compared with the third quarter of 2022. To ease further pressure on selling prices the company decided during the quarter to limit sales volumes to some extent. Despite this, sales volumes increased by 8% in the quarter compared with the same quarter last year mainly explained by good production.

Net sales were down 2% compared with the same quarter last year, decreasing to SEK 546 (557) million, mainly driven by the lower selling prices although the product mix also had a negative impact. Sales volumes had a 7% positive effect on net sales compared with the third quarter of 2022. Currency effects had a positive impact on net sales of 6%.

There were only marginal differences in net sales per geographical market in absolute terms compared with the same period in 2022. Net sales increased in North and South America but decreased in Europe. The decrease in Europe is mainly explained by the lower selling prices as volumes were essentially the same.

CHANGE IN NET SALES

Q3 2022, SEK m	557
Sales volume	7%
Product mix	-4%
Selling price	-11%
Currency	6%
Q3 2023, SEK m	546



RESULTS

EBITDA decreased by 41% to SEK 64 (109) million, mainly driven by the lower selling prices. Lower average prices for input goods had a positive effect on EBITDA. The price of energy, chemicals and freight have decreased, while pulpwood has increased significantly in price compared with the same quarter the previous year. The segment’s EBITDA for the quarter includes electricity support of SEK 12 million received from the Swedish government.

The EBITDA margin decreased to 11.8% (19.5%).

Operating profit decreased to SEK 49 (94) million and the operating margin was 9.0% (16.9%).

JANUARY – SEPTEMBER

Net sales for January – September increased by 6% to SEK 1,855 (1,757) million compared to the same period last year. The increase is mainly explained by currency effects and selling price increases. Excluding currency effects, the net sales remain unchanged. Lower sales volumes and the impact of the product mix negatively impacted net sales by 5%.

EBITDA decreased to SEK 512 (557) million and the EBITDA margin decreased to 27.6% (31.7%). Operating profit amounted to SEK 467 (515) million and the operating margin was 25.2% (29.3%).

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 Q3	2022 Q3	Δ, %	2023 Jan-Sep	2022 Jan-Sep	Δ, %	R 12 m	2022 Full year
Net sales	536	497	8	1,681	1,530	10	2,275	2,124
EBITDA	61	-23		187	49	278	263	126
EBITDA margin, %	11.4	-4.7		11.1	3.2		11.6	5.9
Operating profit	41	-42		127	-6		185	52
Operating margin, %	7.7	-8.5		7.6	-0.4		8.1	2.5
Sales volume, ktonnes	18.9	18.7	1	59.3	63.0	-6	80.2	84.0

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

JULY – SEPTEMBER

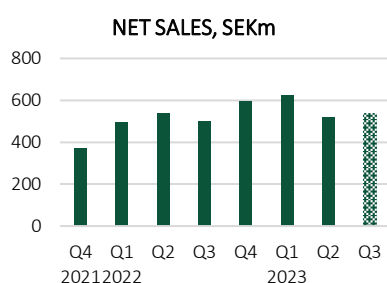
MARKET AND SALES

The greaseproof paper market remained soft in the third quarter of the year as a consequence of ongoing inventory reduction among Nordic Paper's customers. Similar to the second quarter, this was most evident in the baking cup paper market, while the market for the segment's largest product, baking paper, was significantly healthier. In the soft market the company's selling prices continued to decrease slightly from the levels that existed in the previous quarters of 2023.

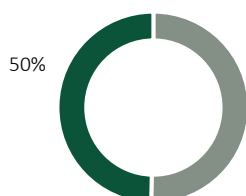
To ease pressure on selling prices the company decided during the quarter to limit production and sales volumes. However, the volumes still increased by 1% compared with the third quarter of 2022, explained by good production in the quarter.

Net sales in the third quarter increased by 8% to SEK 536 (497) million. Prices in local currency were 1% higher than in the same quarter last year and currency effects impacted net sales positively by 6%. Sales volumes and production mix had a positive impact of 1% on net sales compared with the same quarter the previous year.

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

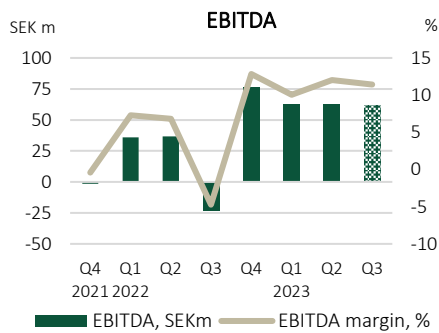


**SHARE OF GROUP'S NET SALES
Q3 2023**



CHANGE IN NET SALES

Q2 2022, SEK m	497
Sales volume	2%
Product mix	-1%
Selling price	1%
Currency	6%
Q2 2023, SEK m	536



RESULTS

EBITDA for the third quarter increased to SEK 61 (–23) million, corresponding to an EBITDA margin of 11.4% (–4.7%). The increase was driven by lower market prices for inputs in combination with slightly higher selling prices compared with the same period the previous year. Among inputs, the market prices have mainly decreased for energy but also for freight.

Compared with the third quarter of 2022, EBITDA was also positively impacted by currency effects, while sales volumes and the product mix had a negative effect. The segment’s EBITDA for the quarter includes electricity support of SEK 8 million received from the Swedish government.

Operating profit amounted to SEK 41 (–42) million, corresponding to an operating margin of 7.7% (–8.5%).

JANUARY – SEPTEMBER

Net sales for January – September increased by 10% to SEK 1,681 (1,530) million compared with the same period 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 3%. EBITDA increased to SEK 187 (49) million, corresponding to an EBITDA margin of 11.1% (3.2%). Operating profit amounted to SEK 127 (–6) million and the operating margin was 7.6% (–0.4%).

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 supporting sustainability

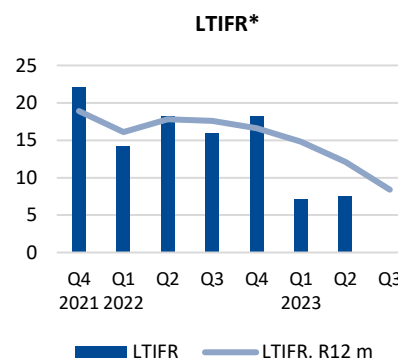
SUSTAINABLE WORK ENVIRONMENT

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 nine per million hours worked.

During the third quarter there were no incidents resulting in absence and LTIFR* therefore fell to 8.4 for the last 12-month period.

During the quarter the company worked on its initiative “Safety Journey” to reinforce the discussion about maintaining a culture and behaviours that promote a safe working environment. All employees at the company’s Scandinavian units are going through a structured process that incorporates reflection and discussion on what constitutes a safe working environment and which everyday behaviours promote that.

*Lost time injury frequency rate (LTIFR): 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 including indirect emissions from purchased goods and services in the third quarter amounted to about 39,000 tonnes CO₂eq. This is an increase by 6.0% compared to the same quarter last year. The increase is to a large part explained by an increased production volume compared to in the same quarter last year. As the increase in production volume was larger than the increase in climate impact, the impact per ton produced product decreased. Of the total emission, 19.8% were direct emissions from Nordic Paper’s operations (scope 1), 45.9% were indirect emissions from the purchase of energy (scope 2), and the remaining 34.3% were other indirect emissions from purchased goods and services (scope 3).

PRODUCTS SUPPORTING SUSTAINABILITY

Packaging solutions made from fossil based plastic are large competitors to packaging solutions made from Nordic Paper products. This is particularly valid within the Kraft Paper product range but also within Natural Greaseproof where Nordic Paper products are used in trays for example used in portion packed food. To be able to phase out fossil based materials, many brand owners are looking for packaging solutions made from renewable materials. For Nordic Paper, the number of inquiries regarding the climate performance of products of the company is increasing during 2023. The inquiries are to a large extent coming from the food sector. Nordic Paper assesses that the interest for sustainability performance from customers will continue to increase not the least due to that the implementation of the sustainability reporting regulations of the EU, CSRD, applies to many of the customers of Nordic Paper.

OTHER

SEASONAL EFFECTS

Nordic Paper is to a certain extent impacted by seasonal variations 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 in 2022 the Säffle plant switched to continuing production during the summer weeks and having a shorter maintenance shutdown lasting less than two weeks in 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 that shut down production for the summer holidays the third quarter is also impacted by lower personnel costs.

SEK m	Direct maintenance costs during planned maintenance shutdowns in Q3		
	Actual 2023	Actual 2022	Actual 2021
Kraft Paper	81	75	70
Natural Greaseproof	26	21	27
Total	107	96	97

Net sales in December can be somewhat negatively affected by low transport availability 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. As a result, this seasonal variation did not arise in the fourth quarter of 2022.

RISKS AND RISK MANAGEMENT

Nordic Paper sells its products to more than 80 countries around the world and is thereby impacted by geopolitical risks. Most of Nordic Paper purchasing is carried out locally around the production units but it can also be impacted the geopolitical development. Russia's war against the Ukraine is one example of a development with impact on Nordic Paper. 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 increased competition for wood in the Baltic region as Russian pulpwood exports to Finland have been stopped. Nordic Paper could be impacted by further indirect effects of the geopolitical situation following Russia's invasion of Ukraine and other ongoing conflicts in the world.

The cost for input goods and services used by Nordic Paper in its production varies over time and could impact negatively on the company. In 2022 electricity prices on the spot market increased substantially, which had a negative impact on the company's earnings. The spot market prices subsequently fell to lower levels in 2023. Nordic Paper generates about a quarter of its electricity requirement from a turbine in Bäckhammar, and the share of electricity purchased externally is largely procured under fixed-price contracts. According to the company's hedging strategy around 70% of the electricity requirement is purchased under contracts where the price is fully or partly predetermined, with the percentage subsequently falling gradually to zero over a period of five years. The company also has the option of adding temporary energy surcharges to selling prices to compensate for energy-related 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.

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

There were no transactions with related parties during the quarter.

For the period January-September 2023, there were transactions with related parties to a value of SEK 0.2 million related to the long term incentive programme that was decided by the Annual General Meeting on 24 May 2023. Further information on the long term incentive programme is found in Note 4.

SHAREHOLDERS

Nordic Paper had 12,420 shareholders as of 30 September 2023.

Shareholders on 30 September 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	2.5%
Handelsbanken fonder	2.2%
SEB Life International Assurance	2.1%
Nordnet Pensionsförsäkring	1.5%
Nordea Norwegian Stars Fund	1.2%
Eric Sturdza Investment	1.1%
Other	25.8%
Total	100.0%

31 October 2023

Nordic Paper Holding AB (publ)

Anita Sjölander

CEO

The English report is only for translation purposes. The Swedish report is the valid report.

This is information that Nordic Paper Holding AB (publ) is obliged to make public pursuant to the EU Market Abuse Regulation. The information was submitted for publication through the agency of the contact person set out in the press release for this report, at 7.30 am CET on 31 October 2023.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Nordic Paper Holding AB (publ.)

Corp. id. 556914-1913

INTRODUCTION

We have reviewed the condensed interim financial information (interim report) of Nordic Paper Holding AB (publ) as of 30 September 2023 and the nine-month period then ended. The Board of Directors and the Managing Director are responsible for the preparation and presentation of this interim report in accordance with IAS 34 and the Annual Accounts Act. Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on this interim report based on our review.

SCOPE OF REVIEW

We conducted our review in accordance with International Standard on Review Engagements ISRE 2410 Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity. A review of interim financial information consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing and other generally accepted auditing practices and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

CONCLUSION

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the interim report is not prepared, in all material respects, for the Group in accordance with IAS 34 and the Annual Accounts Act, and for the Parent Company in accordance with the Annual Accounts Act.

Karlstad 31 October 2023

KPMG AB

Mattias Eriksson

Authorized Public Accountant

Group

CONDENSED INCOME STATEMENT

SEK m	2023 Q3	2022 Q3	2023 Jan-Sep	2022 Jan-Sep	2022 Full year
Net sales ¹	1,077	1,037	3,501	3,234	4,440
Other operating income	13	4	32	15	41
Raw materials, energy, and consumables	-446	-505	-1,617	-1,505	-2,139
Change in inventories of work-in-progress and finished goods	-58	-22	-38	10	87
Other external costs	-296	-287	-740	-710	-954
Personnel costs	-148	-134	-452	-433	-588
Other operating expenses	-33	-15	-80	-50	-66
EBITDA	108	77	606	561	821
Depreciation and amortisation	-39	-37	-115	-108	-145
Operating profit	69	40	491	453	676
Divestment of associated companies	-	-	-	-	42
Financial income	4	24	11	43	41
Financial expense	-24	-13	-55	-36	-50
	-21	11	-44	7	33
Profit before tax	48	51	447	460	709
Tax	-15	-13	-95	-96	-143
Net profit for the period	34	38	352	363	566
Profit attributable to:					
Parent company shareholders	34	38	352	363	566
Non-controlling interests	-	-	-	-	-
Net profit for the period	34	38	352	363	566
Earnings per share, SEK ²	0.50	0.57	5.26	5.43	8.46

¹Net sales consist entirely of sales of goods

² Before and after dilution

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

SEK m	2023 Q3	2022 Q3	2023 Jan-Sep	2022 Jan-Sep	2022 Full year
Net profit for the period	34	38	352	363	566
<i>Items that have been or may be reclassified to profit or loss</i>					
Changes in the fair value of cash flow hedges	51	2	23	-24	-26
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	-5	11	14	45	34
Tax attributable to items that have been or may be reclassified to profit or loss	-10	-1	-5	5	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	35	13	32	25	24
Comprehensive income for the period	69	51	384	389	590
Comprehensive income for the period attributable to:					
Parent company shareholders	69	51	384	389	590

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET

SEK m	2023 30 Sep	2022 30 Sep	2022 31 Dec
Trademark	35	36	34
Customer relations	206	232	214
Goodwill	758	762	740
Other intangible assets	25	7	7
Buildings and land	32	42	40
Machinery and plant	530	458	544
Equipment, tools and installations	6	7	7
Construction in progress	158	226	151
Right-of-use assets	25	36	32
Deferred tax assets	13	25	18
Long term receivables	10	-	10
Total non-current assets	1,799	1,832	1,796
Inventories	623	543	625
Accounts receivable	581	664	769
Income tax receivables	-	6	-
Other receivables	144	115	85
Derivatives	11	3	2
Prepaid expenses and accrued revenue	17	20	24
Cash and cash equivalents	494	405	325
Total current assets	1,869	1,755	1,830
Total assets	3,668	3,587	3,626
Share capital	19	19	19
Reserves	5	-5	-23
Retained earnings including profit for the year	1,090	826	1,045
Total equity	1,114	840	1,041
Liabilities to credit institutions	950	1,150	950
Lease liabilities	15	24	20
Provisions for defined benefit pension plans	17	37	16
Deferred tax liabilities	224	209	228
Derivatives	38	45	25
Other liabilities and provisions	119	100	101
Total non-current liabilities	1,363	1,565	1,341
Factoring credit line	294	292	284
Accounts payables	442	447	419
Liabilities to associated companies	-	16	-
Income tax liability	19	36	43
Lease liabilities	10	11	11
Derivatives	28	44	45
Other liabilities	13	13	17
Accrued expenses and deferred income	385	322	426
Total current liabilities	1,191	1,182	1,245
Total equity and liabilities	3,668	3,587	3,626

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

SEK m	2023 Jan-Sep	2022 Jan-Sep	2022 Jan-Dec
Equity, opening balance	1,041	584	584
Net profit for the period	352	363	566
Other comprehensive income for the period	32	25	24
Transactions with owners of the parent:			
Issue of warrants	1	1	1
Dividend	-311	-134	-134
Equity, closing balance	1,114	840	1,041
Equity attributable to:			
Parent company shareholders	1,114	840	1,041

CONDENSED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

SEK m	2023 Q3	2022 Q3	2023 Jan-Sep	2022 Jan-Sep	2022 Full year
Operating activities					
Operating profit	69	40	491	453	676
Interest received	4	0	8	1	0
Interest paid	-20	-10	-53	-27	-40
Adjustments, cash flow	34	38	141	182	188
Paid income tax	-16	6	-122	-72	-73
Cash flow from operating activities before changes in working capital	71	75	465	537	750
Cash flow from changes in working capital					
Change in inventories	80	6	-2	-66	-148
Change in accounts receivable	105	78	190	-113	-220
Change in current receivables	-8	-11	-52	7	32
Change in accounts payable	89	97	28	61	32
Change in current liabilities	-36	12	-62	2	113
Cash flow from operating activities	301	257	567	428	560
Investing activities					
Acquisition of tangible assets	-42	-43	-93	-112	-145
Acquisition of subsidiaries	-	-	-	21	21
Divestment of associated companies	-	-	-	-	42
Change in financial assets	-	-	-	-	-10
Cash flow from investing activities	-42	-43	-93	-91	-92
Financing activities					
Change in non-current liabilities to credit institutions	-	-	-	-200	-400
Repayment of lease liabilities	-3	-3	-8	-9	-11
Net change in factoring credit line	5	-2	10	20	11
Dividend paid	-	-	-311	-134	-134
Cash flow from financing activities	2	-6	-309	-323	-534
Cash flow for the period	261	209	164	14	-66
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	235	170	325	360	360
Exchange rate difference in cash and cash equivalents	-3	26	4	30	30
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	494	405	494	405	325
Adjustments for non-cash items					
Depreciation and amortisation	39	37	115	108	145
Changes in exchange rates	2	-29	2	-23	-28
Change in fair value of derivatives	-20	7	6	53	35
Other	14	24	19	43	35
Total	34	38	141	182	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. The fair value of long term loan is assessed to correspond to the carrying amount as the interest rate is variable and on market terms. 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 119 million relate to assessed future remediation costs for buildings and land. The provision breakdown includes SEK 94 million 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 from this programme amounts to 292,000.

The warrants were offered at market price. Each warrant entitles the holder to subscribe for one new share in the company at an exercise price of SEK 38.98 per 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 subsidy, 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 in which 510,000 warrants were issued at an exercise price of SEK 45.77 per share. The total maximum dilution from the two programmes amounts to about 1.39%

NOTE 5 NET SALES PER SEGMENT

The two segments are presented according to the Group's internal processes for monitoring and reporting to the CEO.

	Net sales incl. internal sales	Eliminations	Net sales
SEK m	Jan-Sep 2023		
Kraft Paper	1,855	-35	1,820
Natural Greaseproof	1,681		1,681
Parent company and undistributed items	47	-47	0
Group	3,583	-82	3,501

Net sales by segment, geographic market		
	Natural Greaseproof	Kraft Paper
	Jan-Sep 2023	
Sweden	39	361
Italy	186	209
Germany	99	241
Other Europe	575	567
USA	484	1
Other world	298	441
	1,681	1,820

Nordic Paper's ten largest customers account for around 20% of the company's net sales. No individual customer account for more than 10% of net sales. Where Nordic Paper invoices for deliveries to Swedish trading houses for export, these sales are also recognised as exports above. The table above shows actual end-customers.

Key figures

SEK m	2023 Q3	2022 Q3	2023 Jan-Sep	2022 Jan-Sep	2022 Full year
Net sales growth, %	4	46	8	42	44
EBITDA margin, %	10.0	7.4	17.3	17.4	18.5
Operating margin, %	6.4	3,9	14.0	14.0	15.2
Cash flow from operating activities	301	257	567	428	560
Cash conversion, %	88.7	54.8			70.5
Return on operating capital, 12 m, %	34.0	27.3			32.5
Return on equity, 12 m, %	51.8	57.1			69.5
Working capital	386	414			497
Operating capital	1,951	2,037			2,065
Interest-bearing liabilities	1,285	1,515			1,281
Net debt/equity ratio, %	71.0	132.1			91.8
Net debt/EBITDA, 12 m, multiple	0.9	1.6			1.2
Equity/assets ratio, %	30.4	23.4			28.7
Working capital, % of net sales, 12 m	11.3	11.5			11.2
Investments	42	43	93	112	145
Sales volume, ktonnes	67.6	61.9	210.5	216.3	284.5
Number of employees at end of period	677	684			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	0.50	0.57	5.26	5.43	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	Q3	Q3	Jan-Sep	Jan-Sep	Full year
Operating profit	69	40	491	453	676
Depreciation/amortisation	39	37	115	108	145
EBITDA, SEKm	108	77	606	561	821
EBITDA MARGIN	2023	2022	2023	2022	2022
SEK m	Q3	Q3	Jan-Sep	Jan-Sep	Full year
EBITDA	108	77	606	561	821
Net sales	1,077	1,037	3,501	3,234	4,440
EBITDA margin, %	10.0	7.4	17.3	17.4	18.5
OPERATING MARGIN	2023	2022	2023	2022	2022
SEK m	Q3	Q3	Jan-Sep	Jan-Sep	Full year
Operating profit	69	40	491	453	676
Net sales	1,077	1,037	3,501	3,234	4,440
Operating margin, %	6.4	3.9	14.0	14.0	15.2
CASH CONVERSION	2023	2022	2023	2022	2022
SEK m	Q3	Q3	Jan-Sep	Jan-Sep	Full year
EBITDA, 12 m	865	686			821
Change in working capital	28	-111			-97
Investments, 12 m	-126	-199			-145
Total	767	376			579
EBITDA, 12 m	865	686			821
Cash conversion %, 12 m	88.7	54.8			70.5
WORKING CAPITAL	2023	2022	2023	2022	2022
SEK m	Q3	Q3	Jan-Sep	Jan-Sep	Full year
Inventories	623	543			625
Accounts receivable	581	664			769
Other operating receivables excl. derivatives	161	141			109
Accounts payable	-442	-447			-419
Other operating liabilities excl. derivatives	-537	-487			-587
Working capital	386	414			497
Working capital, 12 m	532	465			496
Net sales, 12 m	4,708	4,043			4,440
Working capital, % of net sales, 12 m	11.3	11.5			11.2

OPERATING CAPITAL	2023	2022	2022
SEK m	Q3	Q3	Full year
Working capital	386	414	497
Intangible assets	1,025	1,037	995
Property, plant and equipment	751	770	773
Deferred tax assets/liabilities	-211	-184	-211
Operating capital	1,951	2,037	2,055
Operating profit, 12 m	714	513	676
Operating capital, 12 m	2,100	1,879	2,074
Return on operating capital, %, 12 m	34.0	27.3	32.5
NET DEBT	2023	2022	2022
SEK m	Q3	Q3	Full year
Non-current liabilities to credit institutions	950	1,150	950
Lease liabilities, non-current	15	24	20
Provisions for employee benefits	17	37	16
Factoring credit line	294	292	284
Lease liabilities, current	10	11	11
Interest-bearing liabilities	1,285	1,515	1,281
Cash and cash equivalents	494	405	325
Net debt/net cash (+/-)	792	1,110	956
EBITDA, 12 m	865	686	821
Net debt/EBITDA, 12 m, multiple	0.9	1.6	1.2
NET DEBT/EQUITY RATIO	2023	2022	2022
SEK m	Q3	Q3	Full year
Net debt/net cash (+/-)	792	1,110	956
Equity	1,114	840	1,041
Net debt/equity ratio, %	71.0	132.1	91.8
EQUITY/ASSETS RATIO	2023	2022	2022
SEK m	Q3	Q3	Full year
Equity	1,114	840	1,041
Total assets	3,668	3,587	3,626
Equity/assets ratio, %	30.4	23.4	28.7
RETURN ON EQUITY	2023	2022	2022
SEK m	Q3	Q3	Full year
Net profit for the period, 12 m	554	408	566
Equity	1,114	840	1,041
Equity, 12 m	1,071	715	814
Return on equity, 12 m, %	51.8	57.1	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		
SEK m	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
Kraft Paper segment	469	575	624	557	631	695	614	546
Natural Greaseproof segment	369	494	539	497	594	626	519	536
Eliminations	-28	-17	-19	-17	-19	-15	-13	-6
Total Group	810	1,052	1,144	1,037	1,206	1,305	1,120	1,077

EBITDA								
	2021	2022				2023		
SEK m	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
Kraft Paper segment	136	225	223	109	212	261	186	64
Natural Greaseproof segment	-2	36	37	-23	76	63	63	61
Parent company and undistributed items	-23	-29	-40	-11	-31	-42	-65	19
Eliminations etc.	13	6	27	3	3	1	31	-37
EBITDA Group	124	237	247	77	260	282	215	108
Depreciation and amortisation	-64	-35	-36	-37	-37	-38	-38	-39
Operating profit	61	202	211	40	223	244	178	69
Divestment associated companies	-	-	-	-	42	-	-	-
Financial income	0	11	8	24	0	2	19	4
Financial expense	-8	-11	-13	-13	-16	-26	-19	-24
Profit before tax	52	203	206	51	249	220	178	48

EBITDA MARGIN								
	2021	2022				2023		
%	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
Kraft Paper segment	29.0	39.1	35.8	19.5	33.5	37.6	30.4	11.8
Natural Greaseproof segment	-0.4	7.3	6.8	-4.7	12.8	10.0	12.0	11.4
Group	15.4	22.6	21.6	7.4	21.5	21.6	19.2	10.0

OPERATING PROFIT								
	2021	2022				2023		
SEK m	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
Kraft Paper segment	120	212	209	94	197	246	172	49
Natural Greaseproof segment	-45	18	18	-42	58	43	43	41
Parent company and undistributed items	-23	-29	-40	-11	-31	-42	-65	19
Eliminations etc.	9	2	23	-1	-1	-3	28	-40
Total Group	61	202	211	40	223	244	178	69

OPERATING MARGIN								
	2021	2022				2023		
%	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
Kraft Paper segment	25.6	36.8	33.5	16.9	31.3	35.4	28.0	9.0
Natural Greaseproof segment	-12.2	3.7	3.4	-8.5	9.7	6.9	8.3	7.7
Group	7.5	19.2	18.4	3.9	18.5	18.7	15.9	6.4

SALES VOLUMES								
	2021	2022				2023		
Ktonnes	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
Kraft Paper segment	54.1	58.3	58.5	46.1	50.4	54.6	53.0	49.8
Natural Greaseproof segment	18.7	21.9	22.4	18.7	21.0	21.6	18.8	18.9
Eliminations	-3.6	-3.3	-3.4	-2.9	-3.3	-2.7	-2.4	-1.1
Total Group	69.3	76.9	77.6	61.9	68.2	73.5	69.4	67.6

Parent company

CONDENSED INCOME STATEMENT

SEK m	2023	2022	2023	2022	2022
	Q3	Q3	Jan-Sep	Jan-Sep	Full year
Net sales	16	17	47	46	57
Other operating income	0	0	0	0	0
Other external costs	-7	-17	-57	-47	-66
Personnel costs	-3	2	-12	-10	-13
Other operating expenses	13	-13	-67	-70	-90
Operating profit	19	-11	-88	-80	-111
Profit from participations in Group companies	-	19	-	19	19
Financial income and similar items	77	14	20	35	21
Financial expense and similar items	-37	-11	-71	-32	-43
Profit after financial items	58	10	-139	-59	-114
Appropriations	-	-	-	-	610
Profit before tax	58	10	-139	-59	496
Tax	-17	-1	28	14	-100
Net profit for the period	42	9	-111	-45	396

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET

SEK m	2023	2022	2022
	30 Sep	30 Sep	31 Dec
Shares in Group companies	1,165	1,165	1,165
Receivables from Group companies	306	389	345
Deferred tax assets	6	9	10
Total non-current assets	1,477	1,562	1,519
Receivables from Group companies	7	3	720
Current tax assets	77	52	-
Other receivables	1	-	-
Prepaid expenses and accrued income	2	0	11
Cash and bank balances	323	362	109
Total current assets	411	417	840
Total assets	1,888	1,979	2,360
Share capital	19	19	19
Retained earnings	446	361	361
Net profit for the period	-111	-45	396
Total equity	354	335	776
Untaxed reserves	508	398	508
Non-current liabilities to credit institutions	950	1 150	950
Derivatives	38	45	25
Total non-current liabilities	988	1 195	975
Liabilities to Group companies	1	1	1
Accounts payable	1	1	2
Derivatives	28	44	45
Other liabilities	2	2	1
Income tax liability	-	-	48
Accrued expenses and deferred income	7	3	5
Total current liabilities	38	50	101
Total equity and liabilities	1,888	1,979	2,360

CONFERENCE CALL

On the publication of the interim report a telephone conference will be held on Tuesday 31 October at 9.00 CET. 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 webcasted. It is also possible to participate in the conference by telephone.

- Link to watch webcast: <https://fronto.vancastvideo.com/event/myuGdua6/8838/?lang=8164>
- Link to register to participate by telephone: <https://services.choruscall.it/DiamondPassRegistration/register?confirmationNumber=5437357&linkSecurityString=abe91085b>

FINANCIAL CALENDAR

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Interim Report Q1 2024 – 25 April 2024

Interim Report Q2 2024 – 19 July 2024

Interim Report Q3 2024 – 30 October 2024

Annual General Meeting

Annual General Meeting will be held in Karlstad on 23 May 2024.

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