

Interim report January – March 2025

QUARTERLY RESULTS JANUARY - MARCH

- Net sales amounted to SEK 1,277 m (1,209 m), an increase of 6% compared with the same quarter the previous year. Excluding currency effects, net sales increased by 5%.
- EBITDA amounted to SEK 231 m (231 m), representing an EBITDA margin of 18.1% (19.1%).
- Operating profit amounted to SEK 190 m (194 m), representing an operating margin of 14.9% (16.0%).
- Profit for the period amounted to SEK 167 m (149 m) and earnings per share to SEK 2.49 (2.23).
- Cash flow from operating activities was SEK 90 m (-87 m).
- Return on operating capital, 12 months, was 26.4% (27.4%).
- The net debt/EBITDA ratio, 12 months, was 1.6 (1.3).
- The sales volume amounted to 76.8 (79.8) ktonnes.
- On 9 January 2025, Strategic Value Partners, LLC, through Coniferous Bidco AB, announced the closing of the public cash offer.
- At the request of Strategic Value Partners, LLC, through Coniferous Bidco AB, an extraordinary general meeting was held on 13 January 2025. Resolutions at the meeting included the election of Tim Stubbs, Russell Wanke, Omar Hoek, Christer Simrén, Alexandre Mignotte, Ricardo Mateiro and Riccardo Franchi as new members of the board of directors with Tim Stubbs as chairman. It was also resolved to abolish the nomination committee of the company.
- Nordic Paper has entered into new financing agreements which are further described in the report under the headline Financing. The financing runs into 2026 and the company is currently reviewing options for its long term financing.
- The Board of Directors has decided to remove the dividend policy of the company.
- The Board of Directors of Nordic Paper proposes no dividend to the Annual General Meeting to be held on 28 May 2025 but considers opportunity for a potential extraordinary dividend later on in 2025 once a long-term financing is in place.

EVENTS AFTER THE END OF THE QUARTER

- Nordic Paper has approved up to SEK 450 m environmental investments for Bäckhammar. The investments relate to the water handling of the mill and include, among other things, the installation of a pipeline for purified effluent water from the plant to lake Vänern. The investments unlock a potential to increase production volume above the level permitted today.

KEY FIGURES

SEK m	2025 Q1	2024 Q1	Δ, %	R12	2024 Full year
Net sales	1,277	1,209	6	4,736	4,668
EBITDA	231	231	0	806	806
EBITDA margin, %	18.1	19.1		17.0	17.3
Operating profit	190	194	-2	650	654
Operating margin, %	14.9	16.0		13.7	14.0
Net profit for the period	167	149	12	483	465
Earnings per share, SEK ¹	2.49	2.23		7.22	6.96
Cash flow from operating activities	90	-87		514	333
Return on operating capital, 12 m, %	26.4	27.4		26.4	28.1
Net debt/EBITDA, 12 m, ratio	1.6	1.3		1.6	1.5
Sales volume, ktonnes	76.8	79.8	-4	284.4	287.4

¹ Before and after dilution

CEO'S COMMENTS



STABLE PERFORMANCE IN THE FIRST QUARTER

Overall demand for our speciality papers remained healthy in the first quarter of the year and net sales amounted to SEK 1,277 million which was an increase by 6% compared to the first quarter last year. Product prices were somewhat negatively impacted by the weaker demand situation in certain areas of the kraft paper business by the end of 2024 but compared to the first quarter last year, product prices increased by 6%.

Sales volumes were at all time high levels in the Natural Greaseproof segment while volumes in Kraft Paper were significantly higher than last quarter, but lower than the very

strong first quarter 2024 which was temporarily boosted by volumes from the fourth quarter 2023 that were delayed following the geopolitical situation in the Middle East at that time. Overall sales volumes for the group in the quarter decreased by 4%.

EBITDA in the quarter amounted to SEK 231 million, which was unchanged from the first quarter last year. The EBITDA margin was 18.1%. The Natural Greaseproof segment reported a new quarterly record for EBITDA at SEK 146 million and for EBITDA margin at 21.9% while Kraft Paper EBITDA amounted to SEK 102 million corresponding to an EBITDA margin of 16.3%.

KRAFT PAPER PRICE INCREASES IMPLEMENTED FOR THE SECOND QUARTER

During the first quarter, price increases have been negotiated and agreed for certain parts of the Kraft Paper segment valid from the second quarter. Average kraft paper prices in the second quarter will increase slightly from the average levels in the first quarter. Product prices in Natural Greaseproof are expected to remain stable compared to the first quarter.

The prices for pulpwood and sawmill chips used as input goods in the Kraft Paper segment have increased continuously since the beginning of 2022, mainly driven by the deficit created by the stop for Russian exports of pulpwood to Finland. During the first quarter 2025, market signals point towards a stabilisation of pulpwood prices in the short term.

TURBULENCE FROM POTENTIAL TARIFFS

It has been a turbulent quarter in international trade following the announcements on tariffs from the US administration. Nordic Paper is a large player in the US greaseproof paper market and serves US customers from its paper manufacturing in Norway, Sweden and Canada. As of the date of this report, US tariffs for Norway and Sweden are both 10% and zero for Canada. While the impact on the paper markets from the turbulence is yet to be seen, currency markets have reacted with a depreciation of the USD. For Nordic Paper, the exposure to USD is minor due to that the company also has purchasing in USD neutralising net sales effect in USD.

INVESTMENT DECISION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL MEASURES IN BÄCKHAMMAR

After the end of the quarter, Nordic Paper decided to approve environmental investments of up to SEK 450 million relating to water handling at the Bäckhammar pulp and paper plant. The investments include, among other things, a pipeline for purified effluent water from the plant to lake Vänern and are conditioned in the new production permit of the plant. Once the investments have been carried out in 2027, the plant will totally disconnect from the nearby Visman stream and thereby unlock the potential of exceeding production output above the current permitted levels.

The already ongoing investments in Bäckhammar decided in 2023 in a new wood handling and in a new electrofilter are proceeding according to plan and we expect an EBITDA gain of SEK 100 million on an annual basis with full effect from 2026 after completion towards the end of this year.

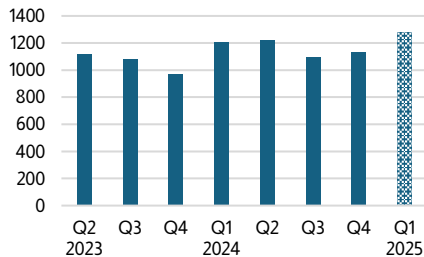
While conditions for global trade are potentially changing, Nordic Paper is well positioned in its niche markets benefitting from a profound know-how and tailored production capabilities. The demand from consumers for sustainable packaging materials with the ability to gradually replace plastics is increasing. In a turbulent environment in the beginning of 2025, we deliver stable results.

Anita Sjölander, CEO

GROUP PERFORMANCE

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NET SALES, SEKm

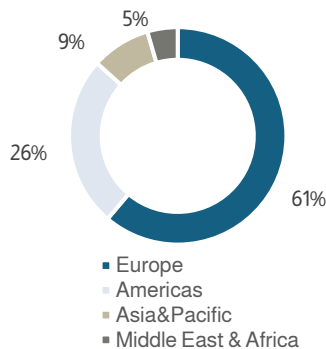


MARKET AND SALES

Overall demand for Nordic Paper's products remained healthy in the first quarter of the year. Net sales increased by 6% to SEK 1,277 (1,209) million primarily driven by higher sales prices. Sales volumes in tonnes for the quarter decreased by 4%, primarily due to lower volumes in Kraft Paper compared to the strong first quarter last year.

Net sales increased in all geographies compared to the same period last year, except for Middle East & Africa.

NET SALES PER GEOGRAPHY



CHANGE IN NET SALES

Q1 2024, SEK m	1,209
Sales volume	-4%
Product mix	3%
Sales price	6%
Currency	1%
Q1 2025, SEK m	1,277

RESULTS

EBITDA for the first quarter was at the same level as for the first quarter last year, SEK 231 (231) million. Increased sales prices had a positive effect on EBITDA and compensated for the negative effect from higher prices for input goods.

Currency effects had a negative impact on EBITDA of SEK -13 million compared with the same quarter last year, to the large part related to revaluation effects of receivables and payables.

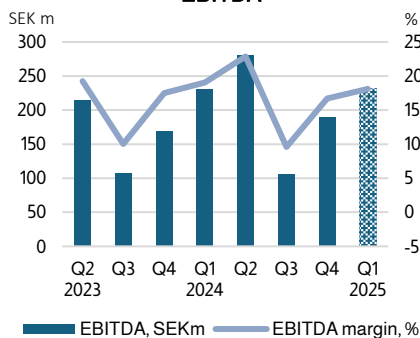
The EBITDA margin was 18.1% (19.1%).

Operating profit amounted to SEK 190 (194) million, representing an operating margin of 14.9% (16.0%). Net financial items for the first quarter amounted to SEK 21 (1) million, consisting of net interest of SEK -15 (-13) million as well as exchange rate differences on cash and long-term receivables and loans.

Tax expense for the first quarter amounted to SEK 44 (46) million, corresponding to a tax rate of 20,9% (23,5%).

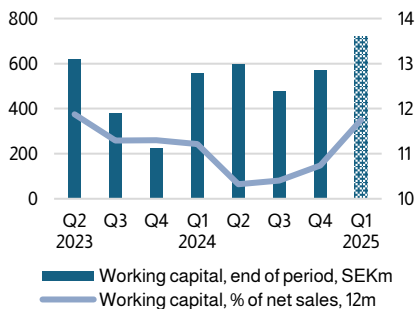
Net profit for the period increased to SEK 167 (149) million.

EBITDA



CASH FLOW AND FINANCIAL POSITION

WORKING CAPITAL

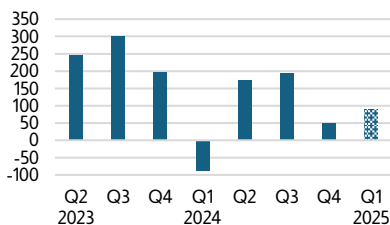


WORKING CAPITAL AND CASH FLOW

Working capital as of 31 March 2025 increased to SEK 710 (557) million. The increase is largely explained by higher value of inventories, to a large part explained by the higher prices for raw material. Expressed as a percentage of net sales over the past 12-month period, working capital increased to 11.7% (11.2%).

Cash flow from operating activities increased to SEK 90 (-87) million for the first quarter.

CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES, SEKm

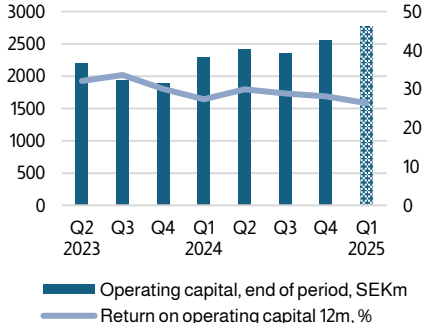


INVESTMENTS AND OPERATING CAPITAL

Investments in non-current assets during the quarter amounted to SEK 149 (61) million, the majority of which were related to the ongoing investments in Bäckhammar.

Operating capital as of 31 March was SEK 2,755 (2,288) million, of which SEK 1,371 (956) million consisted of property, plant and equipment. Intangible assets amounted to SEK 910 (993) million and consisted mainly of goodwill of SEK 703 (748) million and customer relations of SEK 146 (188) million. The return on operating capital for the last 12-month period was 26.4% (27.4%).

OPERATING CAPITAL



FINANCING

As of 31 March 2025, the Group's net debt amounted to SEK 1,285 (957) million. Interest-bearing liabilities amounted to SEK 1,546 (1,264) million, of which SEK 37 (23) million was attributable to lease liabilities according to IFRS 16. Cash and cash equivalents were SEK 261 (307) million. During the fourth quarter 2024, change-of-control provisions in the financing agreement were triggered as Strategic Value Partners, LLC, via Coniferous Bidco AB, reached controlling shareholding in Nordic Paper. Due to these changed conditions, the financing is presented as current liabilities as of 31 December 2024. Negotiations for new financing agreements were initiated during the fourth quarter and concluded in January 2025. The new financing agreement includes a term loan of SEK 1,400 million and revolving credit facilities of EUR 65 million, to replace the previously drawn and undrawn facilities. The new agreement includes pledge of shares in subsidiaries and is valid into 2026. The loan has during the quarter been converted to EUR at a value of EUR 123 million.

The equity/assets ratio was 37.0% (34.8%) and the net debt/EBITDA ratio, 12 months, was 1.6 (1.3).

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 first quarter includes an earnings effect from realised currency hedges of SEK 0 (4) million.

For the coming 12-month period the hedges are as shown below. The exposure to USD is of marginal magnitude as net sales in USD are neutralized by purchasing in USD and is currently not hedged.

Currency	Average rate for currency hedges	FX rate, 31 Mar	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	11.30	10.82	93	1,051	39	67%	42%
GBP	13.26	12.99	12	164	5	76%	48%
				1,215	44		

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	2025 Q1	2024 Q1	Δ, %	R12	2024 Full year
Net sales	625	597	5	2,305	2,277
EBITDA	102	114	-10	380	392
EBITDA margin, %	16.3	19.1		16.5	17.2
Operating profit	84	99	-15	316	331
Operating margin, %	13.5	16.6		13.7	14.5
Sales volume ¹ , ktonnes	55.9	58.9	-5	205.8	208.8

For reconciliation of the result for the segment to the group result, see Quarterly data per segment p 20.

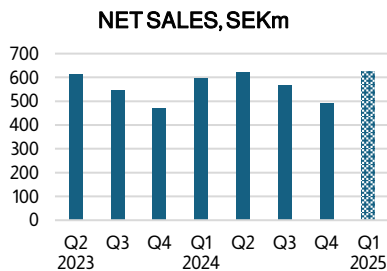
¹Includes intra-group deliveries

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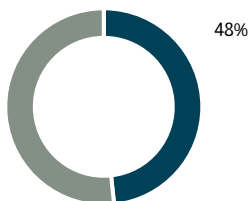
MARKET AND SALES

Demand for Nordic Paper's kraft paper was healthy in the first quarter and net sales increased by 5% compared with the same quarter the previous year, to SEK 625 (597) million. The net sales development was positively impacted by higher sales prices and product mix effects. Sales volumes were 5% lower compared to the same quarter last year. The decrease in volume is to a large part explained by lower sales of bale pulp compared to the first quarter last year.

Compared with the same period in 2024, net sales in absolute terms increased in Europe, the company's main market, despite a decrease in sales volume. Net sales to the other geographies decreased slightly.



SHARE OF GROUP'S NET SALES Q1 2025



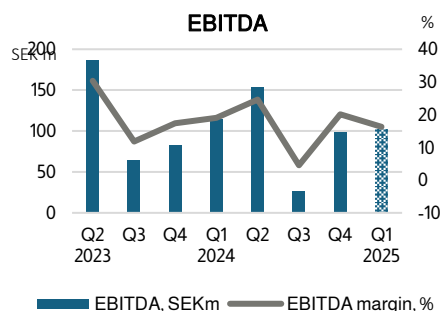
CHANGE IN NET SALES

Q1 2024, SEK m	597
Sales volume	-5%
Product mix	4%
Sales price	6%
Currency	0%
Q1 2025, SEK m	625

RESULTS

EBITDA decreased to SEK 102 (114) million. Higher sales prices had positive impact on EBITDA while higher cost for input goods and lower sales volume had negative impact. Currency effects from revaluation of receivables and payables had an impact on EBITDA of SEK -16 million compared with the same period the previous year.

The EBITDA margin decreased to 16.3% (19.1%). Operating profit amounted to SEK 84 (99) million and the operating margin was 13.5% (16.6%).



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	2025 Q1	2024 Q1	Δ, %	R12	2024 Full year
Net sales	669	624	7	2,492	2,448
EBITDA	146	124	18	468	446
EBITDA margin, %	21.9	19.9		18.8	18.2
Operating profit	127	104	22	389	366
Operating margin, %	19.0	16.7		15.6	14.9
Sales volume, ktonnes	23.2	23.2	0	88.1	88.0

For reconciliation of the result for the segment to the group result, see Quarterly data per segment p 20.

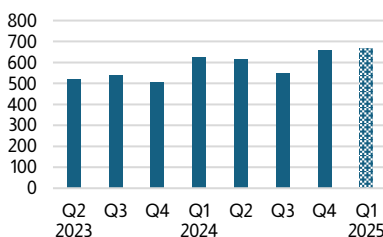
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MARKET AND SALES

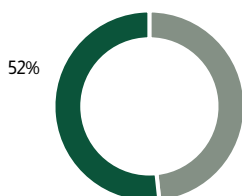
Demand for Nordic Paper's greaseproof paper remained strong during the first quarter of the year, and the sales volume was at the same level as for the first quarter in 2024. The company's sales prices were 7% higher than last year. Net sales in the quarter amounted to SEK 669 (624) million, an increase of 7% of which increased sales prices were the main reason. Currency effects had a small positive impact on net sales compared with the same period last year.

Net sales increased for all geographic markets except Middle East & Africa. In absolute terms, the increase was largest for the Americas while net sales to Asia increased the most in percentage terms.

NET SALES, SEK m



SHARE OF GROUP'S NET SALES Q1 2025



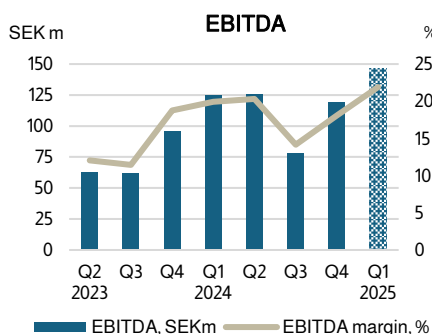
CHANGE IN NET SALES

Q1 2024, SEK m	624
Sales volume	0%
Product mix	-1%
Sales price	7%
Currency	1%
Q1 2025, SEK m	669

RESULTS

EBITDA for the first quarter increased to SEK 146 (124) million, corresponding to an EBITDA margin of 21.9% (19.9%). The increase in EBITDA was mainly driven by higher sales prices. Market prices for pulp have increased during the quarter and in total prices for inputs had a slight negative impact on EBITDA compared to the same quarter last year. Currency effects had no material impact on EBITDA in the quarter compared with the same period the previous year.

Operating profit amounted to SEK 127 (104) million, representing an operating margin of 19.0% (16.7%).



SUSTAINABILITY

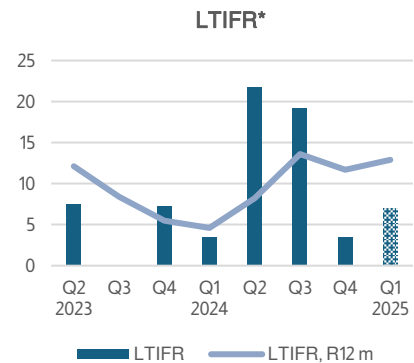
Nordic Paper strives to integrate sustainability as a natural part of its daily work. Based on a materiality analysis performed, the company has selected three focus areas for its efforts:

- Sustainable work environment
- Reduced 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 7 per million hours worked.

During the first quarter two lost time incidents occurred, making the LTIFR for the quarter 7. LTIFR for rolling 12 months amounted to 12.6.



*Lost time incident 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.

REDUCED CLIMATE IMPACT

The emissions of fossil greenhouse gases from the company within scope 1 during the quarter amounted to about 8 000 tonnes CO₂eq. The emissions in the quarter decreased by more than 2,500 tonnes compared to the same period last year and by 1,000 tonnes from the previous quarter. The decrease compared to the same period last year is in full explained by a decreased consumption of fossil fuels in the Bäckhammar plant.

PRODUCTS THAT SUPPORT SUSTAINABILITY

During the first quarter, the annual Nordic Paper customer survey was completed. One of the questions asked is how well the Nordic Paper products' sustainability performance create value to the customers. The answers to this question is also one of the sustainability targets of Nordic Paper, to increase the customer rating how well the products sustainability performance creates value. The rating from this survey was 4.4 on a scale from 1-5 which is a slight decrease compared to the survey last year.

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 plants in Bäckhammar and Säffle operate all year round and therefore have an annual maintenance shutdown which generally falls in the third quarter. These maintenance shutdowns typically have a duration of 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 contribution decreases. In addition, operating profit is negatively impacted by maintenance costs as well as 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		
	Estimated 2025	Actual 2024	Actual 2023
Kraft Paper	110-120	108	81
Natural Greaseproof	15-25	16	26
Total	125-145	124	107

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.

RISKS AND RISK MANAGEMENT

Nordic Paper sells to more than 80 countries around the world and is thus exposed to geopolitical risks. Nordic Paper could be negatively impacted by trade barriers such as custom tariffs, or geopolitical turbulence. Nordic Paper is a large player in the US greaseproof paper market through supplies from Norway, Sweden and Canada and potential tariffs on imports to the US may impact Nordic Paper and its customers. Most of Nordic Paper's purchasing takes place locally, but it can also be impacted by geopolitical developments. Russia's war on Ukraine is an example of a development that has impacted the company's operations as Russian pulpwood exports to Finland were stopped and it resulted in increased competition for wood in the Baltic region and higher prices for pulpwood for Nordic Paper. Nordic Paper could be impacted by further indirect effects of the geopolitical situation following Russia's warfare in Ukraine as well as by other ongoing conflicts in the world.

Also costs of other input goods and services used by Nordic Paper in production vary over time and could adversely affect Nordic Paper's operations. In 2022 electricity prices on the spot market increased substantially, which had a negative impact on the company's earnings. The spot market prices have thereafter decreased to lower levels. An internal generation of parts of the electricity demand as well as a hedging strategy for the purchase of electricity are components of the risk mitigation. 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 2024, which is available at www.nordic-paper.com

TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

During the first quarter, there were no transactions with related parties other than sales of products in the ordinary course of business to a value of SEK 2 m to a portfolio company of Strategic Value Partners, LLC.

SHAREHOLDERS

Nordic Paper had 4,701 shareholders as of 31 March 2025.

Shareholders 31 March 2025	Votes and capital (%)
Coniferous Bidco AB	87.4%
Nordea Funds	2.4%
Nordnet Pensionsförsäkring	2.0%
J.P. Morgan SE	1.5%
SEB Investment Management	0.6%
Försäkringsaktiebolaget Avanza Pension	0.5%
Clearstream Banking S.A.	0.4%
BNP Paribas SA	0.2%
UBP Client Assets	0.2%
Nordea Bank Abp	0.2%
Other	4.6%
Total	100.0%

DIVIDEND

The Board of Directors of Nordic Paper proposes no dividend to the Annual General Meeting but considers the opportunity for a potential extraordinary dividend later on in 2025.

29 April 2025

Nordic Paper Holding AB (publ)

Anita Sjölander

CEO

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

The report has not been reviewed by the company's auditors.

Group

CONDENSED INCOME STATEMENT

SEK m	2025 Q1	2024 Q1	2024 Full year
Net sales ¹	1,277	1,209	4,668
Other operating income	7	15	27
Raw materials, energy, and consumables	-629	-573	-2,299
Change in inventories of work-in-progress and finished goods	-23	-42	29
Other external costs	-223	-217	-945
Personnel costs	-168	-160	-665
Other operating expenses	-9	-1	-10
EBITDA	231	231	806
Depreciation and amortisation	-41	-37	-152
Operating profit	190	194	654
Financial income and expense, net	21	1	-56
Profit before tax	211	195	598
Tax	-44	-46	-132
Net profit for the period	167	149	465
Profit attributable to:			
Parent company shareholders	167	149	465
Non-controlling interests	-	-	-
Net profit for the period	167	149	465
Earnings per share, SEK ²	2,49	2,23	6.96

¹ Net sales consist entirely of sales of goods

² Before and after dilution

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

SEK m	2025 Q1	2024 Q1	2024 Full year
Net profit for the period	167	149	465
<i>Items that have been or may be reclassified to profit or loss</i>			
Changes in the fair value of cash flow hedges	50	-46	-50
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	-40	12	1
Tax attributable to items that have been or may be reclassified to profit or loss	-10	10	10
<i>Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss</i>			
Change in provisions for defined benefit pension plans	-	2	12
Tax attributable to items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss	-	-	-3
Other comprehensive income for the period	-1	-23	-29
Comprehensive income for the period	166	126	436
Comprehensive income for the period attributable to:			
Parent company shareholders	166	126	436

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET

SEK m	2025 31 Mar	2024 31 Mar	2024 31 Dec
Trademark	31	34	34
Customer relations	146	188	165
Goodwill	703	748	737
Other intangible assets	30	22	32
Buildings and land	34	28	36
Machinery and plant	587	541	613
Equipment, tools and installations	12	6	13
Construction in progress	701	358	550
Right-of-use assets	36	23	39
Shareholding in associated companies	-	15	-
Deferred tax assets	1	12	11
Other financial assets	14	10	14
Total non-current assets	2,295	1,986	2,244
Inventories	690	604	739
Accounts receivable	699	713	618
Income tax receivables	17	0	-
Other receivables	88	138	114
Derivatives	45	8	2
Prepaid expenses and accrued revenue	33	33	22
Cash and cash equivalents	261	307	398
Total current assets	1,833	1,803	1,893
Total assets	4,128	3,789	4,137
Share capital	19	19	19
Reserves	-19	-3	-18
Retained earnings including profit for the year	1,528	1,303	1,361
Total equity	1,528	1,320	1,362
Liabilities to credit institutions	1,505	950	-
Lease liabilities	23	12	26
Provisions for defined benefit pension plans	4	15	4
Deferred tax liabilities	235	230	240
Derivatives	-	0	-
Other liabilities and provisions	94	108	98
Total non-current liabilities	1,862	1,315	368
Liabilities to credit institutions	-	-	1,550
Factoring credit line	-	276	-
Accounts payables	375	431	443
Income tax liability	-	42	3
Lease liabilities	14	11	14
Derivatives	1	45	18
Other liabilities	11	11	11
Accrued expenses and deferred income	337	339	367
Total current liabilities	738	1,155	2,407
Total equity and liabilities	4,128	3,789	4,137

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

SEK m	2025 31 Mar	2024 31 Mar	2024 31 Dec
Equity, opening balance	1,362	1,193	1,193
Net profit for the period	167	149	465
Other comprehensive income for the period	-1	-23	-29
Transactions with owners of the parent:			
Dividend	-	-	-268
Equity, closing balance	1,528	1,320	1,362
Equity attributable to:			
Parent company shareholders	1,528	1,320	1,362

CONDENSED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

SEK m	2025 Q1	2024 Q1	2024 Full year
Operating activities			
Operating profit	190	194	654
Interest received	82	4	7
Interest paid	-12	-17	-61
Adjustments, cash flow	-27	57	133
Paid income tax	-53	-90	-196
Cash flow from operating activities before changes in working capital	180	147	537
Cash flow from changes in working capital			
Change in inventories	43	58	-81
Change in accounts receivable	-84	-216	-122
Change in current receivables	13	42	70
Change in accounts payable	-49	-70	-60
Change in current liabilities	-13	-49	-11
Cash flow from operating activities	90	-87	333
Investing activities			
Acquisition of tangible assets	-164	-129	-502
Acquisition of associated companies	-2	-	-2
Cash flow from investing activities	-164	-129	-504
Financing activities			
Change in liability to credit institutions	-	-	600
Repayment of lease liabilities	-4	-3	-13
Net change in factoring credit line	-	17	-260
Dividend paid	-	-	-268
Cash flow from financing activities	-48	14	60
Cash flow for the period	-123	-202	-111
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	398	496	496
Exchange rate difference in cash and cash equivalents	-14	12	12
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	261	307	398
Adjustments for non-cash items			
Depreciation and amortisation	41	37	152
Changes in exchange rates	12	-11	-13
Change in fair value of derivatives	-20	21	-2
Provisions for remediation of buildings and land	-4	-	-25
Other	-56	10	20
Total	-27	57	133

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 2024. Changed policies entering into force during 2025 has not had any material impact on the results and position of the Group.

All amounts are stated in SEK million (SEK m) 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 were approved in the form of warrants to senior executives. The accounting of the incentive programs is made according to IFRS 2. At the annual general meeting 2024 it was decided on a cash-based long-term incentive program for senior executives.

NOTE 2 NET SALES BY SEGMENT

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

Jan-Mar 2025	Net sales incl. internal sales	Eliminations	Net sales
SEK m			
Kraft Paper	625	-17	608
Natural Greaseproof	669		669
Parent company and undistributed items	19	-19	0
Group	1,313	-36	1,277

Net sales by segment, geographic market		
Jan-Mar 2025	Natural Greaseproof	Kraft Paper
SEK m		
Sweden	16	147
Italy	68	77
Germany	53	75
Other Europe	204	205
USA	187	1
Other world	140	120
	669	625

Where Nordic Paper invoices for deliveries to Swedish trading houses for export, these sales are also recognised as net sales to Sweden in the table above.

NOTE 3 FINANCIAL INCOME AND EXPENSE, NET

	2025	2024	2024
SEK m	Q1	Q1	Full year
Result associated companies	-	-	-13
Interest income	12	8	7
Interest cost	-22	-23	-61
Currency gains and losses, net	36	14	13
Other financial items	-6	0	-3
Financial income and expense, net	21	1	-56

NOTE 4 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 21 in the Annual Report 2024.

NOTE 5 OTHER PROVISIONS

Other provisions of SEK 94 m relate to assessed future remediation costs for buildings and land. The provision breakdown includes SEK 64 m 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 6 LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PROGRAMME

At the annual general meeting on 23 May 2024, in accordance with the board's proposal, it was decided on a cash-based long-term incentive program for senior executives, LTIP 2024/2027. The incentive program focuses on a financial performance condition, return on operating capital. The vesting period is the period until Nordic Paper's annual general meeting in 2027. The payment is made in cash after the annual general meeting in 2027. The payment depends on the degree of fulfilment of the financial performance condition return on operating capital during the financial years 2024–2026, the Measurement Period. LTIP 2024/2027 also contains conditions for the reinvestment of half of the outcome in the program, net after tax, in Nordic Paper shares, which the participants must keep for at least three years.

The outcome of the LTIP 2024/2027 is calculated based on the financial information in Nordic Paper's annual reports for the financial years 2024, 2025 and 2026 (adjusted for extraordinary items according to the board's assessment and calculated as a three-year average) during the measurement period.

The payment is based on the annual salary (fixed cash salary excluding holiday pay) the participant has as of December 31, 2026. The maximum cost of LTIP 2024/2027 for Nordic Paper, including social security contributions, is an amount corresponding to three percent of the company's average net profit during the financial years 2024–2026. The costs are distributed over the earning period and are expected to have a marginal impact on Nordic Paper's key figures.

The company also has outstanding incentive programs in the form of warrants, decided at the annual general meetings in 2022 and 2023. For the incentive program from 2022, 510,000 warrants are outstanding with an exercise price of SEK 45.77 per share. For the incentive program from 2023, 292,000 options are outstanding with an exercise price of SEK 38.98 per share.

Related to the public cash offer for the shares of Nordic Paper Holding AB announced on 11 October 2024 by Strategic Value Partners, LLC, through Coniferous Bidco AB, an offer from Coniferous Bidco AB was made to the owners of outstanding warrants. All participants of the incentive programs 2022 and 2023 accepted the offer and the warrants were acquired by Coniferous Bidco AB.

Key figures

SEK m	2025 Q1	2024 Q1	2024 Full year
Net sales growth, %	6	-7	4
EBITDA margin, %	18.1	19.1	17.3
Operating margin, %	14.9	16.0	14.0
Cash flow from operating activities	90	-87	333
Return on operating capital, 12 m, %	26.4	27.4	28.1
Return on equity, 12 m, %	36.7	33.7	36.8
Working capital	710	557	571
Operating capital	2,755	2,288	2,561
Interest-bearing liabilities	1,546	1,264	1,594
Net debt/equity ratio, %	84.1	72.5	87.8
Net debt/EBITDA, 12 m, multiple	1.6	1.3	1.5
Equity/assets ratio, %	37.0	34.8	32.9
Working capital, % of net sales, 12 m	11.7	11.2	10.7
Investments	149	61	438
Sales volume, ktonnes	76.8	79.8	287.4
Number of employees at end of period	693	679	698
Number of shares, end of period	66,908,800	66,908,800	66,908,800
Earnings per share, SEK ¹	2.49	2.23	6.96

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	2025	2024	2024
SEK m	Q1	Q1	Full year
Operating profit	190	194	654
Depreciation/amortisation	41	37	152
EBITDA, SEK m	231	231	806
EBITDA MARGIN	2025	2024	2024
SEK m	Q1	Q1	Full year
EBITDA	231	231	806
Net sales	1,277	1,209	4,668
EBITDA margin, %	18.1	19.1	17.3
OPERATING MARGIN	2025	2024	2024
SEK m	Q1	Q1	Full year
Operating profit	190	194	654
Net sales	1,277	1,209	4,668
Operating margin, %	14.9	16.0	14.0
WORKING CAPITAL	2025	2024	2024
SEK m	Q1	Q1	Full year
Inventories	690	604	739
Accounts receivable	699	713	618
Other operating receivables excl. derivatives	138	171	136
Accounts payable	-375	-431	-443
Other operating liabilities excl. derivatives	-441	-499	-480
Working capital	710	557	571
Working capital, 12 m	556	491	501
Net sales, 12 m	4,736	4,376	4,668
Working capital, % of net sales, 12 m	11.7	11.2	10.7

OPERATING CAPITAL	2025	2024	2024
SEK m	Q1	Q1	Full year
Working capital	710	557	571
Intangible assets	910	993	968
Property, plant and equipment	1,371	956	1,251
Deferred tax assets/liabilities	-235	-218	-229
Operating capital	2,755	2,288	2,561
Operating profit, 12 m	650	573	654
Operating capital, 12 m	2,463	2,094	2,322
Return on operating capital, %, 12 m	26.4	27.4	28.1
NET DEBT	2025	2024	2024
SEK m	Q1	Q1	Full year
Liabilities to credit institutions	1,505	950	1,550
Lease liabilities	37	23	40
Provisions for employee benefits	4	15	4
Factoring credit line	-	276	-
Interest-bearing liabilities	1,546	1,264	1,594
Cash and cash equivalents	261	307	398
Net debt/net cash (+/-)	1,285	957	1,197
EBITDA, 12 m	806	723	806
Net debt/EBITDA, 12 m, multiple	1.6	1.3	1.5
NET DEBT/EQUITY RATIO	2025	2024	2024
SEK m	Q1	Q1	Full year
Net debt/net cash (+/-)	1,285	957	1,197
Equity	1,528	1,320	1,362
Net debt/equity ratio, %	84.1	72.5	87.8
EQUITY/ASSETS RATIO	2025	2024	2024
SEK m	Q1	Q1	Full year
Equity	1,528	1,320	1,362
Total assets	4,128	3,789	4,137
Equity/assets ratio, %	37.0	34.8	32.9
RETURN ON EQUITY	2025	2024	2024
SEK m	Q1	Q1	Full year
Net profit for the period, 12 m	483	392	465
Equity	1,528	1,320	1,362
Equity, 12 m	1,316	1,163	1,265
Return on equity, 12 m, %	36.7	33.7	36.8

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.
Investments	Investments are referred to the accounting effect of acquisitions of property, plant and equipment and intangible non-current assets. In the cash flow statement, the term acquisition relates to the cash flow effect, including adjustments, if any, related to amounts included in accounts payable.	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). In the cash flow statement, adjustments occur related to non-cash items as for example currency effects, acquisition/divestment or subsidiaries and accounts payable related to acquisition of tangible assets.	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

	2023			2024				2025
SEK m	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1
Kraft Paper segment	614	546	472	597	623	566	490	625
Natural Greaseproof segment	519	536	508	624	617	548	658	669
Eliminations	-13	-6	-9	-12	-16	-14	-14	-17
Total Group	1,120	1,077	971	1,209	1,225	1,100	1,134	1,277

EBITDA

	2023			2024				2025
SEK m	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1
Kraft Paper segment	186	64	82	114	154	26	99	102
Natural Greaseproof segment	63	61	95	124	125	78	119	146
Parent company and undistributed items	-65	19	5	-21	2	0	-36	-14
Eliminations etc.	31	-37	-12	13	-1	2	8	-3
EBITDA Group	215	108	170	231	280	106	189	231
Depreciation and amortisation	-38	-39	-37	-37	-38	-38	-39	-41
Operating profit	178	69	132	194	242	67	150	190
Financial income and expense, net	1	-21	-43	1	-24	-23	-10	21
Profit before tax	178	48	89	195	218	44	141	211

EBITDA MARGIN

	2023			2024				2025
%	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1
Kraft Paper segment	30.4	11.8	17.4	19.1	24.7	4.5	20.1	16.3
Natural Greaseproof segment	12.0	11.4	18.7	19.9	20.3	14.2	18.1	21.9
Group	19.2	10.0	17.5	19.1	22.9	9.6	16.7	18.1

OPERATING PROFIT

	2023			2024				2025
SEK m	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1
Kraft Paper segment	172	49	67	99	139	11	82	84
Natural Greaseproof segment	43	41	76	104	105	57	100	127
Parent company and undistributed items	-65	19	5	-21	2	0	-36	-14
Eliminations etc.	28	-40	-15	12	-4	-1	5	-7
Total Group	178	69	132	194	242	67	150	190

OPERATING MARGIN

	2023			2024				2025
%	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1
Kraft Paper segment	28.0	9.0	14.2	16.6	22.3	1.9	16.8	13.5
Natural Greaseproof segment	8.3	7.7	14.9	16.7	17.0	10.5	15.1	19.0
Group	15.9	6.4	13.6	16.0	19.8	6.1	13.3	14.9

SALES VOLUMES

	2023			2024				2025
Ktonnes	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1
Kraft Paper segment	53.0	49.8	45.8	58.9	56.9	49.9	43.1	55.9
Natural Greaseproof segment	18.8	18.9	18.8	23.2	22.4	19.8	22.7	23.2
Eliminations	-2.4	-1.1	-1.8	-2.3	-2.6	-2.2	-2.3	-2.4
Total Group	69.4	67.6	62.8	79.8	76.7	67.4	63.5	76.8

Parent company

CONDENSED INCOME STATEMENT

SEK m	2025 Q1	2024 Q1	2024 Full year
Net sales	19	22	67
Other operating income	0	0	0
Other external costs	-45	-26	-88
Personnel costs	-5	-5	-16
Other operating expenses	16	-12	-18
Operating profit	-14	-21	-55
Financial income and expense, net	42	-14	-59
Profit after financial items	27	-35	-113
Appropriations	-	-	507
Profit before tax	27	-35	394
Tax	-6	4	-87
Net profit for the period	21	-31	307

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET

SEK m	2025 31 Mar	2024 31 Mar	2024 31 Dec
Shares in Group companies	1,165	1,165	1,165
Receivables from Group companies	178	248	210
Shares in associated companies	-	15	-
Deferred tax assets	0	4	4
Other financial assets	4	-	4
Total non-current assets	1,347	1,432	1,383
Receivables from Group companies	551	573	551
Income tax receivables	43	-	-
Other receivables	12	33	30
Prepaid expenses and accrued income	-	-14	9
Cash and cash equivalents	1,031	297	1,062
Total current assets	1,638	889	1,652
Total assets	2,985	2,321	3,035
Share capital	19	19	19
Retained earnings	814	775	507
Net profit for the period	21	-31	307
Total equity	854	763	833
Untaxed reserves	599	557	599
Liabilities to credit institutions	1,505	950	-
Total non-current liabilities	1,505	950	-
Liabilities to credit institutions	-	-	1,550
Liabilities to Group companies	0	0	0
Accounts payable	3	3	2
Derivatives	1	45	18
Other liabilities	0	2	1
Income tax liability	-	2	3
Accrued expenses and deferred income	22	-1	30
Total current liabilities	27	51	1,604
Total equity and liabilities	2,985	2,321	3,035

CONFERENCE CALL

On the publication of the interim report a telephone conference will be held on Tuesday 29 April at 09.00 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 webcasted. It is also possible to participate in the conference by telephone.

- Link to watch webcast: <https://fronto.vancastvideo.com/event/vspUmxIB/10888/?lang=10031>
- Link to register to participate by telephone:
<https://services.choruscall.it/DiamondPassRegistration/register?confirmationNumber=3843612&linkSecurityString=9583b7218>

FINANCIAL CALENDAR

Interim report Q2 2025 – 23 July 2025

Interim report Q3 2025 – 30 October 2025

Annual General Meeting

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NORDIC PAPER IN BRIEF

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