REPORT 4TH QUARTER 2008

VEIDEKKE

Kjøsnesfjorden.

FROM THE PRESIDENT AND CEO:

All in all, Veidekke achieved a good result in the fourth quarter, but the market decline continued and the effect on the building, construction and property industry as a whole was intensified by the financial unrest. The positive development continued in construction operations, whereas property operations reflected a weak housing market and the year ended disappointingly for the Industry Division. Within the area of road maintenance, allocations were made for future loss on certain contracts.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER 2008:

KEY FIGURES (MNOK)	Q4 2008	Q4 2007	2008	2007	2006
Operating revenues	4 448.3	5 539.5	19 395.3	19 335.9	16 442.3
Earnings before tax (EBT)	252.0	558.8	815.6	1 181.0	922.9
Earnings per share (NOK) *	1.3	3.7	4.5	7.1	5.4
Profit margin (%)	5.7	10.1	4.2	6.1	5.6
Net interest-bearing position	-260	192	-260	192	-534
Backlog of orders, construction	10 564	13 263	10 564	13 263	10 902

* No dilution effect.

GROUP DEVELOPMENTS

Veidekke showed a turnover for the fourth quarter of 2008 of MNOK 4,448 (MNOK 5,540 for the fourth quarter of 2007). This gave a pre-tax profit of MNOK 252.0 (MNOK 558.8), and earnings per share after tax of NOK 1.3 (NOK 3.7). The consolidated operating profit for the fourth quarter was MNOK 190.8 (MNOK 310.1). Net financial items were MNOK -2.2 (MNOK -4.2).

As a result of the general decline in the market and the international financial crisis, the Group's total backlog of orders has diminished this quarter. This is mainly due to reduced activity and a decrease in orders received from private customers, both for non-residential buildings and new housing projects. At the end of the quarter, orders-on-hand for construction operations totalled NOK 10.6 billion, as against NOK 13.3 billion at 31 December 2007.

Operations

Construction operations in all three countries have achieved good results for the fourth quarter, with construction operations in Norway as the main contributor. Operations in Denmark achieved a good result for the quarter, showing a significant improvement compared with the same quarter in 2007. The reasons for this are improved operation, clarification of risk and reversal of allocations for previously completed projects.

For construction operations, the short-term effect of the decline in the market will primarily impact the building area, whereas both the infrastructure area and renovation of public buildings represent significant opportunities ahead. This applies particularly to Sweden and Norway.

Within property operations, the Swedish division continues to display good results for the quarter, while the Norwegian and Danish divisions are affected by a low number of dwellings under construction. Sales of new dwellings in all three countries have been extremely low, and this will impact the level of activity and results in 2009.

The Industry Division showed a weak result for the fourth quarter. This may be attributed mainly to asphalt and road maintenance operations. Due to low profitability in some contracts, it was necessary to make allocations for expected future losses in the area of road maintenance.

As regards asphalt operations, the effect of high oil prices in public budgets for the first three quarters of the year, led to a slowdown in governmental and municipal demand during the fourth quarter.

OPERATIONS IN NORWAY

Construction operations

Veidekke's building and construction operations achieved a turnover for the fourth quarter of MNOK 2,515 (MNOK 2,934). These nationwide operations showed a pre-tax profit of MNOK 223.1 (MNOK 294.6), and a profit margin of 8.9 per cent (10.0 per cent).

Although somewhat lower than for the same quarter last year, these results are highly satisfactory, as they to some extent reflect certain non-recurring matters. The positive results may be ascribed to good project margins, a high level of activity and successful utilisation of the production resources, as well as the company's ongoing improvement process.

The market situation has become significantly more hesitant, with increasing regional and market related variations. The uncertainty attached to the market development is particularly great within the private sector, while the prospects within the public sector are positive for both building and construction projects.

At the end of the quarter, Veidekke Entreprenør's order books showed a total of MNOK 6,579, as against MNOK 9,030 at 31 January 2007.

New contracts signed in the fourth quarter, include Statens Hus in Stavanger with a contract sum of approx. MNOK 240, and ground and concrete work in connection with the rebuilding of the Holmenkollen Ski Jump with a contract sum of approx. MNOK 114.

Property development

The Property Division is engaged in the development of dwellings for Veidekke's own account as well as non-residential buildings for private and public enterprises. These operations are concentrated in and around the largest towns in Norway.

In the fourth quarter, the Property Division achieved a turnover of MNOK 71.5 (MNOK 278). The pre-tax profit was MNOK 7.7, as against MNOK 242.1 for the same quarter in 2007. The result reflects a difficult housing market and low housing sales, as well as depreciations of dwellings that are not yet sold and paid for. These depreciations reduce the quarterly result by MNOK 15.

A gain of MNOK 60 made from the sale of a non-residential project at Skøyen in Oslo, was entered as profit in this quarter's accounts. Furthermore, the shareholding in Hansa Property Group ASA has been devaluated by MNOK 24 in addition to the devaluation of MNOK 69 made in the third quarter.

Following several years of high activity, the housing market declined in autumn 2007, and the demand for new dwellings has been low throughout 2008. This applies particularly to flats in apartment buildings, which is Veidekke's most important product in the housing sector. As a consequence, Veidekke has not started any new projects of significance in 2008. The market for town houses and small dwellings is somewhat stronger, and the housing projects that have been started up in 2008, are within this market segment. Five projects were completed in the fourth quarter, and none were started up.

At the end of the quarter, the division had 185 dwellings under construction in six projects. The equivalent numbers for the third quarter was 454 dwellings in 11 projects. 72 (88) dwellings under construction remain unsold. In addition, 110 (96) completed dwellings remained unsold at the end of the quarter spread over eight projects. Of these, 69 dwellings are leased at present. Debt exposure is regarded as relatively low, and it is anticipated that this will be reduced by sales in the coming year.

In the non-residential market, two projects were started up earlier this year for Veidekke's own account, covering a total of 13 000 m2. These projects are located in Skien and Porsgrunn, and have been leased to public enterprises.

In Norway, the portfolio of development sites constitutes 3,300 dwelling units at the end of the quarter. Priority has been assigned to continuing to develop this portfolio so that the projects are ready for sale and construction when demand picks up in the future. The value of the portfolio of development sites was assessed in connection with the year-end closing of accounts, and it was not deemed necessary to perform depreciations.

Industry

The Industry Division's operations are spread throughout Norway and its business areas are asphalt, crushed stone and gravel, road maintenance, demolition and plant contracting, and recycling of industrial waste.

The division's total turnover for the fourth quarter amounted to MNOK 719 (MNOK 838 for the fourth quarter of 2007), giving a pre-tax result of MNOK -28.5, as against MNOK +26.2 for the fourth quarter of 2007.

As a result of slower demand from public customers, the production volume of asphalt operations was significantly reduced in the fourth quarter compared with the same quarter in 2007. This lead to a quarterly result that was considerably lower than expected. For the year as a whole, the asphalt volume remained at the 2007 level. Kolo Veidekke maintained its market share and achieved profit growth in spite of increased production costs.

For ongoing contracts, road maintenance operations reported negative results for the fourth quarter. In addition, allocations of MNOK 30 have been made for future loss on certain contracts. In order to ensure the further development of this area, the competence and organisation of the division has been strengthened.

Operations within crushed stone and gravel have strong market positions, and are still showing good results despite a slight drop in private demand. The results presented by the recycling segment are as expected.

All of the division's business areas are experiencing a decline in demand from the private sector, but expect a positive development in the demand from public customers.

As of 1 January 2009, all operations within demolition and plant contracting were transferred to the Norwegian construction operations. In 2008, this segment had a turnover of approx. MNOK 365.

OPERATIONS IN SWEDEN

In Sweden, Veidekke has established operations in the Stockholm, Gothenburg and Skåne regions.

Construction operations

Swedish construction operations showed a total turnover for the fourth quarter of MNOK 835 (MNOK 804). The pre-tax profit was MNOK 17.6 (MNOK 13.6), and this gave a profit margin of 2.1 per cent (1.7 per cent).

Market-wise, the fourth quarter was characterised by decline, intensified by the financial crisis. This was particularly evident within residential and non-residential building, whereas the communication and infrastructure sector is still very strong.

Work on projects is progressing as planned. The level of incoming orders within building operations is low, due to, among other things, the prioritising of profitability over volume. It has proved necessary to implement measures to adjust the resources to a weaker market.

At the end of the fourth quarter, construction operations had orders-on-hand amounting to MNOK 2,479, as against MNOK 2,222 at the end of 2007.

New contracts in the fourth quarter include building a new school for the municipality of Malmö at MSEK 76, production of concrete wall elements for the tunnel at Norra Länken at approx. MSEK 75, and road and bridge works for the Swedish Public Roads Administration at MSEK 67 in Gothenburg.

Property development

Operations include the development of housing for Veidekke's own account, and non-residential buildings for customers in the private and public sectors.

In the fourth quarter, the Property Division achieved a turnover of MNOK 149 (MNOK 230). This gave a pre-tax profit of MNOK 26.8 (MNOK 31.1).

The financial crisis has hit the housing market hard, and during the fourth quarter, only five dwellings were sold (24). This is due partly to lower demand and a weaker ability to pay among customers, and partly to the fact that the division has had relatively few projects for sale.

Following a high level of activity in recent years, the division now has fewer sites ready for sale. But if the housing market improves from 2010 onwards, the division will have many projects that are ready for sale and construction.

In the fourth quarter, the Swedish Property Division, Veidekke Bostad, started up one minor housing project. The share of sold buildings under construction is very high (94 per cent).

At the end of the fourth quarter, the portfolio of development sites in Sweden comprised approx. 3,600 dwelling units, of which two thirds are options to purchase or equivalent. At the end of the quarter, Veidekke Bostad had 453 dwellings under construction. 29 units are unsold, and only three of these are completed.

OPERATIONS IN DENMARK

Construction operations

Veidekke's construction operations in Denmark, Hoffmann AS, had a turnover for the fourth quarter of MNOK 483 (MNOK 783), and a pre-tax profit of MNOK 25.3 (MNOK -32.1). This gave a profit margin of 5.2 per cent (-4.1 per cent).

The result for the fourth quarter is significantly better than the results for the preceding quarters in 2007 and 2008. Ongoing projects are progressing as expected. With the exception of building operations on Zealand, all regions have achieved the targeted results for 2008.

The quarterly result is also affected by a positive clarification of risk in projects where allocations have previously been made.

At the end of the fourth quarter, the company had orders-on-hand amounting to approx. MNOK 1,298, as against MNOK 1,881 at 31 December 2007.

The present financial and market situation has created difficult conditions for the building industry. This has resulted in planned projects not being started, and has also led to tougher price competition in tendering processes.

Property development

Veidekke's Property Division in Denmark, Hoffmann Ejendomme, is engaged in development and sale of housing projects for its own account.

In the fourth quarter, the division had a turnover of MNOK 0 (MNOK 15). This gave a pre-tax result of MNOK -17.5 (MNOK -14.1). The result reflects a MNOK 6 write-down of unsold dwellings.

The market for development and sale of housing is weak. Hoffmann Ejendomme has no ongoing projects, and has not sold any dwellings during this quarter.

The portfolio of development sites constitutes 600 dwelling units. The division has no projects under production, but has 17 completed dwellings which remain unsold.

OTHER OPERATIONS

These include our remaining operations outside Scandinavia, our role as owner in PPP projects, and the work of the corporate management team and financial management. All in all, these operations are developing according to established plans.

INJURIES/ABSENCE/HSE

During the fourth quarter of 2008, four lost-time injuries were reported for our Norwegian operations, giving an injury rate of 2.0 for the quarter, compared with 2.9 for the fourth quarter of 2007. For the year as a whole, the injury rate was 2.9, as against 4.9 in 2007.

The fourth quarter injury rate for our Swedish operations was 8.2, as against 19.1 for the same quarter of 2007. For the year as a whole, the injury rate was 7.8, compared with 9.5 in 2007. In the Danish operations, the injury rate for the quarter was 16.5, as against 23.0 in the same quarter the year before, giving an annual injury rate of 9.2 for 2008, as against 15.3 for 2007.

In total, this gives an injury rate for our Scandinavian operations of 4.5 for 2008, as against 7.0 in 2007.

Sickness absence among skilled workers in Norway was 6.8 per cent at the end of the fourth quarter, compared with 6.4 per cent at the end of the fourth quarter of 2007. Sickness absence for all employees in Norway was 5.3 per cent at the end of the fourth quarter, as against 5.2 per cent the previous year.

In Sweden, sickness absence among skilled workers for the fourth quarter stood at 3.9 per cent, as against 4.5 per cent the previous year. Sickness absence for all employees was 2.8 per cent, compared with 3.3 per cent at the end of 2007.

In Denmark, sickness absence among skilled workers was 3.1 per cent for the fourth quarter, as against 5.1 per cent the previous year. Sickness absence for all employees was 2.2 per cent, compared with 3.3 per cent at the end of 2007.

FINANCIAL SITUATION

The net interest-bearing position amounted to MNOK -260 at the end of the fourth quarter, compared with MNOK +192 the previous year.

Gross investments in machinery and equipment in the fourth quarter totalled MNOK 747 (MNOK 199), while sales of machinery and equipment amounted to MNOK 97 (MNOK 48).

The Group's total assets stood at MNOK 8,958 at the end of the quarter, compared with MNOK 8,699 at the end of 2007. The equity ratio was 23.6 per cent as against 26.3 per cent at 31 December 2007.

At the end of the quarter, Veidekke's unused, committed borrowing facilities amounted to MNOK 1,273, compared with MNOK 1,681 the previous year.

TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

Veidekke conducts ongoing transactions with related parties as part of its ordinary operations, including contracts for the development of specific projects. In 2008, Veidekke has had no significant transactions with related parties other than those that can be characterised as ordinary ongoing activity. Note 33 to the Annual Report for 2007 gives further details of the types of transaction and their extent.

SHAREHOLDERS AND THE STOCK MARKET

A total of 18.3 million Veidekke shares were traded over the stock exchange during the fourth quarter. Veidekke's largest shareholders are OBOS (27.6 per cent), IF Skadeförsäkring AB (8.6 per cent) and Folketrygdfondet (8.1 per cent). Foreign investors hold 20.7 per cent of the shares.

Share issues to employees

In the period 7 – 21 November, all employees were offered to buy shares in the company. The price of the shares was NOK 13.95, which is equivalent to the average share price in the order period with a 20 per cent discount.

A total of 2,118 employees ordered altogether nearly 3.5 million shares. 2.5 million shares were set aside for sale, and this made it necessary to reduce some individual orders, making the largest reductions in the largest orders.

After the sale 2,898 of the company's employees own a little more than 18 per cent of the Veidekke shares.

Share buyback

The Board of Directors has resolved that the company's management may repurchase up to three per cent of Veidekke's shares, in line with the authorisation granted by the company's Annual General Meeting in May 2008. As of 31 December, Veidekke had repurchased 2,254,400 shares, or 1.7 per cent of all outstanding shares. The average purchase price was NOK 37.30, and the total cost price paid amounted to MNOK 84.1.

MARKET CONDITIONS, RISK AND UNCERTAINTY

The financial unrest throughout the autumn of 2008, led to a marked slow-down in the number of new assignments during the fourth quarter. The markets are currently characterised by a high level of uncertainty about the future. The rescue packages now being launched by several governments, aim, among other things, to increase the activity in the building and construction industry. The effect of these packages will most likely not be noticeable in our market until the second half of 2009. Therefore, we predict a somewhat weaker building and construction market during the first quarter of 2009. A more well-functioning financial market, combined with increased public building and construction activity, may limit the extent of the slow-down in the second half of the year.

Risk factors

Regarding Veidekke's construction operations, the tighter market results in more stringent demands to be selective in choice of projects, and to continue to maintain a strong focus on profitability and risk management rather than on higher turnover.

Regarding property development, focus will continue to be directed at upholding requirements for advance sales of dwellings prior to the start-up of new projects, developing the existing portfolio of development sites and being selective in the purchase of new sites.

There was a significant change in the risk situation in the Scandinavian markets during the second half of 2008, due to the growing financial unrest. This applies mainly to the private sectors of the markets, for instance in terms of lack of financing for new projects and delays in the start-up of projects. Furthermore, this situation has increased the risk attached to the execution of projects, due to material suppliers and subcontractors not being able to fulfil their contractual obligations, and it has led to higher customer credit risk.

Veidekke has a strong focus on following the market development, handling the new risk situation, and on implementing necessary measures.

Swedish asphalt workers.

Oslo, 11 February 2009
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CONSOLIDATED INTERIM ACCOUNTS (UNAUDITED)


Road maintenance, Norway.

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A. ACCOUNTS FOR Q4 2008

MNOK

INCOME STATEMENT	Q4 2008	Q4 2007	2008	2007	2006
Operating revenues	4 448.3	5 539.5	19 395.3	19 335.9	16 442.3
Operating expenses	-4 177.9	-5 165.1	- 18 303.1	-18 219.8	-15 508.7
Operating profit before depreciation (EBITDA)	**270.4**	**374.4**	**1 092.2**	**1 116.1**	**933.6**
Write-down of goodwill	-4.2	-	-4.2	-	-
Depreciation	-75.4	-64.3	-291.8	-233.6	-221.4
Operating profit (EBIT)	**190.8**	**310.1**	**796.2**	**882.5**	**712.2**
Share of profit, associated companies and joint ventures	63.4	252.9	123.3	325.8	206.9
Net financial items	-2.2	-4.2	-103.9	-27.3	3.8
Profit before taxation	**252.0**	**558.8**	**815.6**	**1 181.0**	**922.9**
Income tax expense	-76.1	-49.2	-200.1	-179.9	-200.1
Profit for the year (EBT)	**175.9**	**509.6**	**615.5**	**1 001.1**	**722.8**
of which minorities	-0.2	-2.9	4.2	11.4	14.5
Earnings per share (NOK) *	1.3	3.7	4.5	7.1	5.0

* No dilution effect.

OTHER KEY FIGURES	31 Des. 2008	31 Dec. 2007	31 Dec. 2006
Backlog, Construction (MNOK)	10 564	13 263	12 381
Equity ratio (%)	23.6	26.3	21.4
Net interest-bearing position (MNOK)	-260	192	-534
Average number of employees	6 431	6 451	6 227

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CASH FLOW STATEMENT	1 Jan. - 31 Dec. 2008	1 Jan. - 31 Dec. 2007
Profit before taxation	815.7	1 181.0
Depreciation	296. 1	233.6
Other operational capital etc.	-161.4	154.2
Cash flow from operating activities	**950.3**	**1 568.8**
Investments in property, plant and equipment, net	-650.7	-470.2
Purchase of operations/Change in long-term debtors	34.3	-227.6
Cash flow from investment activities	**-616.4**	**-697.8**
Dividends/repurchase own shares	-778.2	-455.6
Other items	-7.3	309.9
Cash flow from financing activities	**-785.5**	**-145.7**
Change in net interest-bearing position	**-451.6**	**725.3**
Net interest-bearing position, 1 January	191.6	-533.7
Net interest-bearing position, 31 December	-260.0	191.6

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NET INTEREST-BEARING POSITION	At 31 Dec. 2008	At 31 Dec. 2007	At 31 Dec. 2006
Cash and cash equivalents	310.7	272.4	330.6
Interest-bearing long term assets	270.8	540.3	183.8
Interest-bearing liabilities	-841.5	-621.1	-1 048.1
Net interest-bearing position	**-260.0**	**191.6**	**-533.7**

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BALANCE SHEET	At 31 Dec. 2008	At 31 Dec. 2007	At 31 Dec. 2006
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Goodwill	558.3	504.2	510.4
Buildings/land	576.4	495.2	423.4
Machinery, etc.	1 200.0	927.3	740.6
Investments in associated companies and joint ventures	671.0	427.7	344.0
Deferred tax benefit	75.9	45.6	21.1
Financial assets	330.0	405.4	240.7
Total non-current assets	**3 411.6**	**2 805.4**	**2 280.2**
Current assets			
Non-residential and residential projects	1 757.1	1 370.6	990.8
Stocks	322.5	273.1	272.0
Debtors and other receivables	3 166.3	3 977.8	4 437.7
Cash and cash equivalents	310.7	272.4	330.6
Total current assets	**5 556.6**	**5 893.9**	**6 031.1**
Total assets	**8 968.2**	**8 699.3**	**8 311.3**
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Equity			
Share capital	68.0	70.1	71.5
Other equity	2 021.0	2 182.3	1 676.4
Minority interests	24.9	33.5	29.8
Total equity	**2 113.9**	**2 285.9**	**1 777.7**
Long-term liabilities			
Pension liability and deferred tax	391.1	474.7	385.0
Debt to credit institutions, etc.	841.1	457.9	716.9
Other long-term liabilities	114.7	110.8	138.7
Total long-term liabilities	**1 346.9**	**1 043.4**	**1 240.6**
Short-term liabilities			
Debts to credit institutions, etc.	0.4	163.2	331.2
Creditors and guarantees	3 499.8	3 651.4	3 430.1
Public duties payable	715.7	575.2	470.3
Other short-term liabilities	1 291.5	980.2	1 061.4
Total short-term liabilities	**5 507.4**	**5 370.0**	**5 293.0**
Total equity and liabilities	**8 968.2**	**8 699.3**	**8 311.3**

B. BUSINESS AREAS

MNOK

	Q4 2008	Q4 2007	2008	2007	2006
CONSTRUCTION (specification by country next page)					
Operating revenues	3 833.3	4 520.6	15 534.3	15 390.5	13 024.4
Operating expenses	-3 581.4	-4 257.1	-14 809.0	-14 835.5	-12 549.9
Depreciation	-32.1	-27.4	-121.6	-98.4	-82.8
Operating profit (EBIT)	**219.8**	**236.1**	**603.7**	**456.6**	**391.7**
Share of profit, associated companies and joint ventures	-1.0	-2.9	-2.9	-2.9	3.6
Net financial items	47.2	42.9	173.0	96.9	56.9
Earnings before tax (EBT)	**266.0**	**276.1**	**773.8**	**550.6**	**452.2**
PROPERTY (specification by country page 12)					
Operating revenues	219.6	522.6	1 401.8	2 319.7	2 196.7
Operating expenses	-213.7	-470.7	-1 272.4	-2 002.4	-1 933.1
Depreciation	-2.8	-4.7	-7.0	-8.2	-24.8
Operating profit (EBIT)	**3.1**	**47.2**	**122.4**	**309.1**	**238.8**
Share of profit, associated companies and joint ventures	62.2	248.9	77.1	303.9	182.1
Net financial items	-48.3	-37.0	-180.1	-79.0	-30.7
Earnings before tax (EBT)	**17.0**	**259.1**	**19.4**	**534.0**	**390.2**
INDUSTRY					
Operating revenues	719.1	838.4	3 292.6	2 906.9	2 337.1
Operating expenses	-674.8	-776.3	-3 030.1	-2 637.6	-2 118.1
Write-down and depreciation	-40.5	-30.0	-152.6	-118.7	-106.1
Operating profit (EBIT)	**3.8**	**32.1**	**109.9**	**150.6**	**112.9**
Share of profit, associated companies and joint ventures	-1.5	8.8	41.7	19.8	19.0
Net financial items	-30.8	-14.7	-83.5	-40.3	-19.3
Earnings before tax (EBT)	**-28.5**	**26.2**	**68.1**	**130.1**	**112.6**
OTHER OPERATIONS [1]					
Operating revenues	-323.7	-342.1	-833.4	-1 281.2	-1 115.9
Operating expenses	292.0	339.0	808.4	1 255.7	1 092.4
Depreciation	-4.2	-2.2	-14.8	-8.3	-7.7
Operating profit/loss (EBIT)	**-35.9**	**-5.3**	**-39.8**	**-33.8**	**-31.2**
Share of profit, associated companies and joint ventures	3.7	-1.9	7.4	5.0	2.2
Net financial items	29.7	4.6	-13.3	-4.9	-3.1
Earnings before tax (EBT)	**-2.5**	**-2.6**	**-45.7**	**-33.7**	**-32.1**

[1] Other operations include the Group's net financial items, central unassigned costs and earnings from the Group's operations outside Scandinavia.

Construction Operations, by Country

MNOK

	Q4 2008	Q4 2007	2008	2007	2006
CONSTRUCTION NORWAY					
Operating revenues	2 515.3	2 933.8	10 660.2	9 854.7	8 120.0
Operating expenses	-2 310.7	-2 640.2	-10 005.4	-9 201.0	-7 709.3
Depreciation	-24.7	-21.7	-94.8	-79.4	-69.8
Operating profit (EBIT)	**179.9**	**271.9**	**560.0**	**574.3**	**340.9**
Share of profit, associated companies and joint ventures	-1.4	-3.5	-3.6	-3.5	3.2
Net financial items	44.6	26.2	151.5	72.2	42.5
Earnings before tax (EBT)	**223.1**	**294.6**	**707.9**	**643.0**	**386.6**
CONSTRUCTION SWEDEN					
Operating revenues	835.4	803.6	2 801.1	2 756.2	1 899.7
Operating expenses	-811.7	-794.5	-2 737.3	-2 754.6	-1886.3
Depreciation	-4.8	-3.2	-17.1	-9.7	-4.2
Operating profit/loss (EBIT)	**18.9**	**5.9**	**46.7**	**-8.1**	**9.2**
Share of profit, associated companies and joint ventures	-	-	-	-	-
Net financial items	-1.3	7.7	6.0	3.8	5.1
Earnings before tax (EBT)	**17.6**	**13.6**	**52.7**	**-4.3**	**14.3**
CONSTRUCTION DENMARK					
Operating revenues	482.6	783.2	2 073.0	2 779.6	3 004.7
Operating expenses	-459.0	-822.4	-2 066.3	-2 879.9	-2 954.3
Depreciation	-2.6	-2.5	-9.7	-9.3	-8.8
Operating profit/loss (EBIT)	**21.0**	**-41.7**	**-3.0**	**-109.6**	**41.6**
Share of profit, associated companies and joint ventures	0.4	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.4
Net financial items	3.9	9.0	15.5	20.9	9.3
Earnings before tax (EBT)	**25.3**	**-32.1**	**13.2**	**-88.1**	**51.3**

Veidekke´s workers at Liljeholmen, Sweden.

Property Development, by Country

MNOK

	Q4 2008	Q4 2007	2008	2007	2006
PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT NORWAY					
Operating revenues	71.5	277.7	631.7	1 389.1	1 193.1
Operating expenses	-72.4	-256.1	-570.2	-1 202.5	-1 040.9
Depreciation	-2.6	-1.4	-6.5	-4.4	-3.9
Operating profit (EBIT)	**-3.5**	**20.2**	**55.0**	**182.2**	**148.3**
Share of profit, associated companies and joint ventures	58.7	241.7	61.6	298.5	183.2
Net financial items	-47.5	-19.8	-166.5	-49.3	-20.0
Earnings before tax (EBT)	**7.7**	**242.1**	**-49.9**	**431.4**	**311.5**
PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT SWEDEN					
Operating revenues	148.5	229.7	719.7	767.8	730.1
Operating expenses	-127.4	-195.0	-629.2	-638.5	-634.5
Depreciation	-0.2	-3.3	-0.5	-3.8	-20.9
Operating profit (EBIT)	**20.9**	**31.4**	**90.0**	**125.5**	**74.7**
Share of profit, associated companies and joint ventures	3.5	7.3	15.5	5.5	-1.1
Net financial items	2.4	-7.6	-3.7	-18.0	-5.8
Earnings before tax (EBT)	**26.8**	**31.1**	**101.8**	**113.0**	**67.8**
PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT DENMARK					
Operating revenues	-0.4	15.2	50.4	162.8	273.5
Operating expenses	-13.9	-19.6	-73.0	-161.4	-257.7
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-
Operating profit/loss (EBIT)	**-14.3**	**-4.4**	**-22.6**	**1.4**	**15.8**
Share of profit, associated companies and joint ventures	-	-0.1	-	-0.1	-
Net financial items	-3.2	-9.6	-9.9	-11.7	-4.9
Earnings before tax (EBT)	**-17.5**	**-14.1**	**-32.5**	**-10.4**	**10.9**


Victoriagaarden in Sandvika, Norway.

C. GEOGRAPHICAL SEGMENTS

MNOK

	Q4 2008	Q4 2007	2008	2007	2006
NORWAY					
Operating revenues	3 105.2	3 882.1	13 997.0	13 368.9	10 887.2
Earnings before tax (EBT)	202.3	562.9	726.1	1 204.5	810.7
SWEDEN					
Operating revenues	897.3	981.7	3 177.3	3 165.2	3 112.6
Earnings before tax (EBT)	44.4	44.7	154.5	108.7	62.2
DENMARK					
Operating revenues	478.7	784.9	2 101.1	2 845.8	2 363.1
Earnings before tax (EBT)	7.8	-46.2	-19.3	-98.5	82.1
OTHER OPERATIONS					
Operating revenues	-32.9	-109.2	119.9	-44.0	79.4
Earnings before tax (EBT)	-2.5	-2.6	-45.7	-33.7	-32.1

D. NOTES

1. General information
The consolidated accounts for the fourth quarter 2008 include Veidekke ASA and its subsidiaries and the Group's share of associated companies and joint ventures. At the end of the fourth quarter of 2008, the Group consisted of the same entities as reported in the annual accounts for 2007.

2. Accounting policies
The Group's financial reporting is carried out in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). The quarterly accounts have been drawn up in accordance with IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting and the Stock Exchange Rules.

The quarterly accounts have been drawn up in accordance with the same accounting policies as the annual accounts for 2007. The quarterly accounts do not contain all the information that is required for complete annual accounts, and should therefore be read with reference to the consolidated accounts for 2007, which are available on request from the company or electronically at www.veidekke.no.

3. Segment reporting
The Group's primary reporting format is based on its business areas: Construction, Property Development and Industry. The segmental results for the fourth quarter of 2008 can be found in the table on page 10-12.

4. Estimates
Construction and property development projects form a large part of Veidekke's operations. The accounting of project activities is, to a large degree, based on estimates. The material assessments made in the application of the Group's accounting policies and the most important sources of uncertainty in the estimates are the same for the fourth quarter of 2008, as those presented in the annual accounts for 2007.

5. Operations with significant seasonal fluctuations
Owing to climatic conditions in Norway, the Group's asphalt and aggregate operations are subject to considerable seasonal fluctuations. Most of the production takes place between April and October, and turnover from these operations therefore accrues during these months. However, expenses relating to operations and maintenance of the production organisation and depreciation, are spread over the whole year. As a result, there will normally be significant fluctuations in the quarterly accounts for the Industry Division, and the reports for the first, second and third quarter therefore also include figures for a rolling 12-month period for the Group and for the Industry Division.

MNOK

	2008	2007
INDUSTRY DIVISION		
Operating revenues	3 292.6	2 906.9
Profit before taxation	68.1	130.1
GROUP		
Operating revenues	19 395.3	19 335.9
Profit before taxation	815.6	1 181.0

6. Acquisition of businesses and investments
There were no acquisitions of businesses in the fourth quarter.

7. Sales of businesses and investments
The Norwegian Property Division has sold its ownership shares in the company Sjølyststranda Næring AS. This gave a profit of MNOK 60, which is presented in the income statement under Share of profit associated companies and joint ventures.

8. Financial instruments
Veidekke owns 3,268,107 shares in Hansa Property Group ASA. This represents an ownership share of 8.7 per cent in the company. The initial cost was MNOK 110. Hansa Property Group ASA owns a number of sites in Oslo, Tønsberg, Bergen and Rogaland, on which development of housing and non-residential buildings is planned. There is a high degree of uncertainty attached to the valuation of these shares. The shares are not listed in an active market. In the fourth quarter, Veidekke devaluated the shareholding with a further MNOK 24 in addition to the devaluation of MNOK 69 which was made in the third quarter. Following this devaluation, the shares are recorded at NOK 5.00 per share, equivalent to the last known market price. The book value of the shareholding at 31 December 2008 is MNOK 16. The write-down of the shareholding is presented under the Property segment as a financial expense.

The global financial market unrest is also affecting Veidekke. It may be noted that there is an increased financial risk in the Group's financial instruments, particularly relating to the Group's debtors. The credit risk is elevated, but based on the Group's established routines for obtaining guarantees, our assessment is that the loss potential at this point in time, is low.

There were no material changes during the period as regards the Group's use of financial instruments.

9. Equity
Reconciliation of changes in equity in the fourth quarter of 2008:

MNOK

	At 31 Dec. 2008	At 31 Dec. 2007
Equity at 1 January	2 285.9	1 777.7
Profit for the year	615.5	1 001.1
IAS 39 – hedging PPP project	-39.8	29.2
Change minority interests	-11.2	-7.7
IFRS 2 – Share-based transactions employees	-28.5	-27.6
Purchase of own shares	-234.4	-91.3
Dividend	-543.8	-364.4
Other	-5.3	-
Currency conversion differences	75.5	-31.1
Equity at 31 December	**2 113.9**	**2 285.9**

At the Annual General Meeting on 7 May 2008, it was decided to cancel the company's holdings of own shares. This reduces the company's share capital from MNOK 70.1 to MNOK 68.0, and comprises the cancellation of 4,204,928 shares. The decision was formally registered in the Register of Business Enterprises in September 2008.

There were no buybacks of shares in Veidekke ASA in the fourth quarter of 2008.

10. Expected new accounting rules
The International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) has made a statement regarding the accounting of the sale of real estate (IFRIC 15), which implies that the sale of housing units shall only be entered as income after they have been delivered. In today's practice, these revenues are entered as current income, according to completion rate and sales ratio. The implementation of the new rules requires approval from the European Union. It may be expected that the European Union will adopt the new rules in the second quarter of 2009, with a requirement for implementation by 1 January 2010.

11. Post balance sheet events
No events have occurred since the balance sheet date that would have had any significant effect on the submitted accounts.


Christopher Jones, Økern, Oslo.

Næstved, Denmark.

DECLARATION BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

We hereby confirm that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, the interim financial statement for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2008 has been prepared in conjunction with IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting, and that the information in the financial statement gives a true and fair view of the consolidated enterprise's and the Group's assets, liabilities, financial standing and the results of its operations in their entirety. It also gives a true and fair view of important events during the accounting period and their influence on the quarterly interim financial statement, as well as of the main risk and uncertainty factors the Group faces in the next accounting period and the major transactions of related parties.

Oslo, 11 February 2009
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Publication of the quarterly financial statements 2008:

The Annual General Meeting will be held on 7 May 2009.

Publication of the quarterly financial statements in 2009:
First quarter: 8 May
Second quarter: 13 August
Third quarter: 5 November

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