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Offer document in relation to Hakon Invest's mandatory offer to the shareholders of Hemtex has today been made public

The offer document in relation to Hakon Invest AB's (publ) ("Hakon Invest") mandatory offer to the shareholders in Hemtex AB (publ) ("Hemtex") to tender their shares in Hemtex for a consideration of SEK 23 in cash for each Hemtex share plus an additional premium of SEK 4 cash per share that will be payable if the Offer results in Hakon Invest achieving or holding a shareholding in excess of 50% of the shares and votes in Hemtex (the "Offer") has today been registered at and approved by the Swedish Financial Supervisory Authority.

Swedish and English versions of the offer document are available at www.hakoninvest.se and www.handelsbanken.se/aktuellaerbjudanden. The offer document will also be sent to shareholders whose shares are registered in their own names with Euroclear Sweden AB and can be obtained from local Handelsbanken offices.

The acceptance period under the Offer will commence on 28 May 2009 and end on 22 June 2009.

Settlement is expected to commence on 29 June 2009¹.

¹ Hakon Invest reserves the right to extend the acceptance period for the Offer. In the event that the acceptance period is extended, this shall not delay settlement to those that accepted the Offer during the regular acceptance period. However, settlement will not commence until all permissions, approvals and decisions by authorities or similar required for the Offer have been obtained on terms acceptable to Hakon Invest.

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