Interim report

JANUARY - MARCH 2007



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- Operating profit was SEK 1,097m (1,264)
- Recoveries exceeded new loan losses during the period



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Earnings performance

Stadshypotek's operating profit for the period was SEK 1,097m. The profit for the corresponding period in 2006 was SEK 1,264m. The change in profit is mainly due to decreased net interest income. During the first quarter, there has been great price pressure in the market, which has led to continued pressure on margins with a negative impact on net interest income. Stadshypotek's lending volume on the private market has continued its very positive development during the period. However, compared to the same period last year, it has not been possible to fully compensate the falling lending margins. Net interest income was also negatively impacted during the first quarter by effects relating to decisions concerning repurchase of bonds relating to the transition to IFRS. These effects will gradually decline until 2008. Compared to the fourth quarter of 2006, net interest income was SEK 36m higher during the first quarter of 2007.

Low loan losses

Recoveries exceeded new loan losses; the net amount recovered was SEK 29m (54), which corresponds to a loan loss ratio of -0.02% (-0.05) of lending. As at 31 March 2007, Stadshypotek's bad debts before deduction of the provision for probable loan losses were SEK 328m (528). SEK 35m (52) of the bad debts were non-performing loans and SEK 293m (476) were loans on which the borrowers pay interest and amortisation, but which are considered doubtful in view of the uncertainty as to the borrowers' repayment capacity and the value of the collateral. In addition, there were non-performing loans of SEK 221m (222) that are not assessed as being bad debts. After deduction of the provision for probable loan losses, the volume of bad debts was SEK 236m (400).

Growth in lending

Loans to the public were SEK 489bn – an increase of SEK 8bn for the period. The first quarter has continued to see a very favourable increase in Stadshypotek's share of net growth in the private market. Stadshypotek's overall share of mortgage institutions' lending on the private market was 26.5%. Stadshypotek has retained its position as a leading player on the Swedish corporate market, with a market share of 34.5%.

Capital adequacy

On 1 February 2007, new capital adequacy regulations were implemented – the Basel II rules. The new rules entail major changes in how the capital requirement is to be calculated and how a satisfactory capital base is to be ensured. The new rules will be gradually implemented since the transitional rules allow for an adaptation over three years. As at 31 March 2007, the capital ratio was 10.3% (8.6). As at 31 March 2007, the Tier 1 capital ratio was 7.3% (7.3). Further information about capital adequacy is available in the section Capital base and capital requirement.

Rating

Stadshypotek's rating was unchanged.

Stadshypotek		
	Long-term	Short-term
Moody's	Aa1	P-1
Standard & Poor's	AA-	A-1+
Fitch	AA-	F1+

Covered bonds	
Moody's	Aaa

Accounting policies

The accounts comply with the IASB accounting standards adopted by the EU. The regulations of the Annual Accounts Act for Credit Institutions and Securities Companies (ÅRKL) and the directives issued by the Swedish Financial Supervisory Authority are also applied. The interim report is also adapted to these. The same accounting policies and calculation methods have been applied in the interim report as in the latest annual report.

Stockholm, 23 April 2007

Frank Vang-Jensen Chief executive

This interim report has not been examined by the company's auditors

Income statement – Group

SEK m		Jan-Mar 2007	Jan-Mar 2006	Change %	Full Year 2006
Interest income		5,019	4,184	20%	17,645
Interest expenses		-4,011	-3,014	33%	-13,465
Net interest income		1,008	1,170	-14%	4,180
Net result on financial operations		108	84	29%	312
Commission income		3	3	0%	11
Commission expenses		-14	-15	-7%	-58
Total income		1,105	1,242	-11%	4,445
General administrative expenses					
Staff costs		-6	-4	50%	-20
Other		-31	-28	11%	-122
Depreciation according to plan		0	0	-	0
Total expenses		-37	-32	16%	-142
Profit before loan losses		1,068	1,210	-12%	4,303
Loan losses, net	Note 1	29	54	-46%	278
Operating profit		1,097	1,264	-13%	4,581
Tax		-307	-354	-13%	-1,259
Profit for the period		790	910	-13%	3,322
Net earnings per share, SEK		4.88	5.62		

Note 1 Loan losses

SEK m Specific provision for individually assessed loan receivables	Jan-Mar 2007	Jan–Mar 2006	Full Year 2006
The period's write-down for actual loan losses	-2	-3	-18
Writeback of previous provisions for probable loan losses reported as actual loan losses in the period's accounts	2	2	8
The period's provision relating to probable loan losses	-2	-2	-13
Recovered from actual loan losses in previous years	14	40	259
Write-back of provisions for probable loan losses which are no longer necessary	17	17	42
Net recoveries for the period for individually assessed loan receivables	29	54	278

Balance sheet - Group

SEK m		Mar 31 2007	Mar 31 2006	Dec 31 2006
Assets				
Loans to credit institutions		4,552	444	5,495
Loans to the public	Note 2	488,513	452,976	480,219
Derivatives	Note 3	2,091	2,224	1,091
Plant and equipment		0	0	0
Other assets		6,160	5,804	3,917
Total assets		501,316	461,448	490,722
Liabilities and equity				
Due to credit institutions		116,033	172,752	141,196
Issued securities, etc.		344,229	255,170	311,687
Derivatives	Note 3	3,100	3,986	4,368
Other liabilities and provisions		8,992	6,081	10,099
Subordinated loans		8,300	3,500	3,500
Total liabilities		480,654	441,489	470,850
Equity	Note 4	20,662	19,959	19,872
Total liabilities and equity		501,316	461,448	490,722

Note 2 Loans to the public

LOANS TO THE PUBLIC BY SECTOR

31 March SEK m	Lending before deduction of provisions	Provisions for probable loan losses	Lending after deduction of provisions
Households	347,111	-14	347,097
Municipalities	6,394	-	6,394
Housing co-operative associations	74,388	-47	74,341
Other legal entities	60,712	-31	60,681
Total loans to the public	488,605	-92	488,513

NON-PERFORMING LOANS BY BORROWER

31 March	200	7	200	6
SEK m	Non-performing loans which are not bad debts	Non-performing loans which are included in bad debts	Non-performing loans which are not bad debts	Non-performing loans which are included in bad debts
Households	180	9	210	18
Municipalities	-	-	-	-
Housing co-operative associations	-	-	-	9
Other legal entities	41	26	12	25
Total	221	35	222	52

BAD DEBTS BY BORROWER

31 March		2007			2006	
SEK m	Bad debts	Provision for probable losses	Bad debts net	Bad debts	Provision for probable losses	Bad debts net
Households	37	-14	23	78	-29	49
Municipalities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Housing co-operative associations	165	-47	118	262	-64	198
Other legal entities	126	-31	95	188	-35	153
Total	328	-92	236	528	-128	400

BAD DEBTS BY TYPE OF PROPERTY

31 March	2007				2006	
SEK m	Bad debts	Provision for probable losses	Bad debts net	Bad debts	Provision for probable losses	Bad debts net
Single-family housing	21	-7	14	39	-13	26
Housing co-operatives	1	-1	0	5	-3	2
Private market	22	-8	14	44	-16	28
Multi-family housing	241	-80	161	416	-108	308
Offices and commercial buildings	65	-4	61	68	-4	64
Corporate market	306	-84	222	484	-112	372
Total	328	-92	236	528	-128	400

The provision for probable losses refers to specific provisions for individually valued claims.

Note 3 Derivatives

31 March 2007	Interest-rate related instruments		Interest-rate related instrum		Currency-related	instruments
SEK m	Fair value	Book value	Fair value	Book value		
Positive values	1,176	1,176	915	915		
Negative values	3,046	3,046	54	54		

Stadshypotek mainly uses interest rate swaps as instruments to hedge against changes in value due to changes in market interest rates. Hedge accounting is applied for these hedges in accordance with the company's accounting policies. Interest rate swaps, currency futures and interest rate options are also used as hedges for fair value changes without hedge accounting being applied.

Note 4 Change in equity

SEK m	31 Mar 2007	31 Mar 2006	31 Dec 2006
Opening equity	19,872	19,049	19,049
Group contribution			-3,471
Tax on group contribution			972
Profit for the period	790	910	3,322
Closing equity	20,662	19,959	19,872

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

SEK m	Jan-Mar 2007	Jan–Mar 2006	Full Year 2006
Cash flow from operating activities	-2,272	3,836	9,236
Cash flow from investing activities	0	0	0
Cash flow from financing activities	1,362	-4,354	-8,736
Cash flow for the period	-910	-518	500
Liquid funds at beginning of period	1,462	962	962
Cash flow for the period	-910	-518	500
Liquid funds at end of period	552	444	1,462

TURNOVER - OWN DEBT INSTRUMENTS

Stadshypotek issues and repurchases debt instruments which it has issued on its account. This is for the purposes of financing its operations.

Turnover during the first three quarters of the year was as follows:

Issued (sold):	SEK 93bn
Repurchased:	SEK 6bn
Maturity:	SEK 55bn

Quarterly performance

SEK m	Q 1 2007	Q 4 2006	Q 3 2006	Q 2 2006	Q 1 2006
Interest income	5,019	4,719	4,468	4,274	4,184
Interest expense	-4,011	-3,747	-3,482	-3,222	-3,014
Net interest income	1,008	972	986	1,052	1,170
Net gain/losses on financial items	108	62	-2	168	84
Net operating income	-11	-12	-13	-10	-12
Total income	1,105	1,022	971	1,210	1,242
General administrative expenses					
Staff costs	-6	-6	-5	-5	-4
Other	-31	-39	-27	-28	-28
Depreciation according to plan	0	0	0	0	0
Total expenses	-37	-45	-32	-33	-32
Profit before loan losses	1,068	977	939	1,177	1,210
Loan losses	29	196	17	11	54
Operating profit	1,097	1,173	956	1,188	1,264

Segment information

Jan-Mar		2007			2006	
SEKm	Private	Corporate	Total	Private	Corporate	Total
Interest income	3,683	1,336	5,019	3,055	1,129	4,184
Interest expense	-2,943	-1,068	-4,011	-2,201	-813	-3,014
Net interest income	740	268	1,008	854	316	1,170
Net gain/losses on financial items	79	29	108	61	23	84
Net fee and commission income	-8	-3	-11	-9	-3	-12
Total operating income	811	294	1,105	906	336	1,242
General administrative expenses						
Staff costs	-4	-2	-6	-3	-1	-4
Other	-23	-8	-31	-20	-8	-28
Total expenses	-27	-10	-37	-23	-9	-32
Profit before loan losses	784	284	1,068	883	327	1,210
Loan losses	14	15	29	10	44	54
Operating profit	798	299	1,097	893	371	1,264

Private market is defined as lending secured by mortgages in single-family or two-family houses, second homes, housing co-operative apartments or residential farms. Corporate market is defined as lending secured by mortgages in multi-family dwellings, family farms, commercial and office buildings, or government and municipal loans.

Key figures

	Jan-Mar 2007	Jan–Mar 2006	Full year 2006
Overall interest margin, %	0.81	1.05	0.89
C/I ratio before loan losses, %	3.3	2.6	3.2
C/I ratio after loan losses, %	0.7	-1.8	-3.0
Loan loss ratio, %	-0.02	-0.05	-0.06
Proportion of bad debts, %	0.05	0.09	0.06
Bad debt provision ratio, %	28.0	24.2	27.7
Return on shareholders' equity, %	14.1	16.4	15.1
Capital ratio, %	10.3	8.6	8.3
Tier 1 capital ratio, %	7.3	7.3	7.1

Capital base and capital requirement

On 1 February 2007, new capital adequacy regulations were implemented – the Basel II rules. The changed capital requirements will have a gradual impact since the transitional rules allow for an adaptation over a period of three years.

Under the capital adequacy rules applied before 1 February 2007 (Basel I), a risk-weighted amount was calculated for credit risks. Under Basel I, credit risks were calculated using standardised measurements which were the same for all credit institutions. The Basel II rules imply that a minimum capital requirement will be calculated for credit risks and operational risks. In addition to this statutory minimum capital requirement, credit institutions must also make an internal capital assessment (ICC). Stadshypotek's evaluation must take into account risks not managed under Pillar 1, a capital requirement for growth and the rating agencies' view of the company's capital requirement.

Credit risks – For risk classification and calculation of credit risk, an internal risk classification method is used called IRB. Since Stadshypotek's lending takes place via Handelsbanken's branch network, Handelsbanken's IRB method is also applied for Stadshypotek's loans. The Swedish Financial Supervisory Authority has approved the Handelsbanken Group's IRB method.

There are two different IRB approaches, a basic approach and an advanced approach. In the basic approach, the Bank determines the probability of the customer defaulting within one year (PD), while the other parameters are set by the Financial Supervisory Authority. In the advanced approach, the Bank also determines the loss in the case of default (LGD) and the exposure at default (EAD).

Since 1 January 2007, Stadshypotek has applied the advanced IRB approach for household exposures (households and small companies) and the basic IRB approach for corporate exposures. The IRB approach comprises over 95% of the total credit risk exposures and for the remaining credit risk exposures sures, the capital requirement is measured according to the Basel I rules. For 2008, the credit exposures that are not included in the IRB approach will use the standardised approach according to Basel II.

Operational risks - Stadshypotek, like its parent company, uses the standardised approach, which means that the capital requirement for operational risks is based on the income. Since under the previous capital adequacy regulations there was no separate capital requirement for operational risks, as these were included in the requirement for other risks, the capital requirement for operational risks must be reduced during 2007 by that part of the credit risk exposures which are subject to the Basel I rules.

The quantitative information provided in this section follows the directives and general guidelines of the Financial Supervisory Authority concerning publication of information relating to capital adequacy and risk management. Figures reported in this section refer to the minimum capital requirements under Pillar 1 of the new capital adequacy rules.

CAPITAL BASE

SEK m	31 Mar 2007	31 Mar ³⁾ 2006	31 Dec ³⁾ 2006
Tier 1 capital ¹⁾	19,872	19,050	
Tier 1 capital ²⁾	20,662	19,959	19,872
Tier 2 capital	8,300	3,500	3,500
Capital base ¹⁾	28,172	22,550	
Capital base ²⁾	28,962	23,459	23,372

¹⁾ Excluding profits generated during the quarter since the interim report has not been examined by the auditors.

²⁾ Including profit generated during the quarter.

³⁾ Calculated according to the Swedish Financial Supervisory Authority's directives.

CAPITAL REQUIREMENT

SEK m	31 Mar 2007	31 Mar 2006	31 Dec 2006
Credit risk according to standardised approach	8		
Credit risk according to IRB approach	5,020		
Operational risk, reduced in accordance with transitional rules 2007	630		
Total capital requirement according to Basel II	5,658		
Adjustment according to transitional rules	16,228		
Capital requirement according to Basel II, transitional rules	21,886		
Risk-weighted assets according to Basel I	287,971	262,552	281,431
Capital requirement according to Basel I (8% of risk-weighted assets)	23,038		
Transitional rules result in lowest permitted capital requirement (95% of Basel I)	21,886		
Operational risk, according to Basel II	666		

CAPITAL ADEQUACY ANALYSIS ⁴⁾			
	31 Mar 2007	31 Mar 2006	31 Dec 2006
Capital requirement in Basel II compared to Basel I	25%		
Capital requirement in Basel II compared to transitional rules 2007	26%		
Capital ratio according to Basel II ¹⁾	39.8%		
Capital ratio according to Basel I ¹⁾	9.8%	8.6%	
Capital ratio according to transitional rules 2007 ¹⁾	10.3%		
Capital ratio according to Basel II ²⁾	41.0%		
Capital ratio according to Basel I ²⁾	10.1%	8.9%	8.3%
Capital ratio according to transitional rules 2007 ²⁾	10.6%		
Tier 1 ratio according to Basel II ¹⁾	28.1%		
Tier 1 ratio according to Basel I ¹⁾	6.9%	7.3%	
Tier 1 ratio according to transitional rules 2007 ¹⁾	7.3%		
Tier 1 ratio according to Basel II ²⁾	29.2%		
Tier 1 ratio according to Basel I ²⁾	7.2%	7.6%	7.1%
Tier 1 ratio according to transitional rules 2007 ²⁾	7.6%		
Capital base in relation to capital requirement Basel II ²⁾	512%		
Capital base in relation to capital requirement Basel I ²⁾	126%		
Capital base in relation to capital requirement according to transitional rules 2007 ²⁾	132%		

¹⁾ Excluding profits generated during the quarter since the interim report has not been examined by the auditors.

²⁾ Including profit generated during the quarter.

⁴⁾ In the table, "according to Basel II" means that the figures are based on the minimum capital requirements in 2010 after the period of transitional rules for the minimum capital requirements have ended. All calculations are made according to the IRB method for corporate exposures. This is estimated to have positive effect on the minimum capital requirement.

Parent company

Total income for the period was SEK 1,105 m (1,242). Profit before appropriations and tax was SEK 1,097 m (1,264).

LENDING PERFORMANCE

SEK m	31 Mar 2007	31 Dec 2006	30 Sep 2006	30 Jun 2006	31 Mar 2006
Loans to credit institutions	4,552	5,495	4,042	1,031	444
Loans to the public	488,513	480,219	469,483	461,057	452,976
Total	493,065	485,714	473,525	462,088	453,420
BORROWING PERFORMANCE	31 Mar 2007	31 Dec 2006	30 Sep 2006	30 Jun 2006	31 Mar 2006
Due to credit institutions	132,808	164,484	159,723	154,590	172,752
Issued securities	327,454	288,399	284,928	278,689	255,170
Subordinated loans	8,300	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500
Total	468,562	456,383	448,151	436,779	431,422

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