

## Notice of year of end statement January – December 2008

# Production started at one of two gold mines

### Fourth quarter

- EBITDA 10 948 (1 082)
- Result after financial items was -16 441 TSEK (-2 033)
- Cash flow from operating activities 21 662, (-4 258), Investments 17 605 TSEK (16 714), Equity/debt ratio, 62,6% (96,5%)
- Mining production starts at Pahtavaara gold mine

### Full year 2008

- EBITDA 29 779 (-8 733)
- Result after financial items was -35 625 TSEK (-10 861)
- Acquisition of the gold mines in Pahtavaara and Blaiken including beneficiary plants
- With the shares issue and through loans from certain shareholders, total funds of almost 41 000 TSEK has been secured. Investments for the year is 128 274 TSEK.
- The verdict from the Supreme Environment Court of Appeals on the Fäboliden Project has gained legal force and can no longer be challenged.

### Events after the end of the reporting period

- Gold production starts at Blaiken operation.
- The Company secured 51.8 MSEK through directed new share issue before issue cost. The new share issue was primarily directed to a number of institutional investors in Sweden and abroad. A new share issue to all other share holders is planned at same conditions.
- Kjell Larsson was appointed CEO after an extra Annual general Meeting where new members were elected to the Board of Directors.

### Words from the CEO, Kjell Larsson

The year has certainly been eventful for the Company. Gold production started from the Pahtavaara Gold Mine. In February this year production activities also started in the Blaiken operation for gold production in the second quarter, two mile stones for the Company. We are now an exploration company with gold production. The cash flow from operations will fundamentally improve our ability to develop our unique portfolio of gold projects. With the strong support from our shareholders we have been able to take the next step in developing the company despite difficult financial times. The increasing gold price and the fact that we will have a positive cash flow in the third quarter make me confident about our company's future.

### **Updates**

### Pahtavaara

Production was started in Pahtavaara during the summer and extraction of gold has increased gradually. In December production started from the underground mine. The company benefits from the positive development of the gold price. The twelve month income predictions are on line with the original 50 MSEK target before interest and depreciations at full production.

### Blaiken

In Blaiken, the only mill on the "Gold Line" to produce a gravity concentrate, maintenance and preparations for production has been going on since the acquisition in August 2008.. In February, after the successful directed new share issue, the Board of Directors decided to start production at Ersmarksbergets Gold Mine just beside the Blaiken Mill. The operation in Blaiken benefits from increasing gold prices the same way as Pahtavaara, and we have now seen the highest prices ever both in the Swedish Crown as well as in the Euro. Despite the delayed start-up the Company expects Blaiken to contribute to the 2009 result.

### Fäboliden

Lappland Goldminers and its unique portfolio of gold projects in The Gold Line make the Fäboliden project, with its environmental permit for immediate investment and production start-up of its leach plant, highly prioritized. An upgrade of the Feasibility Study will be done in light of recent changes to both the financing situation as well as cost environment.



Result for the period
Result after financial items for the period was -31 287 (-9 151) TSEK and for the fourth quarter -12 017 (979) TSEK. The result was mostly affected by the preparations for start-up of mining production at Pahtavaara and Blaiken operations.

### **Key ratio**

	Full	Full
	year	year
	2008	2007
Profit/loss after financial items	-35 625	-10 861
Equity/Debt ratio	62,6%	96,5%
Total Assets	414 149	265 516
Equity	259 353	256 224
Number of yearly employee at the end of period	41	13
Equity per share before dilution	4,12	4,24
Equity per share after dilution	4,04	4,24
P/L per share before dilution	-0,57	-0,18
P/L per share after dilution	-0,56	-0,18
Number of shares before dilution at the end of period, thousands	63 001	60 401
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### **Income statement - Group**

SEK (,000)	3 month	3 month 3 month			
	Oct-Dec	Oct-Dec	Full year	Full year	
	2008	2007	2008	2007	
Income					
Net turnover	3 432	0	6 507	0	
Changes in inventory	2 098	0	5 567	0	
Capitalized work	309	999	2 820	3 671	
Change in value of biological assets	311	5 752	311	5 752	
	6 149	6 751	15 206	9 423	
Other external costs	-10 572	-2 733	-25 947	-9 096	
Personnel costs Depreciation of tangible and intangible fixed	-6 525	-2 936	-19 037	-9 061	
assets	-1 069	-103	-1 508	-418	
Operating Profit/Loss	-12 017	979	-31 287	-9 151	
Financial items:					
P/L from financial investments:	-2 743	-3 436	-2 743	-3 436	
Financial income	30	435	455	1 797	
Financial costs	-1 711	-11	-2 051	-71	
Profit/Loss after financial items	-16 441	-2 033	-35 625	-10 861	
Taxes	0	0	0	0	
Net Profit/Loss for fiscal period	-16 441	-2 033	-35 625	-10 861	
Average number of shares before dilution, thousand	63 001	60 401	61 413	57 731	
Average number of shares after dilution, thousand	64 131	60 401	62 324	57 731	
P/L per share before dilution	-0,26	-0,03	-0,58	-0,19	
P/L per share after dilution	-0,26	-0,03	-0,57	-0,19	



### **Balance Sheet - Group**

SEK (,000)	Dec 31 2008	Dec 31 2007
Assets		
Fixed assets		
Intangible fixed assets	260 923	200 322
Tangible fixed assets	134 286	22 562
Financial fixed assets	285	3 028
	395 494	225 912
Current assets		
Inventory	6 936	0
Other receivables	4 053	2 702
Investments , cash and bank balances	7 666	36 902
Total Current assets	18 655	39 604
Total Assets	414 149	265 516
Equity and Liabilities		
Equity	259 353	256 224
Allocations	34 832	0
Long-term liabilities	63 080	2 000
Short-term liabilities	56 883	7 291
Total Equity and Liabilities	414 149	265 516
of which interest-bearing	47 611	0

### **Changes in Equity - Group**

SEK (,000)	3 month Oct-Dec	3 month Oct-Dec	Full year	Full year
	2008	2007	2008	2007
Equity at the beginning of period	263 246	257 906	256 224	139 259
New issue	0	0	26 000	132 777
Issue cost	0	-329	-405	-5 963
Currency effects/acquired equity	12 548	477	13 159	1 012
P/L of fiscal period	-16 441	-1 830	-35 625	-10 861
Equity at the end of period	259 353	256 224	259 353	256 224

### Cash Flow Analysis - Group

SEK (,000)	3 mån Oct-Dec	3 mån Oct-Dec	Full year	Full year
	2008	2007	2008	2007
Cash flow from operating activities before changes				
in working capital	-10 197	-608	-28 942	-9 324
Changes in working capital	31 859	-3 650	41 305	-13 017
Cash flow from operating activities	21 662	-4 258	12 363	-22 341
				0
Cash flow from investing activities	-17 605	-16 714	-128 274	-84 478
Cash flow from financing activities	2 792	-330	86 675	94 037
Changes in liquid assets	6 849	-21 302	-29 236	-12 782
Liquid assets at the beginning of period	817	58 204	36 902	49 684
Liquid assets at the end of period	7 666	36 902	7 666	36 902
Undisposed overdraft facilities	5 000	5 000	5 000	5 000
Disposable cash at the end of period	12 666	41 902	12 666	41 902



#### **Financing**

After the time of this report, the Company has been successful in securing financing through a directed new share issue. Total funds secured is 51.8 MSEK before costs for the issue.

### **Employees**

The company has 41 (previous yr 13) employees. In addition to this, the Company engages consultants and contractors for various projects on a continuing basis. Altogether the Company engages the equivalent of 100 (previous yr 40) full time employees.

### Reporting dates

Annual General Meeting 2009 Interim report January-March 2009 Interim report January-June 2009 Interim report January-September 2009 May 28, 2009 May 28, 2009 August 31, 2009 November 30, 2009

### **Annual General Meeting**

Lappland Goldminers' annual general meeting is planned for Thursday May 28, 2009, 2:30 pm at Hotell Lappland in Lycksele.

#### Dividends

The Board of Lappland Goldminers intends to propose to the annual general meeting that no dividends will be paid for 2008.

### **Annual Report**

Lappland Goldminers' annual report will upon request be sent by mail to the shareholders in May 2009. The annual report will also be found on the Company's web site with possibility for downloading and printing.

### Accounting principles

The accountings has been prepared according to (ÅRL- Annual Accounts Act), RFR 2.1 "Reporting for legal entities", International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and interpretations by International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (IFRIC), as adopted by EU, and according to RFR 1.1 "Complementary reporting principles for groups". The parent company also applies to RFR 2.1 "Reporting for legal entities" and Årsredovisningslagen (ÅRL – Annual Accounts Act).

This report has been prepared in compliance with IAS 34 - Interim Financial Reporting. Same accounting principles have been applied as in the last issued Annual Report. For detailed information regarding accounting principles, refer to Annual Report 2007.

The annual report and the group report have been approved for issue by the Board on April 11, 2008. The group Income statements and balance sheet and the parent company income statements and balance was adopted at the Annual General Meeting on May 30, 2008.

Lycksele, February 24, 2009 Kjell Larsson Chief Executive Officer

The Interim Report for January to December 2008 has been subject to special examination by the Company's auditors.

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Lappland Goldminers AB is an exploration company with producing mines. The Company is listed on the market place "First North" under the name GOLD, with Mangold Fondkommission AB as Certified Adviser, as well as on the Norwegian OTC list. Lappland Goldminers strategy is to develop into a profitable, producing gold company, with centrally located processing plants in gold regions. The company is strategically positioned with the Blaiken Gold Operation and the fully permitted Fäboliden Gold Project on the Västerbotten Gold Line in Sweden, with the Pahtavaara Gold Operation in the north of Finland and with its gold projects in the Haveri area in south of Finland. The processing plants will be supported by ore from one or several mines either through the Company's own exploration or through acquisitions. Lappland Goldminers is a member of SveMin, the Swedish association for mines, minerals and metal producers, and follows SveMin's reporting rules for public mining and exploration companies.