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ORK - Suggestions to changes in the Corporate Assembly

The Election Committee in Orkla ASA has today suggested changes in the composition of the Corporate Assembly.

The suggestion and an explanation of its background are enclosed.

ORKLA ASA

Election Committee

ELECTION TO ORKLA'S CORPORATE ASSEMBLY

As you will be aware from the Notice of the Annual General Meeting on 3 May this year, the Election Committee has found it appropriate to present proposals for changes in the composition of the Corporate Assembly. Several of the company's major shareholders have requested changes at the present time, although the members' ordinary period in office will not expire until the ordinary general meeting next year.

The Election Committee has carried out a thorough process of establishing contact with representatives of all the major shareholders in the company. The enclosed list is based on the views and suggestions that have been submitted during this process and is intended to establish a representative body that reflects the breadth of Orkla's activities and shareholder structure.

In the Election Committee's view, the proposed members have a varied background from business, industry and social affairs, and have the necessary resources and integrity to act as representatives of shareholders in Orkla's Corporate Assembly. Efforts have been made to reduce the average age, and the fact that members should not have commercial conflicts of interest in relation to Orkla's business areas has been taken into account.

We propose that all members be elected for the period until the ordinary general meeting in 2003.

Oslo, 21 April 2001

Øystein Eskeland

Tore Lindholt

Allan Åkerstedt

Proposal to members of the Corporate Assembly in ORKLA ASA

Members:

Svein Erik Amundsen, CEO Bergesen (re-elected) Johan Andresen, CEO Tiedemanns Holding (new) Harald Arnkværen, lawyer (new) Kurth Augustson, conculting (new) Elisabeth Grieg, managing director Grieg International (new) Marianne Lie Harg, former CEO Vattenfall (new) Jan Kildal, CFO Norske Skog (new) Bjørn Kristoffersen, managing director KLP (new) Tore Lindholt, CEO Folketrygdfondet (re-elected) Svein Rennemo, consulting (new) Anniken Thue, director National Gallery (new) Bjørn Trondsen, CEO EDB Business Development (new) Allan Åkerstedt, managing director Storebrand Kapitalforvaltning ASA (re-elected) Svein Aaser, CEO DnB (new)

Deputy members: Astrid Sørgård, director Benefit network ASA (new) Terje Venold, CEO Veidekke ASA (new) Atle Eide, CEO Kværneland ASA (new) Gun Værsted, CEO Vital Forsikring (new) Niels Stolt Nielsen, CEO Stolt Sea farm Holding plc (new) Margareth Øvrum, director Statoil (new)