

Press release
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BLACK EARTH FARMING ANNOUNCES THAT ITS MAIN SHAREHOLDER HAS INCREASED ITS HOLDING IN THE COMPANY

Black Earth Farming Limited (“Black Earth Farming” or “the Company”) has received notification that its main shareholder Vostok Nafta Investment Limited (“Vostok Nafta”) has increased its holding in the Company from 26,715,404 to 30,888,704 shares, effectively increasing its part of the Company’s share capital and votes from 21.45% to 24.81%. According to its second quarter report 2008 released 24 July, the stake of the second largest shareholder, Investment AB Kinnevik, remains unchanged with 19.45% of the shares and votes.

Commenting on the news, Michel Orlov, President of Black Earth Farming said:

“I am happy to receive such a clear statement of our main shareholder’s strong belief in the company’s potential and the long term commitment by myself and the rest of the management to build a sustainable and highly successful business.”

Also commenting, Per Brilioth, CEO of Vostok Nafta and Chairman of the Board of Black Earth Farming said:

“Vostok Nafta has the conviction that with the introduction of modern agronomics and technology by Black Earth Farming and other companies like it, coupled with the investments into agricultural infrastructure and facilities, Russia has the potential to develop into one of the most important agricultural markets. Black Earth Farming is a champion of the current development of the Russian agricultural sector and is already one of the world’s largest agricultural companies by area under crops.”

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About Black Earth Farming Ltd:

Black Earth Farming is a leading farming company operating in Russia. It acquires, owns and cultivates agricultural land assets primarily in the fertile Black Earth region in southwest Russia. Black Earth Farming has gained a strong market position in the Kursk, Tambov, Lipetsk, Samara, Voronezh and Ryazan areas, controlling about 325,000 hectares of what perhaps is the world’s most fertile soil. Black Earth Farming will continue to acquire farmland in order to draw full benefits of economies of scale in its operations.

In 2007, Black Earth Farming harvested approximately 53,000 hectares with crops, of which the greater part was wheat. In 2008, Black Earth Farming plans to harvest roughly 150,000 hectares.

Founded in 2005 by Michel Orlov, the company has been developed by the listed investment companies Vostok Nafta Investment Ltd. and Investment AB Kinnevik (publ).

Black Earth Farming’s Certified Advisor on First North is E. Öhman J:or Fondkommission AB