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## **No changes in market cap segments on NASDAQ OMX Nordic**

**Stockholm, December 19, 2008** — the NASDAQ OMX Nordic reports that due to the current extraordinary stock market conditions, the January 2009 adjustment of the market capitalization segmentation on NASDAQ OMX Nordic has been cancelled. As a result, companies listed on NASDAQ OMX Nordic exchanges will under the first half of 2009 remain under their current heading of Large, Mid or Small Cap. The decision is made in accordance with NASDAQ OMX Nordic's segmentation classification practices.

The recent turmoil on global stock markets has significantly impacted market value of listed companies, including those listed on NASDAQ OMX Nordic exchanges. As a result, based on the December 2008 revision, an exceptionally high number of companies would move between the cap-segments. To support market stability and efficiency, NASDAQ OMX Nordic has thus decided to cancel the semi-annual adjustment scheduled for January 2009.

"As we are currently experiencing an historical volatility in the stock market, it is our responsibility to provide both listed companies and trading members with an efficient marketplace that supports liquidity across all segments", said Hans-Ole Jochumsen, CEO NASDAQ OMX Nordic. "Many of our customers have been impacted by the recent downturn in the stock market, and this decision, which was made in close dialogue with them, acts to support financial stability under extraordinary circumstances".

### **About NASDAQ OMX Nordic market cap segments**

In line with the NASDAQ OMX Nordic market cap segment structure, companies with a market value exceeding EUR 1 billion are in the group of "Large Cap", while companies with a market value smaller than EUR 150 million belong to "Small Cap". Companies between EUR 150 million and 1 billion belong to the "Mid Cap" segment. This segmentation of the market shall be revised in June and December of each year with adjustments taking effect in July and January respectively.

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