## Interim financial report for the period 1 January to 30 June 2011

## Highlights

- Results improved in second quarter with a gross profit of USD 2.9 million following a less positive start of the year.
- EBITDA in the first half-year was USD - 6.4 million and net profit was USD -4.9 million, which was impacted by start-up costs related to long-term CoA's, hike in bunker prices and postponement of cargo shipments.
- Despite some recovery of the Supramax and Panamax freight rates during second quarter, U-SEA Bulk maintains its view on the dry bulk market in 2011 being weaker than 2010 with a supply side being impacted by the continued excessive newbuilding deliveries and a tightening of the demand side.
- EBITDA expectations of USD 11-18 million for 2011 remain unchanged basis an overall short vessel position, but expected to be in the lower part of the spread.
- U-SEA Bulk took delivery of a new bulk carrier mid July (Supramax 61,000 dwt). Owned fleet now totals 1.5 vessels.

Per Lange, CEO: "We expect stronger earnings in the second half of 2011 benefitting from the value of our existing cargo book and the flexibility in the composition of our fleet, albeit influenced by a potential weaker global economy."

Review of the period 1 January to 30 June 2011


## Activity and financial development

The gross profit was USD 2.9 million (USD 5.7 million) in second quarter. The fleet activity continued to grow during second quarter and reached an average of 62 vessels in first halfyear ( 65 at the end of period) and a total of 8,664 ship days.

The average freight rate level (Baltic Supramax index) was 14,600 in second quarter, thus remained at the same level as in first quarter, but significantly lower (47\%) compared second quarter 2010.

During the first half-year a number of factors generally impacted the $U$ SEA Bulk business adversely such as the flooding in Australia, earth quakes in Japan and abnormal weather conditions in South America.

The net profit for the first half year was USD -4.9 million (USD 3.1
million), while EBITDA was -6.4 million (USD 3.3 million).

## Equity

Total equity was USD 39 million at the end of the second quarter, which equalled $34 \%$ of total assets, compared to $38 \%$ at the end of 2010.

## Cash flow

The net cash flow in second quarter was USD -3.3 million reducing the overall cash position from USD 14.1 million end of first quarter 2011 to USD 10.8 million.

Cash flow from investing activities totalled USD 4.9 million in the second quarter related to the newbuilding program.

Cash flow from operations was USD -6.4 million in second quarter, primarily related to increased working capital requirements.

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The company obtained financing from the main shareholder of USD 9.5 million in the second quarter to
meet the requirements of the newbuilding program.

## Dry cargo market development

## Adverse effects continued in Q2

The dry bulk segments remained largely flat over the first half-year with average freight rate levels in second quarter equal to first quarter. Seasonal activity in the second quarter is normally higher as more grain, coal and ore is fixed out of the Americas and Australia. However, developments in the second quarter were impacted by the aftershocks and nuclear crisis in Japan as well as the developing financial crisis in USA and Europe. Brazil, Australia and Japan only partially recovered after the natural disasters in first quarter. Grain trades were strong in the second quarter but were met by ample tonnage.

Vessel capacity in congestion at ports decreased marginally from an estimated quarterly average of 54 million dwt in first quarter to 53 million dwt in the second quarter thus tying up 1 million dwt less.

Deliveries of new dry bulk vessels totalled 24 million dwt of which 11 million dwt were cape size vessels.

The global dry bulk fleet grew 19 million dwt during the second quarter from 556 to 575 million dwt. Cape size vessels accounted for 227 mill dwt and non-cape size vessels accounted for 348 million dwt. The trend has been a quarterly fleet growth of 5 pct in the cape segment and 3 pct in the subcape segment, but high demolition activity in the cape segment reduced fleet growth to 4 pct or less.

Fundamental demand indicators such as Chinese and OECD industrial production growth experienced a loss of momentum.

On June 30th the Baltic forward contract for third quarter indicated lower freight rates and this has also materialized.

The outlook for industrial production levels in the third quarter of 2011 seems to be an outright decline in the US, Western Europe and possibly also India.

Looking ahead there is limited bullishness about freight rate developments. Chinese steel
markets look positive but their domestic iron ore supply is also reported to be growing fast. India has reversed its permission of more iron ore exports, though this will not impact seasonal demand growth until fourth quarter. More support is seen and expected from Asian coal demand.

The lack of seasonal increases in freight rates and increasing financial uncertainty continues to reveal weakness among shipping companies and increases the risk of defaults going forward.

Given the maintained pace of deliveries of new vessels total delivery for 2011 is currently expected to reach 96 million dwt. This is four times the volume of new vessels delivered each year from 2004 to 2008. Vessel deliveries are thus still expected to result in low freight rate levels over the next years interrupted by short term restocking and destocking cycles and other variations in the business cycle.

|  | BCI | BPI | BSI | End Fleet | New Vessels | Congestion | China Ore | China Coal | China power | China steel | India <br> Power |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 10 Q2 | 38 | 31 | 28 | 496 | 19 | 50 | 155 | 37 | 809 | 165 | 82 |
| 11 Q1 | 8 | 15 | 14 | 556 | 24 | 54 | 177 | 33 | 897 | 174 | 87 |
| 11 Q2 | 9 | 14 | 15 | 575 | 24 | 53 | 157 ฟ | 384 | 928 4 | 1794 | 89 ¢ |
| - Arrows indicate trend compared to Q4 2010 <br> - Baltic Supramax Index (BSI) , Baltic Panamax Index (BPI) , Baltic <br> Capesize index (BCI) show freight rates in '000 USD per day <br> - Fleet, new vessels, congestion show million deadweight ton capacity |  |  |  |  |  | - India power is an index of total Indian electricity production <br> - China Steel shows million tons output <br> - Iron ore, coal show imports in million tons <br> - China power shows production of coal fired electricity in billion GWH |  |  |  |  |  |

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## Outlook

U-SEA Bulk maintains its view on the dry bulk market in 2011 being weaker than 2010, particularly in the second half of 2011. The EBITDA expectations of USD 11-18 million for 2011 remain unchanged basis an overall short vessel position, but
expected to be in the lower part of the spread.

As the dry bulk deliveries may be peaking in 2011, the supply/demand balance should improve slightly, but not until next year. As the
uncertainty around the global economy continues such development may however be delayed even further.

The company has not had any significant new counterparty issues.

Yours sincerely,

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## Management statement

Today the Board of Directors and Executive Management reviewed and approved the interim financial report of U-SEA Bulk Shipping A/S for the first six months of 2011. The interim financial report has not been audited or reviewed by the company's independent auditors.

The interim financial report has been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 'Interim Financial Reporting' and accounting policies set out in the Annual Report 2010 of U-SEA Bulk Shipping A/S, as well as and the general Danish financial disclosure requirements for listed companies.

We consider the accounting policies applied to be appropriate. Furthermore we find that the presentation of the company's interim financial statement for the period gives a true and fair view of the company's assets, liabilities, net profit, and financial position, and of the results of the Group's activities and cash flow for the period, as well as a description of the most significant risks and elements of uncertainties facing the Group.

Copenhagen, 19 August 2011

Executive Management:

| Per Lange | Bjarne Skov Faber |
| :--- | :--- |
| CEO | CFO |

Board of Directors:

| Dag von Appen | José Thomsen | Carsten Haagensen |
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| Chairman |  |  |
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| Peter Stokes | Enrique Ide |  |

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## Income statement

| (USD '000) | $\begin{gathered} 2011 \\ \mathrm{H} 1 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2011 \\ \text { Q2 } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2011 \\ \text { Q1 } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2010 \\ \text { Q1 } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2010 \\ \text { Q2 } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2010 \\ \text { Q3 } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2010 \\ \text { Q4 } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2010 \\ 12 \mathrm{M} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Development in \% Q2, 11 vs. Q2, 10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Freight income | 255.318 | 152.976 | 102.342 | 169.141 | 160.625 | 120.554 | 142.730 | 593.050 | -5\% |
| Voyage related expenses | (93.571) | (53.390) | (40.181) | (48.209) | (46.254) | (38.791) | (41.358) | (174.612) | 15\% |
| Time charter hire | (158.683) | (96.726) | (61.957) | (108.241) | (108.663) | (84.034) | (95.705) | (396.643) | -11\% |
| Gross Profit (net earnings from shipping activities) | 3.064 | 2.859 | 204 | 12.691 | 5.708 | (2.271) | 5.667 | 21.795 | -50\% |
| Other external expenses | (2.343) | (1.124) | (1.219) | (1.696) | (1.181) | (1.163) | (2.185) | (6.225) | -5\% |
| Staff costs | (7.131) | (3.177) | (3.954) | (3.682) | (8.548) | (2.284) | (1.250) | (15.764) | -63\% |
| Profit before depreciations etc. (EBITDA) | (6.410) | (1.442) | (4.968) | 7.313 | (4.021) | (5.718) | 2.232 | (194) | -64\% |
| Depreciations | (46) | (77) | 30 | (119) | (118) | (118) | 137 | (218) | -35\% |
| Operating profit (EBIT) | (6.457) | (1.519) | (4.938) | 7.194 | (4.139) | (5.836) | 2.369 | (412) | -63\% |
| Share of associates' profit after tax | 376 | 249 | 127 | (189) | (403) | 255 | 138 | (199) | -162\% |
| Financial income | 84 | 44 | 40 | 30 | 27 | 23 | 75 | 155 | 64\% |
| Financial expenses | (151) | (83) | (68) | (5) | (3) | (12) | (89) | (109) | 2665\% |
| Other financial items, net | 272 | 478 | (206) | (577) | (150) | (124) | (147) | (998) | -419\% |
| Profit before tax | (5.876) | (830) | (5.045) | 6.453 | (4.668) | (5.694) | 2.346 | (1.563) | -82\% |
| Tax | 1.024 | 116 | 908 | (1.317) | 2.673 | 1.019 | (2.289) | 86 | -96\% |
| Net profit | (4.852) | (715) | (4.137) | 5.136 | (1.995) | (4.674) | 56 | (1.477) | -64\% |
| Attributable to: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Profit attributable to the equity holders of the parent | (4.885) | (736) | (4.149) | 5.128 | (2.002) | (4.684) | 21 | (1.537) |  |
| Profit attributable to non-controlling interest | 33 | 21 | 12 | 8 | 7 | 10 | 35 | 60 |  |
|  | (4.852) | (715) | (4.137) | 5.136 | (1.995) | (4.674) | 56 | (1.477) |  |
| Earnings per share - basic earnings per share | $(0,20)$ | $(0,03)$ | $(0,17)$ | 0,21 | $(0,08)$ | 0,21 | 0,00 | $(0,06)$ |  |
| Earnings per share - diluted earnings per share | $(0,20)$ | $(0,03)$ | $(0,17)$ | 0,21 | $(0,08)$ | 0,21 | 0,00 | $(0,06)$ |  |

Statement of comprehensive income

| (USD '000) | $\begin{gathered} 2011 \\ \mathrm{H} 1 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2011 \\ \text { Q2 } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2011 \\ \text { Q1 } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2010 \\ \text { Q1 } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2010 \\ \text { Q2 } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2010 \\ \text { Q3 } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2010 \\ \text { Q4 } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2010 \\ & 12 \mathrm{M} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net result | (4.852) | (715) | (4.137) | 5.136 | (1.995) | (4.674) | 56 | (1.477) |
| Value adjustments of hedging instruments | 1.491 | (1.209) | 2.700 | (675) | (1.475) | 412 | (240) | (1.978) |
| Taxeffect | (268) | 218 | (486) | 170 | 371 | (104) | 59 | 496 |
| Value adjustments of hedging instruments after tax | 1.223 | (991) | 2.214 | (505) | (1.104) | 307 | (180) | (1.482) |
| Exchange adjustments of foreign entities | 259 | 327 | (68) | (90) | 11 | 83 | 54 | 58 |
| Fair value adjustments, other investments (gain/-loss) |  | - |  | (105) | (60) | (28) | (119) | (312) |
| Other comprehensive income, net of tax | 259 | 327 | (68) | (195) | (49) | 55 | (65) | (254) |
| Total comprehensive income, net of tax | (3.370) | (1.379) | (1.991) | 4.436 | (3.148) | (4.312) | (189) | (3.213) |
| Attributable to: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Equity holders of the parent | (3.403) | (1.400) | (2.003) | 4.428 | (3.155) | (4.322) | (154) | (3.153) |
| Non-controlling interest | 33 | 21 | 12 | 8 | 7 | 10 | 35 | 60 |

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Balance Sheet

| (USD '000) | $\begin{gathered} 2011 \\ 30 / 6 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2010 \\ 30 / 6 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2010 \\ & 31 / 12 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Assets |  |  |  |
| New building contracts | 16.425 | 6.695 | 6.695 |
| Fixtures, fittings and equipment | 861 | 771 | 988 |
| Total tangible assets | 17.286 | 7.466 | 7.683 |
| Investment in associates | 13.494 | 2.223 | 2.785 |
| Other investments | - | 400 | 286 |
| Derivative financial instruments | 1.688 | 2.719 | 924 |
| Other financial assets | 1.302 | 346 | 1.023 |
| Deferred tax assets | 5.032 | 5.074 | 3.397 |
| Financial assets, non-current | 21.516 | 10.762 | 8.415 |
| Total non-current assets | 38.802 | 18.228 | 16.098 |
| Inventories | 23.851 | 10.463 | 14.251 |
| Trade and other receivables | 22.603 | 19.951 | 27.968 |
| Prepayments | 10.818 | 9.803 | 18.800 |
| Derivative financial instruments | 5.853 | 5.284 | 6.283 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 10.817 | 23.654 | 27.488 |
| Total current assets | 73.942 | 69.155 | 94.790 |
| Total Assets | 112.744 | 87.383 | 110.888 |
| Equity and Liabilities |  |  |  |
| Equity - majority | 38.508 | 34.028 | 42.055 |
| Non-controlling interest | 472 | 339 | 295 |
| Total equity | 38.980 | 34.367 | 42.350 |
| Interest bearing loans and borrowings group companies | 9.500 | - | - |
| Other liabilities | 88 | 78 | 42 |
| Derivative financial instruments | 1.845 | 4.525 | 1.010 |
| Deferred tax liabilities | - | - | - |
| Total non-current liabilities | 11.433 | 4.603 | 1.052 |
| Trade and other payables | 46.812 | 35.544 | 51.822 |
| Interest bearing loans and borrowings group companies | 8.657 | - | 5.108 |
| Other current liabilities | - | 3.515 | - |
| Derivative financial instruments, current | 6.784 | 8.857 | 10.504 |
| Income tax payable | 77 | 497 | 52 |
| Total current liabilities | 62.330 | 48.413 | 67.486 |
| Total Liabilities | 73.764 | 53.016 | 68.538 |
| Total Equity and Liabilities | 112.744 | 87.383 | 110.888 |

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## Statement of changes in equity

|  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 1}$ | 2010 | 2010 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (USD '000) | $\mathbf{3 0 / 6}$ | $\mathbf{3 0 / 6}$ | $\mathbf{3 1 / 1 2}$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| Equity beginning of period | 42.350 | 25.773 | 25.773 |
| Increase of share capital | - | - | 12.488 |
| Currency adjustments investments | 259 | $(244)$ | 58 |
| Hedge accounting | 1.223 | $(1.609)$ | $(1.482)$ |
| Net profit | $(4.852)$ | 3.141 | $(1.477)$ |
| Other changes | - | 7.306 | 6.990 |
| Equity end of period | $\mathbf{3 8 . 9 8 0}$ | $\mathbf{3 4 . 3 6 7}$ | $\mathbf{4 2 . 3 5 0}$ |

## Statement of cash flow

|  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| (USD '000) | $\mathbf{2 0 1 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 0}$ |
| Net cash flow from operating activities | $\mathbf{3 0 / 6}$ | $\mathbf{3 0 / 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 M}$ |
| Net cash flow from investing activities | $(10.124)$ | 4.106 | $(8.034)$ |
| Net cash flow from financing activities | $(19.596)$ | $(81)$ | $(856)$ |
| Net change in cash | 13.049 | $(5.177)$ | 11.572 |
| Cash balance beginning of period | $\mathbf{( 1 6 . 6 7 1 )}$ | $\mathbf{( 1 . 1 5 2 )}$ | $\mathbf{2 . 6 8 2}$ |
| Cash balance end of period | 27.488 | 24.806 | 24.806 |

## Notes

1. Significant accounting policies

The interim financial report comprises the summarised consolidated financial statement of U-SEA Bulk Shipping A/S.
The interim financial report has been prepared in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards IAS 34 on interim reports and additional Danish disclosure requirements for the financial statements of listed companies.

The consolidated annual report for 2010 has been prepared in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by EU.

For a complete description of the accounting policies and significant accounting judgement, estimate and assumptions, see note 1 and 2 page 40 to 45 in the Annual Report 2010.

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## 2. Segment information

| Period ended 30 June 2011 | Busines | segments |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Figures in USD '000 | Operator | Shipholding | Adjustments and eliminations | Total Group |
| Condensed income statement |  |  |  |  |
| Freight income | 252.332 | 2.986 |  | 255.318 |
| Inter-segment revenue |  | 17.008 | -17.008 | 0 |
| Voyage related expenses | -93.571 | 0 | 0 | -93.571 |
| Charter hire | -160.403 | -15.288 | 17.008 | -158.684 |
| Gross profit (net earnings from shipping activities) | -1.642 | 4.706 | 0 | 3.063 |
| Profit before depreciation etc. (EBITDA) | -10.630 | 4.214 | 5 | -6.411 |
| Profit/loss on sale of vessel etc. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Depreciation | -30 | -16 |  | -46 |
| Operating profit (EBIT) | -10.660 | 4.198 | 5 | -6.457 |
| Condensed balance sheet |  |  |  |  |
| Total non-current assets | 11.115 | 27.625 | 0 | 38.802 |
| Total assets | 73.196 | 34.867 | 0 | 112.744 |
| Total liabilities | 50.775 | 18.558 | 4.431 | 73.764 |
| Period ended 30 June 2010 | Business | segments |  |  |
| Figures in USD '000 | Operator | Shipholding | Adjustments and eliminations | Total Group |
| Condensed income statement |  |  |  |  |
| Freight income | 329.710 | 0 | 0 | 329.710 |
| Inter-segment revenue | 0 | 10.319 | -10.319 | 0 |
| Voyage related expenses | (94.409) | -54 | 0 | -94.463 |
| Charter hire | (220.098) | -7.125 | 10.319 | -216.904 |
| Sale of goods and other income | 57 |  |  | 57 |
| Gross profit (net earnings from shipping activities) | 15.260 | 3.140 | 0 | 18.400 |
| Profit before depreciation etc. (EBITDA) | 937 | 2.381 | -26 | 3.292 |
| Profitloss on sale of vessel etc. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Depreciation | -236 | -1 | - | -237 |
| Operating profit (EBIT) | 701 | 2.380 | -26 | 3.055 |
| Condensed balance sheet |  |  |  |  |
| Total non-current assets | 26.445 | 6.707 | -14.924 | 18.228 |
| Total assets | 95.988 | 12.651 | -21.255 | 87.384 |
| Total liabilities | 49.127 | 3.085 | 805 | 53.017 |

## 3. Related party transactions

Transactions with related parties are made at market prices. Transactions are related to Charter hire, interest and loans.

## 4. Contingent assets and liabilities

Since end of 2010, no significant changes have occurred to contingent assets and liabilities other than those referred to in the Annual Report 2010. See note 5 in regards to subsequent events.

## 5. Subsequent events

The fully owned bulk carrier delivered mid July was fully financed by loan from the main shareholder. Accordingly, total interest bearing debt and borrowings group companies amount to USD 47.1 million.

An out-of-court settlement concerning the piracy arbitration as reported in the Annual Report 2010 has been reached with no significant impact on financial statements.

No other significant events have occurred between the reporting period and the publication of the interim report that have not been included and adequately disclosed in the interim report that materially affect the income statement or the balance sheet.

