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## Press release

Stockholm, 10 April 2012

# RusForest's rights issue fully subscribed

The new share issue in RusForest AB (publ) ("RusForest" or the "Company") with preferential rights for the Company's shareholders, for which the subscription period ended on 4 April 2012 (the "Rights Issue"), has been fully subscribed. The Rights Issue will provide RusForest with approximately SEK 452 million before costs related to the Rights Issue<sup>1</sup>. Following the Rights Issue the number of shares in RusForest will increase by 383,230,776 shares from 95,807,694 shares to a total of 479,038,470 shares and the share capital will increase by SEK 383,230,776 from SEK 95,807,694 to SEK 479,038,470.

380,071,048 shares, corresponding to approximately 99.2 per cent of the Rights Issue, have been subscribed for with subscription rights and 3,159,728 shares, corresponding to approximately 0.8 per cent of the Rights Issue, have been subscribed for without subscription rights. Subscriptions corresponding to 137.1 per cent of the Rights Issue have been received. Persons that have subscribed for shares without subscription rights will be allocated shares in accordance with the principles outlined in the prospectus that has been compiled in relation to the Rights Issue and was made public on 13 March 2012. Notification regarding allotment of shares that have been subscribed for without subscription rights will within shortly be sent to those who have been allotted shares.

Interim shares (Sw. "BTA") are traded on NASDAQ OMX First North until the new shares have been registered with the Swedish Companies Registration Office. Conversion of BTA into new shares will take place on or about 24 April 2012 and the new shares will be traded on NASDAQ OMX First North.

#### Advisors

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The costs related to the Rights Issue are estimated to amount to approximately SEK 15 million.



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## **About RusForest AB (publ)**

RusForest is a forestry and sawmilling company operating in Eastern Siberia and the Arkhangelsk region of Russia. The Company controls long term forest leases with an annual allowable cut of approximately 3.6 million m³, and utilizes these resources to produce a wide range of sawnwood products. Eastern Siberia is renowned for its pine and larch of exceptional quality, while the Arkhangelsk Region in northwest Russia has high quality spruce and pine forests similar to those found in northern Sweden.

RusForest's goal is to develop into a leading independent integrated forestry and sawmilling company in Russia with an annual harvesting of 2.7 to 2.9 million m³. The Group's total sawmilling capacity, which is currently approximately 415,000 m³, is expected to, following completion of on-going investments; gradually increase to 500,000 to 550,000 m³ of sawnwood. There is significant potential (of up to 800,000 to 850,000 m³ of sawnwood) within the maximum allowable harvesting.

RusForest AB's Certified Adviser on First North is Pareto Öhman AB.

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

This press release does not constitute an offer to buy shares in RusForest. A prospectus for the Rights Issue described in this press release has been approved by, and registered with, the Swedish Financial Supervisory Authority.

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