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## **Statement from the Rockwool Foundation**

Today Rockwool International A/S received copy of the below statement from the Rockwool Foundation to the Danish Financial Supervisory Authority:

"To increase the liquidity of Rockwool International's shares, the Rockwool Foundation in September 2005 decided to agree to exchange other shareholders' A shares for Rockwool Foundation B shares. This would be carried out at the same share price and without accepting any trade charges for up to 600,000 B shares provided the exchange would take place before 1 September 2009.

The Rockwool Foundation's board has decided to extend the present exchange agreement until 15 April 2013 or until the depletion of B shares available. In this connection the Foundation's board has decided to make more B shares available so that as of 15 April 2009 there will again be 600,000 B shares available for the exchange for A shares.

Since the company was listed on the Copenhagen Stock Exchange in 1996, A and B shares were traded at about the same price. It was and continues to be the Rockwool Foundation's intention that the offer will link the trade prices of the two share classes closely together, with the effect that the actual prices for both share classes - due to the joint volume - will be more transparent and thus even more stable.

The Rockwool Foundation reserves its right to withdraw this present offer, due to changed tax conditions or other reasons, by a new statement to The Danish Financial Supervisory Authority (and the NASDAQ OMX Nordic Exchange Copenhagen).

Each A share is entitled to ten votes, and each B share to one vote. B shares are entitled to an advance dividend of DKK 0.50 per share, which so far has been of no importance. The share capital of the company is about 13.073 million A shares and 8.902 million B shares. This corresponds to 59.5% and 40.5%, respectively, of the shares.

The Foundation has 4.292 million A shares and 0.785 million B shares, which corresponds to 19.5% and 3.6%, respectively, of the share capital, i.e. total of 23.1% of the share capital and about 31.3% of the votes.

Until further notice it has been agreed with Danske Bank A/S and Nordea Bank Danmark A/S that these two banks will deal with the exchange for stockbrokers and shareholders according to the enclosed procedure.

Tom Kähler	Lars Nørby Johansen
Chairman	Deputy Chairman"

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Enclosure received:

"Procedure for the exchange of A shares in Rockwool International A/S of a nominal value of DKK 10 per share (A shares) for B shares in Rockwool International of a nominal value of DKK 10 per share (B shares).

- 1. A shareholder, who wishes to exchange A shares for the Foundation's B shares in accordance with the conditions in the Foundation's Exchange Offer, is recommended to contact own depository institute or stockbroking company for the purpose of the depository institute or stockbroking company to pass on the exchange request to Danske Markets (division in Danske Bank A/S) or to Nordea Markets (division in Nordea Bank Danmark A/S).
- 2. Before an exchange can be carried through, Danske Bank A/S and Nordea Bank Danmark A/S must have made a reservation of the necessary amount of B shares out of the 600,000 B shares made available by the Foundation. Danske Bank and/or Nordea will contact the Rockwool Foundation per e-mail or telephone. Contact persons: Jonna Stoltz (e-mail: jonna.stoltz@rockwool.com, tel. +45 46 55 80 62) and Brigitte Ditlevsen (e-mail: brigitte.ditlevsen@rockwool.com, tel. +45 46 55 80 06). A reservation may cover one, more or all remaining B shares and is valid on the day of reservation and the following banking day. When making the reservation, Danske Bank A/S and Nordea Bank Danmark A/S, respectively, will receive a reservation number with indication of which two banking days the reservation will be valid.
- 3. The A and B shares are registered in VP Securities. Danske Bank A/S and Nordea Bank Danmark A/S have, until further notice, the authority to carry through the Exchange. The Exchange is conditional on the concurrent transfer of the corresponding number of A shares to the deposit of the Foundation and will only take place if on the trading day the Foundation will receive a confirmation of exchange trades carried through. The confirmation must include reservation number and is to be sent by e-mail to the Foundation, att. Jonna Stoltz.
- 4. Contact persons: At Danske Bank A/S: Mads Zink (tel. +45 45 14 72 13) and At Nordea Bank Danmark A/S: Henrik Parris Simonsen (tel. +45 33 33 18 41).
- 5. Shareholders considering exchanging shares in accordance with the Exchange Offer from the Foundation are recommended to ask the advice of own tax consultants about special tax implications of participating in the Exchange. It should be noted that the exchange of A shares for B shares is fiscally comparable with the selling of A shares and purchasing of B shares. If a shareholder wishes to sell A shares without the concurrent purchase of B shares, A shares could be sold to the Foundation for a concurrent selling of an equivalent block of the Foundation's B shares to a third party. Both trades will be carried through free of charge for the Foundation. Tax implications for shareholders, who make use of the Foundation's Exchange Offer, are of no relevance to the Foundation."