## Report for the third quarter and the first nine months of 2006

## Third quarter

- Operating profit excluding items affecting comparability amounted to SEK 32 M (35).
- Profit before tax excluding items affecting comparability amounted to SEK 31 M (30).
- Cash flow amounted to SEK 192 M (268).


## Nine months

- Net turnover amounted to SEK $10,195 \mathrm{M}(8,690)$.
- Net profit amounted to SEK 39 M (120) and earnings per share to SEK 1.70 (5.20).

In a comment on the third-quarter results, Bilia's Managing Director Jan Pettersson says:
"The profit is a step in the right direction compared with the outcome for the first six months. Sweden and Norway report earnings on a level with last year. The price adjustments for workshop jobs in Sweden during the second quarter had a positive effect on demand. Furthermore, an improved margin on used cars led to higher profits in the Car Business compared with the first six months."

| Group | Third quarter |  | Nine months |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Oct. } 05- \\ & \text { Sept. } 06 \end{aligned}$ | Full year 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 |  |  |
| Net turnover, SEK M | 3,116 | 2,851 | 10,195 | 8,690 | 13,579 | 12,074 |
| Operating profit excl. items affecting comparability, SEK M ${ }^{1)}$ | 32 | 35 | 68 | 147 | 123 | 202 |
| Operating margin excl. items affecting comparability, \% | 1.0 | 1.2 | 0.7 | 1.7 | 0.9 | 1.7 |
| Operating profit, SEK M | 21 | 32 | 48 | 139 | 103 | 194 |
| Operating margin, \% | 0.7 | 1.1 | 0.5 | 1.6 | 0.8 | 1.6 |
| Profit before tax excl. items affecting comparability, SEK M ${ }^{1)}$ | 31 | 30 | 69 | 143 | 124 | 198 |
| Profit before tax, SEK M | 20 | 27 | 49 | 135 | 104 | 190 |
| Profit after tax but before profit from discontinued operation, SEK M | 13 | 19 | 34 | 98 | 69 | 133 |
| Profit from discontinued operation, net after tax, SEK M | - | 30 | 5 | 22 | 40 | 57 |
| Net profit, SEK M | 13 | 49 | 39 | 120 | 109 | 190 |
| Earnings per share, SEK ${ }^{2)}$ | 0.55 | 2.10 | 1.70 | 5.20 | 4.70 | 8.20 |

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## Notable events during the third quarter

- Bilia is restructuring its operation in Göteborg and has decided to close a facility on Hisingen. Service work will continue to be carried out in the facility until the operation moves into a new, better facility on Norra Älvstranden. The closure cost is estimated at SEK 11 M , which has been charged to the profit for the third quarter. The restructuring is expected to boost annual earnings by about SEK 7 M , starting in 2007.


## Notable events during the first six months

- Bilia in Norway agreed to sell its shareholding in Viking Redningstjeneste AS with an estimated gain of SEK 10.8 M. The Norwegian competition authority ruled against the deal, but the matter was appealed to Fornying- og administrationsdepartementet. The gain will be recognised if final approval is obtained.
- In February, Bilia acquired Tronrud Bil Holding AS, Norway's largest BMW dealer. Tronrud Bil Holding AS is a member of the Bilia Group as of the acquisition date.
- The Annual General Meeting (AGM) on 19 April resolved to spin off Bilia's property portfolio, Catena $A B$, and distribute the shares to Bilia's shareholders. Catena's net profit for the first quarter is reported under the heading "Profit from discontinued operation".


## Financial goals

As a consequence of the spin-off of Catena, the operating margin target has been reduced from 3.0 per cent to 2.2 per cent. Other financial goals are unchanged.

- Acting on the authorisation of the AGM, the Board of Directors resolved to buy back the company's own shares. As of 25 October 2006, Bilia's holding of its own shares amounted to $1,479,400$ shares. The AGM has authorised the Board to acquire a total of $2,312,915$ Bilia shares.
- On 7 June, the Stockholm City Court acquitted Bilia and seven other Volvo dealers of charges of illegal price collusion during the period 1998-2002. The Swedish Competition Authority's demand for a restraint-of-trade fine of SEK 55.3 M was dismissed and Bilia was awarded compensation for litigation costs. On 28 June, the Competition Authority appealed the judgement to the Market Court, which is the final instance. The case is expected to come up for review in the spring of 2007.
- Bilia started sales and service of Hyundai's cars and light trucks in the Oslo area, beginning from Bilia's facility in Jessheim.


## Third quarter 2006

Overall demand for new cars and service in Bilia's market areas was good. Demand for used cars increased during the quarter.

Net turnover during the quarter amounted to SEK $3,116 \mathrm{M}(2,851)$. Adjusted for exchange rate changes and comparable operations, net turnover was unchanged.

Operating profit amounted to SEK 21 M (32). Items affecting comparability reduced the profit by SEK 11 M (reduction: 3). Both the Service and Car Businesses were strengthened during the quarter and were on a level with last year. The result from customer financing amounted to SEK 28 M (29).

Items affecting comparability (see table on page 3) amounted to minus SEK $11 \mathrm{M}(-3)$ during the quarter and pertain to the closure cost for an operation in Göteborg of SEK 11 M (-). Last year includes costs of SEK 3 M for disputes. A property in Stuttgart was sold during the quarter for a purchase price of SEK 12 M . The loss amounted to SEK 1 M, which was recognised during the second quarter.

Net financial items amounted to SEK - 1 M (-5). This includes a profit share of SEK 5 M (4) from the shareholding in Volvofinans.

Net profit amounted to SEK 13 M (49) and earnings per share to SEK 0.55 (2.10). Exchange rate changes only affected the profit marginally. Last year's net profit includes SEK 30 M in profit from discontinued operation, Catena and Micro.

Total assets decreased during the quarter by SEK 228 M to SEK $5,245 \mathrm{M}$. The reduction is attributable to lower capital tied up in stocks of new and used cars.

Equity decreased during the quarter by SEK 83 M , amounting to SEK 1,654 SEK M at the end of the quarter. Equity was reduced during the quarter by a buy-back of own shares in the amount of SEK 94 M . The equity/assets ratio amounted to 32 per cent (23).

Investments and disposals amounted to SEK 81 M (121). Replacement investments represented SEK 2 M (12), expansion investments SEK 11 M (9), environmental investments SEK $0 \mathrm{M}(1)$ and investments in new construction and additions to properties SEK 0 M (19). Net investments in leased vehicles and finance leases amounted to SEK $68 \mathrm{M}(80)$.

The number of employees increased during the quarter by 40 , amounting to 3,489 . The increase is attributable to additional employees in the Service Business in Norway and Denmark.

Cash flow from operating activities amounted to SEK 192 M (268). Net debt decreased during the quarter by SEK 87 M , amounting to a net claim of SEK 17 M .

## Changes in equity

|  | Nine months |  | Full year |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Group, SEK M | $\mathbf{2 0 0 6}$ | 2005 | 2005 |
| Opening balance | $\mathbf{1 , 2 8 6}$ | 1,490 | 1,490 |
| Change of accounting principle IAS 39 | $\mathbf{-}$ | 140 | 140 |
| Redemption of Series C shares | - | -377 | -377 |
| Cash dividend to shareholders | $\mathbf{- 1 8 5}$ | -173 | -173 |
| Spin-off of Catena ${ }^{1)}$ | $\mathbf{6 6 5}$ | - | - |
| Buy-back of shares ${ }^{\text {2 }}$ | $\mathbf{- 1 4 5}$ | - | - |
| Translation difference, etc. | $\mathbf{- 6}$ | 17 | 16 |
| Net profit | $\mathbf{3 9}$ | 120 | 190 |
| Closing balance | $\mathbf{1 , 6 5 4}$ | 1,217 | 1,286 |

${ }^{1)}$ The spin-off utilised SEK 600 M of the Group's equity. Furthermore, an internal profit of SEK $1,265 \mathrm{M}$ was realised at the time of the spin-off.
${ }^{2)}$ At the end of the third quarter of 2006, the holding of own shares amounted to $1,479,400(0)$. The weighted average number of own shares during the first nine months of 2006 amounted to 359,012 .

Items affecting comparability

| Group, SEK M | Third quarter |  | Nine months |  | Oct. 05 - <br> Sept. 06 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Full year } \\ & 2005 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 |  |  |
| Operating profit excl. items affecting comparability | 32 | 35 | 68 | 147 | 123 | 202 |
| Items affecting comparability |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| - Gain/loss from property sales | - | 0 | -1 | 2 | -1 | 2 |
| - Structural costs etc. | -11 | - | -11 | - | -16 | -5 |
| - Catena | - | - | 0 | - | -3 | -3 |
| - Disputes | - | -3 | -8 | -10 | 0 | -2 |
| Operating profit | 21 | 32 | 48 | 139 | 103 | 194 |
| Profit before tax excl. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| items affecting comparability | 31 | 30 | 69 | 143 | 124 | 198 |
| Items affecting comparability |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| - Gain/loss from property sales | - | 0 | -1 | 2 | -1 | 2 |
| - Structural costs etc. | -11 | - | -11 | - | -16 | -5 |
| - Catena | - | - | 0 | - | -3 | -3 |
| - Disputes | - | -3 | -8 | -10 | 0 | -2 |
| Profit before tax | 20 | 27 | 49 | 135 | 104 | 190 |

Cars

| No. of new cars | Third quarter |  | Deliveries Nine months |  | Oct. 05 - <br> Sept. 06 | Full year <br> 2005 | Order backlog 30 Sept. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 |  |  | 2006 | 2005 |
| Sweden | 3,938 | 3,511 | 15,114 | 12,729 | 20,178 | 17,793 | 2,504 | 2,551 |
| Norway ${ }^{1)}$ | 1,081 | 765 | 3,412 | 2,610 | 4,424 | 3,622 | 695 | 505 |
| Denmark ${ }^{2)}$ | 1,025 | 1,093 | 3,569 | 1,857 | 5,189 | 3,477 | 607 | 356 |
| Total | 6,044 | 5,369 | 22,095 | 17,196 | 29,791 | 24,892 | 3,806 | 3,412 |

${ }^{1)}$ Tronrud is included in deliveries at the end of the third quarter of 2006 in the amount of 741 and in the order backlog at 30 September 2006 in the amount of 123.
${ }^{2)}$ Scaniadam is included in deliveries for the full year 2005 in the amount of 1,627 and for the first nine months of 2006 in the amount of 1,829 .

| SEK M | Third quarter |  | Net turnover |  |  |  | Operating profit/loss, operating margin |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Nine months |  | Oct. 05 - <br> Sept. 06 | Full year <br> 2005 | Third quarter |  |  |  | Nine months |  | Oct. 05 - <br> Sept. 06 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Full year } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
|  | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 |  |  | 2006 | \% | 2005 | \% | 2006 | 2005 |  |  |
| Sweden | 1,929 | 1,804 | 6,491 | 6,140 | 8,697 | 8,346 | 49 | 2.5 | 47 | 2.6 | 132 | 169 | 197 | 234 |
| Norway | 763 | 561 | 2,291 | 1,680 | 2,904 | 2,293 | -1 | -0.1 | 0 | 0.0 | -15 | 13 | -14 | 14 |
| Denmark | 424 | 485 | 1,405 | 869 | 1,969 | 1,433 | -3 | -0.7 | 1 | 0.2 | -5 | 4 | -1 | 8 |
| Total | 3,116 | 2,850 | 10,187 | 8,689 | 13,570 | 12,072 | 45 | 1.4 | 48 | 1.7 | 112 | 186 | 182 | 256 |

## - Better earnings in Sweden

- Increased order backlog for new cars

The market for new cars increased by 5 per cent in Sweden, 3 per cent in Norway and decreased by 4 per cent in Denmark. Demand for used cars increased during the quarter.

Net turnover amounted to SEK $3,116 \mathrm{M}$ $(2,850)$. Adjusted for exchange rate changes and comparable operations, turnover was unchanged.

Operating profit for Cars amounted to SEK 45 M (48). Earnings in the Car Business improved during the quarter, mainly due to a higher margin in sales of used cars as well as slightly improved margins in new car sales.

The operation in Sweden reported an operating profit of SEK 49 M (47). The price adjustments for workshop jobs that were implemented during the second quarter had a positive effect on demand during the quarter and the appointment situation improved. Earnings in the Car Business were slightly better compared with the same quarter last year, due mainly to a higher margin in sales of used cars. The start-up of

Netbil, a website for online used car auctions, charged quarterly earnings with SEK 3 M .

The operating loss in Bilia's Norwegian operation amounted to minus SEK $1 \mathrm{M}(0)$. Efforts to increase workshop capacity during the year led to an increase in workshop turnover by 15 per cent during the quarter. Earnings in the Service Business were strengthened without reaching last year's level. A higher margin in car sales resulted in slightly better earnings in the Car Business. A total of SEK 4 M was charged to earnings during the quarter due to the acquisition of Tronrud, broken down into an operating loss of SEK 2 M and acquisition costs of SEK 2 M . The companies in the Tronrud Group have been merged into a single company, whose administration has been transferred to Bilia.

The Danish operation reported an operating loss of SEK 3 M (1). The fall in earnings is attributable to lower volume and a lower margin in sales of new cars. Order bookings were 28 per cent higher compared with last year, and the operation is entering the fourth quarter with a high order backlog.

Cars - divided into Service and Car Businesses

| SEK M | Third quarter |  | Net tur | Net turnover ${ }^{2)}$ |  | Full year | Third quarter |  | Contribution ${ }^{3)}$ <br> Nine months |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Oct. } 05- \\ & \text { Sept. } 06 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r}\text { Full year } \\ 2005 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 | Sept. 06 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 |  |  |
| Service Business ${ }^{1)}$ | 1,007 | 980 | 3,245 | 2,955 | 4,408 | 4,118 | 76 | 80 | 286 | 295 | 433 | 442 |
| - margin, \% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 7.5 | 8.2 | 8.8 | 10.0 | 9.8 | 10.7 |
| Car Business ${ }^{1)}$ | 2,257 | 1,979 | 7,415 | 6,060 | 9,821 | 8,466 | 11 | 14 | -1 | 53 | -10 | 44 |
| - margin, \% |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.9 | -0.1 | 0.5 |

1) Service includes workshop services, spare parts, accessories and petrol in the car operation. The Car Business includes sales of new and used cars and customer financing.
${ }^{2)}$ Net turnover does not include eliminations for internal sales.
${ }^{3)}$ The contribution is charged with calculated costs. Joint costs for administration within each product area are not charged to the contribution.

- Higher margin in car sales
- Higher demand for service

The Service Business's sales, adjusted for exchange rate changes and comparable operations, were unchanged. Norway increased by 10 per cent while Sweden and Denmark decreased by 2 and 4 per cent, respectively. The contribution decreased by SEK 4 M to SEK 76 M . Demand for workshop jobs increased in Sweden owing to previously implemented price adjustments, and appointments booked were at a historically high level in September. Efficiency at the new body and paint shop in Rislökka, Oslo, improved and was satisfactory at the end of the quarter. The concentration of body and paint repairs in Rislökka frees up space at other facilities, which will eventually increase service capacity in Norway. Demand for

Service Business, Net Turnover, SEK M


Service Business, Contribution, SEK M

workshop services is good in Norway, but there is a shortage of workshop personnel.

The Car Business's deliveries of new cars increased by 4 per cent during the quarter for comparable operations while order bookings increased by 6 per cent, resulting in an increase in the order backlog. Car turnover increased by about 1 per cent for comparable operations and adjusted for exchange rate changes. The contribution amounted to SEK 11 M (14) and the contribution margin to 0.5 per cent ( 0.7 ). The margin on sales of used cars in particular improved during the quarter, resulting in a profit that was on a par with last year.
Stocks of new and used cars declined during the quarter and are at a satisfactory level overall. The turnover rate for used cars increased during the quarter and was on a par with the Group's goal of 8 times per year.

The Car Business's net turnover and contribution have been adjusted in accordance with IAS 18 for 2004.

Car Business, Net Turnover, SEK M


Car Business, Contribution, SEK M


## Discontinued operation, Micro

Loss from discontinued operation

|  | Nine months |  | Full year |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| SEK M | $\mathbf{2 0 0 6}$ | 2005 | 2005 |
| Net turnover | - | 44 | 44 |
| Cost of goods sold | - | 25 | 25 |
| Other operating revenues | - | 1 | 1 |
| Selling expenses | - | 26 | 26 |
| Administrative expenses | - | 6 | 7 |
| Other operating expenses <br> Financial expenses | - | 3 | 2 |
| Loss before tax <br> Tax | - | 1 | 1 |
| Loss after tax but before loss from revaluation and <br> disposal of discontinued operation | - | -16 | -16 |
| Loss from revaluation and disposal of discontinued <br> operation before tax | - | 5 | 5 |
| Tax attributable to loss from revaluation and disposal of <br> discontinued operation | - | -11 | -11 |
| Loss from revaluation and disposal of discontinued <br> operation after tax | - | -55 | -55 |
| Loss from discontinued operation, net after tax <br> Loss per share, SEK | - | 15 | 15 |

Effects of discontinued operation on individual assets and liabilities in the Group

|  | Nine months |  | Full year |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| SEK M | $\mathbf{2 0 0 6}$ | 2005 | 2005 |
| Property, plant and equipment | - | 11 | 2 |
| Long-term investments | - | 22 | 8 |
| Interest-bearing receivables | - | - | 6 |
| Other receivables | - | 7 | - |
| Cash and cash equivalents | - | - | - |
| Interest-bearing liabilities | - | 46 | - |
| Other liabilities | - | 32 | 3 |
| Trade payables | - | - | - |
| Disposal of assets and liabilities, net | - | -38 | 13 |

## Discontinued operation, Properties

Profit from discontinued operation

|  | Nine months |  | Full year |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| SEK M | $\mathbf{2 0 0 6}$ | 2005 | 2005 |
| Net turnover | $\mathbf{4 5}$ | 163 | 221 |
| Other operating revenues | $\mathbf{-}$ | 30 | 51 |
| Administrative expenses | $\mathbf{2 9}$ | 85 | 128 |
| Other operating expenses | $\mathbf{-}$ | 1 | - |
| Financial expenses | $\mathbf{9}$ | 6 | 10 |
| Profit before tax | $\mathbf{7}$ | 101 | 134 |
| Tax | $\mathbf{- 2}$ | -28 | -26 |
| Profit from discontinued operation, net after tax | $\mathbf{5}$ | 73 | 108 |
| Earnings per share, SEK | $\mathbf{0 . 2 5}$ | 3.15 | 4.70 |

Effects of discontinued operation on individual assets and liabilities in the Group

|  | Nine months | Full year |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| SEK M | 2005 | 2005 |  |
| Intangible assets | $\mathbf{2 0 0 6}$ | 22 | - |
| Property, plant and equipment | - | 722 | 703 |
| Long-term investments | - | 7 | 6 |
| Interest-bearing receivables | - | 29 | 22 |
| Other receivables | - | 11 | 17 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | - | 0 | 0 |
| Interest-bearing liabilities | - | 202 | 23 |
| Provisions | - | 8 | 9 |
| Other liabilities | - | 168 | 177 |
| Trade payables | - | 15 | 13 |
| Disposal of assets and liabilities, net | - | 598 | 526 |

## Acquisition of operation

## Tronrud Bil Holding AS

In February 2006, Bilia acquired Tronrud Bil Holding AS, Norway's largest BMW dealer, for SEK 93 M , of which SEK 81 M was
paid in cash. Tronrud Bil Holding AS also sells Ford, Honda, Nissan and Mini.

## Effects of the acquisition

The acquisition has the following effects on the Group's assets and liabilities.
The acquiree's net assets at the date of acquisition:

| SEK M | Carrying amounts in Tronrud Bil Holding AS before acquisition |  | Fair <br> value <br> adjustment | Fair value recognised in Group |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Intangible assets |  | 5 | 45 | 50 |
| Property, plant and equipment | 11 | 1 | 6 | 17 |
| Inventories | 129 | 9 | 1 | 130 |
| Trade debtors and other receivables | 35 | 5 | 6 | 41 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 18 | 8 |  | 18 |
| Interest-bearing liabilities | 52 | 5 |  | 52 |
| Trade payables and other liabilities | 125 | 5 | 16 | 141 |
| Net identifiable assets and liabilities | 21 | 1 | 42 | 63 |
| Consolidated goodwill |  |  |  | 30 |
| Purchase consideration paid, cash |  |  |  | 81 |
| Loan to seller |  |  |  | 12 |
| Cash, acquired |  |  |  | 18 |
| Net cash outflow |  |  |  | 63 |

Goodwill arising in connection with the acquisition of Tronrud Bil Holding AS amounts to SEK 30 M . Acquired customer relations (SEK 14 M ), distribution rights (SEK 17 M), trademark (SEK 9 M) and restraint-of-trade clause (SEK 5 M ) are carried as intangible assets.

Customer relations are amortised over 5 years, the distribution rights are amortised over 10 years and the restraint-of-trade clause is amortised over 6 years.

## Parent Company

Bilia $A B$ is responsible for the Group's management, strategic planning, financing, accounting, public relations and business development. Furthermore, Bilia AB conducts training and IT activities, mainly for companies in the Group.

The Parent Company's expenses amounted to SEK 13 M (15). Costs for disputes of SEK 4 M were included last year.

## Annual General Meeting in April

The AGM approved the cash dividend of SEK 8.00 per share (total: SEK 185 M ) and a spin-off in the form of a distribution of all shares in Catena AB. The spin-off of Catena utilised SEK 600 M of the Group's equity. Furthermore, an internal profit of SEK 1,265 was realised at the time of the spin-off. The Board of Directors was authorised to buy back no more than $2,312,915$ of the company's own shares.

## Miscellaneous

## Accounting principles

This interim report has been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting and RR 31 Interim Financial Reporting for Groups. The same accounting principles and calculation methods are applied as in the most recent annual report, with the following change.

Bilia's holding in Volvofinans AB was accounted for in 2005 in accordance with the rules in IAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement, and was measured at fair value, which matched changes in Volvofinans AB's equity. Upon further analysis of the accounting rules in IFRS, it has been concluded that Bilia's holding in Volvofinans AB should be accounted for in accordance with the rules in IAS 28 Investments in Associates, which means that Bilia's share of Volvofinans AB's earnings is included in Bilia's earnings. This changed principle has no effect on Bilia's income statements and balance sheets.
Changes in IAS 19 Employee Benefits, IAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement, and IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures are applied as from 1 January 2006.
The new and revised IFRS standards that entered into effect as from 1 January 2006 have no effect on the Bilia Group's income statements, balance sheets, cash flow statements and equity.

## Next report

The report for the fourth quarter of 2006 will be published on 9 February 2007.

## Annual General Meeting 2007

The AGM will be held on 18 April 2007 at 4 p.m. at the Scandic Crown Hotel in Göteborg.

Göteborg, 26 October 2006
Bilia AB (publ)
Board of Directors
For further information, please contact Jan Pettersson, Managing Director and CEO, or Gunnar Blomkvist, CFO, telephone +46317095500.

## Review report

## Introduction

We have reviewed the interim report for Bilia AB for the period 1 January 2006 to 30 September 2006. Management is responsible for the preparation and presentation of this interim financial information in accordance with IAS 34 and the Annual Accounts Act. Our responsibility is to express a conclusion regarding this interim financial information based on our review.

## Aim and scope of review

We conducted our review in accordance with the Standard on Review Engagements SÖG 2410, Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity issued by FAR. A review consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review has a different aim and is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Standards on

Auditing in Sweden, RS and other generally accepted auditing practices. The procedures performed in a review do not enable us to obtain a level of assurance that would make us aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Therefore, the conclusion expressed based on a review does not give the same level of assurance as a conclusion expressed based on an audit.

## Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the accompanying interim financial information is not, in all material respects, in accordance with IAS 34 and the Annual Accounts Act.

Göteborg, 26 October 2006
KPMG Bohlins AB
Caj Nackstad
Authorised Public Accountant

## INFORMATION ON BUSINESS SEGMENTS

Nine months

| SEK M | Cars |  | Other ${ }^{11}$ |  | Parent Company |  | Eliminations |  | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 |
| NET TURNOVER External net turnover Internal net turnover | $\begin{array}{r} 10,186 \\ 1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 8,689 \\ 0 \end{array}$ | 1 | 2 | 8 15 | - | -16 | -1 |  |  |
| Total net turnover <br> PROFIT/LOSS <br> Operating profit/loss by business segment <br> Net financial items by business segment <br> Tax expense ${ }^{2)}$ <br> Profit from disposal of discontinued operation, net after tax Net profit | $\begin{array}{r} 10,187 \\ 112 \\ -26 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \hline 8,689 \\ \\ 186 \\ -13 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ -20 \\ 3 \end{array}$ | 2 -1 3 | $\begin{array}{r} 23 \\ -44 \\ 43 \end{array}$ | -47 | -16 0 -19 | -1 1 1 | $\begin{array}{r} 10,195 \\ 48 \\ 1 \\ -15 \\ 5 \\ 39 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 8,690 \\ \\ 139 \\ -4 \\ -37 \\ 22 \\ 120 \end{array}$ |
| OTHER DISCLOSURES <br> Assets, non-interest-bearing <br> Assets, interest-bearing <br> Assets held for sale <br> Eliminations | $\begin{array}{r} 4,749 \\ 317 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 4,011 \\ 293 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 26 \\ 244 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 768 \\ & 298 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 59 \\ 727 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 64 \\ 500 \end{array}$ | -877 | -759 | $\begin{array}{r} 4,834 \\ 1,288 \\ - \\ -877 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 4,843 \\ 1,091 \\ 40 \\ -759 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| Total assets <br> Liabilities, non-interest-bearing <br> Liabilities, interest-bearing <br> Liabilities attributable to assets held for sale Eliminations | $\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{3 , 1 2 7} \\ & \mathbf{1 , 2 3 4} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2,699 \\ 917 \end{array}$ | 7 3 | $\begin{aligned} & 190 \\ & 213 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 31 \\ & 24 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 24 \\ 570 \end{array}$ | 819 | 524 | $\begin{array}{r} 5,245 \\ 3,165 \\ 1,261 \\ - \\ 819 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 5,215 \\ 2,913 \\ 1,700 \\ 78 \\ 524 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| Total equity and liabilities Investments, net Depreciation/amortisation | $\begin{aligned} & 269 \\ & 183 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 190 \\ & 150 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 3 | 47 1 | 3 1 | 4 1 |  |  | 5,245 | 5,215 |
| Total depreciation/amortisation Expenses other than depreciation/amortisation not matched by disbursements ${ }^{3)}$ | 21 | 8 | - | - | 1 | 1 |  |  | 187 | 152 |

## INFORMATION ON GEOGRAPHICAL SEGMENTS

| SEK M | Net turnover |  | Assets |  | Investments |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 |
| Sweden | 6,491 | 6,140 | 2,597 | 2,876 | 98 | 181 |
| Norway | 2,291 | 1,680 | 1,771 | 1,509 | 165 | 51 |
| Denmark | 1,405 | 869 | 698 | 698 | 6 | 5 |
| Other | 1 | 2 | 270 | 70 | - |  |
| Parent Company | 23 | - | 786 | 564 | 3 | 4 |
| Assets held for sale | - | - | - | 40 | - |  |
| Eliminations | -16 | -1 | -877 | -542 | - |  |
| Total Bilia Group | 10,195 | 8,690 | 5,245 | 5,215 | 272 | 241 |

${ }^{1)}$ Other companies and items affecting comparability. Operating profitloss includes items affecting comparability of SEK -18 M (0).
Pertains to unallocated tax expenses.
3) Items not affecting cash

## Consolidated Income Statement

| SEK M | Third quarter |  | Nine months |  | Oct. 05 Sept. 06 | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Full year } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 |  |  |
| Net turnover | 3,116 | 2,851 | 10,195 | 8,690 | 13,579 | 12,074 |
| Costs of goods sold | 2,620 | 2,388 | 8,609 | 7,265 | 11,438 | 10,094 |
| Gross profit | 496 | 463 | 1,586 | 1,425 | 2,141 | 1,980 |
| Other operating revenues | 3 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 7 | 2 |
| Selling expenses | 367 | 334 | 1,196 | 993 | 1,590 | 1,387 |
| Administrative expenses | 100 | 98 | 334 | 296 | 433 | 395 |
| Other operating expenses | 11 | -1 | 14 | -2 | 22 | 6 |
| Operating profit ${ }^{1)}$ | 21 | 32 | 48 | 139 | 103 | 194 |
| Financial income | 1 | 4 | 7 | 14 | 18 | 25 |
| Financial expenses | 7 | 9 | 18 | 18 | 29 | 29 |
| Shares in the earnings of associated companies | 5 | - | 12 |  | 12 |  |
| Net financial items | -1 | -5 | 1 | -4 | 1 | -4 |
| Profit before tax | 20 | 27 | 49 | 135 | 104 | 190 |
| Tax | -7 | -8 | -15 | -37 | -35 | -57 |
| Profit after tax but before profit from discontinued operation | 13 | 19 | 34 | 98 | 69 | 133 |
| Profit from discontinued operation, net after $\operatorname{tax}$ |  | 30 | 5 | 22 | 40 | 57 |
| Net profit | 13 | 49 | 39 | 120 | 109 | 190 |
| Earnings per share, SEK | 0.65 | 2.10 | 1.80 | 5.20 | 4.80 | 8.20 |
| Number of shares at end of period, '000 | 21,650 | 23,129 | 21,650 | 23,129 | 21,650 | 23,129 |
| Earnings per share, SEK | 0.55 | 2.10 | 1.70 | 5.20 | 4.70 | 8.20 |
| Weighted average number of shares, '000 | 22,189 | 23,129 | 22,770 | 23,129 | 22,861 | 23,129 |


| ${ }^{1)}$ Amortisation/depreciation acc. to plan by asset class |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - Intellectual property | 4 | 4 | 11 | 5 | 13 | 7 |
| - Land and buildings | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 1 |
| - Equipment, tools, fixtures and fittings | 18 | 14 | 58 | 45 | 76 | 63 |
| - Leased vehicles | 36 | 34 | 116 | 102 | 158 | 144 |
| Total | 59 | 52 | 187 | 152 | 250 | 215 |

## Operating profit/loss by business segment

|  | Third quarter | Nine months |  | Oct 05 - | Full year |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| SEK M | $\mathbf{2 0 0 6}$ | 2005 | $\mathbf{2 0 0 6}$ | 2005 | Sept. 06 | 2005 |
| Cars | $\mathbf{4 5}$ | 48 | $\mathbf{1 1 2}$ | 186 | 182 | 256 |
| Parent Company | $\mathbf{- 1 3}$ | -15 | $\mathbf{- 4 4}$ | -47 | -61 | -64 |
| Other, eliminations | $\mathbf{- 1 1}$ | $\mathbf{- 1}$ | $\mathbf{- 2 0}$ | 0 | -18 | 2 |
| Operating profit | $\mathbf{2 1}$ | 32 | $\mathbf{4 8}$ | 139 | 103 | 194 |

Consolidated Balance Sheet

| SEK M | 30.09.06 | 31.12.05 | 30.09.05 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Assets |  |  |  |
| Non-current assets |  |  |  |
| Intangible assets |  |  |  |
| Intellectual property | 89 | 48 | 48 |
| Goodwill | 102 | 62 | 62 |
|  | 191 | 110 | 110 |
| Property, plant and equipment |  |  |  |
| Land and buildings | 45 | 736 | 714 |
| Construction in progress | 5 | 30 | 10 |
| Equipment, tools, fixtures and fittings | 298 | 273 | 272 |
| Leased vehicles ${ }^{1)}$ | 1,806 | 1,751 | 1,502 |
|  | 2,154 | 2,790 | 2,498 |
| Long-term investments |  |  |  |
| Financial investments | 192 | 176 | 172 |
| Other long-term receivables ${ }^{2)}$ | 22 | 20 | 20 |
| Deferred tax assets | 64 | 58 | 55 |
|  | 278 | 254 | 247 |
| Total non-current assets | 2,623 | 3,154 | 2,855 |
| Current assets |  |  |  |
| Inventories, merchandise | 1,627 | 1,850 | 1,512 |
| Current receivables |  |  |  |
| Interest-bearing receivables ${ }^{2)}$ | 76 | 22 | 48 |
| Other receivables | 856 | 857 | 722 |
| Cash and cash equivalents ${ }^{2)}$ | 63 | 63 | 38 |
| Assets held for sale |  | 16 | 40 |
| Total current assets | 2,622 | 2,808 | 2,360 |
| Total assets $\mathbf{5 , 2 4 5}$ 5,962 5,215 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Equity and liabilities |  |  |  |
| Equity |  |  |  |
| Share capital | 231 | 231 | 231 |
| Reserves | 5 | 5 | 116 |
| Retained earnings including net profit for the year | 1,418 | 1,050 | 870 |
| Total equity | 1,654 | 1,286 | 1,217 |
| Non-current liabilities |  |  |  |
| Interest-bearing liabilities ${ }^{3}$ | 29 | 241 | 597 |
| Other liabilities and provisions ${ }^{4)}$ | 1,525 | 1,534 | 1,434 |
|  | 1,554 | 1,775 | 2,031 |
| Current liabilities |  |  |  |
| Interest-bearing liabilities ${ }^{3)}$ | 115 | 748 | 110 |
| Other liabilities and provisions | 1,922 | 2,150 | 1,779 |
| Liabilities attributable to assets held for sale | - | 3 | 78 |
|  | 2,037 | 2,901 | 1,967 |
| Total equity and liabilities | 5,245 | 5,962 | 5,215 |
| Assets |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{12}$ ) Of which interest-bearing | 240 | 238 | 262 |
| ${ }^{2)}$ Interest-bearing | 161 | 105 | 106 |
| Liabilities |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{3}$ ) Interest-bearing | 144 | 989 | 707 |
| ${ }^{4)}$ Of which interest-bearing | 240 | 238 | 236 |

## Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

| SEK M | Third quarter |  | Nine months |  | Oct. 05 | Full |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 | Sept. 06 | 2005 |
| OPERATIONS |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Operating activities |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Operating profit | 21 | 32 | 48 | 139 | 103 | 194 |
| Financial items | -1 | -5 | 1 | -4 | 1 | -4 |
| Depreciation/amortisation and impairment losses | 59 | 52 | 187 | 152 | 255 | 220 |
| Other items not affecting cash | 15 | 29 | 39 | 37 | 45 | 43 |
| Tax paid | -2 | 1 | -33 | -107 | -78 | -152 |
| Change in inventories | 217 | 180 | 341 | 82 | 24 | -235 |
| Change in operating receivables | 28 | 26 | 98 | 105 | -94 | -87 |
| Change in operating liabilities | -145 | -47 | -306 | -173 | 73 | 206 |
| Cash flow from operating activities | 192 | 268 | 375 | 231 | 329 | 185 |
| Investing activities |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investments and disposals in non-current assets | -81 | -121 | -272 | -241 | -297 | -266 |
| Interest-bearing receivables | 0 | 109 | -11 | 50 | -31 | 30 |
| Business combinations | 0 |  | -106 | -70 | -110 | -74 |
| Disposals | - | 22 |  | 44 | 48 | 92 |
| Cash flow from investing activities | -81 | 10 | -389 | -217 | -390 | -218 |
| Remaining after net investments | 111 | 278 | -14 | 14 | -61 | -33 |
| Financing activities |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Change in bank loans and other loans ${ }^{1)}$ | 17 | -302 | 414 | 370 | 462 | 418 |
| Redemption, subordinated shares | - |  |  | -377 |  | -377 |
| Dividend to shareholders and share buy-back | -94 | - | -330 | -173 | -330 | -173 |
| Cash and cash equivalents Catena |  |  | -18 |  | -18 |  |
| Cash flow from financing activities | -77 | -302 | 66 | -180 | 114 | -132 |
| Change in cash and cash equivalents, excl. translation differences | 34 | -24 | 52 | -166 | 53 | -165 |
| Exchange difference in cash and cash equivalents | 0 | 0 | -1 | 2 | -1 | 2 |
| Change in cash and cash equivalents | 34 | -24 | 51 | -164 | 52 | -163 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at start of year | 83 | 246 | 83 | 246 | 83 | 246 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | 117 | 222 | 134 | 82 | 135 | 83 |

1) The change in loans was affected by the repayment of loans from Catena, which was spun off and distributed to Bilia's shareholders during the second quarter of 2006. The net amount in the Cash Flow Statement, SEK 414 M , includes amongst others Catena's repayment of loans, SEK 1.6 billion, and Bilia's amortisation of external loans.

## Quarterly review

Quarter

|  | Restated acc. to IFRS |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3/06 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Group | 4/04 | 1/05 | 2/05 | 3/05 | 4/05 | 1/06 | 2/06 |  |  |
| Net turnover, SEK M | 3,180 | 2,690 | 3,149 | 2,851 | 3,384 | 3,196 | 3,883 | 3,116 |  |
| Operating profit, excluding items affecting comparability, SEK | M 79 | 37 | 75 | 35 | 55 | 7 | 29 | 32 |  |
| Operating margin, excluding items affecting comparability, \% | 2.5 | 1.4 | 2.4 | 1.2 | 1.6 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 1.0 |  |
| Operating profit, SEK M | 76 | 35 | 72 | 32 | 55 | 6 | 21 | 21 |  |
| Operating margin, \% | 2.4 | 1.3 | 2.3 | 1.1 | 1.6 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.7 |  |
| Profit before tax, SEK M | 68 | 36 | 72 | 27 | 55 | 9 | 20 | 20 |  |
| Profit after tax but before profit/loss from discontinued operation, SEK M | M 50 | 29 | 50 | 19 | 35 | 5 | 16 | 13 |  |
| Profit/loss from discontinued operation net after tax, SEK M | n, -8 | -21 | 13 | 30 | 35 | 5 | - | - |  |
| Profit for the period, SEK M | 42 | 8 | 63 | 49 | 70 | 10 | 16 | 13 |  |
| Rate of capital turnover, times ${ }^{1)}$ | 2.60 | 2.45 | 2.33 | 2.36 | 2.28 | 2.26 | 2.35 | 2.42 |  |
| Return on capital employed, \% ${ }^{1)}$ | 18.3 | 16.0 | 14.1 | 11.1 | 10.0 | 8.1 | 6.0 | 5.8 |  |
| Return on equity, \% ${ }^{1)}$ | $16.6{ }^{\text {3) }}$ | 14.0 | 15.2 | 13.8 | 15.8 | 15.4 | 10.8 | 7.6 |  |
| Net debt/equity, times | $0.28{ }^{\text {3) }}$ | 0.44 | 0.70 | 0.47 | 0.69 | 0.86 | 0.04 | -0.01 |  |
| Equity/assets ratio, \% | 22 | 25 | 21 | 23 | 22 | 21 | 32 | 32 |  |
| Data per share (SEK) ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Profit for the period | 1.80 | 0.35 | 2.75 | 2.10 | 3.00 | 0.45 | 0.70 | 0.55 | 8) |
| Equity | $48{ }^{\text {3) }}$ | 55 | 51 | 53 | 56 | 56 | 77 | 76 | 9) |

[^1]
[^0]:    ${ }^{1)}$ Items affecting comparability are shown on page 3.
    ${ }^{2)}$ The number of shares used in the calculation is shown in the table on page 12.

[^1]:    1) Rolling 12 months.
    2) Based on number of shares outstanding, 23,129,155.
    3) Calculated excluding new issue of 37.7 million subordinated shares of Series $C$.
    4) Based on weighted average number of shares outstanding during first quarter, 23,129,074.
    5) Based on number of shares outstanding at 31 March 2006, 23,129,000.
    6) Based on weighted average number of shares outstanding during second quarter, 23,002,924.
    7) Based on number of shares outstanding at 30 June 2006, 22,632,600.
    8) Based on weighted average number of shares outstanding during third quarter, $22,188,763$.
    9) Based on number of shares outstanding at 30 September 2006, 21,649,755.
