Black Earth Farming Ltd Unaudited Interim Report

1 January - 31 March 2016





Strong winter crop outlook, spring seeding in progress.

1Q16 revenue and gain is up to USD 19.9mn (13.5) on increased sales volume and higher average price. EBIT improved from USD -3.9mn to USD -3.6mn. Negative profitability in the first quarter is expected and reflects business seasonality. 1Q16 Net loss of USD -4.6mn (-2.1) differs from 1Q15 due to reduced positive effect from ruble revaluation: foreign exchange (FX) gain is USD 0.4mn versus USD 2.8mn in 1Q15.

Winter wheat outlook remains strong, virtually without winter kill. Seeding campaign is 72% completed. Very high rainfall so far in 2016 means soils are very wet.

2016 Highlights (vs 2015)

- Total revenue and gains of USD 19.9mn (13.5)
- Sales volume of 118.9kt (84.8)
- Average sales price of 166 USD/tn (162)
- Gross profit of USD 4.9mn (2.3), distribution cost USD 5.1mn (2.4)
- G&A of USD 3.2mn (4.3)
- Operating loss of USD -3.6mn (-3.9)
- FX income of USD 0.4mn (2.8)
- Net loss of USD -4.6mn (-2.1)
- Net debt less finished good inventory of USD 7mn (11.8)

Significant and subsequent events

- Strong winter wheat yield prospects, no identified winter kill
- Seeding campaign is 72% completed
- Bond buyback of SEK 29mn (USD 3.4mn) par value
- In April 2016, the Group agreed credit facility extension with VTB bank from RUR 800mn to RUR 2,400mn (from USD 11.8mn to USD 35.5mn).

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|---|----------------------------|--------|--------|--|--|
| Market development | USD million | Q1 '16 | Q1 '15 | | |
| Market development | Crop Volumes Sold (k tons) | 118.9 | 84.8 | | |
| Sales & marketing | Av. Sales Price | 166 | 162 | | |
| 4040 Dec. No. | Total Revenue & Gains | 19.9 | 13.5 | | |
| 1Q16 Results | Gross Profit | 4.9 | 2.3 | | |
| • 2016 Crop | EBITDA | (2.3) | (2.4) | | |
| 20.000.00 | EBIT | (3.6) | (3.9) | | |
| 2016 Plan | FX income | 0.4 | 2.8 | | |
| Summary & Outlook | Net loss | (4.6) | (2.1) | | |

CEO Comment

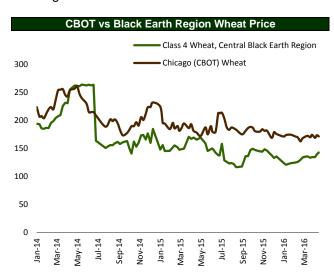


Introduction

There is limited activity in Q1 in terms of production. Sales of crop inventory, forex translations and any changes in G&A being the only factors that affect the financials.

Market Development

International and domestic grain prices have weakened during the quarter as predictions are for stocks to increase. Oilseeds have strengthened somewhat. The 2015 Russian grain harvest is estimated as a near record crop at 104mmt. 32mmt of exports are predicted. A warm winter has meant minimal winter kill of 2015 autumn sown crops and wet subsoils and cool conditions suggest potential is high for wheat and barley crops. Spring planting is somewhat later than normal due to rainfall to the end of April running at more than double the five year average for our farms.



Source: IKAR, CBOT

1Q16 Sales and Financials

The sales of 2015 crop have been made at average prices close to the 2015 year end valuations. Thus, first quarter results are mostly driven by G&A development and exchange rate effects.

Revenue and Gains of USD 19.9mn (13.5) reflect higher sales volume in 1Q16 of 118.9kt (84.8). Although market prices have weakened, 1Q16 average sales price of 166 USD/tn (162) demonstrated an increase y-o-y due to a higher share of more expensive export sales in sales mix. In 1Q16 export sales accounted for 49% (22%) of the total.

We value the year end finished good inventory to market at the end of Q4 and then sell it during Q1 and value the remaining Q1 stock at Q1 prices. The average price for Q1 end inventory mix of 160 USD/tn was marginally lower than the 2015 year end price of 161 USD/tn (comparable price based on Q1 2016 stock mix and exchange rate). Therefore, the Company books a small loss from sales, and a marginally negative change in net realizable value of USD -0.1mn (-0.6).

Gross profit of USD 4.9mn (2.3) in Q1 mostly reflects premium of export sales prices vs domestic prices (which are the basis for stock valuation). Gross profit increased by 113% in 1Q16 compared to 1Q15. Likewise, distribution costs grew by 110% y-o-y to USD 5.1mn from USD 2.4mn. In 1Q16 Gross profit less distribution in 2016 of USD -0.2mn (-0.1mn) is similar to that of 1Q15.

The operating profit (EBIT) improvement to USD -3.6mn (-3.9) is driven by a reduction in G&A costs.

In Q1 2016, the company benefited from FX revaluation in Q1, having booked FX income of USD 0.4mn, while FX revaluation positive effect was USD 2.8mn in Q1 2015.

The 1Q16 net result difference compared to 1Q15 is driven by the difference in FX income.

Net cash flow from operations amounted to USD 6.1mn (5.4). Investments into PP&E reduced from USD 2.3mn to USD 1.2mn. The company has spent USD 3.3mn on bond buy backs in 1Q 2016.

On 31 March 2016, the Company had USD 35.2mn (33.9) in cash and USD 62.5mn (54.8) of interest bearing debt outstanding. Finished good balance increased by USD 11.2mn y-o-y to USD 20.3mn. The Company's liquidity has strengthened as net debt less finished good position improved from USD 11.3mn in 1Q15 to USD 7mn in Q2016.

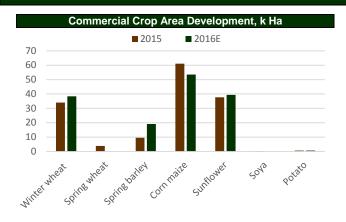
Spring Seeding and 2016 Crop Area

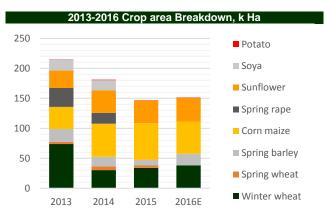
The spring of 2016 has been much wetter than normal with rainfall to the end of April at more than double the five year averages. Planting has consequently been frequently interrupted and on 15 May is 72% completed. Good establishment is expected and soil moisture is high. Our winter wheat crops remain in excellent condition and experienced virtually no winter kill. The 2016 crop area is planned to be circa 151k Ha.

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CEO Comment







Revenue Risk Management

98% of the 2015 harvest crop is now priced. Small volumes of potatoes and sunflowers remain. 190kt were exported. 45% of the 2016 harvest wheat and corn is hedged on CBOT futures.

Summary

Whilst 2016 harvest grain price prospects are currently low, the Company's winter crops are in excellent condition and have good potential. Spring seeding, whilst somewhat later than normal, has proceeded well and with high soil moisture to date and cool conditions should result in good establishment. Finishing seeding and ensuring that spray programs are executed well and on time over the next few weeks is vital in order to maintain footprint and yield potential.

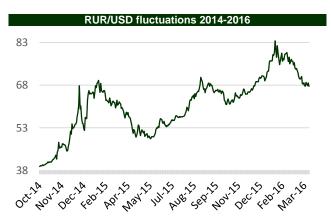
19 May 2016

Richard Warburton CEO and President

Financial Review



Note on foreign exchange and FX income



Black Earth Farming uses USD as it's presentation currency. The 1Q16 average RUR/USD rate, used to translate the income statement, was 74.63 vs 63.19 in 1Q15 (+18% y-o-y). The Company's operating results benefit from RUR devaluation as exports are foreign currency denominated and domestic prices highly correlated with export prices.

Applying ruble as functional currency, we translate FX denominated assets and liabilities to ruble at the closing rate, reflecting income and loss from this translation in the income statement.

1Q16 ruble closing rate strengthened 7.2% from 72.88 RUR/USD on 31 December 2015 to 67.61 RUR/USD on 31 March 2016, and strengthened by 4.9% vs SEK. As a result, the Company booked FX income on SEK denominated bond debt revaluation and an FX loss on mostly USD denominated cash. Net 1Q16 FX income accounted for USD 0.4mn.

In 1Q15 ruble weakened vs USD by 3.9%, however, strengthened vs SEK by 6.3%, therefore in 1Q15 the Company received significant positive FX income both on cash denominated in USD and on bond debt revaluation; total FX income amounted to USD 2.8mn in 1Q15.

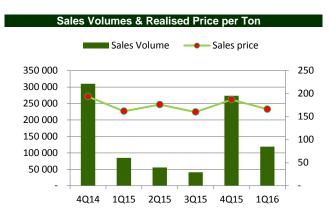
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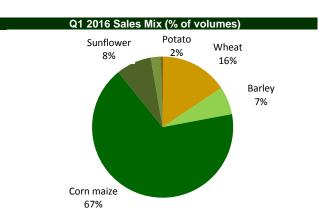
Revenue

Revenue from goods sold during 1Q16 increased by 41.6% y-o-y to USD 20.0mn as volumes sold were up 40.1% from 85kt in 1Q15 to 119kt in 1Q16. Weighted average price marginally increased from 162 USD/tn to 166 USD/tn, largely driven by a higher share of export sales in the mix: 49% in 1Q16 vs 22% in 1Q15.

The 1Q16 volume sales mix consisted of corn (67%), wheat (16%), sunflower (8%) and barley (7%).

Compared to the inventory valuation on 31 December 2015, realized sales prices were generally higher. However, the export mark-up added on top of ex-work price was mostly offset by distribution cost increase. Thus, gross profit less distribution cost in 1Q16 accounts only for USD -0.2mn.





Inventory & Gain/Loss of Revaluation

126.4kt of crops harvested in 2015 were held in inventory as of 31 March 2016 vs 227.4kt as of 31 December 2015. 55% of the end-of-period volumes consisted of corn, 16% of wheat and 15% of sunflower. Average December valuation inventory price for March inventory mix was 161 USD/tn vs 160 actual in March. Change in NRV resulted in a marginal loss of USD -0.1mn (-0.6). 1Q15 average prices, as well as prices used for inventory valuation are detailed on page 7.

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Result

Gross profit less distribution was USD -0.2mn (-0.1), as a simultaneous increase in profit and distribution costs reflected a higher share of export sales.

1Q16 G&A expense of USD 3.2mn is USD 1.1mn lower than the expenses in 1Q15, supported by cost savings from Moscow office closure and other initiatives as well as by the benefit from ruble devaluation.

Other income and expenses decreased from USD 0.2mn to USD-0.3mn: largest difference was change in income from crop hedges of USD -0.2mn. EBIT improved from USD -3.9mn in 1Q15 to USD -3.6mn in 1Q16 supported by strong G&A performance.

Financial expenses increased by USD 0.2mn on higher debt position related to the additional credit facilities.

Gain on foreign exchange differences of USD 0.4mn was USD 2.4mn less than in 1Q15, driven by lower RUR appreciation to USD and SEK in comparison with 1Q15.

1Q16 resulted in USD -4.6mn Net loss which is higher than in 1Q15 on reduced gain from exchange differences.

Financial Position

Company's Equity and total assets have increased in ruble, the functional currency, however, reduced in USD due to exchange rate differences.

Current assets increased by USD 5.3mn y-o-y to USD 99mn as of 31 March 2016, reflecting high cash and finished good balances due to strong FY 2015 results.

The Company's assets are held at historical cost in its functional currency in the Russian ruble. Given the depreciation of the ruble in 2014 and 2015, the Company believes that its land assets, in particular, are undervalued on its balance sheet. The Company is considering a review of its approach to accounting for it's land assets.

Cash Flow

Net cash flow from operations amounted to USD 6.1mn (5.4) in 1Q16 driven by strong cash sales in the 1Q. Investments into PP&E of USD 1,2mn (2.3) are due to reduced investment into the irrigated crop project. The bond buyback in 1Q16 accounted for USD 3.3mn cash outflow. Net cash flow of USD 2.2mn (1.8) and foreign exchange difference on cash resulted in cash and equivalents of USD 35.2mn as of 31 March 2016 (33.9).

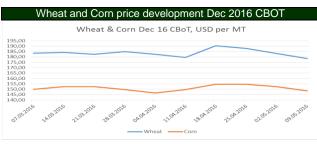
| Sta | Statement of Financial Position | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|--|--|--|
| | RUR n | nillion | USD million | | | | | |
| E-rate | | | 67.61 | 58.46 | | | | |
| | 31-Mar- 16 | 31-Mar- 15 | 31-Mar- 16 | 31-Mar- 15 | | | | |
| Land | 2 150 | 1 590 | 31.8 | 27.2 | | | | |
| Buildings | 1 846 | 1 760 | 27.3 | 30.1 | | | | |
| Equipment & other | 1 663 | 1 766 | 24.6 | 30.2 | | | | |
| Investment property | 155 | 158 | 2.3 | 2.7 | | | | |
| Other | 101 | 170 | 1.5 | 2.9 | | | | |
| Total Non-current assets | 5 915 | 5 444 | 87.5 | 93.1 | | | | |
| Cash | 2 377 | 1 982 | 35.2 | 33.9 | | | | |
| Finished goods | 1 371 | 532 | 20.3 | 9.1 | | | | |
| Raw materials and consumables Bio assets & | 1 061 | 1 052 | 15.7 | 18.0 | | | | |
| cultivation | 1 217 | 994 | 18.0 | 17.0 | | | | |
| Receivables | 665 | 690 | 9.8 | 11.8 | | | | |
| Assets held for Sale | _ | 228 | _ | 3.9 | | | | |
| Total Current Assets | 6 691 | 5 478 | 99.0 | 93.7 | | | | |
| Total Assets | 12 606 | 10 922 | 186.5 | 186.8 | | | | |
| Total Debt | (4 246) | (3 239) | (62.8) | (55.4) | | | | |
| Trade and other payables Other Liabilities | (784) (24) | (760) (23) | (11.6) (0.4) | (13.0) (0.4) | | | | |
| Equity | (7 552) | (6 899) | (111.7) | (118.9) | | | | |
| Total Equity & Liabilities | (12 606) | (10 922) | (186.5) | (186.8) | | | | |

Grain & Oilseed Markets



International

The Global market is now much more focused on crop 2016/17 prospects than the current year. The USDA in their May report adjusted 2015/16 ending stocks lower for soya but substantially increased for grains. Southern hemisphere lower harvest results reflect the yield losses due to excessive rain in Argentina and dryness in Brazil. The recent sharp increase in prices on the Chicago futures exchange (CBoT) has been driven by US soya. 2015/16 reduced stocks, increase in next year's crush demand (to a new record high) and a huge increase in exports to 39mmt. This raises the year on year US total demand by 4,7mmt and lowering of ending stock to 8mmt as opposed to the expected 11mmt, an unexpected fall of 3mmt. This coupled with soya production concerns in Brazil & Argentina down 3,5mmt, 99mmt (100mmt previously) and 56,5mmt (59mmt previously) has moved prices to highs last seen in 2014 since when stocks and production have been steadily increasing but failing now to keep pace with demand growth.





Source: CBoT

Grain futures have followed soya to higher prices on CBoT but to a much more limited extent as stocks, production and demand are more balanced with a plentiful supply even after corn losses in South America of, Brazil 81mmt (82mmt previously) and Argentina 27mmt (34mmt previously). Global 2016 wheat production is expected to be 727mmt, down from the previous year of 734mmt. This includes a record US crop based on current high yield expectancy looking to equal or better the record 2013 production and increasing US ending stocks at potentially the highest level since 1987. Global 2015/16 ending stocks are estimated to increase to 257mmt from 243mmt. 2016/17 corn production is estimated to be 1,011mmt up from 969mmt this year and end stocks nearly unchanged at 207mmt unless there are renewed crop problems. International

physical prices are not currently following the CBoT futures prices higher. Grain crops in the EU and FSU are in excellent condition and have the potential to match or exceed last year. China has been a point of focus recently having announced a policy change on reserve purchases, cutting back subsidies and stock levels and although the details presently lack clarity, the changes could have a significant negative effect on world feed grain trade. Corn is included in these changes, stocks are estimated at between 100-200mmt, and China announced that they intend not just to cut back on subsidised imports but to actively reduce stocks by selling onto the world market, subject to WTO rules as these would effectively be subsidised exports. China has decided to also start selling soya out of reserve stocks starting end May until the end of 2016. If 100,000mt were sold each week, the Government's target, the total tonnage available would be 3,8mmt. The soya is not to be rotated or replaced as has been the case in prior years as China looks to curtail soya reserve holdings. The net effect could potentially reduce soya demand from China, which is currently running at a record 74mmt a year.

<u>Russia</u>

The 2015/16 grain crop has proved to be slightly higher than the last forecast due to wheat production at 62mmt up from 61mmt previously resulting in a potential total grain crop of 104mmt (105mmt record crop in 2014/15). Barley and corn account for just under18mmt and 13mmt respectively, and 10mmt other grain crops. Exports to date are strong and expected to finalise at 24mmt wheat, 4mmt barley, 3mmt corn and 1mmt other giving a total of 32mmt. Grain prices are lower in both dollar and ruble terms compared to the beginning of 2016 although ruble prices have not fallen fully in line with the currency as the sellers of earlier export wheat & corn sales are having to pay up to cover their needs. Wheat & corn prices y-o-y are lower by -19% & -12% respectively in dollar terms and plus +6% and +15% in ruble terms and sunflower prices are now -8% in dollars and +21% in ruble terms. Crop 2016/17 autumn plantings have benefited from a warmer than normal winter with very low winter loses and the wheat crop has the potential to reach 62mmt, equal to this year, and possible higher given the excellent growing conditions currently. Spring planting is about a week later than last year as frequent rains have disrupted fieldwork, however, the sown area is now approaching 50% and the soil moistures are better than for many years which, combined with cooler weather, should promote good growth giving high yield potential. Prices for crop 2016/17 remain low in front of a potentially big harvest and producers are reluctant to sell in case the ruble weakens again and ruble prices rise. Prospects for oilseed prices remain positive as the 2016/17 production increase is expected to be modest, crush demand increase (including 1mmt of new plant

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capacity) and the high cost of oilseed alternatives, soya and palm oil.

Sales Development & Crop Inventory



| 2016 Quarterly Sales Volume & Crop Inventory | | | | | | | |
|--|--------|-------------|--------|------------|------------|-----------|----------|
| | | arterly Sal | | | , | Crop in I | nventory |
| | 1Q '16 | 4Q '15 | 1Q '15 | 31 Mar '16 | 31 Dec '15 | | |
| Volume, k tons | | | | | | | |
| Wheat | 18.6 | 51.0 | 31.5 | 11.1 | 22.2 | 19.9 | 38.7 |
| Barley | 7.6 | 12.4 | - | 30.8 | 9.4 | 10.1 | 18.1 |
| Corn | 79.3 | 170.8 | 2.0 | 2.6 | 39.4 | 68.9 | 129.2 |
| Rape | - | - | - | 4.6 | 0.1 | - | - |
| Sunflower | 9.7 | 49.7 | 5.5 | 1.6 | 12.7 | 18.4 | 28.3 |
| Soya | - | - | 0.1 | - | 0.5 | - | 4 |
| Potato | 3.0 | 6.5 | 1.7 | 4.9 | 0.5 | 8.8 | 12.3 |
| Other | 0.8 | 1.4 | 0.3 | - | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.9 |
| Total Tons | 118.9 | 292.5 | 41.1 | 55.7 | 84.8 | 126.4 | 227.4 |
| Price, USD/ton | | | | | | | |
| Wheat | 116 | 147 | 133 | 166 | 172 | 122 | 117 |
| Barley | 142 | 155 | - | 155 | 124 | 148 | 132 |
| Corn | 168 | 141 | 122 | 227 | 140 | 136 | 114 |
| Rape | - | - | - | 326 | 384 | - | - |
| Sunflower | 316 | 324 | 344 | 466 | 242 | 363 | 340 |
| Soya | - | - | 381 | - | 125 | - | 298 |
| Potato | 49 | 29 | 103 | 118 | 157 | 30 | 94 |
| Other | 49 | 159 | 92 | - | 71 | 40 | 88 |
| Average Price | 166 | 171 | 160 | 181 | 162 | 160 | 143* |

^{*}If March 2016 FG mix and exchange rate are used for December 2015 prices, the average price would be 161 USD/ton. Thus, NRV equals differences in prices (160 - 161) times stock 126.4kt, so NRV value is USD -0,1mnmn

The Company values its inventory of finished goods at net realisable value to reflect the market value as at the end of the reporting period. Contract or market prices are used to estimate net realisable value. A change in net realisable value affects total revenue and gains in the statement of comprehensive income. In addition, cost of goods sold represents the carrying value of inventory as at the previous reporting date. The table above provides a breakdown of inventories as of 31 March 2016 as well as the development of crop sales during 2016 and 2015.

As of 31 March 2016, the Company recorded total inventories at a value of USD 36mn (27.1). Total inventories include finished goods, i.e. crops harvested in 2015 held for sale, of USD 20.3mn (9.1) as well as raw materials to be used in production of USD 15.7mn (18.0). The crop inventory of finished goods included 126.4 thousand tons of crops harvested during 2015 and valued at an average price of USD 161 per ton resulting in total fair value estimate of USD 20.3mn. On 31 March 2015, the Company held 58.1 thousand tons of crops harvested during 2014 valued at an average price of USD 159 per ton, resulting in a total fair value estimate of USD 9.1

Production Overview



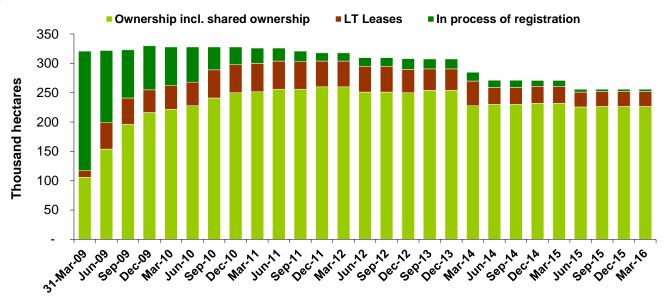
| Crop Area Breakdown | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| (thousand hectares) | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 |
| Winter wheat | 93.6 | 73.9 | 73.7 | 30.2 | 34.1 | 38.4 |
| Spring wheat | 13.1 | 4.4 | 3.4 | 6.1 | 3.8 | n/a |
| Spring barley | 26.5 | 22.7 | 21.9 | 16.1 | 9.5 | 19.1 |
| Corn maize | 6.1 | 26.0 | 36.8 | 55.3 | 61.1 | 53.5 |
| Total Grains | 139.4 | 127.0 | 135.8 | 107.8 | 108.5 | 110.0 |
| Winter rape | n/a | n/a | n/a | 0.1 | n/a | n/a |
| Spring rape | 33.5 | 36.6 | 31.4 | 18.1 | n/a | n/a |
| Sunflower | 46.5 | 33.2 | 29.0 | 37.5 | 40.0 | 39.4 |
| Soya | 7.9 | 18.2 | 18.7 | 16.9 | 166.0 | n/a |
| Total Oilseeds | 87.9 | 88.0 | 79.1 | 72.6 | 40.1 | 39.4 |
| Sugar Beet | 1.6 | 5.1 | 8.8 | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| Potatoes | n/a | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.6 |
| Total Commercial Area | 228.9 | 220.1 | 223.9 | 181.3 | 149.2 | 151.1 |
| Other / Forage crops | 2.0 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 2.9 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Total harvest area | 230.9 | 221.8 | 225.9 | 184.2 | 149.3 | 151.3 |

| Average Net Crop Yields | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|--|
| (tons/hectare) | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | |
| Winter wheat | 2.4 | 2.1 | 3.3 | 4.0 | 3.5 | |
| Spring wheat | 1.6 | 2.6 | 1.9 | 3.6 | 2.3 | |
| Spring barley | 1.9 | 2.4 | 2.6 | 3.6 | 3.2 | |
| Corn maize | 4.9 | 5.1 | 4.3 | 3.5 | 5.3 | |
| Winter rape | n/a | n/a | n/a | 0.7 | n/a | |
| Spring rape | 1.1 | 1.3 | 0.9 | 1.4 | n/a | |
| Sunflower | 2.0 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 2.2 | |
| Soya | 0.9 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 0.6 | |
| Sugar beet | 25.6 | 25.3 | 24.3 | n/a | n/a | |
| Potatoes | n/a | 33.2 | 33.9 | 31.0 | 35.9 | |

| Net Harvest Volumes | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|
| (thousand tons) | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | |
| Winter wheat | 220.6 | 157.6 | 243.2 | 121.2 | 119.1 | |
| Spring wheat | 21.2 | 11.5 | 6.6 | 22.4 | 8.6 | |
| Spring barley | 49.2 | 55.1 | 56.6 | 57.5 | 30.3 | |
| Corn | 30.0 | 132.8 | 159.0 | 195.7 | 321.9 | |
| Total Cereal Grains | 321.0 | 357.0 | 465.4 | 396.8 | 479.9 | |
| Winter rape | n/a | n/a | n/a | 0.1 | n/a | |
| Spring rape | 36.9 | 46.1 | 28.3 | 26.1 | n/a | |
| Sunflower | 92.8 | 62.8 | 58.0 | 70.9 | 83.2 | |
| Soya | 7.1 | 22.4 | 16.0 | 9.1 | 97.0 | |
| Total Oilseeds | 136.8 | 131.2 | 102.3 | 106.2 | 83.3 | |
| Sugar beet | 41.5 | 128.4 | 214.7 | n/a | n/a | |
| Potatoes | n/a | 1.0 | 6.6 | 27.4 | 21.3 | |
| Total Commercial Crops | 499.3 | 617.6 | 789.0 | 530.4 | 584.4 | |
| Other/Forage crops | 14.6 | 13.2 | 13.2 | 19.6 | 3.4 | |
| Total Output | 513.9 | 630.8 | 802.3 | 549.9 | 587.8 | |
| | | | | | | |



227 Thousand Hectares in Ownership (89% of total controlled land)



As of 31 March 2016, Black Earth Farming held 227k Ha of owned and co-owned land, corresponding to 89% of the total controlled land bank of 256k Ha. 25k Ha were leased and 4k Ha were in the process of registration. 13k Ha in Samara, where operations have ceased, are partly leased to third parties and are classified as investment property in the balance sheet and held at a fair value of USD 2.3mn (2.2). Consolidation and further improvement of the operational efficiencies in and around the most efficient and profitable farm clusters remains a key objective to the Company in terms of its land holdings.

Russian agricultural land is in the Company's view still undervalued, both in comparison with land of similar quality in other countries and in relation to its inherent production potential, especially in the fertile Black Earth Region. Black Earth Farming holds the 197k Ha of land that is not leased at acquisition cost of USD 24.1mn (less Samara and certain Lipetsk and Tambov land after swap), as recorded in the statement of financial position as property, plant and equipment, which translates into a per hectare value of USD 122. 13k Ha in Samara are held at a fair value of USD 2.3mn, which translates into a per hectare fair value of USD 179. 22k Ha in Lipetsk and Tambov are held at fair value of USD 7.7mn, which translates into a per hectare value of USD 350.

The depreciation in the Russian RUR has resulted in a decline, in hard currency terms, in the value of the Group's assets, which are carried at historical cost in RUR (the Group's functional currency) on its balance sheet. As the Group believes that this nominal devaluation of the balance sheet potentially understates the underlying value of its real assets, the Group continues to review its approach to treating its land assets on its balance sheet with a potential move to fair value treatment.

The Black Earth Farming Share



Risks and Uncertainties

Risks and uncertainties are described in the annual report for 2015. The risks can be summarised as Risks relating to the Company, Risks relating to the Company's business and Risks relating to Russia. Risks and uncertainty factors that existed on 31 December 2015 also exist on 31 March 2016.

Compiled SDR information

Official listing: Nasdaq OMX Stockholm Form of listing: Swedish Depository

Receipt ("SDR")

Round lot: 1

Sector: Agricultural Products

Exchange ISIN SE0001882291

code:

Short name: BEF SDB
Reuters: BEFsdb.ST
Bloomberg: BEFSDB SS

Outstanding shares

As of 31 March 2016 the amount of outstanding shares was 210,426,241.

The June 2015 2,756,796 new shares were issued as a result of the Company's management incentive program. The share-based incentive program remains open and outstanding as described in note 23 (c) in the 2015 Annual Report. The market capitalisation as of 31 March 2016 was approximately SEK 821 million or USD 101 million.

Shareholders

The total number of shareholders, as of 31 March 2016, amounted to 12,857.

Trading data for 1 Jan 2016 - 31 March 2016

| Average Daily Turnover (SEK) | Average No of Traded Shares | Average No of daily trades |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 823,106 | 214,108 | 84 |

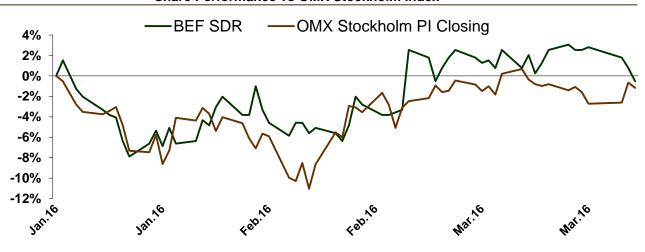
Source: NASDAQ OMX

Top 5 shareholders as of 31 March 2016

| Owner | % of votes |
|------------------------|------------|
| Owner | & capital |
| INVESTMENT AB KINNEVIK | 24.62% |
| GOMOBILE NU AB | 12.33% |
| ALECTA PENSION FUNDS | 9.68% |
| AVANZA PENSION | 4.49% |
| DANSKE INVEST FUNDS | 3.30% |

Source: Euroclear Sweden share registry & shareholders' reference

Share Performance vs OMX Stockholm index



BLACK EARTH FARMING LIMITED AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM STATEMENT OF INCOME FOR THE THREE MONTHS PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

| | | Three months er | nded 31 Mar |
|---|-------|-----------------|-------------|
| in thousands of US Dollars | Notes | 2016 | 2015 |
| Revenue | 3 | 19,972 | 14,102 |
| Gain on revaluation of biological assets to agricultural produce | Ü | 20 | 44 |
| Change in net realizable value of agricultural produce after harvest | | (141) | (598) |
| Total revenue and gains | 4 | 19,851 | 13,548 |
| Cost of sales | 5 | (6,437) | (6,823) |
| Effect of revaluations (revaluation of biological assets to agricultural produce and change in net realizable value of agricultural produce after | - | (-, - , | (-,, |
| harvest) | | (8,537) | (4,468) |
| Gross profit | | 4,877 | 2,257 |
| Distribution expenses | | (5,075) | (2,406) |
| General and administrative expenses | | (3,194) | (4,285) |
| Taxes other than income | | (266) | (196) |
| Government grants | | 478 | 647 |
| Crop insurance net of insurance grants | | (91) | (133) |
| Other income and expenses, net | 6 | (292) | 235 |
| Operating loss | | (3,563) | (3,881) |
| Financial income | | 30 | 81 |
| Financial expenses | | (1,443) | (1,288) |
| Gain on foreign exchange differences | | 429 | 2,842 |
| Loss before income tax | | (4,547) | (2,246) |
| Income tax (expense) / benefit | | (24) | 178 |
| Loss for the period attributable to owners of the parent | | (4,571) | (2,068) |
| | | | |
| Loss per share (amounts are indicated in USD) | | | |
| Loss per share, basic and diluted | | (0.02) | (0.01) |

BLACK EARTH FARMING LIMITED AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE THREE MONTHS PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

| | Three months ended 31 Mar | | |
|--|---------------------------|---------|--|
| in thousands of US Dollars | 2016 | 2015 | |
| Loss for the period | (4,571) | (2,068) | |
| Other comprehensive loss | | | |
| Translation difference | 7,982 | (4,661) | |
| Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the period | 7,982 | (4,661) | |
| Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period attributable to | | | |
| owners of the parent | 3,411 | (6,729) | |

BLACK EARTH FARMING LIMITED AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 MARCH 2016

| In | thousands | of | US | Dollars | |
|----|-----------|----|----|---------|--|
|----|-----------|----|----|---------|--|

| In thousands of Go Dollars | Notes | 31 Mar 2016 | 31 Dec 2015 |
|---|-------|--|--|
| ASSETS | | | |
| Non-current assets | | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | | 83,663 | 78,146 |
| Intangible assets | | 147 | 105 |
| Biological assets (livestock) | | 502 | 327 |
| Other non-current assets | | 433 | 115 |
| Deferred tax assets | | 391 | 322 |
| Investment property | | 2,333 | 2,164 |
| Total non-current assets | | 87,469 | 81,179 |
| Current assets | | | |
| Finished goods | | 20,296 | 32,765 |
| Raw materials and consumables | | 15,706 | 9,562 |
| Biological assets (crop production) | | 10,225 | 8,277 |
| Land cultivation works | | 7,769 | 6,677 |
| Trade and other receivables | 7 | 9,793 | 10,737 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | | 35,196 | 31,959 |
| Total current assets | | 98,985 | 99,977 |
| Total assets | | 186,454 | 181,156 |
| EQUITY AND LIABILITIES Equity attributable to owners of the parent Share capital Share premium Reserves Accumulated deficit Translation reserve Total equity | | 2,105 525,904 4,443 (223,038) (197,680) 111,734 | 2,105 525,904 4,249 (218,516) (205,662) 108,080 |
| LIABILITIES Non-current liabilities | 0 | 40.000 | 54.050 |
| Non-current loans and borrowings | 8 | 48,963 | 51,058 |
| Non-current finance lease liabilities Deferred tax liabilities | | 48 276 | 111 253 |
| Total non-current liabilities | | 49,287 | 51,422 |
| Current liabilities | | 49,201 | 31,422 |
| Current loans and borrowings | 8 | 13,549 | 12,064 |
| Trade and other payables | · · | 11,624 | 9,356 |
| Current finance lease liabilities | | 260 | 234 |
| Total current liabilities | | 25,433 | 21,654 |
| Total liabilities | | 74,720 | 73,076 |
| Total equity and liabilities | | 186,454 | 181,156 |
| . Otal oquity and nashinoo | ; | 100,404 | 101,100 |

BLACK EARTH FARMING LIMITED AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE THREE MONTHS PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

In thousands of US Dollars

| Balance as at 1 January 2015 | Share capital 2,077 | Share premium 524,771 | Reserves 4,868 | Accumu- lated deficit (232,853) | Trans- lation reserve (174,914) | Total equity attributable to owners of the parent 123,949 |
|--|---------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|--|--|---|
| Loss for the period Other comprehensive loss | - | - | - | (2,068) | - | (2,068) |
| Translation differences Total comprehensive loss Recognition of share-based | - | - - | (114) (114) | (2,068) | (4,661) (4,661) | (4,775) (6,843) |
| payments | | - | 858 | - | - | 858 |
| Balance as at 31 March 2015 | 2,077 | 524,771 | 5,612 | (234,921) | (179,575) | 117,964 |
| Balance as at 1 January 2016 | 2,105 | 525,904 | 4,249 | (218,516) | (205,662) | 108,080 |
| Loss for the period Other comprehensive loss | - | - | - | (4,571) | - | (4,571) |
| Translation differences Total comprehensive loss | - | - | - | - (4,571) | 7,982 7,982 | 7,982 3,411 |
| Reclassification from Reserves to Accumulated deficit Recognition of share-based | - | - | (49) | 49 | - | - |
| payments | | - | 243 | - | - | 243 |
| Balance as at 31 March 2016 | 2,105 | 525,904 | 4,443 | (223,038) | (197,680) | 111,734 |

BLACK EARTH FARMING LIMITED AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE THREE MONTHS PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

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|--|--|--------------------|-------------|--|
| Loss for the period | | 31 Mar 2016 | 31 Mar 2015 | |
| Adjustments for 1,484 1,485 1, | CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES | | | |
| Income tax expense | Loss for the period | (4,571) | (2,068) | |
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1. Background

(a) Organization and operations

Black Earth Farming Limited (the "Company") is a limited liability company incorporated in Jersey, Channel Islands, on 20 April 2005. The Company is the holding company for a number of legal entities established under the legislation of Cyprus, Guernsey (Channel Islands) and the Russian Federation. Hereinafter the Company and its subsidiaries are together referred to as the "Group".

The Company's registered office is Nautilus House, La Cour des Casernes, St. Helier JE1 3NH, Channel Islands.

The Group's activities include farming, production of crops and dairy produce and the distribution of related products in the Russian Federation and exporting to other countries. The Group commenced operations in 2005.

The Company's shares are listed in the form of Swedish Depository Receipts ("SDR") on the Mid Cap segment on NASDAQ OMX Stockholm.

(b) Russian business environment

The Russian Federation displays certain characteristics of an emerging market. Its economy is particularly sensitive to oil and gas prices. The legal, tax and regulatory frameworks continue to develop and are subject to frequent changes and varying interpretations. During the period Russian economy was negatively impacted by low oil prices, ongoing political tension in the region and continuing international sanctions against certain Russian companies and individuals, all of which contributed to the country's economic recession and a decline in gross domestic product. The financial markets continue to be volatile and are characterized by frequent significant price movements and increased trading spreads. Russia's credit rating was downgraded to below investment grade (as per S&P and Moody's). This operating environment has a significant impact on the Group's operations and financial position. Management is taking measures to ensure sustainability and growth of the Group's operations. However, the future effects of the current economic situation are difficult to predict and management's current expectations and estimates could differ from actual results.

(c) Seasonality

Agricultural sector exhibits obvious seasonal behavior. During the period from December to March, the organic growth of the crops is minimal. Due to this seasonality no major inputs are made in the production.

2. Basis of preparation

(a) Statement of compliance

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared using accounting policies consistent with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRSs") as endorsed by the European Union and following the principles of International Accounting Standard (IAS) 34 Interim Financial Reporting.

(b) Significant accounting policies

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements are prepared on the historical cost basis, except for biological assets measured at fair value less estimated point-of-sale costs, investment property and financial instruments measured at fair value, and agricultural produce measured at net realizable value.

The same accounting policies, presentation and methods of computation are followed in these condensed consolidated interim financial statements as were applied in the preparation of the Group's consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015.

Segment information (continued)

(c) Functional and presentation currency

Functional currency of the Group entities is considered to be the Russian Ruble ("RUR"), the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Group operates.

The financial statements are presented in US Dollars ("USD") which is the Company's presentation currency. All the financial information in these condensed consolidated interim financial statements, including comparative information, has been translated from RUR into USD using the exchange rates set by the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, as follows:

- Assets and liabilities for each balance sheet are translated at the closing rate at the date of that balance sheet;
- Share capital and other equity components are translated at historic rates;
- Income and expenses are translated at exchange rates at the dates of the transactions (or at average exchange rates that approximate the translation using the actual transaction date rates);
- All resulting exchange differences are recognized as a separate component of equity.

The period-end exchange rates and the average exchange rates for the respective reporting periods are indicated below.

| | 2016 | 2015 |
|--|---------|---------|
| RUR/USD for the three months period ended 31 March | 74.6283 | 63.1919 |
| RUR/USD as at 31 March (31 December in 2015) | 67.6076 | 72.8827 |
| RUR/SEK for the three months period ended 31 March | 8.8351 | 7.5710 |
| RUR/SEK as at 31 March (31 December in 2015) | 8.2952 | 8.7260 |

3. Segment information

The operating segments definitions were developed by senior management in order to enable effective and efficient operating performance based on the geographic and sub-climatic split of the cropped areas in the four Black Earth regions: Voronezh, Kursk, Lipetsk and Tambov. The Group also has one operating entity in Samara region and one in Kaliningrad region, however, for segment reporting purposes these entities were included in the Tambov and Lipetsk segments respectively, as the results of these entities are not material as separate operating segments.

The Group also recognizes a separate segment related to elevator activity. The Elevator segment consists of two legal entities: Agroterminal (one working elevator with 55 thousand tons of capacity) and Nedvizhimost' (three elevators with 160 thousand tons of capacity). The elevators mainly work for internal needs, however, they provide services to third parties if there is spare capacity.

Land plots classified as investment property as of 31 March 2016 and 31 December 2015, are located in Samara region and attributed to Tambov segment.

The parent company Black Earth Farming Ltd. is not included in any of the operating segments, as it does not generate revenue, therefore its assets have been reflected as corporate assets

Segment information (continued)

(a) Segment revenues and results

| In thousands of US Dollars | | Three months er | nded 31 Mar 2016 | |
|---|--|--|--|---|
| | Revenue from external sales | Inter- group revenue | Depreciation and amortization | Net result |
| Agricultural companies - Voronezh region - Kursk region - Lipetsk region - Tambov region Elevators Total Central administrative costs and director's salaries Other income and expenses Net financial expenses and foreign exchange difference Loss before income tax | 3,699 4,710 4,218 7,285 60 19,972 | 29 169 889 7 910 2,004 | 133 363 301 271 191 1,259 | (792) (2,503) (292) (984) (4,571) |
| In thousands of US Dollars | | Three months en | nded 31 Mar 2015 | |
| | Revenue from external sales | Inter- group revenue | Depreciation and amortization | Net result |
| Agricultural companies - Voronezh region - Kursk region - Lipetsk region - Tambov region Elevators | 2,157 5,425 3,975 2,459 86 | 908 260 2,759 2,569 370 | 63 34 664 88 553 | |
| Total | 14,102 | 6,866 | 1,402 | 169 |
| Central administrative costs, including directors' salaries | | | | (4,285) |
| Other income and expenses | | | | 235 |
| | | | | |
| Net financial expenses and foreign exchange difference | | | | 1,635 |

The accounting policies of the reportable segments are the same as the Group's accounting policies according to IFRS as adopted by the European Union. Segment result represents the profit earned by each segment without allocation of central administrative costs and directors' salaries, other income and expenses and net financial expenses.

(b) Segment assets

| In thousands of US Dollars | 31 Mar 2016 | 31 Dec 2015 |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Agricultural companies | | |
| Voronezh region | 13 416 | 15,401 |
| Kursk region | 40 434 | 37,089 |
| Lipetsk region | 38 781 | 43,758 |
| Tambov region | 37 051 | 32,455 |
| Elevators | 16 841 | 16,986 |
| Total segment assets | 146 523 | 145,689 |
| Corporate assets | 39 931 | 35,467 |
| Consolidated total assets | 186 454 | 181,156 |

Segment information (continued)

(c) Revenues from major products

| | Three months ended 31 Mar | | |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|--------|--|
| In thousands of US Dollars | 2016 | 2015 | |
| Corn | 13,302 | 5,392 | |
| Sunflowers | 3,048 | 3,080 | |
| Wheat | 2,154 | 3,821 | |
| Barley | 1,085 | 1,159 | |
| Potatoes | 148 | 72 | |
| Other and Waste grains | 40 | 5 | |
| Spring rape seed | - | 135 | |
| Soya | - | 64 | |
| Milk and meat | 125 | 152 | |
| Other goods and services | 70 | 222 | |
| - | 19,972 | 14,102 | |

(d) Geographical information

The parent company of the Group is located in Jersey. However the parent does not own any non-current assets and generates only financial income and expenses in addition to administration costs and Directors' salaries. All non-current assets are located in Russia and all of the Group's operating activities are in Russia.

4. Revenue and gains

| | Three months ended 31 M | |
|--|-------------------------|--------|
| In thousands of US Dollars | 2016 | 2015 |
| Revenue from sales of crop production | 19,777 | 13,729 |
| Revenue from sales of milk and meat | 125 | 152 |
| Revenue from sales of other goods and services | 70 | 221 |
| Gain on revaluation of biological assets | 20 | 44 |
| Change in net realizable value of agricultural produce after harvest | (141) | (598) |
| | 19,851 | 13,548 |

5. Cost of sales

| | Three months e | nded 31 Mar |
|--|----------------|-------------|
| In thousands of US Dollars | 2016 | 2016 |
| Materials | 4,191 | 4,754 |
| Depreciation and amortization charge | 1,016 | 1,063 |
| Salary and social taxes | 704 | 560 |
| Third party crop handling services | 123 | 165 |
| Operating leasing | 64 | 123 |
| Taxes | 56 | 72 |
| Repair expenses | 44 | 42 |
| Crops not harvested due to damages on fields | 40 | 17 |
| Other expenses | 199 | 27 |
| | 6,437 | 6,823 |

6. Other income and expenses, net

| | Three months ended 31 | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|------|
| In thousands of US Dollars | 2016 | 2015 |
| Movement on grain hedge | (95) | 121 |
| Fines and penalties paid | (86) | - |
| Other income and expenses | (111) | 114 |
| · | (292) | 235 |

7. Trade and other receivables

| In thousands of US Dollars | 31 Mar 2016 | 31 Dec 2015 |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Advances paid for goods and services | 3,579 | 2,678 |
| VAT receivables | 1,962 | 1,612 |
| Trade receivables | 2,829 | 3,844 |
| Income tax receivable | 90 | 170 |
| Other prepayments and receivables | 1,971 | 3,023 |
| Allowance for doubtful debts | (638) | (590) |
| | 9,793 | 10,737 |

8. Borrowings

| in thousands of US Dollars | 31 Mar 2015 | 31 Dec 2015 |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| SEK bonds | | |
| Non-current | 48,963 | 51,058 |
| Current | 1,627 | 1,578 |
| | 50,590 | 52,636 |
| Other borrowings - current | | |
| Bank VTB | 11,922 | 10,486 |
| | 11,922 | 10,486 |
| Total borrowings | 62,512 | 63,122 |

On October 2013 the Group issued a SEK 750 million (USD 118,030 thousand translated at the exchange rate at that date) senior unsecured bonds, each of a nominal amount of SEK 1,000,000, which is also the minimum round lot. The bonds have a fixed annual coupon of 9.40% and mature after 4 years. Interest will be paid on 30 January, 30 April, 30 July and 30 October each year, with the first interest payment on 30 January 2014 and the last on 30 October 2017. The bonds are listed on the NASDAQ OMX Stockholm exchange.

Up to 31 March 2016, the Group repurchased SEK 338 million (USD 41,625 thousand) of bonds in order to manage interest expense and foreign exchange exposure.

In August 2015, the Group agreed a credit facility agreement with Bank VTB for up to RUR 800 million with an interest rate of 14.3%. The credit facility was intended to finance working capital and was available for a period of up to twelve months. At 31 March 2016, USD 11,832 thousand (RUR 799,919 thousand) had been drawn under this credit facility.

As at 31 March 2016 the Group is in compliance with all covenants stipulated in the bond and loan agreements.

9. Dividends

During the three months period ended 31 March 2016 the Board of Directors proposed no dividends to be paid or declared.

10. Loss per share

| | Three months e | nded 31 Mar |
|--|----------------|-------------|
| The amounts are indicated in US Dollars | 2016 | 2015 |
| Loss for the period | (4,571,000) | (2,068,000) |
| Weighted average number of ordinary shares | 210,426,241 | 207,669,445 |
| Basic and diluted loss per share (USD/share) | (0.02) | (0.01) |

11. Related party balances and transactions

| | Three months ended 31 Mar | |
|--|---------------------------|-------------|
| In thousands of US Dollars | 2016 | 2015 |
| Purchase of services from related parties | | |
| TerraVost Ltd (formerly KinnAgri Ltd) | 232 | 193 |
| KCM International Ltd | 208 | 312 |
| | 440 | 505 |
| Less: subcontracted to third parties | | |
| TerraVost Ltd (formerly KinnAgri Ltd) | (38) | - |
| KCM International Ltd | - | - |
| | (38) | - |
| Purchase of services from related parties, net of subcontractors | , | |
| TerraVost Ltd (formerly KinnAgri Ltd) | 194 | 193 |
| KCM International Ltd | 208 | 312 |
| Total | 402 | 505 |
| | 24 May 2046 | 24 Dec 2015 |
| According to the According to the According | 31 Mar 2016 | 31 Dec 2015 |
| Accounts payable to related parties | | |
| TerraVost Ltd (formerly KinnAgri Ltd) | 225 | 404 |
| KCM International Ltd | 204 | 401 |
| | 429 | 805 |
| | | |

TerraVost Ltd (formerly KinnAgri Ltd) provided consultancy services related to budgeting and forecasting process, production planning, harvest, storage and logistics. KCM International provided crop technical information and consultancy services. KCM International is a subsidiary of TerraVost Ltd.

In December 2014, KinnAgri Ltd completed a buyback of the shares of Investment AB Kinnevik in KinnAgri Ltd. Investment AB Kinnevik fully exited the shareholder structure of KinnAgri Ltd, which was subsequently renamed TerraVost Ltd. As a result of the transaction, Richard Warburton, the CEO of the Group, became the majority shareholder of TerraVost Ltd.

12. Contingencies and commitments

(a) Legal proceedings

From time to time and in the normal course of business, claims against the Group may arise. On the basis of its own estimates and external professional advice, management is of the opinion that no material losses will be incurred in respect of claims in excess of the provisions that have been made in these condensed consolidated interim financial statements.

(b) Tax contingencies

Russian tax and customs legislation, which was enacted or substantively enacted at the end of the reporting period, is subject to varying interpretations when applied to the transactions and activities of the Group. Consequently, tax positions taken by management and the formal documentation supporting the tax positions may be challenged by tax authorities. Russian tax authorities is increasingly vigilant, amongst other on tax transactions without a clear business purpose or with counterparties that are not tax incompliant. Authorities can challenge tax filings of up to three calendar years preceding the year of review. Under certain circumstances, tax reviews may cover longer periods.

The Russian transfer pricing legislation is to a large extent aligned with the international transfer pricing principles developed by the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). This legislation provides the possibility for tax authorities to make transfer pricing adjustments and impose additional tax liabilities in respect of controlled transactions (transactions with related parties and certain types of transactions with unrelated parties), provided that the transaction price is not arm's length. Management has implemented internal controls to be in compliance with this transfer pricing legislation.

Tax liabilities arising from transactions between companies are determined using actual transaction prices. It is possible, with the evolution of the interpretation of the transfer pricing rules, that such transfer prices could be challenged. The impact of any such challenge cannot be reliably estimated. However, it may be position the financial and/or the overall operations to of Starting from 1 January 2015, the "de-offshorisation law" came into force introducing broader rules for determining the tax residency of legal entities, which could have an impact on the Group's operations. In particular, more specific and detailed rules were put in place for establishing when foreign entities can be viewed as managed from Russia and consequently can be deemed Russian tax residents. Russian tax residency implies that such a legal entity's worldwide income should be taxed in Russia.

The Group includes companies incorporated outside of Russia. The tax liabilities of the Group were determined on the assumption that these companies were not subject to Russian profit tax, as they did not have a permanent establishment in Russia and were not Russian tax residents by way of application of the new tax residency rules. This interpretation of the relevant legislation in regard to the Group companies incorporated outside of Russia could be challenged. The impact of any such challenge cannot be reliably estimated currently. It may be significant to the financial position and/or the overall operations of the Group.

As Russian tax legislation does not provide definitive guidance in certain areas, the Group adopts, from time to time, interpretations of uncertain areas that reduce the overall tax rate of the Group. While management currently estimates that the tax positions and interpretations that it has taken can probably be sustained, there is a possible risk of an outflow of resources, should such tax positions and interpretations be challenged by the tax authorities. The impact of any such challenge cannot be reliably estimated. It may be significant to the financial position and/or the overall operations of the Group.

As at 31 March 2016, management believes that its interpretation of the relevant legislation is appropriate and that the Group's tax, currency and customs positions are appropriate and can be sustained.

13. Subsequent events

As at 13 May 2016, the Group repaid the full amount of borrowings from Bank VTB, which were outstanding as at 31 March 2016.

In April 2016, the Group agreed new credit facility with Bank VTB for up to RUR 2,400 million, as part of which credit agreements in total amount of RUR 180 million with an interest rate of 12.9% were signed. The credit facility is intended to finance working capital and is available for a period of up to twelve months.

Black Earth Farming



Black Earth Farming Ltd. is a leading farming company, publicly listed on Nasdaq OMX Stockholm and operating in Russia. It acquires, develops and farms agricultural land assets primarily in the fertile Black Earth region in southwest Russia. The Company has gained a strong market position in the Kursk, Tambov, Lipetsk and Voronezh regions, controlling some 256,000 hectares of what perhaps is the world's most fertile soil.



The Board of Directors and the CEO hereby confirm that the interim report gives a true and fair view of the group's operations, financial position and results of operations and describes significant risks and uncertainties the Company is exposed to.

Per Åhlgren, Chairman

Camilla Öberg, Non-executive Director

Dmitry Zavgorodniy, Non-executive Director

Franco Danesi, Non-executive Director

Poul Schroeder, Non-executive Director

This report has not been subject to review of the auditors of the Company

Future financial reports:

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