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## IC Companys A/S - Q3 Interim report 2006/07

Growth derived from continuing brands was $10 \%$ in Q3. Operating profit (EBIT) increased 10\% to DKK 145 million. The order intake for the fall 2007 collections has been completed and shows $13 \%$ growth. The full year guidance is maintained.

At its meeting on 23 May 2007, the Board of Directors of IC Companys A/S considered and adopted the interim financial statements for the nine months ended 31 March 2007.

- Q3 revenue increased 8\% to reach DKK 966 million (DKK 893 million). Year-to-date (YTD) revenue increased $9 \%$ to DKK 2,770 million (DKK 2,541 million).
- Revenue derived from continuing brands was up by $10 \%$ in Q3. YTD the growth in continuing brands was $12 \%$.
- The gross profit was DKK 576 million (DKK 519 million) in Q3, resulting in a gross margin of 59.6\% (58.1\%).
- Operating profit (EBIT) for Q3 increased $10 \%$ to DKK 145 million (DKK 132 million), equivalent to an EBIT margin of $15.0 \%$ (14.8\%). YTD operating profit was DKK 378 million (DKK 373 million), equivalent to an EBIT margin of $13.7 \%$ (14.7\%).
- Net interest-bearing debt was DKK 654 million (DKK 320 million), which was an increase of DKK 334 million compared to 31 March 2006.
- The order intake for the fall 2007 collections has been completed with a satisfactory year-on-year growth of $13 \%$.


## Full-year guidance maintained

- The Group still expects revenue of DKK 3,400 million for the full year 2006/07 and an operating profit of DKK 330-350 million.
- Operating investments in the region of DKK 130-140 million in 2006/07 and capital investments of DKK 50 million are still scheduled.
- The forecast of free cash flow is retained at DKK 170-200 million.
- Two share buyback programmes of totally DKK 150 million have been completed. The balancing share buyback programme for DKK 50 million has been adopted and will commence on 24 May 2007.


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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS AND KEY RATIOS

|  | Q3 | Q3 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| DKK million | $\begin{array}{r} 2006 / 07 \\ 3 \text { months } \end{array}$ | 2005/06 <br> 3 months | $\begin{array}{r} 2006 / 07 \\ 9 \text { months } \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2005 / 06 \\ 9 \text { months } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 2005/06 <br> 12 months |
| Income statement |  |  |  |  |  |
| Revenue | 966.3 | 892.8 | 2,769.5 | 2,541.0 | 3,022.0 |
| Gross profit | 576.4 | 519.0 | 1,622.3 | 1,478.0 | 1,767.5 |
| Operating profit before depreciation \& amortisation (EBITDA) | 170.0 | 152.7 | 448.3 | 431.6 | 404.0 |
| Operating profit before special items | 145.4 | 132.3 | 378.1 | 373.0 | 302.5 |
| Operating profit (EBIT) | 145.4 | 132.3 | 378.1 | 373.0 | 322.8 |
| Net financial items | (7.5) | (3.6) | (14.9) | (11.7) | (19.9) |
| Profit before tax | 137.9 | 128.7 | 363.2 | 361.3 | 302.9 |
| Profit for the period | 97.9 | 91.4 | 257.9 | 256.5 | 224.4 |
| Balance sheet |  |  |  |  |  |
| Non-current assets | 859.5 | 651.0 | 859.5 | 651.0 | 787.5 |
| Current assets | 1,161.9 | 1,035.2 | 1,161.9 | 1,035.2 | 877.5 |
| Total assets | 2,021.4 | 1,686.2 | 2,021.4 | 1,686.2 | 1,665.0 |
| Equity | 690.2 | 716.4 | 690.2 | 716.4 | 579.5 |
| Total liabilities | 1,331.2 | 969.8 | 1,331.2 | 969.8 | 1,085.5 |
| Cash flow statement |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cash flow from operating activities | (88.8) | 9.7 | 78.6 | 157.2 | 326.3 |
| Cash flow from investing activities | (35.1) | (46.9) | (151.3) | (94.1) | (141.8) |
| Cash flow from operating and investing activities | (123.9) | (37.2) | (72.7) | 63.1 | 184.5 |
| Cash flow from financing activities | (82.7) | (90.3) | (170.0) | (78.2) | (163.3) |
| Cash flow for the period | (206.6) | (127.5) | (242.7) | (15.1) | 21.2 |
| Key ratios |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gross margin (\%) | 59.6 | 58.1 | 58.6 | 58.2 | 58.5 |
| EBITDA margin (\%) | 17.6 | 17.1 | 16.2 | 17.0 | 13.4 |
| EBIT margin (\%) | 15.0 | 14.8 | 13.7 | 14.7 | 10.7 |
| Return on equity (\%) | 14.6 | 12.8 | 40.6 | 40.9 | 40.1 |
| Equity ratio (\%) | 34.1 | 42.5 | 34.1 | 42.5 | 34.8 |
| Average capital employed including goodwill | 1,295.3 | 1,046.9 | 1,236.9 | 1,020.6 | 991.6 |
| Return on capital employed (\%) | 11.2 | 12.6 | 30.6 | 36.5 | 30.5 |
| Net interest-bearing debt, end of period | 653.7 | 320.2 | 653.7 | 320.2 | 401.9 |
| Financial leaverage (\%) | 94.7 | 44.7 | 94.7 | 44.7 | 69.3 |
| Share data* |  |  |  |  |  |
| Diluted average number of shares excluding treasury shares | 18,132.8 | 18,689.4 | 18,234.1 | 18,722.8 | 18,648.4 |
| Market price, end of period, DKK | 317.5 | 366.5 | 317.5 | 366.5 | 344.5 |
| Diluted earnings per share, DKK | 5.2 | 4.9 | 14.0 | 13.7 | 11.9 |
| Diluted cash flow per share, DKK | (4.9) | 0.5 | 4.3 | 8.4 | 17.4 |
| Diluted net asset value per share, DKK | 38.1 | 38.4 | 38.1 | 38.4 | 31.4 |
| Diluted price / earning, DKK | 60.5 | 74.9 | 22.8 | 26.7 | 28.9 |
| Employees |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of employees (full-time equivalents at the end of the period) | 2,207 | 2,018 | 2,207 | 2,018 | 2,032 |

The key ratios and share data have been calculated according to the recommendations in "Recommendations and Ratios $2005^{\prime \prime}$ issued by the Danish Society of Financial Analysts. The equity ratio is calculated as the equity at period end divided by the total assets at period end.

* The effect of IC Companys' programmes for share options and warrants has been included in the diluted values.

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## PERFORMANCE IN Q3 2006/07

## Revenue increase

Revenue increased $8 \%$ to reach DKK 966 million (DKK 893 million). The net effect of store openings and closures was a gain in revenue of DKK 15 million during the period. The YTD effect was a gain of DKK 32 million. Exchange rate effects decreased revenue in Q3 by DKK 2 million resulting in a positive effect of DKK 2 million YTD.

The Group has been affected by delivery delays in Q3 and more customers than usual requesting shifts of deliveries to Q4. The delays and delivery shifts have caused later invoicing resulting in more trade receivables, stock and less operational cash flow at the end of the quarter than usual. The postponed deliveries have a total turnover effect to the tune of DKK 30-40 million, which will be realized in Q4 2006/07.

Sales performance for continuing brands:

|  | Q3 <br> 2006/07 | Q3 <br> 2005/06 | Change | 9 months <br> $\mathbf{2 0 0 6 / 0 7}$ | 9 months <br> 2005/06 | Change |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |

In Q3, revenue from the Group's continuing brands showed an increase of $10 \%$, with double-digit growth rates for Peak Performance, Tiger of Sweden, Cottonfield, Matinique, Part Two, By Malene Birger, Soaked in Luxury and Designers Remix Collection. Revenue from continuing brands increased by $12 \%$ YTD.

The modest revenue growth of $5 \%$ for InWear in Q3 is partly due to the before mentioned delivery shifts to Q4 and partly to a lower growth in same-store-sales compared to the brands' recent performance.

Saint Tropez has realized a sales decrease in Q3. The brand has been faced with organisational challenges both within the retail and wholesale distribution. The problems have been rectified but a small decline in revenue for the full year 2006/07 is expected for Saint Tropez.

Jackpot revenue has decreased in Q3. The development is primarily due to a $20 \%$ drop in wholesale in Q3. Same-store-sales in Jackpot's own shops declined by $2.2 \%$ in Q3 but has increased satisfactory in the last part of Q3 and this development has continued in Q4. As announced earlier, a new Jackpot Brand Director has been appointed. Growth in Jackpot is expected to be recreated by the financial year 2008/09.

## Sales performance for continuing brands by market:

| DKK million | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Q3 } \\ 2006 / 07 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Q3 } \\ \text { 2005/06 } \end{array}$ | Change | $\begin{array}{r} 9 \text { months } \\ 2006 / 07 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 9 \text { months } \\ 2005 / 06 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | Change |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sweden | 212 | 194 | 9\% | 625 | 561 | 11\% |
| Denmark | 177 | 144 | 23\% | 506 | 420 | 20\% |
| Holland | 81 | 82 | -1\% | 236 | 231 | 2\% |
| Norway | 84 | 71 | 18\% | 233 | 184 | 27\% |
| UK \& Ireland | 60 | 62 | -3\% | 155 | 160 | -3\% |
| Belgium | 51 | 46 | 11\% | 144 | 128 | 13\% |
| Finland | 50 | 52 | -5\% | 140 | 134 | 5\% |
| Germany | 44 | 43 | 2\% | 130 | 122 | 6\% |
| Switzerland | 26 | 26 | 0\% | 85 | 76 | 12\% |
| Canada | 29 | 30 | -3\% | 75 | 73 | 3\% |
| Spain | 24 | 24 | 0\% | 63 | 57 | 10\% |
| Russia | 23 | 14 | 69\% | 56 | 41 | 38\% |
| Poland | 21 | 20 | 5\% | 67 | 69 | -3\% |
| Austria | 11 | 11 | 7\% | 44 | 42 | 5\% |
| France | 13 | 12 | 5\% | 38 | 32 | 18\% |
| Other | 53 | 40 | 33\% | 149 | 119 | 24\% |
| Total continuing brands | 959 | 871 | 10\% | 2,746 | 2,449 | 12\% |

Revenue grew in most of the Group's markets in Q3. Sweden, Denmark, Norway, Belgium, Germany, Russia, Poland, Austria and France all showed growth. YTD revenue increased in all markets except Poland, the UK and Ireland.

The development in the UK and Ireland is not satisfactory. Closing of concessions has resulted in a loss of DKK 2 million of revenue in Q3.

The development in Canada and Finland has been affected by delivery delays and delivery shifts in Q3. Excluding Jackpot, revenue increased by 7\% in Holland in Q3.

It is satisfactory that the Polish market is experiencing growth again. Sales in Poland is primarily Jackpot and Cottonfield through own shops.

Other countries like the Czech, Italy, China, the Ukraine and Croatia showed a substantial increase with double-digit growth rates.

## Gross profit increased

The gross profit was DKK 576 million (DKK 519 million), and the gross margin was $59.6 \%$ ( $58.1 \%$ ). The YTD gross profit was DKK 1,622 million (DKK 1,478 million), equivalent to a gross margin of 58.6\% (58.2\%).

The 1.5 percentage point increase in gross margin in Q3 was achieved through lower sourcing currency and channel shifts which, seen in isolation, has improved gross margin by 0.7 and 0.4 percent-age-points, respectively. The remaining improvement is due to better sell-through figures across brands, sales channels and markets and through better utilization of the wholesale order mass.

## Cost development

Operating costs was DKK 431 million in Q3 (DKK 387 million) equivalent to an increase of $11 \%$. The cost ratio increased by 1.3 percentage points to $44.6 \%$ ( $43.3 \%$ ).

Taking delivery shifts in Q3 into consideration, the cost ratio is on a par with last year. Efforts are continuing to improve the cost and sales efficiency in the Group's international sales infrastructure.

Staff costs increased by DKK 26 million equivalent to $14 \%$. Staffing was up by 189 employees compared to last year, equivalent to an increase of $9 \%$. The increase in staff was due to continuing growth in InWear and the introduction of Cottonfield in China (+90 employees of this 76 shop employees), a strengthening of the organisation in the fastest growing brands (+34 employees) and the acquisition of Peak Performance's Norwegian distributor (+25 employees). Furthermore, staff costs include increasing agency commissions as a result of growing sales.

YTD operating costs were DKK 1,244 million (DKK 1,105 million) equivalent to a cost ratio of 44,9\% (43,5\%).

## Profit development

Operating profit in Q3 was DKK 145 million (DKK 132 million) equivalent to an increase of $10 \%$.
Financial expenses in Q3 were increased to a net expense of DKK 8 million (DKK 4 million) as a result of a higher interest level and higher drawings on the Group's credit facilities. Futhermore, the period was positively influenced by DKK 1 million due to exchange rate adjustments.

An estimated tax charge of DKK 40 million was recognised in Q3, equivalent to $29 \%$ of the pre-tax profit.

Net profit for the period was DKK 98 million (DKK 91 million), equivalent to an increase of $8 \%$. The profit per share was DKK 5.2 (DKK 4.9 per share).

YTD operating profit increased by $1 \%$ to DKK 378 million (DKK 373 million). Net profit increased by 1\% YTD to DKK 258 million (DKK 257 million).

## Wholesale operation

Wholesale revenue was DKK 728 million (DKK 689 million), equivalent to a $6 \%$ increase. The segment profit was DKK 163 million (DKK 161 million), equivalent to a profit margin of $22.4 \%$ (23.3\%).

YTD wholesale revenue increased 9\% to DKK 1,991 million (DKK 1,833 million). The segment profit of the wholesale operation was DKK 359 million (DKK 380 million), equivalent to a profit margin of 18.0\% (20.7\%). YTD the profit development has been affected by a lower gross margin during the first six months of the financial year and by the costs of the Group's growth initiatives.

In-seasons sales (OTB) increased by $26 \%$ in Q3, and have increased $22 \%$ YTD.
The wholesale operation's order intake for collections for delivery in Q1 2007/08 was completed with an overall growth rate of $13 \%$. 8 out of 10 pre-order based brands show satisfactory double-digit growth rates. The order intake for the fall collections has been finalized with a substantial year-on-year gross margin improvement. The lower US dollar alone has improved the gross margin with 2 percentage points.

## Order intake for the fall 2007 and previous years:

$\left.\begin{array}{lrrr} & \begin{array}{r}\text { Fall } \\ \text { Growth }\end{array} & \mathbf{1 2} \text { months } \\ \mathbf{2 0 0 7}\end{array} \begin{array}{rlrl}\mathbf{1 2} \text { months } \\ \mathbf{2 0 0 6} / \mathbf{0 7}\end{array}\right]$

The order intake for winter collections 2007 is not finalized but double-digit growth is expected.

## Retail operation

Retail revenue increased 19\% to reach DKK 211 million (DKK 178 million). Same-store sales increased by 9\% in Q3.

The segment profit of the retail operation increased by DKK 10 million to DKK 13 million, equivalent to a profit margin of $6.0 \%$ (1.4\%).

The improvement was due to better sales efficiency on existing square metres and better sell-through rates with fewer discounts and surplus products as a result. Profitability in retail have continually improved the past 11 quarters.

The Group has initiated a Retail Academy for the purpose of training and educating the Group's retail employees. The academy comprises more than 900 employees in 12 countries across all brands.

5 retail stores were closed in Q3, and 16 new stores were opened. The Group now holds 273 stores (concessions and stand-alone shops). In Q3 2006/07, a positive net revenue effect of DKK 15 million was recorded from store openings and closures.

YTD retail revenue increased 11\% to DKK 684 million (DKK 614 million). The segment profit of the retail operation was DKK 100 million (DKK 76 million), equivalent to a profit margin of $14.6 \%$ (12.3\%). YTD same-store-sales increased by 8\%.

## Outlet operation

Revenue from the outlet operation increased 4\% to DKK 27 million (DKK 26 million) in Q3.
The segment profit of the outlet operation was DKK 2 million (DKK 1 million), equivalent to a profit margin of $7.7 \%$ ( $5.4 \%$ ). YTD outlet revenue increased $1 \%$ to DKK 95 million (DKK 94 million). The segment profit was DKK 18 million (DKK 9 million), equivalent to a profit margin of 19.3\% (10.0\%).

The operation of outlets forms an integral part of the Group's business model for profitable sales of surplus, post-season products. The earnings capacity depends on the composition of the surplus stocks and will therefore show fluctuations over time.

## Cash flows and net interest-bearing debt

Operating activities generated a cash inflow of DKK 89 million in Q3 (inflow of DKK 10 million). The development was due to a significant increase in working capital as a result of delivery delays and shifts in Q3. The working capital has totally increased DKK 132 million year on year.

Gross investments for the period totalled DKK 38 million (DKK 49 million) of which investments in fitting up and renovating new stores and showrooms amounted to DKK 26 million and costs involved in IT development projects were DKK 6 million.

The free cash flow from operating and investing activities was an outflow of DKK 124 million in Q3 (outflow of DKK 37 million). As mentioned earlier, the development was due to an increase in working capital resulting from delivery delays. The YTD free cash flow from operating and investing activities was an outflow of DKK 73 million (an inflow of DKK 63 million).

The cash flow from financing activities was an outflow of DKK 83 million (an outflow of DKK 90 million). The cash outflow was almost entirely attributable to the share buyback programme in Q3 which represented an outflow of DKK 82 million. YTD cash flows from financing activities amounted to an outflow of DKK 170 million (an outflow of DKK 78 million) where the share buyback programme and dividend account for DKK 135 million and DKK 68 million respectively.

The net cash flow in Q3 was an outflow of DKK 207 million (an outflow of DKK 128 million). The YTD net cash flow was an outflow of DKK 243 million (an outflow of DKK 15 million).

Net interest-bearing debt was DKK 654 million (DKK 320 million), which was DKK 334 million higher than at 31 March 2006. Of this DKK 168 million is due the acquisition of the Group's headquarters.

## Balance sheet

The Group's assets increased by DKK 335 million from DKK 1,686 million at 31 March 2006 to DKK 2,021 million at 31 March 2007.

Non-current assets increased by DKK 209 million. The increase of DKK 168 million was due to the acquisition of The Group's headquarters at Raffinaderivej. The acquisition of Peak Performance's Norwegian distributor has increased goodwill by DKK 27 million.

The Group's short term assets increased by DKK 127 million. Inventories and trade receivables increased DKK 73 million and DKK 92 million, respectively. The increase is both a result of increased activity and the mentioned delivery shifts to Q4.

## Movements in equity

Movements in equity during the period are shown in the table below:

| DKK million | $\mathbf{2 0 0 6 / 0 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5 / 0 6}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Equity as at 1 July | $\mathbf{5 7 9 . 5}$ | $\mathbf{5 3 8 . 5}$ |
|  |  |  |
| Profit for the period | 257.9 | 256.5 |
| Currency translation of subsidiaries | 1.4 | - |
| Proceeds from issue of share-based payment plans | 24.2 | 19.4 |
| Recognition of share-based payments | 4.0 | 3.0 |
| Value adjustment of currency hedging instruments | 26.3 | $(12.4)$ |
| Dividends paid | $(67.7)$ | - |
| Share buyback | $(135.4)$ | $(88.6)$ |
| Equity as at 31 March | $\mathbf{6 9 0 . 2}$ | $\mathbf{7 1 6 . 4}$ |

At 31 March 2007, the equity has increased by DKK 111 million compared with 1 July 2006. Share buyback in the period amounted to DKK 135 million and dividend payout of DKK 68 million. The equity ratio decreased to 34.1\% against 42.5\% at 31 March 2006.

## Share buyback

As announced in the Annual Report 2005/06, IC Companys A/S expects to buy back shares for approximately DKK 200 million until 30 June 2007.

The two first programmes of DKK 75 million each have been completed. The next programme of DKK 50 million will commence on 24 May 2007 and will run until 30 June 2007.

## OUTLOOK FOR THE FULL YEAR 2006/07

For 2006/07, the revenue forecast remains unchanged in the region of DKK 3,400 million with forecast of operating profit (EBIT) of DKK 330-350 million.

Operating investments in the region of DKK 130-140 million are still scheduled for 2006/07. In addition, capital investments of DKK 50 million are expected.

The forecast of the free cash flow is retained at DKK 170 - 200 million.
When assessing the forecast, please note that an essential assumption underlying the forecast is that consolidated revenue and earnings are substantially larger in H 1 than in H 2 , and that Q4 is lossmaking seen in isolation.

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## STATEMENT BY THE MANAGEMENT

The Board of Directors and the Executive Board today considered and adopted the interim report for the nine months ended 31 March 2007.

The interim report, which is unaudited, is presented in accordance with the recognition and measurement provisions of the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and additional Danish interim financial reporting requirements for listed companies.

In our opinion, the interim report gives a true and fair view of the Group's financial position at 31 March 2007 and of the Group's operations and cash flows for the nine months ended 31 March 2007.

Copenhagen, 23 May 2007

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Chairman

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## Distribution channels

|  | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { Wholesale } \\ \text { Q3 } & \text { Q3 } \end{array}$ |  | RetailQ3 |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Outlet } \\ & \text { Q3 } \quad \text { Q3 } \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Group } \\ & \text { Q3 } \quad \text { Q3 } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| DKK million | 2006/07 | 2005/06 | 2006/07 | 2005/06 | 2006/07 | 2005/06 | 2006/07 | 2005/06 |
| Revenue | 728 | 689 | 211 | 178 | 27 | 26 | 966 | 893 |
| Distribution channel profit | 163 | 161 | 13 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 178 | 165 |
| Distribution channel profit margin | 22.4\% | 23.3\% | 6.0\% | 1.4\% | 7.7\% | 5.4\% | 18.4\% | 18.5\% |
| Unallocated corporate costs* |  |  |  |  |  |  | (33) | (33) |
| Operating profit EBIT margin |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 145 \\ 15.0 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 132 \\ 14.8 \% \end{array}$ |
|  | Wholesale |  | Retail |  | Outlet |  | Group |  |
|  | 9 months | 9 months | 9 months | 9 months | 9 months | 9 months | 9 months | 9 months |
| DKK million | 2006/07 | 2005/06 | 2006/07 | 2005/06 | 2006/07 | 2005/06 | 2006/07 | 2005/06 |
| Revenue | 1,991 | 1,833 | 684 | 614 | 95 | 94 | 2,770 | 2,541 |
| Distribution channel profit | 359 | 380 | 100 | 76 | 18 | 9 | 477 | 465 |
| Distribution channel profit margin | 18.0\% | 20.7\% | 14.6\% | 12.3\% | 19.3\% | 10.0\% | 17.2\% | 18.3\% |
| Unallocated corporate costs* |  |  |  |  |  |  | (99) | (92) |
| Operating profit |  |  |  |  |  |  | 378 | 373 |
| EBIT margin |  |  |  |  |  |  | 13.7\% | 14.7\% |

* Unallocated corporate costs comprise IT, finance, HR and general management.


## INCOME STATEMENT

| DKK million | GROUP |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Q3 } \\ 2006 / 07 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Q3 } \\ 2005 / 06 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 9 \text { months } \\ 2006 / 07 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 9 \text { months } \\ 2005 / 06 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 12 \text { months } \\ 2005 / 06 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| REVENUE | 966.3 | 892.8 | 2,769.5 | 2,541.0 | 3,022.0 |
| Cost of sales | (389.9) | (373.8) | (1,147.2) | $(1,063.0)$ | (1,254.5) |
| GROSS PROFIT | 576.4 | 519.0 | 1,622.3 | 1,478.0 | 1,767.5 |
| Staff costs | (208.6) | (182.3) | (599.3) | (523.7) | (711.1) |
| Depreciation, amortisation and writedown of fixed assets | (24.6) | (20.4) | (70.2) | (58.6) | (81.2) |
| Other operating expenses | (199.9) | (186.3) | (584.0) | (526.5) | (683.7) |
| Other gains and losses | 2.1 | 2.3 | 9.3 | 3.8 | 11.0 |
| Special items | - | - | - | - | 20.3 |
| OPERATING PROFIT | 145.4 | 132.3 | 378.1 | 373.0 | 322.8 |
| Financial income | 3.3 | 2.8 | 16.4 | 8.4 | 7.5 |
| Financial expenses | (10.8) | (6.4) | (31.3) | (20.1) | (27.4) |
| PROFIT BEFORE TAX | 137.9 | 128.7 | 363.2 | 361.3 | 302.9 |
| Income tax for the period | (40.0) | (37.3) | (105.3) | (104.8) | (78.5) |
| PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD | 97.9 | 91.4 | 257.9 | 256.5 | 224.4 |

PROFIT ALLOCATION:

| Equity holders of IC Companys A/S <br> Minority interest | 95.1 | 91.4 | 254.5 | 256.5 | 222.9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 2.8 | - | 3.4 | - |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |

Specification of revenue:

| Continuing brands | 959.0 | 870.7 | 2,746.1 | 2,449.3 | 2,932.7 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Discontinued brands | 1.0 | 15.1 | 6.2 | 63.3 | 53.9 |
| External brands | 6.3 | 7.0 | 17.2 | 28.4 | 35.4 |
| Total revenue | 966.3 | 892.8 | 2,769.5 | 2,541.0 | 3,022.0 |

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## BALANCE SHEET - ASSETS

| DKK million | GROUP |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 31.03.2007 | 31.03.2006 | 30.06.2006 |
| NON-CURRENT ASSETS |  |  |  |
| Goodwill | 202.2 | 173.5 | 176.6 |
| Software and IT systems | 19.6 | 19.5 | 22.4 |
| Trademark rights | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Leasehold rights | 21.4 | 24.6 | 22.3 |
| Intangible assets | 243.4 | 217.9 | 221.5 |
| Land and buildings | 174.4 | 30.0 | 159.7 |
| Leasehold improvements | 99.7 | 102.0 | 87.1 |
| Equipment and furniture | 117.4 | 75.9 | 83.7 |
| Property, plant and equipment under construction | 21.0 | 35.3 | 31.2 |
| Property, plant and equipment | 412.5 | 243.2 | 361.7 |
| Shares | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Deposits, etc. | 20.4 | 23.2 | 21.6 |
| Deferred tax assets | 183.0 | 166.5 | 182.5 |
| Other non-current assets | 203.6 | 189.9 | 204.3 |
| Total non-current assets | 859.5 | 651.0 | 787.5 |
| CURRENT ASSETS |  |  |  |
| Inventories | 347.2 | 273.8 | 391.1 |
| Trade receivables | 558.8 | 467.3 | 207.7 |
| Income tax receivable | 9.1 | 21.5 | 9.7 |
| Other receivables | 50.0 | 60.5 | 76.3 |
| Prepayments | 77.1 | 74.5 | 93.1 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 119.7 | 137.6 | 99.6 |
| Total current assets | 1,161.9 | 1,035.2 | 877.5 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 2,021.4 | 1,686.2 | 1,665.0 |

## BALANCE SHEET - EQUITY AND LIABILITIES

| DKK million | GROUP |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 31.03.2007 | 31.03.2006 | 30.06.2006 |
| EQUITY |  |  |  |
| Equity attributable to equity holders of the parent | 685.3 | 716.4 | 578.0 |
| Minority interest | 4.9 | - | 1.5 |
| Total equity | 690.2 | 716.4 | 579.5 |
| LIABILITIES |  |  |  |
| Deferred tax liabilities | 19.0 | 10.6 | 19.9 |
| Retirement benefit obligations | 8.9 | 9.3 | 8.3 |
| Financial institutions | 168.0 | - | 117.5 |
| Capitalised lease liability | 8.2 | 8.9 | 8.8 |
| Non-current liabilities | 204.1 | 28.8 | 154.5 |
| Financial institutions | 596.5 | 406.7 | 333.0 |
| Capitalised lease liability | 0.7 | 42.2 | 42.2 |
| Trade payables | 178.7 | 160.7 | 287.4 |
| Income tax | 23.0 | 8.6 | 47.5 |
| Calculated income tax on the profit for the period | 105.3 | 104.8 | - |
| Provisions | 1.2 | 3.2 | 1.5 |
| Other debt | 221.7 | 214.8 | 219.4 |
| Current liabilities | 1,127.1 | 941.0 | 931.0 |
| Total liabilities | 1,331.2 | 969.8 | 1,085.5 |
| TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES | 2,021.4 | 1,686.2 | 1,665.0 |

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## GROUP CASH FLOW STATEMENT

| DKK million | GROUP |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Q3 } \\ 2006 / 07 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Q3 } \\ 2005 / 06 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 9 \text { months } \\ & 2006 / 07 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 9 \text { months } \\ 2005 / 06 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 12 \text { months } \\ 2005 / 06 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES |  |  |  |  |  |
| Operating profit | 145.4 | 132.3 | 378.1 | 373.0 | 322.8 |
| Reversed depreciation and impairment losses and profit/(loss) on sale of non-current assets | 25.5 | 20.2 | 69.5 | 56.9 | 64.0 |
| Reversed cost for share-based payment plans | 1.5 | 1.0 | 4.0 | 3.0 | 4.6 |
| Other adjustments | 13.5 | 13.1 | 3.0 | 9.9 | 3.8 |
| Change in working capital | (250.5) | (145.9) | (336.1) | (258.1) | (21.6) |
| Cash flow from operating activities before financial items | (64.6) | 20.7 | 118.5 | 184.7 | 373.6 |
| Financial income received | 3.0 | 6.0 | 16.0 | 9.5 | 12.7 |
| Financial expenses paid | (9.8) | (8.0) | (29.8) | (18.9) | (26.0) |
| Cash flow from ordinary activities | (71.4) | 18.7 | 104.7 | 175.3 | 360.3 |
| Income tax paid | (17.4) | (9.0) | (26.1) | (18.1) | (34.0) |
| Total net cash flow from operating activities | (88.8) | 9.7 | 78.6 | 157.2 | 326.3 |
| CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES |  |  |  |  |  |
| Acquisition of activities etc. | - | (5.1) | (37.0) | (5.1) | (5.5) |
| Purchase of intangible assets | (4.9) | (0.5) | (9.4) | (7.5) | (5.9) |
| Purchase of property, plant and equipment | (33.4) | (43.0) | (107.5) | (94.7) | (145.4) |
| Purchase and sale of other non-current assets | 3.2 | 1.7 | 2.6 | 13.2 | 15.0 |
| Total net cash flow from investing activities | (35.1) | (46.9) | (151.3) | (94.1) | (141.8) |
| Total net cash flow from operating- and investing activities | (123.9) | (37.2) | (72.7) | 63.1 | 184.5 |
| CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net proceeds from non-current financial liabilities raised | (0.5) | (1.8) | 8.9 | (9.0) | (8.6) |
| Share buyback | (82.2) | (88.6) | (135.4) | (88.6) | (174.1) |
| Dividends paid | - | - | (67.7) | - | - |
| Proceeds from excercise of share-based payment plans | - | 0.1 | 24.2 | 19.4 | 19.4 |
| Total net cash flow from financing activities | (82.7) | (90.3) | (170.0) | (78.2) | (163.3) |
| CASH FLOW FOR THE PERIOD | (206.6) | (127.5) | (242.7) | (15.1) | 21.2 |

## CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period | (270.1) | (141.3) | (233.4) | (253.8) | (253.8) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Currency translation adjustment of cash, beginning of period | (0.1) | (0.3) | (0.7) | (0.2) | (0.8) |
| Cash flow for the period | (206.6) | (127.5) | (242.7) | (15.1) | 21.2 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of period | (476.8) | (269.1) | (476.8) | (269.1) | (233.4) |

