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### **RESULTS PREVIEW**

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# Björn Borg

Share price: SEK55.0

Fair value range: SEK63.0-75.0

### Set to grow at double-digits in 2024

### 2024e revenue of SEKIbn

We estimate Q4(24) organic growth of I3% Y/Y, supported by indications of a solid underlying Swedish market, along with a continued solid contribution from the integrated footwear product segment announced in Q2(24). We expect own online sales to grow I4% Y/Y in Q4(24), which implies sequentially lower growth but on the back of tough comps. Furthermore, we anticipate wholesale revenue growth of I9% Y/Y, mainly underpinned by the footwear integration. Our Q4(24) growth expectations imply record full-year group revenue of SEKIbn for 2024. We anticipate a Q4(24) EBIT margin of I0%, 40bps lower Y/Y, underpinned by a lower gross margin from a higher share of sales from the footwear category.

### Adjusting EBIT(25-26e) by -3%

We adjust EBIT(24e) by -5%, a result of adjusted sales -1% and a shift towards more footwear in our anticipated product mix. We adjust EBIT(25–26e) by -3% to reflect expectations of a lower gross margin. While we believe that Björn Borg may maintain strong pricing power, the current USD/SEK levels are likely to negatively affect purchase prices during 2025. Furthermore, we expect some margin pressure from a higher share of shoe sales than previously anticipated. We make no adjustments to 2025–26e sales. Note that owing to a change in platform, EPS estimate changes show as n.a. in the front page table.

### Accelerating growth but some margin pressure for now

We estimate organic growth of 6% in 2025, which is a result of maintained strong contributions from the footwear and sports apparel segments. The increased share of footwear along with some margin pressure from currency effects on purchase prices are likely to impact margins short term, but this does not change our long-term view on the margin prospects for the group. The shares trade at an EV/EBIT of 11x on our estimates for 2025, which is a discount to peers at 16x. We maintain our fair value range of SEK63–75, on the back of slightly higher peer multiples.

### **Upcoming events**

Q4 Report: 21 Feb 2025
Q1 Report: 15 May 2025

| Changes in this report |      |     |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------|------|-----|------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| From To                |      |     |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| EPS adj. 2024e         | n.a. | 3.0 | n.a. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| EPS adj. 2025e         | n.a. | 4.0 | n.a. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| EPS adj. 2026e         | n.a. | 4.4 | n.a. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| Key facts               |                   |
|-------------------------|-------------------|
| No. shares (m)          | 25.1              |
| Market cap. (USDm)      | 125               |
| Market cap. (SEKm)      | 1,384             |
| Net IB Debt. (SEKm)     | 2                 |
| Adjustments (SEKm)      | 0                 |
| EV (2024e) (SEKm)       | 1,386             |
| Free float              | 87.2%             |
| Avg. daily vol. ('000)  | 10                |
| Risk                    | Medium Risk       |
| Fiscal year end         | December          |
| Share price as of (CET) | 04 Feb 2025 12:03 |
|                         |                   |

| Key figures (SEK)   | 2023  | 2024e | 2025e | 2026e |
|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Sales (m)           | 872   | 979   | 1,044 | 1,098 |
| EBITDA (m)          | 134   | 139   | 163   | 174   |
| EBIT (m)            | 101   | 107   | 130   | 142   |
| EPS                 | 3.02  | 3.00  | 4.00  | 4.36  |
| EPS adj.            | 3.02  | 3.00  | 4.00  | 4.36  |
| DPS                 | 3.00  | 3.00  | 3.20  | 3.30  |
| Sales growth Y/Y    | 4%    | 12%   | 7%    | 5%    |
| EPS adj. growth Y/Y | 9%    | -1%   | 33%   | 9%    |
| EBIT margin         | 11.5% | 10.9% | 12.5% | 12.9% |
| P/E adj.            | 18.2  | 18.3  | 13.8  | 12.6  |
| EV/EBIT             | 10.6  | 12.1  | 10.2  | 9.0   |
| EV/EBITA            | 10.6  | 12.1  | 10.2  | 9.0   |
| EV/EBITDA           | 7.9   | 9.3   | 8.2   | 7.3   |
| P/BV                | 3.9   | 3.9   | 3.6   | 3.4   |
| Dividend yield      | 5.5%  | 5.5%  | 5.8%  | 6.0%  |
| FCF yield           | 6.3%  | 4.1%  | 8.4%  | 7.6%  |
| Equity/Total Assets | 55.6% | 47.0% | 48.5% | 50.4% |
| ROCE                | 25.0% | 22.2% | 25.1% | 26.5% |
| ROE adj.            | 22.5% | 21.3% | 27.2% | 27.6% |
|                     |       |       |       |       |



Source: Carnegie Research, FactSet, Millistream & company data

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Net IB debt/EBITDA



### **Equity story**

# Near term: 6–12m

Björn Borg's own online sales channel has been a strong driver of the group's growth and profitability with CAGR(18-23) of 26% and average EBIT margins since 2020 of 17%. We estimate that key drivers of the development include fast sports apparel segment growth, along with stronger pricing power for the Björn Borg group and consumer preferences that keep shifting towards online channels. A key factor for the near-term equity story is maintained online growth, which we believe will be underpinned by product segments such as sports apparel, footwear and/or bags.

# Long term: 5Y+

We argue that the long-term growth is determined by segments outside the traditional underwear categories, such as sports apparel, footwear and bags. We estimate that long-term revenue growth potentially can reach levels above the CAGR(14-23) of 6% if Björn Borg manages to utilise the brand strength to drive growth in these segments. In addition, Björn Borg can add growth through continued expansion in markets such as Germany and the US that currently only make up a small part of total sales. Succeeding in these product and geographical segments are key for driving growth towards Björn Borg's objective of 10% annual sales growth.

### Key risks:

- Consumer spending is dependent on inflation, interest rates, income levels and unemployment rates
- Björn Borg is impacted by currency fluctuations, mainly USD/SEK and EUR/SEK
- The retail apparel market is competitive, with many competitors both online and in physical stores

### Company description

Björn Borg designs and sells underwear, shoes, sports apparel, and accessories under the brand Björn Borg. Sweden and the Netherlands are Björn Borg's largest markets, together accounting for 58% of 2023 revenue. Underwear is the largest product segment, at 55% of 2023 revenue, while the sports apparel segment made up 21% of revenue in 2023.

#### **Key industry drivers**

# • Consumer spending levels, impacted by inflation, interest rates, income levels and employment rates

## Structural shift among customers towards online sales channels

#### Industry outlook

### Swedish Ministry of Finance anticipates economic recovery starting early 2025

## • Swedish households expected to benefit from tax reliefs and lower interest rates

#### Largest shareholders

| Nordnet Pensionförsäkrin | 15.1% |
|--------------------------|-------|
| Martin Bjäringer         | 9.9%  |
| Mats Nilsson             | 6.5%  |

#### Cyclicality

#### Key peers

Cyclicality: Yes

RVRC Holding, Foot Locker, Nike, Adidas, PVH, Under Armour

Early

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### Valuation and methodology

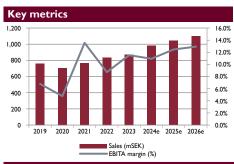
We value Björn Borg using a peer-based method. Considering the strong historical growth and margin profile of the group's own online channel (CAGR(18-23) of 26% and average EBIT margins since 2020 of 17%), we argue that the channel can be valued separately based on a set of fast-growing, strong-margin retail companies. To arrive at the lower end of fair value range, we apply an EV/EBIT(25e) multiple of 15x for the own online segment, and EV/EBIT(25e) of 13x for the rest of the group. The upper end of the fair value range is reached using an EV/EBIT(25e) multiple of 17x for the own online segment, and EV/EBIT(25e) of 15x for the rest of the group. In total, this valuation method merits a fair value range of SEK63–75.

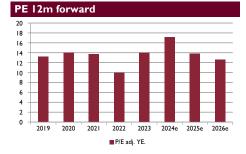
#### Fair value range 12m

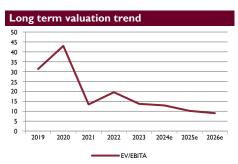


The higher end of our fair value range implies a group EV/EBIT(25e) of 16x, which is in line with the peer group average of 16x.

The lower end of our fair value range implies a discount to peers with a EV/EBIT(25e) multiple of 14x for the group.





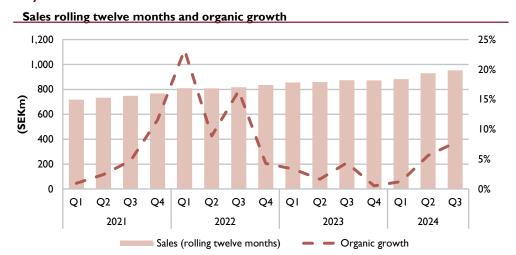


Source: Carnegie Research & company data



Organic sales growth has accelerated since Björn Borg integrated the footwear segment during 2024. We see smaller segments such as footwear and sports apparel as key drivers of growth ahead

### Key charts



Source: Björn Borg, Carnegie Research

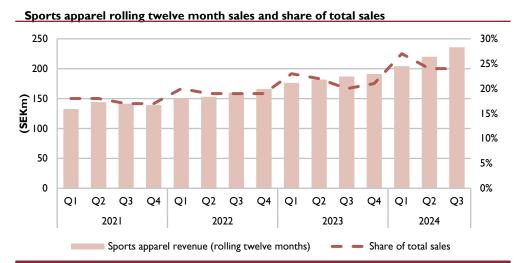
The product mix shift towards a greater share of footwear has put some pressure on margins during 2024. We believe this effect will be reduced somewhat in 2025, as the integration required some major discounts in 2024 that we argue will not be recurring in 2025





Source: Björn Borg, Carnegie Research

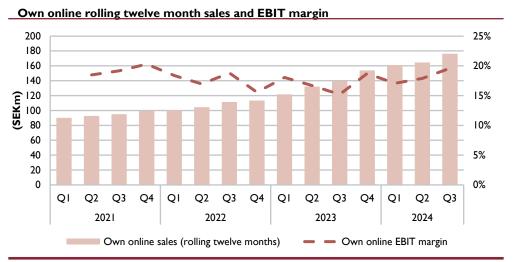
The sports apparel segment has been a key driver of group growth, underpinned by stronger brand perception among customers



Source: Björn Borg, Carnegie Research



The own online channel is a key driver of both growth and profitability for the group. We estimate an EBIT margin of 18% for the own online channel in 2025



Source: Björn Borg, Carnegie Research



|                               | 2024e | <b>2024</b> e |         | <b>2025</b> e | <b>2025</b> e |         | <b>2026</b> e | <b>2026</b> e |         |
|-------------------------------|-------|---------------|---------|---------------|---------------|---------|---------------|---------------|---------|
| Björn Borg - Estimate changes | Old   | New           | Chg     | Old           | New           | Chg     | Old           | New           | Chg     |
| Sales                         | 986   | 979           | -1%     | 1,049         | 1,044         | 0%      | 1,102         | 1,098         | 0%      |
| Growth                        | 13%   | 12%           | -72 bps | 6%            | 7%            | +35 bps | 5%            | 5%            | +20 bps |
| Organic                       | 13%   | 13%           | -47 bps | 6%            | 6%            | +32 bps | 5%            | 5%            | +20 bps |
| EBIT                          | 113   | 107           | -5%     | 134           | 130           | -3%     | 146           | 142           | -3%     |
| EBIT margin                   | 11%   | 11%           | -53 bps | 13%           | 12%           | -31 bps | 13%           | 13%           | -31 bps |
| EO                            | 0     | 0             | n.m     | 0             | 0             | n.m     | 0             | 0             | n.m     |
| Adj EBIT                      | 113   | 107           | -5%     | 134           | 130           | -3%     | 146           | 142           | -3%     |
| Adj EBIT margin               | 11%   | 11%           | -53 bps | 13%           | 12%           | -31 bps | 13%           | 13%           | -31 bps |
| Pre-tax profit                | 108   | 97            | -10%    | 133           | 125           | -6%     | 145           | 137           | -5%     |
| Net profit                    | 85    | 75            | -11%    | 106           | 99            | -6%     | 115           | 108           | -5%     |
| EPS                           | 3.4   | 3.0           | -11%    | 4.2           | 3.9           | -5%     | 4.6           | 4.3           | -5%     |
| EPS adj                       | 3.4   | 3.0           | -11%    | 4.2           | 3.9           | -5%     | 4.6           | 4.3           | -5%     |

Source: Carnegie Research



### **Valuation**

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Our valuation assumes EBIT(25e) for the own online segment of SEK36m and EBIT(25e) for the rest of the group of SEK94m. The own online valuation is, in our view, underpinned by the margin and growth estimates for Björn Borg's own online segment, which is well above the peer group's average.

#### **Valuation** 36 Own online segment EBIT (25e) Rest of the group EBIT (25e) 94 Net debt 185 Shares 25 Upper range EV/EBIT(25e) own online segment I7x Upper range EV/EBIT(25e) rest of the group 15x Lower range EV/EBIT(25e) own online segment 15x Lower range EV/EBIT(25e) rest of the group 13x Fair value lower range (SEK/share) 63 75 Fair value upper range (SEK/share) Source: Factset, Carnegie Research



### **Risks**

### Exposure to cyclical markets

The consumer discretionary market is highly cyclical and dependent on employment rates, interest levels, disposable income and inflation, among other items. Changes in these factors may impact consumer spending and Björn Borg's growth prospects.

### Competitive industry

The retail apparel industry is competitive, and Björn Borg face competition from established brands and new entrants, due to low barriers of entry. Failure to keep up with quick shifts in market trends or consumer preferences may negatively impact group sales.

### Brand value and reputation

Customer perception and company reputation are critical to the value of the Björn Borg brand, which in turn is an important driver of pricing power. Negative publicity and/or a shift in customer perception may negatively impact sales and/or group margins.

### Supply chains

Björn Borg is exposed to risks relating to trade restrictions, raw material availability, shipping availability and costs. Disruptions in the supply chain may negatively impact Björn Borg's product input prices and put pressure on group margins.

### Currency risk

Björn Borg is exposed to currency exchange risk. The group's main currency exposure is USD/SEK and EUR/SEK, as sales are mainly in EUR and SEK, while purchases mainly are in USD and SEK. For this reason, USD/SEK affects the cost of goods sold while EUR/SEK mainly impacts sales and overhead costs.



Retail - Peer group multiples

| Company            | Estimate | Mkt cap | E    | V / Sales |       | E   | V / EBIT |       | Pric | e / Earning | gs    |
|--------------------|----------|---------|------|-----------|-------|-----|----------|-------|------|-------------|-------|
|                    | source   | EUR     | LTM  | 2024e     | 2025e | LTM | 2024e    | 2025e | LTM  | 2024e       | 2025e |
| Retail peers       |          |         |      |           |       |     |          |       |      |             |       |
| RVRC Holding       | FS       | 437     | 2.6x | 2.7x      | 2.5×  | 13x | I3x      | 12x   | 17x  | 18x         | I6x   |
| Under Armour       | FS       | 4,159   | 0.8x | 0.9x      | 0.8x  | 15x | 25×      | 20x   | n.a. | 27x         | 19x   |
| NIKE               | FS       | 112,014 | 2.4x | 2.5x      | 2.5×  | 21x | 32x      | 28×   | 24x  | 37x         | 32x   |
| PVH                | FS       | 7,212   | 0.9x | 0.9x      | 0.9x  | 7x  | 9x       | 9x    | 7x   | 7x          | 7x    |
| Boozt              | FS       | 770     | l.lx | l.lx      | lx    | 30x | 21x      | I6x   | 39x  | 29x         | 22x   |
| Zalando            | FS       | 8,678   | 0.8x | 0.8x      | 0.8×  | 23x | 21x      | 18x   | 46x  | 35x         | 30x   |
| Foot Locker        | FS       | 4,150   | 0.5x | 0.5x      | 0.5×  | 15x | 23x      | 17x   | -4x  | 15x         | Пх    |
| PUMA               | FS       | 6,312   | 0.7x | 0.7x      | 0.7x  | 10x | I0x      | 9x    | 16x  | 16x         | I2x   |
| Columbia Sportswea | FS       | 4,767   | 1.5x | 1.5x      | 1.4x  | 18x | 18x      | l6x   | 24x  | 22x         | 20x   |
| Björn Borg         | CAR      | 121     | 1.6x | 1.6x      | 1.5x  | 15x | 15x      | I2x   | 15x  | 18x         | I4x   |
| Average excl. Björ | n Borg   | 16,500  | 1.3x | 1.3x      | 1.2x  | 17x | I9x      | I6x   | 21x  | 23x         | 19x   |
| Average            |          | 14,862  | 1.3x | 1.3x      | 1.3x  | 17x | 19x      | 16x   | 20x  | 22x         | I8x   |
| Median             |          | 4,463   | lx   | lx        | 0.9x  | I5x | I9x      | l6x   | 17x  | 20x         | I8x   |

Price data uppdated on 4 February 2025 08:00

Source: Factset, Carnegie Research

Retail - Peer group financials

| Company          | Estimate   | Mkt cap | Sa   | les growth | 1     | EB    | IT growth | 1     | EBI  | T margins | s             |
|------------------|------------|---------|------|------------|-------|-------|-----------|-------|------|-----------|---------------|
|                  | source     | EUR     | LTM  | 2024e      | 2025e | LTM   | 2024e     | 2025e | LTM  | 2024e     | <b>2025</b> e |
| Median           |            |         |      |            |       |       |           |       |      |           |               |
| RVRC Holding     | FS         | 437     | 11%  | 18%        | 10%   | 3%    | 21%       | 6%    | 20%  | 21%       | 20%           |
| Under Armour     | FS         | 4,159   | -7%  | -11%       | 2%    | -2%   | -44%      | 25%   | 5%   | 3%        | 4%            |
| NIKE             | FS         | 112,014 | -5%  | -10%       | 2%    | -5%   | -47%      | 17%   | 11%  | 8%        | 9%            |
| PVH              | FS         | 7,212   | -5%  | -6%        | 1%    | -2%   | -8%       | 2%    | 11%  | 10%       | 10%           |
| Boozt            | FS         | 770     | 13%  | 6%         | 9%    | -4%   | 7%        | 27%   | 4%   | 5%        | 6%            |
| Zalando          | FS         | 8,678   | 1%   | 4%         | 5%    | 66%   | 112%      | 17%   | 4%   | 4%        | 4%            |
| Foot Locker      | FS         | 4,150   | 0%   | -1%        | 2%    | -39%  | -15%      | 36%   | 2%   | 2%        | 3%            |
| PUMA             | FS         | 6,312   | 3%   | 3%         | 7%    | 11%   | 0%        | 12%   | 7%   | 7%        | 7%            |
| Columbia Sportsv | wea FS     | 4,767   | -7%  | -4%        | 4%    | -19%  | -11%      | 10%   | 8%   | 8%        | 9%            |
| Björn Borg       | CAR        | 121     | 9%   | 12%        | 7%    | 19%   | 7%        | 21%   | 11%  | 11%       | 12%           |
| Average excl. E  | Björn Borg | 16,500  | 0.0% | 0.0%       | 5.0%  | 1.0%  | 2.0%      | 17.0% | 8.0% | 8.0%      | 8.0%          |
| Average          |            | 14,862  | 1.0% | 1.0%       | 5.0%  | 3.0%  | 2.0%      | 17.0% | 8.0% | 8.0%      | 9.0%          |
| Median           |            | 4,463   | 0.0% | 1.0%       | 5.0%  | -2.0% | -4.0%     | 17.0% | 7.0% | 7.0%      | 8.0%          |

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Source: Factset, Carnegie Research



| Björn Borg         |        |       |        |        |        |       |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |               |               |
|--------------------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------------|---------------|
| Carnegie estimates | 2023   |       |        |        | 2024   |       |        |        | 2025   |        |        |        |        |        |               |               |
| SEKm               | QI     | Q2    | Q3     | Q4     | QI     | Q2    | Q3     | Q4e    | Qle    | Q2e    | Q3e    | Q4e    | 2023   | 2024e  | <b>2025</b> e | <b>2026</b> e |
| Sales              | 247    | 166   | 262    | 198    | 257    | 213   | 285    | 224    | 280    | 228    | 298    | 238    | 872    | 979    | 1,044         | 1,098         |
| Growth             | 9%     | 3%    | 5%     | 0%     | 4%     | 29%   | 9%     | 13%    | 9%     | 7%     | 5%     | 6%     | 4%     | 12%    | 7%            | 5%            |
| Organic            | 5%     | -2%   | 1%     | -3%    | 4%     | 28%   | 10%    | 13%    | 8%     | 7%     | 4%     | 6%     | 1%     | 13%    | 6%            | 5%            |
| Acquisitions       |        |       |        |        |        |       |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |               |               |
| Adj EBIT           | 31     | 8     | 41     | 20     | 33     | 10    | 42     | 22     | 30     | 29     | 42     | 29     | 101    | 107    | 130           | 142           |
| Adj EBIT margin    | 13%    | 5%    | 16%    | 10%    | 13%    | 4%    | 15%    | 10%    | 11%    | 13%    | 14%    | 12%    | 12%    | 11%    | 12%           | 13%           |
| EO                 | 0      | 0     | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0     | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0             | 0             |
| EBIT               | 31     | 8     | 41     | 20     | 33     | 10    | 42     | 22     | 30     | 29     | 42     | 29     | 101    | 107    | 130           | 142           |
| EBIT margin        | 12.7%  | 4.9%  | 15.6%  | 10.2%  | 13.0%  | 4.5%  | 14.7%  | 9.8%   | 10.9%  | 12.6%  | 13.9%  | 12.4%  | 11.5%  | 10.9%  | 12.5%         | 12.9%         |
| Net financials     | -1     | -3    | -0     | 1      | -7     | -0    | -2     | -1     | -1     | -1     | -1     | -1     | -3     | -10    | -5            | -5            |
| Pre-tax Profit     | 31     | 5     | 41     | 21     | 27     | 9     | 40     | 21     | 29     | 27     | 40     | 28     | 98     | 97     | 125           | 137           |
| Tax                | -6     | -1    | -9     | -6     | -6     | -3    | -9     | -4     | -6     | -6     | -8     | -6     | -22    | -22    | -26           | -29           |
| Tax rate           | 19%    | 22%   | 21%    | 29%    | 21%    | 28%   | 23%    | 20%    | 21%    | 21%    | 21%    | 21%    | 22%    | 22%    | 21%           | 21%           |
| Net profit         | 24,785 | 4,189 | 32,045 | 14,950 | 21,211 | 6,522 | 30,996 | 16,556 | 23,170 | 21,679 | 31,789 | 22,280 | 75,969 | 75,285 | 98,919        | 108,380       |
| EPS (SEK)          | 1.0    | 0.2   | 1.3    | 0.6    | 0.8    | 0.3   | 1.2    | 0.7    | 0.9    | 0.9    | 1.3    | 0.9    | 3.0    | 3.0    | 3.9           | 4.3           |
| EPS Adj (SEK)      | 1.0    | 0.2   | 1.3    | 0.6    | 0.8    | 0.3   | 1.2    | 0.7    | 0.9    | 0.9    | 1.3    | 0.9    | 3.0    | 3.0    | 3.9           | 4.3           |

Source: Company data, Carnegie Research

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### **Financial statements**

| Profit & loss (SEKm)   | 2017 | 2018   | 2019                 | 2020                | 2021              | 2022               | 2023             | 2024e           | 2025e    | 2026e      |
|--|------|--------|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|
| Sales  | 0    | 0      | 757                  | 705                 | 768               | 835                | 872              | 979             | 1,044    | 1,098      |
| COGS   | 0    | 0      | -351                 | -335                | -352              | -411               | -401             | -463            | -480     | -492       |
| Gross profit   | 0    | 0      | 406                  | 370                 | 417               | 425                | 471              | 517             | 564      | 606        |
| Other income & costs   | 0    | 0      | -298                 | -295                | -277              | -317               | -338             | -377            | -401     | -432       |
| Share in ass. operations and JV  | 0    | 0      | 0                    | 0                   | 0                 | 0                  | 0                | 0               | 0        | 0          |
| EBITDA   | 0    | 0      | 109                  | 75                  | 140               | 108                | 134              | 139             | 163      | 174        |
| Depreciation PPE   | 0    | 0      | -6                   | -7                  | -7                | -8                 | -8               | -8              | -8       | -8         |
| Depreciation lease assets  | 0    | 0      | -47                  | -31                 | -24               | -23                | -22              | -22             | -22      | -22        |
| Amortisation development costs   | 0    | 0      | -4                   | -4                  | -3                | -3                 | -3               | -3              | -3       | -3         |
| Amortisation other intangibles   | 0    | 0      | 0                    | 0                   | -1                | -1                 | 0                | 0               | 0        | 0          |
| Impairments / writedowns   | 0    | 0      | 0                    | 0                   | 0                 | 0                  | 0                | 0               | 0        | 0          |
| EBITA  | 0    | 0      | 51                   | 34                  | 104               | 73                 | 101              | 107             | 130      | 142        |
| Amortization acquisition related   | 0    | 0      | 0                    | 0                   | 0                 | 0                  | 0                | 0               | 0        | 0          |
| Impairment acquisition related   | 0    | 0      | 0                    | 0                   | 0                 | 0                  | 0                | 0               | 0        | 0          |
| EBIT   | 0    | 0      | 51                   | 34                  | 104               | 73                 | 101              | 107             | 130      | 142        |
| Share in ass. operations and JV  | 0    | 0      | 0<br>-3              | 0<br>-16            | 0<br>3            | 0<br>-2            | 0<br>-3          | 0<br>-10        | 0<br>-3  | 0<br>-3    |
| Net financial items  | 0    | 0      | -3<br>-4             | -16<br>-4           | -3                | -2<br>-2           | -3<br>-4         | -10<br>-4       | -3<br>-2 | -3<br>-2   |
| of which interest income/expenses of which interest on lease liabilities | 0    | 0      | - <del>-</del><br>-4 | -3                  | -3<br>-2          | - <u>-</u> 2<br>-I | - <del>-</del> - | - <del>-</del>  | -2<br>-  | -2<br>-l   |
| of which other items   | 0    | 0      |                      |                     |                   | na                 |                  |                 | na       |            |
| Pre-tax profit   | 0    | 0      | na<br><b>49</b>      | na<br>I <b>8</b>    | na<br>1 <b>07</b> | 71                 | na<br><b>98</b>  | na<br><b>97</b> | 127      | na<br>139  |
| Taxes  | 0    | 0      | -10                  | 10                  | -21               | -20                | -22              | -22             | -27      | -29        |
| Post-tax minorities interest   | 0    | 0      | -10                  | 0                   | 0                 | 0                  | 0                | 0               | 0        | 0          |
| Discontinued operations  | 0    | 0      | 0                    | 0                   | 0                 | 0                  | 0                | 0               | 0        | 0          |
| Net profit   | ŏ    | ŏ      | 39                   | 19                  | 86                | 5 i                | 76               | 76              | 10Ĭ      | 110        |
| •  |      |        |                      |                     |                   |                    |                  |                 |          |            |
| Adjusted EBITDA  | 0    | 0      | 109                  | 75<br>24            | 140               | 108                | 134              | 139             | 163      | 174        |
| Adjusted EBITA   | 0    | 0      | 51                   | 34                  | 104<br>97         | 73<br>92           | 101              | 107             | 130      | 142        |
| Adjusted EBIT  | 0    | 0      | 51<br>39             | 43<br>29            | 77<br>79          | 72<br>70           | 101              | 107             | 130      | 142<br>110 |
| Adjusted net profit  | U    | U      | 37                   |                     |                   |                    | 76               | 76              | 101      |            |
| Sales growth Y/Y   | na   | na     | +chg                 | -6.8%               | 8.9%              | 8.7%               | 4.4%             | 12.3%           | 6.6%     | 5.2%       |
| EBITDA growth Y/Y  | na   | na     | +chg                 | -31. <del>4</del> % | 87.3%             | -22.9%             | 24.1%            | 4.4%            | 16.5%    | 7.4%       |
| EBITA growth Y/Y   | na   | na     | +chg                 | -34.4%              | 208.9%            | -30.0%             | 37.9%            | 6.5%            | 21.5%    | 9.2%       |
| EBIT growth Y/Y  | na   | na     | +chg                 | -34.4%              | 208.9%            | -30.0%             | 37.9%            | 6.5%            | 21.5%    | 9.2%       |
| EBITDA margin  | nm   | nm     | 14.3%                | 10.6%               | 18.2%             | 12.9%              | 15.3%            | 14.2%           | 15.6%    | 15.9%      |
| EBITA margin   | nm   | nm     | 6.8%                 | 4.8%                | 13.5%             | 8.7%               | 11.5%            | 10.9%           | 12.5%    | 12.9%      |
| EBIT margin  | nm   | nm     | 6.8%                 | 4.8%                | 13.5%             | 8.7%               | 11.5%            | 10.9%           | 12.5%    | 12.9%      |
| Tax rate   | na   | na     | 20.0%                | 21.0%               | 19.5%             | 27.8%              | 22.2%            | 22.3%           | 21.0%    | 21.0%      |
| Cash flow (SEKm)   | 2017 | 2018   | 2019                 | 2020                | 2021              | 2022               | 2023             | 2024e           | 2025e    | 2026e      |
| EBITDA   | 0    | 0      | 109                  | 75                  | 140               | 108                | 134              | 139             | 163      | 174        |
| Paid taxes   | 0    | 0      | -11                  | -13                 | -3                | -9                 | -35              | -22             | -25      | -28        |
| Change in NWC  | 0    | 0      | 21                   | 89                  | -23               | -48                | 27               | -6              | 16       | -5         |
| Non cash adjustments   | 0    | 0      | -6                   | -8                  | 0                 | 10                 | -4               | -14             | -2       | -1         |
| Discontinued operations  | 0    | 0      | 0                    | 0                   | 0                 | 0                  | 0                | 0               | 0        | 0          |
| Total operating activities   | 0    | 0      | 113                  | 143                 | 114               | 61                 | 121              | 98              | 151      | 141        |
| Capex tangible assets  | 0    | 0      | -4                   | -3                  | -5                | 0                  | -2               | -3              | -2       | -2         |
| Capitalised development costs  | 0    | Ö      | na                   | na                  | na                | na                 | na               | na              | na       | na         |
| Capex - other intangible assets  | 0    | Ö      | -9                   | -5                  | -6                | -8                 | -9               | -12             | -11      | -12        |
| Acquisitions/divestments   | 0    | Ö      | na                   | na                  | na                | na<br>na           | na               | na              | na       | na         |
| Other non-cash adjustments   | 0    | 0      | na                   | na                  | na                | na                 | na               | na              | na       | na         |
| Total investing activities   | ŏ    | ŏ      | -13                  | - <b>9</b>          | -11               | -8                 | -11              | -15             | -13      | -14        |
|  |      |        |                      |                     |                   |                    |                  |                 |          |            |
| Net financial items  | 0    | 0<br>0 | -3                   | -16                 | 3                 | -2<br>22           | -3<br>22         | -10             | -3<br>20 | -3<br>20   |
| Lease payments   |      | 0      | -47                  | -28                 | -23               | -23                | -22              | -18             | -20      | -20        |
| Dividend paid and received   | 0    | 0      | na<br>0              | na<br>0             | na<br>O           | na<br>O            | na<br>I          | na<br>O         | na<br>O  | na<br>0    |
| Share issues & buybacks Change in bank debt                              | 0    | 0      | -18                  | -55                 | -19               | 0<br>-50           | -30              | -35             | 0<br>7   | 6          |
| Other cash flow items  | 0    | 0      | -10<br>na            | -33<br>na           | -17<br>na         | -30<br>na          | -30<br>na        | -33<br>na       | na       | na         |
| Total financing activities   | 0    | 0      | -1 <b>07</b>         | -104                | - <b>75</b>       | -137               | -103             | 11a             | -90      | -96        |
| -  |      |        |                      |                     |                   |                    |                  |                 |          |            |
| Operating cash flow  | 0    | 0      | 113                  | 143                 | 114               | 61                 | 121              | 98              | 151      | 141        |
| Free cash flow   | 0    | 0      | 54                   | 92                  | 85                | 28                 | 86               | 57              | 116      | 105        |
| Net cash flow  | 0    | 0      | -7                   | 30                  | 28                | -85                | 7                | 90              | 48       | 30         |
| Change in net IB debt  | 0    | 0      | 8                    | 77                  | 47                | -33                | 38               | 119             | 38       | 22         |
| Capex / Sales  | nm   | nm     | 0.5%                 | 0.5%                | 0.6%              | 0.0%               | 0.2%             | 0.3%            | 0.2%     | 0.2%       |
| 1 D 4 (C / C /   |      |        |                      |                     |                   |                    |                  |                 |          |            |
| NWC / Sales  | nm   | nm     | 14.4%                | 26.0%               | 20.8%             | 23.2%              | 22.0%            | 19.9%           | 21.1%    | 20.2%      |

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| Balance sheet (SEKm)  | 2017       | 2018        | 2019         | 2020           | 2021          | 2022            | 2023          | 2024e         | 2025e         | 2026e         |
|---|------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Acquired intangible assets                                      | 0          | 0           | 35           | 34             | 35            | 36              | 36            | 37            | 37            | 37            |
| Other fixed intangible assets                                   | 0          | 0           | 197          | 198            | 198           | 195             | 194           | 193           | 192           | 188           |
| Capitalised development   | 0          | 0           | na           | na<br>17       | na            | na              | na            | na            | na<br>25      | na            |
| Tangible assets   | 0          | 0<br>0      | 18           | 17<br>57       | 15<br>55      | 16<br>53        | 18            | 22<br>40      | 25<br>18      | 29            |
| Lease assets Other IB assets (1)                                | 0          | 0           | 131<br>na    | na             | na            | na              | 44<br>na      | na            | na            | -4<br>na      |
| Other non-IB assets   | 0          | 0           | na           | na             | na            | na              | na            | na            | na            | na            |
| Fixed assets  | ŏ          | ŏ           | 397          | 322            | 317           | 313             | 304           | 301           | 282           | 261           |
| Inventories (2)   | 0          | 0           | 128          | 123            | 152           | 201             | 184           | 196           | 209           | 220           |
| Receivables (2)   | 0          | 0           | 125          | 84             | 92            | 104             | 99            | 108           | 115           | 121           |
| Prepaid exp. & other NWC items (2)                              | 0          | 0           | na           | na             | na            | na              | na            | na            | na            | na            |
| IB current assets (I)   | 0          | 0           | na           | na             | na            | na              | na            | na            | na            | na            |
| Other current assets  | 0          | 0           | na           | na             | na            | na              | na            | na            | na            | na            |
| Cash & cash equivalents (I)                                     | 0          | 0           | 29           | 70             | 97            | 16              | 27            | 127           | 176           | 208           |
| Current assets  | 0          | 0           | 302          | 297            | 363           | 340             | 327           | 459           | 507           | 556           |
| Total assets  | 0          | 0           | 699          | 619            | 681           | 653             | 632           | 761           | 789           | 818           |
| Shareholders' equity  | 0          | 0           | 271          | 291            | 334           | 325             | 351           | 357           | 382           | 412           |
| Minorities  | 0          | 0           | -6           | 0              | 0             | 0               | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0             |
| Other equity  | 0          | 0           | na           | na             | na            | na              | na            | na            | na            | na            |
| Total equity  | 0          | 0           | 265          | 291            | 334           | 325             | 351           | 357           | 382           | 412           |
| Deferred tax  | 0          | 0           | 40           | 39<br>99       | 40            | 40              | 40            | 39            | 40<br>0       | 42            |
| LT IB debt (I)  | 0          | 0           | 150          |                | 80            | 0               | 0             | 0             |               | 0             |
| Other IB provisions (I) Lease libilities                        | 0          | 0           | na<br>96     | na<br>36       | na<br>34      | na<br><b>32</b> | na<br>25      | na<br>21      | na<br>3       | na<br>-15     |
| Other non-IB liabilities  | 0          | 0           | na           | na             | na            | na              | na            | na            | na            | na            |
| LT liabilities  | ŏ          | ŏ           | 287          | 174            | 155           | 72              | 65            | 60            | 43            | 27            |
| ST IB debt (I)  | Ö          | Ö           | 7            | 0              | 0             | 30              | 0             | 108           | 115           | 121           |
| Payables (2)  | 0          | 0           | 56           | 77             | 97            | 106             | 136           | 108           | 115           | 121           |
| Accrued exp. & other NWC items (2)                              | 0          | 0           | na           | na             | na            | na              | na            | na            | na            | na            |
| Other ST non-IB liabilities                                     | 0          | 0           | 85           | 77             | 94            | 120             | 80            | 128           | 133           | 137           |
| Liabilities - assets held for sale                              | 0          | 0           | na           | na             | na            | na              | na            | na            | na            | na            |
| Current liabilities   | 0          | 0           | 148          | 154            | 191           | 256             | 216           | 343           | 363           | 379           |
| Total equity and liabilities                                    | 0          | 0           | 699          | 619            | 681           | 653             | 632           | 761           | 789           | 818           |
| Net IB debt (=I)  | 0          | 0           | 224          | 64             | 17            | 46              | -1            | 2             | -58           | -102          |
| Net working capital (NWC) (=2)                                  | 0          | 0           | 217          | 150            | 169           | 218             | 165           | 225           | 216           | 227           |
| Capital employed (CE)   | 0          | 0           | 544          | 449            | 474           | 414             | 404           | 515           | 530           | 549           |
| Capital invested (CI)   | 0          | 0           | 599          | 456            | 473           | 519             | 457           | 516           | 488           | 478           |
| Equity / Total assets   | nm         | nm          | 38%          | 47%            | 49%           | 50%             | 56%           | 47%           | 48%           | 50%           |
| Net IB debt / EBITDA  | nm         | nm          | 2.1          | 0.9            | 0.1           | 0.4             | 0.0           | 0.0           | -0.4          | -0.6          |
| Per share data (SEK)  | 2017       | 2018        | 2019         | 2020           | 2021          | 2022            | 2023          | 2024e         | 2025e         | 2026e         |
| , ,   | 25.15      | 25.15       | 25.15        | 25.15          | 25.15         | 25.15           | 25.15         | 25.15         | 25.15         | 25.15         |
| Adj. no. of shares in issue YE (m) Diluted no. of Shares YE (m) | 25.15      | 25.15       | 25.15        | 25.15          | 25.15         | 25.15           | 25.15         | 25.15         | 25.15         | 25.15         |
| EPS   | 0.00       | 0.00        | 1.55         | 0.75           | 3.42          | 2.03            | 3.02          | 3.00          | 4.00          | 4.36          |
| EPS adj.  | 0.00       | 0.00        | 1.55         | 1.14           | 3.13          | 2.78            | 3.02          | 3.00          | 4.00          | 4.36          |
| CEPS  | 0.00       | 0.00        | 2.10         | 1.35           | 3.98          | 2.55            | 3.51          | 3.64          | 4.55          | 4.91          |
| DPS   | 0.00       | 0.00        | 0.00         | 1.50           | 2.50          | 2.00            | 3.00          | 3.00          | 3.20          | 3.30          |
| BVPS  | 0.00       | 0.00        | 10.8         | 11.6           | 13.3          | 12.9            | 13.9          | 14.2          | 15.2          | 16.4          |
| Performance measures  | 2017       | 2018        | 2019         | 2020           | 2021          | 2022            | 2023          | 2024e         | 2025e         | 2026e         |
| ROE   | nm         | nm          | 28.8%        | 6.7%           | 27.5%         | 15.5%           | 22.5%         | 21.3%         | 27.2%         | 27.6%         |
| Adj. ROCE pre-tax   | na         | na          | 20.0%<br>na  | 4.3%           | 23.8%         | 16.5%           | 25.0%         | 22.2%         | 25.1%         | 26.5%         |
| Adj. ROIC after-tax   | na         | na          | na           | 5.0%           | 18.0%         | 10.6%           | 16.0%         | 17.1%         | 20.5%         | 23.2%         |
| •   |            |             |              |                |               |                 |               |               |               |               |
| Valuation   | 2017       | 2018        | 2019         | 2020           | 2021          | 2022            | 2023          | 2024e         | 2025e         | 2026e         |
| FCF yield   | 0.0%       | 0.0%        | 3.9%         | 6.6%           | 6.1%          | 2.0%            | 6.3%          | 4.1%          | 8.4%          | 7.6%          |
| Dividend yield YE Dividend payout ratio                         | 0.0%       | 0.0%        | 0.0%<br>0.0% | 9.4%<br>200.3% | 5.8%<br>73.1% | 7.2%<br>98.5%   | 7.1%<br>99.3% | 5.8%<br>99.8% | 5.8%<br>80.0% | 6.0%<br>75.6% |
| Dividend + buy backs yield YE                                   | nm<br>0.0% | nm<br>13.7% | 0.0%         | 9.4%           | 5.8%          | 7.2%            | 7.1%          | 5.8%          | 5.8%          | 6.0%          |
| Dividend + buy backs yield 1E                                   | 0.0%       | 13.7/0      | 0.0%         | 7.7/0          | 3.0%          | 7.2/0           | 7.1/0         | 3.0%          | 3.0%          | 6.0%          |
| EV/Sales YE   | nm         | nm          | 0.97         | 0.66           | 1.43          | 0.89            | 1.22          | 1.33          | 1.27          | 1.17          |
| EV/EBITDA YE  | nm         | nm          | 6.8          | 6.3            | 7.9           | 6.9             | 7.9           | 9.3           | 8.2           | 7.3           |
| EV/EBITA YE   | nm         | nm          | 14.3         | 13.8           | 10.5          | 10.2            | 10.6          | 12.1          | 10.2          | 9.0           |
| EV/EBITA adj. YE  | nm         | nm          | 14.3         | 13.8           | 10.5          | 10.2            | 10.6          | 12.1          | 10.2          | 9.0           |
| EV/EBIT YE  | nm         | nm          | 14.3         | 13.8           | 10.5          | 10.2            | 10.6          | 12.1          | 10.2          | 9.0           |
|   |            |             |              |                |               |                 |               |               |               |               |
| P/E YE  | nm         | nm          | 13.2         | 21.3           | 12.5          | 13.7            | 14.0          | 17.2          | 13.8          | 12.6          |
| P/E adj. YE<br>P/BV YE  | nm         | nm          | 13.2         | 14.0           | 13.7          | 10.0            | 14.0          | 17.2<br>3.63  | 13.8          | 12.6<br>3.36  |
|   | nm         | nm          | 1.89         | 1.38           | 3.23          | 2.15            | 3.03          | 3.63          | 3.62          | 3.30          |
| Share price YE (SEK)  | 19.5       | 14.6        | 20.4         | 16.0           | 42.9          | 27.8            | 42.3          | 51.6          | 55.0          |               |

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