

YEAR-END REPORT JANUARY-DECEMBER 2017





STABLE RESULTS

- Financial targets fulfilled
- Strong demand offset by production disruptions
- Record high production levels
- Increased focus on operational excellence

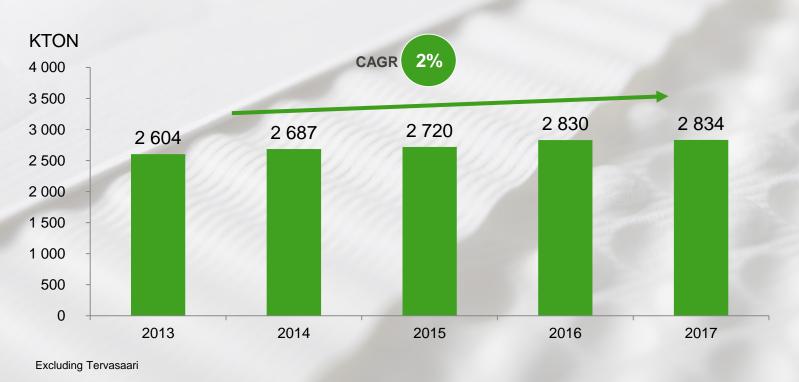
Area	Target	Outcome 2017	
Growth	3-4%	3%	√
EBITDA	>17%	17%	√
ROCE	>13%	13%	√
Net debt/EBITDA	<2.5	1,53	√
Dividend policy	50%	54%	√

Adjusted for items affecting comparability



RECORD HIGH PRODUCTION LEVELS

TOTAL INCREASE 2013-2017: 230 000 TONNES ANNUAL PRODUCTION RECORDS 2017 IN GÄVLE, FRÖVI & SKÄRBLACKA





INCREASED FOCUS ON OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE

Production Stability

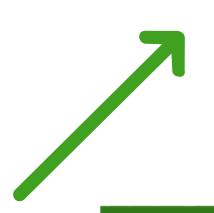
Increase stability in pulp- & paper/board production with support of Company Specialists

Product Quality

A systematic, customer centric product quality improvement process under implementation

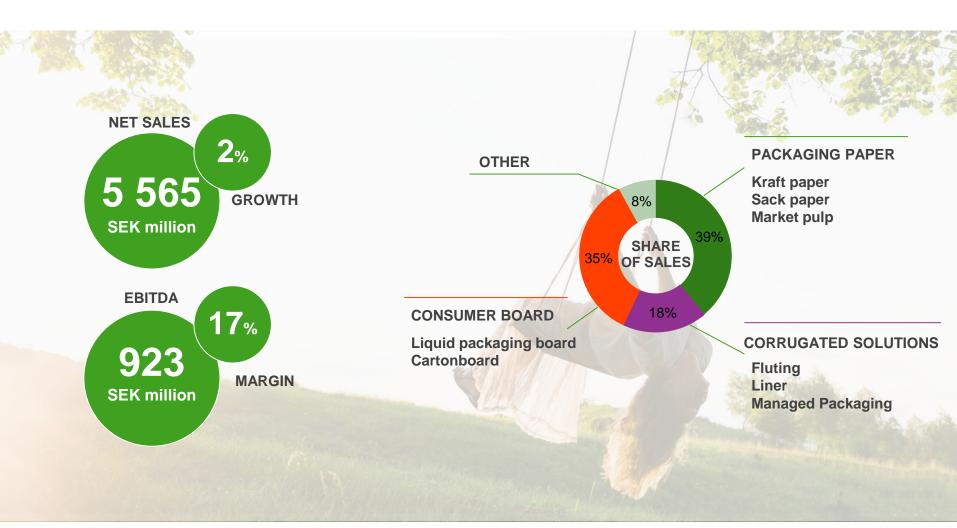
Occupational Health & Safety

Implementation of behaviour safety systems is ongoing, being the foundation for stability





Q4 2017 RESULTS AT A GLANCE





Q4 2017 KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- Continued high demand across all business areas
- Negative effect on sales volumes from production disruptions
- Higher EBITDA driven by increased prices and lower costs
- Adjusted EBIT margin 11%
- Favourable outlook on both short and long term

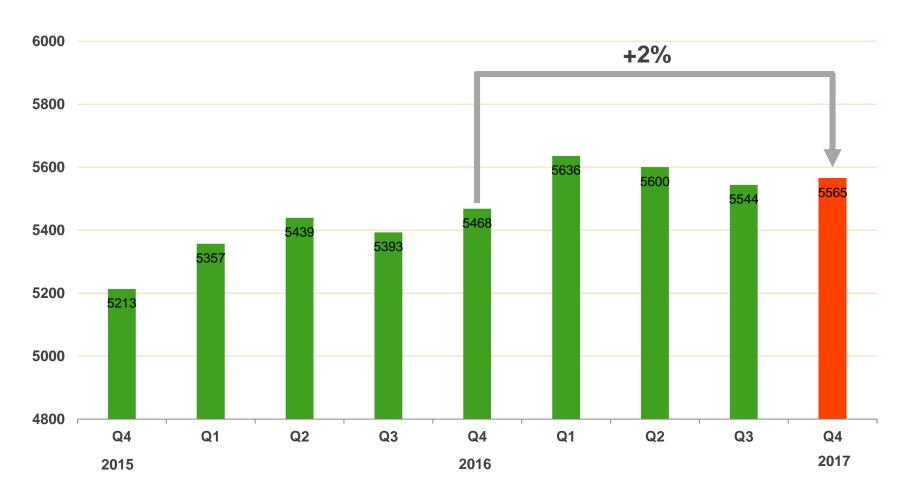


FINANCIAL DEVELOPMENT



NET SALES

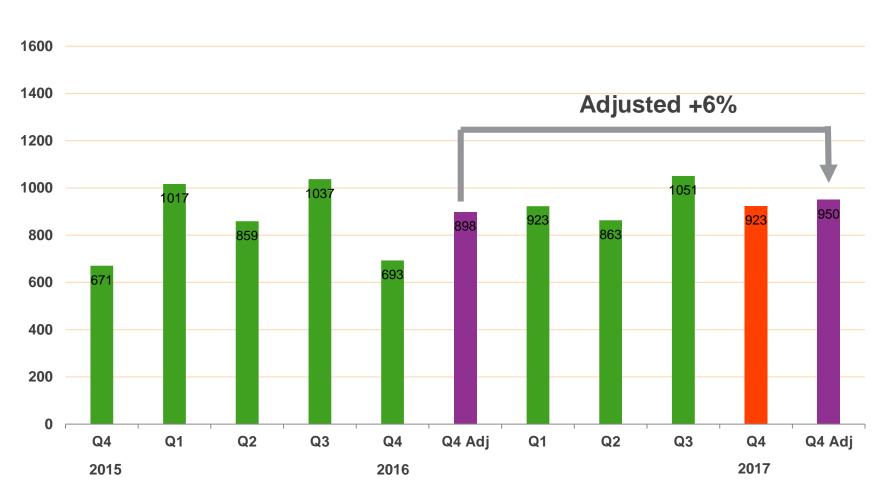
SEK MILLION





EBITDA

SEK MILLION





OPERATING CASH FLOW

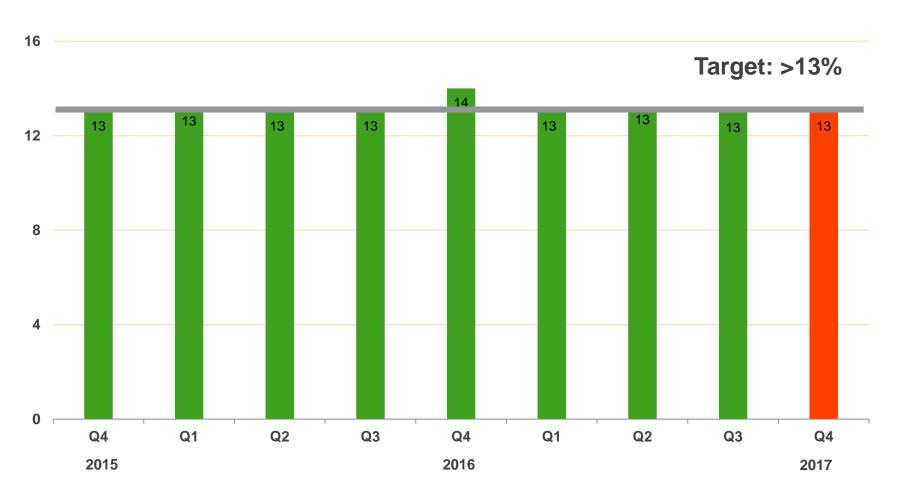
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RETURN ON CAPITAL EMPLOYED

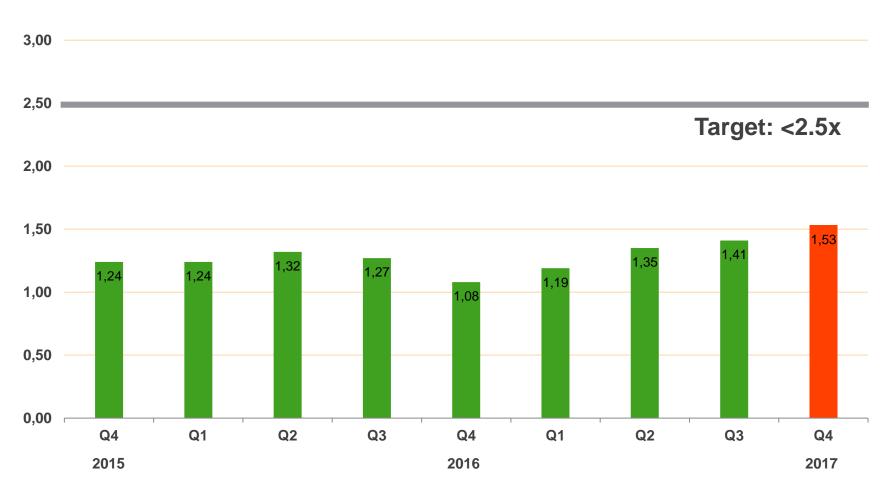
ADJUSTED, ROLLING 12 MONTHS (%)





LEVERAGE

NET DEBT/EBITDA (X)





BUSINESS AREAS



PACKAGING PAPER BUSINESS AREA

KRAFT AND SACK PAPER FOR CUSTOMERS WITH TOUGH DEMANDS





- Packaging for flour, sugar, carrier bags, medical packaging, building materials, chemicals and more
- Growth driven by population growth in emerging markets, ageing population, increasing environmental awareness and more

SELECTIVE GROWTH

2-4% CAGR Asset transformation for increased profitability

Development of new business models

Expansion to growing markets





PACKAGING PAPER BUSINESS AREA

Q4 DEVELOPMENT

- Net sales + 4 % vs Q4-16
 - Increased prices in local currency somewhat offset by effects from production disruptions
- EBITDA -5 % vs Q4-16
 - Lower production volumes and negative currency effects
 - Prices on pulp and paper continues to increase
- Record results EBIT SEK 1 035 million for FY 2017
- Kraft- and sack paper markets expected to remain solid with potential to increase prices in local currency

2 147
NET SALES SEK MILLION

401
EBITDA SEK MILLION

19%
EBITDA MARGIN



CONSUMER BOARD BUSINESS AREA

LIQUID PACKAGING BOARD AND CARTONBOARD WITH UNIQUE PROPERTIES





- Packaging for milk, juice, preserved foods, beauty and healthcare products, confectionary and more
- Growth driven by high urbanization rate, change in consumer behavior and more

VOLUME GROWTH

4-5% CAGR Attractive market providing growth opportunities

Investments for volume growth

Innovation with customers and brand owners





CONSUMER BOARD BUSINESS AREA

Q4 DEVELOPMENT

- Net sales -2% vs Q4-16
 - > Difficulties with production availability
- EBITDA +8% vs Q4-16
 - High costs in Q4-16 rebuild and startup of Rockhammar
- Volume growth in line with overall financial targets YoY
 - Record high sales volumes of cartonboard
- Strong order situation expected to continue with normal season variations

1 943
NET SALES SEK MILLION

363
EBITDA SEK MILLION

19%
EBITDA MARGIN



CORRUGATED SOLUTIONS BUSINESS AREA

FLUTING AND LINER ADD VALUE



- Packaging for fruit and vegetables, white goods and electronics, exclusive drinks and more
- Supply chain solutions and packaging optimisations for brand owners
- Growth driven by increasing e-commerce and fresh food consumption, package differentiation and changing supply chains

VALUE GROWTH

2-4% CAGR Strong product portfolio setting market standard

Integrating new business model

Increasing sales to brand owners





CORRUGATED SOLUTIONS BUSINESS AREA

Q4 DEVELOPMENT

- Net sales +2% vs Q4-16
 - Improved prices in local currency and increased sales volumes within Managed Packaging
- EBITDA -12% vs Q4-16
 - Production disruptions and establishment costs related to expansion within Managed Packaging
- Strong order books and increased prices in Europe
- Managed Packaging ~50% sales growth
- Expected continued strong demand for fluting and liner
 - > Expansion to new regions

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NET SALES SEK MILLION

212
EBITDA SEK MILLION

21%



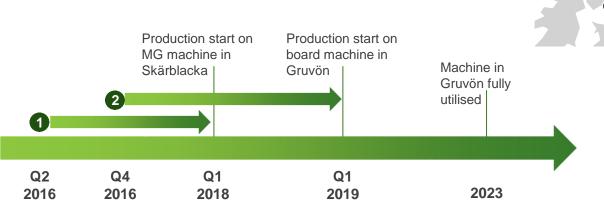
PROGRESS IN INVESTMENT

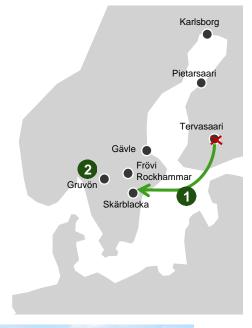


SKÄRBLACKA AND GRUVÖN PROGRESSING

IMPROVING EFFICIENCY AND SECURING GROWTH

- Investing in MG integrated to pulp production in Skärblacka, Sweden; SEK 1.3 billion investment.
- New board machine in Gruvön, Sweden with capacity of approx. 550 000 t/a;
 SEK ~7 billion investment.







Beetham



OUTLOOK



SHORT-TERM OUTLOOK

- Demand and order situation are expected to be strong with normal seasonal variances for all business areas
- The negative impact from weather related challenges on raw material flows is expected to be SEK 80-100 million in the first quarter



2018 OUTLOOK

- Demand of wood will increase
- Overall capacity will remain on 2017 level
 - Increased volume for Consumer Board
 - Reduced volumes for Corrugated Solutions and Packaging Paper due to impact from Gruvön investment
- Net exposure to pulp market ~150 ktonnes in 2018
- One-off costs impact from investment project will be SEK ~210 million
 - > SEK 75 million due to longer stop in Gruvön
 - > SEK 75 million due to education, extra personnel etc.
 - Increased depreciation SEK 60 million

