



The acquisition of ViaCon VA approved by the Swedish Competition Authority

In June The Ahlseil Group entered into an agreement to acquire the water and Sewer business ViaCon VA. The Swedish Competition Authority has now approved the acquisition. Closing is expected to the beginning of November.

As communicated on June 22 Ahlseil entered an agreement to acquire a Swedish Water & Sewer business, ViaCon VA, with annual sales of approximately SEK 320 million. The agreement is structured as a transfer of assets including inventories, equipment and immaterial property related to the Water & Sewer operations and the distribution of products such as pipes, pumps, dwells, manholes, valves and fittings. The deal also includes a distribution agreement of ViaCon's geotechnical products for use in small and medium-sized construction projects in Sweden and Norway.

The acquisition is expected to have a marginal positive impact on Ahlseil's earnings per share for 2017.

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