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STABLE PRODUCTION, BUT PROFITS BROUGHT DOWN BY NON-RECURRING ITEMS

LKAB's fourth quarter indicates stable production and delivery volumes. However, profits were weighed down by the costs of urban transformation provisions and impairment losses for the Mertainen open-pit mine. For full year 2016 LKAB is reporting increased production and delivery volumes, record levels of pellet production and reduced costs. Despite this, non-recurring items meant that the result for the year was a loss.



OPERATIONS – FOURTH QUARTER

MSEK	Note	Q4 2016	Q4 2015	Full year 2016	Full year 2015
Net sales		4,517	4,252	16,343	16,200
Underlying operating profit	7	527	128	1,621	1,548
Costs for urban transformation provisions		-1,179	-479	-2,106	-1,568
Impairment of property, plant and equipment		-1,192		-1,192	-7,136
Operating profit/loss		-1,844	-351	-1,677	-7,156
Net financial income/expense		-34	156	613	-115
Profit/loss before tax		-1,878	-195	-1,063	-7,271
Profit/loss for the period		-1,606	-235	-978	-5,686
Operating cash flow		-356	-736	-2,762	-2,370
Investments in property, plant and equipment		756	1,793	3,341	6,354
Depreciation		-792	-625	-2,746	-2,800
Production of iron ore products, Mt		7.1	6.7	26.9	24.5
Deliveries of iron ore products, Mt		6.8	6.8	27.0	24.2
Proportion of pellets, %		84	82	84	84
Return on equity, %	7	neg	neg	neg	neg
Net debt/equity ratio, %	7	20.7	10.0	20.7	10.0

2016
was our best
production year
for a very long
time, particularly
as regards
pellets.

Jan Moström, President and <u>CEO</u>

- Production and delivery volumes remained stable in the fourth quarter. In 2016 pellet deliveries reached their highest ever level at 22.7 (20.3) Mt.
- Net sales were positively impacted by higher market prices and exchange rates, while hedging had a negative effect.
- The operating loss for the fourth quarter was MSEK -1,844 (-351). During the quarter LKAB's board of directors decided that the Mertainen open-pit mine would be moth-balled, resulting in an impairment loss of MSEK 1,192 for property, plant and equipment.
- During the quarter the costs of urban transformation provisions increased, mainly relating to the new section of road E10 around Kiruna.
- The cost-efficiency programme is continuing according to plan.
- Operating cash flow in the quarter improved somewhat, mainly due to a lower level of capital expenditure, and amounted to MSEK -356 (-736).
- The net debt/equity ratio increased to 20.7 (10.0) percent, primarily as a result of increased borrowing and increased provisions for urban transformation.
- The Board proposes to the Annual General Meeting that no dividend is paid to the owner.

7.1 Mt
Produced during the quarter
6.8 Mt
Delivered during the quarter

84%

Pellet share for the quarter

THE LKAB GROUP

NET SALES AND OPERATING PROFIT/LOSS

ANALYSIS OF CHANGE MSEK	Q4 2016	Full year 2016
Operating profit/loss 2015	-351	-7,156
Delivery volumes and mix	365	1,825
Prices	1,192	672
Currency effect	269	233
Hedging of currency and iron ore prices	-1,561	-2,587
Costs for urban transformation provisions	-700	-538
Impairment of property, plant and equipment	-1,192	5,944
Depreciation	-167	54
Production volumes, stock	96	-694
Other income and other expenses	205	570
Operating profit/loss 2016	-1,844	-1,677

Net sales for the fourth quarter were six percent higher than in the same period last year, due to a greater percentage of highly processed products. Higher market prices and exchange rates had a positive impact, while hedging activities had a negative effect. The average spot price for the quarter was USD 71 (47)/tonne. The hedges were mainly entered into at the lower iron ore prices that prevailed during the fourth quarter 2015 and first quarter 2016. The hedging was carried out in order to alleviate the effects of price and exchange rate changes in the market. This meant that LKAB was not able to take full advantage of the price increase during 2016.

During the quarter the costs of urban transformation provisions increased, partly as an effect of the agreement between the Swedish Transport Administration and LKAB in which LKAB is to pay for the routing of road E10 through Kiruna. In addition, in December 2016 the company's Board of Directors decided that the open-pit mine in Mertainen would be mothballed, resulting in an impairment loss for property, plant and equipment of MSEK 1,192.

For full year 2016, higher delivery volumes, improved prices and the effects of the cost-cutting programme made a positive contribution to the improved result. During the year cost-efficiency measures cut costs by around MSEK 700, which was according to plan. Impairment losses on property, plant and equipment had a negative effect on operating profit of MSEK 1,192, compared with MSEK 7,136 for full year 2015.

CASH FLOW

MSEK	Q4 2016	Q4 2015	Full year 2016	Full year 2015
Cash flow from operating activities before changes in working capital	1,391	715	3,569	3,672
Change in working capital	-993	333	-3,043	162
Capital expenditures (net)	-754	-1,784	-3,288	-6,204
Operating cash flow	-356	-736	-2,762	-2,370

Operating cash flow for the fourth quarter was MSEK -356 (-736). The improvement is mainly due to improved profits and lower capital expenditures payments; this was countered primarily by increased capital tied up in pledged assets for outstanding hedging positions and for accounts receivable.

Operating cash flow for full year 2016 was MSEK -2,762 (-2,370). Cash flow from operating activities is in line with the previous year, which is mainly an effect of improved profits, which were offset by increased expenditures for urban transformation. Working capital was negatively impacted by an increased level of capital tied up in pledged assets for outstanding hedging positions and for accounts receivable. Lower capital expenditures made a positive contribution.



THE LKAB GROUP

NET FINANCIAL INCOME/EXPENSE AND NET FINANCIAL INDEBTEDNESS

Net financial income/expense for the fourth quarter was MSEK -34 (156). The change is mainly due to a new assessment of the financial costs of the urban transformation measures, which had a positive effect on net financial income/expense of MSEK 147 in the fourth quarter 2015.

Net financial income/expense for 2016 was MSEK 613 (-115), which is mainly due to a better return on investments, positive exchange gains and positive effects of hedging activities.

Net financial indebtedness amounts to MSEK 6,330 (3,202). The increase is mainly due to increased borrowing and increased provisions for urban transformation. Net financial indebtedness thereby increased to 20.7 (10.0) percent.

PROPOSED DIVIDEND

The Board proposes to the Annual General Meeting that no dividend is paid to the owner.

CREDIT FACILITIES

MSEK	Nominal	Utilized (nominal)	Available
Commercial paper programme, maturing within one year	5,000	800	4,200
Bond programme	7,000		4,000
Maturing December 2019		2,000	
Maturing June 2021		1,000	
Other bond financing	250	250	
Credit facility	5,000		5,000
Total	17,250	4,050	13,200

During the year LKAB issued corporate bonds to a value of MSEK 1,000 and increased other bond financing by MSEK 250. Utilization of commercial papers decreased by MSEK 200. All credit facilities are subject to 100 percent retention of title.

OUTLOOK FOR 2017

LKAB expects the market situation to remain largely unchanged in 2017. The oversupply situation within iron ore fines remains, which means continued pressure on iron ore prices and thus also on LKAB's profitability.

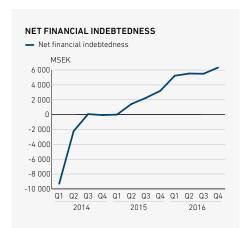
The strategy to maximize pellet production remains in place. In the prevailing market situation, however, planned volume increases for fines products are being deferred until a later date. With iron ore prices expected to remain low, LKAB is continuing its adaptation work, focusing on profitability, productivity improvements and cost cutting in order to improve competitiveness.

Work on urban transformation is continuing in 2017 and is moving into a more intensive phase with an increased number of acquisitions, which means increased payments over the coming year. Provisions for urban transformation will continue to be extensive during 2017.

SEGMENT REPORTING

In 2016 LKAB implemented a new group structure that divides the business into the divisions Production North, Production South and Speciality Products, as well as a segment for supporting operations such as group-wide functions and operations that take place in operating companies. From and including the fourth quarter 2016, the business is being managed and followed up according to the new structure. Earlier periods have been restated in accordance with the new segmentation.

Note 8 provides an overall summary of earnings for each division and for other operating segments, as well as for the Group.





MARKET DEVELOPMENT

THE STEEL AND IRON ORE MARKET

THE GLOBAL STEEL AND IRON ORE INDUSTRY

Global production of crude steel increased in the fourth quarter by 4.5 percent compared with the same period last year. During the quarter steel prices developed positively. Steel exports by China reduced, with increased domestic demand a contributory factor, along with increased trade barriers in the form of protective tariffs in the USA and Europe.

Demand for LKAB's iron ore products remains good, particularly for pellets and high-grade fines. LKAB's European, US and MENA customers are continuing to demand more pellets than contracted due to insufficient deliveries from competitors. Due to the shortage of DR pellets in the market, blast furnace pellets are now being delivered to certain DRI facilities.

Europe

Production of crude steel within the EU28 increased by 5.7 percent during Q4 compared with the same period last year. The automotive industry remains the sector that is doing best and that is driving demand for steel in Europe. Protective tariffs and rising commodity prices have helped keep up steel prices in Europe.

Middle East and North Africa (MENA)

Production of crude steel increased by 24.7 percent during Q4 compared with the same period last year. The oil price strengthened during the quarter, which is positive for the region, but political unrest remains. Demand for DR pellets remains high in the region.

IRON ORE SPOT PRICE DEVELOPMENTS

1 January 2011 – 31 December 2016 Source: PLATTS IODEX 62% Fe CFR North China



USA

Production of crude steel increased by 3.8 percent during Q4 compared with the same period last year. The outcome of the presidential election in the USA has created expectations of major infrastructure investments, which has created optimism in the US steel industry. Imports from China slowed and steel prices increased during the quarter.

China

Production of crude steel increased by 4.1 percent during Q4 compared with the same period last year. China's iron ore imports amounted to 1,020 Mt in 2016, the highest level to date. During the quarter port stocks of iron ore in China increased to around 114 Mt, an increase of 9 percent. The increase since the start of the year is 23 percent.

Iron ore spot price developments

Q4 began with a spot¹ price of USD 55/ tonne. The price then rose strongly during the quarter, peaking at USD 84/tonne in mid-December. The price subsequently fell back somewhat, ending the quarter at USD 80/tonne. The average for the fourth quarter was USD 71/tonne, which was USD 12/tonne higher than in the preceding quarter. The price increase during the quarter was largely speculation-driven, with the outcome of the presidential election in the USA a contributory factor. Quoted pellet premiums for blast furnace pellets and DR pellets increased during the guarter by USD 1/tonne, to USD 36/tonne and USD 46/tonne respectively. The pellet premium in China decreased during the quarter. The price difference between Platts IODEX 65 % Fe and 62% Fe remained large and peaked at USD 4.8/ton per % Fe unit. This reflects increased demand for high quality iron ore products combined with a limited supply of pellets.

THE INDUSTRIAL MINERALS MARKET

Forecasts indicate an increase in the number of gas pipeline projects requiring heavy concrete in the coming years, which has resulted in increased market interest. The water treatment market is stable over time. The construction market, which is project-based and regional in nature, is also relatively steady over time.

¹ Platts iodex 62% fe cfr north china

DIVISION NORTH

Division North comprises mines and processing plant in Kiruna.

OPERATIONS SUMMARY

MSEK	Note	Q4 2016	Q4 2015	Full year 2016	Full year 2015
Net sales		3,305	2,237	10,376	8,606
Underlying operating profit	7	1,179	305	2,891	1,002
Costs for urban transformation provisions		-954	-475	-1,727	-1,308
Impairment of property, plant and equipment					-3,641
Operating profit/loss		225	-170	1,164	-3,947
Capital expenditure		279	312	884	1,258
Depreciation		-364	-317	-1,264	-1,332
Deliveries of iron ore, Mt		4.0	4.1	15.5	14.2
Proportion of pellets, %		88	87	90	87
Production of iron ore products, Mt		4.1	3.9	15.2	13.8

Production remained stable during the quarter. In the processing plants, production was somewhat limited as a result of a fire in one of the benefication plants. The production volume for the fourth quarter was 4.1 (3.9) Mt.

Sales for the quarter were affected mainly by a higher iron ore price compared with the same period last year. The costs, excluding provisions for urban transformation, were somewhat higher than in the same period last year, which was primarily an effect of ongoing chute renovations and higher energy prices. The underlying operating profit for the fourth quarter was MSEK 1,179 (305). Costs of provisions for urban transformation increased, mainly as an result of the agreement between the Swedish Transport Administration and LKAB relating to road E10.

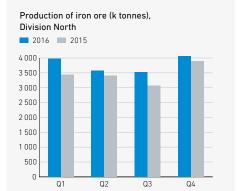
For full year 2016 the production volume increased by 10 percent, primarily through improved production stability. Deliveries increased by nine percent and amounted to 15.5 (14.2) Mt, with the proportion of pellets at 90 (87) percent.

For full year 2016 sales increased by 20 percent, which was mainly due to higher delivery volumes and somewhat higher iron ore prices than last year. Costs, excluding provisions for urban transformation, were somewhat lower than last year. Increased costs as a result of higher production and delivery volumes, as well as chute renovations, were offset by cost efficiencies. Underlying operating profit for full year 2016 was MSEK 2,891 (1,002).

FACTS



- Division North mines and processes iron ore products in Kiruna.
- The mining takes place in the Kiruna underground mine, which has an inclined slab of magnetite that is around 80 metres wide, four kilometres long and extends around two kilometres underground.
- The ore is processed above ground in three benefication plants and three pelletizing plants.
- Division North produces both blast furnace pellets and pellets for steelmaking via direct reduction, known as DR pellets.
- The processed iron ore products are transported along the Malmbanan and Ofotbanen railway lines to the port in Narvik, for shipment to steelworks customers around the world.
- The iron ore operations have a sales organization for the markets in Europe, Asia and the Middle East.



DIVISION SOUTH

Division South covers mines and processing plants in Malmberget and Svappavaara.

OPERATIONS SUMMARY

MSEK	Note	Q4 2016	Q4 2015	Full year 2016	Full year 2015
Net sales		2,119	1,423	7,162	5,998
Underlying operating profit	7	638	-147	1,293	479
Costs for urban transformation provisions		-224	-5	-379	-260
Impairment of property, plant and equipment, MSEK		-1,192		-1,192	-3,495
Operating profit/loss		-778	-152	-278	-3,276
Capital expenditure		286	1,184	1,997	4,004
Depreciation		-243	-143	-782	-794
Deliveries of iron ore products, Mt		2.8	2.8	11.5	10.1
Proportion of pellets, %		76	74	76	80
Production of iron ore products, Mt		3.1	2.8	11.7	10.7

Production remained stable during the final quarter of the year. In Malmberget the production of fines products has been reduced in favour of increased pellet production. The production volume for the quarter was 3.1 (2.8) Mt.

Sales for the quarter increased, primarily as an effect of high iron ore prices, resulting in an improved underlying operating profit. Impairment losses for the Mertainen open-pit mine had a negative effect on operating profit of MSEK 1,192.

For full year 2016 the production volume increased by nine percent, primarily through improved production stability. Deliveries increased by 14 percent and amounted to 11.5 (10.1) Mt, with the proportion of pellets at 76 (80) percent.

For full year 2016 sales increased by 19 percent, due to higher delivery volumes and somewhat higher iron ore prices than last year. Costs, excluding provisions for urban transformation and impairment losses, were higher than last year. The increased costs are mainly due to higher production and delivery volumes and higher energy prices, which to a certain extent were offset by cost efficiencies. The underlying operating profit for full year 2016 was MSEK 1,293 (479).

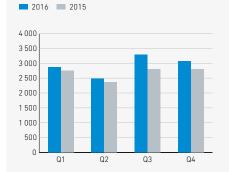
In November an agreement was reached with Gällivare municipality on compensation for municipal premises and land in the affected areas of Malmberget.

FACTS



- Division South mines and processes iron ore products in Malmberget and Syappayaara.
- The mining takes place in Malmberget's underground mine and the Svappavaara open-pit mines.
- Magnetite is mainly mined in the Malmberget mine, but also hematite.
 The mine has around 20 orebodies, of which around 10 are currently mined.
- In Svappavaara ore is mined in the Leveäniemi and Gruvberget open-pit mines.
- The ore is processed above ground in two benefication and pelletizing plants in Malmberget and in one benefication and pelletizing plant in Svappavaara.
- Division South produces both blast furnace pellets and fines.
- The processed iron ore products are transported on the Malmbanan railway line mainly to the port in Luleå and on to European steelworks customers.
- The iron ore operations have a sales organization for the markets in Europe, Asia and the Middle East.

Production of iron ore (k tonnes), Division South



SPECIALITY PRODUCTS

The Speciality Products division encompasses LKAB Minerals, which sells minerals for industrial use, and LKAB Wassara, which sells drilling systems for the mining and construction industries.

OPERATIONS SUMMARY

MSEK	Q4 2016	Q4 2015	Full year 2016	Full year 2015
Net sales	470	363	1,598	1,619
Operating profit before capital gain on sale of operations	24	2	95	89
Operating profit/loss	24	2	95	137
Capital expenditure	4	13	14	31
Depreciation	-10	-9	-33	-36

Net sales for the fourth quarter were 30 percent higher than in the same quarter last year and amounted to 470 (363) Mt. The positive performance is due to, among other things, deliveries of the magnetite product MagnaDense for tunnel construction in London and a number of radiation protection projects in Europe, as well as water treatment in the USA. Operating profit for the guarter was MSEK 24 (2).

In December a major contract was signed for deliveries of MagnaDense to the Tuxpan gas pipeline on the border between the USA and Mexico, which strengthens LKAB Minerals' position in the offshore market. During the period LKAB Wassara received a large order relating to the supply of drilling and pumping equipment for the rebuilding of Slussen in Stockholm.

For full year 2016 net sales and operating profit before capital gains on the sale of operations were higher than last year. Sales volumes increased by 11 percent to 757 (680) kt. To counter the trend towards lower prices and margins, an efficiency programme was implemented during the year which had a positive effect on profits.

FACTS



- The subsidiaries LKAB Minerals and LKAB Wassara form the Speciality Products division.
- LKAB Minerals mines and sells minerals, and processes and sells iron ore for applications outside the steel industry. The business has sales offices and production units in Europe, the US and Asia.
- LKAB Wassara develops and manufactures water-powered precision drilling systems for mining, construction and exploration drilling along with dam construction and geothermal energy.
 Customers are located throughout the world

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OTHER SEGMENTS

Other Segments covers supporting operations such as group-wide functions¹ and operations that take place in certain subsidiaries such as LKAB Berg och Betong. Other operating segments also include financial operations, including transactions and profits relating to financial hedging for iron ore prices, currencies and the purchase of electricity.

OPERATIONS SUMMARY

MSEK	Q4 2016	Q4 2015	Full year 2016	Full year 2015
Net sales excluding hedging	529	566	1,918	2,250
Net sales hedging	-1,371	190	-2,733	-146
Total net sales	-842	756	-815	2,104
Operating profit/loss	-1,325	-103	-2,680	-195
Capital expenditure	188	285	447	1,061
Depreciation	-175	-156	-667	-638

In the fourth quarter hedging activities had a negative effect on net sales and operating profit of MSEK 1,371. The hedges were effected when price levels were low, and this meant that LKAB was not able to take full advantage of the price increase during 2016. The hedging was carried out in order to alleviate the effects of price and exchange rate changes in the market. For full year 2016 net sales and profit were negatively affected by MSEK 2,733 in relation to the hedging activities. Net sales excluding hedging mainly covers the operations within LKAB Berg och Betong.

PARENT COMPANY

OPERATIONS SUMMARY

MSEK	Q4 2016	Q4 2015	Full year 2016	Full year 2015
Net sales	4,424	3,935	14,904	14,770
Underlying operating profit	735	5	902	1,010
Urban transformation expenses	-1,179	-479	-2,106	-1,568
Impairment of property, plant and equipment	-1,184		-1,184	-6,096
Operating profit/loss	-1,628	-474	-2,388	-6,654
Investments in property, plant and equipment	657	1,673	3,087	5,817
Depreciation	-651	-540	-2,213	-2,151
Deliveries of iron ore, Mt	6.8	neg	27.0	24.2
Production of iron ore, Mt	7.1	neg	26.9	24.5

The underlying operating result for full year 2016 was MSEK 902 and was in line with the previous year.

¹ Group-wide functions within other segments include mainly Group functions within HR, communication, finance, and strategic R&D and exploration.

SIGNATURES

This report was not subject to review by the company's auditors.

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CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

MSEK	Q4 2016	Q4 2015	Full year 2016	Full year 2015
Net sales	4,517	4,252	16,343	16,200
Cost of goods sold	-6,107	-4,264	-17,116	-22,280
Gross profit/loss	-1,589	-11	-773	-6,080
Selling expenses	-40	-46	-143	-165
Administrative expenses	-121	-150	-464	-512
Research and development expenses	-92	-115	-245	-365
Other operating income	61	44	227	318
Other operating expenses	-63	-73	-279	-354
Operating profit/loss	-1,844	-351	-1,677	-7,156
Financial income	38	163	898	293
Financial expense	-72	-7	-285	-408
Net financial income/expense	-34	156	613	-115
Profit/loss before tax	-1,878	-195	-1,063	-7,271
Tax	272	-40	85	1,585
Profit/loss for the period	-1,606	-235	-978	-5,686
Attributable to Parent Company shareholders	-1,606	-235	-978	-5,686
Earnings per share before and after dilution (SEK)	-2,294	-335	-1,397	-8,122
Number of shares	700,000	700,000	700,000	700,000

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

MSEK	Q4 2016	Q4 2015	Full year 2016	Full year 2015
Profit/loss for the period	-1,606	-235	-978	-5,686
Other comprehensive income for the period				
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss				
Actuarial gains and losses	235	141	-79	173
Tax attributable to actuarial gains and losses	-52	-31	17	-38
Total items that will not be reclassified to profit for the year	183	110	-62	135
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss				
Gains/losses on translation of foreign operations for the period	-18	-61	67	-85
Change in fair value of available-for-sale financial assets for the period	203	-74	345	-284
Changes in fair value of cash flow hedges for the period	-792	124	-969	126
Changes in fair value of cash flow hedges transferred to profit for the year	421	-77	-232	414
Tax attributable to components of cash flow hedges	81	-11	264	-119
Total items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss	-105	-99	-525	52
Other comprehensive income	78	11	-587	187
Total comprehensive income for the period attributable to the Parent Company shareholders	-1,528	-224	-1,565	-5,499

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

MSEK	31 Dec 2016	31 Dec 2015
ASSETS		
Non-current assets		
Intangible assets	212	215
Property, plant and equipment for operations	32,076	32,462
Property, plant and equipment for urban transformation	2,009	2,235
Participations in associated companies	38	45
Financial investments	1,096	581
Deferred tax asset	30	19
Total non-current assets	35,461	35,558
Current assets		
Inventories	2,836	2,915
Accounts receivable	2,094	1,320
Prepaid expenses and accrued income	815	282
Other current receivables	2,525	1,392
Current investments	11,271	10,225
Cash and cash equivalents	2,624	4,335
Total current assets	22,165	20,470
TOTAL ASSETS	57,626	56,028
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Equity Characapital	700	700
Share capital Reserves	-373	152
	30,224	31,264
Retained earnings incl. profit for the year Equity attributable to Parent Company shareholders	30,551	32,116
Total equity	30,551	32,116
Total equity	30,331	32,110
Non-current liabilities		
Non-current interest-bearing liabilities	3,234	1,996
Other liabilities	4	
Provisions for pensions and similar commitments	1,877	1,860
Provisions for urban transformation	9,914	10,951
Other provisions	1,198	1,178
Deferred tax liabilities	1,512	1,915
Total non-current liabilities	17,740	17,900
Current liabilities		
Current interest-bearing liabilities	1,871	1,000
Trade payables	1,283	1,573
Other current liabilities	1,343	443
Accrued expenses and deferred income	1,559	1,560
Provisions for urban transformation	3,148	1,283
Other provisions	131	152
Total current liabilities	9,335	6,011
Total liabilities	27,075	23,911
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	57,626	56,028

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

EQUITY ATTRIBUTABLE TO PARENT COMPANY SHAREHOLD				HOLDERS		
			Rese	erves		
MSEK	Share capital	Translation reserve	Fair value reserve	Hedging reserve	Retained earings including profit for the year	Total equity
Opening equity 1 Jan 2015	700	-65	481	-316	36,954	37,754
Profit/loss for the year					-5,686	-5,686
Other comprehensive income for the year		-85	-284	421	135	187
Comprehensive income for the year		-85	-284	421	-5,551	-5,499
Dividend					-139	-139
Closing equity 31 Dec 2015	700	-150	197	105	31,264	32,116

EQUITY ATTRIBUTABLE TO PARENT COMPANY SHAREHOLDE				HOLDERS		
			Rese	erves		
MSEK	Share capital	Translation reserve	Fair value reserve	Hedging reserve	Retained earings including profit for the year	Total equity
Opening equity 1 Jan 2016	700	-150	197	105	31,264	32,116
Profit/loss for the year					-978	-978
Other comprehensive income for the year		67	345	-937	-62	-587
Comprehensive income for the year		67	345	-937	-1,040	-1,565
Dividend						
Closing equity 31 Dec 2016	700	-83	542	-832	30,224	30,551

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

1 January – 31 December				
MSEK	Q4 2016	Q4 2015	Full year 2016	Full year 2015
Operating activities				
Profit/loss before tax	-1,878	-195	-1,063	-7,271
Adjustment for items not included in cash flow	3,083	974	5,780	11,559
Income tax paid	379	-13	-58	-315
Expenditures, urban transformation	-152	-51	-1,035	-291
Expenditures, other provisions	-40		-55	-10
Cash flow from operating activities before changes in working capital	1,391	715	3,569	3,672
Cash flow from changes in working capital				
Increase (-)/Decrease (+) in inventories	-101	108	79	-362
Increase (-)/Decrease (+) in operating receivables	-802	-270	-2,610	300
Increase (+)/Decrease (-) in operating liabilities	-90	495	-511	224
Change in working capital	-993	333	-3,043	162
Cash flow from operating activities	399	1,048	526	3,834
Investing activities	-756	1.700	2.2/1	/ 25/
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment		-1,793	-3,341	-6,354
Disposal of property, plant and equipment	2	9	53	150
Acquisition/divestment of financial assets	-794	1,193	-1,159	1,357
Cash flow from investing activities	-1,548	-591	-4,447	-4,847
Financing activities				
Borrowing	532	200	2,114	204
Adjustment of other provisions		-96		-96
Dividends paid to Parent Company shareholders				-139
Cash flow from financing activities	532	104	2,114	-31
Cash flow for the period	-618	561	-1,807	-1,044
Cash and cash equivalents at start of period	3,187	3,775	4,335	5,358
Exchange rate difference in cash and cash equivalents	55	0	96	22
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	2,624	4,335	2,624	4,335
Change in cash and cash equivalents	-618	561	-1,807	-1,044
Sub-components of cash and cash equivalents				
Cash and bank balances			2,524	2,548
Current investments (maturity <90 days)			100	1,787
Cash and cash equivalents			2,624	4,335
Consolidated operating cash flow	0.7	4.07.0	50/	0.05
Cash flow from operating activities	399	1,048	526	3,834
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	-756	-1,793	-3,341	-6,354
Disposal of property, plant and equipment	2	9	53	150
Operating cash flow (excluding current investments)	-356	-736	-2,762	-2,370
Acquisition/disposal of financial assets (net)	-794	1,193	-1,159	1,357
Cash flow after investing activities	-1,150	457	-3,921	-1,013
Cash flow from financing activities	532	104	2,114	-31
Cash flow for the period	-618	561	-1,807	-1,044

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INCOME STATEMENT

1 January – 31 December

MSEK	Q4 2016	Q4 2015	Full year 2016	Full year 2015
Net sales	4,424	3,935	14,904	14,770
Cost of goods sold	-5,868	-4,162	-16,687	-20,675
Gross profit/loss	-1,444	-227	-1,784	-5,905
Selling expenses	-11	-18	-38	-51
Administrative expenses	-78	-105	-293	-343
Research and development expenses	-97	-122	-278	-373
Other operating income	12	4	15	36
Other operating expenses	-10	-5	-10	-17
Operating profit/loss	-1,628	-474	-2,388	-6,654
Profit/loss from financial items	-72	62	854	-52
Profit/loss after financial items	-1,700	-412	-1,534	-6,706
Appropriations	-752	1,645	-752	1,645
Profit/loss before tax	-2,451	1,233	-2,285	-5,061
Tax	403	-312	421	1,082
Profit/loss for the year	-2,048	921	-1,865	-3,979

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

MSEK	Q4 2016	Q4 2015	Full year 2016	Full year 2015
Profit/loss for the period	-2,048	921	-1,865	-3,979
Other comprehensive income for the period				
Comprehensive income for the period	-2,048	921	-1,865	-3,979

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BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December

MSEK	31 Dec 2016	31 Dec 2015
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Assets		
Non-current assets		
Intangible assets	48	38
Property, plant and equipment for operations	26,449	27,076
Property, plant and equipment for urban transformation	2,009	2,235
Financial assets		
Participations in subsidiaries	2,120	1,884
Participations in associated companies	40	40
Receivables from subsidiaries	1,604	1,242
Other non-current securities	246	131
Other non-current receivables	110	107
Deferred tax asset	2,380	1,960
Total financial assets	6,501	5,365
Total non-current assets	35,007	34,714
Current assets		
Inventories	2,333	2,277
Current receivables		
Accounts receivable	1,785	1,063
Receivables from subsidiaries	1,201	1,324
Other current receivables	2,414	961
Prepaid expenses and accrued income	769	296
Total current receivables	6,170	3,645
Constitution	44.445	11.000
Current investments	11,115	11,800
Cash and bank balances	2,124	2,338
Total current assets	21,742	20,060
Total assets	56,748	54,774

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BALANCE SHEET

MSEK	31 Dec 2016	31 Dec 2015
Equity and liabilities		
Equity		
Restricted equity		
Share capital (700,000 shares)	700	700
Statutory reserve	697	697
Non-restricted equity		
Retained earnings	16,025	20,003
Profit/loss for the year	-1,865	-3,979
Total equity	15,557	17,422
Untaxed reserves	17,663	16,624
Provisions		
Provisions for urban transformation	9,914	10,951
Other provisions	1,486	1,526
Total provisions	11,400	12,478
Non-current liabilities		
Bond loans	3,234	1,996
Other non-current liabilities	4	1,770
Total non-current liabilities	3,238	1,996
Current liabilities		
Liabilities to credit institutions	1,871	1,000
Trade payables	929	1,000
Liabilities to subsidiaries	1,298	1,170
Other current liabilities	109	204
Accrued expenses and deferred income	1,403	1,346
Provisions for urban transformation	3,148	1,283
Other provisions	131	152
Total current liabilities	8,890	6,254
Total equity and liabilities	56,748	54,774

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NOTE 1

Accounting principles

This interim report was prepared in accordance with IAS 34, Interim Financial Reporting, and applicable regulations in the Annual Accounts Act. Disclosures in accordance with IAS 34 are provided both in notes and elsewhere in the interim report. The interim report for the Parent Company was prepared in accordance with Chapter 9 of the Annual Accounts Act, Interim Reporting.

All amounts in this interim report are presented in SEK millions (MSEK) unless otherwise indicated. Rounding differences may occur.

The accounting principles applied in this interim report conform with the accounting principles applied in the preparation of the 2015 Annual Report. New and amended standards and interpretations from the IASB have had no impact on consolidated earnings, financial position or formulation of the interim report. There have been no significant changes in the structure of the Group during the period.

NOTE 2

Risks and uncertainties

LKAB is exposed to various risks. Risk management plays a vital part in minimising the impact of factors that lie beyond the Group's control. The Group employs methods for evaluating and limiting these risks by ensuring that they are managed according to approved guidelines and methods.

LKAB works actively to identify, analyze and control how various types of risks affect the business and how LKAB can best avoid or confront them. Effective risk management is a business-critical success factor.

Major risks are LKAB's access to land for the mining operations, volume dependency, the price of iron ore products and transaction exposure in USD.

For further information concerning risks, please refer to LKAB's 2015 Annual Report.

NOTE 3

Significant assumptions and estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires management and the Board of Directors to make assessments and assumptions that affect recognized assets, liabilities, income and expenses and other information provided, such as contingent liabilities. For further information concerning these, please refer to LKAB's 2015 Annual Report.

NOTE 4

Events after the end of the reporting period

There are no significant events after the end of the reporting period to report.

NOTE 5

Transactions with related parties

No transactions that have significantly affected the company's financial position and earnings took place between LKAB and related parties.

NOTE 6

Disclosures regarding financial instruments

The table below shows the financial instruments measured at fair value in the statement of financial position.

Group, 31 Dec 2016

•				
(MSEK)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Shares, financial assets	738			738
Shares, current holdings		3,496		3,496
Interest-bearing instruments		7,775		7,775
Cash and cash equivalents (short-term investments with maturities under three months)		100		100
Derivatives	-911	-189		-1,100
Total	-173	11,182		11,009

Group, 31 Dec 2015

(MSEK)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Shares, financial assets	279			279
Shares, current holdings		3,014		3,014
Interest-bearing instruments		7,211		7,211
Cash and cash equivalents (short-term investments with maturities under three months)		1,787		1,787
Derivatives	244	-70		174
Total	523	11,942		12,465

Fair value calculation

The following summarizes the methods and assumptions mainly used in determining the fair value of financial instruments reported in the table above.

Level 1

Quoted prices (unadjusted) on active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2

Inputs other than quoted market prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices).

Level 3

Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

Interest-bearing instruments

The value of interest-bearing instruments is calculated using data from the interest-bearing securities market, obtained from Bloomberg.

Shares and alternative investments

The value of these investments is calculated using data from the stock market or received directly from brokers.

Derivatives

The fair value of derivative contracts is calculated using official quotations obtained from Bloomberg.

No transfers have been made between Levels 1 and 2.

Fair value of other receivables and liabilities

The carrying amount of other receivables and liabilities is estimated to be a reasonable approximation of fair value.

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NOTE 7

Key ratios - disclosures

Alternative key ratios

The company also presents certain non-IFRS financial benchmarks and key ratios in the interim report. The management considers this supplementary information to be important if readers of this report are to obtain an understanding of the company's financial position and performance.

Definitions

Return on equity Profit/loss after tax as a percentage of average

equity (rolling 12-month figures).

 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{Underlying operating profit} & \text{Operating profit/loss excluding costs for urban} \\ & \text{transformation provisions and impairment of} \end{array}$

property, plant and equipment.

ing activities relating to property, plant and

equipment.

assets.

Reconciliation

Underlying operating profit

			Full	Full
(MSEK)	Q4 2016	Q4 2015	year 2016	year 2015
Operating profit/loss	-1,844	-351	-1,677	-7,156
Less:				
Costs for urban transformation provisions	1,179	479	2,106	1,568
Impairment of property, plant and equipment	1,192		1,192	7,136
Underlying operating profit	527	128	1,621	1,548

Operating cash flow

A reconciliation of operating cash flow can be found in the section The LKAB Group in summary.

Net financial indebtedness

(MSEK)	31 Dec 2016	31 Dec 2015
Loans payable	5,105	2,996
Provisions for pensions	1,877	1,860
Provisions, urban transformation	13,062	12,234
Provisions, remediation	1,276	1,253
Less:		
Cash and cash equivalents	-2,624	-4,335
Current investments	-11,271	-10,225
Financial investments	-1,096	-581
Net financial indebtedness	6,330	3,202
Net debt/equity ratio		
(MSEK)	31 Dec 2016	31 Dec 2015
Net financial indebtedness, MSEK	6,330	3,202
Equity, MSEK	30,551	32,116
Net debt/equity ratio, %	20.7	10.0

NOTE 8

Group overview

Segment information is provided on pages 5-8 of the interim report.

The divisions in summary, Q1-Q4 2016

MSEK	Division North	Division South	Speciality Products	Other	Eliminations/ group adjustments	Group
External income	10,301	6,998	1,542	-2,559	61	16,343
Internal income	75	164	56	1,744	-2,039	
Total	10,376	7,162	1,598	-815	-1,978	16,343
Operating profit/loss	1,164	-278	95	-2,680	22	-1,677

The divisions in summary, Q1-Q4 2015

MSEK	Division North	Division South	Speciality Products	Other	Eliminations/ group adjustments	Group
External income	8,519	5,860	1,556	265		16,200
Internal income	87	138	63	1,839	-2,127	
Total	8,606	5,998	1,619	2,104	-2,127	16,200
Operating profit/loss	-3,947	-3,276	137	-195	125	-7,156

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NOTE 9

Pledged assets and contingent liabilities

Pleaged assets		
(MSEK)	31 Dec 2016	31 Dec 2015
As pledged assets for own liabilities and provisions		
Company-owned endowment insurance	110	107
Deposit of cash and cash equivalents	121	159
Collateral provided, derivatives	1,465	461

1,071

2,767

727

Contingent liabilities		
(MSEK)	31 Dec 2016	31 Dec 2015
Guarantees, FPG/PRI	14	14
Guarantees, GP plan	5	4
Guarantees, Swedish Tax Agency	76	76
Surety given for subsidiaries	49	57
Collateral, remediation	72	88
Total contingent liabilities	216	240

NOTE 10

Collateral provided, bonds

Total pledged assets

Quarterly data for the Group

The table below shows the performance of the LKAB Group by quarter.

Quarterly data LKAB Group

MSEK Note	Q4 2016	Q3 2016	Q2 2016	Q1 2016	Q4 2015	Q3 2015	Q2 2015	Q1 2015
Net sales	4,517	4,258	3,800	3,768	4,252	4,203	3,567	4,177
Underlying operating profit	527	762	-174	507	128	798	23	599
Costs for urban transformation provisions	-1,179	-489	-103	-335	-479	-613	-251	-224
Impairment of property, plant and equipment	-1,192					-7,136		
Operating profit/loss	-1,844	273	-277	171	-351	-6,951	-228	375
Net financial income/expense	-34	359	108	180	156	-313	-320	361
Profit/loss before tax	-1,878	632	-169	352	-195	-7,264	-548	736
Operating cash flow	-356	214	-644	-1,978	-736	-417	-1,488	293
Investments in property, plant and equipment	756	673	1,024	888	1,793	1,369	1,595	1,597
Deliveries of iron ore products, Mt	6.8	7.2	6.7	6.3	6.8	6.2	5.3	5.9
Proportion of pellets, deliveries %	84	84	83	86	82	83	84	87
Production of iron ore products, Mt	7.1	6.8	6.1	6.9	6.7	5.9	5.8	6.2
Return on equity	neg	1.2	neg	neg	neg	neg	neg	neg
Net debt/equity ratio	20.7	17.2	17.6	16.5	10.0	7.0	3.7	0

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LKAB IN BRIEF

EUROPE

LKAB is the EU's largest iron ore producer and mines around 76 percent of all iron ore within the EU

100%

LKAB is a 100% state-owned company

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LKAB is the world's second largest supplier of iron ore pellets

125 YEARS

LKAB is one of Sweden's oldest industrial companies and has customer relationships dating back more than a century

4,200

The Group has around 4,200 employees in total

LKAB is organized into 3 divisions

PRODUCTION NORTH:
Kiruna

PRODUCTION SOUTH:Malmberget and Svappavaara

SPECIALITY PRODUCTS:
LKAB Minerals and LKAB Wassara

