



Fortum has received clearance of regulatory approvals for the recommended voluntary cash tender offer for Elmera ASA

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Reference is made to the recommended voluntary cash offer by Fortum Consumer Solutions AS (the "**Offeror**"), a company wholly owned by Fortum Oyj ("**Fortum**"), to acquire all issued and outstanding shares in Elmera Group ASA ("**Elmera**"), except for shares owned by Elmera, at a price of NOK 47 per share on the terms and conditions set out in the offer document dated 20 August 2026 (the "**Offer Document**") (the "**Offer**"). Reference is further made to the stock exchange announcement published on 21 August 2026 regarding commencement of the period where shareholders of Elmera may accept the Offer subject to the terms and conditions in the Offer Document (the "**Offer Period**").

The Offeror hereby announces that the Closing Condition (as defined in the Offer Document) relating to Regulatory Approvals (as defined in the Offer Document) as set out in Section 3.4 (c) "Conditions for completion of the Offer" of the Offer Document has been satisfied following clearance by the Norwegian Competition Authority. Clearances from the competition authorities in Sweden and Finland as well as the Swedish Inspectorate of Strategic Products have also been obtained.

The Offer remains subject to the other Closing Conditions set out in Section 3.4 "Conditions for completion of the Offer" of the Offer Document, including the Closing Condition in Section 3.4 (a) "Minimum Acceptance" relating to shareholders of Elmera representing more than 90% of the issued and outstanding share capital and voting rights of Elmera on a fully diluted basis having validly accepted the Offer (as defined and described in the Offer Document).

The Offer Period will expire on 18 September 2026 at 16:30 CEST, subject to any extensions at the sole discretion of the Offeror, as described in the Offer Document.

Shareholders who want to accept the Offer must, prior to expiry of the Offer Period and in accordance with the procedures set out in the Offer Document, duly complete and return the acceptance form which is included in the Offer Document. Shareholders who are private individuals and have a Norwegian BankID can accept the Offer electronically by submitting an Acceptance through the following link: www.paretosec.com/transactions.

Shareholders who own shares registered in the name of brokers, banks, investment companies or other nominees, must contact such persons to accept the Offer.

Subject to regulatory restrictions in certain jurisdictions, the Offer Document is available at the following webpage: www.paretosec.com/transactions.

The Offer may only be accepted on the basis of the Offer Document. The complete terms and conditions for the Offer are set out in the Offer Document.

Advisors

Advokatfirmaet BAHR AS is acting as legal advisor to the Offeror, while Pareto Securities AS is acting as financial advisor to the Offeror. Advokatfirmaet Haavind AS is acting as legal advisor to Elmera, while ABG Sundal Collier ASA is acting as its financial advisor.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The terms and conditions of the Offer are governed by Norwegian law and carried out in conformity with the requirements of Norwegian law. The Offer and the distribution of this announcement and other information in connection with the Offer may be restricted by law in certain jurisdictions. The Offer Document and related acceptance forms will not and may not be distributed, forwarded or transmitted into or within any jurisdiction where it is prohibited by applicable law, including, without limitation Australia, Canada, Japan, New Zealand, South Africa, South Korea and Hong Kong, or any other jurisdiction in which it would be unlawful. The Offeror does not assume any responsibility in the event there is a violation by any person of such restrictions. Persons in the United States should review "Notice to U.S. Holders" below. Persons into whose possession this announcement or such other information should come are required to inform themselves about and to observe any such restrictions.

This announcement is for information purposes only and is not an offer or a tender offer document and, as such, is not intended to constitute or form any part of an offer or the solicitation of an offer to purchase, otherwise acquire, subscribe for, sell or otherwise dispose of any securities, or the solicitation of any vote or approval in any jurisdiction, pursuant to the Offer or otherwise. Investors may accept the Offer only on the basis of the information provided in the Offer Document. The Offer is not made directly or indirectly in any jurisdiction where either an offer or participation therein is prohibited by applicable law or where any tender offer document or registration or other requirements would apply in addition to those undertaken in Norway.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This announcement, oral statements made regarding the acquisition contemplated by the Transaction Agreement (the "Acquisition") or the Offer, and other information published by Elmera, Fortum or the Offeror, contain certain information and statements that may constitute "forward-looking information" or "forward-looking statements" under applicable securities legislation ("forward-looking statements"). Forward-looking statements are statements that are not historical facts and are generally, but not always, identified by the use of words such as "will", "plans", "expects", "is expected", "budget", "scheduled", "estimates", "continues", "forecasts", "projects", "predicts", "intends", "anticipates", "aims", "targets" or "believes", or variations of, or the negatives of, such words and phrases or state that certain actions, events or results "may", "could", "would", "should", "might" or "will" be taken, occur or be achieved.

Inherent in forward-looking statements are risks, uncertainties and other factors beyond Elmera's, Fortum's and/or the Offeror's ability to predict or control.

All statements, other than statements of historical facts, included in this press release that address future events, developments or performance are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include, among other things, statements regarding the expected timing and scope of the Acquisition, including expectations regarding whether the Acquisition will be completed, including whether any conditions to the completion of the Acquisition will be satisfied or waived; the anticipated timing for completion of the Offer and the Acquisition; the expected effects of the Acquisition on Elmera or the Offeror; and other statements other than historical facts. Such forward-looking statements are prospective in nature and are not based on historical facts, but rather on current expectations and on numerous assumptions including regarding the business strategies and the environment in which Elmera or the Offeror may operate in the future.

Although Elmera, Fortum and the Offeror believe the expectations expressed in such forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors, most of which are beyond the control of such parties, which may cause actual results, performance or achievements to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements.

If any one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialises or if any one or more of the assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may differ materially from those expected, estimated or projected. Such forward-looking statements should therefore be construed in the light of such factors. Neither Elmera, Fortum, the Offeror, nor any member of their respective groups, nor any of their respective members, associates or directors, officers or advisers, provides any representation, assurance or guarantee that the occurrence of the events expressed or implied in any forward-looking statements in this announcement will actually occur. Given these risks and uncertainties, potential investors should not place any reliance on forward-looking statements.

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No profit forecasts or estimates

No statement in this announcement is intended as a profit forecast or profit estimate and no statement in this announcement should be interpreted to mean that earnings or earnings per share for the current or future financial years would necessarily match or exceed the historical published earnings or earnings per share. Certain figures included in this announcement have been subjected to rounding adjustments. Accordingly, figures shown for the same category presented in different tables may vary slightly and figures shown as totals in certain tables may not be an arithmetic aggregation of the figures that precede them.

Notice to U.S. Holders

Holders of Shares in the United States ("U.S. Holders") are advised that the Shares are not listed on a U.S. securities exchange and that Elmera is not subject to the periodic reporting requirements of the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "U.S. Exchange Act"), and is not required to, and does not, file any reports with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission thereunder.

The Offer is made for the issued and outstanding Shares of Elmera (other than Shares owned by Elmera), a company incorporated under Norwegian law, and is subject to Norwegian disclosure and procedural requirements, which are different from those of the United States. The Offer is made to U.S. Holders as a "Tier I" tender offer as provided in Rule 14d-1(c) of Regulation 14D under the U.S. Exchange Act, to the extent applicable and subject to any available exemptions, and otherwise in compliance with the disclosure and procedural requirements of Norwegian law, including with respect to the Offer timetable, settlement procedures and timing of payments, which may be different from requirements or customary practices in relation to tender offers for U.S. domestic issuers that are subject to the more fulsome requirements of Regulation 14D and 14E under the U.S Exchange Act.

The Offer is made to U.S. Holders on the same terms and conditions as those made to all other holders of Shares to whom the Offer is made. Any information document, including the Offer Document, is and will be disseminated to U.S. Holders in English on a basis comparable to the method that such documents are provided to Elmera's other shareholders to whom the Offer is made. The Offer is made by the Offeror and no one else. U.S. Holders are encouraged to consult with their own advisors regarding the Offer.

To the extent permissible under applicable law or regulations, the Offeror and its affiliates or brokers (acting as agents for the Offeror or its affiliates, as applicable) may from time to time and during the pendency of the Offer, and other than pursuant to the Offer, directly or indirectly, purchase or arrange to purchase, Shares or any securities that are convertible into, exchangeable for or exercisable for such Shares outside the United States, so long as those acquisitions or arrangements comply with applicable Norwegian law and practice and the provisions of such exemption. These purchases may occur either in the open market at prevailing prices or in private transactions at negotiated prices.

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