



Q2 and H1 2015

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# FINANCIAL REPORT Q2 AND H1 2015

High level of activity and good earnings for the pelagic segment

Good fishing season in Peru, with Austral Group fishing 100% of its quota for the season compared with 78% in Q2 2014

Good results within farming despite higher release from stock costs in the quarter compared with Q2 2014

During the quarter, Austevoll Seafood ASA issued a new unsecured bond loan of NOK 500 million with maturity of 6 years at 3-month NIBOR +2.90%

# **KEY FIGURES FOR THE GROUP**

All figures in NOK 1,000	Q2 2015	(restated) Q2 2014	H1 2015	(restated) H1 2014	2014
Operating revenue	4 107 801	3 606 154	7 653 630	7 248 147	14 344 177
EBITDA	777 727	729 162	1 294 692	1 498 594	2 516 189
EBITDA %	19%	20%	17%	21%	18%
EBIT	605 116	580 400	953 823	1 200 796	1 855 768
Pre tax profit	353 491	319 805	299 866	447 235	1 346 473
Earnings per share (EPS) from continuing operations	0,91	0,66	0,81	1,14	2,76
Total assets			23 246 239	20 806 350	23 343 997
Equity			12 132 248	11 227 309	12 360 106
Equity ratio			52%	54%	53%
Net interest bearing debt (NIBD)/			4 559 598	3 868 660	3 959 866

#### Q2 2015

Group operating revenue in Q2 2015 totalled NOK 4,108 million, compared with NOK 3,606 million in Q2 2014.

The Group's operating profit before depreciation and value adjustment for biomass (EBITDA) for Q2 2015 was NOK 778 million, up from NOK 729 million in Q2 2014.

The Group reported an increase in revenue from the salmon and trout segment but a lower EBITDA, mainly caused by higher release from stock costs in the quarter compared with Q2 2014. The fishing season for anchoveta in Central/North Peru started on 1 April. The quota for the season was set at 2,580,000 tonnes. The earlier start to the season and better fishing conditions meant that almost the full quota had been caught by the end of the second quarter. In addition, significant volumes of fishmeal from the season's production were realised in the second quarter, leading to an increase in revenue and EBITDA compared with Q2 2014.

EBIT before value adjustment for biomass in Q2 2015 was NOK 605 million (Q2 2014: NOK 580 million). EBIT after value adjustment for biomass in Q2 2015 was NOK 380 million (Q2 2014: NOK 357 million). The IFRS biomass adjustment for the quarter was negative at NOK 225 million (Q2 2014: negative at NOK 224 million).

Income from associates in Q2 2015 totalled NOK 46 million (Q2 2014: NOK 5 million).

The largest associates are Norskott Havbruk AS (owner of the Scottish fish-farming company Scottish Sea Farms Ltd.) and Pelagia AS.

The Group's net interest expense in Q2 2015 totalled NOK 60 million (Q2 2014: NOK 46 million).

Profit before tax and IFRS biomass adjustment for Q2 2015 amounted to NOK 586 million, compared with NOK 571 million in Q2 2014.

Profit before tax for the quarter totalled NOK 353 million (Q2 2014: NOK 320 million). Profit after tax was NOK 231 million (Q2 2014: NOK 233 million).

The Group is financially sound with an equity ratio of 52%. The Group had net interest-bearing debt totalling NOK 4,560 million at 30 June 2015, compared with NOK 3,869 million at 30 June 2014. The Group paid dividends of NOK 684 million in Q2 2015, compared with NOK 564 million in Q2 2014.

# **OPERATING SEGMENTS**

# Austral Group S.A.A (Peru)

Austral Group S.A.A (Austral) is involved in fishing, production of fishmeal and oil, and consumer products. Austral holds 6.87% of the total quota for anchoveta in Central/North Peru

and just under 4% of the quota in South Peru. In addition, the company has fishing rights for horse mackerel and mackerel. Anchoveta is used to produce fishmeal and oil, and horse mackerel/mackerel is fished for consumer products. The main fishing seasons for anchoveta in Central/North Peru are from April to July and November to January. Following restructuring, fishmeal and oil are now produced in four factories, located in Coishco, Chancay, Pisco and Ilo. The company also has two factories producing consumer products that share premises with the fishmeal and oil factories in Coishco and Pisco.

The fishing season for anchoveta in Central/North Peru started on 1 April, and the total quota for the season was set at 2,580,000 tonnes; the equivalent quota in 2014 was 2,530,000 tonnes. The season originally ended on 30 June but was extended until 31 July. By the end of Q2 2015, Austral had caught almost its entire quota for the first season, whereas challenging fishing conditions in 2014 meant that only 66% of the total national quota had been caught at the end of the season on 10 August 2014. However, Austral had caught 78% of its quota for the first season of 2014.

The earlier start to the season in 2015 and better fishing conditions have resulted in significant volumes of fishmeal from the season's production being sold in the second quarter, leading to a marked increase in revenue and EBITDA compared with Q2 2014.

Operating revenue in Q2 2015 totalled NOK 534 million (Q2 2014: NOK 242 million) and EBITDA NOK 242 million (Q2 2014: NOK 57 million).

Approx. 32,600 tonnes of fishmeal and oil were sold in Q2 2015, compared with approx. 16,800 tonnes in the same quarter of 2014.

Peru is one of the largest producers of fishmeal and oil in the world, and production volumes here normally influence fishmeal prices worldwide. The extraordinarily low catches in the second season of 2014 led to substantial increases in fishmeal prices in the second half of the year. The prices for fishmeal and oil underwent a downwards correction after the quotas were set for the first season of 2015.

#### Foodcorp Chile S.A (Chile)

Foodcorp Chile S.A (FC) is involved in fishing, consumer products, and production of fishmeal and oil. FC has a quota of 9.1% for horse mackerel in South Chile in addition to a quota for sardine/anchoveta. All FC's facilities share the same premises in Coronel.

The main season for horse mackerel fishing is from December to July. The main season for sardine/anchoveta fishing is divided into two periods. The first period starts in March and lasts until July/August, and the second period starts in October/November.

The horse mackerel-fishing season started in January but there was no fishing in February and large parts of March. Fishing restarted at the end of March and has been stable since then. This year's fishing pattern means that the volume of horse mackerel caught in Q2 2015 is higher than in Q2 2014 (31,000 tonnes against

28,000), while the total volume caught in the first half of the year is lower than in the same period of 2014 (37,000 tonnes against 48,000 tonnes). By the end of Q2 2015, FC had caught approx. 70% of its total 2015 quota of horse mackerel. By the end of Q2 2014, FC had caught 91% of its total 2014 quota of horse mackerel.

As normal, the fishing season for sardine/anchoveta started in mid-March, and FC caught its 2015 quota in the first quarter. FC also buys in a significant volume of sardine/anchoveta from the coastal fleet. The coastal fleet experienced a difficult start to the season with a predominance of small fish. As a result, fishing was suspended in some areas but later resumed for this group, with a good second quarter.

Operating revenue in Q2 2015 totalled NOK 133 million (Q2 2014: NOK 178 million) and EBITDA amounted to NOK 40 million (Q2 2014: NOK 53 million).

Lower volumes of finished products were sold in Q2 2015 compared with Q2 2014.

Chile has seen a significant decline in horse mackerel fishing since 2008/2009. Fish stock management was introduced in 2012, under the auspices of the South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organization. A total quota for fish stocks was introduced for the first time in 2012 in order to replenish biomass, and has been increased slightly in subsequent years. We consider that the current practice of conservative management lays the foundations for a sustainable biomass in the long term and, consequently, increased activities for the Group's business in Chile.

## Lerøy Seafood Group ASA (LSG)

In Q2 2015, LSG reported operating revenue of NOK 3,352 million (Q2 2014: NOK 3,176 million) and EBITDA before value adjustment for biomass of NOK 470 million (Q2 2014: NOK 590 million).

The company has harvested 40,000 tonnes gutted weight of salmon and trout in the quarter, down 2% on 41,000 tonnes in Q2 2014. The main reason for the reduction in EBITDA from Q2 2014 to Q2 2015 is higher release from stock costs for ownproduced salmon and trout. The industry's spot price for salmon in Q2 2015 was down by an average of 6% compared with Q2 2014 and by NOK 3 compared with Q1 2015. The prices LSG realised for salmon fell less than this thanks to contract coverage; the share of contracts in Q2 2015 was 27%. The prices realised for trout in Q2 2015 were again below the prices realised for salmon. Release from stock costs were marginally up in Q2 2015 compared with Q1 2015, and remain at an extraordinarily high level historically. The release from stock costs for trout are particularly high. Measures implemented and investments made by LSG in 2014 and 2015, especially those involving cleaner fish, will reduce production costs throughout 2015 and into 2016.

On 7 August 2014, Russia introduced a ban on various imports, including Norwegian salmon and trout. This import ban remains in place and is particularly affecting the market for

trout. There is good growth in markets outside Europe but, nevertheless, the main trend indicates that the volume sold to Russia in Q2 2014 was sold to Europe in Q2 2015. As a result, the growth in supply on important end markets in Europe is much higher than indicated by the figures for growth in exports from Norway. This dynamic has also had a negative impact on the prices for Atlantic salmon in the first half of 2015, although the impact on the price of trout has been significantly greater. Major efforts are under way to boost sales to alternative markets and will produce results in the long-term. However, the prices realised for trout in Q2 2015 were again significantly below the prices realised for salmon. As the world's largest producer of trout, this means LSG has suffered a significant negative impact on its realised prices in Q2 2015.

LSG has a total of 142 licences: 26 in Troms, 55 in Central Norway and 61 in West Norway.

LSG has invested significantly in increasing its capacity for high-value processed salmon and trout in recent years, and its marketing work, coupled with good domestic and international customers, has resulted in improved capacity utilisation. The company's strategy has included making significant investments in processing facilities, in order to be part of the "revolution" in the distribution of fresh seafood. These investments involve what are known as "fish-cuts": processing facilities where freshness, service and proximity to the customer are key. Today, LSG has a number of fish-cut facilities across Europe.

## Br. Birkeland AS (BRBI)

BRBI owns two combined pelagic ring net/trawling vessels, each with a quota of 650 basic tonnes for ring nets and a trawling quota of 1,425 tonnes for blue whiting. In 2014, the company invested in a vessel to fish for snow crab. In addition, BRBI owns seven licences for farming Atlantic salmon/trout in Hordaland.

BRBI reported operating revenue of NOK 141 million in Q2 2015 (Q2 2014: NOK 118 million) and EBITDA before value adjustment for biomass of NOK 21 million (Q2 2014: NOK 27 million).

BRBI harvested 2,374 tonnes of salmon and trout in Q2 2015, with an EBIT per kg of NOK 0.4. The comparative figures for Q2 2014 are 2,529 tonnes and EBIT per kg of NOK 9.2. During the second quarter, the company's vessels have fished for blue whiting and snow crab.

#### Pelagia AS

In accordance with IFRS 11, AUSS's consolidated financial statements report the joint venture Pelagia AS as an associate. In the notes to the financial statements for this segment (Note 4) and in the description of the segment in this report, the financial information comprises 50% of Pelagia AS's total revenue, EBITDA, EBIT and sales volume. This corresponds to AUSS's equity interest in the company.

The operating segment had revenue of NOK 647 million in Q2 2015 (Q2 2014: NOK 535 million) and EBITDA of NOK 79

million (Q2 2014: NOK 20 million).

As normal, the second quarter is the low season for raw material volume. The later start to the fishing season for blue whiting in 2015 and good catches of sand eel mean that the total volume of raw materials received for the production of fishmeal and oil was higher in Q2 2015 than in Q2 2014. The total raw material volume received by the Group (100%) for the production of fishmeal and oil was approx. 311,000 tonnes for the quarter, compared with approx. 276,000 tonnes in the same quarter of 2014. The volume of raw materials received for consumer products was 46,000 tonnes, compared with 35,000 tonnes in Q2 2014.

#### **CASH FLOWS**

Cash flow from operating activities for Q2 2015 was NOK 295 million (Q2 2014: NOK 345 million). Cash flow from investing activities for Q2 2015 was NOK -196 million (Q2 2014: NOK -192 million). Cash flow from financing activities for Q2 2015 was NOK -21 million (Q2 2014: NOK -535 million). Cash flow from financing activities mainly comprises payment of ordinary instalments and changes in short-term credits. During the quarter, AUSS established an unsecured bond loan of NOK 500 million. Net change in cash for the Group in Q2 2015 was NOK 77 million (Q2 2014: NOK -382 million). The Group's cash and cash equivalents at 30 June 2015 totalled NOK 2,218 million, compared with NOK 1,618 million at 30 June 2014.

#### FINANCIAL INFORMATION, FIRST HALF 2015

The Group reported operating revenue of NOK 7,654 million for the first half of 2015 (H1 2014: NOK 7,248 million). EBITDA before value adjustment for biomass in the first half of 2015 was NOK 1,295 million (H1 2014: NOK 1,499 million).

The increase in revenue has been generated by activities within both the salmon and trout and the pelagic segments. The decline in EBITDA can be attributed to the salmon and trout segment, and is mainly a result of higher release from stock costs. EBIT before value adjustment for biomass in the first half of 2015 was NOK 950 million (H1 2014: NOK 1,197 million). The IFRS biomass adjustment for the first half of 2015 was negative at NOK 593 million (H1 2014: negative at NOK 743 million). EBIT after value adjustment for biomass in the first half of 2015 was NOK 360 million (H1 2014: NOK 458 million).

Income from associates for the first half of 2015 totalled NOK 102 million (H1 2014: NOK 75 million). The Group's net interest expenses in the first half of 2015 totalled NOK -112 million (H1 2014: NOK -97 million).

Profit before tax and biomass adjustment for the first half of 2015 was NOK 900 million, compared with NOK 1,257 million in the first half of 2014.

Profit after tax for the first half of 2015 was NOK 205 million (H1 2014: NOK 351 million).

#### **CASH FLOWS**

Cash flow from operating activities for the first half of 2015 was NOK 719 million (H1 2014: NOK 1,193 million). Tax payments in the first half of 2015 totalled NOK 379 million (H1 2014: NOK 377 million). Cash flow from investing activities for the first half of 2015 was NOK -493 million (H1 2014: NOK 749 million). The positive cash flow in the first half of 2014 resulted from a cash inflow of more than NOK 1,000 million to AUSS in connection with the establishment of Pelagia AS. Cash flow from financing activities for the first half of 2015 was NOK -211 million (H1 2014: NOK -1,771 million). The Group paid dividends of NOK 684 million in the first half of 2015, compared with NOK 594 million in the first half of 2014. During the second quarter, AUSS established an unsecured bond loan of NOK 500 million. In the first half of 2014, AUSS reduced a long-term credit facility by NOK 740 million. Net change in cash for the Group in the first half of 2015 was NOK 15 million (H1 2014: NOK 171 million). The Group's cash and cash equivalents at 30 June 2015 totalled NOK 2,218 million, compared with NOK 1,618 million at 30 June 2014.

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2015

At 30 June 2015, the Group had a balance sheet total of NOK 23,246 million, compared with NOK 20,806 million at 30 June 2014 and NOK 23,244 million at 31 December 2014. The increase on the figure from June 2014 is partly because Villa Organic (owned by LSG) changed from being an associate to a consolidated business, with effect from Q3 2014.

The Group is financially sound with book equity at 30 June 2015 of NOK 12,132 million, equivalent to an equity ratio of 52%. At 30 June 2014, the Group had book equity of NOK 11,227 million, equivalent to an equity ratio of 54%.

Net interest-bearing debt at 30 June 2015 was NOK 4,560 million, compared with NOK 3,869 million at 30 June 2014. The Group's cash and cash equivalents excluding unused lines of credit totalled NOK 2,218 million at 30 June 2015, compared with NOK 1,618 million at 30 June 2014. The Group paid dividends of NOK 684 million in the first half of 2015, compared with NOK 594 million in the first half of 2014.

#### **RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES**

The Group's risk exposure is described in the Annual report 2014. The Group's activities are essentially global and will always be impacted to varying degrees by developments in the global economy. In light of the turmoil in the global economy in recent years, including political trade barriers and geopolitical risk, the general consensus is that macroeconomic uncertainty is still greater than normal. Although this situation may have negative effects on the real economy in most markets, we assess that AUSS's core activities are founded on long-term sustainable assets within interesting segments of the global seafood industry.

The Group is exposed to risk related to the value of the Group's assets. Risk arises mainly as a result of changes in the prices of raw materials and finished products, to the extent that these changes impact the company's competitiveness and earnings potential over time. Operational factors, such as marine biomass, fishing conditions and price developments for the Group's input factors, are other key parameters that have an impact on risk for the Group.

Changes in fishing patterns and quota adjustments mean fluctuations in catch volumes from quarter to quarter and year to year, and hence in utilisation of the Group's production facilities. The difficult situation encountered by Austral Group in 2014 provides a practical illustration of this. The seasonal fluctuations in catch volumes cause similar fluctuations in the quarterly key figures.

The majority of the Group's debt is at floating interest rates, but fixed-rate contracts have been entered into for approx. 17% of its interest-bearing debt.

The Group is exposed to fluctuations in foreign exchange rates, particularly the EUR, GBP, USD, Chilean peso and Peruvian sol. Measures to reduce this risk include forward contracts and multicurrency overdraft facilities. Furthermore, parts of the long-term debt are adjusted in relation to earnings in the same currency.

#### **SHAREHOLDERS**

At 30 June 2015, the company had 3,932 shareholders. The number of shareholders at the start of the period was 4,039.

The share price was NOK 43.10 at the start of Q2 2015 and NOK 41.10 at the end.

A list of the 20 largest shareholders will be found in Note 7.

#### MARKET AND OUTLOOK

### Fishmeal and fish oil

There was a downwards price correction for fishmeal in the North Atlantic after the season started in 2015, specifically as a result of high catch volumes of capelin off the coast of Iceland and high catch volumes of blue whiting.

The total quota for the first season in 2015 in Peru was set at 2.58 million tonnes, exceeding the expectations of market participants. This has resulted in a certain pressure on prices for fishmeal. Realised prices for fishmeal FOB Peru (superprime) are currently USD 1,600, while CIF Hamburg prices for fishmeal (standard 64%/65%) are USD 1,440.

#### Consumer products

The Group's production of consumer products takes place in Europe and South America. Most of the fish received in Europe in the second quarter was herring. In South America, there has been a good level of activity in Chile in the second quarter. No fish for consumer products was caught in the quarter in Peru

because this period included the first season for anchoveta. The ban on imports to Russia introduced on 7 August 2014 and the introduction of import quotas to Nigeria in 2014 have led to the companies working actively to find alternative markets for the products traditionally sold mainly to Russia and Nigeria. The weakness of the Norwegian krone has on the whole helped to make Norwegian seafood products most competitive globally. However, we are also aware that the local currencies in some of our traditional herring markets (including Ukraine) are falling against the USD, resulting in higher prices for consumers in the markets concerned. Despite this, we are confident that the Group's products on these markets will fare well in competition with alternative sources of protein.

#### Production, sale and distribution of salmon and trout

The ban on imports to Russia represents a significant short-term challenge for both the Norwegian seafood industry and market participants in Russia and some of its neighbouring countries. Major efforts are under way to boost sales to alternative markets and will produce results in the long-term. However, the prices realised for trout in Q2 2015 were again significantly below the prices realised for salmon. The market for high-quality seafood is global and is experiencing strong growth. In light of the market prospects and the segment's potential for cost reductions, the outlook is positive.

#### **THE GROUP**

The Group is financially sound, has shown good development and currently has a strong position on a number of seafood markets worldwide. The Group's strategy going forward is to continue to grow and further develop within its current operating segments. The Group has and shall continue to have the financial flexibility to support its strategy of further organic growth, carry out strategic acquisitions and sustain the company's dividend policy.

Bearing in mind the prevailing framework conditions for the Group's operations, the Board of Directors is essentially satisfied with the Group's results for Q2 2015.

The Group's strong position within the global seafood business gives grounds for a positive outlook for the Group's future development.

Storebø, 12 August 2015 The Board of Directors of Austevoll Seafood ASA

# **INCOME STATEMENT** (unaudited)

All figures in NOK 1.000	Q2 2015	(restated) Q2 2014	H1 2015	(restated) H1 2014	2014
Operating revenue	4 107 801	3 606 154	7 653 630	7 248 147	14 344 177
Raw material and consumables used	2 426 531	2 127 631	4 644 435	4 229 261	8 529 316
Salaries and personnel expenses	406 176	353 467	814 218	724 282	1 607 412
Other operating expenses	497 367	395 894	900 285	796 010	1 691 260
Operating profit before depreciation (EBITDA)	777 727	729 162	1 294 692	1 498 594	2 516 189
Depreciation and amortisation	174 640	150 631	345 047	301 541	630 308
Impairment	-2 029	-1 869	-4 178	-3 743	30 113
EBIT before fair value biomass adjustment	605 116	580 400	953 823	1 200 796	1 855 768
Fair value adjustment biomass	-225 156	-223 635	-593 378	-743 194	-379 758
Operating profit	379 960	356 765	360 445	457 602	1 476 010
Income from associated companies	45 725	5 434	101 668	75 489	217 381
Net interest expenses	-60 141	-46 006	-112 470	-96 527	-197 074
Net other financial items (incl. agio/disagio)	-12 053	3 612	-49 777	10 671	-149 844
Profit before tax	353 491	319 805	299 866	447 235	1 346 473
Income tax expenses	-122 452	-87 188	-95 139	-96 677	-345 802
Net profit	231 039	232 617	204 727	350 558	1 000 671
Profit to non-controlling interest	47 387	99 835	41 674	121 855	445 561
Profit to controlling interests	183 652	132 782	163 053	228 703	555 110
Earnings per share (EPS)	0,91	0,66	0,81	1,14	2,76
Diluted EPS	0,91	0,66	0,81	1,14	2,76

# CONDENSED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (unaudited)

		(restated)		(restated)	
All figures in NOK 1.000	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	H1 2015	H1 2014	2014
Net earnings in the period	231 039	232 617	204 727	350 558	1 000 671
Other comprehensive income					
Currency translation differences	-12 461	141 519	180 862	41 904	562 141
Other comprehensive income from associated companies		-5		-25	-16
Cash flow hedges	23 764	-19 069	71 756	-31 077	-72 200
Change in value available for sale financial assets					-
Others incl. tax effect	2 748	-3 349	-1 143	-1 407	-
Total other comprehensive income	14 051	119 096	251 475	9 395	489 925
Comprehensive income in the period	245 090	351 713	456 202	359 953	1 490 596
Allocated to;					
Minority interests	61 828	85 213	58 834	89 120	501 732
Majority interests	183 262	266 500	397 368	270 833	988 864

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (unaudited)

All figures in NOK 1.000	30.06.15	30.06.2014 (restated)	31.12.14
Assets			
Intangible assets	7 539 115	7 049 038	7 480 567
Vessels	678 984	634 702	699 923
Property, plant and equipment	4 405 198	3 796 787	4 249 364
Investments in associated companies	1 837 114	1 602 030	1 563 187
Investments in other shares	34 321	31 714	35 773
Other long-term receivables	51 320	66 024	64 775
Total non-current assets	14 546 052	13 180 295	14 093 589
Inventories	4 240 684	3 931 571	4 721 989
Accounts receivable	1 580 170	1 562 780	1 637 571
Other current receivables	661 146	513 912	692 700
Cash and cash equivalents	2 218 187	1 617 792	2 198 148
Total current assets	8 700 187	7 626 055	9 250 408
Total assets	23 246 239	20 806 350	23 343 997
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Equity and liabilities			
Share capital	101 359	101 359	101 359
Own shares	-35 306	-35 306	-35 306
Share premium	3 713 549	3 713 549	3 713 549
Retained earnings and other reserves	4 536 845	3 798 821	4 541 467
Non-controlling interests	3 815 801	3 648 886	4 039 037
Total equity	12 132 248	11 227 309	12 360 106
Deferred tax liabilities	2 245 941	2 155 084	2 407 445
Pensions and other obligations	131 022	109 779	169 447
Borrowings	5 224 786	4 266 872	4 794 922
Other long-term liabilities	13 350	12 182	16 104
Total non-current liabilities	7 615 099	6 543 917	7 387 918
Short term borrowings	807 846	711 188	741 009
Overdraft facilities	745 153	508 392	622 083
Account payable	1 073 648	984 845	1 172 648
Other current liabilities	872 245	830 699	1 060 233
Total current liabilities	3 498 892	3 035 124	3 595 973
Total liabilities	11 113 991	9 579 041	10 983 891
Total equity and liabilities	23 246 239	20 806 350	23 343 997
AUDD	4.550.500	0.000.000	0.050.000
NIBD	4 559 598	3 868 660	3 959 866
Equity ratio	52%	54%	53%
CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN	N EQUITY (unaudited)		
All figures in NOK 1.000	30.06.15	30.06.2014 (restated)	31.12.14
Equity period start	12 360 106	11 464 191	11 464 191
Comprehensive income in the period	456 202	359 953	1 490 596
Dividends	-684 060	-593 725	-593 599
Transactions with non-controlling interest	-	-1 050	-1 082
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Other			
Other Total changes in equity in the period	-227 858	-236 882	895 915

# **CASH FLOW STATEMENT** (unaudited)

All figures in NOK 1.000	Q2 2015	(restated) Q2 2014	H1 2015	(restated) H1 2014	2014
Cash flow from operating activities					
Profit before income taxes	353 492	319 805	299 867	447 234	1 346 472
Fair value adjustment of biological assets	225 156	223 635	593 378	743 194	379 758
Taxes paid in the period	-235 845	-295 898	-379 221	-376 989	-438 602
Depreciation and amortisation	174 640	150 630	345 047	301 541	630 307
Impairments	-2 029	-1 869	-4 178	-3 743	30 114
Associated companies - net	-45 725	-5 434	-101 668	-75 489	-217 381
Interest expense	69 245	52 568	130 578	109 218	244 673
Interest income	-9 104	-10 505	-18 108	-20 654	-47 599
Change in inventories	-151 814	-61 794	-96 261	32 439	-316 082
Change in receivables	-29 924	-59 518	131 734	274 792	63 834
Change in payables	32 622	10 403	-110 912	-206 291	10 168
Other operating cash flow incl currency exchange	-86 012	23 087	-71 014	-32 257	109 076
Net cash flow from operating activities	294 702	345 110	719 242	1 192 995	1 794 738
Cash flow from investing activities					
Purchase of intangible and fixed assets	-219 451	-231 416	-408 788	-400 127	-994 489
Purchase of shares and equity investments	-536	-1 551	-129 986	-1 941	-64 418
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets/equity investments	-1 416	10 666	4 938	1 124 676	1 191 035
Cash inflow from business combinations	-	-	7 732	-	133 656
Dividend received	-	17 499	-	17 499	36 250
Interest income	9 104	10 505	18 108	20 654	47 599
Other investing activities - net	15 802	2 097	15 312	-11 593	24 970
Net cash flow from investing activities	-196 497	-192 200	-492 684	749 168	374 603
Cash flow from financing activities					
Proceeds from new long term debt	751 158	95 237	849 438	144 450	881 174
Repayment of long term debt	-272 051	-201 386	-427 656	-1 063 874	-1 394 642
Change in short term debt	256 055	188 157	181 833	-155 762	-106 721
Interest paid	-72 240	-52 839	-130 654	-101 815	-238 067
Dividends paid	-684 060	-564 104	-684 060	-593 680	-592 222
Other finance cash flow - net	-	-	004 000	-	-1 082
Net cash flow from financing activities	-21 138	-534 935	-211 099	-1 770 681	-1 451 560
Tet cash now nom maneing activities	-21 100	-304 303	-211 033	-1770001	-1 431 300
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	77 067	-382 025	15 459	171 482	717 781
Cash, and cash equivalents at start of period	2 151 982	1 993 201	2 198 148	1 443 314	1 443 314
Exchange gains/losses (-)	-10 862	6 616	4 580	2 996	37 053
Cash and cash equivalents at period end	2 218 187	1 617 792	2 218 187	1 617 792	2 198 148

#### **NOTE 1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

This interim report has been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and the related standard for interim financial reporting (IAS 34). The interim financial statements, including historical comparative figures, are based on current IFRS standards and interpretations. Changes in the standards and interpretations may result in changes to the result. The quarterly report has been prepared in accordance with the same policies applied to the most recent annual report, but does not contain all the information and notes required for an annual report. This report must therefore be read in the context of the company's most recent annual report (2014).

#### **NOTE 2 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

There were related party transactions in Q2 2015. Related party transactions take place on market terms, and the relevant types of transactions are described in more detail in the Annual report 2014.

#### **NOTE 3 BIOLOGICAL ASSETS**

The Group recognises and measures biological assets (fish in sea) at fair value. When estimating fair value, the price is adjusted for quality differences (superior, ordinary and process) and logistics costs. The volume is adjusted for gutting loss. Fair value of fish in sea with an average weight below 4 kg is adjusted based on the stage reached in the growth cycle. The value is not adjusted to a lower amount than historical cost, unless a loss is expected on future sales.

The fair value adjustment for biomass recognised in the income statement includes change in unrealised gain/loss on financial sales and purchase contracts (derivatives) with Fish Pool, an international regulated marketplace for buying and selling financial salmon contracts. Fish Pool contracts are treated as financial instruments in the Statement of financial position, where unrealised gain is recognised as other current receivables and unrealised loss as other current debt.

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Carrying amount of biological assets			H1 2015	H1 2014	2014
Fish in sea at historic cost			2 693 583	2 380 112	2 694 863
FV adjustment fish in sea			222 590	427 827	784 546
Fair value fish in sea			2 916 173	2 807 939	3 479 409
Fry, brood and smolt			210 356	154 422	202 584
Carrying amount of biological assets			3 126 529	2 962 361	3 681 993
Total biological assets at historic cost			2 903 939	2 534 534	2 897 447
FV adjustment on biological assets			222 590	427 827	784 546
Carrying amount of biological assets			3 126 529	2 962 361	3 681 993
Fair value adjustment	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	H1 2015	H1 2014	2014
Change IFRS adj. biolocigal assets	-213 281	-205 648	-561 955	-682 675	-325 957
Change IFRS adj. derivatives	-2 058	-1 059	-1 518	-1 667	-1 457
FV adj. biological assets	-215 339	-206 707	-563 473	-684 342	-327 414
Volume of fish in sea (LWT)	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	H1 2015	H1 2014	2014
Volume at beginning of period	99 535	96 852	107 505	103 107	103 107
Business combinations	-	-	-	-	2 574
Growht during the period	39 902	40 814	74 316	74 960	193 666
Harvested volume during the period	-48 776	-49 618	-91 160	-90 019	-191 842
Volume at end of period	90 661	88 048	90 661	88 048	107 505
Fish > 4kg	16 003	27 491	16 003	27 491	37 871

The figures for harvested volume and growth in the table above have been estimated on the basis of gutted weight (GWT) and converted to live weight (LWT). The gutting loss ratios for salmon and trout applied in this conversion are 17% and 20% respectively.

#### Br Birkeland AS

Carrying amount of biological assets			H1 2015	H1 2014	2014
Fish in sea at historic cost			138 772	142 300	177 463
Fair value adjustment fish in sea			-6 782	16 615	23 123
Fair value fish in sea	-	-	131 990	158 915	200 586
Carrying amount of biological assets	-	-	131 990	158 915	200 586
Fair value adjustment	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	H1 2015	H1 2014	2014
Change IFRS adj. biolocigal assets	-9 817	-16 928	-29 905	-58 852	-52 344
Fair value adj. biological assets	-9 817	-16 928	-29 905	-58 852	-52 344
Volume of fish in sea (LWT)	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	H1 2015	H1 2014	2014
Volume at beginning of period	5 320	5 657	5 893	5 915	5 915
Growht during the period	876	1 773	2 682	3 403	8 847
Harvested volume during the period	-2 374	-2 529	-4 753	-4 417	-8 869
Volume at end of period	3 822	4 901	3 822	4 901	5 893
Fish > 4kg	-	773	-	773	1 489

The figures for harvested volume and growth in the table above have been estimated on the basis of gutted weight (GWT) and converted to live weight (LWT). The gutting loss ratios for salmon and trout applied in this conversion are 17% and 20% respectively.

# **NOTE 4 OPERATING SEGMENTS**

All figures in NOK 1.000	Lerøy Seafood Group ASA	Austral Group S.A.A	Foodcorp Chile S.A	Br. Birkeland AS	Other/ eliminations	Total Group	Pelagia AS * (50% of figures and volumes)	Total Group incl. Pelagia AS (50%)
Q2 2015								
Operating revenue	3 351 660	534 083	133 423	140 575	-51 940	4 107 801	646 713	4 754 514
EBITDA	470 255	241 572	39 556	20 783	5 561	777 727	79 454	857 181
EBITDA %	14%	45%	30%	15%		19%	12%	18%
EBIT ex. Impairment	370 054	202 418	24 197	6 195	223	603 087	54 898	657 985
EBIT	370 054	204 447	24 197	6 195	223	605 116	54 898	660 014
Volumes sold:								
Salmon (gwt tonnes)	40 295			2 374		42 669		42 669
Fishmeal/oil/FPC (tonnes)		32 558	1 018			33 576	26 132	59 708
Frozen fish (tonnes)		-	4 208			4 208	22 689	26 897
Canning (cases)		102 255	4 185			106 440		106 440
<b>Q2 2014</b> (restated)								
Operating revenue	3 176 402	241 539	178 335	117 889	-108 011	3 606 154	535 389	4 141 543
EBITDA	589 676	57 127	52 840	26 819	2 700	729 162	20 081	749 243
EBITDA %	19%	24%	30%	23%		20%	4%	18%
EBIT ex. Impairment	500 315	28 861	40 299	14 305	-1 511	582 269	-1 128	581 141
EBIT	500 315	26 992	40 299	14 305	-1 511	580 400	-1 128	579 272
Volumes sold:								
Salmon (gwt tonnes)	40 944			2 529		43 473		43 473
Fishmeal/oil/FPC (tonnes)		16 808	10 979			27 787	24 279	52 066
Frozen fish (tonnes)		571	5 689			6 260	26 607	32 867
Canning (cases)		146 379	27 981			174 360	-	174 360
H1 2015								
Operating revenue	6 630 187	697 138	207 418	252 925	-134 038	7 653 630	1 282 697	8 936 327
EBITDA	971 090	248 845	38 794	36 262	-299	1 294 692	145 407	1 440 099
EBITDA %	15%	36%	19%	14%		17%	11%	16%
EBIT ex. Impairment	773 957	170 782	7 803	7 394	-10 290	949 646	104 882	1 054 528
EBIT	773 957	174 960	7 803	7 394	-10 290	953 824	104 882	1 058 706
Volumes sold:								
Salmon (gwt tonnes)	75 318			4 321		79 639		79 639
Fishmeal/oil/FPC (tonnes)		39 254	2 493			41 747	43 517	85 264
Frozen fish/fresh (tonnes)		26	6 305			6 331	55 212	61 543
Canning (cases)		239 397	10 422			249 819		249 819
FPC/Oil (tonnes)								-

## **NOTE 4 OPERATING SEGMENTS (continued)**

All figures in NOK 1.000	Lerøy Seafood Group ASA	Austral Group S.A.A	Foodcorp Chile S.A	Br. Birkeland AS	Other/ eliminations	Total Group	Pelagia AS * (50% of figures and volumes)	Total Group incl. Pelagia AS (50%)
H1 2014 (restated)								
Operating revenue	6 356 666	597 574	271 078	205 209	-182 380	7 248 147	1 181 907	8 430 054
EBITDA	1 228 528	139 581	77 240	51 515	1 729	1 498 593	79 694	1 578 287
EBITDA %	19%	23%	28%	25%		21%	7%	19%
EBIT ex. Impairment	1 050 675	74 568	51 819	26 565	-6 575	1 197 052	38 981	1 236 033
EBIT	1 050 675	78 311	51 819	26 565	-6 575	1 200 795	38 981	1 239 776
Volumes sold:								
Salmon (gwt tonnes)	74 280			4 064		78 344		78 344
Fishmeal/oil/FPC (tonnes)		48 148	13 927			62 075	42 960	105 035
Frozen fish/fresh (tonnes)		750	10 225			10 975	71 821	82 796
Canning (cases)		349 480	32 835			382 315	-	382 315
2014								
Operating revenue	12 696 874	1 067 299	500 696	429 190	-349 882	14 344 177	2 822 806	17 166 983
EBITDA	2 160 138	180 137	79 483	91 523	4 907	2 516 188	294 634	2 810 822
EBITDA %	17%	17%	16%	21%		18%	10%	16%
EBIT ex. Impairment	1 790 625	42 045	26 341	39 117	-12 247	1 885 881	209 942	2 095 823
EBIT	1 788 676	38 977	1 243	39 117	-12 247	1 855 766	209 942	2 065 708
Volumes sold:								
Salmon (gwt tonnes)	158 258					158 258		158 258
Fishmeal/oil/FPC (tonnes)		79 075	21 994	7 520		108 589	87 432	196 021
Frozen fish/fresh (tonnes)		2 626	16 823			19 449	194 808	214 257
Canning (cases)		557 046	60 021			617 067	-	617 067

## **NOTE 5 ASSOCIATES**

			(restated)		(restated)	
		Q2 2015	Q2 2014	H1 2015	H1 2014	2 014
Norskott Havbruk AS	50,0 %	6 241	18 181	22 369	54 610	95 540
Pelagia AS	50,0 %	33 551	-7 621	69 633	25 143	124 744
Villa Organic AS	47,8 %	-	-6 184	-	-5 418	-5 418
Others		5 932	1 058	9 666	1 154	2 515
Total income from ass.companies		45 724	5 434	101 668	75 489	217 381
Total investment				1 837 114	1 602 030	1 563 187

## **NOTE 6 BUSINESS COMBINATIONS**

Business combinations have taken place in Lerøy Seafood Group ASA (LSG) in the first half of 2015. The two farming companies in North Norway, Lerøy Aurora AS and Lerøy Finnmark AS, were merged to form one unit at the start of 2015, with Lerøy Aurora AS as the acquiring party. LSG has increased its equity interest in Alfarm Alarko Lerøy from 50% to 100% by purchasing the remaining 50% of the shares. In connection with the acquisition, the company changed its name to Lerøy Turkey A.S., and has moved from being an associate to a subsidiary. LSG has further acquired 100% of the shares in the Norwegian company Senja Akvakultursenter AS via Lerøy Aurora AS. The company owns a large plot of land regulated for aquaculture and is currently a major producer of lumpfish. At the start of 2015, LSG acquired 91% of the shares in the Norwegian company Preline Fishfarming System AS. For more detailed information, please refer to LSG's financial report for Q2 2015, available at www.leroy.no

## NOTE 7 LIST OF THE 20 LARGEST SHAREHOLDERS AS AT 30 JUNE 2015

Investor	Number of shares	% of top 20	% of total
LACO A/S	112 605 876	76.29%	55.55%
STATE STREET BANK & TRUST CO.	5 003 587	3.39%	2.47%
PARETO AKSJE NORGE	4 093 773	2.77%	2.02%
STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST CO.	3 169 195	2.15%	1.56%
PARETO AKTIV	2 653 651	1.80%	1.31%
FOLKETRYGDFONDET	1 938 691	1.31%	0.96%
MITSUI AND CO., LTD	1 782 236	1.21%	0.88%
BR.BIRKELAND AS	1 722 223	1.17%	0.85%
PACTUM AS	1 700 000	1.15%	0.84%
THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON	1 453 171	0.98%	0.72%
DANSKE INVEST NORSKE INSTIT. II.	1 388 982	0.94%	0.69%
JP MORGAN BANK LUXEMBOURG S.A	1 371 400	0.93%	0.68%
JP MORGAN CHASE BANK, NA	1 365 000	0.92%	0.67%
PARETO VERDI VPF	1 301 480	0.88%	0.64%
MP PENSJON PK	1 182 000	0.80%	0.58%
CITIBANK, N.A.	1 155 176	0.78%	0.57%
HOLBERG NORDEN VERDIPAPIRFONDET	982 540	0.67%	0.48%
PARETO AS	921 000	0.62%	0.45%
OM HOLDING AS	920 000	0.62%	0.45%
FORSVARETS PERSONELLSERVICE	896 346	0.61%	0.44%
Total number owned by top 20	147 606 327	100%	72.81%
Total number of shares	202 717 374		100%

#### STATEMENT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND CEO

We declare that, to the best of our knowledge, the half-year financial statements for the period 1 January – 30 June 2015 have been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 – Interim Financial Reporting, and that the information in the financial statements provides a fair presentation of the Group's assets, liabilities, financial position and results as a whole. We also declare that, to the best of our knowledge, the half-year report provides a fair presentation of significant events during the accounting period and their impact on the half-year financial statements, the key risks and uncertainties faced by the Group in the coming accounting period, and significant transactions with related parties.

# Storebø, 12 August 2015 The Board of Directors of Austevoll Seafood ASA

Helge Singelstad Chairman of the Board	Lill Maren Møgster	Oddvar Skjegstad Deputy Chairman of the Board	Leif Teksum
Helge Møgster	Inga Lise L. Moldestad	Siren M. Grønhaug	Arne Møgster