



# New acquisitions, good fishing in Peru, reduced fishing in Chile, stable market for fishmeal, good market for consumer products and fish oil

The group's (AUSS) revenues for Q4 2007 totalled MNOK 720.0 compared with MNOK 887.4 in Q4 2006. The operating result before depreciation (EBITDA) amounted to MNOK 22.6 for Q4 2007 compared with MNOK 167.4 in Q4 2006. The group's total revenues for 2007 were MNOK 3469.0 compared with MNOK 2732.6 for year 2006. Proforma revenues for 2006 totalled MNOK 3480.8. EBITDA for the entire financial year 2007 totalled MNOK 483.4 compared to MNOK 482.4 for 2006. Proforma EBITDA for 2006 was MNOK 699.8.

Catch patterns and catch quota regulations have an impact on the group's total catch per quarter, and subsequently the exploitation of the group's production facilities. This results in seasonal fluctuations in production and sales volumes, reflected in the group's fourth quarter results.

The last season of the "Olympic" fishing for anchoveta in Peru started on 17 November. The group's fleet in Peru fished an approximate total of 155,000 tons this season, and purchased approx. 40,000 tons from a third party. The execution of the fishing season was in line with expectations, and the quarter has seen good production of fishmeal and fish oil.

Catches in Chile were difficult this autumn, due to the arrival of colder seawater. At year-end, approx. 250,000 tons of the total Chilean quota (in the south) for horse mackerel was unutilised. For our fleet, approx. 10,000 tons of the quota remained, and these quota cannot be transferred to 2008. The drop in seawater temperatures has continued in 2008, but the fleet has now started fishing and we expect the group to exploit its quotas as normal in 2008.

The market for fishmeal has been relatively stable, while we have witnessed an increased demand for consumer products and fish oil.

AUSS has further strengthened its position via acquisitions within the fishmeal and fish oil segment in Peru and Norway. The acquisition of Cormar in Peru is of strategic importance for AUSS, as it helps the group maintain its good balance between fleet capacity and production plants. Vertical integration within the supply chain for fishmeal and fish oil allows for synergy effect, quality and cost control. The acquisitions strengthen AUSS' s position as a leading manufacturer of fishmeal and fish oil.

The Board of Directors will make a proposal to the Ordinary General Meeting in 2008 for payment of dividend from the company of NOK 0,30 per share. This represents a total dividend payment of MNOK 55,3.

### Principal figures

|                                  | 10 2007   | Q2 2007   | Q3 2007   | Q4 2007   | 2007      | Q4 2006   | 2006      | Pro forma 2006 |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------|
|                                  | -         | -         | -         | 4         |           | -         |           |                |
| Operating income (TNOK) *        | 847 982   | 886 360   | 1 014 638 | 719 978   | 3 468 957 | 887 377   | 2 732 629 | 3 480 82       |
| EBITDA (TNOK) *                  | 136 530   | 265 013   | 59 240    | 22 629    | 483 411   | 167 414   | 482 365   | 699 84         |
|                                  |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |                |
| EBITDA margin                    | 16 %      | 30 %      | 6 %       | 3 %       | 14 %      | 20 %      | 18 %      | 20 %           |
| Total assets (TNOK)              | 8 867 584 | 9 053 732 | 8 459 814 | 8 813 030 | 8 813 030 | 6 846 306 | 6 846 306 | 6 846 306      |
| Net interest bearing debt (TNOK) | 1 975 521 | 2 046 738 | 1 768 867 | 2 514 792 | 2 514 792 | 515 445   | 515 445   | 515 445        |
| Equity (TNOK)                    | 4 252 133 | 4 314 492 | 4 178 551 | 4 228 611 | 4 228 611 | 3 637 000 | 3 637 000 | 3 637 000      |
| Equity ratio                     | 48 %      | 48 %      | 49 %      | 48 %      | 48 %      | 53 %      | 53 %      | 53 %           |
|                                  |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |                |
| Earnings per share               | 2,02      | 0,49      | (0,01)    | 0,29      | 2,77      | 0,45      | 1,82      | 2,83           |

\* As a consequence of the sale of the salmon business in 2007, the historical figures from this business are disclosed as a net amount on a single line on the face of the income statement, "net profit from discontinued operations".

#### Strategic evaluations

#### Acquisition in Peru strengthens AUSS' s position in South America

On 15 November, AUSS closed the acquisition of 100% of the shares in Corporacion del Mar (Cormar). The acquisition was executed via AUSS' s subsidiary Alumrock Overseas Inc. and together with Locksley Capital Corporation (Locksley).

Cormar has a total fleet of 4,414 m<sup>3</sup> and production capacity of 244 tons/hour in 6 plants along the coast of Peru.

As a result of the agreement with Locksley, AUSS acquires 50% of the fleet, 6 vessels, production plants with 45 ton/hour capacity in Chicama, 35 ton/hour capacity in Chimbote and a 50% share of a cooperation agreement with Locksley for the operation of a plant with 115 ton/hour capacity in Tambo de Mora and Paita.

This transaction provides AUSS with increased production capacity in the strategically important area of Chimbote, and provides new capacity in Chicama. Both areas number amongst the most important harbours for landing of pelagic fish in Peru.

#### Acquisition of 40% of the shares in Bodø Sildoljefabrikk AS

In December, AUSS' s subsidiary, Welcon Invest AS, signed an agreement for the acquisition of 40% of the shares in Bodø Sildoljefabrikk AS. This acquisition was completed on 23 January 2008, partly via the purchase of existing shares and partly via a private placing in Bodø Sildoljefabrikk AS.

The company has a strategic location in relation to important catch areas for pelagic fish.

#### Acquisition of 2 566 700 shares in Lerøy Seafood Group ASA

On 20 December, AUSS acquired 2 566 700 shares in Lerøy Seafood Group ASA (LSG), and Subject to this AUSS owns totally 17 860 300 shares in LSG. AUSS took up its first shareholding in LSG in connection with the sale of the salmon company, Veststar Holding AS, to LSG.

#### The group' s results

#### Q4 2007

For Q4, AUSS achieved operating income of MNOK 720.0, compared with MNOK 887.4 in Q4 2006. The drop in operating income for the quarter in comparison with the same period last year is due to lower sales volumes for fishmeal, fish oil and consumer products, and reduced prices for fishmeal, in comparison with 2006.

The results for the second half of 2007 have suffered from the extremely high raw material prices in Norway during the first half of the year, and low fishmeal prices in the second half. Moreover, the results have been affected negatively by somewhat lower catch volumes in Chile, and lower production volumes in Norway. The group's accounts have also suffered a negative impact from a weak dollar.

EBITDA in Q4 2007 was MNOK 22.6 compared with MNOK 167.4 in Q4 2006.

In Peru, our fleet has fished approx. 155,000 tons in Q4, in addition to purchases of approx. 40,000 tons, the production of fishmeal and fish oil has been satisfactory. Due to the fact that the season started relatively late this quarter, volumes shipped out have been lower than expected.

Sales of tinned goods and frozen products have been lower than forecast for the quarter, and this is due to reduced production for the period.

Earnings from affiliated companies for Q4 totalled MNOK 51,3 compared with MNOK 6.2 for the same period last year. Of this figure, Lerøy Seafood Group ASA accounted for MNOK 56.4 for Q4.

The group had taxable income in Q4, due to a negative pre-tax result and estimate changes on tax in underlying activities.

#### The financial year 2007

As a result of the sale of the salmon business in 2007, the historical result figures from the salmon business have been deducted from certain result items, and recognised net as separate items in the profit and loss account, under " results from non-continued business".

The group's operating income for 2007 totalled MNOK 3 468.9, compared with MNOK 2 732.6 in 2006. Proforma operating income for 2006 was MNOK 3 480.8. In 2007, the group achieved an EBITDA of MNOK 483.4 compared with MNOK 482.4 for 2006. Proforma EBITDA for 2006 was MNOK 699.8.

One of the main reasons for the decline in EBITDA in 2007 compared with the proforma figures for 2006 was high raw material prices in Norway during the first half of the year, together with reduced fishmeal prices in the second half.

Depreciation (excluding depreciation of added value on stockholding) totalled MNOK 201.9 in 2007 compared with MNOK 116.8 in 2006. Proforma depreciation in 2006 was MNOK 183.9. The increase in depreciation reflects acquisitions made in second half of 2006 and acquisitions made in 2007.

Earnings from affiliated companies for 2007 totalled MNOK 65,8 compared with MNOK 16.1 for 2006. Lerøy Seafood Group ASA represents MNOK 64.6 of this figure for 2007.

The Norwegian kroner accounts were affected by the fluctuations in the exchange rates.

#### Balance sheet as of 31 December 2007

The consolidated balance sheet for the group at year-end 2007 totalled MNOK 8 813.0 compared with MNOK 6 846.3 at year-end 2006. The group' s equity at year-end 2007 was MNOK 4 228,6 compared with MNOK 3 637.0 at year-end 2006. Equity ratio was 48% as of 31.12.07 compared with 53% as of 31.12.06.

Net interest-bearing liabilities totalled MNOK 2 514.8 as of 31.12.07, an increase from MNOK 1 768.9 as of 30.09.07. The increase in net interest-bearing liabilities for the quarter reflects developments such as the acquisition of Cormar in Peru and the purchase of shares in Lerøy Seafood Group ASA.

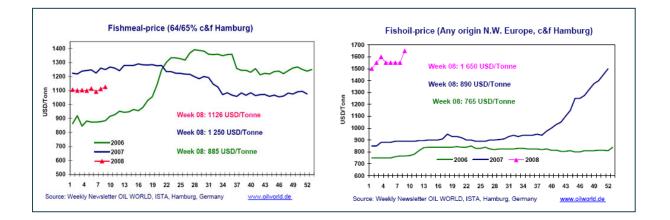
The group's cash reserves as of 31.12.07 totalled MNOK 1 040.9 compared with MNOK 1 411.5 as of 31.12.06. The group's cash reserves do not include non-utilised drawing rights.

Included in the group' s figure for short-term liabilities of MNOK 1 650.5, an amount of MNOK 330 will be transferred to long-term liabilities in 2008.

#### Segments

#### Fishmeal and fish oil

Fishmeal prices in Q4 2007 saw a significant decline compared with Q4 2006. 64/65% CIF Hamburg prices were USD 1095 in week 50 of 2007, compared with a price of USD 1251 for the same period in 2006. The market has remained relatively stable for the fourth quarter, and to date in 2008. Fish oil prices have shown an increase in Q4, but the impact of this will only reflect on the 2008 accounts.



In Q4 2007, sales volumes for fishmeal and fish oil totalled approx. 49,000 tons compared with 59,000 tons in Q4 2006. In 2007, the group sold approx. 300,000 tons of fishmeal and fish oil compared with 288,000 tons in 2006. The figures for 2006 do not reflect Karmsund Fiskemel AS which was acquired in December 2006.

#### **Consumer products**

In January 2007, the group acquired Epax AS which was grouped under the consumer products segment.

Epax AS is one of the world' s leading manufacturers of high-concentrate Omega 3 based on fish oil. The company currently utilises approx. 5,000 tons of fish oil, mainly from South America, which they process to high-concentrate Omega 3 via a unique stripping technology and refining process. These products are mainly sold as dietary supplements and food additives (nutraceuticals) and to

the pharmaceutical market. For Q4 2007, the group sold approx. 310 tons of high-concentrate Omega 3 oils and approx. 51 tons of low-concentrate Omega 3 oils.

Total sales volumes for consumer goods comprise approx. 5,000 tons of frozen products (Chile), which corresponds to the sales volume for Q4 2006. A total of approx. 889,000 boxes of tinned goods were sold, compared with approx. 1.2 million boxes for Q4 2006 (Chile and Peru).

The fourth quarter has witnessed low production of frozen products and tinned goods, and this has resulted in lower sales than expected. The decline in production is due to lower catch volumes than expected in Chile. Our vessels have now been allocated to the ongoing anchoveta fishing in Peru this quarter. The production of high-concentrate Omega 3 products has remained at a relatively constant level throughout 2007.

#### Trading

The group's trading activities have had a negative result for Q4. The Board expect that structural changers done within the group and in the line of business will strengthened this segment.

#### Shareholders

As of 31.12.07, the company had 3 056 shareholders. At year-end 2007, the share price was NOK 39.50

#### Market and outlook

2007 has been a difficult year, with increased raw material prices and a decline in fishmeal prices. These factors, combined with a weak dollar, have resulted in a considerably lower operating result for 2007 compared with proforma operating result for 2006. There is a marked improvement in the correlation between raw material prices and projected fishmeal prices at the start of 2008, when compared with the start of 2007. The Board of Directors expects stable to increasing fishmeal prices and continued high fish oil prices. For our consumer products, we expect a regular and good level of demand and increasing prices.

Storebø, 29 February 2008

Board of Directors in Austevoll Seafood ASA



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## **INTERIM REPORT Q4 2007**

| Preliminary Condensed Consolidated Income Statement                                 |                                    |                                    |                                      |                      |                                     |  |
|---|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| All figures in NOK 1.000  | Q4 2007                            | Q4 2006                            | 2007                                 | 2006                 | Pro forma 2006                      |  |
| Operating income  | 719 978                            | 887 377                            | 3 468 957                            | 2 732 629            | 3 480 828                           |  |
| Operating expenses  | -697 349                           | -719 963                           | -2 985 546                           | -2 250 264           | -2 780 982                          |  |
| <b>Op.profit bef. deprec. (EBITDA)</b>  | 22 629                             | 167 414                            | 483 411                              | 482 365              | 699 846                             |  |
| Depreciation and amortisation<br>Depreciation of excess value inventory             | -53 181<br>-<br>-                  | -39 699<br>-16 519<br>-            |                                      | -116 781<br>-140 221 | -183 931                            |  |
| Operating profit (EBIT)   | -30 552                            | 111 196                            | 278 471                              | 225 363              | 515 915                             |  |
| Income from associated companies<br>Net financial items<br><b>Profit before tax</b> | 51 276<br>-27 657<br><b>-6 933</b> | 6 222<br>-11 087<br><b>106 331</b> | 65 758<br>-128 613<br><b>215 616</b> | -47 687              | 16 072<br>-70 924<br><b>461 063</b> |  |
| Income tax expense<br>Net profit from discontinued operations                       | 50 527<br>10 623                   | -30 716<br>10 029                  | -32 343<br>324 273                   | -35 421<br>108 338   | -86 897<br>102 541                  |  |
| Net profit  | 54 217                             | 85 644                             | 507 546                              | 266 665              | 476 707                             |  |
| Profit to minority interests<br>Profit attribut. to equity holders of parent        | 1 552<br>52 664                    | 6 075<br>79 569                    | 8 563<br>498 983                     | 2 273<br>264 392     |                                     |  |
| Earnings per share<br>Diluted earnings per share                                    | 0,29<br>0,29                       | 0,45<br>0,45                       | 2,77<br>2,77                         | 1,82<br>1,82         | · · ·                               |  |

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| Preliminary Consolidated Balance Sheet                                |                    |                              |  |  |  |
|---|--------------------|------------------------------|--|--|--|
| All figures in NOK 1.000  | 31.12.2007         | 31.12.2000                   |  |  |  |
| Assets  |                    |                              |  |  |  |
|   |                    |                              |  |  |  |
| Deferred tax benefit  | 12 252             |                              |  |  |  |
| Intangible assets   | 1 612 247          |                              |  |  |  |
| Vessels   | 708 906            |                              |  |  |  |
| Other property, plant and equipment                                   | 1 866 867          |                              |  |  |  |
| Investments in associtated companies                                  | 2 352 440          |                              |  |  |  |
| Investments in other shares   | 32 124             |                              |  |  |  |
| Other long-term receivables   | 67 026             |                              |  |  |  |
| Total non-current assets  | 6 651 863          |                              |  |  |  |
| Inventories   | 528 055            |                              |  |  |  |
| Biological assets   | 0                  |                              |  |  |  |
| Accounts receivable   | 390 218            |                              |  |  |  |
| Other current receivables   | 201 983            |                              |  |  |  |
| Available-for-sale financial assets                                   | 0                  |                              |  |  |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents   | 1 040 911          | 1 411 492                    |  |  |  |
| Total current assets  | 2 161 168          | 2 699 003                    |  |  |  |
| Total assets  | 8 813 030          | 6 846 300                    |  |  |  |
| All figures in NOK 1.000  | 31.12.2007         | 31.12.200                    |  |  |  |
| Equity and liabilities  |                    |                              |  |  |  |
| Share capital   | 92 159             | 89 112                       |  |  |  |
| Share premium fund  | 3 083 918          | 2 798 793                    |  |  |  |
| Retained earnings and other reserves                                  | 965 313            | 665 893                      |  |  |  |
| Minority interests  | 87 221             | 83 200                       |  |  |  |
| Total equity  | 4 228 611          | 3 637 000                    |  |  |  |
| Deferred tax liabilities  | 514 762            | 621 381                      |  |  |  |
| Pension obligations   | 18 089             | 18 287                       |  |  |  |
| Borrowings  | 2 380 534          | 1 354 378                    |  |  |  |
| Other long-term liabilities   | 20 519             | 28 630                       |  |  |  |
| Total non-current liabilities   | 2 933 904          | 2 022 67                     |  |  |  |
|   | 937 140            | 233 913                      |  |  |  |
| Short term borrowings   | 284 538            |                              |  |  |  |
| Short term borrowings<br>Overdraft facilities                         |                    | 500 5 1                      |  |  |  |
| Overdraft facilities  |                    | 367 44'                      |  |  |  |
| Overdraft facilities<br>Accounts payable                              | 267 967            |                              |  |  |  |
| Overdraft facilities  |                    | 204 729                      |  |  |  |
| Overdraft facilities<br>Accounts payable<br>Other current liabilities | 267 967<br>160 872 | 204 729<br><b>1 186 62</b> 9 |  |  |  |

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| Preliminary Condensed consolidated Statement of changes in Equity |           |           |           |           |  |  |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|--|
| All figures in NOK 1.000  | Q4 2007   | Q4 2006   | 2007      | 2006      |  |  |
| Equity period start   | 4 178 551 | 2 920 048 | 3 637 000 | 982 045   |  |  |
| Profit for the period   | 54 217    | 85 644    | 507 546   | 266 665   |  |  |
| Currency translation differences                                  | -4 157    | -55 454   | -187 941  | -23 296   |  |  |
| Other gains and losses charged directly to equity                 |           |           | -153      |           |  |  |
| Total gains and losses charged directly to equity                 | -4 157    | -55 454   | -188 094  | -23 296   |  |  |
| Total recognised income for the period                            | 50 060    | 30 190    | 319 452   | 243 369   |  |  |
| Mergers and demergers   |           | -6 514    |           | -126 115  |  |  |
| Acquisition of minorities   |           | -17 852   |           | -217 139  |  |  |
| Minority interests arising from business combinations             |           | -291      | 2 291     | 119 365   |  |  |
| Revaluation of existing interests related to business comb.       |           | -40 912   | -579      | 247 774   |  |  |
| New equity from cash contributions and contrib. in kind           |           | 780 000   | 277 824   | 2 453 202 |  |  |
| Expenses related to share issues (net of tax)                     |           | -27 669   | -7 377    | -65 501   |  |  |
| Total equity from shareholders in the period                      | -         | 686 762   | 272 159   | 2 411 586 |  |  |
| Total change of equity in the period                              | 50 060    | 716 952   | 591 611   | 2 654 955 |  |  |
| Equity at period end  | 4 228 611 | 3 637 000 | 4 228 611 | 3 637 000 |  |  |

| Preliminary Condensed Consolidated Cash Flow Statement |           |           |            |            |  |  |
|--|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|--|--|
| All figures in NOK 1.000                               | Q4 2007   | Q4 2006   | 2007       | 2006       |  |  |
| Net cash flow from operating activities                | 33 415    | 358 391   | 277 166    | 935 647    |  |  |
| Net cash flow from investing activities                | -668 626  | -155 619  | -2 195 459 | -1 005 463 |  |  |
| Net cash flow from financing activities                | 259 572   | 492 683   | 1 547 710  | 1 354 816  |  |  |
| Net change in cash and cash equivalents                | -375 639  | 695 455   | -370 583   | 1 285 000  |  |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period       | 1 416 549 | 716 038   | 1 411 493  | 126 493    |  |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents at period end                | 1 040 910 | 1 411 493 | 1 040 910  | 1 411 493  |  |  |

#### Note 1

# Preliminary Segment information

Q4 2007

|                           |                   |        | EBITDA |         | EBIT  |
|---------------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|---------|-------|
| All figures in NOK 1.000  | Operating revenue | EBITDA | %      | EBIT    | %     |
|                           |                   |        |        |         |       |
| Fishmeal/oil              | 328 011           | 36 198 | 11 %   | 1 344   | 0 %   |
| Human Consumption         | 130 614           | -5 793 | -4 %   | -19 363 | -15 % |
| Trading                   | 260 977           | -6 210 | -2 %   | -11 317 | -4 %  |
| Not allocated/elimination | 376               | -1 566 |        | -1 186  |       |
| Total Group               | 719 978           | 22 629 | 3 %    | -30 522 | -4 %  |
|                           |                   |        |        |         |       |

#### Q4 2006

|                           |                   |         | EBITDA |         | EBIT |
|---------------------------|-------------------|---------|--------|---------|------|
| All figures in NOK 1.000  | Operating revenue | EBITDA  | %      | EBIT    | %    |
| Fishmeal/oil              | 427 360           | 136 229 | 32 %   | 90 690  | 21 % |
| Human Consumption         | 209 824           | 26 205  | 12 %   | 19 758  | 9 %  |
| Trading                   | 323 530           | 9 038   | 3 %    | 6 212   | 2 %  |
| Not allocated/elimination | -73 337           | -4 057  |        | -5 464  |      |
| Total Group               | 887 377           | 167 415 | 19 %   | 111 196 | 13 % |
|                           |                   |         |        |         |      |

#### 2007

|                           |                   |         | EBITDA |         | EBIT |
|---------------------------|-------------------|---------|--------|---------|------|
| All figures in NOK 1.000  | Operating revenue | EBITDA  | %      | EBIT    | %    |
| Fishmeal/oil              | 2 085 111         | 407 874 | 20 %   | 280 957 | 13 % |
| Human Consumption         | 751 215           | 116 398 | 15 %   | 57 083  | 8 %  |
| Trading                   | 710 287           | -24 572 | -3 %   | -39 773 | -6 % |
| Not allocated/elimination | -77 656           | -16 290 |        | -19 797 |      |
| Total Group               | 3 468 957         | 483 410 | 14 %   | 278 470 | 8 %  |
|                           |                   |         |        |         |      |

#### 2006

|   |                                |                   | EBITDA            |                   | EBIT             |
|---|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| All figures in NOK 1.000  | Operating revenue              | EBITDA            | %                 | EBIT              | %                |
| Fishmeal/oil  | 1 367 064                      | 397 629           | 29 %              | 185 051           | 14 %             |
| Human Consumption   | 456 378                        | 64 661            | 14 %              | 27 872            | 6 %              |
| Trading   | 950 880                        | 3 553             | 0 %               | -4 625            | 0 %              |
| Not allocated/elimination   | -41 693                        | 16 521            |                   | 17 066            |                  |
| Total Group   | 2 732 629                      | 482 364           | 18 %              | 225 364           | 8 %              |
| Pro forma   |                                |                   |                   |                   |                  |
| Pro forma<br>2006   |                                |                   |                   |                   |                  |
|   |                                | _                 | EBITDA            | _                 | EBIT             |
|   | Operating revenue              | EBITDA            | EBITDA<br>%       | EBIT              | EBIT<br>%        |
| 2006  | Operating revenue<br>1 995 450 | EBITDA<br>587 784 |                   | EBIT<br>461 899   |                  |
| 2006<br>All figures in NOK 1.000                                      |                                |                   | %                 |                   | %                |
| 2006<br>All figures in NOK 1.000<br>Fishmeal/oil                      | 1 995 450                      | 587 784           | %<br>29 %         | 461 899           | %<br>23 %        |
| 2006<br>All figures in NOK 1.000<br>Fishmeal/oil<br>Human Consumption | 1 995 450<br>581 073           | 587 784<br>85 193 | %<br>29 %<br>15 % | 461 899<br>38 104 | %<br>23 %<br>7 % |

#### Note 2

#### Acquisition of Corporacion del Mar (Cormar)

On 15 November, AUSS closed the acquisition of 50% of the shares in Cormar. The acquisition was executed via AUSS' s subsidiary Alumrock Overseas Inc. The acquisition brings to the group 6 vessels (2,200 m<sup>3</sup>), production plants with 45 ton/hour capacity in Chicama, 35 ton/hour capacity in Chimbote and a 50% share of a cooperation agreement with Locksley for the operation of a plant with 115 ton/hour capacity in Tambo de Mora and Paita.

The transaction price was MNOK 357.5. Below is a provisional purchase price allocation which will be reflected in the consolidated accounts for 2007. Net added value and goodwill constituted MNOK 325.1 on acquisition date.

| Prelimary purchase price allocation | Carrying amount<br>at acquisition<br>date | Excess values, prelim. allocation | Fair values at time of consolidation |
|-------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Goodwill                            | 0   | 153 537                           | 153 537                              |
| Licenses                            | 4 031                                     | 200 542                           | 204 574                              |
| Property, plant and equipment       | 59 543                                    | 10 362                            | 69 905                               |
| Vessels                             | 19 609                                    | 51 680                            | 71 290                               |
| Olther long term assets             | 0   | 10 752                            | 10 752                               |
| Current assets                      | 47 741                                    | 2 467                             | 50 209                               |
| Total assets                        | 130 925                                   | 429 341                           | 560 266                              |
| Equity                              | 32 547                                    | 325 115                           | 357 662                              |
| Long term debt and liabilities      | 58 482                                    | 97 950                            | 156 432                              |
| Current debt                        | 39 895                                    | 6 277                             | 46 172                               |
| Total equity and liabilities        | 130 925                                   | 429 341                           | 560 266                              |

#### Note 3

#### Accounting principles

This interim report has been prepared in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and the related standard for interim reports (IAS 34). The interim report, including historical comparison figures, is based on current IFRS standards and interpretation. Changes in the standard and interpretations may result in changes to the result.