

# VARTA Consumer Denmark A/S

## *Annual report*

*1<sup>st</sup> of January – 31<sup>th</sup> December 2023*

*Twenty-first financial year*

*The annual report has been presented and  
approved at the company's annual general meeting  
dated 14.06.2024*



Chairman of the Annual General Meeting  
(Simon Falbe-Hansen)

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## ***Statement by the Executive and Board of Directors***

*The Executive and Board of Directors have today discussed and approved the annual report of VARTA Consumer Denmark A/S for the financial year 1 January – 31 December 2023.*

*The annual report has been prepared in accordance with the Danish Financial Statements Act.*

*It is our opinion that the financial statements give a true and fair view of the company's assets, liabilities and financial position at 31 December 2023 and of the results of operations for the financial year 1 January – 31 December 2023.*

*We recommend that the annual report be approved at the annual general meeting.*


*Albertslund, 14.06.2024*

### *Executive Board:*


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## The Independent Practitioner's Report

To the Shareholders of Varta Consumer Denmark A/S ApS

### **Conclusion**

We have performed an extended review of the Financial Statements of Varta Consumer Denmark A/S for the financial year 1 January - 31 December 2023, which comprise income statement, balance sheet, statement of changes in equity and notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The Financial Statements are prepared in accordance with the Danish Financial Statements Act.

Based on the work performed, in our opinion, the Financial Statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company at 31 December 2023 and of the results of the Company operations for the financial year 1 January - 31 December 2023 in accordance with the Danish Financial Statements Act.

### **Basis for conclusion**

We conducted our extended review in accordance with the Danish Business Authority's Assurance Standard for Small Enterprises and FSR – Danish Auditors' standard on extended review of financial statements prepared in accordance with the Danish Financial Statements Act. Our responsibilities under those standards and requirements are further described in the "Practitioner's responsibilities for the extended review of the financial statements" section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (IESBA Code) and the additional ethical requirements applicable in Denmark, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the IESBA Code. We believe that the evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our conclusion.

### **Management's responsibility for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation of Financial Statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with the Danish Financial Statements Act, and for such internal control as Management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of Financial Statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the Financial Statements, Management is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the Financial Statements unless Management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

### **Practitioner's responsibilities for the extended review of the Financial Statements**

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the Financial Statements. This requires that we plan and perform procedures to obtain limited assurance in respect of our conclusion on the Financial Statements and, moreover, that we perform supplementary procedures specifically required to obtain additional assurance in respect of our conclusion.


An extended review consists of making inquiries, primarily of Management and others within the enterprise, as appropriate, and applying analytical procedures and the supplementary procedures specifically required as well as assessing the evidence obtained.

An extended review is less in scope than an audit and, consequently, we do not express an audit opinion on the Financial Statements.


Hellerup, 14.06.2024

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*Registered office:* Albertslund

*Financial year:* 1. January – 31. December

***Supervisory Board***

Peter Werner (*Chairman*)

Thomas Molgaard

***Executive Board***

Petri Mikael Kallio

Julia Weber

Mark Munz

***Auditors***

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**Financial statements for the period 1 January to 31 December****Income statement**

tkr. DKK'000	Note	1/1 2023- 31/12 2023	1/1 2022- 31/12 2022
<b>Gross Profit</b>		5,023	4,061
Staff costs	3	-2,364	-2,319
Depreciation/amortization on property, plant and equipment and intangible assets		-0	-6
<b>Operating result</b>		2,659	1,736
Interest income and similar items	4	2,145	1,598
Interest expense and similar items	5	-53	-117
<b>Result from ordinary activities before tax</b>		4,751	3,217
Tax on ordinary activities	6	-1,050	-713
<b>Result for the year</b>		<u>3,701</u>	<u>2,504</u>

**Proposed distribution of result**

Retained earnings		<u>3,701</u>	<u>2,504</u>
		<u>3,701</u>	<u>2,504</u>

**Financial statements for the period 1 January to 31 December****Balance sheet**

tkr. DKK'000	Note	31/12 2023	31/12 2022
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Current assets</b>			
<b>Inventories</b>			
<i>Finished goods and goods for resale</i>		0	84
		0	84
<b>Receivables</b>			
<i>Trade receivables</i>		21,404	17,204
<i>Receivables from group companies</i>	7	56,276	50,390
<i>Other Receivables</i>		60	39
<i>Deferred tax asset</i>		8	8
		77,748	67,641
<b>Cash at bank and in hand</b>		8,791	9,640
<b>Total current assets</b>		86,539	77,281
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		86,539	77,365



**Financial statements for the period 1 January to 31 December**

tkr. DKK'000	Note	31/12 2023	31/12 2022
<b>EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>Capital and reserves</b>			
Share capital		1,000	1,000
Retained earnings		62,031	58,330
<b>Total capital and reserves</b>		<b>63,031</b>	<b>59,330</b>
<b>EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>Short-term liabilities</b>			
Trade payables		160	165
Income tax		582	259
Payables to group companies		10,247	6,554
Other payables		12,519	11,057
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>23,508</b>	<b>18,035</b>
<b>TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>		<b>86,539</b>	<b>77,365</b>
<i>Accounting policies</i>	<i>1</i>		
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<i>Staff costs</i>	<i>3</i>		
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***Financial statements for the period 1 January to 31 December******Statement of Changes in Equity***

	<u>Share capital</u>	<u>Retained earnings</u>	<u>Total</u>
	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
Equity at 1 January	1.000	58.330	59.330
Net profit/loss for the year	0	3.701	3.701
<b>Equity at 31 December</b>	<b>1.000</b>	<b>62.031</b>	<b>63.031</b>

## ***Financial statements for the period 1 January to 31 December***

### ***Notes***

#### **1 *Accounting policies***

*The annual report of VARTA Consumer Denmark A/S for the period 1 January to 31 December 2023 has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applying class B enterprises under the Danish Financial Statements Act.*

*The annual report has been prepared in accordance with the same accounting policies as last year. The financial statements are presented in DKK.*

#### ***Recognition and measurement***

*Assets are recognized in the balance sheet when it is probable that future economic benefits will flow to the Company and the value of the asset can be reliably measured.*

*Liabilities are recognized in the balance sheet when an outflow of economic benefits is probable and when the liability can be reliably measured.*

*On initial recognition, assets and liabilities are measured at cost. Subsequently, assets and liabilities are measured as described below for each individual item.*

*In recognizing and measuring assets and liabilities, any gains, losses and risks occurring prior to the presentation of the annual report that evidence conditions existing at the balance sheet date are taken into account.*

*Income is recognized in the income statement as earned, including value adjustments of financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value or amortized cost. Equally, costs incurred to generate the year's earnings are recognized, including depreciation, amortization, impairment and provisions as well as reversals as a result of changes in accounting estimates of amounts which were previously recognized in the income statement.*

#### ***Foreign currency translation***

*On initial recognition, transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the exchange rates at the transaction date. Foreign exchange differences arising between the exchange rates at the transaction date and at the date of payment are recognized in the income statement as interest income or expense and similar items.*

*Receivables and payables and other monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the exchange rates at the balance sheet date. The difference between the exchange rates at the balance sheet date and at the date at which the receivable or payable arose or was recognized in the latest financial statements is recognized in the income statement as interest income or expense and similar items.*

## ***Financial statements for the period 1 January to 31 December***

*Fixed assets purchased in foreign currencies are translated at the exchange rate at the transaction date.*

### ***Income statement***

#### ***Revenue***

*Revenue from the sale of goods for resale and finished goods is recognized in the income statement provided that delivery and transfer of risk to the buyer has taken place before year end and that the income can be reliably measured and is expected to be received. Revenue is measured ex VAT, taxes and discounts in relation to the sale.*

#### ***Raw materials, consumables and goods for resale***

*Raw materials, consumables and goods for resale are trade products bought ready-for-sale to generate the revenue.*

#### ***Other external costs***

*Other external costs comprise distribution, selling and advertising costs, administrative expenses, office rent, bad debts, operating lease expenses etc.*

#### ***Gross Profit***

*With reference to section 32 of the Danish Financial Statements Act, gross profit/loss is calculated as summary of revenue, expenses for raw materials and consumables and goods for resale and other external expenses.*

#### ***Staff***

*Staff costs comprise wages and salaries as well as payroll costs.*

#### ***Interest income and expense and similar items***

*Interest income and expense and similar items comprise interest income and expense, gains and losses on securities, payables and transactions denominated in foreign currencies etc.*

#### ***Tax***

*Tax for the year comprises current tax and changes in deferred tax for the year. The tax expense relating to the profit/loss for the year is recognised in the income statement, and the*

## ***Financial statements for the period 1 January to 31 December***

*tax expense relating to amounts directly recognised in capital and reserves is recognised directly in capital and reserves.*

### ***Balance sheet***

#### ***Inventories***

*Inventories are measured as cost in accordance with the FIFO method. Where the net realizable value is lower than cost, inventories are written down to this lower value.*

*Goods for resale are measured at cost, comprising purchase price plus delivery costs.*

*The net realizable value of inventories is calculated as the sales amount less costs of necessary to make the sale and is determined taking into account marketability, obsolescence and development in expected sales price.*

#### ***Receivables***

*Receivables are measured at amortized cost. Write-down is made for bad debt losses.*

#### ***Cash***

*Cash amount based on bank balances at year end, respectively balances of Danske Bank at year end.*

#### ***Corporation tax and deferred tax***

*Current tax payable and receivable is recognized in the balance sheet as tax computed on the taxable income for the year, adjusted for tax on the taxable income of prior years and for tax paid on account.*

*Deferred tax is measured using the balance sheet liability method on all temporary differences between the carrying amount and the tax base of assets and liabilities.*

*Deferred tax assets, including the tax base of tax loss carry forwards, are recognized at the expected value of their utilization; either as a set-off against tax on future income or as a set-off against deferred tax liabilities in the same legal tax entity and jurisdiction.*

*Deferred tax is measured according to the tax rules and at the tax rates applicable in the respective countries at the balance sheet date when the deferred tax is expected to crystallize as current tax. The change in deferred tax as a result of changes in tax rates is recognized in the income statement.*

**Financial statements for the period 1 January to 31 December****Liabilities**

Debts are measured at amortised costs substantially corresponding to nominal value.

**2 The act of the Company**

The Company's principal activity is the sale of batteries in Danish retail and industrial markets. The Company's primary products are:

- Alkaline batteries
- Zinc carbon batteries
- Hearing aid batteries
- Other speciality batteries
- Rechargeable batteries
- Flashlights

**3 Staff costs**

	1/1 2023- 31/12 2023	1/1 2022- 31/12 2022
<i>Wages and salaries</i>	2,057	2,020
<i>Pensions</i>	200	195
<i>Other social security costs</i>	107	104
	<u>2,364</u>	<u>2,319</u>
 <i>Average number of employees</i>	 <u>3</u>	 <u>3</u>

**4 Financial income**

tkr. DKK'000	1/1 2023 – 31/12 2023	1/1 2022 – 31/12 2022
<i>Foreign exchange gains</i>	56	48
<i>Interest income from group companies</i>	2,089	1,550
	<u>2,145</u>	<u>1,598</u>

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<b>5</b>	<b>Financial expenses</b>		
	<i>Foreign exchange loss</i>	40	36
	<i>Intercompany interest</i>	13	71
		<u>53</u>	<u>117</u>

<b>6</b>	<b>Tax on profit/loss for the year</b>		
	<i>Current tax for the year</i>	1,050	713
	<i>Concerning previous years</i>	0	0
		<u>1,050</u>	<u>713</u>

**7 Receivables from group companies**

*The Receivables from group companies is amongst others related to a loan given to VARTA Consumer Europe Holding/Germany.*

**8 Contingent liabilities, contingent assets etc.****Operating leases**

*The company has entered into operating leases, including rent contracts.*

tkr.		31/12	31/12
DKK'000		2023	2022
		<u>217</u>	<u>206</u>
	<i>Lease obligations falling due within one year</i>		
		22	0
	<i>Lease obligations falling due after one year</i>	<u>239</u>	<u>206</u>

*The Company does not have any contractual obligations, contingencies or similar liabilities.*

## ***Financial statements for the period 1 January to 31 December***

### **9 *Related parties***

#### ***Control***

*VARTA Consumer Europe Holding GmbH, VARTA-Platz 1, 73479 Ellwangen, Germany owns 100% of the share capital.*

*VARTA Consumer Denmark A/S is part of the Montana Tech Components AG, domiciled in Reinach, Swiss and listed on Stock Exchange Bondpartners and ZKB. The consolidated financial statements of Montana Tech Components AG can be obtained from the Company.*

#### ***Transactions***

*The Company has chosen only to disclose transactions which have not been made on an arm's length basis in accordance with section 98(c)(7) of the Danish Financial Statements Act.*

### **10 *Disclosure of events after the balance sheet date***

*No events materially affecting the assessment of the Annual Report have occurred after the balance sheet date.*