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ETEX NORDIC A/S
VENDERSGADE 74 3., 7000 FREDERICIA
ANNUAL REPORT
1 JANUARY - 31 DECEMBER 2023

**The Annual Report has been presented and
adopted at the Company's Annual General
Meeting on 24 June 2024**

Rolf Heinz Otto Walter Haberlah

The English part of this document is an unofficial translation of the original Danish text, and in case of any discrepancy between the Danish text and the English translation, the Danish text shall prevail.

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COMPANY DETAILS

Company	ETEX NORDIC A/S Vendersgade 74 3. 7000 Fredericia
	CVR No.: 78 61 18 12 Established: 26 June 1985 Municipality: Fredericia Financial Year: 1 January - 31 December
Board of Directors	Johan Leo, chairman Hans Van Der Steen Rolf Heinz Otto Walter Haberlah
Executive Board	Rolf Heinz Otto Walter Haberlah
Auditor	BDO Statsautoriseret revisionsaktieselskab Kolding Åpark 8A, 7. sal 6000 Kolding
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MANAGEMENT'S STATEMENT

Today the Board of Directors and Executive Board have discussed and approved the Annual Report of ETEX NORDIC A/S for the financial year 1 January - 31 December 2023.

The Annual Report is presented in accordance with the Danish Financial Statements Act.

In our opinion 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 the Company's operations for the financial year 1 January - 31 December 2023.

The Management Commentary includes in our opinion a fair presentation of the matters dealt with in the Commentary.

We recommend the Annual Report be approved at the Annual General Meeting.

Fredericia, 20 June 2024

Executive Board

Rolf Heinz Otto Walter Haberlah

Board of Directors

Johan Leo
Chairman

Hans Van Der Steen

Rolf Heinz Otto Walter Haberlah

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Shareholder of ETEX NORDIC A/S

Opinion

We have audited the Financial Statements of ETEX NORDIC A/S for the financial year 1 January - 31 December 2023, which comprise income statement, Balance Sheet, statement of changes in equity, notes and a summary of significant accounting policies. The Financial Statements are prepared in accordance with the Danish Financial Statements Act.

In our opinion, the Financial Statements give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the Company at 31 December 2023 and of the results of the Company's operations for the financial year 1 January - 31 December 2023 in accordance with the Danish Financial Statements Act.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs) and the additional requirements applicable in Denmark. Our responsibilities under those standards and requirements are further described in the "Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit 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 (including International Independence Standards) (IESBA Code), together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements 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 Responsibilities 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.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs and the additional requirements applicable in Denmark will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these Financial Statements.

As part of an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs and the additional requirements applicable in Denmark, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the Financial Statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by Management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of Management's use of the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the Financial Statements and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the Financial Statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and contents of the Financial Statements, including the disclosures, and whether the Financial Statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that gives a true and fair view.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Statement on Management Commentary

Management is responsible for Management Commentary.

Our opinion on the Financial Statements does not cover Management Commentary, and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the Financial Statements, our responsibility is to read Management Commentary and, in doing so, consider whether Management Commentary is materially inconsistent with the Financial Statements or our knowledge obtained during the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

Moreover, it is our responsibility to consider whether Management Commentary provides the information required under the Danish Financial Statements Act.

Based on the work we have performed, we conclude that Management Commentary is in accordance with the Financial Statements and has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Danish Financial Statements Act. We did not identify any material misstatement of Management Commentary.

Kolding, 20 June 2024

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Jørn Holm
State Authorised Public Accountant
MNE no. mne35808

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
	DKK '000	DKK '000	DKK '000	DKK '000	DKK '000
Income statement					
Gross profit/loss.....	24.868	36.026	38.439	31.920	36.060
Operating profit/loss of main activities...	-12.650	-1.445	2.150	-7.051	-17.098
Financial income and expenses, net.....	1.316	-87	-173	-702	-663
Profit/loss for the year.....	-10.713	-660	-1.181	-4.981	-18.110
Balance sheet					
Total assets.....	93.650	137.316	142.135	143.949	144.778
Equity.....	56.191	67.144	67.177	68.282	73.362
Investment in property, plant and equipment.....	-1.792	-2.607	-1.176	-780	-26.222
Average number of full-time employees.....					
	50	55	55	52	64
Key ratios					
Equity ratio.....	60,0	48,9	47,3	47,4	50,7
Return on equity.....	-17,4	-1,0	-1,7	-7,0	-22,0

The ratios stated in the list of key figures and ratios have been calculated as follows:

Equity ratio:	$\frac{\text{Equity, at year-end} \times 100}{\text{Total assets, at year-end}}$
Return on equity:	$\frac{\text{Profit/loss after tax} \times 100}{\text{Average equity}}$

MANAGEMENT COMMENTARY

Principal activities

The principal activities comprised marketing and distribution of construction products, primarily in fibre cement within the main groups fire-proof building boards, roofing products, cladding systems, etc. The products are sold in the Nordic countries.

Our main commercial brands:

Exteriors

We bring aesthetically attractive and high-performing fibre cement exterior solutions to the residential, architectural and agricultural sectors.

Cedral offers beautiful solutions tailored to each personality and living space, enabling true personalisation. For roofs, facades, Cedral offers unique, attractive and high-performing products. Our fibre cement slates shelter and protect homes, our sidings bring creative visions to life.

Equitone is our global brand for architectural fibre cement facade materials. We work with and for architects to design smart and resilient materials to reduce environmental impact. Our customers are all architects who seek new ways to build beyond accepted standards - actively influencing positive change.

Euronit/Ivarcem corrugated sheets offer strength and resilience, bringing good value for money to agricultural buildings, houses and industrial applications around the world.

Etex Building Performance

Promat and Masterboard are our brands for passive fire protection, high-temperature applications and intumescent seals. These products are used in applications as diverse as residential, sports and leisure, healthcare, hospitality, offices, education, bridges and tunnels.

Industry

Microtherm is our global specialist in ultrathin and lightweight microporous insulation materials, used in a wide range of industrial applications. As the industry benchmark since 1961. It is designed for extreme temperature conditions and is available in various delivery forms; rigid, flexible and vacuum insulated panels, machined parts and mouldable and pourable products. Spanning our Industry and Building Performance divisions, Promat is our global brand for passive fire protection high temperature applications and intumescent seals. We supply a range of products worldwide, including ducting, structural protection, compartmentation, insulation and fire-stopping solutions. These products are used in applications as diverse as fire doors, fire dampers, furnaces, industrial piping, structural steel and cruise ships.

Development in activities and financial and economic position

The Income statement for 2023 shows a loss of DKK 10.712.538 against a loss of DKK 660,227 last year, and the balance sheet as of 31 December 2023 shows equity of DKK 56.190.667. Management considers the Company's financial performance in the year not satisfactory; we are implementing strategies to ensure stronger financial performance in the coming year.

There has been an extra expense related to provisions for restructuring costs.

Profit/loss for the year compared to the expected development

The Income statement for 2023 shows a loss of DKK 10.712.538. When compared to the expected outcome, the result is disappointing and is worse than expected because of less activity. While 2023 results were below expectations, we are implementing strategies to ensure stronger financial performance in the coming year.

Significant events after the end of the financial year

No events have occurred after the end of the financial year of material importance for the Company's financial position.

MANAGEMENT COMMENTARY

Financial risk

The Company's purchases of raw materials, which are primarily based on fibre cement products, are expected to remain stable. Any price fluctuations can be recognised in the sales prices, and the Company's direct competitors will also experience the same changes.

It is Company policy to hedge commercial currency risks. No speculative currency transactions are made. The Company's activity is settled in DKK, EUR, NOK and SEK.

Environmental situation

The environmental profile of the Company is very distinct. This applies at first to the Company's product and environmental issues, but also to a high degree of the environmental issues regarding transport, distribution and the use of the Company's products. All the Company's market resources are also subject to detailed environmental assessments. The Company has heavy environmental requirements for all suppliers in all respects. The Company's activities are therefore not considered to be detrimental to the environment.

Knowledge resources

The Company's aim is to develop the highest possible competence within application and function of the Company's fibre cement products. In order to be able to utilise these competences, it is decisive that the Company is able to recruit and maintain employees with relevant backgrounds and a high level of education. It is our objective for the Company to have state-of-the-art knowledge of these product competence areas and to ensure the Company's rapid adaptability.

Research and development activities

At Etex, our innovation is built on three pillars: Sustainability, New Applications, and Quality & Cost Excellence.

We strive to become an industry leader in sustainability and recognise the importance of collaboration and partnership.

To enhance our sustainability efforts, we have established a dedicated team and an open innovation platform to connect with external innovators and focus on sustainable solutions. We are actively researching and testing secondary raw materials to reduce our environmental impact.

R&D is key to our growth, and we are committed to delivering results safely and to the best of our ability. Therefore, we plan to increase our investment in decarbonisation and circularity R&D in the coming years.

Future expectations

The construction industry in both professional and private projects are affected by price increase and higher interest rates, and therefore we also expect 2024 to be a challenging year. We expect a result for 2024 in the range of 0 t.DKK.

The Company's foreign branches

In the financial year under review Etex Nordic A/S had sales branches in Norway and Sweden.

INCOME STATEMENT 1 JANUARY - 31 DECEMBER

	Note	2023 DKK	2022 DKK '000
GROSS PROFIT		24.867.705	36.026
Staff costs.....	1	-32.112.813	-32.161
Amortisation/depreciation of intangible assets and property plant and equipment.....		-5.405.220	-5.310
PROFIT/LOSS BEFORE NET FINANCIALS		-12.650.328	-1.445
Financial income.....	2	2.314.026	462
Financial expenses.....		-998.348	-549
LOSS BEFORE TAX		-11.334.650	-1.532
Tax for the year.....	3	622.112	872
LOSS FOR THE YEAR	4	-10.712.538	-660

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER

ASSETS	Note	2023 DKK	2022 DKK '000
Goodwill.....		0	0
Intangible assets.....	5	0	0
Land and buildings.....		2.773.762	6.508
Plant and machinery.....		1.289.238	1.631
Other fixtures and fittings, tools and equipment.....		2.246.579	1.960
Leasehold improvements.....		8.560	26
Property, plant and equipment.....	6	6.318.139	10.125
Rent deposit and other receivables.....		498.820	739
Financial non-current assets.....	7	498.820	739
NON-CURRENT ASSETS.....		6.816.959	10.864
Finished goods and goods for resale.....		12.924.440	14.406
Inventories.....		12.924.440	14.406
Trade receivables.....	8	7.884.666	31.668
Receivables from group enterprises.....		57.324.542	69.067
Deferred tax assets.....	9	0	1.284
Other receivables.....		11.226	478
Income taxes.....		7.794.123	6.142
Prepayments.....	10	774.367	513
Receivables.....		73.788.924	109.152
Cash and cash equivalents.....		119.390	2.894
CURRENT ASSETS.....		86.832.754	126.452
ASSETS.....		93.649.713	137.316

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER

EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	Note	2023 DKK	2022 DKK '000
Share Capital.....	11	4.300.000	4.300
Reserve for hedging transactions.....		0	604
Retained earnings.....		51.890.667	62.240
EQUITY.....		56.190.667	67.144
Other provisions.....	12	9.348.113	9.459
PROVISIONS.....		9.348.113	9.459
Lease liabilities.....		2.857.290	4.977
Non-current liabilities.....	13	2.857.290	4.977
Bank debt.....		2.748.497	24.884
Lease liabilities.....		3.457.733	5.244
Trade payables.....		3.767.563	4.546
Debt to Group companies.....		4.735.037	8.507
Other liabilities.....		10.544.813	12.555
Current liabilities.....		25.253.643	55.736
LIABILITIES.....		28.110.933	60.713
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES.....		93.649.713	137.316
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EQUITY

	Share Capital	Reserve for hedging transactions	Retained earnings	Total
Equity at 1 January 2023.....	4.300.000	604.282	62.239.802	67.144.084
Proposed profit allocation, see note 4.....			-10.712.538	-10.712.538
Change fair value reserves				
Value adjustments in the year.....		-417.010		-417.010
Realised in the year.....		-279.015	363.403	84.388
Tax on changes in equity.....		91.743		91.743
Equity at 31 December 2023.....	4.300.000	0	51.890.667	56.190.667

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	2023 DKK	2022 DKK '000	Note
Staff costs			1
Average number of full time employees	50	55	
Wages and salaries.....	29.499.186	29.626	
Pensions.....	2.428.289	2.432	
Social security costs.....	185.338	103	
	32.112.813	32.161	
By reference to section 98b (3), (II) of the Danish Financial Statements Act, remuneration to Management is not disclosed.			
Financial income			2
Interest income, group enterprises.....	2.225.662	445	
Other interest income.....	88.364	17	
	2.314.026	462	
Tax for the year			3
Estimated tax charge for the year.....	-2.342.803	0	
Tax adjustments, prior years.....	260.884	-245	
Deferred tax adjustments in the year.....	1.459.807	-627	
	-622.112	-872	
Proposed distribution of profit			4
Retained earnings.....	-10.712.538	-660	
	-10.712.538	-660	
Intangible assets			5
		Goodwill	
Cost at 1 January 2023.....		3.948.740	
Cost at 31 December 2023.....		3.948.740	
Amortisation at 1 January 2023.....		3.948.740	
Amortisation at 31 December 2023.....		3.948.740	
Carrying amount at 31 December 2023.....		0	

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Property, plant and equipment			6
	Land and buildings	Plant and machinery	
Cost at 1 January 2023.....	19,449,478	4,725,502	
Disposals.....	-788,530	0	
Cost at 31 December 2023.....	18,660,948	4,725,502	
Depreciation and impairment losses at 1 January 2023.....	12,940,501	3,094,723	
Reversal of depreciation of assets disposed of.....	-712,521	0	
Depreciation for the year.....	3,659,206	341,541	
Depreciation and impairment losses at 31 December 2023....	15,887,186	3,436,264	
Carrying amount at 31 December 2023.....	2,773,762	1,289,238	
Lease assets.....	2,773,762	1,289,238	
	Other fixtures and fittings, tools and equipment	Leasehold improvements	
Cost at 1 January 2023.....	4,384,431	120,087	
Additions.....	1,791,929	0	
Disposals.....	-1,515,262	0	
Cost at 31 December 2023.....	4,661,098	120,087	
Depreciation and impairment losses at 1 January 2023.....	2,424,679	94,407	
Reversal of depreciation.....	-1,397,232	0	
Depreciation for the year.....	1,387,072	17,120	
Depreciation and impairment losses at 31 December 2023....	2,414,519	111,527	
Carrying amount at 31 December 2023.....	2,246,579	8,560	
Lease assets.....	2,175,143		
Financial non-current assets			7
		Rent deposit and other receivables	
Cost at 1 January 2023.....		739,215	
Additions.....		184,400	
Disposals.....		-424,795	
Cost at 31 December 2023.....		498,820	
Carrying amount at 31 December 2023.....		498,820	

Trade receivables

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The company has received cash under a non-recourse factoring and credit insurance facility. Continuing involvement for late payment risk is not significant. Trade receivables for which payment has been received through the factoring arrangement has been derecognized from the balance sheet.

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	2023 DKK	2022 DKK '000	Note
Deferred tax assets			9
The provision for deferred tax is related to differences between the carrying amount and tax value of securities, receivables, intangible and tangible fixed assets, including recognised finance lease contracts.			
Deferred tax assets is related to:			
Property, plant and equipment.....	-1.343.845	-1.800	
Securities and investments.....	0	-92	
Provisions.....	2.056.585	2.081	
Liabilities.....	1.389.305	1.095	
Not recognized.....	-2.102.045	0	
Deferred tax assets, beginning of year.....	1.283.676	834	
Deferred tax of the year, income statement.....	-1.459.807	627	
Deferred tax of the year, equity.....	176.131	-177	
Deferred tax assets 31 December 2023.....	0	1.284	
Tax loss before joint taxation is not recognised in the balance sheet as the management do not expect that the loss can be utilized within the next three to four years. The total tax loss not recognised is 30.787 TDKK.			
	2023 DKK	2022 DKK '000	
Prepayments			10
Rent and other prepaid expenses.....	774.367	513	
	774.367	513	
Prepayments include accrual of expenses relating to subsequent financial years, including rent of DKKt 774 and other prepaid expenses.			
	2023 DKK	2022 DKK '000	
Share Capital			11
Allocation of share capital: (All shares rank equally.)			
Share Capital, 86 unit in the denomination of 50.000 DKK.....	4.300.000	4.300	
	4.300.000	4.300	

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Other provisions

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Other provisions comprise provisions for warranty commitments. Warranty provisions relate to expected warranty expenses in accordance with usual guarantee commitments applicable to the sale of goods. The obligation is expected to be settled over the warranty period, which is one year. The recognized amount is 525 t.DKK.

Other provisions comprise provision for claims against the company. These claims relate to actual warranty claims against the company. The recognized amount for these claims is 8.823 t.DKK. The provisions is expected to be settled between 1-5 years. For detailed description of the recognized provision refer to note 14 "Contingencies etc."

Long-term liabilities

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	31/12 2023 total liabilities	Repayment next year	Debt outstanding after 5 years	31/12 2022 total liabilities
Lease liabilities.....	6.315.023	3.457.733	0	10.220.957
	6.315.023	3.457.733	0	10.220.957

Contingencies etc.

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Contingent liabilities

As mentioned in note 8 the company has received cash under non-recourse factoring and credit insurance arrangement. Continuing involvement for late payment risk is not significant, but the the company shall repurchase non-eligible receivables. The risk is not significant because of the credit insurance agreement.

The Company is subject to claims related to magnesium-oxide boards sold in the Nordics in 2010-2013.

As per note 12 "Other provisions", claims against the company has been recognized at 8,810 t.DKK. The actual claims against the company are significantly higher. It is the managements assestment that the provision reflects the expected liability for the company based on the historical claims, expectations of settlement negotiations and insurance coverage.

Joint liabilities

The Company is jointly and severally liable together with the Parent Company and the other group companies in the joint taxable group for tax on the group's joint taxable income and for certain possible withholding taxes, such as dividend tax, etc.

Tax payable on the Group's joint taxable income is stated in the annual report of Etex Holding Denmark ApS, which serves as management Company for the joint taxation.

NOTES**Note****Related parties****15**

The Company's related parties include:

Controlling interest

Parent: Etermat SAS, France

Ultimate parent: Etex NV., Belgium

Transactions with related parties

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. No intra-group transactions have been found that have not been on market terms.

Consolidated Financial Statements**16**

The company is included in the consolidated financial statements for Etex NV.

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Annual Report of ETEX NORDIC A/S for 2023 has been presented in accordance with the provisions of the Danish Financial Statements Act for enterprises in reporting class C.

The Annual Report is prepared consistently with the accounting principles applied last year.

Reporting currency

The financial statements are presented in Danish kroner (DKK). Intra-group business combinations The book value method is applied to business combinations such as acquisition and disposal of investments, mergers, demergers, contributions of assets and share conversions, etc. In which entities controlled by the parent company are involved, provided that the combination is considered completed at the time of acquisition without any restatement of comparative figures. Differences between the agreed consideration and the carrying amount of the acquiree are recognised directly in equity.

Foreign currency translation

On initial recognition, transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the exchange rate from previously months closing rate. Foreign exchange differences arising between the exchange rates at the transaction date and the date of payment are recognised in the income statement as financial income or financial expenses.

Receivables and payables and other monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the exchange rate at the balance sheet date. The difference between the exchange rates at the balance sheet date and the date at which the receivable or payable arose or was recognised in the most recent financial statements is recognised in the income statement as financial income or financial expenses.

Derivative financial Instruments

On initial recognition, derivative financial instruments are recognised at cost in the balance sheet and are subsequently measured at fair value. Positive and negative fair values of derivative financial instruments are presented as separate items in the balance sheet.

Fair value adjustments of derivative financial instruments designated as and qualifying for recognition as a hedge of the fair value of a recognised asset or liability are recognised in the income statement along with changes in the fair value of the hedged asset or liability.

Fair value adjustments of derivative financial instruments designated and qualifying as hedging of future assets or liabilities are recognised as separate items in the balance sheet and in the hedging reserve under equity. If the forecast transaction results in the recognition of assets or liabilities, amounts previously recognised in equity are transferred to the cost of the asset or liability, respectively. If the forecast transaction results in income or expenses, amounts previously recognised in equity are transferred to the income statement in the period in which the hedged item affects the income statement.

Fair value adjustments of derivative financial instruments that do not qualify for hedge accounting are recognised in the income statement on an ongoing basis.

INCOME STATEMENT

Net revenue

Revenue from contracts with customers is recognised on the basis of transfer of control, which according to IFRS 15 takes place at the time when control of the product/service delivered passes to the customer.

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Control is considered passed to the customer when:

- a binding sales agreement has been made;
- delivery has been made before the end of the financial year;
- the selling price has been determined; and
- payment has been received or may with reasonable certainty be expected to be received.

Net revenue is recognised exclusive of VAT and less duties and discounts related to the sale.

Cost of sales

Cost of sales comprise costs incurred to achieve the net revenue for the year, including direct and indirect costs of raw materials and consumables.

Other operating income

Other operating income includes items of a secondary nature in relation to the enterprises' principal activities, including profit from sale of intangible and tangible assets, operating loss and conflict compensations, as well as salary refunds. Compensations are recognised when the income is estimated to be realisable.

Other external expenses

Other external expenses include other production, sales, delivery and administrative costs, including costs of energy, marketing, premises, loss on bad debts etc.

Staff costs

Staff costs comprise wages and salaries, including holiday pay and pensions, and other costs of social security etc., for the Company's employees.

Financial income and expenses

Financial income and expenses include interest income and expenses, financial expenses of finance leases, realised and unrealised gains and losses arising from securities, debt and transactions in foreign currencies, as well as charges and allowances under the tax-on-account scheme, etc. Financial income and expenses are recognised by the amounts that relate to the financial year. Interest income and expenses are calculated on amortised cost prices.

Tax

The tax for the year, which consists of the current tax for the year and changes in deferred tax, is recognised in the Income Statement by the share that may be attributed to the profit for the year, and is recognised directly in equity by the share that may be attributed to entries directly to equity.

BALANCE SHEET

Tangible fixed assets

Land and buildings, production plant and machinery, other plant, fixtures and equipment are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

The depreciation base is cost less estimated residual value after end of useful life.

The cost includes the acquisition price and costs incurred directly in connection with the acquisition until the time when the asset is ready to be used.

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Straight-line depreciation is provided on the basis of an assessment of the expected useful lives of the assets and their residual value:

	Useful life	Residual value
Buildings.....	7 years	0 %
Production plant and machinery.....	15 years	0 %
Other plant, fixtures and equipment.....	3-5 years	0 %
Leasehold improvements.....	3 years	0 %

Profit or loss on sale of tangible fixed assets is stated as the difference between the sales price less selling costs and the carrying amount at the date of sale. Profit or loss is recognised in the Income Statement as other operating income or other operating expenses.

Lease contracts

Lease contracts are recognised in the balance sheet at the lower of the fair value of the leased asset and the net present value of the lease payments computed by applying the interest rate implicit in the lease or an alternative borrowing rate as the discount rate according to IFRS 16. Assets acquired under leases are depreciated and written down for impairment under the same policy as determined for the other fixed assets of the Company.

The Company has chosen to apply the exemptions concerning short-term, low-value leases. Therefore, such lease assets are not recognised as assets and liabilities in the balance sheet.

The capitalised residual lease liability is recognised in the Balance Sheet as a liability and the interest portion of the lease payment is recognised in the Income Statement over the contract period.

All other lease contracts are considered to be operating leases. Payments related to operating leases and other rental agreements are recognised in the Income Statement over the contract period. The Company's total liability relating to operating leases and rental agreements is disclosed as contingencies etc.

Financial non-current assets

Other receivables are measured at amortised cost which usually corresponds to the nominal amount. The amount is written down to meet expected losses.

Impairment of fixed assets

The carrying amount of tangible assets together with fixed assets, which are not measured at fair value, are assessed annually for indications of impairment other than that reflected by amortisation and depreciation.

In the event of impairment indications, an impairment test is made for each asset or group of assets, respectively. If the recoverable amount is lower than the carrying amount, the asset is written down to the recoverable amount.

The recoverable amount is calculated at the higher of the capital value and the sales value less expected costs of a sale. The capital value is determined as the Company's share in the current value of the net cash flows which the subsidiary is expected to generate through its activities and from sale of assets after the end of their useful lives. A discount rate is used which reflects the risk-free market rate and the owners' minimum return on interest requirements for similar assets. The growth rate in the terminal period is determined in accordance with the standards within the industry.

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Inventories

Inventories are measured at cost using the FIFO-principle. If the net realisable amount is lower than cost, the inventories are written down to the lower amount.

The cost of merchandise as well as raw materials and consumables is calculated at acquisition price with addition of transportation and similar costs.

The cost of finished goods and work in progress includes the cost of raw materials, consumables, direct payroll cost and other direct and other indirect production costs include indirect materials and payroll and maintenance and depreciation of the machines, factory buildings and equipment used in the production process, the cost of factory administration and management and capitalised development costs relating to the products.

The net realisable value of inventories is stated at the expected sales price less direct completion costs and costs incurred to execute the sale and is determined with due regard to marketability, obsolescence and development in expected sales price of the inventories.

Receivables

Receivables are measured at amortised cost which usually corresponds to nominal value. The value is written down to meet expected losses.

Write-off is performed to provide for losses when an objective indication has been assessed to have incurred that a receivable or a portfolio of receivables are impaired. If there is an objective indication that an individual receivable is impaired, the write-off is performed at individual level.

Receivables for which there are no objective indication of impairment at individual level are assessed at portfolio level for objective indication of impairment. The portfolios are primarily based on the debtors' registered office and credit rating in accordance with the Company's policy for credit risk management. The objective indicators, which are applied for portfolios, are determined based on the historical loss experiences.

Write-off is determined as the difference between the carrying amount of receivables and the present value of the expected cash flows, including realisable value of any received collaterals. The effective interest rate is used as discount rate for the single receivable or portfolio.

Accruals, assets

Accruals recognised as assets include costs incurred relating to the subsequent financial year.

Other provisions for liabilities

Other provisions for liabilities include the expected cost of warranty commitments, loss on work in progress, restructurings etc. and deferred tax.

Warranty commitments include liabilities for improvement of work within the warranty period of 1 to 5 years. The provision for liabilities is measured and recognised on the basis of experience with warranty work.

When it is likely that the total costs will exceed the total income on the contract work in progress, a provision is made for the total loss that is anticipated on the contract.

Tax payable and deferred tax

Current tax liabilities and receivable current tax are recognised in the Balance Sheet as the calculated tax on the taxable income for the year, adjusted for tax on the taxable income for previous years and taxes paid on account.

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Company is subject to joint taxation with Danish Group companies. The current corporation tax is distributed among the joint taxable companies in proportion to their taxable income and with full allocation and refund related to tax losses. The joint taxable companies are included in the tax-on-account scheme. Joint taxation contributions receivable and payable are recognised in the Balance Sheet under current assets and liabilities, respectively.

Deferred tax is measured on the temporary differences between the carrying amount and the tax value of assets and liabilities.

Deferred tax assets, including the tax value of tax loss carryforwards, are measured at the amount at which the asset is expected to be used within a reasonable number of years, either by setoff against tax on future earnings or by setoff against deferred tax liabilities within the same legal tax entity.

Deferred tax is measured on the basis of the tax rules and tax rates that under the legislation in force on the Balance Sheet date will be applicable when the deferred tax is expected to crystallise as current tax. Any changes in the deferred tax resulting from changes in tax rates, are recognised in the income statement, except from items recognised directly in equity.

Liabilities

Financial liabilities are recognised at the time of borrowing by the amount of proceeds received less transaction costs. In subsequent periods, the financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost equal to the capitalised value when using the effective interest, the difference between the proceeds and the nominal value being recognised in the Income Statement over the loan period.

The amortised cost of current liabilities corresponds usually to the nominal value.

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

With reference to Section 86(4) of the Danish Financial Statements Act, the Company has not prepared a cash flow statement. A cash flow statement has been prepared for the Group - Etex NV.