



Press release, August 19, 2009

Information concerning Hemtex in Hakon Invest AB's interim report

Since June 30, Hemtex has been a subsidiary of Hakon Invest. Because Hakon Invest is releasing its interim report today, August 19, we would like to inform the public that certain information concerning Hemtex's balance sheet at June 30 is included in Hakon Invest's interim report under Note 4.

For further information, please contact:

Tommy Svensson, Chief Financial Officer: +46-(0)702-10 80 69

Visit our website at: www.hemtex.com

Hemtex is the leading home textile chain in the Nordic region, with a total of 222 stores in August 2009, of which 150 were in Sweden, 42 in Finland, 13 in Denmark, 12 in Norway, two in Estonia and three in Poland. Of these stores, 192 are owned by the Hemtex Group and 30 by franchisees. Under a joint brand, the stores sell home-decor products with a focus on home textiles. Sales at the consumer level (including franchise stores) totaled SEK 1.43 billion, excluding value added tax. On April 30, 2009, the Hemtex Group's annual sales amounted to SEK 1.39 billion.