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Schedule for Esselte's Financial Reports in 1999

Eselte will release the following financial reports in 1999:

February 10 - Preliminary Report on 1998 Operations

March 10 – Definitive Report on 1998 Operations

April 21 – Report on the First Quarter. 1999 Annual General Meeting.

July 22 - Report on the First Six Months

October 21 – Report on the First Nine Months

The Esselte Group consists of two independent business areas – Esselte Office Products and Meto – which are global market leaders in office products and labeling systems, respectively. The Parent Company, Esselte AB, focuses on creating added value by being an active owner and implementing structural measures to streamline operations. Nielsen & Bainbridge is being divested, and after the business area is sold, Esselte Group sales will amount to approximately SEK 11.7 billion and the number of employees will total 7,800 (based on 1997 figures before integration of the Leitz Group).

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