

# **Interim report 3-2006**

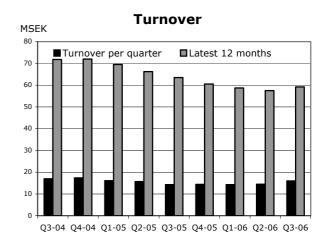
- The turnover in the period was SEK 44,8 Million (46,1). The turnover in the third quarter increased with 12% compared to the same period previous year
- Operating profit in the third quarter was SEK 1,9 Million (1,1). As the first six month was charged with structuring costs of SEK 1,2 Million, operating profit January-September was SEK 1,8 Million (3.3)
- Profit after financial items in the period was SEK 2,0 Million (3,6)
- Earnings per share amounted to SEK 1,13 (1,99)
- Ecovision has no interest bearing debts and the cash and bank balances amounted to SEK 24,2 Million (24,7)
- Ecovision is acquiring SIX. Ecovision and SIX will merge to form an industrial group with the French Fininfo Group as majority owner.
- The merger creates one of Scandinavia's biggest players in professional financial information. The pro forma net turnover year 2005 amounted to SEK 225 Million compared to Ecovisions turnover of SEK 60 Million.

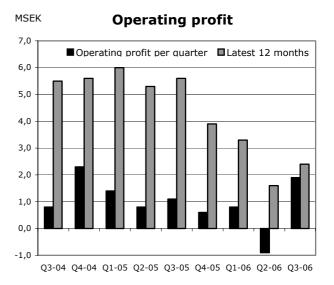
#### **Business Areas**

The Ecovision Group's activities are divided into four Product Areas:

- Ecovision ProTrader is a complete financial real-time system. Information
  gathered from primary sources is processed by Ecovision and then
  disseminated via, The Internet, networks and satellite.
- Ecovision Solutions develops and operates web-services for banks, stockbrokers and the media.
- Nyhetsbyrån Ticker is a news agency that produces news in real-time to the financial markets.
- Ecovision Finansanalys provides the media sector with financial information.

	2006 Jan- Sept	2005 Jan- Sept	Change
Turnover, Million SEK	44,8	46,1	-3%
Operating profit, Million SEK	1,8	3,3	-45%
Operating margin, %	4,0	7,2	
Profit after financial items, Million SEK	2,0	3,6	-44%
Earnings per share, SEK	1,13	1,99	-43%
Equity per share, SEK	31,49	31,86	-1%





#### **Turnover and results**

During the period, Ecovision's income amounted to SEK 44,8 Million (46,1).

The Operating profit was SEK 1,8 Million (3,3) and was charged with structuring costs of SEK 1,2 Million.

These costs include payments of SEK 1,1 Million to resigning officers.

Profit after financial items during the period was SEK 2,0 Million (3,6).

# Important events during January-September

In the beginning of 2006, Ecovision signed an agreement with Handelsbanken regarding delivery of financial information feed to Handelsbanken's Internet and intranet services. During the first half year of 2006, Ecovision made an extensive conversion work for Handelsbanken's Internet services. Since the the 1<sup>st</sup> of July, Handelsbanken's financial information services on the Internet are hosted on Ecovision's information and operations platform.

In March 2006, Dagens Industri and Ecovision signed an agreement by which Ecovision became the new provider of extensive financial price and news information to the Dagens Industri Group. Further, Ecovision develops and operates webservices for online portfolios and graphs. Dagens Industri also uses the real-time system Ecovision ProTrader at Di TV. Delivery of the order from Dagens Industri was executed during the second quarter.

Ecovision had continued success with the sales of its Treasury information package. Nobel Biocare was one of the new customers of Ecovision ProTrader Treasury.

The brokerage firm, Thenberg & Kinde became new customer, using both ProTrader real-time terminals and Ecovision's information feed product.

Ecovision Norge received an order of 13 ProTrader terminals from Aktiv Finansförvaltning.

# **Ecovision and SIX merger**

Ecovision and SIX will merge to form an industrial group with the French Fininfo Group as majority owner. The merger creates one of Scandinavia's biggest players in professional financial information in Scandinavia.

During November and December, the operations of the companies will be coordinated in a common organisation, which will take effect at the turn of the year. Until then, operations will continue in the current organisations. The coordination is expected to be carried out without staff reductions.

In legal terms, the merger will be carried out by Ecovision acquiring SIX from AddNode. Payment will be partly cash, partly newly issued Ecovision shares. Ecovision is listed on the First North market.

The new "SIX-Ecovision" group's *pro forma* net turnover in 2005 amounted to approx. 225 million SEK (approx. 24.2 million Euros) with approx. 11 million SEK profit (approx. 1.2 million Euros). The new group represents 20 % of Fininfo's total business.

### **The Financial Position**

Ecovision has a solid financial position. The Solidity ratio on September 30 was 65,0% (65,0). The cash and bank balances amounted to SEK 24,2 Million (24,7). The Company has no interest bearing debts.

# **The Parent Company Ecovision AB**

The Turnover was SEK 26,1 Million (24,8). Profit after financial items amounted to SEK –0,3 Million (-1,2). Financial items include a dividend of SEK 1,6 Million (0,3) during the first quarter, from Ecovision Finland Oy and Ecovision AS.

#### **Personnel**

The total number of employees was 37 (37).

#### **Investments**

The main part of Ecovision's investments concerns system and software development. All costs are directly expensed to each year's results i.e. no program development costs are capitalized.

Expenditures of SEK 1,7 million which are linked to the conversion work at Handelsbanken during the period have been capitalized to date. They will be fully written off during the second half year 2006, and will be matched by equivalent increased income.

Investments in computer equipment and inventories amounted to SEK 2,6 Million (0,6).

Gothenburg 7<sup>th</sup> November 2006

## **Ecovision AB (publ)**

Per Rastin **Managing Director** 

The 2006 Annual Financial statements will be reported as follows:

- Press release of annual earning figures for 2006 on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2007
- Ecovision's auditors have not examined this report.

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# **Accounting principles**

This interim report for the group is established according to IAS 34 Interim Reporting, which is in accordance with the requirements set by Swedish Financial Accounting Standards Council recommendation RR31, Interim Reports for groups. Accounting principle is the same as in annual accounts year 2005.

Note 1) Net turnover allocated on geographical areas

Amount in Million SEK	2006 Jan- Sept	2005 Jan- Sept	2005 full year	Past 12 month
Sweden	29,2	30,2	39,3	38,3
Norway	1,4	1,3	1,8	1,9
Finland	14,2	14,1	18,9	19,0
Total net turnover	44.8	45.6	60.0	59.2

## Note 2) Equity

Group	Share capital	Additional paid in capital	Reserves	Acc. profit or loss	Total equity
Beginning of year	0,7	9,3	0,1	34,9	45,0
Dividend				-2,4	-2,4
Translation difference			-		
Profit for the period				1,6	1,6
Equity Sept 30, 2006	0,7	9,3	0,1	34,1	44,2

#### **Consolidated Profit and Loss Account**

Amount in Million SEK	2006 Jan- Sept	2005 Jan- Sept	2005 full year	Past 12 month
Net turnover <sup>1</sup> ) Other operating income	44,8 -	45,6 0,5	60,0 0,5	59,2 -
Total turnover	44,8	46,1	60,5	59,2
Operating costs: Information cost Other external costs Staff costs Depreciation and amortization Operating profit	-12,7 -10,2 -17,8 -2,3	-13,6 -9,1 -17,5 -2,6	,	-17,1 -13,2 -23,5 -3,0
Net financial	0,2	0,3	0,2	0,1
income/expenses Profit after financial items	2,0	3,6	4,1	2,5
Tax	-0,4	-0,8	-1,0	-0,6
Net profit for the period	1,6	2,8	3,1	-0,6 <b>1,9</b>

## **Consolidated Balance Sheet**

Amount in Million SEK	2006 Sept 30	2005 Sept 30
ASSETS		
Fixed assets:		
Equipment. fixtures and fittings	5,0	4,0
Licences	3,5	4,5
Goodwill	19,8	19,8
Deferred tax	2,1	2,1
Shares in associated companies		0,5
Total fixed assets	30,4	30,9
Current assets:		
Accounts receivables	8,9	6,6
Other liabilities	-	3,6
Prepaid expenses	3,9	3,0
Accrued income	0,6	0,3
Cash and bank	24,2	24,5
Total current assets	37,6	37,9
Total assets	68,0	68,8
SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY AND		
LIABILITIES		
Equity <sup>2</sup> )	44,2	44,7
Long-term liabilities:		
Provisions	-	2,4
Short-term liabilities:		
Accounts payable	2,6	1,9
Other liabilities	2,4	2,1
Accrued costs	7,0	8,4
Prepaid income	11,8	9,3
Total shareholders equity and	68,0	68,8
liabilities		

Key ratio Group	2006 Jan- Sept	2005 Jan- Sept	2005 full year
Operating margin (%)	4,0	7,2	6,5
Profit margin (%)	4,5	7,8	6,8
Return on capital employed (%)	5,8	12,6	9,4
Return on equity (%)	4,3	8,2	6,9
Solidity (%)	65,0	63,5	64,5
Investments (SEK Millions)	2,6	0,6	2,1
Number of employees	37	37	36
Key ratio per share			
Earnings per share after standard tax rate (SEK)	1,13	1,99	2,20
Equity per share (SEK)	31,49	31,86	32,13
Number of shares	1.402.946	1.402.946	1.402.946

## **Definitions**

**Operating margin (%):** Operating profit divided by turnover.

**Profit margin (%):** Profit/loss after financial items divided by turnover.

# Return on capital employed (% full year):

Profit/loss after financial items plus financial costs as a percentage of average capital employed.

**Return on equity (% full year):** Profit of the year as a percentage of average adjusted equity.

**Solidity (%):** Adjusted equity divided by balance sheet total.

Consolidated Cash Flow Analysis	2006 Jan- Sept	2005 Jan- Sept
Current activities Profit after financial items Adjustment for non-cash items Tax paid	2,0 2,3 -1,8	3,6 2,8 -1,2
Cash flow from current activities before change to working capital	2,5	5,2
Cash flow from changes to working capital		
Increase(-)/Decrease(+) of receivables	-3,5	+1,5
Increase(+)/Decrease(-) of liabilities	-	-3,0
Cash flow from changes to working capital	-3,5	-1,5
Cash flow from current activities	-1,0	+3,7
<b>Investments</b> Acquisition of tangible and intangible fixed assets	-2,6	-0,6
Cash flow from investments	-2,6	-0,6
<b>Financing activities</b> Acquisition of financial assets Dividend	-2,5	-0,9 -2,5
Cash flow from financing	-2,5 <b>-2,5</b>	-2,5 <b>-3,4</b>
Total cash flow	-6,1	-0,3
Cash at beginning of year Cash at end of period	30,3 24,2	25,0 24,7