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NORDIC MODULAR REDUCES ITS PERSONNEL IN GRABO

Flexator today issues redundancy notices to about 60 employees at Flexator's facility at Grabo, near Gothenburg. Flexator together with Temporent form the Nordic Modular division within the property company Kungsleden AB (publ). The Grabo plant is a contract manufacturer of modules and construction modules to larger customers. A couple of customers in the construction industry suddenly reduced their investments, explaining the personnel reductions. The relevant union negotiations will begin shortly.

The actions will not affect the results of the Kungsleden group, nor is the Anneberg plant with Swedish municipalities as customers affected by today's measures.

"It's of course a sad decision," says Per Johansson, divisional manager of Nordic Modular, "but we have to constantly dimension our resources according to customer demand. We'll be offering the affected staff support and assistance in finding new jobs alongside the job centre, occupational health service and a jobseeker's coach."

In September, redundancy notices were issued to 25 staff at the Grabo facility, following signals of customer order reductions in 2009. With today's redundancy notices, a total of approximately 80 staff may be affected.

"We're making intensive efforts to avoid implementing all the lay-offs, through means including product development work and various possibilities to realign production within the group," adds Mr. Johansson.

Nordic Modular constitutes about 5 percent of the Kungsleden group's total property portfolio.

ABOUT NORDIC MODULAR

Nordic Modular is a division within the property company Kungsleden AB (publ). Nordic Modular manufactures and rents modules for various purposes, such as offices, kindergartens and schools. Nordic Modular operates through the subsidiaries Temporent and Flexator aiming to lead the creation of a Nordic module market. The modules are industrially manufactured as ready made rooms – floor, walls and ceilings are assembled and prepared at the plant, including surfaces and permanent furnishings. The modules are transported by truck to the site where they are finished as ready houses on prepared lots. The whole process can take from a few weeks up to a few months.

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