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## **NORVIK ANNOUNCES THE FINAL OUTCOME OF THE OFFER TO THE SHAREHOLDERS IN BERGS TIMBER AB (PUBL)**

Norvik Hf, through its wholly-owned subsidiary Kivron AB[1] ("Norvik"), announced on 27 October 2023 a recommended public cash offer to the shareholders in Bergs Timber AB (publ) ("Bergs") to tender any and all shares in Bergs to Norvik at a price of SEK 44.50 in cash per share (the "Offer").

On 29 November 2023, Norvik announced that the Offer had been accepted by shareholders representing in total 12,724,396 shares in Bergs (corresponding to approximately 36.70 per cent [2] of the share capital and votes in Bergs) which, together with the 20,342,084 shares in Bergs already owned by Norvik, means that Norvik controlled in total 33,066,480 shares, corresponding to approximately 95.37 per cent of the share capital and votes in Bergs. Consequently, the Offer was declared unconditional and was completed. In connection therewith, the acceptance period for the Offer was extended until 12 December 2023 to provide the remaining shareholders in Bergs time to accept the Offer.

After the expiry of the extended acceptance period, the Offer had been accepted by shareholders representing an additional total of 847,197 shares in Bergs (corresponding to approximately 2.44 per cent of the share capital and votes in Bergs). Norvik has also acquired 119,752 shares in Bergs (corresponding to approximately 0.35 per cent of the share capital and votes in Bergs) outside the Offer during the extended acceptance period. No acquisitions have been made at a price exceeding the price in the Offer of SEK 44.50 per share. Hence, Norvik controls in total 34,033,429 shares, corresponding to approximately 98.16 per cent of the share capital and votes in Bergs after the end of the extended acceptance period. Neither Norvik nor any of its closely related companies or other closely related parties hold any other financial instruments in Bergs that give a financial exposure to Bergs' shares.

Settlement for the shares tendered in the Offer during the extended acceptance period will be initiated on or about 15 December 2023. Norvik will not extend the acceptance period any further and the Offer is thereby closed.

Norvik has initiated a compulsory redemption proceeding under the Swedish Companies Act (2005:551) (Sw. *aktiebolagslagen (2005:551)*) to acquire the remaining shares in Bergs. Furthermore, Bergs has, as per Norvik's request, applied for delisting of Bergs' shares from Nasdaq Stockholm. The application has been approved by the stock exchange and the last day of trading in Bergs' shares on Nasdaq Stockholm will be 21 December 2023.

**Advisors**

Norvik has retained Erneholm Haskel AB as financial advisor and Cederquist Law Firm as legal advisor in connection with the Offer.

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Information about the Offer is available at: [www.kivron.se](http://www.kivron.se) as well as in the offer document regarding the Offer, which was published on 31 October 2023.

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**Important information**

The Offer, pursuant to the terms and conditions presented in this press release, is not being made to persons whose participation in the Offer requires that an additional offer document is prepared or registration effected or that any other measures are taken in addition to those required under Swedish law and regulations or otherwise contemplated in connection with the Offer.

This press release and any other documentation related to the Offer are not being distributed and must not be mailed or otherwise distributed or sent in or into any country in which the distribution or offering would require any such additional measures to be taken or would be in conflict with any law or regulation in such country – any such action will not be permitted or sanctioned by Norvik. Any purported acceptance of the Offer resulting directly or indirectly from a violation of these restrictions may be disregarded.

The Offer is not being and will not be made, directly or indirectly, in or into, by use of mail or any other means or instrumentality of interstate or foreign commerce of, or any facilities of a national securities exchange of Australia, Hong Kong, Japan, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa or the United States. This includes, but is not limited to e-mail, social media, telephone, the internet and other forms of electronic transmission. The Offer cannot be accepted and shares may not be tendered in the Offer by any such use, means, instrumentality or facility of, or from within Australia, Hong Kong, Japan, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa or the United States, or by persons located or resident in these jurisdictions. Accordingly, this press release or any other documentation related to the Offer are not being and should not be mailed or otherwise transmitted, distributed, forwarded or sent in or into Australia, Hong Kong, Japan, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa or the United States, or to any Australian, Hong Kong, Japanese, Canadian, New Zealand, South African or American persons or any persons located or resident in Australia, Hong Kong, Japan, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa or the United States.

Any purported tender of shares in the Offer resulting directly or indirectly from a violation of these restrictions will be invalid and any purported tender of shares made by a person located in Australia, Hong Kong, Japan, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa or the United States or any agent, fiduciary or other intermediary acting on a non-discretionary basis for a principal giving instructions from or within any of these jurisdictions will be invalid and will not be accepted. Each person who holds shares and participates in the Offer will certify to not being an Australian, Hong Kong, Japanese, Canadian, New Zealand, South African or American person, not being located or participating in the Offer from Australia, Hong Kong, Japan, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa or the United States and not acting on a non-discretionary basis for a principal in any of these jurisdictions, or that is located in or giving order to participate in the Offer from any of these jurisdictions. Norvik will not deliver any consideration relating to the Offer to Australia, Hong Kong, Japan, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa or the United States.

Banks, brokers, dealers and other nominees holding shares for persons in Australia, Hong Kong, Japan, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa or the United States must not forward this press release, or any other document related to the Offer, to such persons.

The "United States" in this section means the United States of America (its territories and possessions, any state of the United States, and the District of Columbia).

The Offer, the information and documents contained in this press release are not being made, and have not been approved, by an authorised person for the purposes of section 21 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000, as amended (the "FSMA"). The communication of the information and documents contained in this press release to persons in the United Kingdom is exempt from the restrictions on financial promotions in section 21 of the FSMA on the basis that it is a communication by or on behalf of a body corporate which relates to a transaction to acquire shares in a body corporate and the object of the transaction may reasonably be regarded as being the acquisition of day to day control of the affairs of that body corporate within article 62 (Sale of body corporate) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotion) Order 2005.

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*Forward-looking information*

Information in this press release relating to future events or circumstances, including information regarding future results, growth and other projections as well as benefits of the Offer, are forward-looking information. Such information may generally, but not always, be identified by the use of words such as “anticipates”, “expects”, “believes”, or similar expressions.

By its nature, forward-looking information involves risk and uncertainty, because it relates to events which depend on circumstances that may occur in the future. Due to several factors, of which a number of them are outside Norvik’s control, there are no guarantees to that actual results will not materially differ from the results expressed or implied by the forward-looking information. Any such forward-looking information only applies as per the date it was given and Norvik has no obligation (and undertakes no such obligation) to update or revise it, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by applicable laws and regulations.

[1] Kivron AB is a newly-formed Swedish private limited liability company with corporate registration number 559449-9062, wholly-owned by Norvik Hf, domiciled in Stockholm and with registered address at c/o Advokatfirman Cederquist, Hovslagargatan 3, SE-111 48 Stockholm.

[2] All per centages set out in this press release are based on there being 34,672,828 outstanding shares in Bergs.