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Swedencare intends to carry out a directed share issue

Swedencare AB (publ) ("Swedencare" or the "Company") has mandated Pareto Securities ("Pareto") and Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken ("SEB"), together the "Joint Bookrunners", to evaluate the conditions for carrying out a directed share issue up to circa 35.5 million newly issued shares, through an accelerated book building procedure, based on the authorisation granted to the board of directors on the extraordinary general meeting on 18 January 2022 (the "Share Issue").

If the Company carries out the Share Issue, the proceeds received from the Share Issue will be used to partly finance the acquisitions of The Garmon Corporation ("NaturVet") and Innovet Italia Srl ("Innovet"), which was communicated in a separate press release earlier today.

The book building procedure will start immediately after the publication of this press release. Pricing and allocation of the new shares in the Share Issue is expected to take place before start of trading on Nasdaq First North Growth Market on 27 January 2022. By establishing the subscription price in the Share Issue through an accelerated book building procedure, it is the assessment of the board of directors that the subscription price will accurately reflect current market conditions and demand. The exact timing of closing of the book building, pricing and allocation is at the discretion of Swedencare and the Joint Bookrunners and may be cancelled at any point in time. Swedencare will announce the outcome of the Share Issue immediately after closing of the book building in a subsequent press release. One of the Company's largest shareholders, Symrise AG, has indicated interest to subscribe for shares in the Share Issue corresponding to circa EUR 200 million.

The Board of Directors considers that the opportunity to use the proceeds from the Share Issue for the completion of the acquisitions of NaturVet and Innovet is positive for the Company's capital structure and general risk level, specifically in relation to having a good balance of different financing sources. In addition, through the Share Issue the Company is expected to reach new highly reputable institutional investors and the Board of Directors considers such strengthening of the shareholder base as positive for Swedencare. Since the Share Issue e.g. will (i) ensure that the acquisitions of NaturVet and Innovet can be completed with an optimal capital structure, (ii) provide the Company with institutional owners, (iii) be conducted in a more time efficient way and at a lower cost and with less complexity than a rights issue, the Board of Directors' overall assessment is that the reasons for carrying out the Share Issue with deviation from the shareholders' right in a clear way and with



sufficient strength overweigh the reasons that motivates the main rule that share issues are to be made with preferential rights for the shareholders. Therefore, the Board of Directors considers that a share issue with deviation from the shareholders' preferential rights is in the best interest of the Company and all shareholders.

The Company has undertaken, with customary exceptions, not to issue additional shares for a period of 180 days following the completion of the Share Issue. Shareholding board members, the CEO and the CFO have entered into a customary lock-up with the Joint Bookrunners of 90 days following the completion of the Share Issue. The sellers of NaturVet and Innovet have entered into a customary lock-up with the Company of 12 months for 3/3 of the shares, 24 months for 2/3 of the shares and 36 months for 1/3 of the shares following the completion of the Share Issue.

Advisors

In conjunction with the Share Issue, Swedencare has engaged Pareto and SEB as Joint Bookrunners. Advokatfirman Lindahl KB has acted as legal advisor to the Swedencare and Baker McKenzie Advokatbyrå KB has acted as legal advisor to the Joint Bookrunners.

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About Swedencare

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ProDen PlaqueOff® for oral health to dogs and cats. Swedencare's headquarter is in Malmö, Sweden with subsidiaries located in eight countries with products sold in approximately fifty markets. Swedencare's sales have increased significantly over the last few years with strong margins and profits.

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Information to distributors

Solely for the purposes of the product governance requirements contained within: (a) EU Directive 2014/65/EU on markets in financial instruments, as amended ("MiFID II"); (b) Articles 9 and 10 of Commission Delegated Directive (EU) 2017/593 supplementing MiFID II; and (c) local implementing measures (together, the "MiFID II Product Governance Requirements"), and disclaiming all and any liability, whether arising in tort, contract or otherwise, which any "manufacturer" (for the purposes of the MiFID II Product Governance Requirements) may otherwise have with respect thereto, the Company's shares have been subject to a product approval process, which has determined that such securities are: (i) compatible with an end target market of retail investors and investors who meet the criteria of professional clients and eligible counterparties, each as defined in MiFID II; and (ii) eligible for distribution through all distribution channels as are permitted by MiFID II (the "EU Target Market Assessment"). Solely for the purposes of each manufacturer's product approval process in the United Kingdom, the target market assessment in respect of the securities in the Company has led to the conclusion that: (i) the target market for such securities is only eligible counterparties, as defined in the FCA Handbook Conduct of Business Sourcebook, and professional clients, as defined in Regulation (EU) No 600/2014 as it forms part of domestic law by virtue of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 ("UK MiFIR"); and (ii) all channels for distribution of such securities to eligible counterparties and professional clients are appropriate (the "UK Target Market Assessment" and, together with the EU Target Market Assessment, the "Target Market Assessment"). Notwithstanding the Target Market Assessment, Distributors should note that: the price of the Company's securities may decline and investors could lose all or part of their investment; the Company's securities offer no guaranteed income and no capital protection; and an investment in the Company's securities is compatible only with investors who do not need a guaranteed income or capital protection, who (either alone or in conjunction with an appropriate financial or other adviser) are capable of evaluating the merits and risks of such an investment and who have sufficient resources to be able to bear any losses that may result therefrom. The Target Market Assessment is without prejudice to the requirements of any contractual, legal or regulatory selling restrictions in relation to the directed Share Issue. Furthermore, it is noted that, notwithstanding the Target Market Assessment, the Joint Bookrunners will only procure investors who meet the criteria of professional clients and eligible counterparties.

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Attachments

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