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Renewcell finalizes loan agreement with Nordea, SEK and Finnvera to finance new textile recycling plant

As part of the financing structure for its planned full scale textile recycling plant in Sundsvall, Renewcell has entered a 450 million Swedish Krona loan facility agreement with Nordea, Swedish Export Credit Corporation ('SEK') and Finnish export credit agency Finnvera. The agreement was reached in November 2020, ahead of Renewcell's successful IPO on Nasdag First North Premier Growth Market.

"I am proud that the Renewcell team has been able to put together a project that meets the high standards of trusted financial institutions such as Nordea, SEK and Finnvera. They know the pulp industry through and through and will now play an invaluable role in ensuring the successful scale up of our innovation. I am confident that more lenders will now follow their lead in financing the Industrial Evolution to circularity and sustainability globally." comments Patrik Lundström. CEO of Renewcell.

This loan facility, together with the equity raised in the recent IPO, will enable Renewcell to execute its plans to build and commission a 60,000 tonne capacity textile recycling plant in Sundsvall, Sweden. The plant will be built on SCA's industrial site Ortviken, Sundsvall, in a building currently housing a publication paper machine undergoing decommissioning. Following construction throughout 2021, Renewcell plans to begin ramping up production of its 100% recycled and branded Circulose® dissolving pulp at the new plant in the first half of 2022. Vinge acted as Renewcell's legal advisor for the loan facility agreement.

"Our cooperation with Renewcell is a good example on how Nordea supports companies that carries the solutions on today's sustainability challenges. We are really happy and proud that we can support Renewcell with our combined expertise within project financing and capital market and are looking forward to continue this journey together." says Peter Dalmalm, Head of Business Banking Nordea.

"We are very proud to finance Renewcell's new plant for recycling textiles and thus contribute to increased sustainable Swedish exports and making the fashion industry circular. Renewcell's operations are in line with our ambition to enable the export industry's investments into a circular society", says Anna Karin Ljung, Client Executive at Swedish Export Credit Corporation.

"We are proud to be able to support new, innovative application of Finnish pulp technology and hope to see similar sustainability and circularity driven projects more in the future." comments Cecilia Saarnia, Senior Adviser of Finnvera.

Image caption

Patrik Lundström (CEO, Renewcell), Marica Bixo (Director – Export & Project Finance, Nordea) and Anna Karin Ljung (Senior Client Executive, SEK). Photo: Alexander Donka

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About Renewcell

Founded by innovators from Stockholm's KTH Royal Institute of Technology in 2012, Re:

NewCell AB (publ) ('Renewcell') is a multi-award-winning circular fashion company based in Sweden. The company's vision is to lead the way to a sustainable world by producing high quality biodegradable products from recycled textiles.

Through its patented process, Renewcell is able to upcycle cellulosic textile waste, such as cotton clothes, transforming it into a pristine new material called Circulose®. Renewcell is regularly recognized for its work to make fashion sustainable. Most recently, Circulose® was included as one of TIME Magazine's 100 Best Inventions 2020. Renewcell was also named finalist in both Fast Company's World Changing Ideas Awards 2020 and Draper's Sustainable Fashion Awards 2020.

Image Attachments

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