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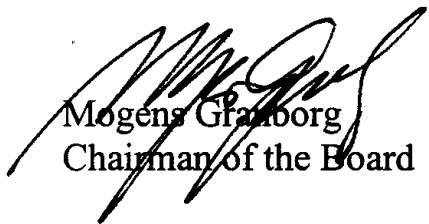
Dear Sirs

Enclosed please find Interim Announcement from MT Højgaard a/s concerning the activities in the period 1 January – 30 June 2002.

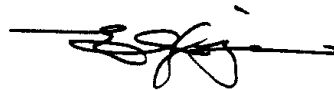
Monberg & Thorsen's Interim Announcement will be published later today.

For the sake of good order, we can advise that Monberg & Thorsen a/s has a 46% interest in MT Højgaard a/s.

Copenhagen, 30 August 2002
Board of Directors and Management



Mogens Gramborg
Chairman of the Board



Erik Søndergaard
President

Interim report 2002 (1/1 – 30/06 2002)

At its meeting today, the Board of Directors of MT Højgaard a/s considered and approved the interim report 2002. The interim report is unaudited.

Søborg, 30 August 2002
Board of Directors and Management

Gerhard Albrechtsen
Chairman of the Board

Jørgen Vorsholt
President and CEO

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Progress as expected in Denmark in the first half 2002, but loss on major international project

- The pre-tax result for the first half was a loss of DKK 8 million, an improvement of DKK 73 million on the DKK 81 million loss in the first half 2001.
- Turnover for the first half was DKK 4,879 million, matching expectations.
- MT Højgaard delivered an unsatisfactory pre-tax result in the first half, a loss of DKK 8 million, due to a major international project turning out to be loss-making in the second quarter 2002. Write-downs and provisions on the project reduced the half-year result by approx. DKK 70 million and the expectations concerning 2002 by DKK 80-100 million.
- As expected, the first half saw a significant improvement in the company's Danish activities.
- The order position is still satisfactory, the order book standing at DKK 7,006 million at the end of the second quarter compared with DKK 7,251 million at 30 June 2001.

Expectations concerning 2002

- Based on the order position and market situation, full-year production turnover of approx. DKK 10 billion is expected for 2002, just over 15% ahead of 2001.
- More satisfactory earnings are expected for the second half, leading to an expectation of a full-year operating profit of DKK 70-90 million. This should be viewed against the earlier expectations of an operating profit of approx. DKK 170 million. The reason for the downwards adjustment is the international project referred to above. The pre-tax profit is consequently expected to be in the region of DKK 60-80 million compared with DKK 7 million in 2001. The Group's effective tax rate is expected to be on a par with the Danish tax rate.

Group financial highlights and ratios

(The interim report is unaudited)

Amounts in DKKm	2002	2001	2002	2001	2001
	2 nd quarter	2 quarter	1st half	1 st half	Year
Profit and loss account					
Net turnover	2,662	2,041	4,879	3,851	8,783
Operating profit/loss (EBIT)	2	-54	-3	-83	1
Financial items and profit/loss of associated companies	-5	6	-6	2	5
Profit/loss before tax	-3	-49	-8	-81	7
Group share of profit/loss for the period	-2	-34	-6	-56	3
Balance sheet					
Share capital			200	200	200
Capital and reserves			862	808	866
Balance sheet total			3,931	3,447	4,027
Interest-bearing assets			358	439	251
Interest-bearing liabilities			668	342	709
Invested capital			1,172	711	1,324
Cash flows					
Cash flow from operating activities			73	71	9
Cash flow for investing activities			-47	-82	-394
Cash flow from financing activities			70	-32	-5
Total cash flows			96	-43	-390
Ratios (%)					
Gross margin	3.9	2.4	4.1	2.6	4.5
Operating margin	0.1	-2.7	-0.1	-2.2	0.0
Profit margin	-0.1	-1.7	-0.1	-1.5	0.0
Return on average invested capital			-0.4	-19.2	0.1
Return on equity after tax			-1.5	-12.7	0.4
Equity ratio			21.9	23.4	21.5
Other information					
Order book, end of period			7,006	7,251	7,807
Number of employees			6,337	6,259	6,321

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Danish Financial Statements Act, Danish Accounting Guidelines, and the requirements of the Copenhagen Stock Exchange on the financial reporting of listed companies.

The accounting policies concerning recognition of derivative financial instruments, financial liabilities and dividends have been changed in 2002 as a consequence of the new Danish Financial Statements Act. Reference is made to the section on accounting policies in the Group report.

The ratios have been calculated in accordance with the Danish Society of Financial Analysts' Guidelines for calculation of ratios.

Group structure



Civil Engineering	Building	West	International/ Steel	Lindpro a/s
BMS A/S	Enemærke & Petersen a/s		Seth Lda.	Assarnerit a/s
	Scandi Byg a/s		MT Højgaard (UK) Ltd.	
	Marius Hansen Facader A/S		MT (UK) Ltd.	
	A.V. Andersen A/S		MT Højgaard Islandi ehf.	
			MT Højgaard Føroyar pf.	
			MT Højgaard Grønland ApS	

A few smaller companies have been omitted.

Strategy

The process of preparing MT Højgaard for admission for listing on the Copenhagen Stock Exchange, including strategy development, was put in motion at the start of the second half 2002.

The Group's development in the first half 2002

Turnover and results

MT Højgaard delivered an unsatisfactory pre-tax result in the first half, a loss of DKK 8 million, due to a major international project turning out to be loss-making in the second quarter 2002. Write-downs and provisions on the project reduced the half-year result by approx. DKK 70 million and the expectations concerning 2002 by DKK 80-100 million.

Net turnover of DKK 2,662 million was achieved in the second quarter compared with DKK 2,041 million in the first half 2001. Net turnover for the MT Højgaard Group in the first half at DKK 4,879 million (DKK 3,851 million) was up 27% on the first half 2001. International activities accounted for 18% of turnover in the first half against 12% in the first half 2001.

The operating result (EBIT) was a profit of DKK 2 million in the second quarter and a loss of DKK 3 million (loss of DKK 83 million), DKK 80 million above the first half 2001. The operating margin for the half year was -0.1% versus -2.2% in the first half 2001.

Financial items showed a net interest cost of DKK 2 million in the first half against net interest income of DKK 1 million in the first half 2001. The share of the results of associates was a loss of DKK 4 million against a profit of DKK 1 million in the first half 2001. The pre-tax result for the first half was a loss of DKK 8 million.

The result after tax and minority interests was a loss of DKK 6 million versus a loss of DKK 56 million in the first half 2001.

As expected, the first half saw a significant improvement in the company's Danish activities. The interim pre-tax profit at DKK 73 million was substantially lower than anticipated and the interim result was unsatisfactory. When MT Højgaard was established, new guidelines were introduced on preventing and counteracting risks in connection with the signing of international contracts.

Balance sheet and changes in capital and reserves

The consolidated balance sheet stood at DKK 3,931 million at 30 June 2002, down DKK 96 million on the balance sheet of DKK 4,027 million at the end of 2001.

Capital and reserves amounted to DKK 862 million at 30 June 2002, corresponding to an equity ratio of 22% against just under 22% at the end of 2001. Besides the interim result, exchange adjustments, etc., reduced capital and reserves by DKK 2 million.

Net interest-bearing debt fell by DKK 148 million in the first half, standing at DKK 310 million at 30 June 2002 compared to DKK 458 million at the end of 2001.

The invested capital accordingly amounted to DKK 1,172 million at the end of the first half against DKK 1,324 million at the end of 2001.

Cash flows and financial information

Operating activities generated a cash inflow of DKK 73 million in the first half compared with DKK 71 million in the first half 2001.

Cash flows for investing activities in the first half, an outflow of DKK 47 million against an outflow of DKK 82 million in the first half 2001, consist primarily of replacement of and investment in contractors' equipment, etc.

Investing activities benefited from sale of fixed assets coupled with a generally lower investment level than in the first half 2001.

Financing activities generated a cash inflow of DKK 70 million against an outflow of DKK 32 million in the first half 2001.

There was a total cash inflow of DKK 96 million in the first half compared with an outflow of DKK 43 million in the first half 2001.

The Group's financial resources at 30 June 2002, calculated as net cash and cash equivalents, including liquid funds in joint ventures, and securities and

undrawn credit facilities, provide it with satisfactory liquidity of DKK 750 million.

The financial resources include liquid funds of DKK 194 million in joint ventures that are available exclusively to the joint ventures.

Order book

The order book amounted to DKK 7,006 million at the end of the first half compared with DKK 7,251 million at 30 June 2001. Service turnover accounted for DKK 875 million of this figure.

DKKm	30.06 2002	30.06 2001
Order book 1 January	7,807	5,174
Order intake during the half year	4,078	5,928
Production in the half year	-4,879	-3,851
Order book 30 June	7,006	7,251

However, the order book remains at a satisfactory level, corresponding to just over 8 months' average production.

The business areas

MT Højgaard's activities are divided into five business areas: Civil Engineering, Building, West, International/Steel, and Installation.

Civil Engineering

The business area Civil Engineering undertakes civil engineering and concrete works east of the Great Belt, as well as the nation-wide plant and machinery hire activities. This area also includes special projects and heavy building projects east of the Great Belt.

As expected, Civil Engineering and the plant and machinery hire activities connected with this area produced turnover of DKK 1.2 billion in the first half. Operating profit for the half was DKK 32 million, slightly below expectations due to costs in connection with the closure of the Swedish activities of the subsidiary Treschakt.

The order book stood at DKK 1.9 billion at the end of June, and Civil Engineering expects full-year turnover of DKK 2.5 billion for 2002.

Building

The business area Building undertakes project development and new building and building trade activities east of the Great Belt.

Building recorded turnover of DKK 1.4 billion in the first half, in line with expectations.

Satisfactory development in the activities in Building and the enterprises associated with this area generated operating profit of DKK 42 million, slightly better than expected.

At the end of the first half, the order book was DKK 2.0 billion. Building anticipates full-year turnover of DKK 3.0 billion in 2002.

West

The business area West is engaged in construction and building projects, including self-generated projects, west of the Great Belt.

West achieved turnover of DKK 1.1 billion in the first half, fulfilling expectations.

Earnings in the second quarter were on a par with expectations, but operating profit for the first half at DKK 8 million was somewhat lower than expected. As previously stated, this was due, in particular, to write-downs on loss-making projects in a single division in the first quarter 2002.

West had an order book of DKK 1.4 billion at the end of the second quarter, and expects full-year turnover of DKK 2.4 billion in 2002.

International/Steel

The business area International/Steel carries out building and construction projects internationally along with steel structures and other steel projects for industry.

International delivered turnover of DKK 0.9 billion in the first half, meeting expectations. The operating result, a loss of DKK 50 million, was considerably lower than expected, principally due to write-downs on a major international project in the second half 2002. Excluding these, the operating result would have been a profit of DKK 20 million.

For Steel, the first half was satisfactory, and both turnover at DKK 0.2 billion and operating profit at DKK 8 million were ahead of expectations.

Business area International/Steel recorded total turnover of DKK 1.1 billion in the first half and an operating loss of DKK 42 million.

At the end of the second quarter the order book was DKK 1.3 billion, and International/Steel is expected to show full-year turnover of DKK 2.1 billion.

Installation

MT Højgaard Installation changed its name to Lindpro a/s on 22 August 2002. The company supplies a broad range of services to industry, the power station sector and the building sector within electrical installations, instrumentation works, electromechanical service and repairs, as well as safety systems, BMS systems and process installations.

Both turnover for the first half, DKK 0.4 billion, and operating profit, DKK 14 million, were slightly better than expected.

At the end of the second quarter the order book was DKK 0.6 billion, and turnover for the whole of 2002 is expected to reach DKK 0.8 billion.

The implementation of a new financial management system has been completed. The interim financial statements are therefore not subject to the uncertainties referred to in connection with the financial reporting for the first quarter 2002.

The liquidation of Novator a/s, in which Lindpro has a 33% stake, is proceeding to plan. Provision for liquidation costs has been made in the interim financial statements at 30 June 2002.

Accounting policies

As previously announced, the accounting policies relating to recognition of dividends, financial liabilities and derivative financial instruments have been changed in 2002 as a consequence of the new Danish Financial Statements Act.

The accumulated effect of the policy changes is a DKK 1.0 million increase in the interim result and a DKK 2.1 million increase in capital and reserves at 30 June.

The comparative figures have been restated to account for the changes in accounting policy relating to recognition of dividends. With respect to financial liabilities and derivative financial instruments, the comparative figures have not been restated as the effect is negligible.

Expectations concerning 2002

The building and construction market in Denmark was stable in 2002, as expected, but stagnating compared with last year. The international economic climate had an adverse impact on investing activities, resulting in a slowdown in some market segments. This trend is also highlighted by, for example, the volatility in the financial markets which affects commercial building activity, in particular. The tighter economic policy in relation to local authorities has also affected the development in some market segments. The capacity capability is therefore being realigned as part of regular adaptation to the market.

Based on the order position and the market situation, the expectation of full-year production turnover of approx. DKK 10 billion remains unchanged despite the negative market trend, corresponding to an improvement of just over 15% on 2001.

For the second half, more satisfactory earnings are expected, leading to an expectation of a full-year operating profit of DKK 70-90 million. This should be viewed against the previously announced expectations of an operating profit of approx. DKK 170 million. The downwards adjustment is due to the international project already referred to. The profit before tax is consequently expected to be DKK 60-80 million compared with DKK 7 million in 2001. The Group's effective tax rate is expected to be in line with the Danish tax rate.

Other information

MT Højgaard a/s is owned by Højgaard Holding a/s (54%) and Monberg & Thorsen A/S (46%), both of which are listed on the Copenhagen Stock Exchange.

Group profit and loss account

Amounts in DKKm	2002	2001	2002	2001	2001
	2 nd quarter	2 nd quarter	1 st half	1 st half	Year
Net turnover	2,661.6	2,040.9	4,878.6	3,851.2	8,783.0
Cost of sales	-2,558.1	-1,992.0	-4,679.8	-3,749.4	-8,385.8
Gross profit	103.5	48.9	198.8	101.8	397.2
Selling costs	-31.3	-38.5	-59.8	-61.7	-112.7
Administrative expenses	-70.1	-64.8	-141.7	-123.1	-283.1
Operating profit/loss	2.1	-54.4	-2.7	-83.0	1.4
Share of pre-tax profits/losses of associated companies	-3.1	2.4	-4.0	1.1	3.2
Financial items	-1.6	3.2	-1.6	1.0	2.1
Profit/loss before tax	-2.6	-48.8	-8.3	-80.9	6.7
Tax on profit/loss	0.8	15.0	2.5	24.3	-2.3
Profit/loss before minority interests	-1.8	-33.8	-5.8	-56.6	4.4
Minority interests' share of profit/loss	-0.5	0.1	-0.5	0.2	-1.0
Group share of profit/loss	-2.3	-33.7	-6.3	-56.4	3.4

Changes in group capital and reserves

Amounts in DKKm	2002	2001	2001
	1 st half	1 st half	Year
Opening capital and reserves	866.3	887.0	887.0
Exchange adjustments, etc.	1.0	-0.2	-1.5
Profit/loss for the period	-6.3	-56.4	3.4
Price adjustment of hedging instruments, end of period	1.1	0.0	0.0
Dividends paid	0.0	-22.6	-22.6
Closing capital and reserves	862.1	807.8	866.3

Group cash flow statement

Amounts in DKKm	2002	2001	2001
	1 st half	1 st half	Year
Operating activities			
Operating profit/loss	-2.7	-83.0	1.4
Items not involving the movement of funds	76.9	72.2	161.9
Cash flows from primary activities before working capital movements, etc.	74.2	-10.8	163.3
Working capital movements, etc.	-1.1	82.1	-153.9
Cash flows from operating activities	73.1	71.3	9.4
Cash flows for investing activities	-47.5	-82.0	-394.3
Cash flows from financing activities	70.0	-32.3	-5.1
Cash flows, net	95.6	-43.0	-390.0
Cash and cash equivalents at start of period	-166.2	224.7	224.7
Unrealised price adjustments, securities portfolio	0.2	0.0	-0.9
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	-70.4	181.7	-166.2

Group balance sheet

Amounts in DKKm	2002 1 st half	2001 1 st half	Year 2001
Assets			
Fixed assets			
Intangible assets	59.9	48.0	67.3
Tangible assets	993.6	880.3	1,044.4
Financial assets	14.8	10.1	7.7
Total fixed assets	1,068.3	938.4	1,119.4
Current assets			
Deferred tax asset	43.4	45.8	40.9
Stocks	461.7	492.7	468.4
Debtors	2,000.3	1,530.6	2,024.0
Securities	73.4	104.6	100.2
Cash at bank and in hand	284.3	334.7	273.6
Total current assets	2,863.1	2,508.4	2,907.1
Total assets	3,931.4	3,446.8	4,026.5
Liabilities			
Capital and reserves	862.2	807.8	866.3
Minority interests	5.9	4.3	5.3
Provisions			
Deferred tax	29.9	0.0	29.9
Other provisions	53.5	136.5	77.8
Total provisions	83.4	136.5	107.7
Creditors			
Long-term liabilities	219.4	84.7	169.9
Contract work in progress	303.4	476.9	471.5
Prepayments received	151.8	154.3	115.0
Other short-term liabilities	2,305.3	1,782.3	2,290.8
Total creditors	2,979.9	2,498.2	3,047.2
Total liabilities	3,931.4	3,446.8	4,026.5

Segment information

	2002	2002	2001	Year
Amounts in DKKm	2 nd quarter	1 st half	1 st half	2001
Activities – primary segment				
Net turnover				
Civil Engineering	691.7	1,218.3	956.5	2,220.1
Building	730.8	1,443.3	1,353.9	2,949.7
West	637.8	1,106.8	866.7	1,970.2
International/Steel	585.9	1,067.9	620.6	1,518.1
Installation (Lindpro a/s)	215.5	406.1	362.9	754.2
Other/eliminated	-200.1	-363.8	-309.4	-629.3
Total	2,661.6	4,878.6	3,851.2	8,783.0
Operating profit/loss (EBIT)				
Civil Engineering	20.0	31.7	3.4	44.1
Building	28.4	42.4	-12.8	13.7
West	14.4	8.0	-14.9	-5.3
International/Steel	-41.2	-41.8	-23.8	11.8
Installation (Lindpro a/s)	12.0	13.6	2.6	9.6
Other	-31.5	-56.6	-37.5	-72.5
Total	2.1	-2.7	-83.0	1.4
Order book, end of period				
Civil Engineering		1,902.7	1,206.6	1,909.3
Building		2,033.7	2,585.9	2,447.5
West		1,420.5	1,290.2	1,450.6
International/Steel		1,284.2	1,858.3	1,660.6
Installation (Lindpro a/s)		621.7	512.7	642.7
Other/eliminated		-257.3	-202.8	-303.7
Total		7,005.5	7,250.9	7,807.0
Geographically – secondary segment				
MT Højgaard Group				
Turnover – Denmark	2,162.7	3,998.4	3,383.9	7,570.7
Turnover – Rest of world	498.9	880.2	467.3	1,212.3
Total	2,661.6	4,878.6	3,851.2	8,783.0