



ÅRSREGNSKAPET FOR REGNSKAPSÅRET 2016 - GENERELL INFORMASJON

Enheten

Organisasjonsnummer: 983 989 292
Organisasjonsform: Kommandittselskap
Foretaksnavn: KNUITSEN PRESSURIZED NATURAL GAS KS
Forretningsadresse: Smedasundet 40
5529 HAUGESUND

Regnskapsår

Årsregnskapets periode: 01.01.2016 - 31.12.2016

Konsern

Morselskap i konsern: Nei

Regnskapsregler

Regler for små foretak benyttet: Ja
Benyttet ved utarbeidelsen av årsregnskapet til selskapet: Regnskapslovens alminnelige regler

Årsregnskapet fastsatt av kompetent organ

Bekreftet av representant for selskapet: peter myklebust opsal
Dato for fastsettelse av årsregnskapet: 30.06.2017

Grunnlag for avgivelse

År 2016: Årsregnskapet er elektronisk innlevert
År 2015: Tall er hentet fra elektronisk innlevert årsregnskap fra 2016

Det er ikke krav til at årsregnskapet m.v. som sendes til Regnskapsregisteret er undertegnet. Kontrollen på at dette er utført ligger hos revisor/enhetens øverste organ. Sikkerheten ivaretas ved at innsender har rolle/rettighet for innsending av årsregnskapet via Altinn, og ved at det bekreftes at årsregnskapet er fastsatt av kompetent organ.

Brønnøysundregistrene, 20.11.2020



Resultatregnskap

Beløp i: NOK	Note	2016	2015
RESULTATREGNSKAP			
Inntekter			
Salgsinntekt		500 000	480 000
Sum inntekter		500 000	480 000
Kostnader			
Annen driftskostnad	7	828 687	667 763
Sum kostnader		828 687	667 763
Driftsresultat		-328 687	-187 763
Finansinntekter og finanskostnader			
Annen finansinntekt	4	-6	1 477
Sum finansinntekter		-6	1 477
Annen finanskostnad	4	1 126 117	1 001 865
Sum finanskostnader		1 126 117	1 001 865
Netto finans		-1 126 123	-1 000 388
Ordinært resultat før skattekostnad		-1 454 810	-1 188 151
Ordinært resultat etter skattekostnad		-1 454 810	-1 188 151
Årsresultat		-1 454 810	-1 188 151
Årsresultat etter minoritetsinteresser		-1 454 810	-1 188 151
Totalresultat		-1 454 810	-1 188 151



Balanse

Beløp i: NOK	Note	2016	2015
BALANSE - EIENDELER			
Anleggsmidler			
Immaterielle eiendeler			
Sum anleggsmidler		0	0
Omløpsmidler			
Varer			
Fordringer			
Andre fordringer		2 723	1 204
Sum fordringer		2 723	1 204
Bankinnskudd, kontanter og lignende			
Bankinnskudd, kontanter og lignende	2	15 355	101 668
Sum bankinnskudd, kontanter og lignende		15 355	101 668
Sum omløpsmidler		18 078	102 872
SUM EIENDELER		18 078	102 872
BALANSE - EGENKAPITAL OG GJELD			
Egenkapital			
Innskutt egenkapital			
Selskapskapital		12 000 000	12 000 000
Sum innskutt egenkapital		12 000 000	12 000 000
Opptjent egenkapital			
Udekket tap		38 457 761	37 002 951
Sum opptjent egenkapital		-38 457 761	-37 002 951
Sum egenkapital	6, 8	-26 457 761	-25 002 951
Gjeld			



Balanse

Beløp i: NOK	Note	2016	2015
Langsiktig gjeld			
Annen langsiktig gjeld			
Langsiktig konserngjeld	5	26 475 839	24 775 620
Sum annen langsiktig gjeld		26 475 839	24 775 620
Sum langsiktig gjeld		26 475 839	24 775 620
Kortsiktig gjeld			
Leverandørgjeld			330 204
Sum kortsiktig gjeld			330 204
Sum gjeld		26 475 839	25 105 824
SUM EGENKAPITAL OG GJELD		18 078	102 872



Skattedirektoratet

Saksbehandler Jan Hoelstad	Deres dato 11.05.2011	Vår dato 19.05.2011
Telefon 22077325	Deres referanse Jørn Knutsen	Vår referanse 2011/327976

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Dispensasjon fra kravet om utarbeidelse av årsregnskap og årsberetning på norsk

Det vises til deres brev av 11. mai 2011. Skattedirektoratet innvilget i vedtak 09/867030 av 2. juni 2010, TS Shipping Invest AS samt en rekke navngitte datterselskap, dispensasjon fra kravet om å utarbeide årsregnskap og -beretning på norsk språk. Konsernet ønsker nå å søke om samme dispensasjon for ytterligere et antall selskap som inngår i konsernet. Dette gjelder:

- Knutsen Ballastvann AS org. nr: 992 593 830
- Knutsen Ballastvann IS* reg. nr: 90 064 606
- Knutsen Kjemikalie Tanker AS org. nr: 953 058 707
- Knutsen Kjemikalie Tanker II AS org. nr: 955 298 195
- Knutsen Kjemikalie Tanker III AS org. nr: 976 747 712
- Knutsen Kjemikalie Tanker IV AS org. nr: 982 741 041
- Knutsen Kjemikalie Tankers V AS org. nr: 983 452 949
- Knutsen Kyst LNG AS org. nr: 984 616 813
- Knutsen Marine Services AS org. nr: 988 902 365
- Knutsen OAS Management AS org. nr: 990 689 113
- Knutsen OAS Crewing AS org. nr: 896 116 452
- Knutsen OAS Offshore AS org. nr: 981 532 406
- Knutsen Pressurized Natural Gas AS org. nr: 883 989 252
- Knutsen Pressurized Natural Gas KS* org. nr: 983 989 292
- Knutsen Product Tankers AS org. nr: 883 453 042
- Knutsen VOC AS org. nr: 983 521 878
- Knutsen VOC KS** org. nr: 983 521 932
- Seglem Shipping org. nr: 892 078 122
- TS Shipping Invest LNG Holding AS org. nr: 985 772 444

Alle selskapene er eid 100 % med unntak av selskapene merket med * som er eid 89 %, og ** som er eid 77 %. Øvrige eierandeler i disse selskapene er eid av enkelte ansatte i TS Shipping Invest konsernet.

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0134 Oslo	Org. nr: 996250318	Telefaks
For elektronisk henvendelse se www.skatteetaten.no		22 17 08 60

**Søknad:**

Fra deres brev gjengis:

"TS Shipping Invest AS ønsker å omfatte flere av selskapene i konsernet til å kunne utarbeide regnskaper og årsberetning på engelsk fra og med regnskapsåret 2010. Alle selskapene i konsernet er norske selskaper som driver virksomhet innen internasjonal shipping. Selskapene og konsernet har engelsk som arbeidsspråk inklusive datterselskaper. Denne søknad omfatter en rekke komplementarer, management selskaper og selskaper som driver teknologiutvikling i tilknytning til shippingvirksomheten.

Brukerne av regnskapene hovedsakelig aksjonærer, banker samt interessegrupper tilknyttet driften (ansatte, kunder, leverandører etc.). Kunder og leverandører og andre brukere har engelsk som sitt naturlige språk/forretningsspråk. Aksjonærstrukturen er begrenset, og for de fleste selskapene kontrollerer TS Shipping Invest 100 % av aksjene, mens for noen selskaper er ansatte i TS Shipping Invest konsernet representert med beskjedne eierposter."

Skattedirektoratets vurdering og konklusjon

Etter regnskapsloven § 3-4 tredje ledd skal "årsregnskapet og årsberetningen ... være på norsk. Departementet kan ved ... enkeltvedtak bestemme at årsregnskapet og/eller årsberetningen kan være på et annet språk."

I Ot. prp. nr. 42 (1997-1998) Om lov om årsregnskap m.v., er det uttalt følgende om regnskapslovens formål, jf. pkt. 1.1:

"Regjeringen har som siktemål at regnskapsloven skal bidra til informative regnskaper for ulike grupper av regnskapsbrukere. Regnskapsbrukerne er dels investorer og kreditorer som tilfører kapital til foretakene, og dels andre grupper som har interesse av å vite hvordan foretaket drives, f.eks. de ansatte og lokalsamfunnet. Informasjonen til kapitalmarkedet skal gi grunnlag for riktig prising av finansielle objekter. Riktig prisdannelse på aksjer er en forutsetning for at ressursbruken i samfunnsøkonomien skal bli best mulig. Gode regnskaper vil også gjøre det vanskeligere for markedsdeltakere å ta ut spekulasjonsgevinster med basis i skjevt fordelt informasjon."

Det fremgår således at et av hovedformålene med regnskapsloven er å bidra til "informative regnskaper for ulike grupper av regnskapsbrukere". Regnskapsbrukere vil omfatte, jf. uttalelsen i proposisjonen, blant andre investorer, kreditorer, ansatte og lokalsamfunnet.

Det er etter Skattedirektoratets vurdering derfor avgjørende ved vurdering av om dispensasjon fra kravet til å utarbeide årsregnskap og/eller årsberetning på norsk, at det ikke foreligger mulige brukere av regnskapsinformasjon som blir negativt berørt ved en eventuell dispensasjon.

De samme fakta og argument for dispensasjon foreligger i denne søknaden som ble vurdert ved innvilgelse av dispensasjon for konsernspissen og enkelte søsterselskap. Selskapenes aktivitet er knyttet til en internasjonal bransje hvor engelsk språk benyttes både internt i selskapene samt mot aksjonærer, og i kommunikasjon med eksterne forretningspartnere.




Skattedirektoratet gir på bakgrunn av en helhetsvurdering de ovenfor nevnte selskapene dispensasjon fra kravet til å utarbeide årsregnskap og årsberetning på norsk språk, jf. regnskapsloven § 3-4 tredje ledd.

Dispensasjonen forutsetter at engelsk språk benyttes i stedet ved utarbeidelsen, og at øvrige opplysninger som vedtaket baserer seg på, heller ikke endres vesentlig.

Vennligst oppgi vår referanse ved henvendelser i anledning saken.

Med hilsen


Torstein Kinden Helleland
seniorrådgiver
Rettsavdelingen, foretaksskatt
Skattedirektoratet


Jan Hoelstad



KNUTSEN PRESSURIZED NATURAL GAS KS

**ANNUAL REPORT
2016**



KNUTSEN PRESSURIZED NATURAL GAS KS REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2016

Knutsen Pressurized Natural Gas KS (Knutsen PNG KS) aims to develop the PNG technology, develop applicable projects for application of the PNG technology and commercialize the PNG technology by way of owning and operating PNG Carriers for marine transportation of compressed natural gas and to licence the technology when applicable. After a capital increase of NOK 10 million, the company has a total company partnership capital of NOK 15 million of which NOK 6 million is restricted capital and 12 million has been paid in. The General Partner participates with the capital of NOK 1,5 million equivalent to 89% of the total partnership capital.

There are no employees in the company and the daily operations are handled by Knutsen OAS Shipping AS in Haugesund, according to a separate agreement.

The company's activity

Knutsen PNG KS launched in autumn 2001 a new technical solution for the transportation of gas, named Knutsen PNG (Pressurised Natural Gas) a concept that represents a complementary approach to today's main concept for gas transport, LNG (Liquified Natural Gas). Instead of cooling the gas to liquid form, PNG is based on the compression of gas for transport under high pressure.

Technically the company has in close cooperation with DNV-GL and Europipe GMBH brought the PNG technology to a technical and commercial level where it can be implemented for gas transport

The commercial development of the use of PNG has been time consuming and although there have been a number of projects where CNG solutions have been considered by the oil and gas companies, no project has so far materialized with this technology. The volatile gas market and lower gas demand has prevented many from considering PNG as an alternative.

Generally, the activities during 2016 have been low limited to monitoring the market and activity related to keeping updated on technology. The decision to build the first CNG carrier in China has opened up some new interest but information about progress and implementation is very limited.

Transport of CO₂ on ships using the PNG technology has been studied on behalf of GASSCO. This study was completed early 2015. A follow up study was completed in 2016.

To use the PNG technology to store gas on tankers to minimize VOC emissions is being evaluated. This could be an interesting application of the technology in the future.

Result of the year

The company had an operating loss in 2016 of NOK 328.687, compared to a loss of NOK 187.763, the previous year. The company's net financial expenses were NOK 1.126.123, compared to net expenses of NOK 1.000.388 the year before. The final result for the year shows a loss of NOK 1.454.810, compared to a net loss of NOK 1.118.151 in 2015.

The Board of Directors suggests the loss for the year be transferred to loss carried forward. The company's equity was lost per 31.12.2016. The parent company have provided a subordinated loan with a borrowing limit of NOK 28.000.000. The parent company TS Shipping Invest AS has issued a guarantee for adequate capital inflow and continued operations until 31.12.2016.



The financial accounts are settled on the assumption of a going concern. The board confirms the assumption of a going concern.

The environment safety and quality control

The Board is not aware of circumstances indicating that the company pollutes the environment significantly.

The company has no employees and hire workers from its sister company, Knutsen OAS Management AS.

Future prospects

Although the interest for new PNG for natural gas transport is low, the interest for other transport solutions based on the same technology elements has been increasing. Transport of CO₂ on ships using the PNG technology on behalf of GASSCO is expected to go continue in 2017. In addition, use of the PNG technology for VOC storage on shuttle tankers could be an interesting application that will be evaluated during 2017.

Haugesund, 29th May 2017

Trygve Seglem
Chairman of the Board

Nils-Kristian Strøm
Member of the Board

Per Lothe
Member of the Board

Ole Jacob Ræstad
Member of the Board

Geir Tore Henriksen
Managing Director



Knutsen Pressurized Natural Gas KS

Profit & Loss Account

	<u>Note</u>	2016	2015
<u>Operating Income</u>			
Operating Income		500 000	480 000
<i>Total Operating income</i>		<u>500 000</u>	<u>480 000</u>
<u>Operating Expenses</u>			
Project costs		808 187	658 282
Administration	7	20 500	9 481
<i>Total Operating Expenses</i>		<u>828 687</u>	<u>667 763</u>
<i>Operating result before depreciation</i>		<u>-328 687</u>	<u>-187 763</u>
<i>Operating Result</i>		<u>-328 687</u>	<u>-187 763</u>
<u>Financial Income and Expenses</u>			
Financial income	4	58	712
Foreign exchange gain/loss		-64	765
Financial expenses	4	-1 126 117	-1 001 865
<i>Net Financial Items</i>		<u>-1 126 123</u>	<u>-1 000 388</u>
<i>Result for the year</i>		<u>-1 454 810</u>	<u>-1 188 151</u>



Knutsen Pressurized Natural Gas KS

Balance Sheet as of 31. December

	<u>Note</u>	2016	2015
<u>Fixed Assets</u>			
<u>Current Assets</u>			
Other receivables		2 723	1 204
Bank deposits	2	15 355	101 668
<i>Total Current Assets</i>		<u>18 078</u>	<u>102 872</u>
<i>TOTAL ASSETS</i>		<u>18 078</u>	<u>102 872</u>

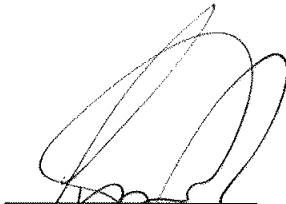




Knutsen Pressurized Natural Gas KS

Balance Sheet as of 31. December

<u>Shareholders Equity and Liabilities</u>	<u>Note</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
<u>Equity</u>			
Limited partnership capital		15 000 000	15 000 000
Capital not paid-in		-3 000 000	-3 000 000
<i>Total capital paid-in</i>		<u>12 000 000</u>	<u>12 000 000</u>
Loss brought forward		-38 457 761	-37 002 951
<i>Total Shareholders' Equity</i>	6, 8	<u>-26 457 761</u>	<u>-25 002 951</u>
<u>Long Term Liabilities</u>			
Subordinated loan capital	5	26 475 839	24 775 620
<i>Total Long Term Liabilities</i>		<u>26 475 839</u>	<u>24 775 620</u>
<u>Current Liabilities</u>			
Trade creditors		0	330 204
<i>Total Current Liabilities</i>		<u>0</u>	<u>330 204</u>
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		<u>18 078</u>	<u>102 872</u>

Haugesund, 29. May 2017


Trygve Seglem
Chairman of the Board
Per Lothe
Member of the Board
Ole Jacob Ræstad
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Managing Director



KNUTSEN PRESSURIZED NATURAL GAS KS

Notes to financial statements 31.12.2016

1 Accounting Principles

The financial statement is prepared in accordance with the fundamental accounting principles and generally accepted accounting standards for small business in Norway.

Current Assets/Current Liabilities

Current assets and liabilities include items that are due for payment within one year. Other items are classified as fixed assets/long-term liabilities. Current assets are valued at the lower of cost and fair value. Short-term liabilities are recorded at nominal value at the time of the entering. The fixed assets are valued to the lowest of the depreciated value and the market value unless the fall in value is assumed to be temporary. Long-term debt is stated at nominal value.

Tax

Knutsen Pressurized Natural Gas KS is not tax liable as each partner is taxed directly on its share of the partnership. Consequently the company does not calculate and record deferred tax in the Profit & Loss account.

Tax income is calculated based on accounting earnings and the permanent and temporary differences between accounting and tax values at the end of the financial year.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable are recorded at nominal value, net of provisions for doubtful debts. Any provision for doubtful debts is made based on evaluation of each receivable.

Transactions in Foreign Currency

All current assets and current liabilities in foreign currency are registered at the rate of exchange as per 31.12. Realised foreign exchange gain and loss are registered as financial items.

Realised and unrealised foreign exchange loss are recorded under financial items. Foreign exchange gain is recorded as a financial income when actually realised.

Income

Income is recorded to the Profit & Loss account as it is earned.

2 Bank deposits

The entity does not have restricted funds per 31.12.16.

3 Current activity

The company was founded 20.11.2001, and it aims to own, operate and develop patents and business which is related to it.



4 Financial Income and -Expenses

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Financial Income:		
Interest income	58	712
Total financial income	<u>58</u>	<u>712</u>
Financial expenses:		
Interest expenses to group companies	1 120 109	992 841
Other financial expenses	6 008	9 024
Total financial expenses	<u>1 126 117</u>	<u>1 001 865</u>

5 Subordinated loan

TS Shipping Invest AS has given an subordinate loan of maximum 28 000 000. The loan is interest calculated as other group loans but subordinate to all other debt.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Subordinated loan drawn up:		
TS Shipping Invest AS	<u>26 475 839</u>	<u>24 775 620</u>

6 Equity

Specification of the equity per 31.12.

Description	Capital		Called and paid in
	31.12	Restricted	
General partner's capital	13 350 000	5 340 000	10 680 000
Limited partnership capital	1 650 000	660 000	1 320 000
Total capital	<u>15 000 000</u>	<u>6 000 000</u>	<u>12 000 000</u>
Total equity 1.1			-25 002 951
Loss for the year			<u>-1 454 810</u>
Total equity 31.12			<u>-26 457 761</u>

The restricted capital is 40% of the total capital, which is in accordance with the requirements regarding the restricted capital's share of total capital as stated in the Norwegian Partnership Act. 80% of the total capital is paid in (40% pr 31.12.2014), which is in accordance with the requirement in the Norwegian Partnership Act that 40% of the total capital must be paid in within 2 years.

The company's equity is lost. It is referred to the Directors' Report for further comments.

Ownership as of 31.12.2016

TS Shipping Invest AS	89 %
Pelo Invest AS	10 %
Knutsen Technology AS	1 %



7 Remuneration

The company have not paid salary or any other remuneration, nor given any loan or guarantees to the managing director, any leading person or board members during the year.

Auditor's fee (excl. VAT):	2016	2015
Auditing	20 500	9 481
Tax services	0	0
Other consulting services	0	0
	<u>20 500</u>	<u>9 481</u>

8 Shares Owned by Board Members and Affiliates

Trygve Seglem controls through TS Shipping Invest AS 90% of the company.

Per Lothe owns through PELO Invest AS 10% of the company.

Financial statements for the group can be obtained at company's registered office, Smedasundet 40, 5529 Haugesund.

9 Employees

The company has no employees and thereby no pension liabilities (under the new OTP regulation). Knutsen OAS Shipping AS manages the Company in accordance with a separate management agreement

10 Tax

Knutsen Pressurized Natural Gas KS is not tax liable as each partner is taxed directly on its share of the partnership. Consequently the company does not calculate and record deferred tax in the profit and loss account.

Taxable income for distribution among the participants:	2016	2015
Result for the year	-1 454 810	-1 188 151
Non-deductible items	0	0
Tax base for the year for allocation to partners	<u>-1 454 810</u>	<u>-1 188 151</u>



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Partnership meeting of Knutsen Pressurized Natural Gas KS

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Knutsen Pressurized Natural Gas KS, which comprise the balance sheet as at 31 December 2016, the income statement for the year then ended and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the financial statements of Knutsen Pressurized Natural Gas KS have been prepared in accordance with laws and regulations and present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as at 31 December 2016 and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the Norwegian Accounting Act and accounting standards and practices generally accepted in Norway.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with laws, regulations, and auditing standards and practices generally accepted in Norway, including International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Norway, and we have fulfilled our ethical responsibilities as required by law and regulations. We have also complied with our other ethical obligations in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other information

Other information consists of the information included in the Company's annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer (management) is responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the audit of the financial statements does not cover the other information, and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information, and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of management for the financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the Norwegian Accounting Act and accounting standards and practices generally accepted in Norway, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting, unless management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.



Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with law, regulations and generally accepted auditing principles in Norway, including ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- ▶ identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control;
- ▶ obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control;
- ▶ evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management;
- ▶ conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern;
- ▶ evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

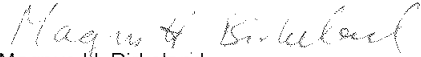
Opinion on the Board of Directors' report

Based on our audit of the financial statements as described above, it is our opinion that the information presented in the Board of Directors' report concerning the financial statements, the going concern assumption, and proposal for the allocation of the result is consistent with the financial statements and complies with the law and regulations.

Opinion on registration and documentation

Based on our audit of the financial statements as described above, and control procedures we have considered necessary in accordance with the International Standard on Assurance Engagements (ISAE) 3000, *Assurance Engagements Other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information*, it is our opinion that management has fulfilled its duty to ensure that the Company's accounting information is properly recorded and documented as required by law and bookkeeping standards and practices accepted in Norway.

Oslo, 30. June 2017
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Magnus H. Birkeland
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