# 2024 half-year report STATUS AND OUTLOOK

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# **GETTING BACK ON THE RIGHT TRACK**



# **STATUS AND OUTLOOK**

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**Cruise projects:** Strong order backlog. Valued by key cruise operators and yards. *Steadily growing* revenues, and *margins are improving* 

**Aftersales:** Highly recurring business with *stable* margins. Addressable *market increases* for each new ship delivered

**Heat treatment:** Historically, stable revenues and margins, now *quickly growing* as heat intensive industries turn electric

**Successful scale-ups:** Two large projects underway *demonstrating relevance* of Vow solutions for landbased industry

**Rich pipeline:** Circular solution opportunities developed and ready, now *only pending final project sanction* and customers' investment decision

Three robust and expanding business divisions

Rich pipeline of opportunities with **two** successful scale-ups underway

### **RIDING THIRD WAVE OF RECOVERY IN CRUISE**

Cruise market to be "fully recovered" this year and cruise ships ordering is picking up<sup>1</sup>



# PREFERRED AND TRUSTED PARTNER



With decades of experience, Vow hold a leading position, set to equip over 60% of new large cruise ships in the next four years<sup>2</sup>





### CONTRACTS ARE BECOMING LARGER AND MORE INTEGRATED

#### Cruise newbuild contracts awarded in H1 2024 | Total value EUR 47.7 million



4<sup>th</sup> Excel Class Ship incl. option



EUR 28.4m 1+1

May 2024

- Wastewater purification, food waste processing and garbage handling systems
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### **RECURRING AND GROWING**





### Cruise ships by shipowners equipped with Scanship tech



### **GROWTH STORY SINCE IPO**



Aftersales Maritime Industrial

# **DOMINANCE IN A GROWING SECTOR**

### Leading the Biocarbon Market

Vow Green Metals aims to be the top Biocarbon provider for the Metallurgic industry, using Vow's cutting-edge technology

### **First Factory Launch**

Elkem is the first client, with the Follum factory launching soon, backed by funding from Enova, DNB, and Eksfin

### **Expanding Demand**

Vow's 335 million NOK contract with VGM **sparks interest** in the US and Europe, with production set for late 2025

### **Boosting Innovation**

Vow completed a 56 million NOK demonstration plant earlier this year to advance VGM's biocarbon line



### LANDMARK BIOCHAR PROJECT



### **Major Contract Win**

Vow secured a USD 27 million contract with Quonset Soil Solution in Rhode Island to produce biochar for soil health using Vow technology

### **Green Development Backing**

Quonset Soil Solution is owned by Green Development, a leader in large-scale renewable energy projects in the Northeastern U.S.

### **Project Progress**

Vow is advancing engineering work, with the facility set to be one of the largest biochar production sites in the U.S. by 2025

### **Equipment Delivery**

Equipment deliveries have started, with ongoing shipments to the Providence, Rhode Island site

### **BUILDING A PIPELINE OF OPPORTUNITIES**

Invested NOK 900+ million over five years...



### ...leveraging on the largest ever window of opportunity



#### **End-of-life Tyres**

Converting end-of-life tyres into sustainable raw materials and liquid fuels

#### Sewage Sludge PFAS Removal 50

Industry-scale sewage sludge treatment and energy generation plant

#### Waste-to-Liquid Fuels Converting feedstocks into low-carbon fuels and other products

**Biochar Carbon Removal & Soil Health** 

Produce biochar and renewable energy using Vow's advanced technology



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#### **Metallurgical Biocarbon**

Converting wood waste to biocarbon that replaces fossil coal products

#### Significant revenue potential lies ahead with our technology for sustainable carbon solutions and waste elimination

15%

8%

~NOK

12.5 billion 12%

30%

<sup>1</sup>Blue-chip, well-established and start-up companies makes up 66%, 20% and 14%, respectively, of the customer base. Equipment value estimated to be NOK 25 billion as of 2029.

35%



Source: Vow ASA, Note: Numbers in NOK

# **FOCUSING ON NEAR-TERM OPPORTUNITIES**

Closer to investment decisions with combined contract value for Vow of EUR 120 million



**End-of-life tires** 

- Test facility in Lakenheath continues to qualify recovered carbon black for the big tire manufacturers
- Advanced studies for the first 30,000 tonnes ELT production site utilizing Vow technology in UK are currently underway



Sewage plant FEED

- Paid FEED study for a major project, deploying pyrolysis for treatment of sewage sludge and PFAS elimination
- Engineering and design of plant is underway, providing basis for customer's investment decision



**Caribbean Carbon Refinery®** 

- Co-operation agreement with CirCon Energy in place, covering up to 19 lines of Vow equipment
- As of August 2024, Circon has secured significant equity funding and government support, advancing project delivery and preparations for construction

# FINANCIALS

### **SEGMENT INFORMATION**

INDUSTRIAL SOLUTIONS	Share of total revenues	34%
MARITIME SOLUTIONS	Share of total revenues	45%
AFTERSALES	Share of total revenues	21%

NOK million	1H 24	1H 23	FY 23
Revenues	163.8	147.7	364.5
EBITDA before non-recurring	8.8	-0.5	-12.5
EBITDA margin (%)	5.4%	-0.3%	-3.4%
Backlog	365	509	450
Revenues	219.1	214.1	375.5
EBITDA before non-recurring	25.0	43.6	11.8
EBITDA margin (%)	11.4%	20.4%	3.1%
Backlog	696	636	584
Options	316	999	921
Revenues	102.2	86.9	178.5
EBITDA before non-recurring	10.4	13.1	22.2
EBITDA margin (%)	10.2%	15.0%	12.5%

# **INCOME STATEMENT**

NOK million	1H 2024	1H 2023	FY 2023
Revenue	485.0	448.7	918.5
Gross profit	149.9	172.8	232.1
Gross margin %	30.9%	38.5%	25.3%
Operating expenses	123.8	143.2	286.8
EBITDA before non-recurring	26.1	29.6	-54.7
EBITDA margin %	5.4%	6.6%	-6.0%
Non-recurring cost	5.4	3.3	0.0
EBITDA	20.6	26.3	-54.7
EBIT	-1.9	5.5	-106.9
Net financial items	-35.7	3.6	-51.3
Result before tax	-37.6	9.1	-158.2

#### **Comments**

- Revenue increased by 8.1% compared with same period last year, mainly driven by increased revenues in Aftersales (+17.6%) and Industrials (+10.9%). Maritime delivering in line with same period last year (+2.3%)
- Gross margin for FY 2023 impacted by increased cost prognosis and inflation in projects leading to a temporarily reduced margin. Gross margin for H1 2024 increased to 30.9%
- EBITDA margin of 5.4% for H1 2024
- Company continue to execute on cost improvement program

# **BALANCE SHEET**

NOK million	30.06.24	31.12.23
Intangible assets and goodwill	611.4	588.1
Accounts receivable	202.2	241.0
Contracts in progress	305.2	270.3
Other assets	374.9	378.2
Cash and cash equivalents	42.5	57.5
Total assets	1 536.2	1 535.1
Total equity	367.4	396.4
Interest-bearing debt	620.7	639.1
Contract accruals	244.2	171.0
Accounts payable	144.9	155.9
Other liabilities	159.1	172.7
Total equity and liabilities	1 536.2	1 535.1

#### **Comments**

- Increase in intangible assets relate to investments in new technology and currency effects
- Decrease in net working capital compared with year end 2023
- Change in interest bearing debt during the period relates to repayment on term loan and changes in drawn amount on the bank overdraft and trade finance facilities
- Equity ratio of 24% as of H1 2024
- As of Q2 the company was compliant with bank covenants

# **CASH FLOW**

NOK million	1H 2024	1H 2023	FY 2023
Cash and cash equivalents at start of period	57.5	42.5	42.5
Net cash flow from operating activities	69.4	(15.2)	(0.6)
Net cash flow from investing activities	(29.5)	(46.0)	(99.9)
Net cash flow from financing activities	(56.0)	34.2	115.2
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	42.5	17.0	57.5

#### Comments

- Working capital release during Q2 2024
- Investments for the first half of 2024 amounted to NOK 29.5m, reduced compared with historical levels as several R&D projects are successfully completed
- Cash flow from financing relates to repayment on term loan, changes in bank overdraft/trade finance facilities, leasing and interest payments
- Available liquidity as of end June amounted to NOK 77m

# CONCLUDING REMARKS DELIVERING ACCORDING TO PLAN

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