

# BTS Group AB (publ) Year-end report 1 January – 31 December 2019

Profit increased 21 percent in 2019 and 17 percent in the fourth quarter

# **January 1 - December 31, 2019**

- Net sales amounted to MSEK 1,865 (1,598). Adjusted for changes in foreign exchange rates, growth was 10 percent.
- Operating profit (EBITA) increased by 21 percent to MSEK 245 (202).
- Profit before tax increased by 20 percent to MSEK 216 (180).
- Profit after tax increased by 20 percent to MSEK 151 (126).
- Earnings per share increased by 18 percent to SEK 7.84 (6.67).

# Fourth quarter 2019

- Net sales amounted to MSEK 553 (494). Adjusted for changes in foreign exchange rates, growth was 6 percent.
- Operating profit (EBITA) increased by 17 percent to MSEK 89 (76).
- Profit before tax increased by 15 percent to MSEK 80 (70).
- Profit after tax increased by 13 percent to MSEK 55 (49).
- Earnings per share increased by 11 percent to SEK 2.86 (2.58).

#### **Dividend**

The proposed dividend is SEK 4.20 (3.60) per share to be paid on two occasions in the amount of SEK 2.10 per payment.

#### **CEO** comment

"Our total operating margin during 2019 increased by 0.6 percentage points to 13.2 percent. The positive trend in the EBITA margin that began in the fourth quarter of 2016 is continuing."

## **Outlook for 2020**

For 2020, we expect a profit before tax that is better than in the preceding year.

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