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Interim financial statement for the first half year 2004 (1 January – 30 June 2004)

The Board of Directors of Vestas Wind Systems A/S has today approved the unaudited interim financial statement for the Vestas Group for the period 1 January - 30 June 2004, which has been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies of the latest annual accounts. NEG Micon A/S is included in the interim financial statement with four months (1 March – 30 June 2004) as a consequence of the combination between Vestas Wind Systems A/S and NEG Micon A/S.

Turnover as expected and growth in MW deliveries of more than 25 per cent:

The Group's net turnover for the first half year of 2004 amounts to mEUR 874 against mEUR 659 in the first half year of 2003. The turnover for the first half year of 2004 amounts to 34 per cent of the expected turnover for 2004 which is in accordance with expectations. Vestas' deliveries in the first half year of 2004 totalled 974 MW compared to 766 MW in the same period of 2003 which is an increase of more than 25 per cent.

Loss before financial items and tax (EBIT) amounts to mEUR 39 against a profit of mEUR 9 in the first half year of 2003.

Pre-tax result is a loss of mEUR 54.

Expectations for turnover and result for the full year 2004:

As stated in stock exchange announcement No. 32/2004 of 9 August 2004 Vestas has reduced its expectations for turnover and result. This is due to a lower turnover as a result of the lacking adoption of the Production Tax Credit (PTC) scheme in the US.

Vestas now expects a turnover in the order of bnEUR 2.6 and an EBIT margin of approximately 6 per cent including the effect of expected cost synergies of mEUR 14, but before integration and restructuring costs and before goodwill amortisation arising from the combination with NEG Micon. The EBIT margin after integration and restructuring costs but before goodwill amortisation arising from the combination is expected to be approximately 4 per cent.



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More detailed information concerning the company's financial figures for the first half year of 2004 and the expectations for the full accounting year is included in the interim financial statement attached hereto. This announcement and the enclosed interim financial statement are available in Danish and English. In case of doubt, the Danish version shall apply.

In connection with the publication of the interim financial statement, Vestas will host a presentation meeting (including telephone conference and webcast) for investors, analysts and the press on Wednesday, 18 August 2004 at 3 p.m. (CET). The presentation meeting will be held in English and it will be possible to attend the meeting via Vestas' website www.vestas.com as well as via the website of the Copenhagen Stock Exchange www.cse.dk. Interested parties from Denmark who wish to ask questions during the meeting may call tel. +45 7026 5040, interested parties from the rest of Europe may call tel. +44 20 7769 6432, and interested parties from the US may call tel. +1 877 203 9364.

Instant replay will be available via Vestas' website www.vestas.com and the website of the Copenhagen Stock Exchange www.cse.dk.

Any questions may be addressed to the Executive Management of Vestas Wind Systems A/S, tel. +45 9730 0000.

Yours faithfully,

Vestas Wind Systems A/S

Bent Carlsen
Chairman of the Board of Directors

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President and CEO

VESTAS WIND SYSTEMS A/S

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Key figures and financial ratios for the Group

The unaudited key figures (mEUR)* appear from the below statements:

<u>Income statement</u>	<u>1 half year 2004</u>	<u>1 half year 2003</u>	<u>Full year 2003</u>
Net turnover	874	659	1,653
Gross profit	21	52	150
Profit before financial income and expenses and depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA)	33	46	142
Profit before financial income and expenses (EBIT)	(39)	9	74
Net financial expenses etc.	(15)	(9)	(21)
Profit after financial income and expenses	(54)	0	53
Profit before tax	(54)	1	54
Profit after tax	(38)	1	36

<u>Balance sheet</u>	<u>30 June 2004</u>	<u>30 June 2003</u>	<u>31 Dec. 2003</u>
Intangible fixed assets	369	48	59
Tangible fixed assets	479	300	321
Financial fixed assets	14	5	5
Inventories	743	285	193
Receivables	1,121	743	792
Cash at bank and in hand	80	29	20
Total assets	2,806	1,410	1,390
Shareholders' equity	1,250	580	613
Minority interest	2	-	-
Provisions	218	127	166
Long-term liabilities	424	112	105
Current liabilities	912	591	506
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	2,806	1,410	1,390
Interest-bearing liabilities	623	459	248

<u>Cash flow statement</u>	<u>1 half year 2004</u>	<u>1 half year 2003</u>	<u>Full year 2003</u>
Cash flow from operating activities	(233)	(103)	153
Cash flow from investments	(543)	(60)	(119)

* The income statements have been converted at the average exchange rate of the periods whereas the balance sheet items have been converted at the closing rate of the periods.

Note: NEG Micon A/S is included in Vestas' interim financial statement for the first half year 2004 with four months (1 March – 30 June 2004) and is not included in the 2003 figures.

Key figures and financial ratios for the Group, continued

<u>Financial ratios</u>	<u>1 half year 2004</u>	<u>1 half year 2003</u>	<u>Full year 2003</u>
Gross margin (%)	2.4	7.8	9.1
Net profit ratio (EBITDA) (%)	3.8	6.9	8.6
Net profit ratio (EBIT margin) (%)	(4.5)	1.4	4.5
Return on investment 1 (%)	-	0.7	5.8
Return on investment 2 (ROCE) (%)	-	1.1	8.9
Solvency ratio (%)	44.5	41.1	44.1
Return on equity (%)	-	0.1	5.9
Gearing (%)	49.8	79.0	40.4
<u>Share ratios</u>			
Profit per share	(0.3)	0.0	0.3
Growth in profit per share (%)	-	-	(21.3)
Shareholders' equity value per share	7.1	5.5	5.8
Price/shareholders' equity value	1.7	1.8	2.2
P/E value	-	-	38.6
Cash flows from operations per share	(1.8)	(1.0)	1.5
Dividend per share	-	-	-
Payout ratio (%)	-	-	-
Market price (€)	12.1	10.0	13.1
Average number of shares	126,454,682	105,003,966	105,003,966
Number of shares at period end	174,911,173	105,003,966	105,003,966
<u>Other information</u>			
	<u>1 half year 2004</u>	<u>1 half year 2003</u>	<u>Full year 2003</u>
Depreciation and amortisation	66	37	68
Group goodwill	233	11	11
Net Working Capital (NWC)	1,079	748	603

Note: NEG Micon A/S is included in Vestas' interim financial statement for first half year 2004 with four months (1 March – 30 June 2004) and is not included in the 2003 figures.

Comments on the development during the half year

Half-year result:

The Group's net turnover for the first half year of 2004 amounts to mEUR 874 compared to mEUR 659 in first half year of 2003. The increase can primarily be ascribed to the fact that the turnover in NEG Micon is included in Vestas' figures for the first half year of 2004 with four months (1 March – 30 June 2004), and in addition to this the Group has experienced progress in new growth markets.

The gross margin in the first half year of 2004 amounts to 2.4 per cent compared to 7.8 per cent in the first half year of 2003. The substantial decrease is partly due to a more uneven distribution of turnover between first half year and second half year compared to 2003, partly due to the fact that a considerable part of the restructuring costs in connection with the combination of Vestas and NEG Micon has been charged to the profit and loss account in the first half year of 2004. In addition to this the Group has on a number of projects had higher expenses than expected. The expected synergies of approximately mEUR 14 in 2004 in connection with the combination will not have effect until the second half year of 2004.

The result before financial items (EBIT) amounts to a loss of mEUR 39 against a profit of mEUR 9 in the first half year of 2003. The decline is due to the above mentioned circumstances.

The result before tax is a loss of mEUR 54 against a profit of mEUR 1 in the first half year of 2003.

In the opinion of the Management, an improvement of the margins can be expected during second half year of 2004. Consequently, the EBIT margin for the full year will be approximately 4 per cent before goodwill amortisation in connection with the combination of Vestas and NEG Micon.

Capital expenditures:

Investments in tangible fixed assets amount to approximately mEUR 60 in the first half year of 2004.

The conversion from kW to MW-turbines in the Group's manufacturing facilities has continued in 2004. Furthermore, a number of initiatives have been introduced in connection with the launch of the V90 turbines. At the blade factory in Lauchhammer, the conversion from V80 to V90 blades is completed.

On the basis of the level of activity and the synergies in connection with the combination with NEG Micon, the investments in tangible fixed assets in 2004 are now expected to total mEUR 100-110 compared to the previously expected mEUR 140-150.

Comments on the development during the half year, continued

Balance sheet total:

The balance sheet as at 30 June 2004 reflects the fact that NEG Micon is now part of Vestas' financial statement and therefore a number of balance sheet items show a significant increase compared to the beginning of the year. Furthermore, based on the usual production levelling that takes place during the year, the balance sheet as at 30 June 2004 is influenced by high inventories and substantial work in progress included in receivables.

Consequently, the total assets have increased by mEUR 1,416 since the beginning of the year. Hereof, mEUR 550 can be ascribed to inventories, mEUR 329 to receivables primarily due to the increased work in progress, and mEUR 158 to tangible fixed assets. Furthermore, intangible fixed assets have increased by mEUR 310 primarily due to net capitalisation of goodwill related to the combination with NEG Micon, which amounts to mEUR 217.

As a consequence of the above, the interest-bearing liabilities have increased to mEUR 623 as at 30 June 2004 compared to mEUR 248 at the beginning of the year.

High inventories and work in progress due to seasonal fluctuations influence net working capital, which amounts to mEUR 1,079 as at 30 June 2004.

Development in shareholders' equity:

<u>Shareholders' equity</u>	<u>30 June 2004</u>	<u>30 June 2003</u>	<u>31 Dec. 2003</u>
Opening balance	613	596	596
Net profit after tax for the period	(38)	1	36
Exchange rate adjustments for the period	2	(3)	(5)
Capital increases	675	0	0
Net derivative financial instruments	(2)	(3)	(3)
Dividends to shareholders	0	(11)	(11)
Closing balance	1,250	580	613

Employees:

By the end of June 2004, the Vestas Group had a total of 9,510 employees. By way of comparison, Vestas and NEG Micon had a total of 9,249 employees as at 31 December 2003.

Market situation:

The deliveries in MW for the first half year of 2004 appear from the below statement classified by markets (the figures for 2003 are aggregate pro forma figures for Vestas and NEG Micon):

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<u>Deliveries in MW</u>	<u>1 half year 2004</u>	<u>1 half year 2003</u>	<u>Full year 2003</u>
Germany and Austria	249	275	927
Australia and New Zealand	119	14	65
India	107	36	171
Great Britain and Ireland	106	7	138
The Netherlands and Belgium	87	92	158
Japan	70	67	97
Italy	67	0	51
USA and Canada	48	164	539
Spain and Portugal	41	43	233
China	20	7	59
Scandinavia	16	18	83
France	11	0	9
Korea	6	2	8
Others	27	41	129
Total	974	766	2,667

The deliveries have increased especially for Australia, India, Great Britain, and Italy, whereas the deliveries for the US have decreased considerably. In total, Vestas and its associated company have delivered 974 MW which is an increase of more than 25 per cent compared to the first half year of 2003. Vestas estimates that the market share of the Group has increased in the first half year of 2004.

Germany continues to be the largest market for wind energy and Vestas is still well positioned in this market. During the first half year of 2004 Vestas delivered 249 MW. The V80-2.0 MW turbine continues to be a success in Germany and with the introduction of the V90 turbines Vestas' position is expected to be further strengthened. One of the orders which Vestas received in Germany was from WKN Windkraft Nord AG for 31 V90-2.0 MW turbines, cf. stock exchange announcement No. 22/2004 of 30 April 2004, which underlines the competitiveness of Vestas' new 2 MW turbine programme for mean and low-wind sites. Vestas expects the German market to continue as a strong market in the future among other things due to the fact that the bill for a revision of the EEG has now been passed and is based on a continuation of the settlement principles known at present.

In Australia and New Zealand there is a high level of activity which is especially due to the projects which Vestas is in the process of delivering, including the two projects for Meridian Energy consisting of a total of 105 wind turbines of the types NM72-1.65 MW and NM82-1.65 MW. In March, Vestas also received an order for 26 V80-2.0 MW wind turbines for the Canunda Wind Farm project, cf. stock exchange announcement No. 10/2004 of 17 March 2004. In July 2004, Vestas decided to establish a blade factory in Portland in the Victoria region, as Vestas had received sufficient commitment from Pacific Hydro Limited regarding the Portland Wind Energy Project, which consists of a total of 120 MW-sized wind turbines, cf. stock exchange announcement No. 28/2004 of 7 July 2004. In the short term, the

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expectations for the Australian market are positive, but there is still some uncertainty in the long term as the target for renewable energy in the Mandatory Renewable Energy Target (MRET) has not been increased. However, Vestas estimates that the MRET will be prolonged and increased in the immediate future. Vestas' aggregate deliveries for Australia and New Zealand amounted to 119 MW in the first half year of 2004.

In the British Isles, the market has developed positively as expected, and Vestas delivered 106 MW during the first half year of 2004. Also during the first half year of 2004, Vestas has finalised the North Hoyle offshore project and delivered and installed the turbines at the Scroby Sands project which is also an offshore project. In July, Vestas also received an order for the Barrow offshore project, which consists of 30 V90-3.0 MW wind turbines, cf. stock exchange announcement No. 29/2004 of 23 July 2004. Vestas has thereby obtained a very attractive market position in the offshore segment.

The market situation in the Netherlands and Belgium continues to be positive, and in the first half year of 2004 Vestas delivered a total of 87 MW for these markets. The expectations for these markets are positive onshore as well as offshore.

The level of activity in India continues to be high, and in the first half year of 2004 Vestas delivered 107 MW. The Indian market has so far been characterised by kW turbines, but the interest in MW turbines is increasing. Vestas has a strong position in both segments and has already delivered the first MW turbines in India. On this background Vestas expects a continued high growth in the Indian market.

The other markets in Asia have lived up to Vestas' expectations, and Vestas delivered 100 MW in the first half year of 2004. In Korea, Vestas is in the process of delivering the first stage of a project of 48 MW. The activity is increasing in China where Vestas expects growth in 2004, and the prospects are also positive in the long term. The Japanese market is expected to continue as a stable market in 2004.

The new legislation for renewable energy in Italy has led to increased activity on the market. The development tends towards areas with lower wind speeds where Vestas' product programme is very competitive. In May, Vestas received two orders for a total of 35 V80-2.0 MW wind turbines for installation in 2004 and 2005, cf. stock exchange announcement No. 24/2004 of 19 May 2004. Vestas continues to be the market leader and delivered 67 MW in the first half year of 2004. Vestas expects the positive development in the Italian market to continue.

The American market continues to be characterised by the non-extension of the Production Tax Credit (PTC) that expired at the end of 2003. One of the orders received in the US is for 33 NM82/1.65 MW wind turbines for delivery at the end of 2004, cf. stock exchange announcement No. 32/2004 of 9 August 2004. It is still possible that the PTC will be extended in September, but it is most likely that the extension shall not take place until 2005. This means that the American market in 2004 will be considerably reduced compared with 2003. In spite of the delayed PTC there is a high level of activity among the customers in the market, and projects for 2005 and 2006 are still under development for start-up as soon as

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the PTC is extended.

In Canada, the prospects are positive. Vestas delivered 45 MW in the first half year of 2004 and expects to maintain its position in the growing Canadian market. In December 2003, Vestas received an order for 38 V80-1.8 MW wind turbines, cf. stock exchange announcement No. 25/2003 of 12 December 2003, and especially the V80 turbine is very competitive in Canada. This has recently been emphasized by an order to Vestas for 30 V80-1.8 MW wind turbines for installation at Miller Mountain, cf. stock exchange announcement No. 31/2004 of 6 August 2004.

In Spain and Portugal, the prospects are positive. Currently the Spanish government is discussing an increase in the share of renewable energy. This may result in a considerable growth within wind power in the coming years. In the first half year of 2004 Vestas delivered a total of 41 MW in Spain and Portugal, and the order backlog is satisfactory. Therefore, the expectations are very positive. One of the orders which Vestas received in Portugal was for 26 V90-3.0 MW for Enersis for delivery in 2004 and 2005, cf. stock exchange announcement No. 27/2004 of 1 July 2004. The order confirms Vestas' expectations for the V90 turbine also in Portugal.

In Scandinavia, Vestas has been focused on the Horns Reef offshore project. In July 2004, it was decided to bring all 80 V80-2.0 MW nacelles onshore in order to replace the transformers and the generators, etc. The work is expected to be finalised in the fourth quarter of 2004. The lessons learned from Horns Reef are expensive, but on this basis Vestas expects to be in a strong position within the future competition in this segment.

The Danish government has decided that two new offshore wind farms - each of 200 MW – shall be installed, and at the same time a new programme for repowering of 350 MW has been started up onshore. On the basis hereof, increased activity is expected in Denmark in 2005.

In Sweden, the activity has been rather modest during the first half year of 2004. However, clarification regarding the Swedish government's bill concerning renewable energy has brought about increased interest in green energy, and Vestas expects a higher level of activity in this market in the future.

The Polish market has been limited due to the uncertainty regarding the trade with green certificates. The Polish government has now decided that the utilities have to pay penalties if they do not fulfil the requirements regarding renewable energy. This has accelerated the development of a number of large projects which are now awaiting funding. On this background Vestas expects an increasing activity in Poland in the coming years.

Vestas' order situation on the French market is satisfactory and in the first half year of 2004 Vestas delivered 11 MW. There is a potential for wind energy in France and the outlook in the long term is positive. The market is, however, still characterised by a slow permitting process with the authorities.

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The Greek market is showing positive signs, but the procedures regarding permitting applications and project financing are still problematic. In June, Vestas secured an order for delivery of 29 V80-2.0 MW wind turbines for the first major project with MW turbines in Greece with MW turbines, cf. stock exchange announcement No. 27/2004 of 1 July 2004.

In summary, the order intake has resulted in an order backlog at the end of first half year 2004 which is below the expected level. This is among other things due to the postponement of the adoption of the PTC scheme in the US. The total backlog of firm and unconditional orders is at a level equivalent to approximately 4 months' average production in Vestas, which is a decrease compared to first half year 2003.

Production and product development:

With the introduction of the V90 turbines, a number of new initiatives have been introduced in the production during the first half year of 2004. The conversion from V80 blades to V90 blades at the blade factory in Lauchhammer, Germany is completed. Furthermore, serial production of the V80-2.0 MW turbine and the V90-2.0 MW turbine has started at the assembly factory in Viborg. At the same time serial production of the V90-3.0 MW turbine is initiated at the assembly factory in Ringkøbing.

In Australia, Vestas has decided to establish a blade factory. The blade factory will be placed in Portland in the Victoria region, cf. stock exchange announcement No. 28/2004 of 7 July 2004. The blade factory is expected to be put into operation in the summer of 2005 and will have an annual capacity of approximately 100 blade sets for MW turbines.

The establishment of production facilities in North America is still under consideration. A decision in this respect is expected to be taken before the end of 2004. Furthermore establishment of production facilities in China is also under consideration.

As mentioned in Vestas' Offering Circular of 12 May 2004 a decision has been taken as regards Vestas' future product programme. The programme will include the wind turbine types V52, V80, NM82, V90 and NM110. Based on this product programme, a further development of the two largest turbines in the programme will be initiated. The V90-3.0 MW turbine will be further developed into a V100-3.0 MW turbine and the NM110-4.2 MW will be further developed into a V120-4.5 MW turbine. The V100-3.0 MW turbine is expected to be ready for delivery at the end of 2005 whereas the V120-4.5 MW turbine is expected to be ready for delivery in 2006. In future the NM82 will be marketed under the product name V82.

This means that as from 2006 Vestas will have a MW product programme covering generator sizes from 1.65 to 4.5 MW combined with rotor sizes from 80 to 120 metres in diameter. This product programme will make a significant contribution to a continuously declining price per kWh for electricity produced by wind power.

Furthermore, a lot of choices have been made as regards future technology. In relation to blades it has been decided to focus on further development of NEG Micon's wood/carbon-fibre/epoxy concept using Vestas' geometric profiles. This combination has a significant

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potential for design and production of cost effective blades for the present product programme as well as for longer blades for future turbines.

As regards control systems, remote control and monitoring systems, it has been decided that the future systems and design will consist of a combined concept of Vestas' and NEG Micon's previous systems, respectively.

As the turbines become larger, prices for towers and foundations also increase. Therefore it has been decided that the tower design will be optimised based on the latest developments already implemented in the towers for the V90-3.0 MW turbine. An important element in this new development is the patented magnet system which apart from holding the inner parts of the tower in place also makes it possible to reduce the weight of the towers as it is no longer necessary to weld directly on the tower shells. By this the loads on the foundations are reduced and consequently also the steel costs.

Concurrently with the intensified development programme for turbine development as well as for wind power system development, the extensive activities regarding quality assurance and verification of new products are even further strengthened with a view to reducing future warranty costs.

Environmental and occupational health and safety conditions:

Vestas considers it natural to show concern for environment and occupational health and safety conditions, and documents its initiatives in these areas in connection with the annual environmental statement. Vestas conforms to the environmental legislation as regards application for and obtaining of environmental approvals. Vestas has no disputes with the environmental/occupational health and safety authorities with regard to guidelines or prohibitions.

The implementation of environmental and occupational health and safety management systems in the whole Vestas Group continues. At the same time the dissemination of Vestas' data collection system continues which means that Vestas' environmental statement covers a constantly larger part of the Group.

Status of the combination of Vestas and NEG Micon:

The process of combining Vestas and NEG Micon was initiated in March 2004 and in general the combination follows the plans and targets set by the management.

Three very important areas have already been completed i.e. the capital increase to strengthen Vestas' financial resources, getting the new organisation in place and determination of the future product programme. The future product programme for the Group is described in further details in the above section entitled: Production and product development.

During May/June 2004, Vestas completed a capital increase resulting in net proceeds of

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mEUR 282 (mDKK 2,100). The increase was carried out as a pre-emption issue for existing shareholders and on 11 June 2004 Vestas could announce that the emission was fully subscribed, cf. stock exchange announcement No. 25/2004.

The new organisation in Vestas is also in place and all managers and key employees have been nominated. Vestas' head office was officially moved from Ringkøbing to Randers at the end of April.

A number of decisions have been taken both as regards technology and as regards activities concerning project development. The technological choices are further described in the above section entitled: Production and product development. Furthermore, it has been decided that project development will not be part of Vestas' business area in the future. Vestas will, however, still be able to assist the customers within relevant phases of the project development process.

In general, Vestas still expects to gain cost synergies of at least mEUR 67 (mDKK 500) per year and the synergies will be gained successively between 2004 and 2006. Cost synergies of at least mEUR 14 (mDKK 100) are already expected in 2004. The task of identifying the synergies is progressing satisfactorily and a number of initiatives have already been implemented.

The expected synergies within sales and service, technology and other fixed costs are primarily related to reduction of the number of employees. The staff reductions have been completed. In total approximately 475 employees were dismissed distributed between approximately 325 white collar workers and almost 150 blue collar workers. The reductions have primarily taken place in Denmark and Germany and are distributed on all areas within product development, sales, production as well as administrative functions. The affected employees will resign successively during the period from May to September 2004.

The expected synergies within purchase and production also relate to staff reductions, but the most significant part relates to improved purchasing procedures. Based on the larger volume, important sub-supplier agreements have been renegotiated resulting in a number of improvements in the agreements for Vestas. It is positive that Vestas' sub-suppliers have constructively contributed to a continuous improvement of the competitiveness of Vestas' technology, which gives long-term perspectives for all parties.

Expectations for the Vestas Group for the full year 2004

As mentioned in Vestas' Offering Circular of 12 May 2004 the American PTC scheme was expected to be extended during the summer of 2004 and the Group's expectations for 2004 included deliveries of a little more than 150 MW which could be described as PTC reliant.

The situation is now that the PTC is not expected extended till September at the earliest, but the extension will most likely not be approved until 2005.

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On this basis, Vestas has reduced the expectations for 2004, cf. stock exchange announcement No. 32/2004 of 9 August 2004. Turnover is now expected to be approximately bnEUR 2.6 compared to previously bnEUR 2.7-2.8, cf. stock exchange announcement No. 23/2004 of 11 May 2004. Compared to the previously expected approximately 7 per cent, the EBIT margin is now expected to be approximately 6 per cent, including the effect of expected cost synergies of mEUR 14, but before integration and restructuring costs and before goodwill amortization arising from the combination with NEG Micon. The EBIT margin after integration and restructuring costs but before goodwill amortization arising from the combination with NEG Micon is currently expected to be approximately 4 per cent compared to previously approximately 5 per cent. The reduced EBIT margin is primarily due to the lower turnover.

It must, however, be noted that the uneven distribution of turnover between first half year and second half year results in an increased pressure on transportation and installation capacity especially in the forth quarter resulting in an increased risk that some orders may be delayed for instance due to bad weather conditions. Furthermore continuous fluctuations in markets, exchange rates and financing may affect turnover and result.

Total investments in fixed assets in 2004 are expected to be mEUR 100-110 compared to previously expected mEUR 140-150, cf. stock exchange announcement No. 23/2004 of 11 May 2004. The lower investment level must be seen in the light of the synergy as a consequence of the combination with NEG Micon. The net working capital at year-end is still expected to be 30 to 35 per cent of the year's net turnover.

Stock exchange announcements during 2004

05.01.2004	01	Vestas Wind Systems A/S' quarterly statement for Insiders' holding of Vestas shares as per 31 December 2003
19.01.2004	02	Extension of Vestas' share exchange offer to the shareholders of NEG Micon
30.01.2004	03	Date for publication and presentation of Annual Report
05.02.2004	04	NEG Micon changes the date for announcement of the 2003 annual report. More than 70 per cent have accepted Vestas' Share Exchange Offer to the shareholders of NEG Micon
19.02.2004	05	Extension of Vestas' Share Exchange Offer ('Share Extension Offer') to the shareholders of NEG Micon until 4 March 2004
23.02.2004	06	The combination of Vestas and NEG Micon will take place
05.03.2004	07	More than 95% of the shares have been tendered in Vestas' voluntary share exchange offer (the 'Voluntary Offer') to the shareholders in NEG Micon
12.03.2004	08	Mandatory share exchange offer to the shareholders in NEG Micon
17.03.2004	09	Announcement regarding the Annual report 2003
31.03.2004	10	Large order for Vestas in Australia
31.03.2004	11	Election of company employee representatives for the Board of Directors of Vestas Wind Systems A/S
02.04.2004	12	Vestas' quarterly statement for Insiders' holding of Vestas shares as per 31 March 2004
14.04.2004	13	The English competition authorities approve the combination of Vestas Wind Systems A/S and NEG Micon A/S
14.04.2004	14	NEG Micon A/S has sold its holding of treasure shares
15.04.2004	15	Announcement on changes in Insiders' holding of Vestas shares
20.04.2004	16	Election of Group representative for the Board of Directors of Vestas Wind Systems A/S
21.04.2004	17	Result of Vestas' mandatory share exchange offer (the 'Mandatory Share Exchange Offer') to the shareholders of NEG Micon
21.04.2004	18	Annual General Meeting of Vestas Wind Systems A/S, on 21 April 2004 at 5:00 p.m.
22.04.2004	19	Announcement on changes in Insiders' holding of Vestas shares
27.04.2004	20	Notice requesting redemption of shares in NEG Micon A/S
30.04.2004	21	Vestas' statement for Insiders' holding of Vestas shares as per 28 April 2004
30.04.2004	22	Vestas receives large order for V90 turbines to the German market
11.05.2004	23	Vestas announces the rights issue offering circular
19.05.2004	24	Vestas receives large orders for the Italian market
14.06.2004	25	Rights issue in Vestas fully subscribed
14.06.2004	26	Vestas' statement for Insiders' holding of Vestas shares as per 11 June 2004
01.07.2004	27	Vestas receives orders in Portugal and Greece
07.07.2004	28	Vestas receives order in Australia and establishes blade factory
23.07.2004	29	Vestas selected as supplier for 90 MW offshore wind projects in the UK
04.08.2004	30	Date for publication and presentation of half-year report 2004
06.08.2004	31	Vestas receives order for V80-1.8 MW wind turbines in Canada
09.08.2004	32	Order in the US and adjustment of expectations for 2004.



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26.11.2004	Publication of information regarding 3 rd Quarter 2004
30.03.2005	Publication of Annual Report 2004
25.04.2005	Annual General Meeting
26.05.2005	Publication of information regarding 1 st Quarter 2005
25.08.2005	Publication of interim financial statement for the 1 st half year of 2005
24.11.2005	Publication of information regarding 3 rd Quarter 2005