

Third Quarter 2003 Conference Call, October 23

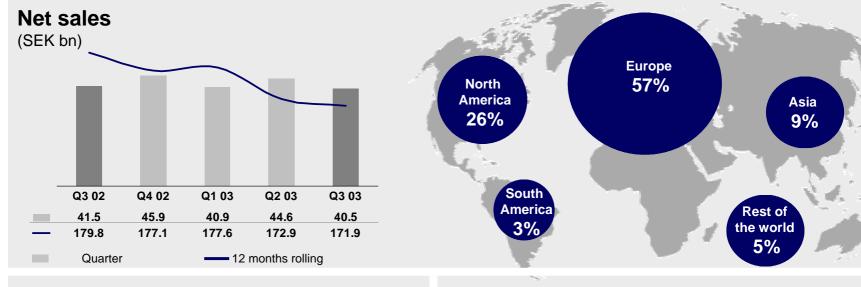
# **Highlights**

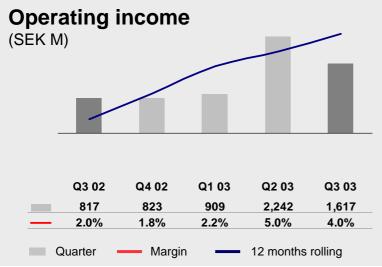
#### **Third Quarter**

- Business environment improving slightly
- Performance improvement across the Group
  - Productivity and cost efficiency
  - Gross margin improvement
  - Stable earnings growth in Financial Services
- Product renewal
  - New range of Marine Diesels
  - Volvo NH
  - Volvo VM
  - Renault Master
- Strong EPS development SEK 2.30 (SEK 1.00)

## In Focus Going Forward

- Adapt to changes in demand
- Integration and optimization of dealer networks







# Volvo Group

## **Hedging policy**

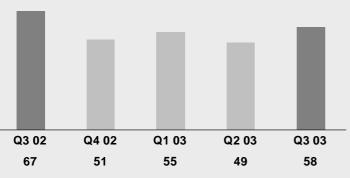
Month	Hedging ratio of projected net flows:		
< 6	50% - 80%		
7-12	30% - 60%		
> 12	firm flows		

## **Consolidated Results**

## **Third Quarter 2003**

SEK M	2002	2003	
Net Sales	41,524	40,511	Currency impact, SEK bn 2.2
Gross income	7,434	7,983	
	17.9%	19.7%	
R&D expenses	(1,335)	(1,683)	Lower capitalization, 272
Selling expenses	(3,612)	(3,960)	
Administrative expenses	(1,474)	(1,285)	
Other op. Income & expenses	(378)	185	Forward contracts approx. +300
Inc. from Financial Services	126	242	
Inc. from investments in associated companies	59	163	
Inc. from other investments	(3)	(28)	
Operating income	817	1,617	Total currency impact approx300
Financial Net	(233)	(319)	
Income after fin. Items	584	1,298	
Taxes	(158)	(327)	
Minority interest	(5)	(15)	
Net income	421	956	
EPS, SEK	1.00	2.30	
Operating margin	2.0%	4.0%	
Operating cash flow, excl. acq. & divest.	(800)	(700)	

# Development of cash conversion cycle (Days)



## **Cash flow development**



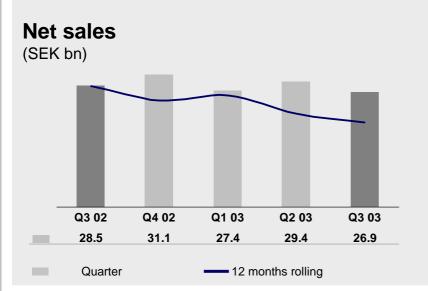


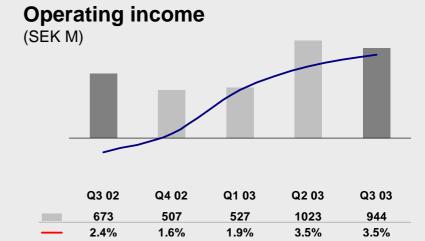
<sup>\*</sup> Cash-flow after net investments excluding: investments in shares, acquired & divested operations and Financial Services

## **Trucks**

#### **Third Quarter**







#### **Highlights**

- Strong earnings improvement
  - Improved result in North America, Mack and Volvo
  - Productivity and cost efficiency
  - Gross margin improvement
- Product renewal
- Improved dealer satisfaction in North America

#### In Focus

Quarter

- Optimize distribution network
  - Europe / Bilia
  - North America / Mack & Volvo

Margin

- Adapt to changes in demand
- Cash Flow

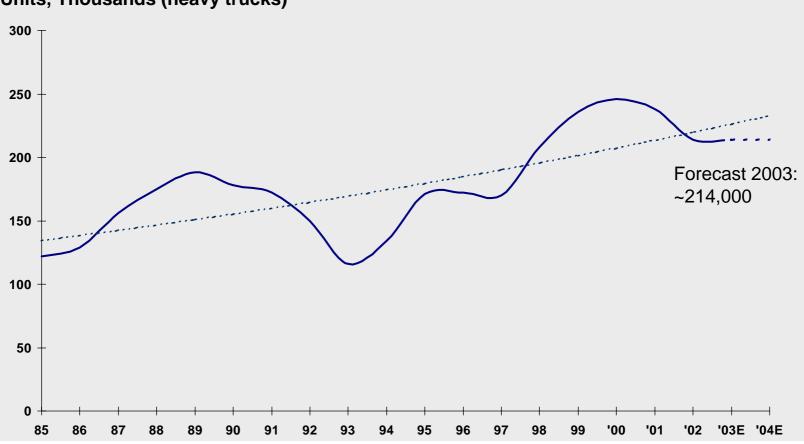
12 months rolling

# **Heavy Duty Truck Market**

## **Western Europe**

**Units, Thousands (heavy trucks)** 



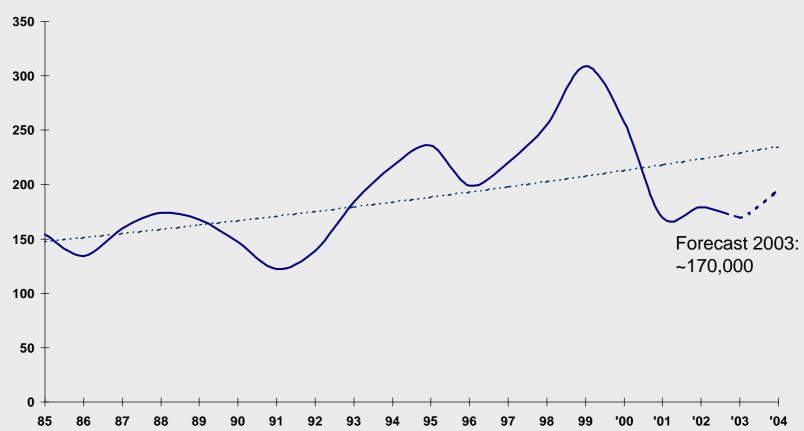


# **Heavy Duty Truck Market**

## **North America**







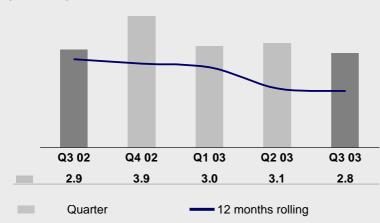
## **Volvo Buses**

#### **Third Quarter**





(SEK bn)



# **Operating income** (SEK M)



### **Highlights**

- Continued low coach market
- Strong price competition in Europe
- Capacity adjustments in European plants
- Renault Trucks to sell Volvo buses in France

- Cash flow and profitability
- Key customers
- Introduction of TX platform globally

**Third Quarter** 

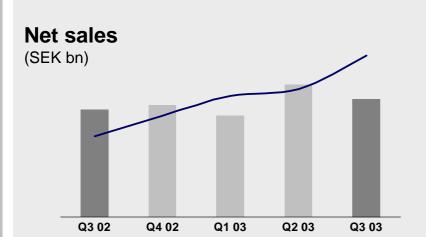
## **Volvo Construction Equipment**

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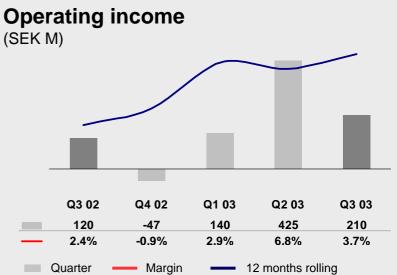
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## **Highlights**

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Quarter

- Heavy Construction Equipment market
  - North America up 12%

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- Europe down 6%
- Strong organic growth
- Significant operating income improvement

- Dealer development: LB Smith & Bilia
- Manage negative currency development
- Drive cash flow and operating income through more than 40 new products

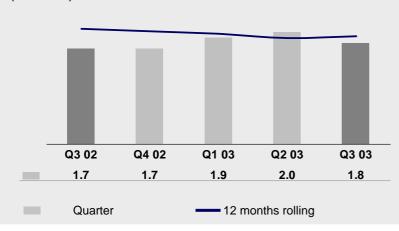
## Volvo Penta

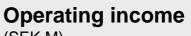
#### **Third Quarter**



#### **Net sales**

(SEK bn)







### **Highlights**

- Extensive product launches
- Continued strong sales development
- Improved operating income (+30%)

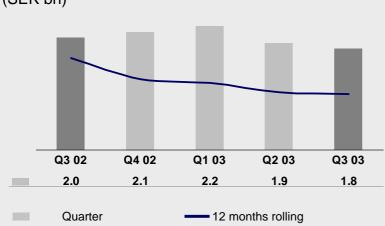
- Customer support for new products
- Growth of the Industrial and Marine Commercial segments
- Cost control and cash flow

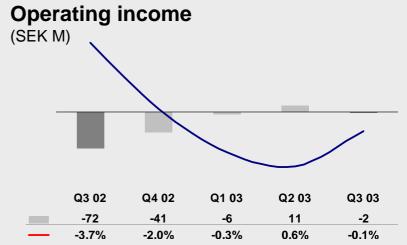
## Volvo Aero

#### **Third Quarter**









## **Highlights**

- World air traffic still declining, but some signs of recovery
- Still stretched for airlines, but reduced losses
- Still no improvement on the after market
- Component deliveries down by 20% in 2003, continued decrease expected in 2004 and 2005

#### In Focus

Quarter

Margin

- Continued adaptation to a weak market
- Increased sales activities
- Space program to continue
- Cash flow

12 months rolling

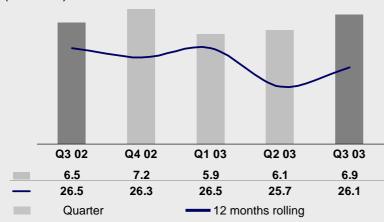
## **Volvo Financial Services**

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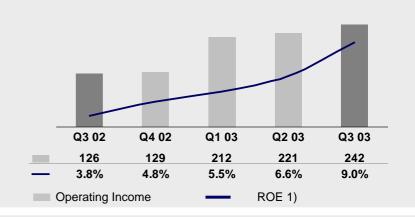


#### New retail financing

(SEK bn)



# **Operating income and Return on equity** (SEK M)



## **Highlights**

- US market improving
- Europe strong and stable
- Improving retail penetration

- Further Mack and Renault Trucks business development
- Price management
- Emerging markets

# Volvo Group

## **Summary**

- Business environment improving slightly
- Capitalize on product renewal
- Earnings improvement across the Group

# VOLVO