INTERIM REPORT

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TESSENDERLO GROUP INTERIM REPORT FOR THE 6 MONTH PERIOD ENDED JUNE 30, 2022²



¹ The enclosed information constitutes regulated information as defined in the Royal Decree of November 14, 2007, regarding the duties of issuers of financial instruments which have been admitted for trading on a regulated market.

² Note that Tessenderlo Group published, in addition to this interim report, also a press release on the HY22 results. This press release can be consulted on our website www.tessenderlo.com.

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<u>Note</u>

- The half year information has been subject to a review by external auditors. Reference is made to the independent auditor's review report in chapter 4 of this report.
- Figures may not add up due to rounding.

Management report

1.1 Key events from the first half of 2022

- In February 2022, Tessenderlo Group announced its takeover of the production unit and related activities of Pipelife France. The plant, which is situated in Gaillon (Eure, France), specializes in the production of pipes for gas, water, and cable protection. The acquisition is expected to be completed by the end of September, after which the company will be integrated into the DYKA Group business unit (Industrial Solutions segment). The transaction will not materially affect the group's results.
- The second quarter of 2022 saw the completion of the acquisition of the assets of B.V. Fleuren Tankopslag, which is a tank storage and transshipment company for liquid products, located in the Port of Cuijk (the Netherlands). The activities of Fleuren Tankopslag were integrated into the Tessenderlo Kerley International business unit (Agro segment). This transaction will have no material impact on the group's results.
- Construction work on Tessenderlo Kerley International's new Thio-Sul® plant in Geleen (the Netherlands) is scheduled to start in the fourth quarter of 2022. The plant is expected to be operational from the first quarter of 2024.
- Tessenderlo Kerley, Inc. will start the construction of a new plant in Defiance (Ohio, USA) in the third quarter of 2022. This plant will produce the leading liquid and sulfur-based fertilizers Thio-Sul®, KTS®, and K-Row 23®, as well as sulfate chemicals for industrial markets (Agro and Industrial Solutions segments). The plant is scheduled to be operational in the first half of 2024.
- The group also announced in March that Violleau will build a new production line for organic fertilizers in Vénérolles (Aisne, France). The production line will be operational from the second quarter of 2023, and it will be built on the site of the Akiolis plant in Vénérolles. From January 2022, Violleau has been included in the group's Agro segment.
- In early March 2022, Tessenderlo Group submitted another permit application to the Flemish Region for the construction of a new 900 MW combined cycle gas turbine (CCGT) power plant in Tessenderlo (Belgium). This entails an investment of approximately 500 million EUR. Tessenderlo Group expects the Flemish minister's decision on the permit by September 24, 2022, at the latest. However, the new gas plant will only be built when Tessenderlo Group can present a financially profitable project.
- In February 2022, Tessenderlo Group bought back 35.0 million EUR of its outstanding 2022 bonds at a price of 102.875%. This buyback resulted in a cash-out of EUR 36.0 million and the remaining amount of outstanding 2022 bonds, amounted to EUR 130.5 million and was repaid at maturity in July 2022.
- In February 2022, the group also concluded two term loan facilities of 30.0 million EUR each, with terms of 7 years (started in April 2022) and 5 years (starting in August 2022). These two loans, with quarterly capital repayments, have fixed interest rates of 1.17% and 0.94% and are without financial covenants. Both transactions will further reduce the group's liquidity risk and interest costs.
- The current conflict in Eastern Europe and the subsequent economic and financial sanctions imposed are negatively affecting the supply and purchase prices of raw materials as well as energy prices. This applies in particular to MOP (muriate of potash), the main raw material for SOP fertilizers (sulfate of potash) produced at Tessenderlo Kerley Ham (Belgium). Tessenderlo Group previously purchased MOP mainly in Russia and Belarus, as well as, to a lesser extent, from some other countries. Due to the high MOP inventory position at the start of the year, as well as a revision of the sourcing mix, the supply difficulties had only a limited impact on Tessenderlo Group's profitability during the first six months of 2022. A limited impact is also expected for the second half of 2022, despite the reduced availability. The increase in energy prices had a negative impact on our various activities, although this could be somewhat limited by our previously concluded forward purchase contracts, as well as by the increase in our sales prices.

After the balance sheet date

- On July 8, 2022, Tessenderlo Group and Picanol Group (Picanol nv, Euronext: PIC) announced their intention to simplify and increase the transparency of the group structure of both companies, with a view to combining them into a single industrial group, with a single stock exchange listing and a single board of directors. The proposed transaction envisages the reference shareholders, Luc Tack and Patrick Steverlynck, contributing the Picanol Group shares that they hold, in the context of a voluntary public exchange offer by Tessenderlo Group. The other Picanol Group shareholders (free float: 10.66%) will also be offered the option of becoming direct shareholders of Tessenderlo Group, at the same exchange ratio of 1 Picanol Group share for 2.43 Tessenderlo Group shares. It is the intention of both parties that this integration will be effective as of January 1, 2023.
- Tessenderlo Group has access to committed bilateral agreements with 4 credit institutions for a total amount of 142.5 million EUR (of which a part can be called in USD) until 2024. These agreements were increased in July 2022 to an amount of 250.0 million EUR and the period was extended to July 2027. These facilities contain no financial covenants and ensure maximum flexibility for the various, planned activities. As of June 30, 2022, none of these credit lines had been used.
- In August 2022, Tessenderlo Kerley, Inc. acquired the product line Lannate® from Corteva Agriscience. Tessenderlo Kerley's NovaSource® business unit (Agro segment) will add the Lannate® product line to its existing, diversified portfolio of niche crop protection products to agriculture customers worldwide. This crop protection product is used to manage specific difficult to control pests in specific crops such as sweet corn, onions and garlic. The transaction will have no material impact on the results of Tessenderlo Group.

1.2 Group key figures

Million EUR	HY22	HY21	% Change excluding fx effect ³	% Change as reported
Revenue	1,339.6	1,021.0	26.8%	31.2%
Adjusted EBITDA ⁴	247.6	184.7	27.6%	34.0%
Adjusted EBIT ⁵	182.6	119.4	44.0%	52.8%
Profit (+) / loss (-) for the period	163.6	97.3		68.2%
Total comprehensive income	218.8	121.6		79.9%
Capital expenditure	59.3	41.1		44.1%
Cash flow from operating activities	97.3	153.9		-36.8%
Operational free cash flow ⁶	88.1	129.5		-32.0%
Operational free cash flow (excluding IFRS 16 <i>Leases</i>)	77.3	118.5		-34.8%
Net financial debt ⁷	48.5	117.8		-58.8%

³ As the group results might be impacted significantly by foreign exchange changes, the group reports some key financial indicators excluding any foreign exchange impact. The "% change excluding foreign exchange effect" is calculated by translating the HY22 result of foreign currency entities at the average exchange rate of HY21. The variance between this calculated result and the previous year result shows the effective result variance excluding any foreign exchange impact.

⁴ Adjusted EBITDA equals Adjusted EBIT plus depreciation and amortization.

⁵ Adjusted EBIT is considered by the group to be a relevant performance measure in order to compare results over the period 2021-2022 as it excludes adjusting items from the EBIT (Earnings Before Interests and Taxes). EBIT adjusting items principally relate to restructuring, impairment losses, provisions, gains or losses on significant disposals of assets or subsidiaries and the effect of the electricity purchase agreement.

⁶ Operational free cash flow equals to Adjusted EBITDA minus capital expenditure minus change in trade working capital.

⁷ Net financial debt equals non-current and current loans and borrowings and bank overdrafts, minus cash and cash equivalents and short term investments.

Revenue

HY22 revenue increased by +31.2% (or increased by +26.8% when excluding the foreign exchange effect) compared to the same period last year. Excluding the foreign exchange effect, the revenue of Agro increased by +38.6%, Bio-valorization revenue increased by +22.7%, the revenue of Industrial Solutions increased by +19.3%, while the T-Power revenue remained stable. This revenue increase could be mainly realized thanks to higher sales prices, implemented to offset the increase of raw material, energy and transportation costs.

Adjusted EBITDA

The HY22 Adjusted EBITDA amounts to 247.6 million EUR compared to 184.7 million EUR one year earlier (+34.0%). When excluding the impact of the foreign exchange effect, the Adjusted EBITDA increased by +50.9 million EUR (+27.6%) compared to prior year. All 4 segments contributed to this increase (Agro +49.6%, Biovalorization +14.9%, Industrial Solutions +12.9%, T-Power +7.7%).

Net financial debt

As per HY22, group net financial debt decreased to 48.5 million EUR, compared to 74.8 million EUR as per year-end 2021. Leverage amounts to 0.1x as per HY22 (year-end 2021: 0.2x).

Short-term borrowings for 180.3 million EUR and 205.6 million EUR long-term borrowings are almost entirely compensated for by cash and cash equivalents (337.4 million EUR). The short-term borrowings include the bond, issued in 2015 with a maturity of 7 years, for an amount of 130.5 million EUR, which matured and was reimbursed in July 2022. Excluding the IFRS 16 lease liabilities, group net cash position as per HY22 would have amounted to 5.5 million EUR compared to a net financial debt of 20.8 million EUR as per year-end 2021.

In February 2022, Tessenderlo Group repurchased 35.0 million EUR of its outstanding 2022 bonds at a price of 102.875%. This repurchase resulted in a cash-out of 36.0 million EUR. Also in February 2022, the group agreed two term loan credit facilities for 30.0 million EUR each, with a maturity of 7 years (started in April 2022) and a maturity of 5 years (starting August 2022) respectively. These loans, with quarterly capital reimbursements, have a fixed interest rate of 1.17% and 0.94% respectively, and contain no financial covenants. Both transactions will further reduce the liquidity risk as well as the interest costs of the group.

Profit (+) / loss (-) for the period

The HY22 profit amounts to 163.6 million EUR compared to 97.3 million EUR in HY21. The profit was impacted by exchange gains and losses, mainly on non-hedged intercompany loans and cash and cash equivalents in USD. Excluding these exchange gains and losses, the profit for HY22 would have amounted to approximately 150 million EUR, compared to a result of approximately 90 million EUR in HY21.

Operational free cash flow

The HY22 operational free cash flow amounts to 88.1 million EUR, compared to 129.5 million EUR in HY21. The decrease, despite the higher operational results, can be explained by a higher capital expenditure (-18 million EUR compared to HY21) and higher working capital needs (-100 million EUR in HY22, compared to -14 million EUR in HY21), mainly linked to higher raw material costs, which led to a higher inventory valuation, and an increase of trade receivables following higher sales prices.

1.3 Operating segments performance review

GROUP KEY FIGURES - FOR THE SIX MONTH PERIOD ENDED JUNE 30								
Million EUR	HY22 HY21		% Change excluding fx effect	% Change as reported				
Revenue Group	1,339.6	1,021.0	26.8%	31.2%				
Agro	546.0	373.5	38.6%	46.2%				
Bio-valorization	376.8	297.4	22.7%	26.7%				
Industrial Solutions	380.3	314.9	19.3%	20.8%				
T-Power	36.5	35.2	3.8%	3.8%				
Adjusted EBITDA Group	247.6	184.7	27.6%	34.0%				
Agro	121.6	75.2	49.6%	61.8%				
Bio-valorization	50.2	41.8	14.9%	19.9%				
Industrial Solutions	48.2	42.1	12.9%	14.5%				
T-Power	27.5	25.6	7.7%	7.7%				
Adjusted EBIT Group	182.6	119.4	44.0%	52.8%				
Agro	105.5	59.8	62.2%	76.2%				
Bio-valorization	33.5	24.5	29.6%	36.5%				
Industrial Solutions	35.1	28.4	22.0%	23.7%				
T-Power	8.6	6.7	27.1%	27.1%				
EBIT adjusting items	9.6	1.9	403.1%	402.5%				
EBIT	192.1	121.3	48.7%	58.3%				

AGRO				
Million EUR	HY22	HY21	% Change excluding fx effect	% Change as reported
Revenue	546.0	373.5	38.6%	46.2%
Adjusted EBITDA	121.6	75.2	49.6%	61.8%
Adjusted EBITDA margin	22.3%	20.1%		
Adjusted EBIT	105.5	59.8	62.2%	76.2%
Adjusted EBIT margin	19.3%	16.0%		

HY22 revenue increased by +38.6%, when excluding the foreign exchange effect, thanks to an increase of sales prices, implemented in 2021 and HY22 to offset the higher raw material, energy and transportation costs.

When excluding the foreign exchange effect, the Adjusted EBITDA increased by +49.6% compared to prior year. The Adjusted EBITDA of Crop Vitality, Tessenderlo Kerley International and NovaSource increased thanks to favorable market circumstances.

With effect from 2022, Violleau (organic agricultural solutions) is included in the Agro segment, however its contribution to the results is not considered to be significant.

BIO-VALORIZATION									
Million EUR	HY22	HY21	% Change excluding fx effect	% Change as reported					
Revenue	376.8	297.4	22.7%	26.7%					
Adjusted EBITDA	50.2	41.8	14.9%	19.9%					
Adjusted EBITDA margin	13.3%	14.1%							
Adjusted EBIT	33.5	24.5	29.6%	36.5%					
Adjusted EBIT margin	8.9%	8.2%							

Revenue increased by +22.7% when excluding the foreign exchange effect, mainly thanks to an improved product mix and market prices for fats and proteins that increased substantially. Sales prices for gelatin products were increased in HY22 to compensate the higher raw material, energy, and transportation costs.

The HY22 Adjusted EBITDA increased compared to prior year (+14.9% when excluding the foreign exchange effect) thanks to favorable market circumstances for fats and proteins, and recovered margins of gelatin products.

INDUSTRIAL SOLUTIONS									
Million EUR	HY22	HY21	% Change excluding fx effect	% Change as reported					
Revenue	380.3	314.9	19.3%	20.8%					
Adjusted EBITDA	48.2	42.1	12.9%	14.5%					
Adjusted EBITDA margin	12.7%	13.4%							
Adjusted EBIT	35.1	28.4	22.0%	23.7%					
Adjusted EBIT margin	9.2%	9.0%							

Industrial Solutions revenue, when excluding the foreign exchange effect, increased by +19.3% in the first half of 2022, mainly thanks to DYKA Group, where revenue was positively impacted by an improved product mix and increased sales prices, implemented to offset the higher raw material, energy and transportation costs.

The Adjusted EBITDA increased by +5.4 million EUR or increased by +12.9% when excluding the foreign effect. The Adjusted EBITDA of DYKA Group was positively impacted by an improved product mix, a further increase of production efficiency based on investments made and timely pricing management to offset the significant increases of transportation expenses and raw material and energy costs (which are not yet fully reflected in the cost of goods sold).

The Adjusted EBITDA of moleko decreased, which was more than offset by an increase of the Kuhlmann Europe Adjusted EBITDA.

T-POWER									
Million EUR	HY22	HY21	% Change excluding fx effect	% Change as reported					
Revenue	36.5	35.2	3.8%	3.8%					
Adjusted EBITDA	27.5	25.6	7.7%	7.7%					
Adjusted EBITDA margin	75.4%	72.7%							
Adjusted EBIT	8.6	6.7	27.1%	27.1%					
Adjusted EBIT margin	23.5%	19.2%							

The revenue of T-Power remained stable at 36.5 million EUR, while the Adjusted EBITDA increased to 27.5 million EUR. These results were in line with expectations, as T-Power nv fulfilled all tolling agreement requirements, while HY21 also included development expenses for the intended construction of a second gas-fired power plant in Tessenderlo (Belgium).

Statement on the true and fair view of the condensed consolidated interim financial statements and the fair overview of the management report

Mr. L. Tack (CEO) and Mr. S. Haspeslagh, representative of Findar bv (COO/CFO) certify, on behalf and for the account of the company, that, to their knowledge,

- a) the condensed consolidated interim financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with the International Accounting Standard on Interim Financial Statements (IAS 34) as adopted by the European Union, give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position, the income statement of the company, statement of comprehensive income and statement of cash flows of the company, and the entities included in the consolidation as a whole,
- b) the management report includes a fair overview of the information required under Article 13, §5 and §6 of the Royal Decree of November 14, 2007, on the obligations of issuers of financial instruments admitted to trading on a regulated market.

Condensed consolidated interim financial statements June 30, 2022

3.1 Condensed consolidated income statement

Million EUR	note	HY22	HY21
Revenue	6	1,339.6	1,021.0
Cost of sales		-979.6	-747.2
Gross profit		360.0	273.8
Distribution expenses		-76.8	-60.4
Sales and marketing expenses		-33.6	-30.1
Administrative expenses		-59.2	-54.1
Other operating income and expenses		-7.9	-9.8
Adjusted EBIT		182.6	119.4
EBIT adjusting items	8	9.6	1.9
EBIT (Profit (+) / loss (-) from operations)		192.1	121.3
Finance (costs) / income - net	9	7.9	2.1
Share of result of equity accounted investees, net of income tax		2.5	0.2
Profit (+) / loss (-) before tax		202.6	123.7
Income tax expense	10	-39.0	-26.4
Profit (+) / loss (-) for the period		163.6	97.3
Attributable to:			
- Equity holders of the company		163.6	97.3
- Non-controlling interest		-0.0	-0.0
Basic earnings per share (EUR)	15	3.80	2.26
Diluted earnings per share (EUR)	15	3.80	2.26

3.2 Condensed consolidated statement of comprehensive income

Million EUR note	HY22	HY21	
Profit (+) / loss (-) for the period	163.6	97.3	
Translation differences ⁸	28.3	9.4	
Net change in fair value of derivative financial instruments, before tax	3.7	1.1	
Other movements	-0.0	-0.0	
Income tax on other comprehensive income	-0.9	-0.3	
Items of other comprehensive income that are or may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss	31.0	10.2	
Remeasurements of the net defined benefit liability, before tax 17	28.2	15.2	
Income tax on other comprehensive income	-4.1	-1.0	
Items of other comprehensive income that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss			
Other comprehensive income, net of income tax	55.2	24.4	
Total comprehensive income	218.8	121.6	
Attributable to:			
- Equity holders of the company	218.6	121.6	
- Non-controlling interest	0.1	0.0	

⁸ The HY22 translation differences are mainly impacted by the weakening of the EUR against the USD by -9% (HY21: -3%).

3.3 Condensed consolidated statement of financial position

Million EUR	note	30/06/2022	31/12/2021
ASSETS			
Total non-current assets		1,136.2	1,105.4
Property, plant and equipment	12	921.1	886.6
Goodwill		33.3	32.3
Intangible assets	12	97.9	109.2
Investments accounted for using the equity method		24.4	19.2
Other investments and guarantees	6	12.1	11.8
Deferred tax assets		26.3	33.5
Trade and other receivables		21.1	12.9
Total current assets		1,278.2	1,101.6
Inventories	13	464.9	393.4
Trade and other receivables	13	467.2	371.8
Current tax assets	10	7.2	5.5
Derivative financial instruments	18	1.5	0.6
Short term investments	14/16	-	10.0
Cash and cash equivalents	14/16	337.4	320.3
Total assets		2,414.4	2,207.0
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Total equity		1,353.5	1,131.4
Equity attributable to equity holders of the company		1,352.0	1,130.0
Issued capital		216.2	216.2
Share premium		238.0	238.0
Reserves and retained earnings		897.8	675.8
Non-controlling interest		1.5	1.3
Total liabilities		1,060.9	1,075.6
Total non-current liabilities		458.7	477.9
Loans and borrowings	16	205.6	193.6
Employee benefits	17	37.7	55.8
Provisions		130.3	138.3
Trade and other payables		3.3	4.1
Derivative financial instruments	18	14.2	20.7
Deferred tax liabilities		67.4	65.4
Total current liabilities		602.2	597.7
Bank overdrafts	16	0.0	0.1
Loans and borrowings	16	180.3	211.4
Trade and other payables	13	394.3	365.9
Derivative financial instruments	18	5.0	8.6
Current tax liabilities	10	9.2	1.6
Employee benefits	17	0.5	0.7
Provisions		12.9	9.5
Total equity and liabilities		2,414.4	2,207.0

3.4 Condensed consolidated statement of changes in equity

Million EUR	note	Issued capital	Share premium	Legal reserves	Translation reserves	Hedging reserves	Retained earnings	Equity attributable to equity holders of the company	Non-controlling interest	Total equity
Balance at January 1, 2022		216.2	238.0	21.6	-81.2	-1.6	737.1	1,130.0	1.3	1,131.4
Profit (+) / loss (-) for the period		-	-	-	-	-	163.6	163.6	-0.0	163.6
Other comprehensive income										
- Translation differences		-	-	-	28.1	-	-	28.1	0.1	28.3
- Remeasurements of the net defined benefit liability, net of tax	17	-	-	-	-	-	24.1	24.1	-	24.1
- Net change in fair value of derivative financial instruments, net of tax		-	-	-	-	2.8	-	2.8	-	2.8
- Other movements		-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	-0.0	-0.0
Comprehensive income, net of income taxes		0.0	0.0	0.0	28.1	2.8	187.7	218.6	0.1	218.8
- (Repurchase)/disposal of own shares	15	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	-	3.3
Balance at June 30, 2022		216.2	238.0	21.6	-53.1	1.1	928.2	1,352.0	1.5	1,353.5

Million EUR	Issued capital	Share premium	Legal reserves	Translation reserves	Hedging reserves	Retained earnings	Equity attributable to equity holders of the company	Non-controlling interest	Total equity
Balance at January 1, 2021	216.2	238.0	21.6	-102.1	-3.0	532.4	903.0	1.1	904.1
Profit (+) / loss (-) for the period	-	-	-	-	-	97.3	97.3	-0.0	97.3
Other comprehensive income									
- Translation differences	-	-	-	9.3	-	-	9.3	0.0	9.4
- Remeasurements of the net defined benefit liability, net of tax	-	-	-	-	-	14.2	14.2	-	14.2
- Net change in fair value of derivative financial instruments, net of tax	-	-	-	-	0.8	-	0.8	-	0.8
- Other movements	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	-0.0	-0.0
Comprehensive income, net of income taxes	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.3	0.8	111.4	121.6	0.0	121.6
Balance at June 30, 2021	216.2	238.0	21.6	-92.8	-2.2	643.8	1,024.6	1.2	1,025.7

3.5 Condensed consolidated statement of cash flows

Million EUR	note	30/06/2022	30/06/2021
OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Profit (+) / loss (-) for the period		163.6	97.3
Depreciation, amortization and impairment losses on tangible assets and intangible assets	6	65.0	65.3
Changes in provisions		-3.5	-4.6
Finance (costs) / income - net	9	-7.9	-2.1
Loss / (profit) on sale of non-current assets		-0.5	-1.1
Share of result of equity accounted investees, net of income tax		-2.5	-0.2
Income tax expense	10	39.0	26.4
Other non-cash items		0.1	-1.5
Changes in inventories	13	-59.8	51.8
Changes in trade and other receivables	13	-81.9	-76.1
Changes in trade and other payables	13	22.0	15.8
Change in accounting estimates - inventory write off	6	1.4	-1.3
Net change in emission allowances recognized within intangible assets		0.1	1.4
Revaluation electricity forward contracts	18	-5.1	0.1
Cash generated from operations		129.8	171.0
Income tax paid	10	-32.4	-17.2
Dividends received	20	0.0	0.1
Cash flow from operating activities		97.3	153.9
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	6/12	-59.3	-41.1
Cash deposit paid for prequalification CRM auction (T-Power)	6	-	-16.3
Proceeds from the sale of property, plant and equipment		0.6	0.6
Increase in short term investments	14/16	-	-40.0
Decrease in short term investments	14/16	10.0	20.0
Cash flow from investing activities	<u>-</u>	-48.7	-76.8
FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Repurchase of own shares	15	-0.6	-
Payment of lease liabilities	16	-10.2	-10.5
Proceeds from new borrowings	16	30.0	-
Reimbursement of borrowings	16	-49.6	-33.9
Interest paid	9	-4.1	-4.3
Interest received		0.2	0.2
Other finance costs paid		-1.1	-0.5
Decrease/(increase) of long-term receivables		0.5	2.7
Cash flow from financing activities		-35.0	-46.3
Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	14/16	13.6	30.8
Effect of exchange rate differences	14/16	3.6	0.6
Cash and cash equivalents less bank overdrafts at the beginning of the period	14/16	320.2	230.0
Cash and cash equivalents less bank overdrafts at the end of the period	14/16	337.4	261.4

3.6 Notes to the condensed consolidated interim financial statements

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- 21. Subsequent events

Reporting entity

Tessenderlo Group nv (hereafter referred to as "the company"), the parent company, is a company domiciled in Belgium. The condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the six month period ended June 30, 2022 comprises the company and its subsidiaries (together referred to as "the group") and the group's interests in jointly controlled entities.

2. Statement of compliance

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the six month period ended June 30, 2022 have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standard (IFRS) IAS 34 *Interim Financial Reporting*, as adopted for use by the European Union. It does not include all of the information required for full annual financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements of the group as at and for the year ended December 31, 2021 which have been prepared in accordance with IFRS.

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on August 23, 2022. These condensed consolidated interim financial statements were reviewed, not audited.

3. Significant accounting policies

The accounting policies used by the group in the present condensed consolidated interim financial statements are consistent with those used in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and are in accordance with IAS 34 *Interim Financial Reporting*.

There are no new or amended standards or interpretations that are effective for the first time for the interim report for the six month period ended June 30, 2022 that had a significant impact on the condensed consolidated interim financial statements.

For the six month period ended June 30, 2022, the group has not early adopted any standard, interpretation or amendment that has been issued, but is not yet effective. The group is currently assessing the new rules, and at this stage, is not expecting any of these new rules to have a significant impact on the financial statements of the group.

The exchange rates, used in preparing the condensed consolidated interim financial statements, are the following:

EXCHANGE RATES					
		Closing rate	Average rate		
1 EUR equals:	30/06/2022	30/06/2021	31/12/2021	30/06/2022	30/06/2021
Brazilian real	5.4229	5.9050	6.3101	5.5565	6.4902
Chinese yuan	6.9624	7.6742	7.1947	7.0823	7.7960
Costa Rican colón	716.4800	733.2300	725.5900	715.8918	737.5666
Czech crown	24.7390	25.4880	24.8580	24.6485	25.8541
Hungarian forint	397.0400	351.6800	369.1900	375.1294	357.8797
Indian rupee	82.1130	88.3240	84.2292	83.3179	88.4126
Polish zloty	4.6904	4.5201	4.5969	4.6354	4.5374
Pound sterling	0.8582	0.8581	0.8403	0.8424	0.8680
Romanian leu	4.9464	4.9280	4.9490	4.9457	4.9016
Swiss franc	0.9960	1.0980	1.0331	1.0319	1.0946
Turkish lira	17.3220	10.3210	15.2335	16.2579	9.5226
US dollar	1.0387	1.1884	1.1326	1.0934	1.2053

4. Critical accounting estimates and judgments

The preparation of the condensed consolidated interim financial statements in conformity with IFRS as adopted for use by the European Union requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of the accounting policies, the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the condensed consolidated interim financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Management bases its estimates on historical experience and various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making the reported amounts of revenue and expenses that may not be readily apparent from other sources. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The areas of judgements, estimates and assumptions used in preparing the condensed consolidated interim financial statements for June 30, 2022, are the same as those applied and disclosed in the consolidated financial statements at December 31, 2021.

5. Risks and uncertainties

Under the explicit understanding that this is not an exhaustive list, the main risk factors and uncertainties for the group for the second semester of 2022 are listed below. Additional risks of which the group is not aware may possibly exist. There may also be risks that the group currently believes to be unimportant, but which can still have an adverse effect. The order in which the individual risks are presented is neither indicative of their likelihood to occur, nor of the severity or significance of the individual risks. Please note that in the 2021 annual report additional risks were included. For a more detailed overview of the major risks for the group, we refer to the 2021 annual report.

Political risk

The current conflict in Eastern Europe and the subsequent economic and financial sanctions imposed are negatively affecting the supply and purchase prices of raw materials as well as energy prices. This applies in particular to MOP (muriate of potash), the main raw material for SOP fertilizers (sulfate of potash) produced at Tessenderlo Kerley Ham (Belgium). Tessenderlo Group previously purchased MOP mainly in Russia and Belarus, as well as, to a lesser extent, from some other countries. Due to the high MOP inventory position at the start of the year, as well as a revision of the sourcing mix, the supply difficulties had only a limited impact on Tessenderlo Group's profitability during the first six months of 2022. A limited impact is also expected for the second half of 2022, despite the reduced availability. The increase in energy prices had a negative impact on our various activities, although this could be somewhat limited by our previously concluded forward purchase contracts, as well as by the increase in our sales prices.

Risk of an outbreak of an epidemic with a large geographical reach or pandemic

Due to its global presence, the group may be subject to the consequences of the local or worldwide spread of viruses that pose a risk to public health and may be serious and unexpected. Such outbreaks may have an impact on social life and the economy. The group believes that it is difficult to estimate the impact that the regional spread of viruses or a pandemic could have on the economies in which we operate, and therefore the impact that these factors could have on our financial results.

The group is exposed to climate risks

Particularly in the operating segments Agro and Industrial Solutions, exceptional weather conditions, such as sustained heat waves, flooding or natural disasters can have an important impact on the operational results.

Risks associated with climate change are increasing in frequency and severity, inducing challenges with rising input costs (energy, water, and materials, ...) and ultimately risks for our assets. This trend requires a more comprehensive approach to managing the risks relevant to the changing environment in which the company operates and which ensures our stakeholders that our future growth is sustainable.

The group is exposed to the risk of information technology failures

The group increasingly makes use of information technology systems to process, transmit and store electronic information and as such, to operate efficiently and interface. A significant portion of the communication between the group's personnel, customers and suppliers depends on information technology. The group is dependent on information systems to manage inventory, accounting, purchasing and sales applications and to maintain cost efficient operations. As with all large systems, the group's information systems may be vulnerable to a variety of interruptions due to events beyond its control, including, but not limited to, natural disasters, terrorist attacks, telecommunication failures, computer viruses, hackers or other security issues. These or other similar interruptions may disrupt the group's business, results of operation or financial condition.

The group depends on the availability of sufficient volumes of raw materials with the required specifications at competitive prices.

The group depends on the availability of sufficient volumes of raw materials, which meet the required specifications, against competitive prices. While the group sources most of its raw materials from multiple suppliers, some raw materials are sourced from only few suppliers. As such, the group relies on a number of third party suppliers and other business partners. If the market prices fall below the agreed minimum prices, the group may be required to purchase products at above-market prices.

If the group is unable to sell, store, re-utilize or dispose of certain components that it produces, it may be required to limit or reduce its overall production levels.

The group's operations are dependent on its ability to sell, store, re-utilize or otherwise dispose of certain components (such as by-products and co-products) which are produced in the course of the production process of various products. There can be no assurance that the group will be able to do this in the future and will not be required to reduce its overall production levels or invest in new treatment processes.

The group's results are dependent on weather conditions and are subject to seasonality.

Several of the group's activities are dependent on weather conditions. The group also has activities which are also subject to seasonality, whereby products are sold within a short timeframe. Products of the group's Agro operating segment must be supplied to the customers during the planting season. Bad weather conditions can disrupt this process, reduce the possibility to apply product and/or reduce the need for products. The group also sells products in the construction markets in several countries in the northern hemisphere, which are typically affected by winter weather conditions (operation segment Industrial Solutions).

The group's current and future investments and/or constructions are subject to the risk of delays, cost overruns and other complications, and may not achieve the expected returns.

The group currently has new projects which are under construction or in ramp-up phase. In addition, the group is implementing a number of major investment projects that are key to its strategy. These projects may be delayed, exceed the budget or the utilized technology may prove to be inadequate or may fail to reach the expected return.

The group is exposed to an energy off-take agreement.

The group sold the majority of its PVC/Chlor-Alkali activities in the third quarter of 2011. The electricity purchase agreement relating to that activity was not part of the sale transaction and therefore the group is still under an obligation to purchase certain quantities of electricity. As the group no longer needs the electricity for its own use, it needs to sell the electricity on the market until the end of the contract. The value of the contract is depending on the current and future difference between market electricity prices and the generation cost based on market gas prices, and on the effect of the hourly pricing optimization as foreseen in the contract. Based on today's electricity prices and the current price of electricity futures, the contract has a negative value in the condensed consolidated interim financial statements as per June 30, 2022 (-10.6 million EUR).

The group's results are sensitive to commodity prices.

The group is sensitive to commodity prices. As the group is a diversified specialty group that is worldwide active in many areas of agriculture, food, water management, efficient (re)use of natural resources and other industrial markets, the impact of changes of some raw material prices might have a significant impact on the results of individual activities, however this is not expected to have a material impact on the results of operating segments or the group.

The group may be exposed to product liability and warranty claims, including but not limited to liability in respect of food safety.

The group's products are subject to increasingly stringent industry, regulatory and customer requirements. The activities of the group may expose the group to product liability and warranty claims. The products manufactured by the group are used in various downstream applications including, but not limited to, the food, cosmetics, nutraceutical and pharmaceutical industry and may contain undetected errors or defects, which may lead, for example, to product recalls, increased customer service and support, payment of monetary damages to customers, lawsuits and loss of customers. In addition, the group cannot exclude that customers incorrectly apply the group's products.

The group may not be able to recruit and retain key personnel

The group may not be able to recruit and retain competent personnel for key roles. The group's success depends to a significant extent upon its ability to attract and retain qualified management, scientific, technical, marketing and sales personnel and upon the continued contributions of such personnel. The group's employees may voluntarily terminate their employment at any time. There is no guarantee that the group will be successful in attracting and/or retaining qualified employees to replace existing employees or to further support its growth strategy. The loss of the services of key personnel or the inability to attract additional qualified personnel may have a material adverse effect on the business and its expertise, results of operation or financial condition.

Potential impacts might include: loss of knowledge of key systems and specialized skills resulting in a skills and competency gap, high staff turnover, customer dissatisfaction, failure to meet business objectives, increased rehiring costs, loss of customers because of the customer-employee relationships. Although the group believes that it is well positioned to attract and retain skilled and experienced personnel, there can be no assurance that it will be able to do so. The inability to do so could have a material adverse effect on the group's business, results of operation or financial condition.

The group may be exposed to circumstances of geo-political nature.

The group could be impacted by the political uncertainty caused by circumstances of geo-political nature that could have an impact on the consumer trust.

The group is exposed to a variety of financial risks such as credit risk, liquidity risk, currency risk and interest risk.

We refer to note 26 - Financial instruments of the 2021 consolidated financial statements for more detailed information on the group's exposure to financial risks and its risk management policies.

Credit risk

The maximum exposure to credit risk amounts to 838.1 million EUR as of June 30, 2022 (year-end 2021: 726.1 million EUR). This amount mainly consists of current and non-current trade and other receivables (488.3 million EUR), loans granted (10.9 million EUR, included within "Other investments and guarantees"), derivative financial instruments (1.5 million EUR), and cash and cash equivalents (337.4 million EUR).

Liquidity risk

The group limits this risk, through a series of actions:

- A factoring program, set up at the end of 2009, and which was put on hold since 2015.
- A Belgian commercial paper program of maximum 200.0 million EUR (no amount outstanding as per June 30, 2022, nor at December 31, 2021).
- Committed bi-lateral agreements with four banks for a total amount of 142.5 million EUR (of which part can be drawn in USD) till 2024. In July 2022, these agreements have been renewed to a total amount of 250.0 million EUR, while the term has been extended till July 2027. These committed bi-lateral agreements have no financial covenants and ensure maximum flexibility for the different activities. As per June 30, 2022, none of these credit lines were used.
- In HY22, Tessenderlo Group nv has drawn a new credit facility of 30.0 million EUR with a maturity of 7 years. The group also agreed to a credit facility for 30.0 million EUR starting in August 2022 with a maturity of 5 years. These loans contain no financial covenants.
- Currency risk

The currency giving rise to this risk is primarily USD (US Dollar). This exposure is mainly due to intragroup loans and cash and cash equivalents which are not hedged.

Interest risk

The financial debt position is funded by fixed and variable interest rate instruments. The variable interest rate instruments are, for the majority, hedged through forward rate agreements.

The bonds, issued in July 2015 for an amount of 192.0 million EUR with a maturity of 7 years and 58.0 million EUR with a maturity of 10 years, are the main fixed interest rate instruments with an interest rate of 2.875% and 3.375% respectively. In February 2022, the group repurchased 35.0 million EUR of its outstanding 2022 bonds at a price of 102.875%. This purchase resulted in a cash-out of 36 million EUR. Also in February 2022, the group agreed two term loan credit facilities for 30.0 million EUR each, with a maturity of 7 years (started in April 2022) and a maturity of 5 years (starting August 2022) respectively. These loans, with quarterly capital reimbursements, have a fixed interest rate of 1.17% and 0.94% respectively, and contain no financial covenants.

The T-Power nv loan (102.9 million EUR as per June 30, 2022) is a variable interest rate instrument, for approximately 80% hedged through a series of interest rate swaps.

6. Segment reporting

The group has 4 operating segments based on the principal business activities, economic environments and value chains in which they operate, as defined under IFRS 8 *Operating Segments*, and relate to agriculture, animal byproduct valorization, products, systems and solutions for handling, processing and treatment of water including flocculation and depressants, as well as energy. The information provided below is consistent with the information that is available and evaluated regularly by the Chief Operating Decision Maker (the Executive Committee).

The following summary describes the operations in each of the group's reportable segments:

"Agro" - includes production, trading and distribution of crop nutrients and crop protection products and includes the following businesses: Crop Vitality, Tessenderlo Kerley International, NovaSource and Violleau. These activities individually meet the definition of a business segment and were aggregated under the operating segment "Agro" in line with the stipulations under IFRS 8.12. This aggregation was possible because these activities sell the same or similar products, their production process is similar and these activities have the same or the same type of customers, while the distribution method of the products is also similar. In addition, there is close cooperation between these activities and management makes decisions that simultaneously have an impact on the various activities.

- "Bio-valorization" includes collecting and processing of animal by-products; production and distribution of gelatins and collagen peptides and rendering, production and sales of proteins and fats and includes the following businesses: PB Leiner and Akiolis. These activities individually meet the definition of a business segment and were aggregated under the segment "Bio-valorization" in line with the stipulations under IFRS 8.12. This aggregation was possible because these activities sell the same or similar products, their production process is similar and these activities have the same or the same type of customers, while the distribution method of the products is also similar. In addition, there is close cooperation between these activities and management makes decisions that simultaneously have an impact on the various activities.
- "Industrial Solutions" includes all possible water applications (water transport, water treatment, leaching, recovery of water from industrial processes). This segment includes the following distinguishable commercial names: DYKA Group (with DYKA, JDP and BT Nyloplast), moleko and Kuhlmann Europe. These components are not considered to be separate operating segments.
- "T-Power" includes a gas-fired 425 MW power plant in Tessenderlo (Belgium). A tolling agreement was concluded with RWE group for a period of 15 years (until 2026) for the full capacity of the plant, with an optional 5-year extension thereafter.

Industrial Solutions also included the MPR/ECS activities until their sale in August 2021.

In 2021, Tessenderlo Group created a new growth unit, "Violleau" being part of the Bio-valorization segment, to support the growth of organic agricultural solutions in Europe. Violleau specializes in the production of organic amendments and fertilizers from animal and vegetable matter as well as in the commercialization of biocontrol products. As from 2022 Violleau is presented within the Agro operating segment. The contribution of Violleau to the group's results is considered to be insignificant.

The costs included within Adjusted EBIT, related to the corporate activities, are allocated to the different operating segments they support.

Transfer prices between operating segments are similar to transactions with third parties.

The measure of segment profit/loss is Adjusted EBIT, which is consistent with information that is monitored by the chief operating decision maker.

The group is a diversified specialty group that is worldwide active in many areas of agriculture, food, water management, efficient re(use) of natural resources and other industrial markets. The products of the group are used in various applications, industrial and consumption markets. Although a leadership position is occupied by the group in a number of diverse markets, the diversification of the group's revenue makes the group not reliant on major customers.

The majority of the group's revenue consists of the sale of goods. Products are generally sold directly or through distributors to the customers. Revenue is therefore recognized when the goods are delivered to the customers, where the point of recognition is dependent on the contract sales terms, known as the International Commercial terms (Incoterms). The group also recognizes revenue from the sale of services. These mainly relate to the collection of organic materials within Akiolis (operating segment Bio-valorization), and, until the disposal of these activities in August 2021, water treatment services at industrial mining, refinery and oil and gas exploration water treatment locations within MPR and ECS (operating segment Industrial Solutions). In this case, the revenue is recognized when the customers obtain control of the services, predominantly at a point in time. For revenue out of projects, the amount of revenue is measured by reference to the progress made towards complete satisfaction of the performance obligation. These projects generally have a lifetime of less than one year.

The major line items of the income statement and statement of financial position are shown per operating segment in the table below. The income statement information is for the six month period ended June 30, while information from the statement of financial position is compared to December 31, 2021 figures.

SEGMENT REPORTING												
	A	gro	Bio-valo	orization	Industrial	Solutions	T-Po	wer	Non-al	located	Tessende	lo Group
Million EUR	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021
Revenue (internal and external)	546.8	373.9	380.5	297.4	381.0	315.1	36.5	35.2	-	-	1,344.9	1,021.6
Less: Revenue (internal)	0.9	0.4	3.7	-	0.7	0.2	-	-	-	-	5.3	0.7
Revenue	546.0	373.5	376.8	297.4	380.3	314.9	36.5	35.2	-	-	1,339.6	1,021.0
Of which:									-	-		
- at a point in time	546.0	373.5	376.8	297.4	380.3	314.9	36.5	35.2	-	-	1,339.6	1,021.0
- over time	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0
Adjusted EBIT	105.5	59.8	33.5	24.5	35.1	28.4	8.6	6.7	-	-	182.6	119.4
Adjusted EBITDA	121.6	75.2	50.2	41.8	48.2	42.1	27.5	25.6	-	-	247.6	184.7
Return on revenue (Adjusted EBITDA/revenue)	22.3%	20.1%	13.3%	14.1%	12.7%	13.4%	75.4%	72.7%	-	-	18.5%	18.1%
Non-current segment assets (property, plant and equipment, goodwill and intangible assets)	279.8	249.0	268.6	261.1	187.7	183.6	300.5	319.5	15.5	14.9	1,052.2	1,028.0
Other segment assets	419.0	341.7	264.1	237.4	239.5	177.6	4.5	4.5	33.3	22.4	960.4	783.6
Derivative financial instruments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.5	0.6	1.5	0.6
Investments accounted for using the equity method	22.3	17.1	2.2	2.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	24.4	19.2
Other investments and guarantees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12.1	11.8	12.1	11.8
Deferred tax assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26.3	33.5	26.3	33.5
Short term investments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	0.0	10.0
Cash and cash equivalents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	337.4	320.3	337.4	320.3
Total assets	721.1	607.9	534.9	500.6	427.2	361.2	305.0	324.0	426.1	413.4	2,414.4	2,207.0
Segment liabilities	146.5	136.0	160.7	165.5	108.7	95.6	9.4	11.6	163.0	167.2	588.3	575.8
Derivative financial instruments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19.2	29.3	19.2	29.3
Loans and borrowings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	385.9	405.0	385.9	405.0
Bank overdrafts	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1
Deferred tax liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	67.4	65.4	67.4	65.4
Total equity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,353.5	1,131.4	1,353.5	1,131.4
Total equity and liabilities	146.5	136.0	160.7	165.5	108.7	95.6	9.4	11.6	1,989.1	1,798.3	2,414.4	2,207.0
Capital expenditures: property, plant and equipment and intangible assets (note 12)	27.4	10.5	18.5	20.5	13.1	9.0	-	1.0	0.4	0.2	59.3	41.1
Depreciation, amortization and impairment losses on property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	-16.2	-15.3	-16.7	-17.3	-13.2	-13.8	-19.0	-18.8	-	-	-65.0	-65.3
Reversal/(additional) inventory write-offs	-0.2	0.8	-1.0	1.2	-0.2	-0.6	-	-	-	-	-1.4	1.3

The strengthening of the USD led to an increase of the segment assets and liabilities in the operating segment Agro. The increase of the other segment assets of Agro, Bio-valorization and Industrial Solutions can be mainly explained by the increase of inventory and trade and other receivables, which is a consequence of timing and the increase of purchase and sales prices.

Non-allocated segment liabilities mainly include environmental provisions recognized for the plants in Belgium (Ham, Tessenderlo, Vilvoorde) and France (Loos).

In presenting information on the basis of geographical segments, segment revenue is based on the geographical location of customers. Non-current segment assets (property, plant and equipment, goodwill, intangible assets) are based on the geographical location of the assets.

	Revenue by market		Non-current s	egment assets
Million EUR	30/06/2022	30/06/2021	30/06/2022	31/12/2021
Belgium	117.7	91.0	447.7	467.0
The Netherlands	138.6	115.6	60.4	42.8
France	209.8	174.0	237.3	238.1
Germany	36.9	26.6	23.1	22.7
Spain	51.8	41.3	-	-
United Kingdom	64.4	51.8	18.1	19.4
Poland	20.4	14.9	6.7	7.1
Other European countries	77.4	66.7	6.1	5.8
United States	405.8	304.6	196.7	179.1
Mexico	44.4	21.5	3.3	2.8
China	9.1	9.3	6.3	6.5
Rest of the world	163.4	103.6	46.3	36.7
Tessenderlo Group	1,339.6	1,021.0	1,052.2	1,028.0

The decrease of the non-current segment assets in Belgium is mainly due to the amortization of the fair value adjustments of T-Power nv, acquired in 2018. The purchase price allocation resulted in the recognition of a customer list for an amount of 163.7 million EUR and represented the fair value of a tolling agreement which was concluded with RWE group for a period of 15 years (until June 2026) for the full capacity of the plant. This customer list is being amortized over the remaining duration of the tolling agreement.

The increase of the non-current segment assets in the Netherlands is mainly explained by the ongoing construction of a new Thio-Sul manufacturing plant in Geleen and the acquisition of the assets of B.V. Fleuren Tankopslag, a tank storage and transshipment company for liquid products located in the Port of Cuijk. The non-current segment assets in the United States are impacted by the strengthening of the USD (the USD/EUR closing rate was 1.0387 as per June 2022 compared to 1.1326 as per year-end 2021).

7. Acquisitions and disposals

Acquisitions

In February 2022, Tessenderlo Group announced that it intends to acquire the production plant and the associated business of Pipelife France in Gaillon (Eure, France). The Gaillon plant specializes in the manufacturing of pipes for gas, water, and cable protection. The transaction is expected to reach completion in the course of the second half of 2022. After completion of the acquisition, the business will be integrated within the DYKA Group business unit (Industrial Solutions segment). This transaction will not materially impact the results of Tessenderlo Group.

Disposals

There were no disposals in the first half of 2022.

8. EBIT adjusting items

The first half year 2022 EBIT adjusting items show a net income of +9.6 million EUR and mainly include:

- Changes to provisions, including environmental provisions. The outstanding environmental provisions decreased following the increase of the applied discount rates, which varied between 0% and 3% per June 2022 (between 0% and 1% at year-end 2021). This effect was only partially offset by the negative impact of inflation adjustments.
- The impact and revaluation of an electricity purchase agreement (the Purchase Power Agreement), for which the own-use exemption under IAS 39 is not applicable anymore, as well as the positive contribution realized on additional electricity and gas forward agreements which matured in the first half of 2022, and the positive fair value of such forward agreements with maturity in the second half of 2022. These agreements are concluded in order to partially fix the "clean spark spread" revenue of the Purchase Power Agreement by selling the electricity and locking in the generation costs via forward transactions.

9. Finance costs and income

Net finance result amounts to +7.9 million EUR as per June 30, 2022 (+2.1 million EUR as per June 30, 2021), and mainly includes:

- Borrowing costs for -4.5 million EUR (HY21: -4.9 million EUR) including the accrued interest charges on the bonds issued in 2015 with a maturity of 7 years and 10 years (-2.9 million EUR), the interest expenses on the term loan facility of T-Power nv, and the interest expenses on lease liabilities (in accordance with IFRS 16 Leases).
- Net foreign exchange gains and losses for +13.4 million EUR (HY21: +7.3 million EUR), mainly explained by unrealized foreign exchange gains and losses on intercompany loans and cash and cash equivalents (mainly in USD), which are not hedged.

The total cash-out related to interest payments amounts to -4.1 million EUR, including payments for the T-Power forward rate agreements reaching their maturity date for -2.8 million EUR.

10. Income tax expense

Income tax expense amounts to -39.0 million EUR in HY22 (-26.4 million EUR in HY21) and mainly relates to the operations in the United States and France.

The income taxes paid in HY22 amount to -32.4 million EUR (HY21: -17.2 million EUR), while the current tax asset, mainly in Belgium, increased from 5.5 million EUR as per December 31, 2021, to 7.2 million EUR as per June 30, 2022. The current tax liabilities, mainly in the United States, amounts to 9.2 million EUR as per June 30, 2022, compared to 1.6 million EUR per December 31, 2021.

Deferred tax assets on fiscal losses carried forward are recognized for 16.6 million EUR (December 2021: 19.4 million EUR). These are mainly recognized on Tessenderlo Group nv, the parent company, for an amount of 8.1 million EUR (December 2021: 7.5 million EUR). The total tax losses and tax credits carried forward in Tessenderlo Group nv amount to 180 million EUR (December 2021: 188 million EUR). The other deferred tax assets on fiscal losses carried forward recognized amount to 8.5 million EUR (December 2021: 11.9 million EUR) and mainly relate to French fiscal losses carried forward for an amount of 29 million EUR (December 2021: 42 million EUR) which were fully recognized.

11. Seasonality of operations

Tessenderlo Group demonstrates a limited seasonality pattern at group level for revenue (first half of 2020: 54%; first half of 2021: 49%) and operating profitability level as expressed by Adjusted EBITDA (first half of 2020: 58%; first half of 2021: 52%). The degree of seasonality at group level is primarily determined by selling to customers in several end markets, including food, pet food, construction, agriculture and water treatment. Two important end markets which demonstrate seasonal characteristics are construction and agriculture. The group sells into the construction markets through its operating segment Industrial Solutions in several countries in the northern hemisphere, which are typically impacted by winter weather conditions in the first and fourth quarter. Agriculture related sales made in the operating segment Agro are influenced by the planting seasons, especially the spring planting season. Most of the sales of Crop Vitality - being part of the Agro operating segment - are in the United States, and this normally leads to higher sales and operating profitability in the first half of the year. Agro is the largest contributor to the group operating profitability, which explains why group operating profitability is typically higher in the first half year.

12. Property, plant and equipment and intangible assets

For the six month period ended June 30, 2022, the group's capital expenditure amounted to 59.3 million EUR (HY21: 41.1 million EUR). The major capital expenditure projects relate to:

- The acquisition of the assets of B.V. Fleuren Tankopslag, a tank storage and transshipment company for liquid products located in the Port of Cuijk (the Netherlands). The Fleuren Tankopslag operations have been integrated in the Tessenderlo Kerley International business unit (operating segment Agro);
- The construction of a new Thio-Sul manufacturing plant in Geleen (the Netherlands) (operating segment Agro). The factory is scheduled to be operational in the first quarter of 2024;
- Investments in production capacity expansion and in production efficiency improvements within DYKA group (operating segment Industrial Solutions);
- The construction of a new wastewater treatment installation, as well as investments in the improvement of the valorization of animal by-products (operating segment Bio-valorization);
- The replacement of equipment and vehicles, which were previously leased, through purchase.

The capital expenditure - property, plant and equipment and intangible assets - per operating segment is disclosed in note 6 - Segment reporting.

Capital expenditure contracted for at the end of the reporting period, but not yet incurred, amounts to 59.5 million EUR, which is expected to be delivered in the period 2022-2023.

13. Working capital

WORKING CAPITAL			
Million EUR	30/06/2022	31/12/2021	30/06/2021
Inventories	464.9	393.4	287.3
Current trade and other receivables	467.2	371.8	350.8
Current trade and other payables	-394.3	-365.9	-300.8
Working capital	537.7	399.3	337.3

Working capital as per June 30, 2022, increased to 537.7 million EUR, compared to 399.3 million EUR as per December 31, 2021, and 337.3 million EUR as per June 30, 2021. The increase is mainly a consequence of higher purchase and sales prices within the different operating segments.

In view of the material increase of working capital, the significant assumptions and accounting estimates to support the reported amounts of assets and liabilities were reviewed, and if needed updated, during the first half of 2022.

The main judgements, estimates and assumptions are:

- Allowance for expected credit losses: The group has a global credit insurance program to protect accounts receivable from third party customers against non-payment. Every legal entity of the group is participating to this program and the insurance is provided by highly top rated international credit insurance companies. A large majority of the receivables (around 95%) is covered under this group credit insurance program. Based on customer's current payment behavior, no significant additional allowances for expected credit losses were to be recognized as per June 30, 2022.
- Inventory obsolescence and lower of cost of net realizable value adjustments, which are determined based on experience and the assessment of market circumstances: Based on available market information, no significant additional write-offs were deemed necessary during the first half of 2022.

The group expects to recover or settle the inventory, available as per June 30, 2022, within the next twelve months, except for the inventory of non-strategic spare parts (12.8 million EUR as per HY22, compared to 11.2 million EUR as per December 31, 2021). These parts will be used whenever deemed necessary.

14. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents amount to 337.4 million EUR as per June 30, 2022 (compared to 320.3 million EUR as per December 31, 2021) and include 36.2 million USD (34.9 million EUR) compared to 43.2 million USD (38.1 million EUR) as per year-end 2021.

As per December 31, 2021, an investment in short term bank notes was outstanding for 10.0 million EUR, with maturity in January 2022. The counterparty was a highly rated international bank. The note had an original duration of 9 months. As the note had an initial maturity of more than three months, it was not included within "Cash and cash equivalents", but in "Short term investments". There have been no new investments in short term bank notes in the first half of 2022.

15. Earnings per share

Basic earnings per share

The calculation of the basic earnings per share is based on the profit attributable to ordinary shareholders and the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the six month period ended June 30.

The weighted average number of ordinary shares and the earnings per share are calculated as follows:

BASIC EARNINGS PER SHARE		
	30/06/2022	30/06/2021
Adjusted weighted average number of ordinary shares at June 30 ¹	43,065,150	43,022,979
Profit (+) / loss (-) attributable to equity holders of the company (million EUR)	163.6	97.3
Basic earnings per share (in EUR)	3.80	2.26

¹ Takes into account the effect of shares issued and own shares held by the group, which is based on the weighted average number of issued or owned shares during the accounting period. There were no shares issued in HY22 and HY21. As per June 30, 2021, the group owned 132,000 own shares (0.306%), while as per June 30, 2022, the group owns 31,503 own shares (0.073% of the total number of 43,154,979 issued shares). In the period April 6 till April 13, 2022, the group bought 19,608 of its own shares at an average price of 32.60 EUR per share for a total amount of 0.6 million EUR. 120,105 shares were distributed in HY22 as part of the senior management compensation plan 2019-2021.

Diluted earnings per share

The calculation of diluted earnings per share is based on the profit attributable to ordinary shareholders and the diluted weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the first half year.

Potential ordinary shares are treated as dilutive when, and only when, their conversion to ordinary shares would decrease earnings per share or increase loss per share.

As there are no warrants outstanding, there is no dilution of the shares.

16. Loans and borrowings

LOANS AND BORROWINGS							
Million EUR	30/06/2022	31/12/2021					
Non-current loans and borrowings	205.6	193.6					
Current loans and borrowings	180.3	211.4					
Total loans and borrowings	385.9	405.0					
Cash and cash equivalents	-337.4	-320.3					
Bank overdrafts¹	0.0	0.1					
Short term investments ²	-	-10.0					
Net loans and borrowings	48.5	74.8					

¹ A bank overdraft is a flexible borrowing facility on a bank current account, which is repayable on demand.

As per June 30, 2022 the group net financial debt amounted to 48.5 million EUR, implying a leverage of 0.1x and included a lease liability, in accordance with IFRS 16 *Leases*, for an amount of 54.0 million EUR. Excluding the impact of IFRS 16 *Leases*, the net cash position would have amounted to 5.5 million EUR compared to a net financial debt of 20.8 million EUR as per year-end 2021.

Reconciliation of changes in net loans and borrowings arising from cashflows and non-cash changes:

Million EUR	Bank overdrafts	Cash and cash equivalents	Short term investments	Current lease liabilities	Non-current lease liabilities	Other current loans and borrowings	Other non- current loans and borrowings	Total
Balance at January 1, 2022	-0.1	320.3	10.0	-17.0	-37.1	-194.4	-156.6	-74.8
Cash flows	0.0	13.6	-10.0	10.2	-	45.3	-25.7	33.5
IFRS 16 new leases and lease modifications	-	-	-	-0.3	-9.1	-	-	-9.4
Transfers	-	-	-	-9.7	9.7	-13.9	13.9	-
Effect of exchange rate differences	0.0	3.6	-	-0.4	-0.4	-0.1	-0.4	2.2
Balance at June 30, 2022	-0.0	337.4	-	-17.2	-36.9	-163.1	-168.8	-48.5

The non-current loans and borrowings include a bond, issued in July 2015, with a maturity of 10 years (the "2025 bonds"), with a fixed rate of 3.375%. The other bond, also issued in July 2015, with a maturity of 7 years (the "2022 bonds"), with a fixed rate of 2.875%, is included in the current loans and borrowings. In February 2022, the group repurchased "2022 bonds" for a nominal amount of 35.0 million EUR at a price of 102.875%.

The T-Power term loan facility agreement amounts to 102.9 million EUR as per June 30, 2022 (December 31, 2021: 115.8 million EUR). The T-Power nv assets and shares are serving as guarantee for the loan. The term loan credit facility contains a covenant stating a minimum required debt service cover ratio (based on the last 12 months cash flow available for debt service). This covenant has been complied with as per June 30, 2022.

The lease liability, in accordance with IFRS 16 *Leases*, amounts to 54.0 million EUR (December 31, 2021: 54.1 million EUR), of which 36.9 million EUR is included in non-current and 17.2 million EUR in current loans and borrowings.

Tessenderlo Kerley, Inc. has a loan outstanding of 5.9 million EUR, of which 0.9 million EUR is current. The loan has a maturity of 10 years (2018-2028) at a fixed rate of 3.95%. The financed Phoenix headquarters building (Arizona, United States) is serving as guarantee for the loan.

² The 2021 amount related to one short term bank note outstanding (10.0 million EUR, maturity date January 2022).

Tessenderlo Group nv has a loan outstanding to finance the purchase of vehicles within the operating segment Bio-valorization, which were previously leased. The loan has a maturity of 5 years (2020-2025) at a fixed rate of 0.33% and has no financial covenants. As per June 30, 2022, 4.6 million EUR remains outstanding of which 1.7 million EUR is current.

In April 2022, Tessenderlo Group nv has drawn a new credit facility of 30.0 million EUR with a maturity of 7 years. This loan with quarterly capital reimbursements, has a fixed interest rate of 1.17%, and contains no financial covenants. The group also agreed to a credit facility for 30.0 million EUR starting in August 2022 with a maturity of 5 years. This loan will be reimbursed on a quarterly basis and has a fixed interest rate of 0.94% and contains no financial covenants.

The group has access to a Belgian commercial paper program of 200.0 million EUR which remained unused at the end of June 2022 (this also remained unused at December 31, 2021).

The group has access to committed bi-lateral agreements with four banks for a total amount of 142.5 million EUR (of which part can be drawn in USD) till 2024. In July 2022, these agreements have been renewed to a total amount of 250.0 million EUR, while the term has been extended till July 2027. These committed bi-lateral agreements have no financial covenants and ensure maximum flexibility for the different activities. As per June 30, 2022, none of these credit lines were used.

17. Employee benefits

The application of IAS 19 *Employee benefits* as per June 30, 2022 led to an increase of equity, before tax, by +28.2 million EUR (+24.1 million EUR, net of taxes) and is mainly the result of an increase of the rate used to discount the obligations (weighted average discount rate of 2.9% as per June 30, 2022 compared to 1.1% at year-end 2021) and was partially offset by higher inflation and a lower than expected return on the Belgian and UK plan assets. The defined benefit liability recognized in the statement of financial position decreased to 29.9 million EUR per June 30, 2022 (49.4 million EUR as per December 31, 2021), while a UK net pension asset was recognized for 17.1 million EUR (9.1 million EUR as per December 31, 2021).

18. Financial instruments

The fair value of non-current loans and borrowings at fixed interest rate, measure at amortized cost, is in line with the fair value as disclosed in the consolidated financial statements as per December 31, 2021.

The fair value of trade and other receivables, other investments and guarantees, cash and cash equivalents, current loans and borrowings, and trade and other payables approximate their carrying amount.

The following table shows the carrying amounts of derivative financial instruments measured at fair value in the statement of financial position including their levels in the fair value hierarchy:

		June 30, 2022							
	Car	rying amou	nt balance sh	neet	F	air value h	ierarchy		
Million EUR	Current assets	Non- current assets	Current liabilities	Non- current liabilities	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	
Foreign currency swaps	0.0	-	-0.0	-	-	-0.0	-	-0.0	
Interest rate swaps	-	-	-3.3	-4.3	-	-7.6	-	-7.6	
Electricity forward contracts	1.0	-	-1.7	-9.9	-	-	-10.6	-10.6	
Electricity and gas forward contracts	0.4	-	-	-	-	0.4	-	0.4	
Total	1.5	0.0	-5.0	-14.2	0.0	-7.2	-10.6	-17.7	

		December 31, 2021							
	Car	rying amou	unt balance s	heet		Fair value	hierarchy		
Million EUR	Current assets	Non- current assets	Current liabilities	Non- current liabilities	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	
Foreign currency swaps	0.1	-	-0.0	-	-	0.1	-	0.1	
Interest rate swaps	-	-	-5.3	-8.2	-	-13.5	-	-13.5	
Electricity forward contracts	-	-	-3.3	-12.5	-	-	-15.8	-15.8	
Electricity and gas forward contracts	0.5	-	-	-	-	0.5	-	0.5	
Total	0.6	0.0	-8.6	-20.7	0.0	-12.9	-15.8	-28.7	

The derivative financial instruments as per June 30, 2022, mainly relate to:

- the interest rate swaps of T-Power nv for an amount of -7.6 million EUR (December 31, 2021: -13.5 million EUR);
- an electricity forward contract, with maturity date in June 2026, for an amount of -10.6 million EUR (December 31, 2021: -15.8 million EUR).

The decrease of the fair value of the interest rate swaps is mainly related to the half yearly payments for forward rate agreements reaching their maturity date and to the increase of the EURIBOR rates. The settlement of the agreements resulted in a cash out of -2.8 million EUR as per June 30, 2022, and is included in the line "Interest paid" in the condensed consolidated statement of cash flows. The effective portion of the change in fair value is recognized in the hedging reserves (Other comprehensive income).

The fair value of the electricity forward contract is calculated as per June 30, 2022, based on a valuation model, leading to a net fair value of -10.6 million EUR (December 31, 2021: -15.8 million EUR). Because of significant unobservable inputs, a level 3 fair value measurement is applied for the fair value measurement of the electricity purchase agreement ('PPA' - Purchase Power Agreement), for which the own-use exemption under IFRS 9 is not applicable anymore. The value of the contract is depending on the future difference between market electricity prices and the generation cost based on market gas prices (the "sparkspread"), which increased significantly in the first half of 2022, and on the effect of the hourly pricing optimization as foreseen in the contract. If the 2025 key assumptions would also have been applied for the remaining period till June 2026, a period for which no market data is available, the fair value of the contract (2022-June 2026) would have amounted to -16.2 million EUR. The valuation techniques and unobservable date used for measuring the fair value of the contract are in line with those used in the consolidated financial statements as per December 31, 2021. Also the sensitivity of the valuation to changes in the principal assumptions is in line with the one disclosed in the consolidated financial statements as per December 31, 2021. We refer to the 2021 consolidated financial statements for more information on the fair value calculation of the electricity forward contract.

The key assumptions used in the valuation as per June 30, 2022, are:

		HY22	2023	2024	HY25
Gas forward price	EUR/MWh	228.7	162.5	116.6	99.2
Electricity forward price	EUR/MWh	92.6	68.8	48.9	38.7
Discount rate	0.0%				

The key assumptions used in the valuation as per December 31, 2021, are:

		2022	2023	2024
Gas forward price	EUR/MWh	33.7	23.6	20.1
Electricity forward price	EUR/MWh	85.9	66.4	59.3
Discount rate	0.0%			

19. Contingencies

The group is confronted with a number of claims or potential claims and disputes, which are a consequence of the daily operational activities. To the extent such claims and disputes are such that it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and when a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation, suitable provisions have been made.

Tessenderlo Group and Akiolis have taken note of a statement of objections ("notification de griefs") sent by the French Competition Authority on April 28, 2022, to, among others, the company and Akiolis companies. Tessenderlo Group nv and Akiolis companies are accused of having infringed French competition law in connection with a reorganization of its activities in 2015. Tessenderlo Group and Akiolis are cooperating with the investigation and have prepared their defense on this matter together with their lawyers. The financial impact of this case, if any, can currently not reliably be estimated based on the information in the notification.

It is the group's policy to recognize environmental provisions in the balance sheet, when the group has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, when it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and when a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

These provisions are reviewed periodically and adjusted, if necessary, as assessments and work proceeds and additional information becomes available. Environmental liabilities can change substantially due to the emergence of additional information on the nature or extent of the contamination, a change in legislation or other factors of a similar nature.

While it is not feasible to predict the outcome of all pending environmental exposures, it cannot be excluded that there will be a need for future provisions for environmental costs. In management's opinion, based on information currently available, such provisions would not have a material effect on the group's financial position, taking into account the current financial structure of the group. However, it cannot be excluded that such provisions could have a material impact on the income statement of a specific accounting period.

Acquisition, investment and joint-venture agreements as well as divestments may contain habitual provisions leading to price adjustments. In addition, for divestments, proper consideration has been given to provisions for possible indemnifications payable to the acquirer, if any, including matters in the area of health, environment, tax, product liability, restructuring, competition, pensions and share incentives. Based on information currently available, the possibility of any significant cash outflow is considered to be remote.

Some plants of the group need to comply with the European regulations to cover operational emissions for products exposed to carbon leakage. In a case of a deficit, additional emission allowances will be purchased. The cost of additional emission allowances purchased during the first half of 2022 was insignificant. The surplus or deficit of emission allowances over the next year may vary, depending on several factors such as future production volumes, process optimizations and energy efficiency improvements.

The carrying amount of emission allowances included in intangible assets amounts to 2.1 million EUR as per June 30, 2022 (December 31, 2021: 2.1 million EUR).

20. Related parties

The company has a related party relationship with its subsidiaries, joint-ventures and with its controlling shareholder (Verbrugge nv, controlled by Picanol nv, and its affiliated company Symphony Mills nv), directors and its Executive Committee. The Belgian pension fund "OFP Pensioenfonds", which covers the post-employment benefit obligation of the employees of Tessenderlo Group nv and Tessenderlo Chemie International nv, is also considered to be a related party.

As per last transparency notification, received on January 27, 2022, Verbrugge nv, controlled by Picanol nv, is holding 21,860,003 shares (50.7% of the company) and its affiliated company Symphony Mills nv is holding 2,607,200 shares (6.0%). Picanol Group is a listed Belgian industrial company and specialized in the development, production and sale of weaving machines, engineered casting solutions and custom-made controllers. Picanol Group fully consolidates Tessenderlo Group nv as from January 1, 2019. Picanol Group is represented in the Board of Directors through two members: Mr. Stefaan Haspeslagh (Chairman Picanol Group) and Mr. Luc Tack (Managing Director Picanol Group).

In accordance with article 7:53 of the Belgian Code of Companies and Associations, the extraordinary meeting of shareholders of July 10, 2019, has decided to introduce a loyalty voting right for each fully paid-up share that has continuously been registered in the share register on the name of the same shareholder for at least two years. As per June 30, 2022, Verbrugge nv was holding 40,867,765 voting rights (62.89% of the total voting rights), while Symphony Mills nv was holding 5,139,400 voting rights (7.91% of the total voting rights).

The group purchased and sold goods and services to various related parties in which the group holds a 50% equity interest (investment in joint-ventures). Such transactions were conducted at terms comparable to transactions with third parties.

Premiums for an amount of 1.3 million EUR were paid to the Belgian pension fund, "OFP Pensioenfonds". Liabilities related to employee benefits schemes as per June 30, 2022, include 4.0 million EUR related to the "OFP Pensioenfonds" (December 31, 2021: 8.1 million EUR).

The following transactions have taken place with the joint-ventures, the controlling shareholder, the members of the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors:

Transactions with joint ventures:

TRANSACTIONS WITH JOINT VENTURES (FOR THE SIX MONTH PERIOD ENDED JUNE 30, EXCEPT FOR BALANCE SHEET COMPARATIVES AT DECEMBER 31)		
Million EUR	2022	2021
Transactions with Joint Ventures - Sales	-	-
Transactions with Joint Ventures - Purchases	34.9	14.6
Non-current assets	9.4	9.2
Current assets	1.7	1.0
Current liabilities	5.5	4.0

Tessenderlo Kerley Inc. has granted a 11.0 million USD loan to the joint-venture Jupiter Sulphur LLC, which was fully drawn in the period over 2017 and 2018, and which remains outstanding for 9.8 million USD (9.4 million EUR). Jupiter Sulphur LLC obtained the same amount from the other joint-venture partner. The loan is interest bearing (3.0%) and was originally reimbursable to Tessenderlo Kerley, Inc. in the period 2020-2023. In 2020, the duration of the loan was extended till December 2026 at the latest, whereby the cash needs in Jupiter Sulphur LLC will be taken into account. The granted loan is included in "Other investments and guarantees" in the group's consolidated statement of financial position. The related interest income is considered to be insignificant and is not eliminated.

A dividend was received from joint-ventures for an amount of 0.1 million EUR in the first half of 2022 (HY21: 0.1 million EUR).

Transactions with the main shareholder:

The transactions with the controlling shareholder relate to legal, internal audit and ICT services which are provided by the group through a service level agreement. These transactions are not considered to be significant.

Transactions with the members of the Executive Committee:

The Executive Committee is composed by the CEO, Luc Tack, the Executive Directors (currently Findar BV, represented by Stefaan Haspeslagh) as well as any other member appointed by the Board of Directors (no one at this stage), and did not change compared to last year.

TRANSACTIONS WITH THE MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE			
Million EUR	30/06/2022	30/06/2021	
Short-term employee benefits	2.0	1.8	
Post-employee benefits	0.0	0.0	
Total	2.0	1.8	

Short-term employee benefits include salaries and accrued bonuses estimated for the period (both including social security contributions), car leases and other allowances where applicable.

The post-employment benefits include the periodic pension costs of the pension plan, calculated by an actuary.

Transactions with the members of the Board of Directors:

On the General Shareholders' Meeting of May 10, 2022, the mandate of Mr. Stefaan Haspeslagh as executive director was renewed for a period of four years, i.e. until the end of the General Shareholders' Meeting that approves the financial statements for the year 2025. The Board of Directors also reappointed Stefaan Haspeslagh as Chairman of the Board for the duration of his mandate.

There have been no changes to the remuneration policy of the Board of Directors, compared to the disclosures made in the 2021 annual report.

21. Subsequent events

- On July 8, 2022, Tessenderlo Group and Picanol Group (Picanol nv, Euronext: PIC) announced their intention to simplify and increase the transparency of the group structure of both companies, with a view to combining them into a single industrial group, with a single stock exchange listing and a single board of directors. The proposed transaction envisages the reference shareholders, Luc Tack and Patrick Steverlynck, contributing the Picanol Group shares that they hold, in the context of a voluntary public exchange offer by Tessenderlo Group. The other Picanol Group shareholders (free float: 10.66%) will also be offered the option of becoming direct shareholders of Tessenderlo Group, at the same exchange ratio of 1 Picanol Group share for 2.43 Tessenderlo Group shares. It is the intention of both parties that this integration will be effective as of January 1, 2023.
- Tessenderlo Group has access to committed bilateral agreements with 4 credit institutions for a total amount of 142.5 million EUR (of which a part can be called in USD) until 2024. These agreements were increased in July 2022 to an amount of 250.0 million EUR and the period was extended to July 2027. These facilities contain no financial covenants and ensure maximum flexibility for the various, planned activities. As of June 30, 2022, none of these credit lines had been used.
- In August 2022, Tessenderlo Kerley, Inc. acquired the product line Lannate® from Corteva Agriscience. Tessenderlo Kerley's NovaSource® business unit (Agro segment) will add the Lannate® product line to its existing, diversified portfolio of niche crop protection products to agriculture customers worldwide. This crop protection product is used to manage specific difficult to control pests in specific crops such as sweet corn, onions and garlic. The transaction will have no material impact on the results of Tessenderlo Group.

Independent auditors' report on the review of the condensed consolidated Interim financial statements as per June 30, 2022

Statutory auditor's report to the board of directors of Tessenderlo Group NV on the review of the condensed consolidated interim financial information as at June 30, 2022, and for the six-month period then ended

Introduction

We have reviewed the accompanying condensed consolidated statement of financial position of Tessenderlo Group NV as at June 30, 2022, the condensed consolidated income statement, the condensed consolidated statement of comprehensive income, the condensed consolidated statement of changes in equity and the condensed consolidated statement of cash flows for the six-month period then ended, and notes to the condensed consolidated interim financial statements ("the condensed consolidated interim financial statements"). The board of directors is responsible for the preparation and presentation of these condensed consolidated interim financial statements in accordance with IAS 34, "Interim Financial Reporting" as adopted by the European Union. Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on these condensed consolidated interim financial statements based on our review.

Scope of Review

We conducted our review in accordance with the International Standard on Review Engagements 2410, "Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity". A review of interim financial information consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the accompanying condensed consolidated interim financial information as at June 30, 2022 and for the six-month period then ended is not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with IAS 34, "Interim Financial Reporting" as adopted by the European Union.

Zaventem, August 23, 2022 KPMG Bedrijfsrevisoren - Réviseurs d'Entreprises Statutory Auditor represented by

Joachim Hoebeeck Bedrijfsrevisor / Réviseur d'Entreprises

Financial glossary

Adjusted EBIT

Earnings before interests, taxes and EBIT adjusting items.

Adjusted EBITDA

Earnings before interests, taxes and EBIT adjusting items plus depreciation and amortization.

Basic earnings per share (Basic EPS)

Profit (+)/loss (-) for the period attributable to equity holders of the company divided by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period.

Capital employed (CE)

The carrying amount of property, plant and equipment (PP&E), intangible assets and goodwill together with trade working capital.

Capital expenditure

Amount of money spent to upgrade, acquire or maintain property, plant and equipment (PP&E) and intangible assets.

Diluted earnings per share (Diluted EPS)

Profit (+)/loss (-) for the period attributable to equity holders of the company divided by the fully diluted weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period.

Diluted weighted average number of ordinary shares

Weighted average number of ordinary shares, adjusted by the effect of warrants on issue.

EBIT

Profit(+)/loss(-) from operations.

EBIT adjusting items

EBIT adjusting items are those items that in management's judgment need to be disclosed by virtue of their size or incidence. Such items are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. Transactions which may be recognized as EBIT adjusting items are principally related to restructuring, impairment losses, provisions, gains or losses on significant disposals of assets or subsidiaries and the effect of the electricity purchase agreement.

Leverage

Net financial debt divided by Adjusted EBITDA over the last 12 months.

Net financial debt / Net cash position

Non-current and current loans and borrowings minus cash and cash equivalents, bank overdrafts and short term investments.

Operational free cash flow

Operational free cash flow equals to Adjusted EBITDA minus capital expenditure minus change in trade working capital.

Other operating income and expenses

Other operating income and expenses include items which cannot be directly allocated to a line item of the consolidated income statement based on their function and that in management's judgement do not need to be disclosed separately by virtue of their size or incidence. Transactions which may be recognized as other operating income and expenses are mainly costs arising from research and development projects, tax charges other than income taxes, such as withholding taxes and regional taxes, the recognition or reversal of impairment losses on trade receivables, and several individually insignificant items within several subsidiaries of the group.

Trade working capital

The sum of inventories and trade receivables minus trade payables.

Weighted average number of ordinary shares

Number of shares outstanding at the beginning of the period, adjusted by the number of shares cancelled, repurchased or issued during the period multiplied by a time-weighting factor.

Working capital

The sum of inventories, trade and other receivables minus trade and other payables.

Alternative performance measures

The following alternative performance measures are considered to be relevant in order to compare the results over the 6 month period ended June 30, 2021 and June 30, 2022 and can be reconciled to the condensed consolidated interim financial statements as follows:

Reconciliation from Adjusted EBIT to EBIT

Million EUR	30/06/2022	30/06/2021
Adjusted EBIT	182.6	119.4
EBIT adjusting items	9.6	1.9
EBIT (Profit (+) / loss (-) from operations)	192.1	121.3

Reconciliation from Adjusted EBITDA to EBIT

Million EUR	30/06/2022	30/06/2021
Adjusted EBITDA	247.6	184.7
EBIT adjusting items	9.6	1.9
EBITDA	257.1	186.6
Depreciation	-65.0	-65.3
EBIT (Profit (+) / loss (-) from operations)	192.1	121.3

Reconciliation leverage

Million EUR	30/06/2022	31/12/2021	30/06/2021
Non-current loans and borrowings	205.6	193.6	373.2
Bank overdrafts	0.0	0.1	0.0
Current loans and borrowings	180.3	211.4	46.0
Cash and cash equivalents	-337.4	-320.3	-261.4
Short term investments	-	-10.0	-40.0
Net financial debt	48.5	74.8	117.8
Adjusted EBITDA last 12 months	417.1	354.2	317.3
Leverage (net financial debt / Adjusted EBITDA last 12 months)	0.1	0.2	0.4

Reconciliation capital employed

Million EUR	30/06/2022	31/12/2021	30/06/2021
Inventories	464.9	393.4	287.3
Trade receivables - 1 year	427.1	335.9	316.6
Trade receivables - 1 year: amounts written off	-3.3	-3.5	-3.8
Trade receivables from related parties	1.7	1.0	0.9
Trade receivables classified as held for sale	-	-	1.0
Trade payables -1 year	-284.1	-243.9	-182.8
Trade payables from related parties	-5.5	-4.0	-2.9
Trade payables classified as held for sale	-	-	-0.2
Trade working capital	600.8	479.0	416.0
Property, plant and equipment	921.1	886.6	869.9
Goodwill	33.3	32.3	31.7
Intangible assets	97.9	109.2	120.9
Related non-current assets classified as held for sale	-	-	2.8
Non-current assets and related non-current assets classified as held for sale	1,052.2	1,028.0	1,025.3
Capital employed	1,653.0	1,507.0	1,441.3

Reconciliation operational free cash flow

Million EUR	30/06/2022	31/12/2021	30/06/2021
Adjusted EBITDA	247.6	354.2	184.7
Capital expenditure	-59.3	-95.9	-41.1
Change in trade working capital	-100.2	-69.4	-14.0
Reported change in trade working capital	-121.8	-82.3	-19.3
- Currency translation adjustments*	21.6	14.0	5.2
- Scope changes**	-	-1.1	-
Operational free cash flow	88.1	188.9	129.5

^{*} Currency translation adjustments include the impact of the foreign currency translation of the working capital of foreign subsidiaries to EUR at the foreign exchange rates applicable at the balance sheet date.

 $[\]hbox{** Scope changes include the impact of acquired and/or sold subsidiaries on the working capital.}$