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Information

Viking Redningstjeneste AS acquire StorStockholms Bärningstjänst AB

(Oslo, 29th of April 2010) – Viking Redningstjeneste AS (Viking) acquire Sweden's largest independent recovery station.

SSBT is the market leader in recovery of heavy duty trucks in Sweden and the company will also after the transaction continue its commitment to this market. At the same time SSBT will offer their delivery of professional and effective rescue services for all types of road side assistance and transportation services to insurance companies, car dealers, automakers and consumers.

"SSBT will be a solid platform for Vikings further expansion in Sweden and we have in the process allowed us to be impressed by the company's management, their expertise and SSBT's overall position" says Jørn Clausen - Managing Director of Viking. "We now look forward to introducing SSBT for our customers and partners."

SSBT's managing director Leif Zacco will continue to lead the company he co-founded in 1988 and it will not be made any changes in the organization in general which has been a prerequisite for the transaction. *"We are proud to be part of the Viking Group and with the Vikings market position and financial strength in the back we see the really big opportunities ahead,"* says Leif Zacco, managing director of SSBT.

Transaction terms will not be published.

Company facts:

Viking Redningstjeneste AS (www.vikingredning.no)

Founded in 1956, Viking is one of Norway's leading operators of roadside assistance services. It also provides medical assistance and 24-hour support via its multi-lingual operations centre. Viking's roadside assistance service is operated through exclusive franchise agreements with service stations in rural areas, providing nationwide coverage to its customers. The company also has a proprietary fleet of towing trucks in the Oslo region.

Viking is owned by AAC Capital Partners (75%) and the management (25%). AAC is a leading Northern European mid-market buy-out firm with a unique regional footprint. Made up of the former Dutch, Nordic and UK buy-out teams of ABN AMRO Capital, AAC lead buy-outs within the €50 - 500 million deal range in the consumer, industrial and services sector.

StorStockholms Bärningstjänst AB (www.ssb.t.no)

StorStockholms Bärningstjänst AB (SSBT) is Sweden's largest independent assistance operator. SSBT is the market leader in recovery of heavy duty trucks with recovery stations in Stockholm, Uppsala and Södertälje. SSBT offer professional rescue services for all types of road side assistance and transportation services to insurance companies, car dealers and automakers. SSBT is ISO 9001 and 14001 certified and all vehicles are equipped with GPS positioning and alcolock. SSBT have with subcontractors a fleet of approx. 30 vehicles.



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