

# **Ahlstrom Capital Markets Day 2011**

Solid strategy execution November 29, 2011 Jan Lång, President and CEO

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- 9:00-9:45 Jan Lång, President and CEO Strategic overview
- 9:45-10:10 Daniele Borlatto, EVP, Label and Processing
  Business Area overview and strategic priorities
- 10:10-10:35 Bill Casey, EVP, Food and Medical
  Business Area overview and strategic priorities
- 10:35-11:00 Coffee break
- 11:00-11:25 Rami Raulas, EVP, Sales and Marketing
  - Sales and marketing update
- 11:25-11:50 Seppo Parvi, CFO

Key financials

- 11:50-12:10 Q&A, wrap-up
- 12:10 Lunch



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# **Delivering in the big picture**

#### **Building and Energy**



End-use applications

- Wall coverings
- Floorings
- Building panels
- Fabric care
- Wind turbine blades
- Boat hulls

Filtration



- Automotive and transportation filtration
- Water filtration
- Gas turbine and life science filtration



Food and Medical

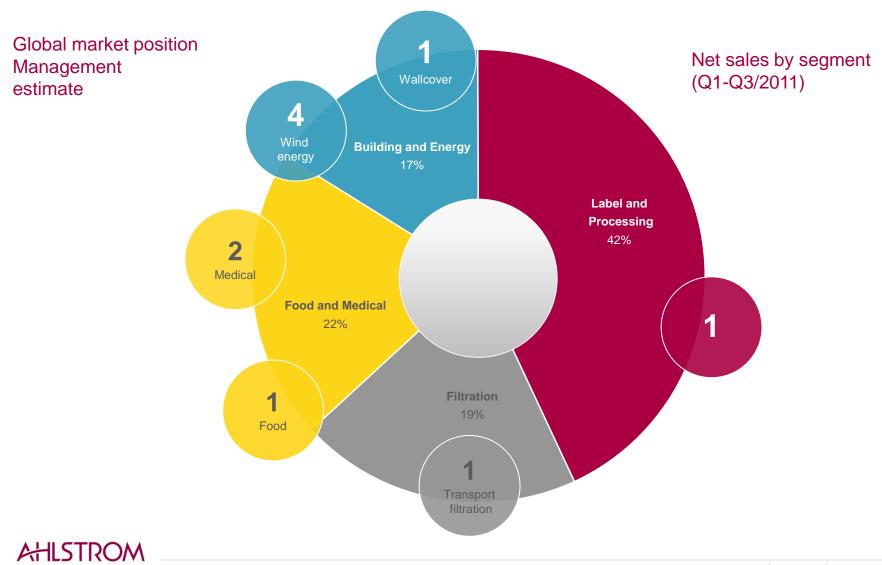
- Teabags
- Fibrous meat casings
- Food packaging
- Substrates for masking tapes
- Sterilization wraps
- Medical gowns
- Drapes and face masks

#### Label and Processing



- Release liners
- Self-adhesive labels
- Wet glue and metalized labels for beverages
- Flexible packaging
- Poster papers
- Repositionable notes
- Furniture foils
- Abrasive papers

# Leading supplier of fiber-based materials





# Strategy for profitable growth

# **Strategy themes**

Growth

Technology base

Global presence

- Grow organically as well as with acquisitions and partnerships
- Geographical focus in Asia
- Grow through differentiation and improved performance
- Unique knowledge on high performance fibers, chemistry, advanced technologies and processes
- Enhance technology base with unique platforms, e.g. nano-technologies
- Leverage existing technologies to new applications and innovate new solutions
- Global market reach, local customer insights
- Global operations, local customer service
- Global product offering, customize to market needs

# **Strategic Priorities**

### **Building and Energy**



#### Specialty & wallcover materials:

- Strengthen wallcover material presence particularly in Asia and expand the differentiated offering

#### **Composites:**

- Align supply platform for reinforcements' materials for wind energy and marine to global market trends
- Strengthen position in cushion-vinyl flooring materials globally

### Filtration



#### **Transportation Filtration:**

 Grow with next generation applications and invest in global supply platform

#### **Advanced Filtration:**

 Grow substantially and establish global presence in air, water and life science materials

# **Strategic Priorities**

### Food and Medical

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#### Food:

- Expand the range of sustainable products
- Strengthen global presence

#### **Medical:**

 Expand the differentiated product offering and strengthen global platform

### Label and Processing



#### **Business Area:**

Focus on cost effective materials with sustainable features

#### **Release & Label:**

Grow release liners globally





# **Steps in strategy execution**

# **Moving forward**

#### Focus projects

- Operative working capital reduction (2009-2010)
- Waste reduction (2010-2011)

#### Development programs to build One Ahlstrom

- Process harmonization
- Key Account Management
- Supply chain
- Demand/supply planning (IBP)

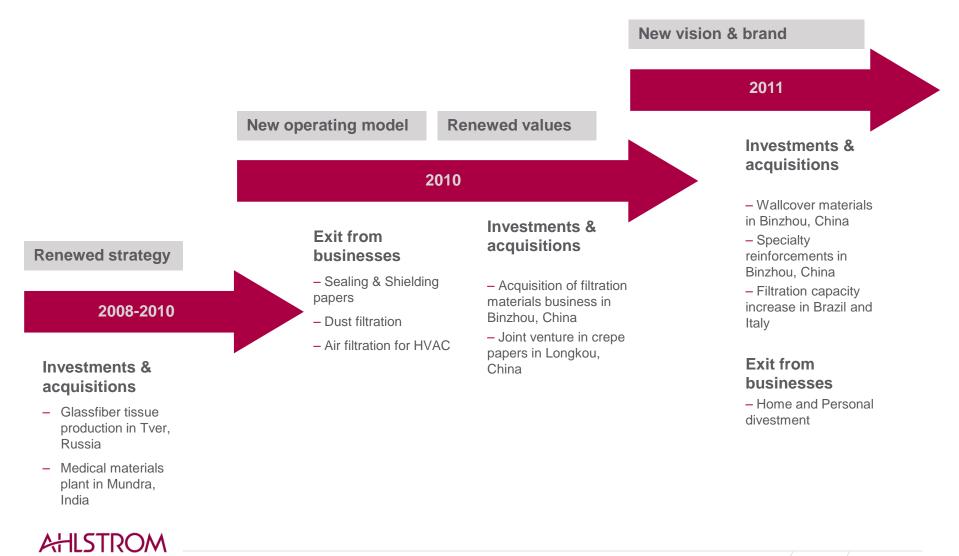
#### Addressing underperforming units

- Restructuring (2009-2010)
- Profit improvement program (2011-2012)

# Strategic business and portfolio development

- Unique new products based on existing technologies and new technology platforms
- Acquisitions and divestments
- Investments into growth markets, especially in Asia

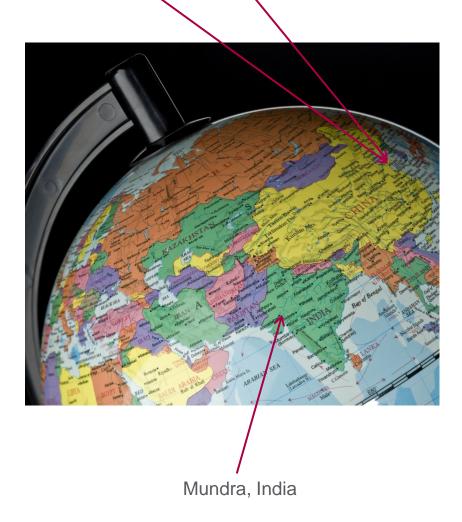
### **Firm steps in execution**



# **Expanding in Asia**

- Asia accounts for app. 25% of the global economy
  - Ahlstrom's share of net sales from Asia about 10% currently
  - Strengthening sales force in Asia
- Investments worth about EUR 100 million made or announced since 2009
  - Mundra medical materials plant in India
  - Longkou crepe papers JV in China
  - Acquisition of Binzhou filtration plant in China
  - Wallcover materials line in Binzhou
  - Specialty reinforcement lines in Binzhou

#### Binzhou and Longkou, China



# Profit improvement program 2011-2012

#### Address underperforming businesses

- Improve annual operating profit by about EUR
  15 million starting from 2012
  - Majority of the actions related to Composites unit serving e.g. the wind energy industry
  - Most of the actions have been completed
  - May affect approximately 400 people
- Actions announced at five sites:

- Ending glassfiber and glassfiber mats production in Karhula
- Closing glassfiber reinforcement plant in Bishopville
- Closing loss-making hybrid wallcover line
  in Turin
- Total non-recurring costs of EUR 32 million, the overall impact is cash neutral





# Long-term financial targets and dividend policy

### **Long-term financial targets**

**Profitability** 

Growth

**Solidity** 

### AHLSTROM

### ROCE at least 13%

- To be reached by 2012

### Annual net sales growth at least 5%

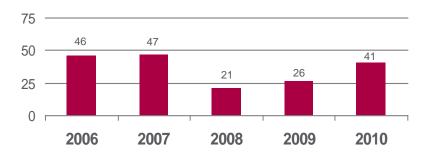
- At constant currency rates, including acquisitions

### Gearing 50-80%

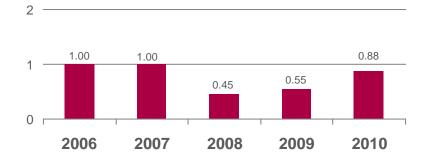
To be maintained within the target range

# **Dividend policy**

Our aim is to pay a dividend of not less than one third of net cash from operating activities after operative investments, calculated as a threeyear rolling average. Total amount of dividends paid (EUR million)



Dividend per share (EUR)





# **New vision**

### **Vision statement**

### **Core purpose**

Ahlstrom is a high performance materials company, partnering with leading businesses around the world to help them stay ahead.

### Vision

- Inspiring people
- Passionate about new ideas
- Growing with our customers





Performance, Improvement, Certainty, Simplicity





# Thank you