Corporate governance report

Corporate governance in NIBE Industrier AB (NIBE) is performed by the Annual General Meeting, the Board of Directors and the Managing Director/CEO in accordance with the Swedish Companies Act (Swedish Code of Statutes 2005:551), the company's Articles of Association, the listing agreement with the NASDAQ OMX Stock Exchange in Stockholm and the Swedish Code of Corporate Governance (the Code).

NIBE has its registered office in Markaryd, Sweden, and has been listed on the Mid Cap list of the NASDAQ OMX Stock Exchange in Stockholm since 1997

On 1 July 2008 a revision of the Swedish Code of Corporate Governance, originally introduced in December 2004, came into force. It is good practice for Swedish companies whose shares are traded on regulated markets in Sweden to comply with the Code. NIBE complies with the Code, and this Corporate Governance Report has been drawn up in accordance with the Code. In addition, and likewise in accordance with the Code, NIBE also provides information via the company's website.

The company's auditors have not reviewed this Corporate Governance Report.

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) is NIBE's highest decision-making body. The AGM elects the company's Board of Directors and auditors, adopts the accounts, decides on dividends and other appropriations of profits/losses, and discharges the Board of Directors and the Managing Director/CEO from liability.

The most recent AGM, held on 14 May 2008 in Markaryd, was attended by 314 shareholders. Those present represented 50% of the number of shares and 76% of the total number of votes in the company. The AGM was attended by the entire Board, the Managing Director/CEO and the company's auditors.

Board procedures

NIBE Industrier's Board of Directors consists of five members, elected by the AGM. The members of the Board are presented on page 70. Directors and the Chairman of the Board are elected annually by the AGM to serve for the period until the next AGM. Company employees participate in board meetings as required to submit reports or contribute expert knowledge in individual matters.

The work of the Board is governed by formal rules of procedure adopted annually to regulate the division of work, the decision-making processes within the company, authority to sign for the company, meetings of the Board and the duties of the Chairman of the Board.

The Board of Directors oversees the work of the Managing Director/CEO and is responsible for ensuring that the organisation, management and administrative guidelines for the company's funds are suitable for the purpose. The Board is also responsible for developing and following up the company's strategies through plans and objectives, decisions on acquisitions, major investments, appointments to managerial positions and the continuous supervision of operations during the year. In addition, the Board sets the budget and is responsible for the annual accounts.

The Chairman of the Board leads the work of the Board and ensures that it is carried out in accordance with the Swedish Companies Act and other relevant legislation. The Chairman follows operations in consultation with the Managing Director/CEO, and is responsible for ensuring that other members of the Board receive the necessary information to enable them to hold discussions of a high quality and make the best possible decisions. The Chairman is also responsible for evaluating the work of the Board.

The work of the Board of Directors

During 2008 the Board of Directors held 10 meetings, three of which were telephone conferences. All meetings were minuted.

Attendance at board meetings was high: all members of the Board attended virtually all the round-table meetings. Hans Linnarson and Arne Frank were each absent from one board meeting.

The agenda includes a number of standing items, which are considered at every board meeting:

- Situation report. Report of significant events affecting operations which have not been listed in the written situation report that has been circulated.
- Financial report. Review of the financial information circulated.
- ✓ Investments. Decisions regarding investments exceeding SEK 3.0 million, based on the data circulated.
- Acquisitions. Report on ongoing discussions and decisions concerning

- the acquisition of companies, as and when appropriate.
- Press releases, etc. When appropriate, a review of proposals for external reports to be published after the meeting.

Every ordinary board meeting focuses on one principal topic of discussion, as outlined below:

- Accounts. The meeting in February considers the annual accounts of the preceding year. The company auditor presents his comments to the entire Board on this occasion.
- Inaugural meeting. Following the AGM, the Board of Directors holds its inaugural meeting, at which the Board discusses the rules of procedure and determines who has authority to sign for the company.
- Strategy. In September, the Board holds strategic discussions over two working days.
- Audit review. In November, the company's auditor gives his view on the interim figures for the period January to September.
- Budget. At the end of the year, the Board discusses the Group's budget for the coming year.

In addition, the Board of Directors receives a written report every month on the company's financial key figures and position. The Managing Director/CEO is also in continual contact with the Chairman of the Board.

The work of the Board of Directors is evaluated once a year.

External Auditors

NIBE's auditors are elected at the AGM to serve for a period of four years. The current period began in 2008 and expires after the AGM in 2012.

SET Revisionsbyrå AB was re-elected for a period of four years at the AGM in 2008. In conjunction with this decision, Bengt Ekenberg was elected as the senior auditor.

The senior auditor has continuous access to the approved minutes of company board meetings and the monthly reports which the Board receives.

The company's senior auditor reports his observations from the audit and his assessment of the company's internal controls to the Board as a whole.

Over and above normal auditing duties, SET Revisionsbyrå assists in

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particular with due diligence reviews in conjunction with corporate acquisitions and with accounting consultations. Information on the remuneration of auditors is given in Note 5.

Group management

The CEO, who is also appointed by the Board of Directors as Managing Director of the parent company, exercises day-to-day control of the Group, and the three business area managers report to him.

The CEO leads operations in accordance with the instructions adopted by the Board in respect of the division of work between the Board and the Managing Director/CEO. The work of the Managing Director/CEO and of senior management is evaluated annually.

Financing, currency management, corporate acquisitions, new establishments, financial control, financial information, human resources policy and other overall policy matters are coordinated at Group level.

Governance of business areas

NIBE Industrier consists of three business areas. Each business area has its own operational management with profit responsibility. Each business area has a Business Area Board chaired by the Group's CEO. The Boards also include external members with experience within the respective areas. Each Business Area Board, in addition to responsibility for day-to-day operations, is also responsible to the NIBE Industrier Board of Directors for the strategic development of its respective business area. Each Business Area Board meets once a quarter.

Decision-making process

The NIBE Industrier Board deals with all matters of significance. Issues such as the composition of the Board and directors' fees are dealt with once a year prior to the AGM when the Chairman of the Board contacts major shareholders personally.

The company's auditor makes his report to the Board as a whole.

Remuneration to the Managing Director is a matter decided by the Board, but the preparatory work for this decision is undertaken by the Chairman of the Board after discussions with the Managing Director. Remuneration to other senior executives is determined by the Managing Director in consultation with the Chairman. These decisions are reported to the Board.

The company does not have a Nomination Committee, a Remuneration Committee or an Audit Committee. NIBE does not comply with the Code in respect of nominations because of the clear ownership structure with two principal shareholder constellations which together own 75% of the company's votes, and which also enjoy mutually cordial relations. The Board of Directors is not too large to carry out the audit and remuneration tasks in a manner consistent with the Code.

Remuneration

The 2008 AGM resolved that the fees to the Board of Directors and the fees to the auditors should be paid in accordance with approved accounts. At the same time, policies for the remuneration of the Managing Director/CEO and other key management personnel were detailed.

Fees for the Board of Directors for 2008 amounted to SEK 700,000 in accordance with a resolution upheld by the AGM. Of this amount, the Chairman of the Board received SEK 280,000 in accordance with the AGM's resolution. Fees are not payable to those members of the Board of Directors who are employed in the Group.

Salary and other remuneration paid to the Managing Director/CEO in 2008 amounted to SEK 2,459,000. A free car is also provided. Salaries paid to other senior management executives totalled SEK 6,883,000. These senior executives also enjoy free use of company cars.

Severance pay

No severance pay or other benefits apply to the Chairman of the Board or to the directors, apart from the Managing Director/CEO. The period of notice for the Managing Director/CEO is six months in the event of the company giving notice. In addition to salary during the period of notice, the Managing Director/CEO is entitled to severance pay equal to 12 months' salary. Other senior executives are entitled to receive their salaries during a period of notice which varies between 6 and 12 months

Pensions

The Chairman of the Board and the directors receive no retirement benefits in respect of their work on the Board. Retirement age for the Managing Director/CEO and other senior executives is 65. The Managing Director/CEO has an individual pension insurance arrangement that corresponds to ITP (supplementary pensions for salaried employees). For 2008, the premium corresponded to 19% of salary up to 30 so-called "income base amounts" (a statistical amount used in Sweden for calculating benefits, etc.). For salary to the Managing Director/



CEO paid in excess of this, a premium payment of 30% was made that corresponds to the defined-contribution ITP plan, section 1. Other senior executives in the Group have retirement benefits that correspond to the ITP plan for that portion of their salary up to 30 income base amounts. For salary in excess of this, a premium of 30% is made in accordance with the defined-contribution ITP plan, section 1. An exception is made in the case of one business area manager, who, in his capacity as Managing Director, has an individual pension arrangement with premiums that correspond to those of other senior executives.

Incentive scheme

An incentive scheme applies to certain key members of staff, under which they are paid a variable bonus (equivalent to a maximum of three months' salary) if set targets are met. This programme does not extend to the Managing Director/CEO.



The NIBE Industrier Board (left to right): Georg Brunstam, Gerteric Lindquist, Arvid Gierow, Arne Frank and Hans Linnarson.

Communication with the stock market

The ambition is to maintain a high standard of financial information issued by the Group. Such information must be accurate and transparent in order to create long-term confidence in the company.

Earnings and a summary of the Group's financial position are presented quarterly and, like the annual report, are issued in printed form to all shareholders who so wish. All takeovers are announced via press releases. Full financial information relating to NIBE Industrier is available via our website www.nibe.com. Press releases and reports are posted there at the same time as they are made public.

During the course of the year there have been a number of meetings with financial analysts, the media and Aktiespararna (the National Swedish Shareholders' Association).

Internal controls of financial reporting in 2008

According to the Swedish Companies Act

and the Code, the Board of Directors is responsible for internal controls. This report on internal controls and risk management with regard to financial reporting complies with the requirements in section 10.5 of the Code.

Internal controls were an important component of corporate governance even before the new code was introduced.

NIBE is characterised by simplicity in its legal and operational structure, transparency in its organisation, clear divisions of responsibility, and an efficient management and control system.

NIBE complies not only with external laws and regulations in respect of financial reporting, but also with internal instructions and policies set out in the Group's Finance Handbook. These are applied by all companies in the Group, along with systems aimed at providing effective internal controls in financial reporting.

Consolidated financial reports containing comprehensive analyses and comments are drawn up each quarter for the

Group and its business areas. Results are also monitored every month.

There are finance functions and controllers with responsibility for accounting, reporting and the analysis of financial trends at Group level, business area level and major unit level.

In addition to the statutory audits of the annual report and statutory audits of the parent company and all subsidiaries, the auditors carry out an annual review of how the company is organised, of existing routines and of compliance with the instructions issued, that is based on guidelines drawn up by corporate management and approved by the Board of Directors.

This review increases insight and awareness, provides explicit instructions and proposes a clear organisation in respect of internal controls.

The internal control report is not reviewed by the company's auditors.

NIBE's compliance with the Code is outlined on the following pages.

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1.	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	Summary of points in the Code	Comp.	Motivation/Comments
1.1	Date and time of AGM etc	The date and time of the annual general meeting shall be posted on the company's website no later than in conjunction with the publication of the third quarterly report. Information shall also be provided on how a shareholder can raise a matter for consideration.	Yes	
1.2	Notice of meeting etc	The notice and other information relating to the meeting shall be be drawn up and issued in sufficient time to allow shareholders to to form a well-founded opinion on the matters for consideration.	Yes	
1.3	Attendance by Board of Directors, MD and auditors	A quorum of the Board, including the Chairman of the Board and the MD, shall attend shareholders' meetings. At AGMs, the members of the Nomination Committee and the auditors shall also attend.	Yes	
1.4	Proposal for Chairman of the meeting	The Nomination Committee is to propose a Chairman for the AGM, and the proposal is to be included in the Notice of the Meeting.	In part	There is no Nomination Committee, see 2.1
1.5	Language of the meeting	In Swedish, with simultaneous interpretation if warranted.	Yes	
1.6	Verifiers of minutes	Appoint shareholders or representatives of shareholders who are neither directors nor employees of the company.	Yes	
1.7	Minutes	Are to be posted on the company's website, and, if warranted by the ownership structure, translated.	Yes	
2.	ELECTION AND REMUNER- ATION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS			
2.1	Chairman, board members auditors	The company is to have a Nomination Committee. The Nomination Committee submits proposals for the Chairman, members and auditors, as well as for fees.	No	The clear ownership structure makes a Nomination Committee unnecessary. Requirement profiles for new members of the Board are prepared by the Board and submitted to the principal shareholders. After approval headhunters are appointed for recruitment.
2.2	How the Nomination Committee is to be appointed	To be appointed by the AGM or criteria for appointment to be specified.	No	See 2.1
2.3	Composition	At least three members, of whom one shall be Chairman. The majority of the Nomination Committee is to be independent of the company and its management. One member is to be independent of the largest shareholder.	No	See 2.1
2.4	Members of the Board	May be members of the Nomination Committee, but the majority of members of the Nomination Committee are not to be members of the Board, and the Chairman of the Board is not to chair the Nomination Committee. No more than one member of the Board is to be dependent on a major shareholder.	No	See 2.1
2.5	Announcement of members of the Nomination Committee	To be posted on the company's website at least six months before the AGM.	No	See 2.1
2.6	Presentation and reasons	Detailed presentation in the notification of the meeting and on the company's website, including reasons for the proposals for members members of the Board. If the outgoing MD is proposed as Chairman of the Board, special cause must be given.	In part	New members of the Board are presented in the notice of the meeting. Other members of the Board are presented in the annual report and on the website.
2.7	The duties of the Nomination Committee	At the shareholders' meeting, the Nomination Committee shall present and give reasons for its proposals, and report on how its work has been carried out.	In part	The Chairman of the Board, since there is no Nomination Committee.
3.	BOARD OF DIRECTORS			
3.1	The tasks of the Board	The Board is to pay particular attention to the company's overall goals, strategies, appointment/dismissal of the managing director, follow-up, control of financial position, and ensure that external communication is open, objective and appropriate.	Yes	
3.2	Professional commitments outside the company	The managing director's professional commitments outside the company are to be approved by the Board.	Yes	
4.	SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD			
4.1	Composition	Appropriate for the purpose, taking account of expertise, experience background and ambitions to achieve an equal gender distribution.	Yes	
4.2	Deputies	No deputies to the directors elected by the AGM.	Yes	
4.3	Members of the Board in management	Only one member of the Board elected by the AGM to be on the senior management team or in a senior management position with any of the company's subsidiaries.	Yes	
4.4	Independence	The majority of the directors elected by the AGM are to be independent of the company. Nominees are to provide the Nomination Committee with sufficient information to enable an assessment of the candidate's independence.	Yes	
4.5	Mandate period	No longer than until the end of the next AGM.	Yes	

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5.	TASKS OF MEMBERS OF THE BOARD	Summary of points in the Code	Comp.	Motivation/Comments
5.1	Independent opinion	Members of the Board are to form an independent opinion on matters.	Yes	
5.2	Knowledge	Members of the Board are to acquire relevant knowledge.	Yes	
6.	CHAIR OF THE BOARD	•		
6.1	Election	The Chair of the Board is to be elected by the AGM.	Yes	
6.2	Division of work	Clear division of work between the Chair and the managing director.	Yes	
6.3	Efficient work of the Board	The Chairman of the Board is to lead the Board's work through planning, controlling and evaluating, and ensuring that new members are given the necessary training.	Yes	
7	BOARD PROCEDURES	are given the necessary training.		
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7.1	Instructions	Formal work plan, instruction to the managing director and reporting reporting to be reviewed annually.	Yes	
7.2	Committees	Committees may be established. The Board's formal work plan is to specify the duties and decision-making powers that the Board has delegated to the committees, and indicate how the committees are to report to the Board.	No	No committees have been established.
7.3	Minutes	Clear minutes to be sent to directors as soon as possible.	Yes	
8.	EVALUATION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE CEO			
8.1	Evaluation	The work of the Board is to be evaluated annually. Relevant details to be reported to the Nomination Committee.	Yes	There is no Nomination Committee see 2.1
8.2	Evaluation of the CEO	At least once a year.	Yes	
9.	EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT REMUNERATION			
9.1	Remuneration Committee	A Remuneration Committee is to be established.	Yes	The entire Board constitutes the Remuneration Committee. The CEO's salary is set by the entire Board, and reported to the AGM. Remuneration of other key management personnel is determined by the CEO in consultation with the Board.
9.2	Share-price related remuneration	To be determined by the AGM and to include all the principle terms of the scheme. Members of the Board are not to participate in share-price related incentive schemes intended for the management team. Shareholders must be able to form an opinion on the scheme in good time before the AGM.	Yes	
10.	AUDIT COMMITTEE FINANCIAL REPORTING AND INTERNAL CONTROLS			
10.1	Audit Committee	To be established by the Board.	Yes	The entire Board constitutes the Audit Committee.
10.2	Work of the Audit Committee	To ensure the quality of the financial statements, to meet auditors, establish guidelines for other services procured from the auditors, evaluate the work carried out by the auditors and assist the Nomination Committee.	Yes	
10.3	Meetings with Auditors	At least once a year, the Board is to meet the auditors without any any company executive being present.	Yes	
10.4	Review	The Board is to ensure that the six-month or nine-month report is reviewed by the auditors.	Yes	
10.5	Internal controls	The Board is to submit a report of the company's systems for internal controls and risk management in relation to financial reporting.	Yes	
10.6	Internal auditing	If the company does not have a separate internal audit function the need for such a function is to be evaluated annually by the Board.	Yes	
11.	CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT			
11.1	Report appended to annual report	Special report on corporate governance. Departures from the Code are to be clearly indicated. Parts reviewed by the auditors must be specified.	Yes	The Corporate Governance Report is drawn up in accordance with the Code, but is not reviewed by the auditors. Reasons for any departures from the Code are stated in this report.
11.2	Information on corporate governance	Information required by the Code is to be included in the Corporate Governance Report if it is not presented elsewhere in the annual report.	Yes	There is no Nomination Committee, see 2.1
11.3	Information on the company's website	There is to be a special section on the website for corporate gover- nance matters, on which the most recent Corporate Governance Report is to be made available, together with any other information required by the Code.	Yes	

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS



ARVID GIEROW (born 1943)
Chairman since 2003 and board member since 1997. M.Sc. in Business & Economics.
Chairman of the Board of Marka Pac AB and director of SHB, Stortorget, Helsingborg.
Shareholding in NIBE Industrier:
86,400 B shares.
Independent director.



GERTERIC LINDQUIST (born 1951)
Board member since 1989.
Chief Executive Officer. MD of NIBE
Industrier AB and NIBE AB.
M.Sc. in Engineering and M.Sc. in Business &
Economics. Employed by NIBE since 1988.
Shareholding in NIBE Industrier:
1,504,560 A shares and 3,563,440 B shares.
In view of his position, his shareholding and
the length of time during which he has been a
member of the board, Gerteric Lindquist can
not be considered an independent director of
the company.



GEORG BRUNSTAM (born 1957)
Board member since 2003. M.Sc. in Engineering.
President/CEO and director of HEXPOL AB.
Director of DIAB Group AB and AB Wilh. Becker
Shareholding in NIBE Industrier: 0.
Independent director.



HANS LINNARSON (born 1952)
Board member since 2006
B.Sc. (Electrical Engineering).
Business Area Manager for Outdoor
Products at Husqvarna and member of
Husqvarna AB's management group. Director
of Beijer Electronics AB.
Shareholding in NIBE Industrier: 0.
Independent director.



ARNE FRANK (born 1958)
Board member since 2008. M.Sc. in
Engineering. Chairman of the Board of Contex
Holding A/S. Senior Advisor with Schneider
Electric SA. Chairman of the Board of Carl Zeiss
Vision Holding GmbH.
Share

SENIOR EXECUTIVES



GERTERIC LINDQUIST (born 1951) Please refer to Board profile on left.



LEIF GUSTAVSSON (born 1945)
Financial Director, NIBE Industrier
AB. B.Sc. in Economics. Employed by
NIBE since 1966. Director of Markaryd
Sparbank savings bank.
Shareholding in NIBE Industrier:
1,504,128 A shares and
3,053,312 B shares.



CHRISTER FREDRIKSSON (born 1955) M.Sc. in Engineering. Business Area Manager for NIBE Element and MD for Backer BHV AB. Employed by NIBE since 1992.

Shareholding in NIBE Industrier: 375,840 A shares and 716,960 B shares.



KJELL EKERMO (born 1956)
M.Sc. in Engineering. Business Area
Manager for NIBE Heating. Employed
by NIBE since 1998.
Shareholding in NIBE Industrier:
107,200 B shares.



NIKLAS GUNNARSSON (born 1965) Engineer. Business Area Manager for NIBE Stoves. Employed by NIBE since 1987.

Shareholding in NIBE Industrier: 107,200 B shares.

AUDITOR



SET REVISIONSBYRÅ AB Senior Auditor Bengt Ekenberg (born 1960) Authorised Public Accountant