## **WILH. WILHELMSEN ASA**



## Thursday 24 April 2014 at 10:00 hours (CET)

at the company's premises at Strandveien 20, N-1366 Lysaker, Norway

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The annual general meeting will be called to order by the chairman of the board of directors, Mr. Thomas Wilhelmsen.

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Adoption of the notice and the agenda
- 2. Election of a person to co-sign the minutes
- Adoption of the annual report and accounts for Wilh. Wilhelmsen ASA for the financial year 2013, including group contribution and payment of dividend

The annual report, including the annual accounts and the director's report for Wilh. Wilhelmsen ASA for the financial year 2013, together with the auditor's report, are made available on the company's website www.wilhelmsenasa.com, cf. the last paragraph of Article 7 in the articles of association.

The company's goal is to provide shareholders with a competitive return over time through a combination of rising value for the company's shares and payment of dividend semi-annually to the shareholders. Subject to the financial performance, the future market outlook and the capital expenditure program, accumulated earnings and capital gains will either be reinvested or distributed as dividend, depending on what is expected to give best return for the shareholders.

The board of directors proposes that a dividend of NOK 1.00 per share is distributed and that the general meeting adopts the following resolution:

"A dividend of NOK 1.00 per share is distributed. The dividend accrues to shareholders as of 24 April 2014."

Expected payment date is around 8 May 2014.

#### Authorisation to the board of directors to pay additional dividends

As consequence of an amendment of the Norwegian Public Limited Liability Companies Act from 1 July 2013, the general meeting may authorise the board of directors the right to distribute additional dividends without holding extraordinary general meetings. The board of directors wishes to continue the current practice of distributing dividends twice a year. The board of directors proposes that the general meeting adopts the following resolution:

"The board of directors is hereby authorised to distribute additional dividends based on the company's approved annual accounts for 2013. The authorisation may not be

used to resolve to distribute additional dividends which exceed NOK 1.25 per share. The authorisation is valid until the annual general meeting in 2015, but no longer than to 30 June 2015."

## Declaration from the board of directors on the determination of salaries and other remuneration for leading employees

Pursuant to Section 6-16a of the Norwegian Public Limited Liability Companies Act, the board of directors shall prepare a statement regarding salaries and other remuneration for leading employees. The statement is included as note 14 to the annual report. An advisory vote is to be held at the general meeting concerning the statement.

In line with this, the board of directors has previously decided that a part of the remuneration to the CEO and the CFO shall be in the form of cash payments that are based on the increase of the share price of the company between given dates inclusive dividends (synthetic share based programme). The programme comprises a share based incentive scheme and has had a duration of three years. The maximum yearly payment is set to 50% of annual basic salary.

The board of directors wishes to extend the programme with one year and proposes that the general meeting adopts the following resolution:

"The general meeting gives its endorsement to the extension of the synthetic share based programme with one additional vear."

## Statement on corporate governance pursuant to Section 3-3b of the Norwegian Accounting Act

Pursuant to Section 5-6 (4) of the Norwegian Public Limited Liability Companies Act, the general meeting shall consider the statement on corporate governance submitted in accordance with Section 3-3b of the Norwegian Accounting Act. The statement is made available on the company's website www.wilhelmsenasa.com and is included in the company's annual report. At the general meeting, the chairman of the meeting will describe the main contents of the statement. The statement shall not be subject to a cast of vote at the general meeting.

- Approval of the fee to the company's auditor It is proposed that Pricewaterhouse Coopers AS' fee for audit for Wilh. Wilhelmsen ASA for the financial year 2013 of NOK 700,000 (ex VAT) is approved.
- Determination on the remuneration for the members of the board of directors

The nomination committee proposes the following remuneration to the members of the board of directors for the period from the annual general meeting in 2013 until the annual general meeting in 2014:

"The board members who do not have an employment relationship in Wilh. Wilhelmsen Holding ASA receives a fee of NOK 300,000 each."

# 9. Determination on the remuneration to the members of the nomination committee

The nomination committee proposes the following remuneration to the members of the nomination committee for the period from the annual general meeting in 2013 until the annual general meeting in 2014:

"The chairman of the nomination committee: NOK 30 000 The other members: NOK 20 000"

#### 10. Election of members of the board of directors

Three of the board members are up for election. The other board members have been elected for another one or two years.

Proposal from the nomination committee will be posted on the company's website before the annual general meeting.

**11.** Election of members of the nomination committee All members of the nomination committee are up for election.

Proposal to the nomination committee will be posted on the company's website before the annual general meeting.

# 12. Authorisation to the board of directors to increase the share capital

It is proposed that the board of directors is granted an authorisation to increase share capital by up to NOK 22,000,000 by subscription of new shares, equivalent to 10 % of the current share capital.

The proposal is based on the company's need to have quick access to the equity market. It is further proposed that the board of directors may decide that the shareholders' preferential rights to new shares may be deviated from. The reason why pre-emptive rights may be deviated from is that it may be appropriate to use the authorisation in the event of acquisition of business/assets in return for shares.

The board of directors proposes that the general meeting adopts the following resolution:

- "1. In accordance with Section 10-14 of the Norwegian Public Limited Liability Companies Act, the board of directors is granted an authorisation to increase the company's share capital by up to NOK 22,000,000.
- The authorisation is valid until the company's annual general meeting in 2015, but no longer than to 30 June 2015.
- The preferential right of the existing shareholders to subscribe for new shares pursuant to Section 10-4 of the Norwegian Public Limited Liability Companies Act may be deviated from.
- 4. The authorisation does comprise share capital increase against contribution in kind, cf Section 10-2

- of the Norwegian Public Limited Liability Companies Act.
- The authorisation does not comprise share capital increase in connection with mergers pursuant to Section 13-5 of the Norwegian Public Limited Liability Companies Act.
- Upon registration with the Norwegian Register of Business Enterprises, the authorisation will replace the authorisation granted to the board of directors at the annual general meeting on 26 April 2013."

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Following the general meeting, approximately at 10:30 hours (CET), the chairman of the board of directors, Thomas Wilhelmsen, will report jointly on the current activities in Wilh. Wilhelmsen Holding ASA and Wilh. Wilhelmsen ASA.

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Pursuant to Article 7 of the Articles of Association, it is determined that shareholders who wish to attend the general meeting must give notice by sending the enclosed attendance form (also available on the company's website) to the company's registrar, Nordea Bank Norge ASA, at the address as stated below. Attendance may also be registered online via the company's website <a href="https://www.wilhelmsen.com/about/investor">www.wilhelmsen.com/about/investor</a> or VPS Investorservice. The notice of attendance must have been received no later than two working days in advance, i.e. latest 22 April 2014 at 10:00 hours (CET). Shareholders who do not give such notice of attendance or who do not meet the deadline stated above, may be refused access to the general meeting and if so will not be able to vote for their shares.

Shareholders who are prevented from attending the general meeting, may be represented by way of proxy. A proxy form, including detailed instructions for the use of the form, is enclosed to this notice (also available on the company's website as set out below). If desirable, proxy may be given to the chairman of the board of directors, Thomas Wilhelmsen, or to president and CEO, Jan-Eyvin Wang. Completed proxy forms may be sent to the company's registrar, Nordea Bank Norge ASA by ordinary mail, fax or e-mail within 22 April 2014 at 10:00 hours (CET), at the address as stated below or registered online via the company's website <a href="www.wilhelmsen.com/about/investor">www.wilhelmsen.com/about/investor</a> or VPS Investorservice within 22 April 2014 at 10:00 hours (CET).

Wilh. Wilhelmsen ASA is a public limited liability company, subject to the rules of the Norwegian Public Limited Liability Companies Act. As of the date of this notice, the company has issued 220,000,000 shares. All shares are entitled to vote and have equal rights in all other respects.

A shareholder has the right to table draft resolutions for items included on the agenda and to require that members of the board of directors and the management in the general meeting provide available information about matters which may affect the assessment of (i) the approval of the annual accounts and the annual report, (ii) items which are presented to the shareholders for decision, and (iii) the company's financial situation, including information about activities in other companies in which the company participates, and other matters to be discussed in the

general meeting, unless the requested information cannot be disclosed without causing disproportionate harm to the company.

This notice, including the attendance form and the proxy form, draft resolutions for items on the proposed agenda, as well as the company's articles of association, are available at the company's internet site: <a href="www.wilhelmsenasa.com">www.wilhelmsenasa.com</a>. Shareholders may contact the company by ordinary mail, fax, e-mail or phone in order to request the documents in question on paper.

In accordance with resolution passed at the previous annual

general meeting, online advanced voting is allowed. Attendance form, advanced voting and proxy can be registered online via the company's website <a href="https://www.wilhelmsenasa.com/about/investor">www.wilhelmsenasa.com/about/investor</a> or VPS Investorservice.

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3 April 2014 on behalf of the board of directors

Thomas Wilhelmsen Chairman of the board of directors

### Wilh. Wilhelmsen ASA Annual General Meeting 2014



#### NAME & ADDRESS:

Annual general meeting in Wilh. Wilhelmsen ASA on 24 April 2014 at 10:00 hours (CET) at Strandveien 20, 1366 Lysaker, Norway In the event the shareholder is a legal entity, it will be represented by: ...... (To grant proxy, use the proxy form below) Name of representative (capital letters) ATTENDANCE FORM If you wish to attend the annual general meeting, please send this form to the company's registrar, Nordea Bank Norge ASA, Issuer Services, P.O.Box 1166 Sentrum, N-0107 Oslo, Norway, fax: +47 22 48 63 49 or email: issuerservices@nordea.com. The completed form must be received no later than 22 April 2014 at 10:00 hours (CET). The form may also be completed online via the company's website www.wilhelmsenasa.com/about/investor or VPS Investor Service. The undersigned will attend the annual general meeting of Wilh. Wilhelmsen ASA on 24 April 2014 and represent: own shares. other shares in accordance with enclosed proxy(ies). ..... A total of ..... shares. SHAREHOLDER'S NAME (capital letters) PLACE / DATE SHAREHOLDER'S SIGNATURE **ADVANCED VOTING** In accordance with resolution passed at the previous annual general meeting, shareholders may submit votes in a period prior to the annual general meeting. Advanced voting may be registered online via the company's website www.wilhelmsenasa.com/about/investor or VPS Investorservice. PROXY WITHOUT VOTING INSTRUCTIONS If you are not able to attend the annual general meeting, a nominated proxy holder can be granted your voting authority. Any proxy not naming a specific proxy holder will be deemed given to the chairman of the board of directors or a person designated by the chairman of the board of directors. This proxy form relates to proxies without instructions. To grant your proxy with voting instructions, please use the proxy form with voting instructions. Please send the completed proxy form to the company's registrar, Nordea Bank Norge ASA, Issuer Services, P.O.Box 1166 Sentrum, N-0107 Oslo, Norway, fax: +47 22 48 63 49 or email: issuerservices@nordea.com. The form may also be filled out electronically via the company's website www.wilhelmsen.com/about/investor or VPS Investorservice. The completed form must be received no later than 22 April 2014 at 10:00 hours (CET).

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	Chairman of the board of directors, CEO, or					
	Name of nominated proxy holder (capital letters)					
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I am the owner of:		shares.				
PLACE /		SHAREHOLDER'S SIGNATURE the shareholder's certificate of registration to the proxy.				



### PROXY WITH VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

If you wish to give voting instruction to the proxy holder, please use this proxy form. The items in the detailed proxy below refer to items on the agenda of the annual general meeting. A detailed proxy with voting instructions may be granted to a nominated proxy holder. A proxy not naming a specific proxy holder will be deemed given to the chairman of the board of directors or any person designated by the chairman of the board of directors.

The completed form must be received no later than 22 April 2014 at 10:00 hours (CET).

Please send the completed proxy form to the company's registrar, Nordea Bank Norge ASA, Issuer Services, P.O.Box 1166 Sentrum, N-0107 Oslo, Norway, fax: +47 22 48 63 49 or email: <a href="mailto:issuerservices@nordea.com">issuerservices@nordea.com</a>. The form may also be filled out electronically via the company's website <a href="mailto:www.wilhelmsen.com/about/investor">www.wilhelmsen.com/about/investor</a> or VPS Investorservice

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The votes shall be cast in accordance with the instructions below. Please note that any items below not voted fo (not ticked off), will be deemed as an instruction to vote "in favour" of the proposals in the notice. To the extent proposals are put forward by any person or entity other than the board of directors, or in addition to, or instead of, the proposals in the notice, the proxy determines the voting. In case the contents of the voting instructions are ambiguous, the proxy holder will base his/her understanding on a reasonable understanding of the wording of the proxy. Where no such reasonable understanding can be found, the proxy may at his/her discretion refrain from voting.

## **AGENDA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 24 APRIL 2014**

		In favour	Against	Abstention	At proxy's discretion
1	Adoption of the notice and the agenda				
3	Adoption of the annual report and accounts for Wilh. Wilhelmsen ASA for the financial year 2013, including group contribution and payment of dividend				
4	Authorisation to the board of directors to pay additional dividends				
5	Declaration from the board of directors on the determination of salaries and other remuneration for leading employees				
7	Approval of the fee to the company's auditor				
8	Determination on the remuneration for the members of the board of directors				
9	Determination on the remuneration to the members of the nomination committee				
10	Election of members of the board of directors (In accordance with the nomination committee's proposal)				
11	Election of members to the nomination committee (In accordance with the nomination committee's proposal)				
12	Authorisation to the board of directors to increase the share capital				
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If the shareholder is a company, please attach the shareholder's certificate of registration to the proxy.