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SECOND HALF 2024 & FULL YEAR 2024 RESULTS (UNAUDITED)

Ekopak strengthens its position as global one-stopshop water provider and successfully markets WaaS contracts

54% topline growth and increasing Contracted Annual Recurring Revenues ("CARR") in WaaS to 19 m€

Tielt (Belgium), 03 March 2025 – 06:00 p.m. CET – Today, Ekopak (EKOP:xbru), an ESG company that markets decentralized, circular water solutions, publishes the (unaudited) results for the periods of 6 and 12 months ended 31 December 2024.

Highlights 2024

- Total turnover of 55.5 m€ (+54% yoy, in line with latest guidance) with an Adjusted EBITDA of 2.8 m€ (considerably higher than latest guidance)
- The non-WaaS revenue increased by 60% yoy
- Strong evolution in signed WaaS contracts or LOIs during 2024 resulting in exponential growth (~6x) of Contracted Annual Recurring Revenue ("CARR"). This will steadily increase WaaS revenues year after year
- Increased investments to strengthen the organizational capabilities, to expand production facilities, to support global growth and secure more WaaS contracts
- Revenues "outside Europe" now count for 43% of total revenues, highlighting EKOPAK's growing international footprint

Management Report

The CEO's perspective

Pieter Loose, CEO Ekopak, comments:

"In 2024, we have taken important steps in implementing our strategy. We have accelerated investments to, on the one hand, reinforce our international position as best-in-class provider of mission critical industrial process water solutions and, on the other hand, maintain a permanent focus on long-term WaaS contracts. We see continued traction regarding demand for WaaS contracts and will focus even more on this in the future.

Water represents a significant global climate challenge, especially in today's volatile world marked by geopolitical tensions and changes. Our industrial customers are increasingly looking to secure uninterrupted supply of water for their industrial processes. Our decentralized, off-grid, and circular industrial water solutions offer the ideal response to these emerging challenges.

Finally, these first two months of 2025 have already seen some commercial successes, with the recent signing of the Agristo contract in India as a perfect example of EKOPAK's integrated, and global, one-stop-shop service offering."

Business Evolution

Total turnover grew to 55.5 m€ (+54%) in 2024, mainly thanks to strong growth in the Non-WaaS segment (from 32.7 m€ to 52.4 m€, +60%). Waas revenues ended the year 2024 at 3.1 m€ (-7%).

However, the second half of 2024 marked a strong increase of Contracted Annual Recurring Revenues (CARR) in WaaS (based on signed contracts or advanced LOIs) from ca. 3 m€ in June 2024 to ca. 19 m€ by the end of 2024 (~6x). The higher CARR will gradually increase WaaS revenues higher year after year and investments made in WaaS projects during 2024 (e.g. Arcelor Mittal & Total projects) will start to contribute to revenues as of 1S2025.

Moreover, EKOPAK has further increased its geographical footprint as the contribution in revenues generated outside Europe have significantly increased and stand at 43% in 2024 vs 17% in 2023.

EBITDA Evolution

Cost Of Goods Sold have increased in line with revenues to 29.2 m€ in 2024 (+57%), leading to a gross margin of 47.4% (vs 48.5% in 2023).

SG&A and payroll expenses increased with respectively 41% and 64% compared to 2023, allowing EKOPAK to stay ahead of the curve and to capture future international growth opportunities.

Adjusted EBITDA totals 2.8 m€ in 2024 (considerably higher than latest guidance) and can be broken down as follows:

- Non-Waas: 4.6 m€ (9% EBITDA margin, 4.8 m€ in 2023)
- WaaS: 2 m€ (65% EBITDA margin, 2.2 m€ in 2023)
- Corporate: -3.8 m€ (-3.4 m€ in 2023)

Depreciations (+1.9 m \in) and financial expenses (+2.1 m \in) have increased in line with investments made, leading to a net loss of -7 m \in during the year 2024.

Balance sheet highlights:

Total assets increased by 24% from 129.4 m€ in 2023 to 161.0 m€ in 2024, mainly as a result of an increase in Property, Plant and equipment (+25.9m€) following additional investments in new headquarters, enlarged production facilities and new WaaS installations.

Equity remains solid at 46.4m€ (solvency of 29%), compared to 53.5 m€ in 2023.

Total Borrowings (excl leases) have increased to 71.2 m€ (up from 39.5 m€ in 2023) to finance the additional investments made during 2024 (including the construction of WaaS assets that will generate long term secured revenues) and working capital requirements.

Considering a cash position of 9.7 m \in end of 2024 (down from 12.7 m \in in 2023), the net financial debt (excl leases) stands at 61.5 m \in .

Confirmation of mid-term targets (2028)

Ekopak confirms its targets for 2028: significant growth in current annual sales to at least 140 m€, and an increase in EBITDA margin to 25-30%.

Given the recent volatile changes in customers choosing either for WaaS or for the oneoff business model, Ekopak will not, at this stage, provide guidance for 2025.

About Ekopak

Ekopak is a Belgian company that markets circular water solutions. Ekopak's solutions offer industrial clients the opportunity to significantly reduce their water consumption from the main network in a sustainable, dependable and cost-effective way. Ekopak therefore focuses on optimizing water consumption with modular water treatment units that convert off-grid water sources, such as rainwater, surface water and/or waste water into cleaner water that can be used and reused in clients' industrial processes.

Ekopak offers its solutions on a global scale and operates worldwide with offices in Belgium, France, The Netherlands, Morrocco, the Philippines, Thailand, Mexico, Singapore and the US.

All Ekopak shares are listed on Euronext Brussels (ticker EKOP). www.ekopakwater.com

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Financial calendar

Publication Annual Report: 11 April 2025Annual Shareholder Meeting: 13 May 2025

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"The Board of Directors of Ekopak NV, represented by the management companies¹ of Mr. Pieter Bourgeois, Chairman of the Board of Directors, and Mr. Pieter Loose, CEO, jointly certify that, to the best of their knowledge, the consolidated financial statements included in the report and based on the relevant accounting standards, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition and results of Ekopak NV, including its consolidated subsidiaries. Based on our knowledge, the report includes all information that is required to be included in such document and does not omit to state all necessary material facts."

¹ Mr. Pieter Bourgeois is permanent representative of Crescemus BV; Mr. Pieter Loose is permanent representative of Pilovan BV.

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Consolidated statement of profit or loss

	for the yea Decemi	
in 000€	2024	2023
Revenue	55.467	36.033
Other operating income	611	1.530
Operating income	56.079	37.563
Purchases of materials	-29.191	-18.545
Services and other goods**	-6.695	-4.742
Employee benefit expense**	-17.925	-10.954
Depreciation and amortisation expense	-8.494	-6.592
Other operating charges	-160	-131
Operating loss	-6.387	-3.401
Financial expenses	-2.942	-880
Financial income	498	284
Loss before taxes	-8.831	-3.997
Income taxes	1.941	921
Loss after taxes	-6.890	-3.076
Share in profit or loss of equity-accounted investments	-154	
Net loss for the year *	-7.045	-3.076
Net profit attributable to:		
The owners of the parent	-7.045	-3.076
Non-controlling interest	0	0
Earnings per share attributable to the owners of the parent		
Basic	-0,48	-0,21
Diluted	-0,48	-0,21

^{*} The net loss for the year is fully attributable to the owners of the parent

^{**}Management and interim personnel fees have been reclassed from services and other goods to employee benefit expenses when these fees relate to persons that are not on the payroll of Ekopak but act as a long term contractor of Ekopak. The 2023 profit or loss statement has been restated accordingly.

Consolidated statement of financial position

	At Decer	ıber 31	
in 000€	2024	2023	
Assets			
Non-current assets			
Goodwill	19.349	20.443	
Intangible assets	30.642	32.121	
Property, plant and equipment	56.490	30.589	
Deferred tax assets	5.427	3.193	
Other financial assets	293	117	
Total non-current assets	112.201	86.463	
Current assets			
Contract assets	14.066	9.836	
Inventories	8.563	8.421	
Trade receivables	12.397	7.668	
Other current assets	4.106	4.325	
Cash and cash equivalents	9.706	12.679	
Total current assets	48.838	42.929	
Total assets	161.039	129.392	

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in 000€	2024	2023	
Equity			
Share capital	6.671	6.671	
Share premium	55.116	55.116	
Other reserves	-2.268	-2.309	
Accumulated loss	-13.127	-5.961	
Equity attributable to the owners of the parent	46.392	53.517	
Non-controlling interest		_	
Total equity	46.392	53.517	
Liabilities			
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings	48.549	34.127	
Lease liabilities	4.824	2.394	
Deferred tax liabilities	7.443	7.542	
Provisions	1.169	1.158	
Total non-current liabilities	61.984	45.221	
Current liabilities			
Borrowings	22.691	5.348	
Lease liabilities	1.434	1.088	
Trade and other payables	15.362	12.543	
Tax payables	653	665	
Contract liabilities	12.458	10.912	
Other current liabilities	65	98	
Total current liabilities	52.664	30.654	
Total liabilities	114.648	75.875	
Total equity and liabilities	161.039	129.392	

Consolidated statement of cash flows

		For year ending December 31		
in 000€	2024	2023*		
Operating activities				
(Loss)/profit before tax from continuing operations	-7.045	-3.076		
Net (loss)/profit	-7.045	-3.076		
Non-cash and operational adjustments				
Depreciation of property, plant & equipment and ROU assets	4.631	5.345		
Amortization of intangible assets	3.289	1.244		
Share in profit or loss of equity-accounted investments	154	0		
Gain on disposal of property, plant & equipment	-114	-11		
Increase in provisions	11	76		
Impairments on current assets	555	94		
Interest and other finance income	-498	-284		
Interest and other finance expense	2.942	880		
Unrealized foreign exchange losses/(gains)	35	0		
Deferred tax expense	-2.659	-1.330		
Tax expense	718	409		
Equity settled share based payment expense	2	15		
Other	-21	-7		
Hedging	139	_		
Net cash flow from/(used in) operating activities before working capital movements	2.140	3.355		
Movements in working capital				
Increase in trade and other receivables	-4.591	-934		
Increase in inventories	-655	-2.608		
Increase in trade and other payables	2.919	322		
Increase / (decrease) in contract assets	-4.268	699		
Increase in contract liabilities	1.546	205		
Increase/(decrease) in cash guarantees	-122	13		
Income tax paid**	-909	_		
Net cash flow from / (used in) operating activities	-3.940	1.052		
Investing activities				
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	-26.223	-12.247		
Proceeds from the sale of property, plant and equipment	133	652		
Purchase of intangible assets	-941	-772		
Receipt of asset related government grants	358	95		
Acquisition of subsidiary, less the acquired cash	_	-32.791		
Payment of contingent consideration from previous acquisitions	_	-500		
Investment in associate	-209	0		
Interest received	11	203		
Net cash flow used in investing activities	-26.872	-45.360		

Financing activities

Cash & cash equivalents at end of year	9.706	12.679
Exchange rate differences on cash & cash equivalents	67	-30
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	12.679	32.508
Net cash flow	-3.040	-19.799
Net cash flow from financing activities	27.771	24.509
Other financial expense, net	226	-139
Interest paid	-2.681	-680
Repayment of leases	-1.538	-954
Repayment of borrowings	-5.092	-2.064
Proceeds from borrowings	36.856	28.346

^{*} We note that the interests received and paid have been reclassified to the net cash flow from investing and financing activities, respectively, to have a more consistent presentation. The 2023 cashflow statement has been restated accordingly.

^{**} In previous years income taxes paid were included in the increase in trade and other payables.

Consolidated statement of changes in equity

in 000€	Share capital	Share premium	Other reserves	Accumulated (loss)/profit	Total equity attributable to the owners of the parent	Total equity
At January 1, 2023	6.671	55.116	-2.274	-2.845	56.668	56.668
Net loss	_	_		-3.076	-3.076	-3.076
Other comprehensive income	_	_	-50	_	-50	-50
Total comprehensive loss		_	-50	-3.076	-3.126	-3.126
Share based payment expense		_	15	_	15	15
Other Movement	_	_	_	-40	-40	-40
At December 31, 2023	6.671	55.116	-2.309	-5.961	53.517	53.517
		55.116				

Share capital	Share premium	Other reserves	Accumulated (loss)/profit	Total equity attributable to the owners of the parent	Total equity
6.671	55.116	-2.309	-5.961	53.517	53.517
_	_	_	-7.045	-7.045	-7.045
_	_	40	_	40	40
_		40	-7.045	-7.005	-7.005
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_	_		-121	-121	-121
6.671	55.116	-2.268	-13.127	46.392	46.392
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Consolidated statement of comprehensive income

	for the year ending December 31		
in 000€	2024	2023	
Net loss for the year	-7.045	-3.076	
Other comprehensive (loss)/income			
Items that may be reclassified to profit or loss			
Cashflow hedge reserve, net of tax	-101	-34	
Cumulative translation differences	35	-26	
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss			
Remeasurements of post-employment benefit obligations, net of tax	106	10	
Other comprehensive (loss)/income, net of tax	40	-50	
Total comprehensive loss for the year, net of tax *	-7.005	-3.126	

^{*} The total comprehensive loss for the year is full attributable to the owners of the parent

1. Operating segments

in 000€	NON-WAAS	WAAS	TOTAL SEGMENTS	CORPORAT E	TOTAL CONSO- LIDATED
Revenue	52.379	3.088	55.467	_	55.467
Other operating income	511	_	511	_	511
Purchases of materials	-28.582	-609	-29.191	_	-29.191
Services and other goods	-4.406	-61	-4.467	-1.890	-6.357
Employee benefit expense	-15.170	-421	-15.592	-1.894	-17.486
Other operating charges, net	-154	_	-154	-1	-154
Adjusted EBITDA	4.578	1.996	6.574	-3.785	2.790
EBITDA adjustments	-191	-	-191	-493	-684
EBITDA	4.387	1.996	6.383	-4.278	2.106
Depreciation charges	-6.942	-1.534	-8.476	-19	-8.494
Operating profit / (loss)	-2.555	462	-2.093	-4.297	-6.387
Financial expenses		-224	-224	-2.718	-2.942
Financial income	-	_	-	498	498
Profit (loss) before tax	-2.555	238	-2.317	-6.516	-8.831
Segment assets	145.997	15.042	161.039		161.039
Segment liabilities	114.169	478	114.647		114.647

in 000€	NON-WAAS	WAAS	TOTAL SEGMENTS	CORPORAT E**	TOTAL CONSO- LIDATED
Revenue	32.717	3.316	36.033	_	36.033
Other operating income	760	770	1.530	_	1.530
Purchases of materials	-18.087	-458	-18.545	_	-18.545
Services and other goods*	-1.919	-898	-2.817	-1.687	-4.504
Employee benefit expense*	-8.567	-566	-9.133	-1.713	-10.846
Other operating charges, net	-106	-11	-117	_	-117
Adjusted EBITDA	4.798	2.153	6.951	-3.400	3.551
EBITDA adjustments	-360	_	-360	_	-360
EBITDA	4.438	2.153	6.591	-3.400	3.191
Depreciation charges	-3.086	-3.506	-6.592	_	-6.592
Operating profit / (loss)	1.352	-1.353	-1	-3.400	-3.401
Financial expenses	_	-179	-179	-701	-880
Financial income	_	_	_	284	284
Profit (loss) before tax	1.352	-1.532	-180	-3.817	-3.997
Segment assets	116.373	13.019	129.392	_	129.392
Segment liabilities	70.224	5.651	75.875	_	75.875

^{*}Management and interim personnel fees have been reclassed from services and other goods to employee benefit expenses when these fees relate to persons that are not on the payroll of Ekopak but act as a long term contractor of Ekopak.

^{**} The definition of corporate expenses has been adjusted in 2024. The corporate expenses now contains all expenses related to the finance, marketing and legal department of Ekopak as these cannot be

allocated to the WaaS or non-WaaS segment, and the salary expenses and management fees for all personnel working in one of these departments.