

## The year in brief

The Hemtex Group's net sales declined 13.5% to SEK 1,390.6 M (1,608.3).

The operating loss amounted to SEK 32.5 M (profit: 141.1).

The net loss for the year amounted to SEK 42.9 M (profit: 96.5), and earnings per share before dilution amounted to a loss of SEK 1.46 (profit: 3.31).

The Hemtex Group established 14 new stores, and seven new franchise stores were opened. One franchise store in Sweden was acquired by Hemtex. A total of three stores, including two proprietary stores, were discontinued.

Göran Ydstrand was appointed as new President of the Hemtex Group and assumed his position in March 2009.

Decision was taken in April 2009 to implement a new share issue totaling SEK 164 M before issue costs.

A mandatory takeover offer was submitted by Hakon Invest on April 28, 2009.

No dividend is proposed for the fiscal year.

