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**TELIA AB**

(Name of Filer)

**SONERA CORPORATION**

(Subject Company)

0-30340

(Exchange Act File No. of Subject Company)

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[www.telia.com](http://www.telia.com)

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Telia Q1 2002

Positive trends for core business

Improved underlying EBITDA margin

24.4%, Q1 2002 (20.9%, Q4 2001)

Rationalization showing results in Internet Services and International Carrier

Continued strong pressure to rationalize

Efforts will intensify in Q2

Sharply reduced investments

Telia and Sonera to merge

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Ongoing rationalization projects

Concentration of customer services

From 31 to 13

More self-service

More efficient supply process

Delivery centers formed

New Nordic organization - Telia Mobile

Implemented 1 April

Geographical concentration and co-location

Ongoing

Leaner product portfolio

Unprofitable and overlapping products are identified

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Telia Mobile

New Nordic organization

Implemented 1 April

Pan-Nordic services

GPRS-roaming

The reorganization is heightening focus on integration of fixed and mobile communication in business solutions

Homerun at 420 sites in the Nordic region

Nordic customer base

5,011,000 (+75,000)

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Telia Mobile

Sweden

Interconnection rates lowered

PocketMode

Open marketplace

20 content providers with more than 2000 services

Mobile intranet

Co-operation with Microsoft and WM-data

Java-based mobile games

3G-network alliance sanctioned by the Swedish Competition Authority

\* Excluding 91,000 SP customers

Swedish customer base

3,459,000\* (+20,000)

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Lowered interconnection rates affecting ARPU

ARPU (SEK)

Q1 00 Q1 01 Q1 02

Subscriptions 436 426 418 432 394 415 439 431 397

Total 314 306 304 303 273 280 303 289 262

Cash 96 109 123 106 101 108 125 109 99

Positive MoU trend

MoU (Minutes)

Q1 00 Q1 01 Q1 02

Subscriptions 155 167 160 170 165 180 179 181 176

Total 117 126 123 124 119 130 131 129 121

Cash 49 58 64 54 53 62 68 63 55

Sweden

Churn 11%

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Telia Mobile

Norway

Higher sales and improved margin

Positive ARPU trend

Continued strong SMS growth

Expert - new distribution channel

\* Excluding 99,000 SP customers

Norwegian customer base

985,000\* (+15,000)

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Telia Mobile  
Higher ARPU and MoU

ARPU (NOK)  
Q1 00 Q1 01 Q1 02

Subscriptions 460 485 528 496 487 534 567 524 536

Total 289 301 327 308 292 317 341 317 326

Cash  
118 124 127 119 107 115 128 125 121

MoU (Minutes)  
Q1 00 Q1 01 Q1 02

Subscriptions 198 223 225 209 210 231 237 232 230

Total 130 143 145 136 131 141 146 142 144

Cash 63 66 66 62 56 57 61 58 59

Norway

Churn 30%

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Telia Mobile

Denmark

- Improved margin
- New bundling of subscriptions
- Completion of the 900 GSM network

Finland

- Higher sales
- New roaming agreement
- New agreements on installation of Homerun

Danish customer base

322,000 (+34,000)

Finnish customer base

245,000 (+6,000)

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Telia Mobile

Baltic/Russia

Rapid expansion

Improved earnings

Good growth potential

Baltic/Russian customer base

2,351,000\* (+314,000)

Russia

North West GSM (25.6%)

944,000\*)

+195,000

Estonia

Eesti Mobiiltelefon (24.5%)

391,000\*)

+8,000

Latvia

Latvijas Mobilais Telefons (24.5%)

389,000\*)

+40,000

Lithuania

Omnitel (27.5%)

627,000\*)

+71,000

\*) Total

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Telia Internet Services

Focus on rapid profitability enhancement:

Continued sales growth

+36%, Q1 2002

Rate increases for broadband

Continued rationalization and reduced expenditures for R&D

New services

1Mbit/s over cable TV

MTV Live

Telia RoamConnect, Telia Internet För Alla

Strong increase in demand in the business segment

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Telia Internet Services

Growth - Number of broadband customers

(thousands)

Q1 01 Q2 01 Q3 01 Q4 01 Q1 02

Skanska

ADSL/LAN

Sweden

Denmark

High-speed cable Internet

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Telia International Carrier

Focus on positive cash flow

- Continued improvement of margins

- Sharp reduction in investment level

- Higher order inflow, capacity, and IP traffic

- Network in the USA, now generating revenues

- Network acquisitions in the UK are reinforcing growth opportunities and lowering the cost of capacity

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Telia International Carrier

Ongoing rationalization measures

Concentration of utilization of premises    Initiated  
Reduction of consultant costs    In progress  
Concentration of operating agreements    In progress  
Replacement of contracted capacity    In progress  
Focus on sales and marketing    Completed  
Tightening of credit policy    Completed

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Telia Networks

Rationalization projects in progress

Local preselection implemented 2 Feb

Higher wholesale sales partially compensating for decline in the retail market

Healthy demand for broadband access

Danish operations reporting positive EBITDA

Netia under restructure

Geographical concentration and co-location

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Financial targets

Telia Group medium term

Sales growth 8%

Underlying EBITDA margin 25-30%

Telia International Carrier

Positive underlying EBITDA on a monthly basis by year-end 2002

Telia Internet Services

Positive underlying EBITDA on a monthly basis by year-end 2003

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Overall objectives

Improved free cash flow through

Revenue growth

Improved margins

Reduced capex

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Net sales

Growth +2%, Q1 2002  
Core business +9%, Q1 2002

Moving 12-months  
(MSEK)

Quarter	Q1 00	Q1 01	Q1 02
MSEK	12,857	13,592	13,885

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Underlying EBITDA

Growth +1%, Q1 2002  
Core business +5%, Q1 2002

Moving 12-months margin

Quarter Q1 00 Q1 01 Q1 02  
MSEK 3,260 3,348 3,381

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Income

Income after financial items

MSEK

Q1 01 Q2 01 Q3 01 Q4 01 Q1 02

502 535

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Investments

Reduction 44%, Q1 2002

MSEK

Q1 00	Q2 00	Q3 00	Q4 00	Q1 01	Q2 01	Q3 01	Q4 01	Q1 02
4,644	3,659	2,053						

Thereof capex

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Cash flow

Lower investment level strengthening cash flow

MSEK Jan-Mar 2002 Jan-Mar 2001

Cash flow before change in working capital 2,682 2,661

Change in working capital -1,808 -2,175

Cash flow from operating activities 874 486

Cash flow from investing activities -1,739 -3,512

Operating cash flow -865 -3,026

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Net debt

Change in net debt

MSEK

1 Jan 2002 Taxes Investments Underl. EBITDA Other 31 March 2002

10,661 327 2,010 3,381 2,291 11,908

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Financial position

Strong financial position

Debt/Equity ratio 0.20

GSEK

Adjusted equity Interest-bearing net debt

58.6 11.9

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Telia-Sonera

A Nordic and Baltic mobile leader

Sweden

Market share: 49%

Norway

Market share: 32%

Denmark

Market share: 8%

Finland

Market share: 61%

EMT

Market share: 54%

LMT

Market share: 57%

Omnitel

Market share: 58%

#2

#1

#1

#4

#1

#1

#1

Note:

Market shares based on subscriptions

Controlling interest

Non-controlling interest

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A powerful combination

- Creation of the leading Nordic and Baltic operator
- Strong financial resources and cash flow
- Significant synergies
- Footprint and customer base will attract best of breed partners
- Partner for future consolidation
- Governance to deliver change
- Profit and cash flow driven culture

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