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# Interim Report Jan-Mar 2024

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# Volati is a growing group of well-managed companies with strong earnings

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### **Introduction - Q1 performance below our expectations**

- Volati is best evaluated over time, individual quarters hard to predict
- As expected below last years record quarter of 55% EBITA growth
  - -5G-rollout significantly slower this year, from record levels a year ago
  - Construction market weaker than a year ago
  - -Calendar effects from Easter
- Did not meet our own expectations. Mainly attributed to an even slower construction market than anticipated
- A more positive outlook for the coming quarters:
  - -Somewhat easier comparables the rest of the year
  - -Cost-saving measures mitigating a tough market
  - Effects from acquisitions will compensate for organic EBITA growth

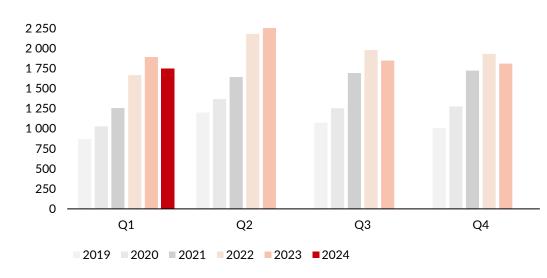
### **Introduction – Positioned for long-term value creation**

- Accelerated growth once the construction market recover
  - -Successfully balanced short term cost initiatives and long-term value creation focus on structural measures
  - -Accelerated organic growth once market return to compensate for recent years lower growth
- Well positioned for continued acquisitions
  - -Acquired Beslag Design in Q1, and finalised the acquisition of Trejon
  - -We remain disciplined, never prioritising growth at the expense of poor returns
  - However well positioned for continued acquisitive growth in our platforms
- Comfortable with existing net debt to EBITDA levels, prioritising acquisitions going forward

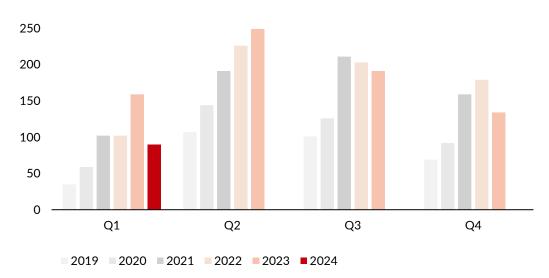
### Financial development, Q1 2024



#### Net sales, SEK m

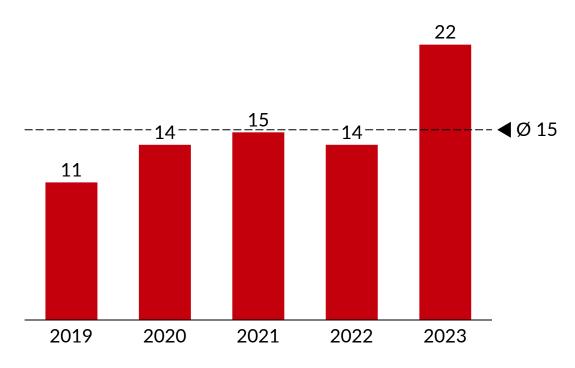


EBITA, SEK m



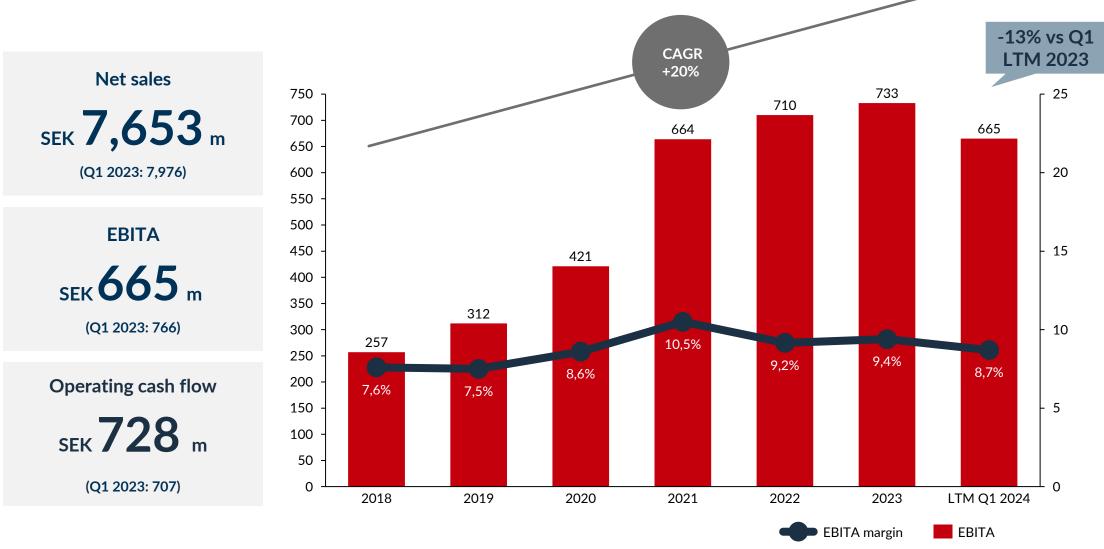
### Q1 accounts for a low share of yearly EBITA

### Q1 share of yearly EBITA the past 5 years percent



- Volati's turnover, earnings and cash flow are affected by seasonal variations.
- The first quarter historically has the smallest EBITA contribution, representing an average of ~15% of yearly EBITA
- Q1 2024 represents 14% of the EBITA during the last 12 months

### Financial development, LTM Q1 2024



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### **Financial targets**

#### **EBITA growth**

The target is an average annual growth in EBITA<sup>2)</sup> per ordinary share of at least 15 percent over a business cycle.

#### Return on adjusted equity

The long-term target is a return on adjusted equity<sup>2)</sup> of 20 percent.

#### **Capital structure**

The target is a net debt/adjusted EBITDA<sup>1</sup> ratio of 2 to 3 times, and not exceeding 3.5 times.



1) See pages 137–141 of the 2023 Annual Report for definitions of alternative performance measures.

### Three business areas with growth focus





Products and materials for builder's hardware, consumables, construction, home & garden, packaging and forestry & agriculture. Self-adhesive labels and machines for various applications; from decorative labels to technically advanced labels in medical technology.

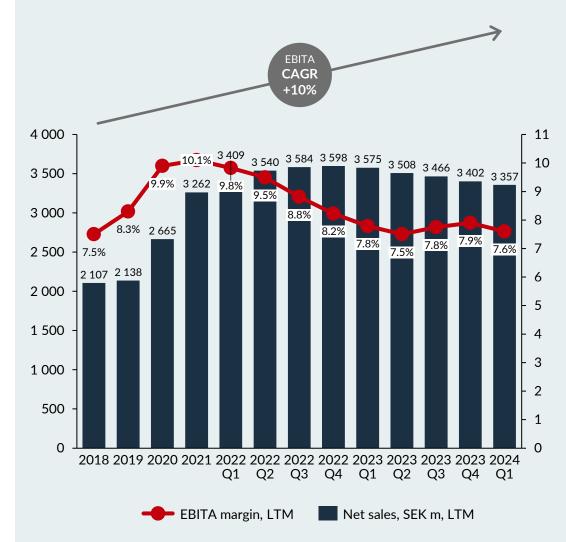


Four businesses with leading market positions in their niches; Products and solutions for grain management. Products for dampness and water damage management. Infrastructure for telecom, lighting and solar panels. Stone and cement products for infrastructure and construction.

### Salix Group

- Sales in the quarter declined by 5% and EBITA with 9 MSEK compared to last year
- The demand in the quarter continues to be hampered due to the headwind in the construction sector
- Cost saving initiatives continue to increasingly yield effects into 2024, as well as synergies and coordination initiatives
- Negative currency effect in the quarter, however reduced freight costs and prices on some raw materials contribute positively
- When demand recovers, Salix Group is in a good position to capitalise on the growth.
- The add-on acquisition of Beslag & Design was completed during the quarter, and the acquisition of Trejon was finalized, adding annual sales of 500 MSEK

	Jan-Mar 2024	Jan-Mar 2023	LTM Q1 2024	FY 2023
Net sales, SEK m	810	855	3,357	3,402
EBITA, SEK m	41	53	256	269
EBITA-margin, %	5	6	8	8
ROCE excl. goodwill, %	23	24	23	25



### **Ettiketto Group**

- Net sales in the quarter declined by 2% compared compared to last year
- Healthy order intake in Sweden where capacity is being ramped up to keep up with demand
- The EBITA margin in the quarter increased with 2 pp, and full year now at 19%, driven by synergy realisation and focus on operational improvements
- Well-positioned for continued acquisition-driven growth, both in our Nordic home markets and across Europe.

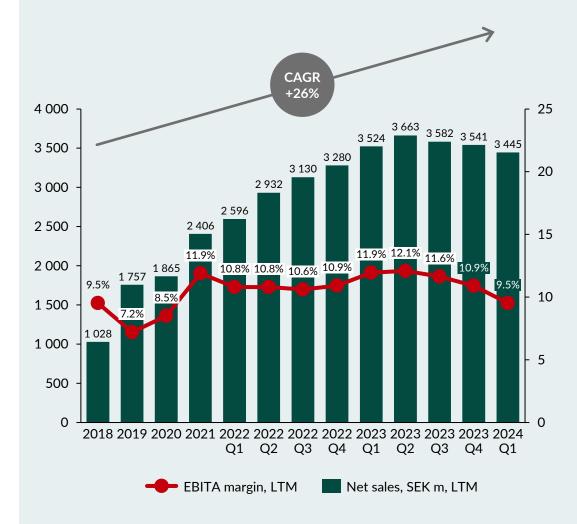
	Jan-Mar 2024	Jan-Mar 2023	LTM Q1 2024	FY 2023
Net sales, SEK m	217	221	856	859
EBITA, SEK m	41	38	161	159
EBITA-margin, %	19	17	19	18
ROCE excl. goodwill, %	68	58	68	67



### Industry

- Sales declined by 12% in the quarter, and EBITA decreased from 81 MSEK last year to 24 MSEK Q1 2024
- The challenging market situation for S:t Eriks remain, with the platform initiating additional cost saving measures
- Continued market headwind for Communication, also facing tough comparables from last year
- Tornum Group continue to develop well increasing full year margins compared to last year, and with positive contribution from the newly acquired Simeza
- High demand for Corroventa's products driven by the aftermath of several lates storms during 2023 in Europe

	Jan-Mar 2024	Jan-Mar 2023	LTM Q1 2024	FY 2023
Net sales, SEK m	720	816	3,445	3,541
EBITA, SEK m	24	81	328	385
EBITA-margin, %	3	10	10	11
ROCE excl. goodwill, %	28	39	28	34

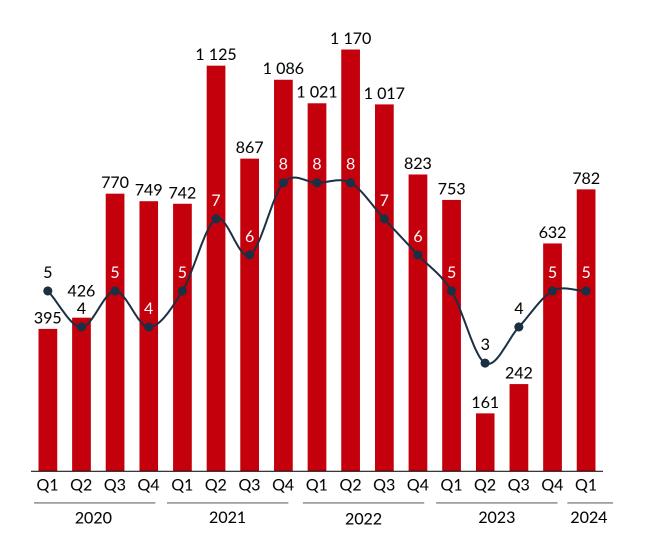


## 24 acquisitions and 3,5 billion of annual sales since 2020<sup>volati.</sup>

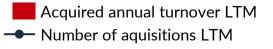
Sales, MSEK

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	Heco January 2020	sales <b>180</b>	Beneli June 2020	sales <b>160</b>				R					
	<b>Pisla</b> September 2020	sales <b>240</b>	Märkas September 2020	sales <b>170</b>	1								
	Duschy March 2021	sales <b>100</b>	<b>Strongpoint</b> June 2021	sales <b>190</b>		Corroventa	Tornu	m	S:t Erik	S:t Eriks		Communication	
	<b>Gunnar Eiklid</b> March 2022	sales	<b>Jigraf</b> March 2022	SALES			<b>JPT</b> January 2021	sales	Byggsystem June 2021	sales	Scanmast June 2021	sales <b>290</b>	
	Nibu/SkanCo May 2022	sales <b>150</b>	Skipnes January 2022	SALES			<b>Apisa</b> July 2021	sales <b>170</b>	Meag October 2021	sales <b>190</b>	MAFI April 2022	sales <b>330</b>	
	Embo Import November 2022	SALES					<b>Terästorni</b> April 2022	SALES <b>220</b>	Gunnar Prefab September 2023	SALES <b>80</b>			
	<b>Sweja</b> May 2023	SALES <b>100</b>					<b>JWI</b> March 2023	sales <b>40</b>					
	<b>Trejon</b> December 2023	sales <b>300</b>					SIMEZA November 2023	sales <b>110</b>					
	Beslag Design February 2024	SALES <b>190</b>											

### Add-on acquisitions are an important value driver for volati. Volati and our platforms



- M&A have over time contributed with annual sales of SEK 700–1,200 million
- Annual pace of 6-8 acquisitions
- Majority of the acquisitions are value creating add-on acquisitions, enabling substantial synergy realisation
- Platforms, financial capacity and processes in place



### Beslag & Design AB

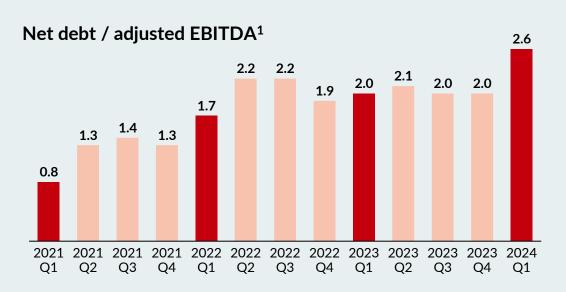
- Annual sales of SEK 190 million
- A company with a leading brand within fittings and interior details founded in 1972 in Båstad
- The acquisition strengthens Salix Group's customer offerings as an add-on acquisition to the Home & Fittings business
- Synergy potential through channel expansion through Beslag & Design's e-commerce, supply chain optimisation and purchasing.
- This concludes Salix Group's 9th acquisition since 2020, totalling approximately SEK 1.3 billion in annual sales, underlining our ability to make acquisitions in different types of market conditions



### **Continued strong position for acquired growth**

- Operational cash flow of SEK 18 million.
- LTM Q1 2024 results in 728 million compared to 707 LTM Q1 2023.
- Total cash generation of 96% during last twelve months.
- Net debt increase with SEK 470 million in the quarter due to
  - Operating cash flow of SEK 18 million
  - M&A-related cash outflow of SEK 355 million
  - Tax, interest and dividend outflow of SEK 115 million
- Strong cash flow, especially in the second part of the year
- Once markets normalise we will see a positive effect our earnings

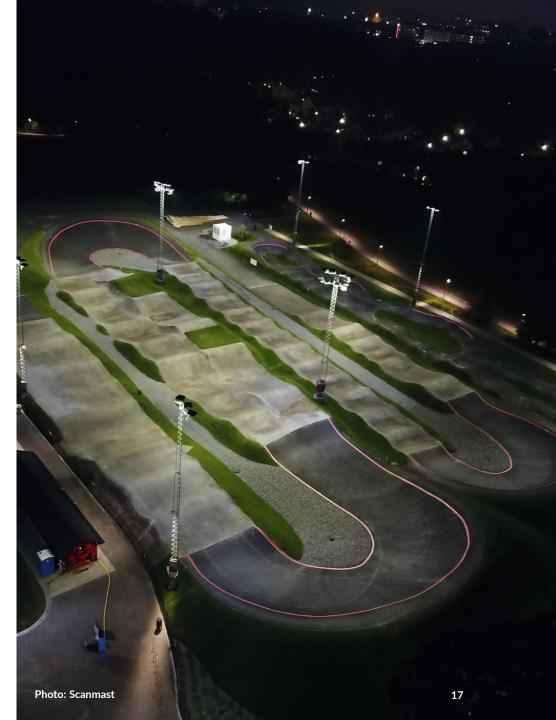




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