

PRESS RELEASE

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Belysse Group nv 2023 Third Quarter Results

Highlights

- Q3 consolidated Group Revenue was €73.6m (-19.2% YoY)
 - Organic Revenue declined -15.9%, while FX impact contributed -3.3%
 - Revenue growth by division: United States (US) -16.5% (-10.5% organic, -6.0% FX), Europe -22.7%
- Q3 Adjusted EBITDA was €11.0m (+1.1% YoY) with an Adjusted EBITDA margin of 15.0% (12.0% in Q3 2022)
 - US EBITDA: €9.9m
 - Europe EBITDA: €1.2m
- Q3 Net Debt was €150.8m (including €29.0m of IFRS 16 lease liabilities), down from last quarter. Leverage¹ reduced to 5.2x (5.5x at end of Q2 2023) and total available liquidity (including headroom under the RCF) remains strong and has improved to €68m at the end of Q3 (€65m end of H1 2023)

Business Update Q3 2023

In US, volumes and revenues were below a very strong third quarter of 2022 where higher volumes were shipped as the installation of new production capacity enabled a catch-up on the backlog of open orders. Revenues stay at a similar level as previous quarter and remain above pre-COVID levels.

In response to the lower volumes, costs have been brought down to maintain profitability. US further improved its EBITDA margin to 23.2% in the quarter, up from previous quarter and last year (20.5% per Q2 2023 and 19.9% in Q3 2022 respectively). In USD terms Q3 EBITDA has outperformed last year's results by +4% despite lower volumes.

In Europe, Q3 2023 revenue has mainly been affected by a continued decrease of volumes in the Residential market, due to low footfall during summer combined with destocking by the retailers. Volumes in the Commercial business remained at the level of previous quarter.

In Europe, despite the currently low volumes, margins have improved compared to prior quarter and prior year, mainly due to the 2022 sales price increases and lower product costs. As anticipated, the First-In, First-Out (FIFO) accounting of the cheaper raw materials and utilities purchased since the beginning of the year had its first P&L effect in September but the full effect will be starting in October. Combined with the positive effects of the executed fixed expense reduction program, EBITDA was €1.2m positive for the quarter, up from both previous quarter and last year.

Assuming all else remains materially unchanged from the current trading environment, Belysse is expecting the full year 2023 EBITDA to recover to 2022 levels and a year-end leverage reducing to around 4.0x.

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¹ As defined in the SSN facility agreements, excluding IFRS16 impact but including sale and leasebacks

Q3 2023 Revenue and Adjusted EBITDA per Division

(€ million, unless otherwise mentioned)	Q3 2023	<i>Q</i> 3 2022	% Change	o/w organic	o/w FX
Europe	31,2	40,4	(22,7)%		
US	42,4	50,8	(16,5)%		
Consolidated Revenue	73,6	91,2	(19,2)%	(15,9)%	(3,3)%
Europe	1,2	0,8	46,9%		
US	9,9	10,1	(2,6)%		
Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA	11,0	10,9	1,1%	7,2%	(6,1)%
Europe	3,8%	2,0%			
US	23,2%	19,9%			
Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA Margin	15,0%	12,0%			

YTD 2023 Revenue and Adjusted EBITDA per Division

	YTD Q3	YTD Q3		o/w	o/w
(€ million, unless otherwise mentioned)	2023	2022	% Change	organic	FX
Europe	105,9	123,3	(14,1)%		
US	123,3	132,1	(6,6)%		
Consolidated Revenue	229,2	255,4	(10,2)%	(9,4)%	(0,8)%
Europe	(0,4)	2,1	(120,3)%		
US	23,7	25,7	(7,8)%		
Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA	23,3	27,9	(16,4)%	(14,3)%	(2,1)%
Europe	-0,4%	1,7%			
US	19,2%	19,5%			
Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA Margin	10,2%	10,9%			

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Organic Growth is defined as growth excluding (i) FX impacts, which comprise the translation of key foreign entities and (ii) M&A impacts.

Adjusted EBITDA is defined as operating profit / (loss) adjusted for (i) the impact of the purchase price allocation mainly on change in inventories, (ii) gains on asset disposals, (iii) integration and restructuring expenses, (iv) depreciation / amortization and (v) impairment and write-offs.

Adjusted EBITDA margin is defined as the Adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of revenue.

Gross Debt is defined as (i) Senior Secured Notes adjusted for the financing fees included in the carrying amount and (ii) Bank and other borrowings adjusted for capitalized financing fees.

Net Debt is defined as (i) Senior Secured Notes adjusted for the financing fees included in the carrying amount, (ii) Bank and other borrowings adjusted for capitalized financing fees less (iii) cash and cash equivalents.

Leverage is defined as the ratio of Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDA (both excluding IFRS 16 impacts as per financing documentation, except for sale and leaseback transactions).

Trading update

The Third Quarter 2023 Results will be presented on 26 October 2023 at 10.00 am CET via a webcast, by the Chairman of the Board and CEO Cyrille Ragoucy and CFO Andy Rogiest. The results presentation will be available on www.belysse.com/investors.

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Belysse Group nv intends to publish its Full Year 2023 results on 1 March 2024.

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