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### **Ter Beke NV**

Statutory auditor's report to the shareholders' meeting for the year ended 31 December 2018 - Consolidated financial statements

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In the context of the statutory audit of the consolidated financial statements of Ter Beke NV ("the company") and its subsidiaries (jointly "the group"), we hereby submit our statutory audit report. This report includes our report on the consolidated financial statements and the other legal and regulatory requirements. These parts should be considered as integral to the report.

We were appointed in our capacity as statutory auditor by the shareholders' meeting of 26 May 2016, in accordance with the proposal of the board of directors issued upon recommendation of the audit committee and presentation of the works council. Our mandate will expire on the date of the shareholders' meeting deliberating on the financial statements for the year ending 31 December 2018. Due to a lack of online archives dating back prior to 1997, we have not been able to determine exactly the first year of our appointment. We have performed the statutory audit of the consolidated financial statements of Ter Beke NV for at least 22 consecutive periods.

### Report on the consolidated financial statements

### **Unqualified** opinion

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of the group, which comprise the consolidated balance sheet as at 31 December 2018, the consolidated income statement, the consolidated overview of the comprehensive income, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the consolidated cash flow for the year then ended, as well as the summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes. The consolidated statement of financial position shows total assets of 424 978 (000) EUR and the consolidated income statement shows a profit for the year then ended of 7 241 (000) EUR.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the group's net equity and financial position as of 31 December 2018 and of its consolidated results and its consolidated cash flow for the year then ended, in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union and with the legal and regulatory requirements applicable in Belgium.

### Basis for the unqualified opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISA), as applicable in Belgium. In addition, we have applied the International Standards on Auditing approved by the IAASB applicable to the current financial year, but not yet approved at national level. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the "Responsibilities of the statutory auditor for the audit of the consolidated financial statements" section of our report. We have complied with all ethical requirements relevant to the statutory audit of consolidated financial statements in Belgium, including those regarding independence.

We have obtained from the board of directors and the company's officials the explanations and information necessary for performing our audit.

We believe that the audit evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### **Key audit matters**

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

### Key audit matters

### How our audit addressed the key audit matters

#### Valuation of goodwill

At 31 December 2018 the total recorded amount of goodwill amounts to 76 456 (000) EUR. The group has allocated its goodwill to its two cash-generating units (CGU) 'Processed Meat' (32 369 (000) EUR) and 'Ready Meals' (44 087 (000) EUR).

The group defines annually the carrying amount of non-current assets allocated to its two cashgenerating units. Ter Beke assesses the recoverable amount by calculating the value in use of the assets within the cash-generating unit, using a discounted cash flow method ("DCF"). This method requires significant judgement in making estimates of cash flow projections, sales growth, EBITDA margin evaluation and discount rate. Due to the inherent uncertainty involved in forecasting and discounting cash flows, we consider this assessment as a key audit matter.

The group disclosed the nature and the value of the assumptions used in the impairment analysis in note 14 of the consolidated financial statements.

In our audit, we assessed and tested, with the assistance of our valuation experts, management critical assumptions used in the discounted cash flow model.

We challenged the key drivers of projected future cash flows, including estimated sales growth, estimated EBITDA margin and the applied discount rate. Our procedures furthermore include the evaluation of the design and implementation of controls over the preparation and approval of Ter Beke's budget, which serves as the basis in the DCF model. We critically assessed the budgets by taking into account the historical accuracy of the budgeting process. Moreover, we performed sensitivity analysis with respect to the available headroom of the two CGU's considering changes in discount rate, sales growth rates and EBITDA margin.

We assessed the adequacy of the company's disclosure note to the consolidated financial statements.

### Responsibilities of the board of directors for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements

The board of directors is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union and with the legal and regulatory requirements applicable in Belgium and for such internal control as the board of directors determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, the board of directors is responsible for assessing the group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters to be considered for going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the board of directors either intends to liquidate the group or to cease operations, or has no other realistic alternative but to do so.

### Responsibilities of the statutory auditor for the audit of the consolidated financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue a statutory auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISA will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

During the performance of our audit, we comply with the legal, regulatory and normative framework as applicable to the audit of consolidated financial statements in Belgium.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISA, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether
  due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit
  evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a
  material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from an error, as fraud may
  involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control;
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that
  are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness
  of the group's internal control;
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the board of directors;
- conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based
  on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that
  may cast significant doubt on the group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a
  material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our statutory auditor's report to the
  related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify
  our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our statutory
  auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the group to cease to continue as a going
  concern;
- evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities and business activities within the group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with the audit committee regarding, amongst other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit. We also provide the audit committee with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and we communicate with them about all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated to the audit committee, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our report unless law or regulation precludes any public disclosure about the matter.

### Other legal and regulatory requirements

### Responsibilities of the board of directors

The board of directors is responsible for the preparation and the content of the directors' report on the consolidated financial statements, the statement of non-financial information attached to the directors' report on the consolidated financial statements and other matters disclosed in the annual report on the consolidated financial statements.

### Responsibilities of the statutory auditor

As part of our mandate and in accordance with the Belgian standard complementary (revised in 2018) to the International Standards on Auditing (ISA) as applicable in Belgium, our responsibility is to verify, in all material respects, the director's report on the consolidated financial statements, the statement of non-financial information attached to the directors' report on the consolidated financial statements and other matters disclosed in the annual report on the consolidated financial statements, as well as to report on these matters.

### Aspects regarding the directors' report on the consolidated financial statements

In our opinion, after performing the specific procedures on the directors' report on the consolidated financial statements, this report is consistent with the consolidated financial statements for that same year and has been established in accordance with the requirements of article 119 of the Companies Code.

In the context of our statutory audit of the consolidated financial statements we are responsible to consider, in particular based on information that we became aware of during the audit, if the directors' report on the consolidated financial statements and other information disclosed in the annual report on the consolidated financial statements, i.e. chapter 1 to 4 of this annual report is free of material misstatements, either by information that is incorrectly stated or otherwise misleading. In the context of the procedures performed, we are not aware of such a material misstatement.

The non-financial information as required by article 119, § 2 of the Companies Code, has been disclosed in chapter 2 of the directors' report on the consolidated financial statements that is part of the annual report. This non-financial information has been established by the company in accordance with the GRI Standards. In accordance with article 144, § 1, 6° of the Companies Code we do not express any opinion on the question whether this non-financial information has been established in accordance with these GRI Standards.

### Statements regarding independence

- Our audit firm and our network have not performed any prohibited services and our audit firm has remained independent from the group during the performance of our mandate.
- The fees for the additional non-audit services compatible with the statutory audit, as defined in article 134
  of the Companies Code, have been properly disclosed and disaggregated in the notes to the consolidated
  financial statements.

#### Other statements

• This report is consistent with our additional report to the audit committee referred to in article 11 of Regulation (EU) No 537/2014.

Gent, 19 April 2019

The statutory auditor

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