# Coetta

Q4/2024

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Another year of profitable growth with an exceptionally strong last quarter





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# Leading confectionery company in Northern Europe

Net sales 2024 (SEKbn)

8.6

**Employees (on average)** 

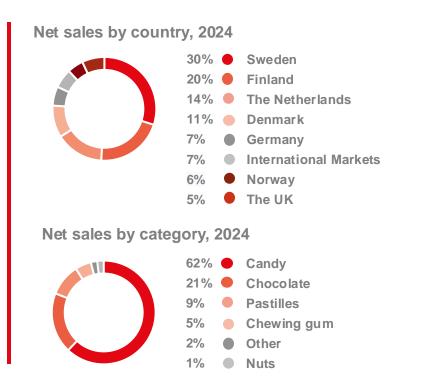
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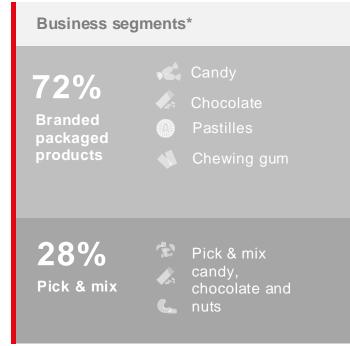
Countries with sales

**> 60** 

Number of shareholders

**> 40,000** 





<sup>\*</sup> Branded packaged products includes five months of divested Nutisal brand

Our 10 largest brands of total net sales























# Q4: Another year of profitable growth with an exceptionally strong last quarter

- 1 Trajectory of delivering strong sales growth continued
- 2 Total volumes stable; P&M again growing faster than Branded packaged products
- Challenge to continue to deliver double-digit adjusted operating profitability, despite continued raw material cost inflation, was met
- 4 Profitability positively impacted by higher gross profit, partially offset by increased marketing investments in core brands
- 5 All-time low Net debt/EBITDA of 1.3x; again well below our long-term target
- 6 Reassessment of greenfield plant project and alternatives on-going
- 7 Dividend proposal SEK 1.10 (1.00) per share









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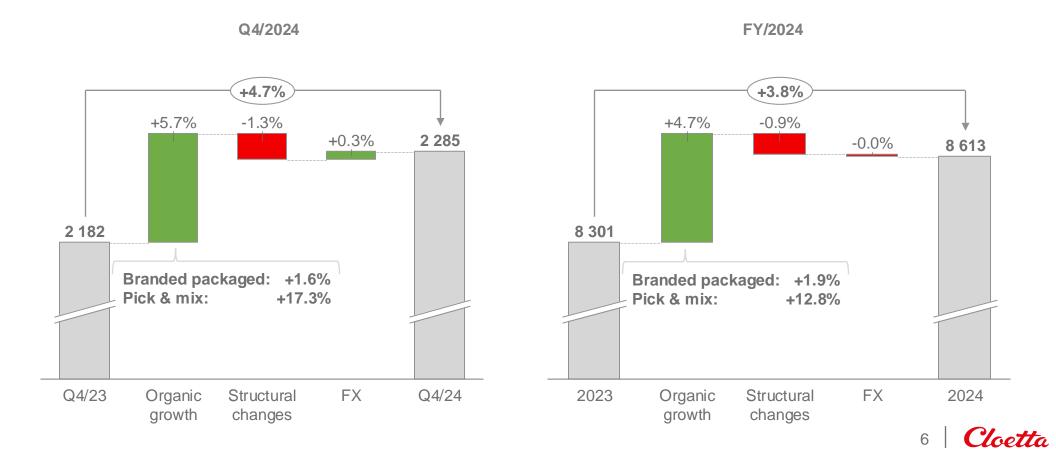






### Continued organic sales growth

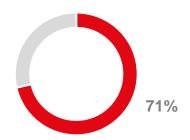
**Net sales** 



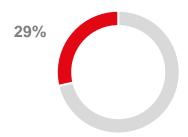
# Sales development

Q4 share of net sales and organic sales growth by quarter

#### **Branded packaged products**





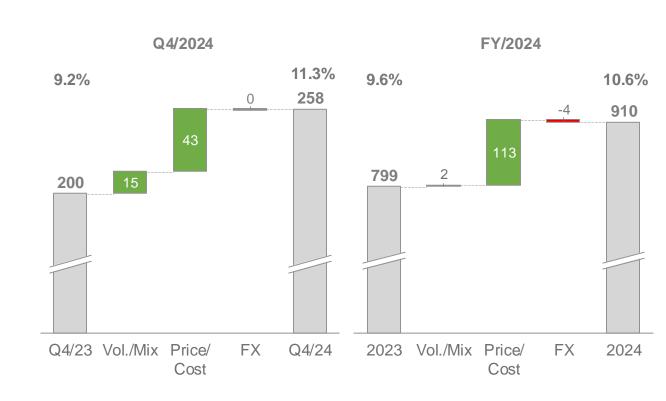




# Margin-enhancement in P&M lifts profitability

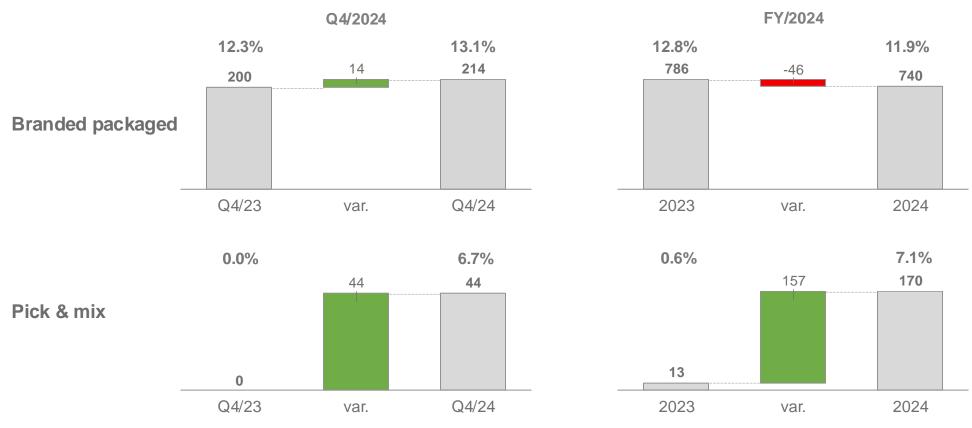
Operating profit, adjusted

- Margin-enhancing initiatives in P&M continue to drive profitability.
- P&M profit in line with target of 5%-7% for a fourth consecutive quarter
- Favorable mix and lower trade spend in Branded packaged segment helps offset higher input cost driven by cocoa
- Investment in core brands increased in line with communicated
- Resolution of Q1/2024 quality incident pending

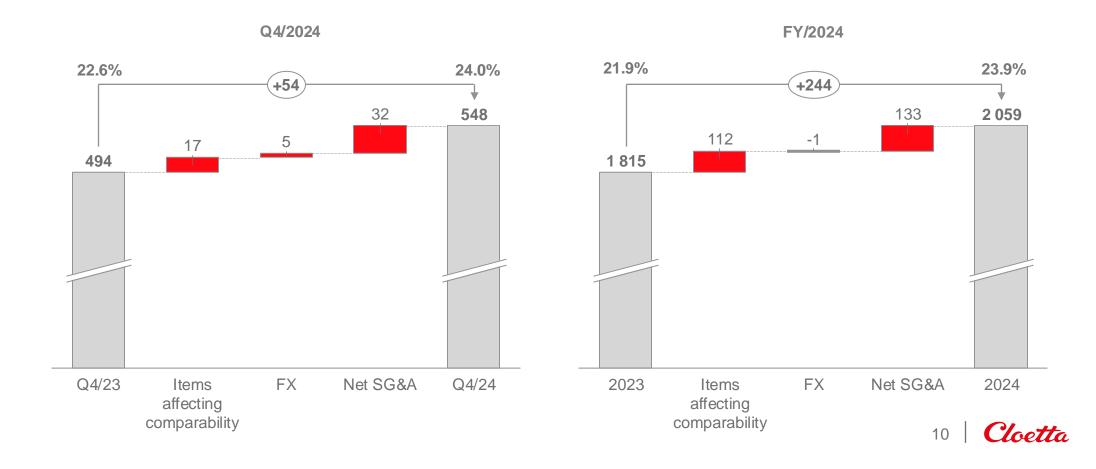


# Strong improvement in P&M; Branded profit stable

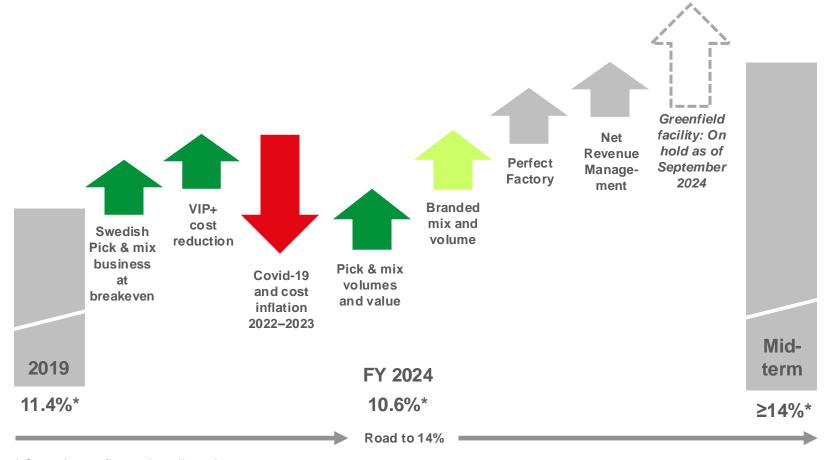
Operating profit, adjusted, by segment



# Increased investments in core brands key driver vs LY



# Strategic building blocks to deliver margin expansion



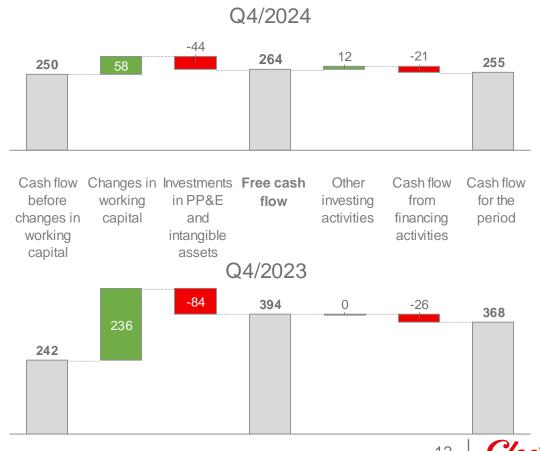
<sup>\*</sup> Operating profit margin, adjusted



# Free cash flow maintained strong; FY +106 m vs LY

Cash flow

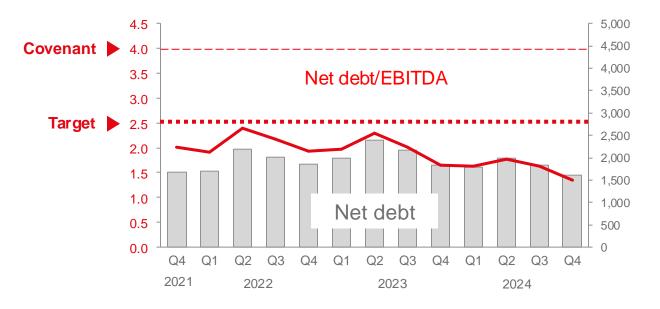
- Strong Q4 free cash flow of SEK 264 million against Operating Profit, adj of SEK 258 million
- FY 2024 free cash flow SEK 106 million better than LY, despite a strong Q4/2023 working capital recovery
- Lower capex investments driven in part by phasing and in part by avoidance

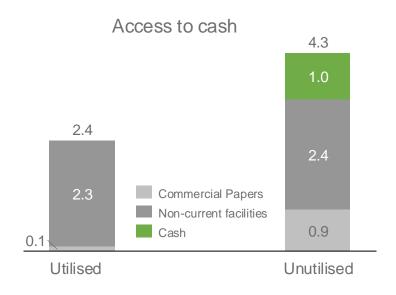


# Strong financial position: Net debt/EBITDA 1.3x

#### **Financial position**

- Another successive all-time low Net debt/EBITDA, well below target of 2.5x
- Net debt also at an all-time low of SEK 1.6 bn driven by both profitability and cash generation
- Unutilised access to cash of SEK 4.3bn, including EUR 160 million for the greenfield investment on hold
- Dividend proposal of SEK 1.10 (1.00) per share







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# Update on greenfield plant project

#### Reassessment on-going

- Reassessment due to increased energy supply risk with resulting changes to the timing of planned start-up
- Also covers potential better alternatives to secure a more efficient manufacturing structure
- Project in early phase, investments so far relatively limited
- Further investments on hold beyond what is necessary to support the reassessment
- Remaining opportunities in manufacturing network to compensate for volumes planned to be produced by the greenfield in the mid-term
- Expected to be completed before the end of Q1/25

#### **Background**

- In 2022, the plan to invest in a greenfield facility and a related closure of three existing plants was announced
- In Q3 2024, decision made to initiate a reassessment of both the investment and alternative options to secure a more efficient manufacturing structure



# Welcome to our Investor Day 2025!

- Arranged in central Stockholm in the afternoon on March 27
- Hybrid event with the possibility to participate physically or via a webcast

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# Thank you!

#### **UPCOMING IR EVENTS**

11 Mar Annual and Sustainability Report 2024

27 Mar Investor Day (Stockholm)

10 Apr AGM 2025

7 May Q1/2025 interim report

3 June Handelsbanken Nordic Small & Mid cap Seminar (Stockholm)

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# **Appendix**

# Greenfield facility – Pro forma profit and loss Q4

	Q4/2024 Reported	Greenfield	Q4/2024 Pro-forma excl. greenfield	Other items affecting comparability	Q4/2024
					Adjusted
Net sales	2.285	-	2.285	-	2.285
Cost of goods sold	-1.485	16	-1.501	-	-1.501
Gross profit	800	16	784	-	784
Selling expenses	-327	-	-327	-	-327
General and administrative expenses	-221	-14	-207	-8	-199
Operating profit	252	2	250	-8	258
Net financial items	-20	-	-20	-	-20
Profit before tax	232	2	230	-8	238
Income tax	-74	-	-74	2	-76
Profit for the period	158	2	156	-6	162
Gross margin	35,0%		34,3%		34,3%
Operating profit margin	11,0%		10,9%		11,3%
Effective tax rate	31,9%		32,2%		31,9%

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