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## **AuditData of the GN ReSound Group Wins Major UK Contract**

GN ReSound's subsidiary AuditData A/S has been awarded a contract to supply the National Health Service (NHS) in the UK with the audiology patient management system AuditBase. The contract is not expected to influence the full-year earnings forecast.

The NHS has put in place a framework contract with AuditData and only one other supplier, which is open to all NHS Trusts (independent government-owned units that own and operate one or more hospitals) in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. Some 36 of the hospital trusts have already purchased AuditBase, including all 13 in Wales, which have made their own joint evaluation of the two systems.

Designed specifically for public hearing clinics, AuditBase manages a clinic's patient database, appointments, patient files, audiograms and other relevant data. The system allows the staff to perform on-line data capture, reducing the administrative workload significantly. AuditBase is used by nearly all hearing clinics in Denmark and by nearly half of the clinics in Norway and Sweden. The order from the NHS is expected to boost AuditData's ability to penetrate the Australian, Canadian and parts of the US markets, all of which operate hospital-based hearing clinics in their public sectors.

Under the agreement with the NHS, AuditData will supply, install and maintain the system and provide user training. The contract covers a period of two years with an option to extend the agreement for a further maximum period of 24 months. AuditData also markets the Mirage system for private dispensing businesses and has won major orders on the German market. AuditData has 24 employees and operates businesses in Denmark, Norway and Germany.

*The GN ReSound Group is the merger of five of the world's most significant hearing health care companies – GN Danavox, ReSound, Danavox, Beltone, Philips and Viennatone. The Group is a global leader in the development and manufacture of high-tech solutions for the hearing impaired and comprises also GN Otometrics, market leader in audiological test equipment, and*

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