

# **Stock Exchange Release**

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Today, ISS has disposed of 2,729,254 shares in Sophus Berendsen A/S to Davis Service Group Plc. After the disposal, ISS no longer holds shares in Sophus Berendsen A/S.

At the moment, the assessment of net profit after transaction costs, settling with ATP (The Danish Labour Market Supplementary Pension Scheme) and fees related to advisors, has not been completed, but profit is estimated at approximately DKK 100 million.

ISS intends to use part of the proceeds to projects related to concept development and to build up organically certain services, which fit into ISS' strategy.

## **Revised financial diary for 2002**

The release of the accounts for 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2002 has been changed to Tuesday 21 May 2002. The revised diary is as follows:

#### Event:

Annual General Meeting Investor Day 1<sup>st</sup> quarter Report 2002 Half-year Report 2002 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Report 2002 Date:

Tuesday 23 April 2002 Wednesday 24 April 2002 Tuesday 21 May 2002 Tuesday 20 August 2002 Tuesday 19 November 2002

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