

# **Olicom Reports First Half 2003 Results**

Copenhagen, Denmark, August 29, 2003 - Olicom A/S (Other OTC: OLCMF) ("Olicom" or "the Company") today announced a net loss for the six months period ended June 30, 2003, of 4.5 million Danish kroner ("DKK"), or US\$ 0.7 million. The loss per share was DKK 0.27, or US\$ 0.04 per share. All amounts expressed in dollar are calculated at the June 30, 2003, rate of exchange between the US dollar and the Danish krone.

As of June 30, 2003, Olicom had cash and restricted cash of DKK 67.8 million, or US\$ 10.4 million. Shareholders' equity was DKK 223.1 million, or US\$ 34.3 million, at the end of June 2003, corresponding to DKK 13.17 per share, or US\$ 2.03 per share.

The general international financial recession and in particular the tough competitive market conditions for telephony, mobile phones and PDA's have had a negative effect on the order booking for some of Olicom's portfolio companies. As a consequence these portfolio companies have had to reduce their activities in order to obtain a reduction of their operating expenses.

Sony's launch in Japan, the U.S. and in Europe of its latest PDA model (Clié), which includes Decuma's handwriting recognition technology, is a positive exception from a generally difficult market.

Tpack, which offers technology facilitating the use of Ethernet over public telephone networks (Metro Ethernet), has experienced a very positive interest from several of the big suppliers in the market, and it is anticipated that Tpack before year-end will announce their entering into one or more significant contracts.

Several of Olicom's portfolio companies are currently in discussions with new investors regarding follow-up investments. The general caution among the IT venture companies makes this process very time-consuming and with no guarantee that the result will be positive. However, Olicom expects that one or more of the portfolio companies will succeed in obtaining binding investment commitments before 2004. Olicom does not expect that such follow-up investments will justify a write-up.

Olicom is continuously looking for opportunities to exit those portfolio companies that are considered ready for an exit. Also in this respect the market conditions have become more difficult and Olicom's current expectation is now that such exits will not take place until 2004 at the earliest.

For the full year 2003 Olicom expects to report a loss in the order of DKK 10-15 million, or US\$ 1.5-2.3 million. This expectation assumes that write off of significant

portfolio companies or material write-downs of the value of these companies will not be necessary. Olicom estimates that such risk is not quite insignificant and now is greater than estimated earlier in the year.

"The negative development during this spring and summer in the markets which are relevant to most of our portfolio companies, has prevented some of these companies from achieving the desired results", says Boje Rinhart, CEO at Olicom. "Unfortunately we do not expect the market to improve soon and these portfolio companies therefore will continue to operate under difficult conditions. We take pleasure though in noticing that other portfolio companies defy the current market conditions and show a promising development."

As part of its efforts to obtain a deregistration of the Company's shares in the U.S. Olicom anticipates to soon carry through a repurchase of shares in the U.S.

### **Attachments**

Summary of Income and Balance Sheet follow.

### **About Olicom**

Olicom initiates or participates in the development of new products and services that leverage leadingedge communications technologies, primarily with a focus on satisfying the needs of mobile data communication users. Business opportunities are identified both through Olicom's internal research and through the solicitation of ventures with start-up companies, which are offered seed and venture financing and access to the Company's established business network and infrastructure. More information about Olicom is available from the Company's SEC filings or by contacting the Company directly. Information is also available on the Company's Web site at www.olicom.com.

Olicom is a registered trademark.

Except for historical information contained herein, the matters discussed in this news release may contain forward-looking statements that reflect the Company's current expectations and projections about its future results, performance, prospects and opportunities. These forward-looking statements are based on information currently available to the Company and are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause its actual results, performance, prospects or opportunities to differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, these forward-looking statements. Among the risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause results to differ are uncertain market conditions, the successful implementation of the Company's new strategic direction; the Company's need to continue to identify and acquire interests in suitable portfolio companies; intense competition among capital providers to acquire interests in technology companies; the dependence of the Company on the financial and operating success of the enterprises in which it invests or participates; and existing and future regulations affecting the Company's business, the businesses of its portfolio companies or technology generally. Further information may be found in Olicom's periodic filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), including the most recent reports on Form 20-F and 6-K, which identify important risk factors related to the Company's business that could cause actual results, performance, prospects or opportunities to materially differ from those contained in the forward-looking statements.

## **Contact Information**

Further information about Olicom and its portfolio companies is available on: www.olicom.com.

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## **Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income**

(In thousands except for amounts per share)

# Six months

## Ended June 30,

	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2003</u>
			Convenience Translation USD
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Valuation adjustments, affiliated companies	(13,942)	0	0
Gross profit	(13,942)	0	0
Operating expenses			
General and administrative	8,461	7,755	1,193
Restructuring charges	(7,571)	(2,182)	(336)
Total operating expenses	890	5,573	857
Income/(loss) from operations before			
interest and income taxes	(14,832)	(5,573)	(857)
Income from sale of activities	86	0	0
Interest income and other, net	3,370	1,043	160
Income/(loss) before income taxes	(11,376)	(4,530)	(697)
Income taxes	30	0	0
Net income/(loss)	(11,406)	(4,530)	\$ (697)
Earnings/(loss) per share, basic	(0.67)	(0.27)	(\$0.04)
Earnings/(loss) per share, diluted	(0.67)	(0.27)	(\$0.04)
Weighted average shares outstanding			
including common stock equivalents, basic	17,126	16,938	16,938
Weighted average shares outstanding			
including common stock equivalents, diluted	17,126	16,938	16,938

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## **Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets**

(in thousands)

	December 31	June 30	June 30
	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2003</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>	<b>DKK</b> (Audited)	<b>DKK</b> (Unaudited)	Convenience translation USD (Unaudited)
Current assets:	(,	()	(
Cash and cash equivalents	91,970	64,851	\$9,974
Restricted cash	3,191	2,929	450
Outstanding amounts, affiliated companies	37,835	51,518	7,923
Accounts receivable	996	319	49
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	4,594	2,305	355
Total current assets	138,586	121,922	18,751
Long-term assets	2,302	1,301	200
Investments, property and equipment, net	167	140	22
Outstanding amounts, affiliated companies	10,000	20,750	3,191
Investments in affiliated companies	97,663	97,833	15,046
<u>Total assets</u>	248,718	241,946	\$37,210
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	7,998	5,928	\$912
Total current liabilities	7,998	5,928	912
Provisions:			
Restructuring charges	13,686	12,885	1,981
Total provisions	13,686	12,885	1,981
Shareholders' equity	227,034	223,133	34,317
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	248,718	241,946	\$37,210

The balance sheets and statements of income include a convenience translation for the most recent reporting period by applying the quarter-end exchange rate of DKK 6,5021 per US\$ 1.00. This translation should not be construed to imply that the DKK amounts actually represent, or have been or could have been converted to, U.S. dollars

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Investments in Affiliated Companies as of June 30, 2003

Company	Shareholding (Non-diluted)	Investment (DKK 1,000)
Danacell A/S	16.7%	1,229
Decuma AB	14.1%	9,759
Hymite A/S	19.3%	13,000
ITE ApS	100.0%	22,373
LH Comlog A/S	22.5%	12,500
Scalado AB	37.3%	16,261
Sifira A/S	57.2%	17,961
Tpack A/S	21.3%	8,500
Investments in total		101,583
Write-down		(3,750)
Write-up		Ó
Investments in affiliated companies		97,833