





## **ABL Group acquires AGR**

20th March 2023

## **Brief summary of announcement**

- ABL Group has entered into an agreement to acquire 100% of AGR
- The transaction is financed through issue of shares to sellers Akastor, as well as AGR's lending banks DNB and Nordea
- All interest bearing debt in AGR is settled as part of transaction, creating a strong financial platform for growth
- Add Energy's 'Wells' business and AGR to form new AGR branded 'vertical' in ABL Group
- The transaction is expected to close mid-April 2023
- Both groups of companies will continue to operate independently until closing





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## AGR and ABL Group's pro forma combined financial profile



<sup>1.</sup> AGR financials converted to USD based on Norges Bank FX rates (yearly averages)

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<sup>2.</sup> AGR revenues include some larger non-recurring items in 2021 (NOK 11m loss on shares in SpotOn WM UK) and 2022 (NOK 21m gain on shares in Føn Energy and NOK 4m in performance bonus).

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### Transaction overview

- ABL Group acquires 100% of shares in AGR AS from a subsidiary of Akastor ASA at EV NOK 262.5 million
  - Settled through issuance of 18.2 million new ABL Group shares and existing cash
  - Certain minority stakes including Føn Energy Services carved out prior to transaction and retained by seller
  - AGR is acquired debt free existing debt from Akastor, Nordea and DNB settled as part of transaction
- After completion, each of Akastor, DNB and Nordea will own approximately 1/3 of the consideration shares
  - Consideration shares will represent 14.8% of outstanding shares
  - Akastor, DNB and Nordea have entered into a 12 month lock-up agreement for the consideration shares
- Completion of acquisition expected on or about 18 April 2023
  - Subject to approval of equity issue at ABL Group EGM
  - Shareholders representing 40% of shares in ABL Group ASA have committed to voting in favour

Purchase price and settlement					
Enterprise value	262.5	Share consideration	272.5		
Net cash and excess NWC	90.4	Cash consideration <sup>1</sup>	80.4		
Purchase price1	352.9	Total settlement <sup>1</sup>	352.9		

Indicative timeline

Event	Estimated date		
ABL Group EGM	12 April 2023		
Completion of acquisition	18 April 2023		
Issuance of consideration shares (separate ISIN)	25 April 2023		
Publication of listing prospectus	Late May / Early June		



## **ABL Group – growth snapshot**

### **Overview**

- ABL Group offers independent energy and marine consultancy to the global renewables, maritime and oil and gas sectors
- Clients include insurance companies, financial institutions, owners of offshore installations and vessels, utilities, O&G companies and EPC contractors
- Global office network consisting of 62 offices in 38 countries
- 1,098 employees (incl. subcontractors)
- Listed on Oslo Stock Exchange since 2014

## **Key Financials<sup>1</sup> (USDm)**



### Main market sector and revenue split<sup>2</sup>

Oil & Gas

Renewables

Maritime

53%

29%

18%

## Geographical set-up



- ) LOC consolidated from 1Q21, Add Energy from 3Q22
- (2) Based on 2022 revenue as reported, Add Energy consolidated from 3Q22

## AGR positioned for growth within the ABL Group



### Overview

- AGR is a multi-disciplinary engineering consultancy and software provider focused on:
  - Well management
  - Specialist multi-disciplinary resource solutions provider ('consultancy')
  - Reservoir management
  - Wellsite & operations geology
  - iQx<sup>™</sup> software suite
- Clients include E&P, chemical & energy companies, financial institutions
- 5 offices in Norway, UK, and Australia
- 370 employees (incl. subcontractors)

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- 2. AGR financials converted to USD based on Norges Bank FX rates (yearly averages)
- 3. Based on 2022 preliminary financials. Segment's share of total are based on financials gross of eliminations.
  - Well & Reservoir' is AGR's Wellsite & Operations Geology, Well Management and Reservoir Management offerings combined.

    The three 'business streams' represented reflect the different business models of each; recruitment/secondment, consultancy services and software.

### Main business streams and revenue & EBITDA split<sup>3</sup>



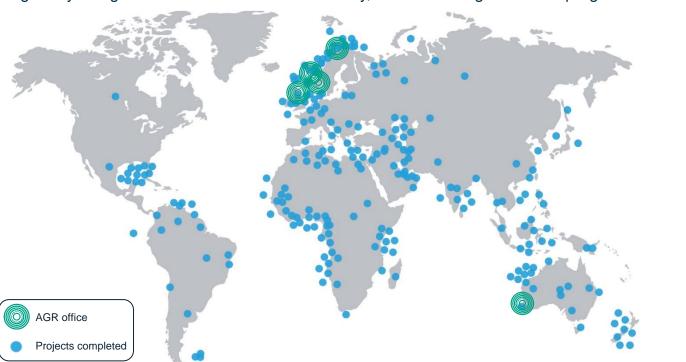
### **Geographical set-up**





## AGR brings a world of expertise & experience

A globally recognised brand within well consultancy, scalable through ABL Group's global reach



560+

well projects delivered across 6 continents

200+

wells decommissioned

2500+

wells reviewed for pore pressure stability



## AGR's capabilities



















### **Drilling Project** Management & Well Engineering

**Outsourced Drilling** department with HSEQ management

Ad-hoc well engineering

Well Integrity & Assurance

Regulatory submissions

560+ well projects delivered across 6 continents

P&A, Decommissioning Project Management across

200+ wells plugged &

entire supply chain

abandoned

## **Supply Chain**

People and materials movement

Procurement and project cost control

Flexible contracting models

Supply Base set up

80+ remote operations

## Management & Asset Evaluation

G&G and reservoir engineering

Industry recognised asset evaluator

Average experience level of team members 20+ years

1.500+ peer reviews delivered

# Consultant &

Staffing & Recruiting services in multidisciplinary roles

Database of 7,000+ candidates

4.000 candidates placed in 70 locations

### Operations and **Wellsite Geology**

Largest pool of experts on NCS with 45+ operations & wellsite geologists

Coaching

2.500+ wells reviewed for Pore Pressure stability

## Low carbon

CCUS

Geothermal Hydrogen

Seabed minerals

Cloud-native

Connects to other systems via OpenAPI

### Functionalities:

- increased automation & workflow efficiency in well delivery (cost & time planning, tracking, saving lessons learned, rig scheduling)



## Potential to grow and globalise services through ABL Group's global network

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Well Management	Active In Australia	Globally recognised brand, leading position in Australia	Strengthen current position. Globalise through ABL Group's network
Resource Solutions	Strong niche position in 'high end' O&G resourcing in Australia. Limited position in 'high end' RE resourcing	Leading position in "high end' O&G resourcing in Norway and Australia and active in other markets	Strengthen current position and globalise. Accelerate growth into renewables
Reservoir Management	No presence	Leading position in Norway	Positioned for growth via ABL Group's global network
ccus	Active in a number of early projects, leveraging world leading well integrity expertise	Active in several early projects, leveraging wells & reservoir expertise	Consolidate competencies into broader global offering
Software	Fragmented software development	Fully commercialised software division, limited by lack of global sales network	Consolidated software development with global sales network
Wellsite & Ops. Geology	Not present	Leading position in Norway	Positioned for growth via ABL Group global network
Well Control	Global leading position	Not present	Maintain position as global leader



AGR generic time, cost, risk and program management software currently used for geothermal wells

AGR have a large geoscience team in geology and geoscience, reservoir engineering and wellsite geology



AGR & ABL existing business in CCUS & hydrogen and AGR business in geothermal



Use AGR's systems and methodology and ABL's contacts to grow this business rapidly into

renewables

Bring AGR's software and OWC's risk management approach to offshore wind clients



ABL & OWC inc. EPG have a large team of geoscientists working mostly in offshore wind – opportunity to further expand AGR team into OSW



Complementary skillsets in: Hydrogen **CCUS** 

Project development, power to X \*, marine (ABL + OWC)

Production. storage (AGR)

AGR reservoir storage & CO2 wells capabilities

Existing Add Energy experience



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## Benefits to all stakeholders



### **Customers**

- ✓ New capabilities and broader suit of services offered
- ✓ Increased scale and wider global footprint helps the company to efficiently meet customers' evolving needs
- ✓ Limited overlap and compelling customer benefits with comprehensive service and software product offering and wide service network

## **Employees**

- ✓ Better career prospects at a larger, global and more diversified company more exposed to the energy transition
- √ Additional renewables/energy transition capabilities for us to grow
- ✓ Increased professional development and international career opportunities
- ✓ Access to larger pipeline of work and challenging projects with greater opportunity for innovation across market sectors

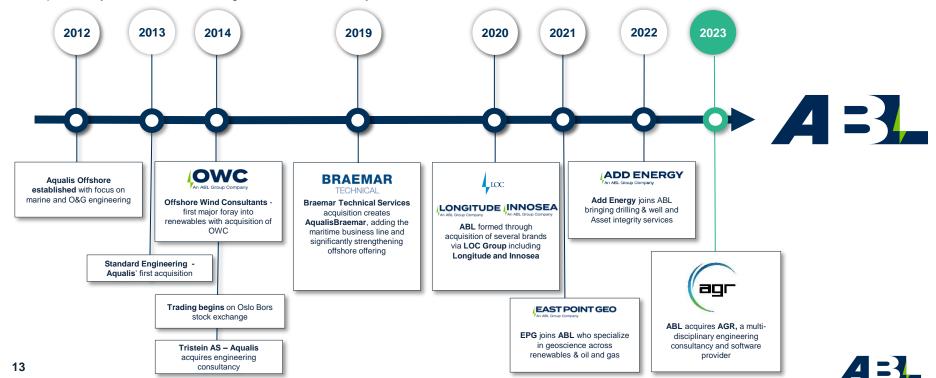
### **Shareholders**

- ✓ Accretive acquisition with strong industrial rationale
- ✓ Significant revenue synergies in combining AGR's unique capabilities and strong brand with ABL Group's global platform
- ✓ Improved platform for growing scalable software and digital services



## A track record of successful consolidation

Through targeted acquisition and organic growth, we have built a comprehensive family of **Energy** and **Marine** consultancy companies who are renowned in their field offering services that are both complementary and interconnected. Together we are **ABL Group**.



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