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Oslo, 22 January 2021: Reference is made to the stock exchange notice by Norske Skog ASA ("Norske Skog" or the "Company", OSE ticker code "NSKOG") on 14 January 2021 announcing the successful completion of a private placement with a total transaction size of NOK 800 million through the allocation of 23,529,410 shares in the Company at a price of NOK 34 per share (the "Private Placement"), and that the board of directors would consider to carry out a subsequent offering of new shares in the Company (the "Subsequent Offering"), depending on amongst other things on the development of the price of the Company's shares following the Private Placement.

Following announcement of completion of the Private Placement, the Company's shares have traded on the Oslo Stock Exchange, with significant trading volume, at prices below the price per share in the Private Placement of NOK 34. Accordingly, any shareholders wishing to reduce the dilutive effect of the Private Placement have had the opportunity to purchase shares in the Company in the market, at prices below what would have been the subscription price in a Subsequent Offering. Hence, the board of directors of the Company has resolved not to proceed with a Subsequent Offering.

The board of directors has proposed that the extraordinary general meeting to be held on 5 February 2021 resolves to grant to the board of directors with an authorisation to increase the share capital of the Company for the purpose of issuing new shares in the Subsequent Offering. That authorisation will accordingly not be used if granted by the extraordinary general meeting.

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About Norske Skog

Norske Skog is a world leading producer of publication paper with strong market positions and customer relations in Europe and Australasia. The Norske Skog Group operates four mills in Europe, of which two will produce recycled containerboard following planned conversion projects. In addition, the Group operates two publication paper mills and a pellets facility in Australasia. Norske Skog aims to further diversify its operations and continue its transformation into a growing and high-margin business through a range of promising fibre projects. The Group has approximately 2,300 employees in five countries, is headquartered in Norway and listed on the Oslo Stock Exchange under the ticker NSKOG.

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