N.B. The English text is an unofficial translation. In case of any discrepancies between the Swedish text and the English translation the Swedish text shall prevail.

The Board of Directors' statement according to Chapter 19, Section 22 of the Swedish Companies Act regarding the proposal for a resolution on authorisation for the Board of Directors to decide on acquisition of shares in the Company

The Board of Directors of Alfa Laval AB (publ) has proposed that the Annual General Meeting of shareholders to be held on April 27, 2011 resolves to authorise the Board of Directors to purchase shares in the Company on the NASDAQ OMX Stockholm. The Board of Directors may use the authorisation on one or several occasions for the time until the next Annual General Meeting and the Board of Directors resolutions on purchases of shares in the Company must not at any time be made to such extent that the number of shares held by the Company exceeds five per cent (5%) of the total number of shares in the Company. Purchase of shares in the Company must be made within the price spread at the time of the purchase.

The purpose of the acquisition of own shares is to give the Board of Directors the possibility to adjust the capital structure of the Company during the period until the next Annual General Meeting, whereafter it is the Board of Directors' intention to propose the next Annual General Meeting to resolve on cancellation of the shares repurchased by the Company according to the authorisation.

## The justification of the authorisation

In regard to the statement to be provided pursuant to Chapter 19, Section 22 of the Swedish Companies Act, reference is made to the Board of Directors' statement pursuant to Chapter 18, Section 4 of the Swedish Companies Act, which has been submitted in connection with the proposal for distribution of profits. With reference to what is stated therein and to the best knowledge of the Board of Directors, it is the Board of Directors' opinion that the proposed authorisation on acquisition of shares is justifiable taking into consideration the demands with respect of shareholders' equity which are imposed by the nature, scope and risks associated with the operations and the Company's and the Group's need to strengthen the balance sheet, liquidity and financial position in general, having considered the proposed dividend of SEK 3.00 per share.

Lund, March 2011

The Board of Directors of Alfa Laval AB (publ)