Brief Announcement on the Financial Results for The Second Quarter of the Fiscal Year 2009 (Consolidated)

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(In millions of yen)

1. Consolidated Performance for the Second quarter of FY 2009 (April 1, 2009 – September 30, 2009)

(1) Consolidated operating results

| | Net sales | Operating income | Ordinary income | Net income for the Second quarter of the fiscal year |
|---|----------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Results for the Second quarter of FY 2009 | 3,071 (△16.9%) | 43 (△66.0%) | 48 (△ 64 .9%) | 34(△64.8%) |
| Results for the Second quarter of FY 2008 | 3,697() | 127() | 138() | 96() |

| | | Net income per share after adjustment of latent shares for the Second quarter of the fiscal year |
|---|-----------|--|
| Results for the Second quarter of FY 2009 | 6.40 yen | |
| Results for the Second quarter of FY 2008 | 17.77 yen | |

(2) Consolidated financial position

| | Total assets | Shareholder's equity | Ratio of shareholder's equity | Shareholder's equity per share |
|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| September 30 2009 | 4,423 | 3,693 | 83.5% | 696.07 yen |
| FY 2008 | 4,802 | 3,874 | 80.7% | 724.61 yen |

2. Dividend position

| | End of first quarter | End of second quarter | End of third quarter | End of FY | Annual Total |
|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| FY 2008 | | 0.00 yen | | 35.00 yen | 35.00 yen |
| FY 2009 | | | | | |
| FY 2009 (Forecast) | | 0.00 yen | | 35.00 yen | 35.00 yen |

3. Forecast Consolidated Performance for FY 2009 (April 1, 2009 – March 31, 2010)

| | Net sales | Operating income | Ordinary income | Net income | Net income per share |
|---------|---------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------|----------------------|
| FY 2009 | 7,250 (△0.4%) | 325 (15.3%) | 335 (9.7%) | 203 (△4.7%) | 37.96 yen |

(In thousands of yen)

Second quarter(FY2009) previous year(FY 2008)

| nsolidated quarterly balance sheets assets | | |
|--|-----------|----------|
| Current assets | | |
| Cash and deposits | 1,664,409 | 1,702,06 |
| Notes and accounts receivable-trade | 756,029 | 947,71 |
| Short-term investment securities | 397,827 | 399,87 |
| Merchandise | - | 1,52 |
| Merchandise and finished goods | | .,02 |
| Work in process | 27,845 | 28,42 |
| Raw materials and supplies | - 7-11 | |
| Other | 247,908 | 267,38 |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts | -537 | -53 |
| Total current assets | 3,093,482 | 3,346,45 |
| Noncurrent assets | | 2,222,22 |
| Property, plant and equipment | | |
| Buildings | 167,260 | 167,26 |
| Accumulated depreciation | -81,628 | -79,16 |
| Buildings, net | 85,631 | 88,09 |
| Land | 110,534 | 110,53 |
| Other | 114,988 | 115,10 |
| Accumulated depreciation | -92,797 | -88,37 |
| Other, net | 22,190 | 26,72 |
| Total property, plant and equipment | 218,356 | 225,35 |
| Intangible assets | <u> </u> | |
| Goodwill | 63,050 | - |
| Other | 88,074 | 165,89 |
| Total intangible assets | 151,124 | 165,89 |
| Investments and other assets | | |
| Investment securities | 654,277 | 734,39 |
| Other | 306,625 | 330,46 |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts | -309 | -30 |
| Total investments and other assets | 960,593 | 1,064,55 |
| Total noncurrent assets | 1,330,074 | 1,455,80 |
| Total assets | 4,423,556 | 4,802,25 |
| abilities | | |
| Current liabilities | | |
| Accounts payable-trade | 112,156 | 211,88 |
| Income taxes payable | 6,734 | 7,24 |
| Provision for bonuses | 225,121 | 310,06 |
| Provision for product warranties | | |
| Provision for loss on projects | 3,583 | - |
| Provision for loss on order received | | |
| Asset retirement obligations | | |
| Other | 192,541 | 218,71 |
| Total current liabilities | 540,136 | 747,91 |
| Noncurrent liabilities | | |
| Provision for retirement benefits | 81,531 | 59,56 |
| Provision for directors' retirement benefits | 108,142 | 119,91 |
| Asset retirement obligations | | |
| Other | | |

| Total noncurrent liabilities | 189,674 | 179,482 |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Total liabilities | 729,810 | 927,400 |
| Net assets | | |
| Shareholders' equity | | |
| Capital stock | 491,031 | 491,031 |
| Capital surplus | 499,678 | 499,678 |
| Retained earnings | 2,834,401 | 2,987,466 |
| Treasury stock | -131,463 | -102,585 |
| Total shareholders' equity | 3,693,647 | 3,875,589 |
| Valuation and translation adjustments | | |
| Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities | 447 | -139 |
| Foreign currency translation adjustment | -349 | -593 |
| Total valuation and translation adjustments | 98 | -733 |
| Minority interests | | |
| Total net assets | 3,693,745 | 3,874,855 |
| Total liabilities and net assets | 4,423,556 | 4,802,250 |

(In thousands of yen)

Second quarter(FY2008) Second quarter(FY2009)

| Net sales | 3,697,702 | 3,071,34 |
|--|---------------------|----------|
| Cost of sales | 3,117,258 | 2,646,60 |
| Gross profit | 580,443 | 424,73 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | | · |
| Salaries, allowances and bonuses | 102,057 | 112,27 |
| Directors' compensations | 92,439 | 70,82 |
| Provision for bonuses | 21,053 | 15,26 |
| Retirement benefit expenses | 7,181 | 7,78 |
| Provision for directors' retirement benefits | 3,000 | 2,60 |
| Provision of allowance for doubtful accounts | 0,000 | 2,00 |
| Amortization of goodwill | | |
| Other | 226,993 | 172,55 |
| Total selling, general and administrative expenses | 452,726 | 381,31 |
| Operating income | 127,717 | 43,42 |
| Non-operating income | 121,111 | 43,42 |
| Interest income | 12,298 | 13,87 |
| Dividends income | 12,270 | 13,07 |
| Gain on sales of securities | | |
| Gain on sales of investment securities | | |
| | | |
| Gain on investments in partnership | | |
| Gain on insurance agency business transfer | | |
| Foreign exchange gains | | |
| Gain on sales of noncurrent assets | | |
| Insurance fee | | |
| Other | 6,067 | 2,49 |
| Total non-operating income | 18,366 | 16,37 |
| lon-operating expenses | | |
| Interest expenses | | |
| Loss on sales of securities | | |
| Loss on valuation of securities | | |
| Loss on investments in partnership | 6,500 | 10,40 |
| Foreign exchange losses | | |
| Loss on retirement of noncurrent assets | | |
| Loss on sales of noncurrent assets | | |
| Other | 759 | 63 |
| Total non-operating expenses | 7,259 | 11,04 |
| Ordinary income | 138,823 | 48,74 |
| Extraordinary income | | |
| Gain on prior period adjustment | | |
| Commutation expenses for prior periods | 50,392 <u>**</u> | - |
| Gain on sales of noncurrent assets | | |
| Gain on sales of investment securities | | |
| Total extraordinary income | 50,392 | - |
| Extraordinary loss | | |
| Loss on prior period adjustment | | |
| Loss on sales of noncurrent assets | | |
| Impairment loss | | |
| Loss on disaster | | |

| Loss on valuation of investment securities | | |
|---|---------|--------|
| Loss on sales of investment securities | _ | 943 |
| Total extraordinary losses | _ | 943 |
| Income before income taxes and minority interests | 189,216 | 47,805 |
| Income taxes-current | 83,236 | 6,985 |
| Income taxes-deferred | 9,153 | 6,720 |
| Total income taxes | 92,390 | 13,705 |
| Minority interests in income | 19 | _ |
| Net income | 96,806 | 34,099 |

(In thousands of yen)

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| Purchase of investment securities -299 | ,270 -101 |
| Proceeds from sales of investment securities | |
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| Proceeds from sales and redemption of short-term and long term investment securities | |
| Proceeds from purchase of investments in subsidiaries resulting in change in scope of consolidation | |

| Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities | -387,407 | 691,241 |
|--|-----------|-----------|
| Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities | | |
| Decrease in short-term loans payable | -16,853 | _ |
| Proceeds from issuance of common stock | | |
| Purchase of treasury stock | -32,920 | -29,053 |
| Proceeds from disposal of treasury stock | | |
| Cash dividends paid | -164,074 | -186,963 |
| Other, net | | |
| Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities | -213,847 | -216,017 |
| Effect of exchange rate change on cash and cash equivalents | -540 | 244 |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | -572,144 | 561,691 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 1,840,120 | 1,085,846 |
| Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents resulting from change of scope of consolidation | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | 1,267,976 | 1,647,538 |