Brief Announcement on the Financial Results for the First Half of the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2006 (Consolidated)

Company : Quest Co., Ltd. Code : 2332 (URL http://www.quest.co.jp/)

1. Consolidated Performance for the first half of FY 2006 (April 1, 2006 - September 30, 2006)

(1) Consolidated operating results

(In millions of yen)

|                                       |              |                  | (               |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|------------------|-----------------|
|                                       | Net sales    | Operating profit | Ordinary profit |
| Results for first half of FY 2006     | 3,284(+2.1%) | 140(170.1%)      | 145(+32.2%)     |
| Results for the first half of FY 2005 | 3,216(+2.4%) | 52(-23.7%)       | 110(+52.1%)     |
| FY 2006 results                       | 6,470        | 303              | 368             |

|                                       | Net profit for the<br>first half of the<br>fiscal year<br>(in millions of yen) | Net profit per share<br>for the first half of the<br>fiscal year | Net profit per share<br>after adjustment of<br>latent shares for the<br>first half of the fiscal |
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| Results for first half of FY 2006     | 82( )  | 26.25 yen  | 25.99 yen  |
| Results for the first half of FY 2005 | -25( )   | -8.32 yen  | ()   |
| FY 2006 results                       | 137  | 44.62 yen  | 44.14 yen  |

Note:

1. Changes in investment by the equity method : First half of FY 2006 --;

First half of FY 2005 --;

FY 2006 --

2. Average number of shares during term (consolidated): First half of FY 2006 = 3.13 million shares;

First half of FY 2005 = 3.06 million shares;

FY 2006 = 3.08 million shares

3. Changes in accounting principles : none

4. Figures in parenthesis for net sales, operating profit, ordinary profit and net interim profit are year-on-year interim growth rates.

## (2) Consolidated financial position

|                             | Total assets         | Shareholder's<br>equity | Ratio of shareholder's | Shareholder's equity per share |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|
|                             | (in millions of yen) | (in millions of yen)    | equity                 |                                |
| At end of<br>September 2006 | 4,623                | 3,601                   | 77.9%                  | 1,148.91 yen                   |
| At end of<br>September 2005 | 4,332                | 3,406                   | 78.6%                  | 1,106.95 yen                   |
| At end of March 2006        | 4,668                | 3,692                   | 79.1%                  | 1,178.35 yen                   |

Note: Number of outstanding stocks at end of term (consolidated):

First half of FY 2006 = 3.13 million shares; First half of FY 2005 = 3.07 million shares; FY 2006= 3.13 million shares

(3) Consolidated cashflow position

(In millions of yen)

|                       | Cashflow from | Cashflow from | Cashflow from | Cash and cash  |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
|                       | operating     | investment    | financing     | equivalents at |
|                       | activities    | activities    | activities    | end of term    |
| First half of FY 2006 | 80            | -194          | -94           | 2,272          |
| First half of FY 2005 | 165           | 55            | -78           | 2,028          |
| FY 2006               | 399           | 201           | -12           | 2,478          |

(4) Items related to the extent of consolidation and the application of the equity method

Number of consolidated subsidiaries: 4;

Number of nonconsolidated subsidiaries to which the equity method is applied: none;

Number of nonconsolidated affiliates to which the equity method is applied: none

(5) Changes in the extent of consolidation and the application of the equity method

Number of newly consolidated subsidiaries: 2;

Number of consolidated subsidiaries removed: none;

Number of newly nonconsolidated subsidiaries to which the equity method is applied: none;

Number of nonconsolidated affiliates to which the equity method is no longer applied: none

2. Forecast Consolidated Performance for FY 2006 (April 1, 2006- March 31, 2007)

(In millions of yen)

|                  | Net sales | Operating profit | Ordinary profit |
|------------------|-----------|------------------|-----------------|
| FY 2006 forecast | 6,792     | 440              | 246             |

Reference: Forecast FY 2006 net profit per share = 59.52 yen

Summary of Non-consolidated Financial Statements for the First Half of Fiscal 2006

Company : Quest Co., Ltd. Code : 2332 (URL <u>http://www.quest.co.jp/</u>)

Date of the meeting of the board of directors for account settlement: November 9, 2006

| Presence of an interim dividend system | : Yes                         |
|--|-------------------------------|
| Start day for interim dividend payment | : date, month, year           |
| Adoption of stock unit system          | : Yes (one unit = 100 shares) |

1. Performance for the first half of FY 2006(April 1, 2006 - September 30, 2006)

(1) Operating results

(In millions of yen)

|                       |              |                  | (               |
|-----------------------|--------------|------------------|-----------------|
|                       | Net sales    | Operating profit | Ordinary profit |
| First half of FY 2006 | 3,182(+4.3%) | 118(+24.7%)      | 131( - 17.4%)   |
| First half of FY 2005 | 3,050(-0.5%) | 94(+86.6%)       | 158(+152.6%)    |
| FY 2006               | 6,187        | 337              | 418             |

|                       | Net profit for the first half | Net profit per share for the first half |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|---|
|                       | (in millions of yen)          |   |
| First half of FY 2006 | 70 (190.1%)                   | 22.35 yen                               |
| First half of FY 2005 | 24 (-35.6%)                   | 7.86 yen                                |
| FY 2006 results       | 101                           | 33.03 yen                               |

Note:

1. Average number of shares during term : First half of FY 2006 = 3.13 million shares;

First half of FY 2005 = 3.06 million shares;

FY 2006 = 3.08 million shares

- 2. Changes in accounting principles :none
- 3. Figures in parenthesis for net sales, operating profit, ordinary profit and net interim profit are year-on-year interim growth rates.

(2) Dividend position

|                       | Interim dividend per share | Annual dividend per share |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| First half of FY 2006 |                            |                           |
| First half of FY 2005 |                            |                           |
| FY 2006               |                            | 30.00 yen                 |

(3) Financial position

|                             | Total assets         | Shareholder's equity | Ratio of shareholder's | Shareholder's equity per share |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|
|                             | (in millions of yen) | (in millions of yen) | equity                 |                                |
| At end of<br>September 2006 | 4,451                | 3,451                | 77.5%                  | 1,101.29 yen                   |
| At end of<br>September 2005 | 4,245                | 3,349                | 78.9%                  | 1,088.40 yen                   |
| At end of April<br>2006     | 4,498                | 3,549                | 78.9%                  | 1,132.86 yen                   |
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(Note) 1. Number of issued shares at end of term : First half of FY 2006 = 3.13 million shares;

2. Treasury stock at end of term

n: First half of FY 2006 = 3.13 million shares; First half of FY 2005 = 3.07 million shares; FY 2005 = 3.13 million shares
First half of FY 2006 = 45,993 shares; First half of FY 2005 = 101,810 shares; FY 2006 = 45,783 shares

## 2. Forecast Performance for FY 2006 (April 1, 2006 - March 31, 2007)

|                  | Net sales            | Operating profit     | Ordinary profit      | Annual divi<br>per share | dend  |
|------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|-------|
|                  | (in millions of yen) | (in millions of yen) | (in millions of yen) | •                        | (yen) |
|                  |                      |                      |                      | Term end                 |       |
| FY 2006 forecast | 6,603                | 426                  | 238                  | 30.00                    | 30.00 |

Reference: Forecast FY 2006 net profit per share = 57.58 yen