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Summary of Consolidated Financial Results for the Second Quarter of the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2025 (Japanese GAAP)

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Start of dividend payout: December 2, 2024

Supplementary briefs for quarterly financial results to be presented: Yes

Quarterly financial results briefing to be held: Yes

(All yen figures are rounded down to the nearest one million yen)

1. Consolidated Financial Results for the Second Quarter of the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2025 (April 1 to September 30, 2024)

(1) Consolidated Business Results (Cumulative)

(Percentages represent year-on-year changes)

	Net sale	es	Operating profit		Ordinary profit		Profit attributable to owners of parent	
Six months ended	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%
September 30, 2024	55,572	5.9	3,126	(5.4)	2,997	(21.0)	2,044	(20.4)
September 30, 2023	52,493	6.5	3,304	119.9	3,794	49.2	2,569	44.4

(Note) Comprehensive income: Six months ended September 30, 2024: 2,587 million yen (△17.3%)

Six months ended September 30, 2023: 3,127 million yen (42.8%)

	Profit per share	Diluted profit per share
	Yen	Yen
Six months ended		
September 30, 2024	157.88	<u> </u>
September 30, 2023	198.39	_

(2) Consolidated Financial Condition

	Total assets	Net assets	Shareholders' equity	Net assets per share
As of	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	%	Yen
September 30, 2024	123,978	57,799	46.6	4,464.39
March 31, 2024	128,923	55,601	43.1	4,293.67

2. Cash Dividends

	Dividend per share						
	End of 1Q	End of 2Q	End of 3Q	End of FY	Annual		
Fiscal year ended	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen		
March 31, 2024	_	30.00	_	30.00	60.00		
Fiscal year ending March 31, 2025	_	35.00					
Fiscal year ending March 31, 2025 (Forecast)			_	35.00	70.00		

(Note) Revisions to the most recently announced dividend forecast during the period: Yes

3. Consolidated Financial Forecasts for the Year Ending March 2025 (from April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025)

(% = year-on-year change for each quarter and full-year)

	Net sales		Operating profit		Ordinary profit		Profit attributable to owners of parent		Profit per share
	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Yen
Full year	112,000	3.9	5,000	(19.0)	5,100	(25.2)	3,400	(8.2)	262.56

(Note) Revisions to the most recently announced financial forecast during the period: Yes

*Notes

(1) Changes in important subsidiaries during the period

(changes in specified subsidiaries resulting in changes in scope of consolidation)

: None

New — (company name)

Excluded — (company name)

(2) Application of special accounting methods for preparing quarterly consolidated financial statements : None

(3) Changes in accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates, and restatements

1) Changes in accounting policies due to revision of accounting standards, etc. : Yes 2) Changes in accounting policies other than (1) : None : None 3) Changes in accounting estimates 4) Correction re-representation : None

(4) Number of shares issued and outstandi	ing (common stock)			
1)Number of shares outstanding at end of period	As of September 30, 2024	13,354,688 shares	As of March 31, 2024	13,354,688 shares
(including treasury stock)				
2) Number of own shares at end of period	As of September 30, 2024	405,483 shares	As of March 31, 2024	405,003 shares
3) Average number of shares during the period	Six months ended September 30, 2024	12,949,494 shares	Six months ended September 30, 2023	12,950,116 shares

^{*} Quarterly financial results are not subject to audit by a certified public accountant or auditing firm.

The above forecasts are based on information available as of the date of publication of this document and on certain assumptions that we consider reasonable and are therefore subject to a number of uncertainties. Actual results may differ from the above forecasts due to changes in various factor.

^{*} Explanation of appropriate use of financial forecasts and other special notes.

274

10,792

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(44)

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70,925

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58

(Unit: Millions of yen)

220

11,268 5,161

(58)

16,372

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123,978

64

Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements and Important Notes

(1) Quarterly Consolidated Balance Sheet

Total intangible assets

Investments and other assets
Investment securities

Total non-current assets

Allowance for doubtful accounts

Total investments and other assets

Other

Deferred assets

Total assets

As of March 31, 2024 As of September 30, 2024 Assets Current assets 6,661 Cash and deposits 10,670 Notes and accounts receivable and contract assets 27,246 28,457 Merchandise and finished goods 10,064 9,813 Work in process 545 628 Raw materials and supplies 5,993 5,962 2,209 2,336 Allowance for doubtful accounts (2) (3) 57,939 52,645 Total current assets Non-current assets Property, plant and equipment 52,917 52,978 Buildings and structures Accumulated depreciation (37,682)(38,236)Buildings and structures, net 15,234 14,741 244,359 245,741 Machinery, equipment and vehicles Accumulated depreciation (217,385)(217,919)27,822 Machinery, equipment and vehicles, net 26,974 14,917 15,152 Accumulated depreciation (2,973)(3,040)Other, net 11,943 12,111 Total property, plant and equipment 54,152 54,675 Intangible assets Other 274 220

(Unit: Millions of yen)

	As of March 31, 2024	As of September 30, 2024	
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Notes and accounts payable trade	17,644	14,923	
Short-term borrowings	24,774	24,718	
Income taxes payable	1,137	818	
Allowance for bonuses	560	563	
Provision for loss on disaster	96	23	
Provisions for removal cost of property, plant and equipment	87	85	
Other	6,102	5,499	
Total current liabilities	50,404	46,632	
Non-current liabilities			
Long-term borrowings	16,862	13,809	
Provisions for environmental measures	106	87	
Provisions for loss on business of subsidiaries and affiliates	43	43	
Retirement benefit liability	5,742	5,411	
Other	161	194	
Total non-current liabilities	22,917	19,546	
Total liabilities	73,322	66,178	
Net assets			
Shareholders equity			
Share capital	18,864	18,864	
Capital surplus	16,253	16,253	
Retained earnings	18,347	20,003	
Treasury shares	(409)	(410)	
Total shareholders equity	53,056	54,711	
Accumulated other comprehensive income			
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	2,387	2,536	
Foreign currency translation adjustment	189	302	
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	(31)	259	
Total accumulated other comprehensive income	2,545	3,098	
Non-controlling interests	(0)	(10)	
Total net assets	55,601	57,799	
Total liabilities and net assets	128,923	123,978	

2) Quarterly Consolidated Statements of Income and Quarterly Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income Quarterly Consolidated Statements of Income For the Six -month Period

		(Unit: Millions of yen)
	Six months ended September 30, 2023	Six months ended September 30, 2024
Net sales	52,493	55,572
Cost of sales	43,574	46,342
Gross profit	8,919	9,230
Selling, general and administrative expenses		
Sales commissions	68	58
Transportation costs	2,990	3,500
Storage costs	757	757
Other	1,798	1,787
Total selling, general and administrative expenses	5,615	6,104
Operating profit	3,304	3,126
Non-operating income		
Interest income	29	27
Dividend income	93	101
Foreign exchange gains	397	_
Share of profit of entities accounted for using equity method	98	182
Other	41	81
Total non-operating income	660	393
Non-operating expenses		
Interest expenses	120	138
Foreign exchange losses	-	341
Other	49	42
Total non-operating expenses	170	521
Ordinary profit	3,794	2,997
Extraordinary income		
Gain on sale of non-current assets	1	1
Total extraordinary income	1	1
Extraordinary losses		
Loss on retirement of non-current assets	321	179
Special retirement benefits	8	_
Other	11	1
Total extraordinary losses	342	181
Profit before income taxes	3,453	2,818
Income taxes - current	498	671
Income taxes - deferred	395	112
Total income taxes	894	783
Profit	2,559	2,034
Loss attributable to non-controlling interests	(9)	(10)
Profit attributable to owners of parent	2,569	2,044
- Total authorization of parent	2,309	2,044

Quarterly Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income For the Six -month Period

		(Unit: Millions of yen)
	Six months ended September 30, 2023	Six months ended September 30, 2024
Profit	2,559	2,034
Other comprehensive income		
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	419	225
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans, net of tax	5	291
Share of other comprehensive income of entities accounted for using equity method	143	36
Total other comprehensive income	568	553
Comprehensive income	3,127	2,587
(Breakdown)		
Comprehensive income attributable to owners of parent	3,137	2,597
Comprehensive income attributable to non- controlling interests	(9)	(10)

315

(55)

(4,231)

315

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(3,570)

3) Quarterly Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

Proceeds from collection of long-term loans receivable

Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities

(Unit: Millions of yen) Six months ended Six months ended September 30, 2023 September 30, 2024 Cash flows from operating activities 3,453 2,818 Profit before income taxes 2,905 3,062 Depreciation Increase (decrease) in allowance for doubtful accounts (0)14 (129)Interest and dividend income (123)Interest expenses 138 120 (186)111 Foreign exchange gain/loss Share of loss (profit) of entities accounted for using (98)(182)equity method Gains and losses on valuation of investment securities 11 Loss on retirement of non-current assets 35 179 Loss (gain) on sale and disposal of property, plant (1) (1) and equipment, net Decrease (increase) in trade receivables (134)1,211 Decrease (increase) in inventories (2,525)200 Decrease (increase) in other assets 15 (76)Increase (decrease) in trade payables 2,567 (2,720)Increase (decrease) in other liabilities 268 (470)Increase (decrease) in consumption taxes payable (70)(103)or receivable 4 3 Increase (decrease) in accrued bonuses Increase (decrease) in provision for loss on disaster (72)28 Increase (decrease) in retirement benefit liability 88 Increase (decrease) in provisions for fixed asset (37)removal costs Other, net (10)65 6,222 4,135 Subtotal Interest and dividends received 123 129 Interest paid (144)(115)Income taxes paid (937)(317)5,913 Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities 3,183 Cash flows from investing activities Purchase of property, plant and equipment (4,178)(3,659)Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment 2 Purchase of investment securities (0)(0)Net decrease (increase) in short-term loans receivable (314)(55)

	(Unit: Millions of yen)	
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	Six months ended September 30, 2023	Six months ended September 30, 2024
Cash flows from financing activities		
Net increase (decrease) in short-term borrowings	340	(0)
Proceeds from long-term borrowings	1,500	<u> </u>
Repayments of long-term borrowings	(2,944)	(3,110)
Purchase of treasury shares	(0)	(0)
Dividends paid	(386)	(387)
Repayments of finance lease liabilities	(17)	(12)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(1,507)	(3,511)
Effect of exchange rate change on cash and cash equivalents	186	(111)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	360	(4,009)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	8,110	10,670
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	8,470	6,661

(Segment Information)

I Previous consolidated Six months ended (April 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023)

1. Information on net sales, profit or loss by reportable segment

(Unit: Millions of yen)

	Re	portable Segme	Other	T 1		
	Paper and Pulp Manufacturing	Power Generation	Total	(Note)	Total	
Net sales						
Sales to external customers	46,833	3,735	50,569	1,924	52,493	
Intersegment sales and transfers	_	_	_	6,446	6,446	
Total	46,833	3,735	50,569	8,370	58,940	
Segment profit	2,891	309	3,201	110	3,312	

Note: "Others" is a business segment not included in the reportable segments and includes the nanoforest, paper products manufacturing, transportation, equipment design, construction and repair, raw materials, paper cutting, sorting and packaging.

2. Difference between the total amount of reported segments (profits and loss) and the amount recorded in the quarterly consolidated financial statements and the main details of such difference (matters related to difference adjustment)

(Unit: Millions of yen)

Profit	Amount
Total of reportable segments	3,201
Income in "Other" Segment	110
Elimination of intersegment transactions	17
Fixed asset adjustments	(20)
Other adjustments	(5)
Operating profit in consolidated financial statements (quarterly)	3,304

II Current consolidated Six months ended (April 1, 2024 to September 30, 2024)

1. Information on net sales, profit or loss by reportable segment

(Unit: Millions of yen)

	Reportable Segment			Other	T 1
	Paper and Pulp Manufacturing	Power Generation	Total	(Note)	Total
Net sales					
Sales to external customers	50,941	2,805	53,747	1,825	55,572
Intersegment sales and transfers	_	_	_	6,561	6,561
Total	50,941	2,805	53,747	8,387	62,134
Segment profit	2,555	314	2,869	235	3,104

Note: "Others" is a business segment not included in the reportable segments and includes the nanoforest, paper products manufacturing, transportation, equipment design, construction and repair, raw materials, paper cutting, sorting and packaging.

2. Difference between the total amount of reported segments (profits and loss) and the amount recorded in the quarterly consolidated financial statements and the main details of such difference (matters related to difference adjustment)

(Unit: Millions of yen)

Profit	Amount
Total of reportable segments	2,869
Income in "Other" Segment	235
Elimination of intersegment transactions	18
Fixed asset adjustments	5
Other adjustments	(2)
Operating profit in consolidated financial statements (quarterly)	3,126