Highlights of consolidated semiannual results 2007 (Six-month period ended September 30, 2007)

[Prepared on the basis of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America]

1. Consolidated Income

Unit: 100 millions of yen (rounded to the nearest 100 million)

Unit: 100 millions of yen (rounded to	Apr.1-Sep.30, 2007	,	increase/(decrease)	Summerry				
	(A)	(B)	amount (A)-(B)	percentage	Summary				
Gross profit	4,672	4,156	516	12%	Gross profit <businesses contributed="" increase="" the="" to="" which=""> - Steel service center operations</businesses>				
Other income (expenses) : Selling, general and administrative expenses	(3,292)	(2,947)	(345)	(12%)	 Automobile and construction equipment businesses IPP* business mainly in Asia *Independent Power Producer 				
Settlements on copper trading litigation	-	96	(96)	-	 SC Media & Commerce Inc. (former Jupiter TV / made it a subsidiary) Sales of Condominium 				
Provision for doubtful receivables	(48)	(10)	(37)	(363%)	Selling, general and administrative expenses - Effect of the newly consolidated subsidiaries				
Gain on property and equipment, net	(1)	10	(11)	-	- Increase in personnel expenses due to the expansion of business activities at subsidiaries				
Interest expense, net of interest income	(216)	(163)	(53)	(33%)	Provision for doubtful receivables - Increased due to expansion in automobile finance business in Asia				
Dividends	83	77	6	8%	Interest expense, net of interest income Apr.1-Sep.30, Apr.1-Sep.30, increase/				
Gain on marketable securities and investments, net	235	42	193	462%	2007 2006 (decrease) Interest income 142 160 (18) Interest expense (358) (323) (35)				
Equity in earnings of associated companies, net	251	340	(89)	(26%)	Total (216) (163) (53) - Rise in interest rates - -				
Other, net	4	(1)	5	-	Gain on marketable securities and investments, net - Gain from exchange of shares for business restructuring of				
Total other income (expenses)	(2,983)	(2,556)	(427)	(17%)	Jupiter TV				
Income before income taxes and minority interests in earnings of subsidiaries	1,689	1,600	89	6%	- Valuation loss on securities of Seiyu Equity in earnings of associated companies, net				
Income taxes	(533)	(554)	21	4%	- Strong performances in copper business in the Americas, Nusa Tenggara Mining Corporation (Batu Hijau copper & gold mine project in Indonesia), and				
Income before minority interests in earnings of subsidiaries	1,156	1,046	109	10%	Jupiter Telecommunications (J:COM) - Hedge evaluation losses (9.6 billion yen) on the San Cristeled silves sing load mining against in Palinia				
Minority interests in earnings of subsidiaries, net	(36)	(26)	(10)	(40%)	Cristobal silver-zinc-lead mining project in Bolivia <u>Basic profit</u> - Includes hedge evaluation losses on the San Cristobal				
Net income	1,120	1,021	99	10%	silver zine lead mining project in Polivie				
Total trading transactions	56,954	52,466	4,487	9%	Reference Apr. 1-Sep. 30, 2007 Apr. 1-Sep. 30, 2006				
Note: Total trading transactions is presented in a ma	nner customarily us	sed in Japan solely	for Japanese inve	stors' purposes.	Foreign exchange (Yen/US\$, ave) (AprSep.) 119.20 115.33 Interest (%) (
Operating income	1,333	1,199	133	11%	(YEN LIBOR6M, ave) (AprSep.) 0.85% 0.40%				
Note: Operating income is presented in a manne Basic profit (Calculation for reference)*	r customarily used	t in Japan solely t		stors' purposes.	Index(%)(AprSep.)5.4%(US\$ LIBOR6M, ave)(AprSep.)5.4%Crude oil (US\$/bbl) <north brent="" sea="">(JanJun.)63</north>				

*Calculation: (Gross profit-Selling, general and administrative expenses-Interest expenses, net of interest income+Dividends)×59% (to take into account income taxes) + Equity in earnings of associated companies, net

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2. Segment Information

Unit: 100 millions of yen (rounded to the nearest 100 million)

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	Apr.1- Sep.30, 2007	Gross profit Apr.1- Sep.30, 2006	t increase/ (decrease)	Apr.1- Sep.30, 2007	Net income Apr.1- Sep.30, 2006	increase/ (decrease)	Summary (Net income)
Metal Products	397	377	20	125	137	(12)	 Strong performances in Steel service center operations Capital gain through sales of stocks in the same period of the previous year
Transportation & Construction Systems	762	703	59	179	138	41	- Strong performances in automobile, construction equipment and ships businesses
Infrastructure	215	138	77	96	58	38	- IPP businesses in Asia
Media, Network & Lifestyle Retail	758	582	176	78	33	44	 Strong performances in J:COM and Summit, Inc. Gain from exchange of shares for business restructuring of Jupiter TV Valuation loss on securities of Seiyu
Chemical & Electronics	244	249	(5)	37	42	(4)	 Strong performance in agricultural chemicals business Decreased earnings in Cantex Inc. (PVC pipe business in the U.S.)
Mineral Resources & Energy	219	235	(16)	144	109	34	 Strong performance in copper business in the Americas Capital gain through sales of stocks Hedge evaluation losses on the San Cristobal silver-zinc-lead mining project in Bolivia
General Products & Real Estate	639	574	65	96	79	17	- Strong performance in condominium sales
Financial & Logistics	149	163	(13)	24	44	(20)	- Decreased earnings in commodity trading business
Domestic Regional Business Units and Offices	214	197	16	41	28	13	- Strong performance in metal products trading
Overseas Subsidiaries and Branches	1,050	1,114	(64)	227	236	(9)	- Decreased earnings in tubular products business in North America
Segment Total	4,647	4,333	314	1,047	905	142	
Corporate and Eliminations	25	(176)	201	73	116	(43)	- Received settlement on copper trading litigation in the same period of the previous year
Consolidated	4,672	4,156	516	1,120	1,021	99	

From this fiscal year, we have changed the operating segments according to the reorganization of our Business Units on April 1st, 2007.

The operating segment information of the same period of the previous year have also been reclassified.

3. Financial Position

	As of Sep.30, 2007	As of Mar.31, 2007	increase/ (decrease)	Summary		Apr.1-Sep.30, 2007	Apr.1-Sep.30, 2006
Total assets	86,649	84,305	2,345	<u>Total assets</u> - Increased as a result of the newly	Net cash provided by operating activities	1,759	1,469
Total shareholders' equity	16,307	14,731	1,576	consolidated subsidiaries - Increase in unrealized gains on	Net cash used in investing activities	(1,562)	(1,387)
Shareholders' equity ratio	18.8%	17.5%	1.3pt	marketable securities <u>Total shareholders' equity</u>	Free Cash Flow Net cash provided by financing	197 43	82 2,052
Interest-bearing liabilities, net	30,135	29,133	1,003	 Increases in retained earnings and unrealized holding gains on securities available-for-sale 	activities Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents, etc	51	51
Debt-equity ratio, net (times)	1.8	2.0	(0.2pt)		Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	292	2,185

4. Cash Flows

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5. Targets (Year ending March 31, 2008)

Unit: 100 millions of yen (rounded to the nearest 100 million)

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	Revised in Oct., 2007	Announced in Apr., 2007	increase/ (decrease)	Summary	Year ended	increase/(decrease) (A)-(C)	
	(A)	(B)	(A)-(B)		Mar. 31, 2007 (C)	amount	percentage(%)
Gross profit	9,800	9,600	200	Gross profit - Increase due to enhancement of core businesses	8,577	1,223	14%
Other income (expenses) :				- Effect of depreciation of yen			
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(6,950)	(6,800)	(150)	Interest expense, net of interest income	(6,099)	(851)	(14%)
Interest expense, net of interest income	(460)	(430)	(30)	- Increase in interest-bearing liabilities due to the expansion of business base	(371)	(89)	(24%)
Dividends	150	150	0	Equity in earnings of associated companies, net	141	9	6%
Equity in earnings of associated companies, net	600	770	(170)	- Hedge evaluation losses on the San Cristobal silver-zinc-lead mining project in Bolivia (Revised from 4.3 billion yen loss to 21.8 billion	703	(103)	(15%)
Other, net	570	500	70	yen loss)	368	202	55%
Total other income (expenses)	(6,090)	(5,810)	(280)		(5,258)	(832)	(16%)
Income before income taxes and minority interests in earnings of subsidiaries	3,710	3,790	(80)		3,319	391	12%
Income taxes	(1,240)	(1,320)	80		(1,148)	(92)	(8%)
Income before minority interests in earnings of subsidiaries	2,470	2,470	0	<assumptions annual="" average="" for=""> Revised in Oct., 2007 Announced in Apr., 2007 Results Apr.1-Sep. 30, 2007 Foreign exchange (Ven/(IS\$) (Apr. Mar.) 120.00 115.00 119.20</assumptions>	2,171	299	14%
Minority interests in earnings of subsidiaries	(120)	(120)	0	(Tell/US\$) (AprMat.) Crude Oil <north brent="" sea=""> (US\$/bbl) (JanDec.) 67 55 63</north>	(61)	(59)	(97%)
Net income	2,350	2,350	0	Copper 314 260 $(US\$/MT)(AprMar.)$ $80 \sim 98$ $80 \sim 98$ $(US\$/MT)(AprMar.)$ 314 260	2,110	240	11%
Total trading transactions	117,000	112,000	5,000	Interest LIBOR 6M (Yen) (AprMar.) 1.00% 0.85% 0.85% Interest LIBOR 6M (US\$) 5.2% 5.4%	105,283	11,717	11%
Note: Total trading transactions is presented for Japanese investors' purposes.	l in a manner cus	tomarily used in	Japan solely	(AprMar.) 5.270 5.270 5.470			
Operating income	2,780	2,730	50	Sensitivity of the net income to the fluctuations of exchange> Depreciation of 1 yen per US\$ will increase net income about 0.6 billion yen	2,397	383	16%
Note: Operating income is presented in a man investors' purposes.	ner customarily us	sed in Japan sole	ly for Japanese	-			
Basic profit (Calculation for reference)*	2,099	2,257	(158)	et of interest income+Dividends)×59% (to take into account income taxes	2,029	70	3%

6. Notification of interim dividend

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Our basic policy is to meet shareholders' expectations by ensuring long-term stable dividends. In addition to this basic policy, we have set **the dividend payout ratio at around 20%**, reflecting consolidated financial results.

Based on our target of consolidated net income of 235 billion yen, the annual dividend is planned to be 37 yen per share

(the annual dividends for fiscal year 2006 was 33 yen per share). Therefore, **the interim dividend is 18 yen per share**, half amount of the planned annual dividend (the interim dividend for fiscal year 2006 was 15 yen per share).

Cautionary Statement Concerning Forward-Looking Statements

This report includes forward-looking statements relating to our future plans, targets, objectives, expectations and intentions. The forward-looking statements reflect management's current assumptions and expectations of future events, and accordingly, they are inherently susceptible to uncertainties and changes in circumstances and are not guarantees of future performance. Actual results may differ materially, for a wide range of possible reasons, including general industry and market conditions and general international economic conditions. In light of the many risks and uncertainties, you are advised not to put undue reliance on these statements. The management targets included in this report are not projections, and do not represent management's current estimates of future performance. Rather, they represent targets that management strive to achieve through the successful implementation of the Company's business strategies, and management may fail to achieve its targets. The Company is under no obligation -- and expressly disclaims any such obligation -- to update or alter its forward-looking statements.

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Number of subsidiaries and associated companies

Unit: Number of companies
increase/(decrease) from Sep. 30, 2006

	As	s of Sep. 30, 20	007	increase/(decrease) from Sep. 30, 2006			
	Profit	Loss	Total	Profit	Loss	Total	
Japan	211	54	265	1	10	11	
Overseas	558	81	639	64	(31)	33	
Total	769	135	904	65	(21)	44	
(Profit-making company ratio)			85%			+3pt	

Equity in earnings of subsidiaries and associated companies

(rounded to the nearest 100 million) increase/(decrease) from Apr.1-Sep.30, 2007 the same period of the previous year Profit Loss Total Profit Loss Total 395 (25) 370 66 68 1 Japan 508 17 Overseas 634 (126) (85) (67) 1,029 (151) 878 83 (83) 0 Total

Equity in earnings of subsidiaries and associated companies by Segment

Unit: 100 millions of yen (rounded to the nearest 100 million)

	Ap	or.1-Sep.30, 20	07	increase/(decrease) from the same period of the previous year			
	Profit	Loss	Total	Profit	Loss	Total	
Metal Products	85	(7)	78	13	4	17	
Transportation & Construction Systems	185	(10)	175	17	(3)	14	
Infrastructure	92	(6)	86	31	3	33	
Media, Network & Lifestyle Retail	101	(6)	95	16	1	17	
Chemical & Electronics	45	(6)	40	(2)	3	1	
Mineral Resources & Energy	134	(100)	34	3	(94)	(92)	
General Products & Real Estate	49	(5)	44	1	4	4	
Financial & Logistics	25	(2)	22	(7)	3	(3)	
Domestic Regional Business Units and Offices	25	(7)	18	2	(4)	(2)	
Overseas Subsidiaries and Branches	232	(1)	230	(5)	0	(5)	
Other	57	0	57	15	0	15	
Total	1,029	(151)	878	83	(83)	0	

Unit: 100 millions of yen

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