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Financial Statements for the Interim Period ended September 30, 2002

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Notes;

- (1) Throughout this report, the term "the Company" is used to refer to Nichimen Corporation and its affiliates. "The Parent" refers to Nichimen Corporation.
- (2) This report contains forward-looking statements, which reflect management assumptions and beliefs based on information currently available and are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, such as economic conditions, exchange rate fluctuations, etc. Accordingly, the Company wishes to caution readers that actual results may differ materially from those projected herein, and expressly disclaims any obligation or undertaking to release any update or revision of any contained forward-looking statements.
- (3) Both consolidated and non-consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Securities and Exchange Law of Japan and in conformity with accounting principles and practices generally accepted in Japan, which may differ in some material respects and jurisdictions other than Japan.
- (4) This report is translation of the Financial Summary filed with Tokyo Stock Exchange on November 14, 2002 for conveniences of investors outside of Japan. The original version of this report is written in Japanese. In case of any discrepancies between this report and the original, the Japanese version shall govern.

Summary of consolidated results for the interim period ended September 30, 2002

(*The accounting methods used in this report are not consistent with U.S. standard accounting methods)

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(436) million (185) million

(781) million

421,610,174 shares

417,875,419 shares

417,954,891 shares

1. Results for the interim period ended September 30, 2002 (April 1, 2002 to September 30, 2002)

1) Consolidated Operating Results (April 1, 2002 to September 30, 2002)

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	Net sales		Operating	g income	Recurring profit	
For the six months ended	Millions of yen	change(%)	Millions of yen	change(%)	Millions of yen	change(%)
September 30, 2002	920,431	(16.5)	12,730	(8.0)	9,311	3.2
September 30, 2001	1,101,689	(12.9)	13,833	18.0	9,026	(11.1)
For the year ended						
March 31, 2002	2,055,240	-	33,054	-	26,788	-

	Net ir	ncome	EPS	EPS(diluted)
For the six months ended	Millions of yen	change(%)	Yen	
September 30, 2002	3,079	(43.9)	7.30	-
September 30, 2001	5,493	327.1	13.15	-
For the year ended				
March 31, 2002	1,340	-	3.21	-

* Equity in earnings of unconsolidated subsidiaries and affiliates for;

the interim period ended September 30, 2002 the interim period ended September 30, 2001 the fiscal year ended March 31, 2002 the interim period ended September 30, 2002

the interim period ended September 30, 2001 the fiscal year ended March 31, 2002

* Changes in accounting policies during the period:

(%) for net sales, operating income, recurring profit, and net income are expressed as an increase or decrease compared with the previous interim period

2) Assets and Shareholders' equity

* Average number of shares for;

	Total assets	Shareholders' equity		Shareholders' equity per share
For the six months ended	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	%	Yen
September 30, 2002	1,302,141	77,104	5.9	179.82
September 30, 2001	1,565,921	91,735	5.9	219.44
For the year ended				
March 31, 2002	1,404,359	81,535	5.8	195.05

Number of shares issued at the end of;

September 2002 428,776,581 shares September 2001 418,042,044 shares March 2002 418,025,736 shares

3) Consolidated Cash Flows

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	Cash flows from operating activities	U	financing	Cash and cash equivalents at the end of period
For the six months ended	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	Millions of yen
September 30, 2002	50,085	17,621	(53,116)	189,391
September 30, 2001	6,744	59,486	(77,962)	196,471
For the year ended				
March 31, 2002	70,538	122,141	(224,410)	178,682

4) Number of consolidated companies

Consolidated subsidiaries: 170 Non-consolidated subsidiaries accounted for by the equity method: 22

Affiliated companies accounted for by the equity method: 110

5) Changes in status of consolidated companies and companies accounted for by equity method Newly consolidated: 5 Removed from consolidation: 10

Newly accounted for by the equity method: 4 Removed from the equity method: 13

2. Outlook for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2003(April 1, 2002 to March 31, 2003)

	Net sales	Recurring profit	Net income
For the year	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	Millions of yen
ending March 31, 2003	1,900,000	20,000	7,000

Reference: forecast of net income per share for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2003 is Yen 16.46

Summary of non-consolidated results for the interim period ended September 30, 2002

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1. Results for the interim period ended September 30, 2002 (April 1, 2002 to September 30, 2002)

1) Operating Results

	Net sales		Operatin	g income	Recurring profit	
For the six months ended	Millions of yen	change(%)	Millions of yen	change(%)	Millions of yen	change(%)
September 30, 2002	687,978	(11.6)	7,236	65.5	5,162	8.1
September 30, 2001	778,633	(15.4)	4,373	1.3	4,776	(12.0)
For the year ended March 31, 2002	1,501,834	-	15,976	-	21,179	-

	Net ir	icome	EPS	EPS(diluted)
For the six months ended	Millions of yen	change(%)	Yen	
September 30, 2002	1,847	(9.9)	4.37	-
September 30, 2001	2,051	99.3	4.91	-
For the year ended				
March 31, 2002	1,132	-	2.71	-

^{*} Average number of shares for ;

the interim period ended September 30, 2002 the interim period ended September 30, 2001

the fiscal year ended March 31,2001 period: No

* Changes in accounting policies during the period:

422,684,801 shares 417,875,419 shares 417,954,891 shares

2)Dividends

	Interim	Year-end
	dividends per	dividends per
	share	share
For the six months ended	Yen	Yen
September 30, 2002	0.00	-
September 30, 2001	0.00	-
For the year ended		
March 31, 2002	-	0.00

3) Assets and Shareholders' equity

	Total assets			Shareholders' equity per share
For the six months ended	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	%	Yen
September 30, 2002	1,034,146	93,563	9.0	216.58
September 30, 2001	1,134,796	96,730	8.5	231.39
For the year ended				
March 31, 2002	1,086,160	92,147	8.5	220.43

Number of shares issued at the end of; September 2002 432,000,464 shares

September 2001 418,042,044 shares March 2002 418,025,736 shares

Number of shares repurchased at the end of; September 2002 2,510,715 shares September 2001 2,960,913 shares March 2002 2,977,221 shares

2. Outlook for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2003(April 1, 2002 to March 31, 2003)

	Net sales	Recurring profit	Net income	Dividend per
				share(/ year)
For the year	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	
ending March 31, 2003	1,370,000	10,000	3,500	not decided

Reference: forecast of net income per share for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2003 is Yen 8.19

^{* (%)} for net sales, operating income, recurring profit, and net income are expressed as an increase or decrease compared with the previous interim period

Subsidiaries and Affiliates

The list below shows the number of subsidiaries and affiliates and names of principal subsidiaries and affiliates in each business segment of the Company. As of September 30, 2002, the total number of subsidiaries and affiliates are 212 and 114 respectively. (* As of September 30, 2002, the listed subsidiary on the domestic stock exchanges is Pla Matels Corp.)

Industry Segment	Major business areas / products in	Num	ber of		Principal Subsidiaries & Affiliates
maasiy segment	NP2002		panies		
Plastics & Chemicals	<plastics></plastics>	sub.		16	Pla Matels Corp. (Japan) *
	Electronics materials	25	overseas		Pla -Net Holdings, Inc.(Japan)
	Film	affi.	domestic	9	Nichimen Plastics (China) Ltd. (Hong Kong)
	Compound	28		19	Biaxis OY Ltd. (Finland)
	PP resin				
	<chemicals></chemicals>				Nichimen Energy Company Limited. (Japan)
	Agrochemical				Global Chemical Holdings, Inc. (Japan)
	Pharmaceutical chemical				Arysta LifeScience Corporation (Japan)
Textiles	Apparels	sub.	domestic	8	Nichimen infinity Inc. (Japan)
	Fabrics and bedding	15	overseas	7	Nichimen Orient Wear Ltd. (Hong Kong)
		affi.	domestic	0	, , ,
		5	overseas	5	
Foodstuffs	Imported grain	sub.	domestic	1	Granplex, Inc. (U.S.A)
	Confectionery	2	overseas		Yamazaki-Nabisco Co., Ltd. (Japan)
	Foodstuffs for convenience stores and	affi.	domestic	5	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	food-service restaurant	17	overseas	12	
Construction	<construction></construction>	sub.	domestic	8	Nichimen Real Estate Corp. (Japan)
& Forest Products	Condominium construction including	19	overseas	11	Suncrown Development, Inc. (U.S.A)
	planning and development businesses	affi.	domestic	4	NICOM Property Managemnet Corp. (Japan)
	<forest products=""></forest>	8	overseas	4	
	Imported round logs				Nichimen Home Materials Corporation (Japan)
	Imported lumber				Sun Building Materials Corp. (Japan)
	-				Tachikawa Forest Products (N.Z.) Ltd. (New Zealand)
Machinery	<machinery></machinery>	sub.	domestic	25	Nichimen Machinery Corporation (Japan)
& Metals	Power & petrochemical plant	85	overseas		Fuji Machine MFG.,(Europe)GmbH. (Germany)
	Semiconductor facility related business	affi.	domestic		Nichimen Aviation Corp. (Japan)
	<metals></metals>	35	overseas	29	Nichimen Metals Co., Ltd. (Japan)
	Specialty steel				Ishihara Kohtetsu Co., Ltd. (Japan)
	Precious metals				Nichimen Jewery Co., Ltd. (Japan)
Others	Internet-Infrastructure tools & services,	sub.	domestic	19	Nichimen Computer Systems Corp.(Japan)
(Consumer Business Dept.)	Satellite, Mobile, IP Network	22	overseas	3	Nichimen Business Support Corp. (Japan)
(IT Business Division)	Software development,	affi.	domestic	1	Nichimen Cash Management Corp.(Japan)
(Corporate Division)	Information processing services,	5	overseas	4	
	Venture capital,				
	Investment advisory service				
	Shared services to group companies				

Besides the above, both overseas and domestic trading subsidiary offices, such as Nichimen America Inc. (U.S.A), Nichimen Europe PLC(U.K.), and Nichimen Asia Oceania Pte. Ltd. (Singapore), engage in trading businesses and provide services in various fields making the most of their geographical features, strengths, and the Company's group network.

Overseas Trading Subsidiaries 55 Domestic Trading Subsidiaries 5

Management Policy

Nichimen Corporation

1. Basic Management Policy

The Company's management policy is to maximize the group corporate value.

Under this policy, the Company's NP2002 medium-term management plan sets its goal as maximizing net income by rebuilding its business portfolio. To achieve this goal, the Company has been pursuing selectivity and concentration in its businesses, and has been proactively redistributing its management resources in its strategic and strong business areas, such as chemical products (plastics and chemicals) and household and consumer products (textiles, foodstuffs, construction, and forest products), while withdrawing from inefficient and non-profitable businesses in the non-strategic business areas. Moreover, the Company is aggressively promoting M&As and corporate alliances in the strategic business areas, aiming to enhance and expand its business baseline, and to further increase operating profitability of the entire group.

2. Basic Policy on Profit Distribution

The Company's basic policy on profit distribution is providing stable returns to its shareholders as well as effectively utilizing retained earnings to increase the Company's competitiveness. Careful consideration is given to profit distribution polices with a focus on maximizing corporate value in the medium to long term.

3. Medium- to Long-Term Management Strategy

This period represents the final fiscal year of NP2002, the corporate two-year plan that began in April 2001, and now, the Company aims to speed up the implementation of strategies for the final stages of the NP2002. The two main tenets of this management strategy are rebuilding its business portfolio and reforming management and administration systems. The progresses by the end of this period are outlined below.

1) Rebuilding Business Portfolio

As promoting operational selectivity and concentration on its businesses, the Company is withdrawing from inefficient and non-profitable businesses in the non strategic business areas, such as machinery, metals and energy. On the other hand, in the strategic business areas, the Company is strengthening its business base through M&As and alliances. By the end of last fiscal year, the Company acquired the plastics divisions of Nissho Iwai Corporation and Chori Co., Ltd., and the Company and Tomen Corporation merged their life science businesses. In addition, as the first step

of the integration of chemical businesses with Nissho Iwai Corporation, the Company established a joint chemicals holding company with Nissho Iwai, Global Chemical Holdings, Inc., under the umbrella of which both companies' chemical subsidiaries continue to exist. During this interim period, in an effort to achieve optimal synergy in chemicals business area, it was decided to completely integrate the activities of both companies and transfer the main chemicals operations of the each parent company to this joint-holding company. Also in this interim period, Nichimen opted to purchase Nakau Co., Ltd., a company that operates a Japanese-style fast-food chain, with a view to expanding the Company's food business and acquiring new retail business.

2) Reforming Management and Administration Systems

The Company is endeavoring to cut low profitable assets and improve funds efficiency, as well as to reduce interest-bearing debts in order to strengthen its financial base. The Company has slashed interest-bearing debts from \(\frac{\pmathbf{1}}{2257}\) trillion at the start of NP2002 (end of March 2001) to \(\frac{\pmathbf{9}}{954.5}\) billion as of September 30, 2002, coming in under the NP 2002's initial target of \(\frac{\pmathbf{1}}{1}\) trillion. The Company will continue to reduce interest-bearing debts, while boosting shareholders' equity and enhancing the Company's financial base by maximizing net income.

Furthermore, the Company will strengthen its risk management by promoting a more rigorous application of exit rules and withdrawing promptly from under-performing affiliate businesses, which are unlikely to turn profitable. During this interim period, the Company pulled out its debt-ridden subsidiaries Nichimen Gosen Co., Ltd. and Recozit Japan K.K. The Company will continue to speed up withdrawal from debt-ridden affiliates in order to reduce the debt balances of its subsidiaries and affiliates.

In addition to the above measures, the Company has decided to introduce an ERP (enterprise resource planning) system in order to promote business reforms. Preparations for this system are already underway. Concentrating the group's management information is expected to realize more precise and speedy decision-making in both management and business judgements.

4. Initiatives for Improvements to Management and Administration Organizations

1) Restructuring the head office organization

Relevant organizational structures were reviewed in order to build an optimal organization for rebuilding business portfolio. In April 2002, the number of internal companies was reduced from eight to six, and the retail business division was established to create new business in retail and general consumer goods.

Additionally, in October 2002, Chemicals Company became Chemicals Division when the main chemicals businesses were transferred to Global Chemical Holdings, Inc. (consolidated by equitymethod).

2) Enhancing corporate governance

In 1999, the Company reduced the number of corporate directors aiming at flexible management through quick decision-making. Additionally, one external director was appointed in 2001 to improve the transparency of management and strengthen governance.

In October 2002, Ethics Compliance Department was in place to enforce legal compliance and to promoting ethical business practices within the entire Nichimen Group. This department will provide on-going compliance training for the group employees.

5. Focusing Issues

As explained earlier, the Company is currently in the midst of rebuilding its business portfolio by operational selectivity and concentration on its businesses. It is necessary for the Company to generate profit from the business mergers and acquisitions already executed in the strategic areas. To this end, in order to achieve profit growth in the short term, the Company and its affiliates will continue to work together to achieve profit growth rapidly by restructuring their business operations and reviewing business strategies.

Also, the Company recognizes the importance of strengthening its financial stability by increasing net income to boost shareholders' equity, as well as continuing to slash interest-bearing debts.

Operating Results and Financial Position

Nichimen Corporation

1. Operating Results

1) Overview

During the interim period ended September 30, 2002, the U.S. economy was propped up by steady personal consumption and housing investment generated from tax cuts and interest rate reductions. However, reflecting hazy economic climate, such as dull recovery in corporate performances and prolonged falling stock prices sparked by mistrust of corporate accounting procedures, concerns about employment and income led to declines in personal consumption. The European economies were mostly on the way to recovery, however, personal consumption remained sluggish, which depressed corporate business sentiment and capital expenditures. In Asia, on the other hand, in addition to China, which continued to show high growth, most of the other Asian countries showed signs of economic recovery with high growth rates driven by expanding personal consumption and the recovery of exports, mainly to the United States.

Although business sentiment in Japan was improved due to the recovery of exports to the United States and Asia, domestic demand remained as weak as ever and signs of economic recovery were very feeble.

Despite gains in some sectors, economic conditions, as a whole, remained harsh. Under such conditions, the Company's consolidated net sales for the interim period ended September 30, 2002 was down 16.5% from the previous interim period to \mathbb{Y}920.4 billion.

Examined by type of transaction, export sales fell by 18.1% compared with the previous interim period mainly due to a decline in machinery and metals segment. Import sales decreased 26.1%, compared with the previous interim period mainly due to lower sales in machinery and metals segment and textiles segment. Domestic sales rose 50.5%, while offshore sales fell 69.2% compared with the previous interim period respectively. This is attributed to the fact that petroleum-related transactions in the plastics and chemicals segment that were previously conducted offshore are now handled domestically.

Examined by business segment, foodstuffs sales fell 41.0% compared with the previous interim period due to a decrease in offshore grain transactions. Machinery and metals sales dropped 38.0% compared with the previous interim period reflecting the Company's continuous effort to cut back inefficient and unprofitable business transactions. Textiles sales also fell 17.5% compared with the previous interim period due to decrease in import transaction reflecting depressed domestic demand.

Despite strong performance of both condominium and land sales transactions, consolidated gross trading profit decreased 8.7%, compared with the previous interim period, to ¥54,858 million. This was mainly due to the lackluster domestic demand on some apparel importing products and the transfer of the Company's LP gas business as well as petroleum and carbon business. On the other hand, the gross profit margin saw further improvement for this period, up from 5.45% of the previous interim period to 5.96%, which is the result of the Company's ongoing efforts to withdraw

from inefficient and unprofitable businesses. A drastic review of expenses across the entire company contributed to reduction of selling, general and administrative (SG&A) expenses slashed by ¥4,125 million compared with the previous interim period. Yet, operating income fell to ¥12,730 million, 8.0% down compared with the previous interim period. Non-operating profit rose by ¥1,388 million from the previous interim period, due to increased earnings from financial operations. Thus, recurring profit rose 3.2% to ¥9,311 million. Income from the transfer of the chemicals business of ¥3,086 million contributed to an extraordinary income totaling ¥4,002 million. Whereas, the company recorded ¥4,112 million as an extraordinary loss, including ¥2,570 devaluation loss on investment securities. As a result, net loss of the extraordinary items was ¥110 million.

Consolidated income before income taxes stood at ¥9,200 million, and consolidated net income after taxes and minority interests, resulted in ¥3,079 million, which was 43.9% decrease compared with the previous interim period.

Furthermore, as already announced, the Parent decided to forgo the payment of dividend for the interim period.

2) Consolidated Results by Business Segment

Plastics and chemicals

The acquisition of Chori's plastics business by a consolidated subsidiary, Pla-Net Holdings, Inc, contributed positively to operating results. However, some of the business sales and transfers executed during the previous fiscal year in order to re-build business portfolio, effected negatively to the results of this interim period, such as sale of LP gas and petroleum and carbon businesses and also the transfer of the Company's consolidated subsidiary, Nichimen Chemicals Co., Ltd, to the joint holding company, Global Chemical Holdings, Inc., (consolidated by the equity method) in line with the strategic alliance with Nissho Iwai in chemical business field. As a result, net sales decreased 0.7%, compared with the previous interim period, to ¥507,084 million. Operating income increased 4.7%, compared with the previous interim period, to ¥3,438 million contributed by continuous reductions in SG&A expenses.

Textiles

Net sales decreased 17.5%, compared with the previous interim period, to $\frac{1}{2}$ 74,556 million, due to rapid decline in some apparel imports caused by poor domestic demand. Operating income fell 47.8% compared with the previous interim period, to $\frac{1}{2}$ 1,921 million.

Foodstuffs

Net sales fell 41.0%, compared with the previous interim period, to ¥91,371 million primarily due to significant cutbacks of unprofitable offshore grain transactions. Operating income dropped 76.8%, to ¥185 million due to increase in SG&A expenses.

Construction and forest products

Net sales decreased 4.5%, compared with the previous interim period, to \quantum 84,942 million as a result of the depressed market for forest products and withdrawal from inefficient and unprofitable transactions. Operating income leaped 59.7%, compared with the previous interim period, to \quantum 7,162 million as a result of the continued strong performance of condominiums and land sales transactions.

Machinery and metals

Net sales fell 38.0%, compared with the previous interim period, to ¥147,177 million, due to poor exports of plant equipment and depressed sales of semiconductor manufacturing equipment, as well as results of withdrawing from inefficient and unprofitable businesses, such as low-profit domestic business in mild steel products. Operating income also fell 25.1%, compared with the previous interim period to ¥1,545 million.

Others

Net sales fell 21.9%, compared with the previous interim period, to ¥15,301 million. Retail business activities, which were newly included in this segment, boosted sales figures, but were not able to shake off the IT decline. In addition to the aforementioned reason, affected by liquidations of non-performing subsidiaries, operating loss for the interim period was ¥806 million.

3) Outlook for the Fiscal Year ending March 31, 2003.

During the latter half of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2003, the Company will continue to be affected by harsh economic environment. Condominium and land sales transactions are expected to keep good performance throughout the year, and Nakau Co., Ltd, which became a consolidated subsidiary of the Company in October 2002, will start contributing to the Company's performance. However, some apparel imports will continue to suffer from stagnating domestic demand, and the sings for recovery in exports of plant equipment, and semiconductor manufacturing equipment sales will be also bleak.

Based on the above factors, the Company anticipates the following consolidated outlook for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2003. (Changes are compared with the fiscal year ended March 31, 2002)

Net Sales: $$\pm 1,900$ billion (Down ± 155.24 billion)$ $Recurring profit: <math>$\pm 20,000$ million (Down $\pm 6,788$ million)$ $Net income: <math>$\pm 7,000$ million (Up $\pm 5,660$ million)$

*The assumption of the exchange rate for the above outlook is \$123 = US\$1

The Company will determine year-end dividends after careful consideration of all relevant factors.

2. Financial Position

1) Consolidated balance sheets

As of September 30, 2002, total assets decreased by ¥102.2 billion to ¥1,302.1 billion from March 31, 2002. This was mainly due to the reduction in account receivables of non-strategic businesses, inventory assets of real estate and financial assets, as well as decrease in investment securities by devaluation on stocks.

Due to reduction of assets, total interest-bearing debts decreased by ¥66.1 billion to ¥954.5 billion compared with March 31, 2002. Furthermore, net interest-bearing debts, after deduction of cash and cash equivalents, decreased by ¥74.2 billion to ¥769.3 billion. Despite an increase in retained earnings, shareholders' equity decreased by ¥4.4 billion, compared with March 31, 2002, to ¥77.1 billion affected by declining stock prices and an appreciation of the yen.

2) Consolidated cash flow

As for cash flow for the interim period ended September 30, 2002, net cash inflow from operating activities was ¥50.0 billion mainly due to the reduction of inventory assets. Net cash inflow from investing activities stood at ¥17.6 billion. Net cash outflow used in financing activity was ¥ 53.1 billion primarily due to efforts to reduce interest-bearing debts.

After adjustments for effects of changes in exchange rates and decreases due to change in the scope of consolidation, the balance of cash and cash equivalents at the end of the interim period stood at ¥18.9 billion.

Consolidated Statements of Operations

for the six months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001

Yen/\$

				122.6
	M	Millions of yen		
	Sep-02	Sep-01	increase / decrease	Sep-02
Net sales	920,431	1,101,689	(181,258)	7,508
Cost of sales	(865,573)	(1,041,602)	176,029	(7,060)
Gross trading profit	54,858	60,087	(5,229)	447
Gross trading profit margin	5.96%	5.45%		
Selling, general & administrative expenses	(42,128)	(46,253)	4,125	(344)
Operating income	12,730	13,833	(1,103)	104
Interest income	5,015	9,446	(4,431)	41
Dividends	583	631	(48)	5
Other income	7,100	5,901	1,199	58
Non-operating income	12,698	15,979	(3,281)	104
Interest expenses	(10,667)	(14,933)	4,266	(87)
Interest expenses on commercial papers	(27)	(305)	278	(0)
Equity in loses of unconsolidated subsidiaries and affiliates-net	(436)	(185)	(251)	(4)
Other expenses	(4,986)	(5,363)	377	(41)
Non-operating expenses	(16,118)	(20,787)	4,669	(131)
Recurring profit	9,311	9,026	285	76
Extraordinary income/loss-net(*)	(110)	4,156	(4,266)	(1)
Income before income taxes	9,200	13,183	(3,983)	75
Income taxes; Current	(3,745)	(5,631)	1,886	(31)
Deferred	(2,081)	(1,833)	(248)	(17)
Minority interests in net income	(293)	(224)	(69)	(2)
Net Income	3,079	5,493	(2,414)	25

^(*) refer to p.13 for the breakdown of extraordinary income and loss

Breakdown of Consolidated Extraordinary Income and Loss

for the six months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001

	Millions of Yen	
	Sep-02	Sep-01
(Extraordinary Income)		
Gain on property & equipment	35	1,178
Gain on sale of investment securities	880	1,465
Gain on transfer of business	3,086	6,418
Total extraordinary income	4,002	9,062
(Extraordinary Loss)		
Loss on property & equipment	(93)	(952)
Loss on sale of investment securities	(1,294)	(363)
Evaluation loss on investment securities & investments other than securities	(2,570)	(1,144)
Loss on disposal of investments in & provision for from subsidiaries & affiliates	(154)	(735)
Expenses for employee early retirement benefit	-	(1,710)
Total extraordinary loss	(4,112)	(4,906)
Extraordinary income/loss-net	(110)	4,156

<u>Reference</u>: the following accounts are not included in the above extraordinary items.

	Millions of Yen	
	Sep-02	Sep-01
Provision for doubtful receivables	(132)	(91)
(Included in Selling, general & administrative expenses)		
Gain on marketable securities-net	(269)	718
(Included in Non-operating income & expenses)		

Consolidated Balance Sheets

September 30, 2002 and March 31, 2002

Assets	Yen/\$

				122.6
	M	illions of yen		Millions of \$
	S 02	Man 02	increase /	S 02
Commont agasta.	Sep-02	Mar-02	decrease	Sep-02
Current assets;	105 211	177 105	0.107	1 511
Cash & time deposits	185,211	177,105	8,106	1,511
Trade notes & trade accounts receivables	344,054	385,350	(41,296)	2,806
Marketable securities	27,503	30,058	(2,555)	224
Inventories	112,936	139,441	(26,505)	921
Deferred tax assets-current	5,002	4,712	290	41
Other current assets	105,240	114,234	(8,994)	858
Allowance for doubtful receivables	(2,554)	(2,869)	315	(21)
Total current assets	777,393	848,032	(70,639)	6,341
Fixed assets;				
Tangible assets	188,919	189,899	(980)	1,541
Intangible assets;				
Goodwill	15,790	16,974	(1,184)	129
Other intangible assets	4,687	4,703	(16)	38
Total intangible assets	20,477	21,678	(1,201)	167
Investments & other fixed assets;				
Investment securities	170,953	194,301	(23,348)	1,394
Long-term loans	47,606	49,028	(1,422)	388
Deferred tax assets-non-current	41,432	42,720	(1,288)	338
Deferred tax assets-revaluation	2,058	2,058	0	17
Others	112,888	122,602	(9,714)	921
Allowance for doubtful receivables	(59,764)	(66,260)	6,496	(487)
Total investments & other fixed assets	315,174	344,450	(29,276)	2,571
Total fixed assets	524,571	556,027	(31,456)	4,279
Long term deferred assets;	175	298	(123)	1
Total assets	1,302,141	1,404,359	(102,218)	10,621

Consolidated Balance Sheets

September 30, 2002 and March 31, 2002

Liabilities & shareholders' equity

				122.6
	Mi	illions of yen		Millions of \$
	Sep-02	Mar-02	increase / decrease	Sep-02
Liabilities	5ep 02	17141 02	accicase	Sep 02
Current Liabilities;				
Trade notes & trade accounts payables	196,856	224,675	(27,819)	1,606
Short-term borrowings from banks	470,687	499,238	(28,551)	3,839
Commercial paper	2,500	0	2,500	20
Bonds - current portion	46,894	53,048	(6,154)	382
Deferred tax liabilities-current	34	44	(10)	0
Other current liabilities	51,657	48,773	2,884	421
Total current liabilities	768,631	825,781	(57,150)	6,269
Long-term liabilities;				
Bonds, less current portion	61,556	86,771	(25,215)	502
Long-term borrowings from banks	372,878	381,646	(8,768)	3,041
Allowance for retirement benefits	7,342	6,025	1,317	60
Deferred tax liabilities - non-current	3,320	3,678	(358)	27
Other long-term liabilities	5,036	4,496	540	41
Total long-term liabilities	450,134	482,618	(32,484)	3,672
Total long term hadmites	.00,10	.02,010	(82, 181)	5,5.2
Total liabilities	1,218,765	1,308,399	(89,634)	9,941
Minaulty interest	6,271	14.424	(8,153)	51
Minority interest	0,2/1	14,424	(0,133)	
Shareholders' equity				
Common stock	52,179	52,179	0	426
Capital Surplus	49,325	48,140	1,185	402
Retained earnings	12,725	9,655	3,070	104
Land revaluation deifference	(6,534)	(6,534)	0	(53)
Unrealized loss on other securities	(10,268)	(8,466)	(1,802)	(84)
Foreign currency translation adjustments	(19,275)	(12,495)	(6,780)	(157)
Treasury stock	(1,046)	(942)	(104)	(9)
Total shareholders' equity	77,104	81,535	(4,431)	629
	1,000,111	1.404.252	(100.040)	10.621
<u>Total</u>	1,302,141	1,404,359	(102,218)	10,621

Reference: Contingent liabilities	Millions of yen			Millions of \$
			increase /	
	Sep-02	Mar-02	decrease	Sep-02
Guarantee or indebtedness	39,855	47,441	(7,586)	325
Repurchase of notes discounted and endorsed	28,813	21,905	6,908	235

Consolidated Statements of Capital Surplus and Retained Earnings

for the six months ended September 30, 2002

		Yen/\$
		122.6
	Millions of yen	Millions of \$
-	Sep-02(6M)	Sep-02(6M)
Capital Surplus		
Consolidated balance at the beginning of the period	48,140	393
Increase;		
New issue of stocks by share exchange	1,291	11
Total	1,291	11
Decrease;		
Loss on desposals of treasury stock	(106)	(1)
Total	(106)	(1)
Consolidated balance at the end of the period	49,325	402
Retained Earnings		
Consolidated balance at the beginning of the period	9,655	79
Increase;		
Net Income for the period	3,079	25
Effect from changes of consolidated subsidiaries and affiliates		
accounted for by use of the equity method	19	0
Total	3,098	25
Decrease;		
Bonuses to directors	(29)	(0)
Total	(29)	(0)
Consolidated balance at the end of the period	12,725	104
Increase; Net Income for the period Effect from changes of consolidated subsidiaries and affiliates accounted for by use of the equity method Total Decrease; Bonuses to directors Total	3,079 19 3,098 (29) (29)	

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

for the six months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001

Yen/\$

•				122.6
	Millions	Millions of yen		
	g 02	G 01	increase /	g 02
	Sep-02	Sep-01	decrease	Sep-02
Operating activities				
Income from consolidated operations before income taxes	9,200	13,183	(3,983)	75
Depreciation and amortization	3,580	4,028	(448)	29
Write-down of investment securities	2,570	1,144	1,426	21
Income from transfer of business	(3,086)	(6,418)	3,332	(25)
Change in provision for doubtful receivables	(3,340)	(6,143)	2,803	(27)
Interest income & dividend	(5,598)	(10,078)	4,480	(46)
Interest expense	10,695	15,238	(4,543)	87
Equity in earnings of affiliated companies	436	185	251	4
Gain on marketable securities - net	683	(1,821)	2,504	6
Gain on property & equipment	(35)	(1,178)	1,143	(0)
Change in notes and account receivable-trade	36,334	46,275	(9,941)	296
Change in inventories	25,753	(10,252)	36,005	210
Change in notes & account payable-trade	(23,371)	(28,640)	5,269	(191)
Others-net	(3,737)	(8,777)	5,040	(30)
Net cash provided by operating activities	50,085	6,744	43,341	409
Turnostino Activitica				
Investing Activities	2.460	(022)	2 202	20
Change in time deposit	2,460	(932)	3,392	20
Change in marketable securities	4,597	13,135	(8,538)	37
Payments for purchase of property & equipment	(1,516)	(4,347)	2,831	(12)
Proceeds from sale of property & equipment	596	19,935	(19,339)	5
Payments for purchase of investment securities	(25,661)	(18,809)	(6,852)	(209)
Proceeds from sale of investment securities	24,477	33,079	(8,602)	200
Change in short-term loans -net	1,832	(2,558)	4,390	15
Increase of long-term loans	(2,725)	(3,796)	1,071	(22)
Collection of long-term loans	1,908	11,140	(9,232)	16
Others - net	11,650	12,640	(990)	95
Net cash provided by investing activities	17,621	59,486	(41,865)	144
Financing activities				
Change in short-term borrowings - net	(9,889)	(34,421)	24,532	(81)
Change in commercial paper	2,500	(5,200)	7,700	20
Proceeds from long-term borrowings	77,369	56,473	20,896	631
Repayment of long-term borrowings	(92,059)	(77,107)	(14,952)	(751)
Redemption of bonds	(31,034)	(16,987)	(14,047)	(253)
Others-net	(1)	(719)	718	(0)
Net cash used in financing activities	(53,116)	(77,962)	24,846	(433)
Effect of Exchange rates change on cash & cash equivalents	(3,832)	2,958	(6,790)	(31)
Net increase(decrease) in cash & cash equivalents	10,758	(8,773)	19,531	88
Cash & cash equivalents at the beginning of the period		204,826	(26,144)	
	178,682			1,457
Cash & cash equivalents of newly consolidated subsidiaries	(49)	420	(469)	1 545
Cash & Cash equivalents at the end of the period	189,391	196,471	(7,080)	1,545

Breakdown of Consolidated Net Sales

for the six months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001

Net sales by type of transactions

Yen/\$

	Millions of yen			increase /	Millions of \$	
	Sep-02	%	Sep-01	%	decrease	Sep-02
Export	87,840	9.6%	107,250	9.7%	(19,410)	716
Import	124,523	13.5%	168,416	15.3%	(43,893)	1,016
Domestic	570,155	61.9%	378,875	34.4%	191,280	4,651
Overseas	137,913	15.0%	447,148	40.6%	(309,235)	1,125
Total	920,431	100.0%	1,101,689	100.0%	(181,258)	7,508

Net Sales by business segment

Yen/\$
122.6

						122.6
Millions of yen						Millions of \$
					increase /	
	Sep-02	%	Sep-01	%	decrease	Sep-02
Plastics & Chemicals	507,084	55.1%	510,406	46.3%	(3,322)	4,136
Textiles	74,556	8.1%	90,336	8.2%	(15,780)	608
Foodstuffs	91,371	9.9%	154,824	14.1%	(63,453)	745
Construction & Forest products	84,942	9.2%	88,967	8.1%	(4,025)	693
Machinery & Metals	147,177	16.0%	237,555	21.5%	(90,378)	1,200
Others	15,301	1.7%	19,601	1.8%	(4,300)	125
Total	920,431	100.0%	1.101.689	100.0%	(181,258)	7,508

Segment Information

for the six months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001

Business Segments

<u> </u>			Yen/\$ (Yen : mil)	122.6 (\$: mil)
			increase /	
	Sep-02	Sep-01	decrease	Sep-02
(Plastics & Chemicals)				
Net sales	509,325	512,506	(3,181)	4,154
Operating income	3,438	3,284	154	28
Total assets	289,157	302,205	(13,048)	2,359
(Textiles)				
Net sales	74,591	90,530	(15,939)	608
Operating income	1,921	3,683	(1,762)	16
Total assets	102,775	118,047	(15,272)	838
(Foodstuffs)				
Net sales	94,397	155,193	(60,796)	770
Operating income	185	797	(612)	2
Total assets	42,099	53,521	(11,422)	343
(Construction & Forest Products)				
Net sales	85,037	90,006	(4,969)	694
Operating income	7,162	4,484	2,678	58
Total assets	208,637	235,106	(26,469)	1,702
(Machinery & Metals)	-			
Net sales	150,499	238,636	(88,137)	1,228
Operating income	1,545	2,063	(518)	13
Total assets	292,477	360,166	(67,689)	2,386
(Others)	-			
Net sales	16,778	19,602	(2,824)	137
Operating income	(806)	(45)	(761)	(7)
Total assets	71,161	134,102	(62,941)	580
(Total)				
Net sales	930,627	1,106,473	(175,846)	7,591
Operating income	13,445	14,266	(821)	110
Total assets	1,006,306	1,203,147	(196,841)	8,208
(Elimination)				
Net sales	(10,196)	(4,784)	(5,412)	(83)
Operating income	(715)	(433)	(282)	(6)
Total assets	295,835	362,774	(66,939)	2,413
(Consolidated)		·		
Net sales	920,431	1,101,689	(181,258)	7,508
Operating income	12,730	13,833	(1,103)	104
Total assets	1,302,141	1,565,921	(263,780)	10,621

Segment Information

for the six months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001

Geographic Segments

			Yen/\$ (Yen : mil)	122.6 (\$:mil)
			increase /	
	Sep-02	Sep-01	decrease	Sep-02
(Japan)				
Net sales	865,001	993,960	(128,959)	7,055
Operating income	11,895	13,671	(1,776)	97
Total assets	989,457	1,148,164	(158,707)	8,071
(North & South America)				
Net sales	58,078	75,204	(17,126)	474
Operating income	(226)	133	(359)	(2)
Total assets	68,998	83,278	(14,280)	563
(Europe, Africa & Middle East)				
Net sales	22,932	22,067	865	187
Operating income	623	535	88	5
Total assets	19,687	35,083	(15,396)	161
(Asia)				
Net sales	43,967	65,080	(21,113)	359
Operating income	791	390	401	6
Total assets	34,990	30,319	4,671	285
(Oceania)				
Net sales	7,190	7,191	(1)	59
Operating income	9	10	(1)	0
Total assets	1,128	799	329	9
(Total)				
Net sales	997,168	1,163,502	(166,334)	8,134
Operating income	13,092	14,739	(1,647)	107
Total assets	1,114,260	1,297,643	(183,383)	9,089
(Elimination)				
Net sales	(76,737)	(61,813)	(14,924)	(626)
Operating income	(362)	(906)	544	(3)
Total assets	187,881	268,278	(80,397)	1,532
(Consolidated)				
Net sales	920,431	1,101,689	(181,258)	7,508
Operating income	12,730	13,833	(1,103)	104
Total assets	1,302,141	1,565,921	(263,780)	10,621

Securities

as of September 30, 2002

1. Debt Securities held-to-maturity with current market value

			(Yen: mil)
Туре	Book Value	Market Value	Differnece
Government bonds and local government bonds	1,893	1,893	0
Corporate bonds	1,018	989	(29)
Others	6,154	6,047	(107)
Total	9,067	8,930	(137)

2. Other Securities with current market value

			(Yen: mil)
Type	Cost	Book Value	Unrealized
			Gains/Losses
Equity Securities	74,425	59,560	(14,865)
Debt Securities			
Government bonds and	770	765	(5)
local government bonds	770	763	(5)
Corporate bonds	34,652	33,639	(1,013)
Others	20,611	20,824	212
Total	130,460	114,789	(15,670)

3. Content and book value of securities for which current market value could not be available

	(Yen: mil)
Type	Book Value
Debt Securities held-to-maturity	
Unlisted Yen Bonds	399
Other securities	_
Equity Securities	20,922
Unlisted Foreign Bonds	4,543
Others	3,018
Total other securities	28,484

<Notes>

Under the Accounting Standard for Financial Instruments (effective from April 1, 2000), Short-term Investment and Investment Securities are classified as either a) debt securities intended to be held to maturity (hereinafter, "Held-to-Maturity Debt Securities") or b) securities other than the above (hereinafter "Other Securities"). On the balance sheet, these securities are shown as "Investment Securities", except the securities whose maturity will come within one year, which are shown as "Short-term Investments".

The Held-to-Maturity Debt Securities and the Other Securities are stated in the following manner.

- (1) Held-to-Maturity Debt Securities are stated at amortized cost.
- (2) Other Securities with available fair values are stated at fair value at the end of the period . Simultaneously, "Net Unrealized Losses on Securities" is stated at net of tax in Shareholders' Equity on the balance sheet.
- (3) Equity securities and Other Securities with no available fair values are stated at cost by the moving-average method.
- (3) Certain write-downs of the securities are recognized in earning when the securities have substantial losses and are not expected to recover such losses in the near future.

Non-Consolidated Statements of Operations

for the six months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001

Yen/\$

				122.6
	Mi	Millions of yen		
	Sep-02	Sep-01	increase / decrease	Sep-02
Net sales	687,978	778,633	(90,655)	5,612
Cost of sales	(665,002)	(759,321)	94,319	(5,424)
Gross trading profit	22,975	19,312	3,663	187
Gross trading profit margin	3.34%	2.48%		
Selling, general & administrative expenses	(15,739)	(14,939)	(800)	(128)
Operating income	7,236	4,373	2,863	59
Interest income	2,504	3,790	(1,286)	20
Dividends	3,011	4,943	(1,932)	25
Other income	5,257	4,005	1,252	43
Non-operating income	10,772	12,738	(1,966)	88
Interest expenses	(7,199)	(7,302)	103	(59)
Interest expenses on commercial papers	(27)	(305)	278	(0)
Other expenses	(5,619)	(4,727)	(892)	(46)
Non-operating expenses	(12,846)	(12,335)	(511)	(105)
Recurring profit	5,162	4,776	386	42
Extraordinary income(*)	7,723	1,803	5,920	63
Extraordinary loss(*)	(9,755)	(3,103)	(6,652)	(80)
Income before income taxes	3,131	3,477	(346)	26
Income taxes; Current	(1,219)	(376)	(843)	(10)
Deferred	(64)	(1,049)	985	(1)
Net Income	1,847	2,051	(204)	15

^(*) refer to p.22 for the breakdown of extraordinary income and loss

Breakdown of Non-consolidated Extraordinary Income and Loss

for the six months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001

	Millions of	f Yen
	Sep-02	Sep-01
(Extraordinary Income)		
Gain on property & equipment	0	756
Gain on sale of investment securities	748	1,047
Gain on transfer of business	6,974	-
Total extraordinary Income	7,723	1,803
(Extraordinary Loss)		
Loss on property & equipment	(13)	(22)
Loss on sale of investment securities	(1,266)	(360)
Evaluation loss on investment securities & investments other than securities	(2,504)	(797)
Loss on disposal of investments in & provision for from subsidiaries & affiliates	(5,969)	(669)
Expenses for employee early retirement benefit	-	(1,253)
Total extraordinary Loss	(9,755)	(3,103)
Extraordinary loss-net	(2,031)	(1,299)

 $\underline{Reference} \colon \text{the following accounts are not included in the above extraordinary items.}$

	Millions of	f Yen
	Sep-02	Sep-01
Provision for doubtful receivables	(130)	(192)
(Included in Selling, general & administrative expenses)		
Gain on marketable securities-net	-	146
(Included in Non-operating income & expenses)		

Non-Consolidated Balance Sheets

September 30, 2002 and March 31, 2002

Assets Yen/\$

				122.6
	Mi	Millions of yen		
	Sep-02	Mar-02	increase / decrease	Sep-02
Current assets;				
Cash & time deposits	131,791	119,520	12,271	1,075
Trade notes receivables	46,792	57,792	(11,000)	382
Trade accounts receivables	163,998	187,731	(23,733)	1,338
Marketable securities	327	5,198	(4,871)	3
Inventories	87,935	108,166	(20,231)	717
Advances paid	9,766	10,440	(674)	80
Deferred tax assets-current	3,195	2,726	469	26
Short-term loans	82,598	76,701	5,897	674
Other current assets	17,982	23,380	(5,398)	147
Allowance for doubtful receivables	(1,484)	(1,634)	150	(12)
Total current assets	542,903	590,023	(47,120)	4,428
Fixed assets; Tangible assets	68,803	69,456	(653)	561
Intangible assets	1,846	1,744	102	15
Investments & other fixed assets;	1,040	1,/44	102	13
Investment securities	258,966	259,703	(737)	2,112
Long-term loans	83,021	82,774	247	677
Deferred tax assets-non-current	39,635	38,637	998	323
Others	100,736	108,701	(7,965)	822
Allowance for doubtful receivables	(61,937)	(65,163)	3,226	(505)
Total investments & other fixed assets	420,423	424,654	(4,231)	3,429
Total investments & other fixed assets	420,423	424,034	(4,231)	3,429
Total fixed assets	491,073	495,855	(4,782)	4,005
Long term deferred assets;	168	281	(113)	1
Total assets	1,034,146	1,086,160	(52,014)	8,435

Non-Consolidated Balance Sheets

September 30, 2002 and March 31, 2002

Liabilities & shareholders' equity

				122.6
	M	Millions of yen		Millions of \$
	D 00	M 00	increase /	g 02
T. 1994	Sep-02	Mar-02	decrease	Sep-02
Liabilities				
Current Liabilities;				
Trade notes payables	28,290	36,186	(7,896)	231
Trade accounts payables	109,072	120,162	(11,090)	890
Short-term borrowings from banks	306,848	341,575	(34,727)	2,503
Commercial paper	2,500	0	2,500	20
Bonds - current portion	44,876	49,800	(4,924)	366
Advances received	4,545	5,878	(1,333)	37
Reserve for bonuses	797	619	178	7
Other current liabilities	39,353	34,777	4,576	321
Total current liabilities	536,283	589,000	(52,717)	4,374
Long-term liabilities;				
Bonds, less current portion	60,800	84,876	(24,076)	496
Long-term borrowings from banks	335,643	314,279	21,364	2,738
Allowance for retirement benefits	5,990	4,714	1,276	49
Other long-term liabilities	1,864	1,142	722	15
Total long-term liabilities	404,298	405,012	(714)	3,298
Total liabilities	940,582	994,013	(53,431)	7,672
Shareholders' equity				
Common stock	52,179	52,179	0	426
Capital Surplus	49,561	48,140	1,421	404
Retained earnings	2,787	812	1,975	23
Unrealized loss on other securities	(10,173)	(8,043)	(2,130)	(83)
Treasury stock	(791)	(942)	151	(6)
Total shareholders' equity	93,563	92,147	1,416	763
Total	1,034,146	1,086,160	(52,014)	8,435

Reference: Contingent liabilities	Milli	ons of yen		Millions of \$
		-	increase /	
	Sep-02	Mar-02	decrease	Sep-02
Guarantee or indebtedness	161,863	195,789	(33,926)	1,320
Repurchase of notes discounted and endorsed	11,510	14,480	(2,970)	94