

Financial Results for the 3rd Quarter Ended December 31, 2008

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Sojitz Corporation

Presentation Summary

Overview of the 3rd Quarter financial results for fiscal 2008, (fiscal year ending March 31, 2009)

3rd quarter results (Apr.-Dec. 2008) (Figures in brackets represent year-on-year changes)

Recurring profit :63.8 billion yen(▲13.8 billion yen)
Net income :27.3 billion yen(▲26.3 billion yen)

Balance Sheet results as of Dec 31, 2008

Total assets :2,579.4 billion yen(▲90.0 billion yen)

Net Interest-bearing Debt :942.1 billion yen(+23.2 billion yen)

Shareholders' Equity :392.0 billion yen(▲84.0 billion yen)

Net D/E ratio :2.4 times (+0.5times)

FY08 full-year forecast revised downwards

PL Full-year forecast (Figures in brackets represent forecast announced on Oct. 29, 2008)

Recurring profit :40.0 billion yen (95.0 billion yen)

Net income :20.0 billion yen (60.0 billion yen)

BS March 31, 2009 forecast

Total assets :2500.0 billion yen (2700.0 billion yen)

Net Interest-bearing Debt :950.0 billion yen (950.0 billion yen)
Shareholders' Equity :350.0 billion yen (450.0 billion yen)

Net D/E ratio :2.7 times (2.1 times)

Year-end cash dividend per common stock : undecided



Fiscal 2008: Main Factors Behind Downward Revision

 To reflect the abrupt slowdown in the real economy caused by the global financial crisis

(divergence from forecasts due to upheaval in the business environment)

- ➤ Real estate: Fall in properties delivered and prices due to the sluggish market; and affection of financial market turmoil
- Automobiles: To reflect rapid decrease in demand and weaker local currencies in emerging countries
- Fertilizer: Slowing demand due to soaring prices in the first half of 2008; the sudden drop in prices
- Energy & Mineral resources: Decline in allover demand due to slow down in economy
- Impairment of publicly traded shares etc. due to market downturn



□ To strengthen Constitution of Management

Strengthen financial constitution

Long-term debt ratio :around 70%

Current ratio :over 120%

Net D/E ratio :around 2 times

- Control of risk assets to limit less than shareholders' equity, aiming for 100%
 - Quality improvement through the renewal of assets
 - Reduce inventories (regain the level of FY2005)

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[Process of Inventories]

(billions of yen)

FY2005 → FY2006 → FY2007 → Dec.31, 2008
214.2 → 315.9 → 422.2 → 435.8
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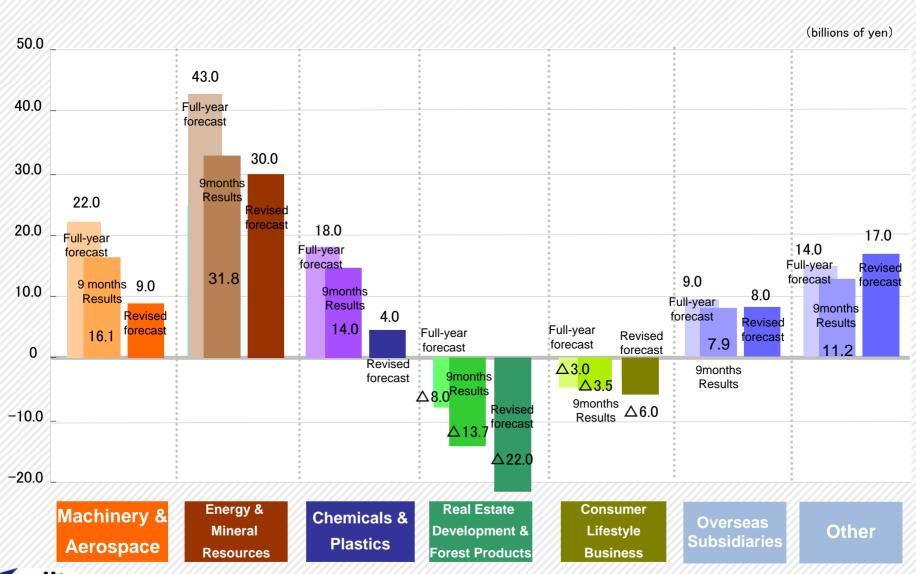


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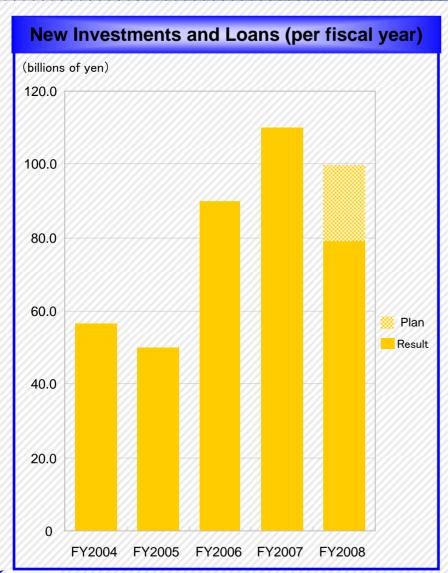
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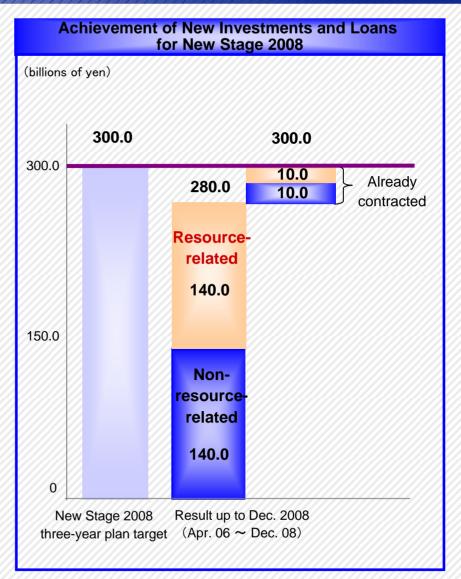


Recurring profit by Industry Segment



Progress of New Investments and Loans





Market Regarding Product Prices, **Exchange Rates and Interest Results**

	Average for JanSep. 2008	Assumption for FY2008	Results for 2008			Average for JanDec
			JanJun.	Jul Sep.	OctDec.	2008
Crude oil (Brent)*1	\$112.2/bbl	\$90.0/bbl	\$109.7/bbl	\$117.2/bbl	\$57.1/bbl	\$98.0/bbl
Coal (thermal coal)*2	\$146.2/t	\$110.0/t	\$129.0/t	\$163.4/t	\$92.2/t	\$127.8/t
Molybdenum	\$33.1/lb	\$29.5/lb	\$32.9/lb	\$33.5/lb	\$16.6/lb	\$29.1/lb
Vanadium	\$14.2/lb	\$6.5/lb	\$14.4/lb	\$15.7/lb	\$9.7/lb	\$13.6/lb
Exchange rates*3	¥ 105.4/\$	¥100/\$	¥104.6/\$	¥107.0/\$	¥95.0/\$	¥102.8/\$
Interest rates (TIBOR)*4	0.85% (Apr. – Dec.)	0.97%	0.84% (Apr. – Jun.)	0.85% (Jul. – Sep.)	0.86% (Oct. – Dec.)	

^{*1} Impact of fluctuations in the crude oil and gas price on earnings: \$1/barrel change alters recurring profit by approx. ¥0.2 billion.

^{*4:} Sensitivity of earnings to interest rates: An interest rate change of 1% would alter annual earnings by around ¥2.0 billion.



^{*2:} Prices for coal are generally based on contracts for the year, so Sojitz is not impacted by spot market prices. The market results listed above differ from Sojitz's sales prices.

^{*3:} Sensitivity of sales and earnings to exchange rates: An exchange rate change of ¥1/US\$ would alter sales and recurring profit by approx. ¥10 billion and ¥0.3~ ¥ 0.4 billion, respectively. The effect on the balance sheet would be around ¥1.6 billion on shareholders' equity.



Forward-looking Statements

Readers are advised that the contents of this document are based on various assumptions and that forward-looking statements regarding the Company's business plans and initiatives involve risks and uncertainties.