

Consolidated Financial Results for the First Nine Months of Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2017 (Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017)

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Investors meeting: -

(Figures are rounded down to the nearest million yen)

1. Consolidated Financial Results for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017 (January 1, 2017 – September 30, 2017)

(1) Consolidated results of operations

(Percentages show the change from the same period of previous fiscal year)

	Net sales		Operating income		Ordinary income		Net income attributable to owners of the parent	
	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%
Nine months ended Sep.30, 2017	64,057	26.7	8,559	24.5	8,620	25.4	6,053	33.5
Nine months ended Sep.30, 2016	50,553	20.9	6,873	33.3	6,874	32.8	4,535	39.9

Note: Comprehensive income: Nine months ended Sep.30, 2017: 5,989 million yen (33.8%) Nine months ended Sep.30, 2016: 4,475 million yen (40.2%)

	Net income per share	Diluted net income per share	
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	Yen	Yen	
Nine months ended Sep.30, 2017	48.78	48.73	
Nine months ended Sep.30, 2016	36.66	36.51	

(2) Consolidated financial position

	Total assets	Net assets	Equity ratio
	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	%
As of Sep.30, 2017	39,056	20,784	52.8
As of Dec.31, 2016	36,353	17,263	46.8

Reference: Shareholders' equity Sep. 30, 2017: 20,605 million yen Dec. 31, 2016: 17,018 million yen

2. Dividends

	Dividends per share							
	1Q-end	2Q-end	3Q-end	Year-end	Annual			
	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen			
Year ended Dec.31, 2016	-	9.00	-	9.00	18.00			
Year ending Dec.31, 2017 (actual)	-	11.00	-					
Year ending Dec.31, 2017 (forecast)				11.00	22.00			

Note: Amendments to dividend forecast compared with the most recent disclosure: None

3. Consolidated Forecasts for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2017 (January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017)

(Percentages show the change from the same period of previous fiscal year)

	Net sales	s	Operating income		Ordinary income		Net income attributable to owners of the parent		Net income per share
	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Yen
Full year	88,006	26.4	11,795	24.2	11,798	24.0	8,376	31.5	67.51

Note: Revision of consolidated forecast during this quarter: Yes

The details on the revision of the consolidated forecasts are presented in "Notice of Revision of Full-year Consolidated Financial Forecasts" released simultaneously with this statement.

4. Others

- (1) Changes in the number of material subsidiaries resulting in changes in scope of consolidation during the nine-month period ended September 30, 2017: None
- (2) Application of special accounting methods for the preparation of quarterly consolidated financial statements: None
- (3) Changes in accounting principles and estimates, or retrospective restatements:
 - 1) Changes in accounting principles caused by the revision of accounting standards: None
 - 2) Changes in accounting principles other than mentioned in 1): None
 - 3) Changes in estimates: None
 - 4) Retrospective restatements: None
- (4) Number of shares outstanding (common shares)
 - 1) Number of shares outstanding at the end of period (including treasury stock)

Sep.30, 2017: 125,177,000 shares Dec.31, 2016: 125,015,400 shares

2) Number of treasury stock at the end of period

Sep.30, 2017: 1,091,033 shares Dec.31, 2016: 1,087,633 shares

3) Average number of shares outstanding during the period

Nine months ended Sep.30, 2017: 124,082,256 shares Nine months ended Sep.30, 2016: 123,711,767 shares

This quarterly report of financial results is out of scope from quarterly review procedures conducted by independent auditors.

* Cautionary statement with respect to forward-looking statements

The forecasts above are based on the judgments made in accordance with information currently available. Forecasts therefore include risks and uncertainties. Actual figures may differ from these forecasts due to subsequent changes in the circumstances.

1. Qualitative Information on the Consolidated Financial Statements

(1) Qualitative Information Regarding Consolidated Results of Operations

The Japanese economy during the first nine months of the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017 gradually recovered with a recovery of overseas economies in the background, and government economic and fiscal policies providing some support, while concerns about the trend of political policies of the United States and the growth momentum of the Chinese economy made the outlook for the future Japanese economy uncertain.

Among mid-to-small manufacturers, the major customers of our industrial MRO products, economic conditions also recovered moderately reflecting the favorable economic circumstances.

In this economic environment, we have continually concentrated on acquiring new customers mainly through internet advertisements (paid listings) and internet search engine optimization (SEO), which can improve our website's position on the search engines. We also aggressively conducted promotion activities including facsimile and direct mail using e-mail and mail flyers, daily special prices, the publication and distribution of catalogs and TV and radio commercials. In terms of catalogs, we newly published REDBOOK vol. 13 Spring Edition in late February, divided into 10 volumes with 182 thousand items and approximately 1.66 million issues available in total and REDBOOK vol. 13 Autumn Edition in late September, divided into 12 volumes with 338 thousand items and approximately 2.6 million issues available in total. In addition, we broadcasted TV commercials throughout Japan, except for a few specific geographic areas, to enhance our visibility much further.

Furthermore, the total number of our product lineup available on our website reached approximately 13 million items in total and 305 thousand items in stock which are available for the same day shipment to meet the increase in demand corresponding to the expansion of our customer base as of the end of the first nine months of the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017. In addition, we started the full-scale operation of "Kasama Distribution Center" in July with a total floor area of approximately 56,200 square meters aiming at promoting more effective warehouse operation such as the installation of an automatic mobile warehouse robotic system securing the maximum daily shipping volume and a high-capacity stock area.

On the other hand, in relation to the sales of MRO products to large customers through the integrated purchase systems, both the number of customers and the amount of sales steadily increased. And also, we newly launched "MonotaRO ONE SOURCE Lite" in late March as our new purchase platform to enhance the business for large-sized customers.

Consequently, we have successfully obtained 390,760 newly registered accounts for the first nine months of the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017 and the number of registered accounts totaled 2,598,187 as of the end of the third quarter.

In addition, NAVIMRO, which is our Korean subsidiary, also aggressively engaged in acquiring new customers mainly through paid listings and focused on increasing both its product lineup and the number of products in stock in order to expand its customer base.

All of our efforts mentioned above resulted in net sales of 64,057 million yen (26.7% increase from the same period of the previous fiscal year), operating income of 8,559 million yen (24.5% increase from the same period of the previous fiscal year), ordinary income of 8,620 million yen (25.4% increase from the same period of the previous fiscal year), and net income attributable to owners of the parent of 6,053 million yen, a corresponding 33.5% increase.

(2) Qualitative Information Regarding Consolidated Financial Position

Total assets as of September 30, 2017 (the end of the first nine months of the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017) amounted to 39,056 million yen, an increase of 2,703 million yen from the end of the previous fiscal year. This was attributable to increases of 1,743 million yen, 1,734 million yen, 3,991 million yen and 2,269 million yen in accounts receivable-trade, merchandize, buildings and leased assets, respectively, despite decreases of 1,913 million yen and 7,085 million yen in cash and deposits and construction in progress, respectively.

On the other hand, total liabilities as of September 30, 2017 amounted to 18,272 million yen, a decrease of 817 million yen from the end of the previous fiscal year. This was due mainly to decreases of 2,071 million yen, 780 million yen and 2,094 million yen in accounts payable-other, income taxes payable and long-term loans payable, respectively, despite increases of

941 million yen and 1,925 million yen in accounts payable-trade and current portion of long-term loans payable, respectively.

Total net assets amounted to 20,784 million yen, an increase of 3,520 million yen from the end of the previous fiscal year. This was largely due to net income attributable to owners of the parent of 6,053 million yen offset by dividend payments of 2,480 million yen for the first nine months of the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017.

As a result, the equity ratio as of September 30, 2017 was 52.8%, up 6.0 percentage points from the end of the previous fiscal year.

(3) Forecast for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2017

As a result of the review of our operating plans considering the financial results for the first nine months of the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017, the consolidated forecasts for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017 disclosed in "Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2017 (Consolidated)" on January 27, 2017 have been changed. The details of these changes are presented in "Notice of Revision of Full-year Consolidated Financial Forecasts" released simultaneously with this statement.

4. Consolidated Quarterly Financial Statements

(1) Consolidated quarterly balance sheets

Accounts	As of Dec. 31, 2016	(In thousands of yen) As of Sep. 30, 2017
Assets	,	·······································
Current assets		
Cash and deposits	7,229,021	5,315,983
Accounts receivable-trade	6,974,832	8,732,753
Electronically recorded monetary claims	594,553	877,181
Merchandise	5,695,411	7,429,841
Goods in transit	182,447	186,685
Supplies	116,108	459,212
Accounts receivable-other	2,730,086	3,435,532
Other	398,586	366,543
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(39,216)	(48,016)
Total current assets	23,881,832	26,755,717
Noncurrent assets		
Property, plant and equipment		
Buildings	299,322	4,291,084
Construction in progress	7,085,083	-
Other	2,946,644	5,768,753
Total property, plant and equipment	10,331,050	10,059,838
Intangible assets		40.4.40.4
Goodwill	119,612	106,604
Other	1,084,802	1,239,557
Total intangible assets	1,204,414	1,346,162
Investments and other assets	500.000	504.254
Guarantee deposits	730,200	691,261
Other	230,417	232,785
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(24,505)	(28,873)
Total investments and other assets	936,112	895,173
Total noncurrent assets	12,471,578	12,301,173
Total assets	36,353,410	39,056,891
Liabilities		
Current liabilities	5 202 067	C 244 722
Accounts payable-trade	5,302,967	6,244,723
Long-term loans payable-current portion	225,000	2,150,666
Lease obligations	14,216 4,240,816	744,841 2,169,064
Accounts payable-other Income taxes payable	1,854,539	
Provision for employees' bonuses		1,073,734
Provision for directors' bonuses	59,614 33,589	157,692 13,813
Other	577,502	245,320
Total current liabilities	12,308,247	12,799,856
Noncurrent liabilities	12,306,247	12,799,630
Long-term loans payable	6,625,000	4,530,584
Lease obligations	12,118	798,027
Provision for directors' retirement benefits	62,470	67,893
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Other	50,960	50,299
Total noncurrent liabilities	6,781,749	5,472,798
Total liabilities	19,089,997	18,272,654
Net assets	17,007,777	10,272,031
Shareholders' equity		
Capital stock	1,943,569	1,957,046
Capital surplus	748,107	761,584
Retained earnings	14,486,042	18,059,013
Treasury stock	(193,786)	(206,417)
Total shareholders' equity	16,983,932	20,571,227
Accumulated other comprehensive income	,,, -,,, -	
Foreign currency translation adjustment	35,532	35,289
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	(1,408)	(1,155)
Total accumulated other comprehensive income	34,123	34,133
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Subscription rights to shares	55,582 189,774	
	189,774 17,263,413	126,323 20,784,236

(2) Consolidated quarterly statements of (comprehensive) income

Accounts	Nine months period ended Sep. 30, 2016	(In thousands of yen) Nine months period ended Sep. 30, 2017	
Net sales	50,553,059	64,057,433	
Cost of sales	34,719,781	44,419,795	
Gross profit	15,833,278	19,637,637	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	8,960,118	11,078,366	
Operating income	6,873,159	8,559,270	
Non-operating income	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Interest income	2,365	12,703	
Foreign exchange gains	<u> </u>	51,855	
Other	27,104	27,446	
Total non-operating income	29,470	92,005	
Non-operating expenses	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	
Interest expenses	9,205	6,000	
Foreign exchange losses	1,476	,	
Loss on disposal of inventories	16,943	24,961	
Other	682	232	
Total non-operating expenses	28,307	31,194	
Ordinary income	6,874,322	8,620,081	
Extraordinary income			
Gain on sales of non-current assets	_	30	
Total extraordinary income		30	
Extraordinary loss			
Loss on sales of non-current assets	_	342	
Loss on retirement of non-current assets	462	2,572	
Total extraordinary losses	462	2,915	
Income before income taxes	6,873,860	8,617,195	
Income taxes-current	2,297,580	2,553,121	
-deferred	41,144	67,814	
Total income taxes	2,338,724	2,620,936	
Net income	4,535,135	5,996,259	
Net income attributable to:			
owners of the parent	4,535,135	6,053,292	
non-controlling interests	_	(57,032)	
Other comprehensive income			
Foreign currency translation adjustment	(59,727)	(6,833)	
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	<u> </u>	252	
Total other comprehensive income	(59,727)	(6,580)	
Comprehensive income	4,475,408	5,989,679	
Comprehensive income attributable to:			
owners of the parent	4,475,408	6,053,130	
non-controlling interests	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(63,451)	