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Consolidated Results for the First Quarter of Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2024 (April 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023)

(1) Consolidated Financial Results

(Percentage indicates change from the same period of the previous fiscal year)

	Net sal	es	Operating	profit	Ordinary p	rofit	Profit attr owners o	
Three months ended	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%
June 30, 2023	179, 293	15.6	4, 940	(17.1)	10, 285	(16.9)	7, 151	(16.8)
June 30, 2022	155, 036	9.4	5, 962	(3.3)	12, 381	43.8	8, 591	52.8

Note: Comprehensive income Three months ended June 30, 2023 (20,829 million 25.5 %)
Three months ended June 30, 2022 (16,599 million 12.4 %)

	Earnings per share, Basic	Earnings per share, Diluted
Three months ended	Yen	Yen
June 30, 2023	31.57	_
June 30, 2022	37. 68	_

(2) Consolidated Financial Position

	Total assets	Net assets	Shareholders' equity to total assets
As of	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	%
June 30, 2023	634, 814	382, 744	57. 6
March 31, 2023	606, 039	365, 860	57. 6

Reference: Shareholders' equity (Net assets excluding non-controlling interests)

As of June 30, 2023 As of March 31, 2023 365, 793 million yen 349, 221 million yen

2. Dividends

	Cash dividends per share					
	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	Year-end	Full year	
	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen	
Fiscal year ended March 31, 2023	_	15. 00	_	17. 00	32. 00	
Fiscal year ending March 31, 2024	_					
Fiscal year ending March 31, 2024 (Forecast)		17. 00	_	17. 00	34. 00	

Note: Revisions to the forecast of dividends since the latest announcement: No

Forecast of Consolidated Results for Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2024 (April 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024)

(Percentage indicates change from the same period of the previous fiscal year)

	Net sales Ope		Operatin	g profit	Ordinary	profit	Profit attr owners o		Earnings per share, Basic
	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Yen
First half	345,000	3.7	8,000	(53.7)	11,000	(60.7)	6,000	(69.8)	26. 49
Full year	750,000	8.2	35, 000	21.4	40,000	7.2	25, 000	16. 1	110.37

Note: Revisions to the forecast of consolidated results since the latest announcement: No

4. Others

- (1) Changes of significant subsidiaries in the first quarter of fiscal year ending March 31, 2024 : No (Transfer of subsidiaries resulting in changes in the scope of consolidation)
- (2) Application of specific accounting for preparing the quarterly consolidated financial statements : No
- (3) Changes in accounting policies, procedures and methods of presentation for preparing the consolidated financial statements

[1] Changes due to revisions of accounting standards : No [2] Changes due to other reasons : No [3] Changes of estimation due to accounting issues : No [4] Restatements : No

- (4) Number of outstanding shares (Common Stock)
 - [1] Number of outstanding shares

As of June 30, 2023	244, 066, 144 shares
As of March 31, 2023	244, 066, 144 shares

[2] Number of treasury stock

As of June 30, 2023	17, 548, 994 shares
As of March 31, 2023	17, 548, 689 shares

[3] Average number of shares (Cumulative)

Three months ended June 30, 2023	226, 517, 310 shares
Three months ended June 30, 2022	228, 017, 873 shares

- * This quarterly report is out of the scope of the quarterly review.
- * Explanation about appropriate use of the financial results forecasts, and other noteworthy matters

 Statements related to the future, including the forecast of financial results, were based on the information
 available as of the date when this document was released. Therefore, actual results may differ considerably
 due to various factors that might occur in the future.

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1. Qualitative Information related to Consolidated Financial Results

(1) Explanation of Consolidated Financial Results

During the consolidated cumulative first quarter, the global economy showed signs of recovery, but the outlook remained uncertain due to a global rise in interest rates, soaring prices of energy and various materials, and other factors.

In the automotive market, one of the main business fields of the Group, the production volume in Japan was 2,058 thousand units, an increase of 27.4% from the same period last year, while in North America (U.S. and Canada), 3,212 thousand units were manufactured, up 12.3% from the same period last year. In China, 6,143 thousand units were manufactured, down 5.6% from the same period last year, and in Thailand, 509 thousand units were manufactured, up 7.5% from the same period last year. (All calculations are based on the figures of each region at the end of the quarter.)

In the data communications market, the Group's other main business field, the global production volume of hard disk drives (HDDs) decreased year—on—year, resulting in a decrease in the total demand for suspensions, our main products.

As a result of the business environment mentioned above, the Group recorded net sales of 179,293 million yen (up 15.6% year-on-year), operating profit of 4,940 million yen (down 17.1% year-on-year), ordinary profit of 10,285 million yen (down 16.9% year-on-year), and profit attributable to owners of parent of 7,151 million yen (down 16.8% year-on-year).

Results by segment are as follows:

[Automotive Suspension Springs Business]

In the automotive suspension springs business, net sales were 39,421 million yen (up 24.7% year-on-year), showing signs of recovery from production adjustments by automakers due to supply shortages for semiconductors and other factors. On the other hand, the Company posted an operating loss of 1,381 million yen (compared with an operating loss of 1,265 million yen in the same period last year) due to increasing fixed costs, including power and utilities costs.

[Automotive Seating Business]

In the automotive seating business, net sales increased 34.0% year-on-year to 77,135 million yen and operating profit was 4,135 million yen (compared to operating profit of 215 million yen in the same period last year), reflecting a recovery from production adjustments by automakers due to supply shortages for semiconductors and other factors.

[Precision Springs and Components Business]

In the precision springs and components business, the automotive-related business saw signs of recovery from production adjustments by automakers due to supply shortages for semiconductors and other factors, while being significantly affected by increasing fixed costs, including power and utilities costs. In the information and data communications-related business, sales volume declined due to production adjustments by HDD manufacturers.

Net sales decreased 5.7% year-on-year to 37,225 million yen, and operating profit decreased 88.5% year-on-year to 482 million yen.

[Industrial Machinery and Equipment, and Other Operations]

In the industrial machinery and equipment, and other operations, net sales decreased 3.4% year-on-year to 25,511 million yen and operating profit decreased 39.4% year-on-year to 1,703 million yen, due to a decrease in the volume of semiconductor process components, affected by the sluggish semiconductor market.

(2) Explanation of Consolidated Financial Position

Total assets at the end of the period under review increased by 28,775 million yen from the end of the previous fiscal year to 634,814 million yen. This is mainly attributable to an increase in investment securities due to the mark-to-market valuation of listed shares held, and the depreciation of the yen against foreign currencies pushed up the yen equivalent value of cash and deposits, trade receivables, and property, plant and equipment of overseas subsidiaries in particular.

Liabilities increased by 11,890 million yen from the end of the previous fiscal year to 252,069 million yen. This is mainly attributable to an increase in provision for bonuses, etc., while the depreciation of the yen against other currencies pushed up the yen equivalent value of trade payables, especially those of overseas subsidiaries.

Net assets increased by 16,884 million yen from the end of the previous fiscal year to 382,744 million yen. This is mainly attributable to an increase in valuation difference on available-for-sale securities, foreign currency translation adjustments and retained earnings owing to profit attributable to owners of parent.

(3) Explanation Regarding Future Projection Including Consolidated Financial Forecasts

During the three months ended June 30, 2023, the automotive-related business saw signs of recovery from semiconductor supply shortages and other issues, and the yen weakened against the U.S. dollar.

As for the second quarter and beyond, while the recovery from semiconductor supply shortages in the automotive-related business is expected to continue, market trends for HDD suspensions and semiconductor process components are uncertain. Therefore, we have not changed our consolidated earnings forecasts for the first half of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2024 and the full fiscal year ending March 31, 2024, which we announced on May 15, 2023.

If future developments affect our business results, we will promptly disclose such information in accordance with the disclosure standards.

The assumed exchange rates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2024 are JPY133.0/US dollar and JPY3.8/Thai Baht.

2. Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements and Primary Notes

(1) Quarterly Consolidated Balance Sheets

	-	(Millions of yen)
	As of March 31, 2023	As of June 30, 2023
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash and deposits	72, 948	80, 086
Notes and accounts receivable - trade,	146, 793	148, 324
and contract assets	·	
Merchandise and finished goods	33, 396	31, 054
Work in process	13, 114	15, 570
Raw materials and supplies	33, 339	34, 210
Partly-finished goods	11, 648	11, 96
0ther	26, 024	28, 02
Allowance for doubtful accounts	△27	△28
Total current assets	337, 237	349, 218
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment		
Buildings and structures	160, 712	163, 623
Accumulated depreciation	△108, 933	△110, 90
Buildings and structures, net	51, 779	52, 71
Machinery, equipment and vehicles	296, 394	305, 16
Accumulated depreciation	△237, 348	△244, 93
Machinery, equipment and vehicles,	59, 045	60, 23
Land	31, 520	31, 84
Leased assets	1, 258	1, 04
Accumulated depreciation	△787	△60
Leased assets, net	470	44
Construction in progress	14, 314	15, 26
Other	86, 964	91, 49
Accumulated depreciation	$\triangle 77,825$	$\triangle 80,95$
Other, net	9, 138	10, 54
Total property, plant and equipment	166, 269	171, 04
Intangible assets	3, 317	3, 35
Investments and other assets	3, 311	3, 30
Investment securities	62, 287	73, 21
Long-term loans receivable	1, 796	1, 79
Deferred tax assets	10, 161	9, 94
Retirement benefit asset	14, 410	14, 68
Other	12, 200	13, 26
Allowance for doubtful accounts	$\triangle 1,642$	$\triangle 1,70$
Total investments and other assets	99, 214	111, 19
	•	285, 59
Total non-current assets	268, 801	
Total assets	606, 039	634, 814

		(Millions of yen)
	As of March 31, 2023	As of June 30, 2023
Liabilities	·	
Current liabilities		
Notes and accounts payable - trade	91, 525	94, 006
Electronically recorded obligations - operating	18, 147	18, 191
Short-term borrowings	21, 167	20, 504
Lease liabilities	484	482
Income taxes payable	4, 400	4, 326
Provision for bonuses	10, 038	13, 664
Provision for bonuses for directors (and	10, 038	13, 004
other officers)	261	110
Notes payable - facilities	1, 273	1, 484
Other	24, 316	26, 887
Total current liabilities	171, 615	179, 658
Non-current liabilities	•	
Bonds payable	11,000	11,000
Long-term borrowings	17, 090	16, 460
Lease liabilities	759	741
Deferred tax liabilities	12, 351	14, 972
Retirement benefit liability	22, 506	22, 966
Provision for retirement benefits for	578	462
directors (and other officers) Provision for officers' retirement		
benefits	843	949
Other _	3, 435	4, 860
Total non-current liabilities	68, 563	72, 411
Total liabilities	240, 179	252, 069
Net assets	•	
Shareholders' equity		
Share capital	17, 009	17, 009
Capital surplus	19, 826	19, 826
Retained earnings	275, 386	278, 683
Treasury shares	$\triangle 15,703$	$\triangle 15,704$
Total shareholders' equity	296, 518	299, 815
Accumulated other comprehensive income	<u> </u>	,
Valuation difference on available-for-		
sale securities	27, 217	34, 161
Foreign currency translation adjustment	21, 018	27, 326
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	4, 468	4, 489
Total accumulated other comprehensive income	52, 703	65, 977
Non-controlling interests	16, 638	16, 951
Total net assets	365, 860	382, 744
Total liabilities and net assets	606, 039	634, 814
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(2) Quarterly Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income (Quarterly Consolidated Statements of Income) (Three Months ended June 30, 2023)

(Millions of yen)

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	Three months ended June 30, 2022	Three months ended June 30, 2023
Net sales	155, 036	179, 293
Cost of sales	136, 597	161, 165
Gross profit	18, 439	18, 128
Selling, general and administrative expenses	12, 476	13, 187
Operating profit	5, 962	4, 940
Non-operating income		
Interest income	131	309
Dividend income	1, 256	1, 512
Share of profit of entities accounted for	83	320
using equity method	83	320
Foreign exchange gains	5, 144	2, 974
Other	448	449
Total non-operating income	7, 064	5, 566
Non-operating expenses		
Interest expenses	84	50
Other	561	170
Total non-operating expenses	646	221
Ordinary profit	12, 381	10, 285
Profit before income taxes	12, 381	10, 285
Income taxes	3, 390	2, 911
Profit	8, 990	7, 373
Profit attributable to non-controlling interests	399	221
Profit attributable to owners of parent	8, 591	7, 151

(Quarterly Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income) (Three Months ended June $30,\ 2023$)

		(Millions of yen)
	Three months ended June 30, 2022	Three months ended June 30, 2023
Profit	8, 990	7, 373
Other comprehensive income		
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	△749	6, 951
Foreign currency translation adjustment	7, 469	6, 086
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans, net of tax	37	21
Share of other comprehensive income of entities accounted for using equity method	850	396
Total other comprehensive income	7, 608	13, 456
Comprehensive income	16, 599	20, 829
Comprehensive income attributable to		
Comprehensive income attributable to owners of parent	15, 656	20, 426
Comprehensive income attributable to non- controlling interests	943	403

(3) Notes to Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements

(Notes to Going Concern Assumption)

Not applicable

(Notes to Significant Changes in the Amount of Shareholders' Equity) Not applicable (Business Segment Information)

<Business Segment Information>

Result of First Quarter of the Year ended March 2023 (Three Months ended June 30, 2022)
 Information regarding the Amount of Net Sales and Profit or Loss by Business Segment

		R					
	Automotive Suspension Springs	Automotive Seating	Precision Springs & Components	Industrial Machinery & Equipment, & Other Operations	Total	Adjustments	Consolidated Total
Sales:	(Millions of yen)						
Sales to External Customers	31,605	57,568	39,456	26,405	155,036	_	155,036
Inter-segment Sales	427	52	337	2,709	3,526	(3,526)	-
Net Sales	32,033	57,620	39,794	29,114	158,563	(3,526)	155,036
Segment Profit (Loss)	(1,265)	215	4,200	2,811	5,962	_	5,962

⁽Note 1) Adjustment for inter-segment sales of \(\frac{\pmathf{X}}{3}\),526 million is elimination of the inter-segment transaction.

(Note 2) Segment profit (loss) is in accordance with operating profit (loss) in the quarterly consolidated statement of income. There is no amount of the adjustment.

2. Result of First Quarter of the Year ending March 2024 (Three Months ended June 30, 2023) Information regarding the Amount of Net Sales and Profit or Loss by Business Segment

	Reportable Segment							
	Automotive Suspension Springs	Automotive Seating	Precision Springs & Components	Industrial Machinery & Equipment, & Other Operations	Total	Adjustments	Consolidated Total	
Sales:	(Millions of yen)							
Sales to External Customers	39,421	77,135	37,225	25,511	179,293	_	179,293	
Inter-segment Sales	449	84	378	2,893	3,805	(3,805)	-	
Net Sales	39,870	77,220	37,603	28,404	183,098	(3,805)	179,293	
Segment profit (Loss)	(1,381)	4,135	482	1,703	4,940	_	4,940	

⁽Note 1) Adjustment for inter-segment sales of ¥3,805 million is elimination of the inter-segment transaction.

(Note 2) Segment profit (loss) is in accordance with operating profit (loss) in the quarterly consolidated statement of income. There is no amount of the adjustment.

(Reference Information)

<Region Segment Information>

1. Result of First Quarter of the Year Ended March 2023 (Three Months ended June 30, 2022)

	Japan	Asia	America, Europe & Others	Total	Adjustments	Consolidated Total		
Sales:	(Millions of yen)							
Sales to External Customers	82,516	48,170	24,349	155,036	_	155,036		
Inter-segment Sales	8,634	996	402	10,033	(10,033)	-		
Net Sales	91,150	49,166	24,752	165,069	(10,033)	155,036		
Segment profit (Loss)	3,669	3,938	(1,644)	5,962	_	5,962		

⁽Note 1) The countries are grouped depending on the geographical proximity.

(Note 2) Countries in the groups except Japan

- (1) Asia ····· Thailand, Malaysia, China, India
- (2) America, Europe & Others \cdots U.S., Mexico, Netherlands, Hungary

2. Result of First Quarter of the Year ending March 2024 (Three Months ended June 30, 2023)

	Japan	Asia	America, Europe & Others	Total	Adjustments	Consolidated Total		
Sales:	(Millions of yen)							
Sales to External Customers	99,355	48,699	31,239	179,293	_	179,293		
Inter-segment Sales	5,672	891	496	7,060	(7,060)	-		
Net Sales	105,028	49,590	31,735	186,354	(7,060)	179,293		
Segment profit (Loss)	3,100	3,497	(1,658)	4,940	_	4,940		

⁽Note 1) The countries are grouped depending on the geographical proximity.

(Note 2) Countries in the groups except Japan

- (1) Asia ····· Thailand, Malaysia, China, India
- (2) America, Europe & Others $\cdots~$ U.S., Mexico, Netherlands, Hungary