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|---------------------|-------|--------------------|---|----------------|
| (Reference) Equity: | As of | December 31, 2024: | ¥ | 37,095 million |
| | As of | March 31, 2024: | ¥ | 37,506 million |

2. Dividends

| | Annual dividends | | | | |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------|-------|
| | 1st quarter-end | 2nd quarter-end | 3rd quarter-end | Year-end | Total |
| | Yen | Yen | Yen | Yen | Yen |
| Fiscal year ended March 31, 2024 | - | 6.50 | - | 6.50 | 13.00 |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 2025 | - | 6.50 | - | | |
| Fiscal year ending March 31, 2025 (Forecast) | | | | 6.50 | 13.00 |

(Note) Revision to the forecast for dividends announced most recently: None

(Note) Breakdown of the 3rd quarter dividend for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025 :

Commemorative dividend - yen
Special dividend - yen

3. Consolidated Financial Results Forecast for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2025(April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025)

(Percentages indicate year-on-year changes.)

| | Net sales | | Operating profit | | Ordinary profit | | Profit attributable to owners of parent | | Basic earnings per share |
|-----------|-----------------|-------|------------------|--------|-----------------|--------|--|--------|-----------------------------|
| | Millions of yen | % | Millions of yen | % | Millions of yen | % | Millions of yen | % | Yen |
| Full year | 52,000 | (3.1) | 1,200 | (33.6) | 1,700 | (24.2) | 550 | (10.5) | 10.12 |

(Note) Revision to the financial results forecast announced most recently: Yes

* Notes:

(1) Significant changes in the scope of consolidation during the period: None

Newly included: - (Company name:)
Excluded: - (Company name:)

(2) Adoption of accounting treatment specific to the preparation of quarterly consolidated financial statements: None

(3) Changes in accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates, and restatement

- 1) Changes in accounting policies due to revisions to accounting standards and other regulations: Yes
- 2) Changes in accounting policies due to other reasons: None
- 3) Changes in accounting estimates: None
- 4) Restatement: None

(4) Number of issued shares (common shares)

1) Total number of issued shares at the end of the period (including treasury shares):

December 31, 2024: 57,777,432 shares
March 31, 2024: 57,777,432 shares

2) Number of treasury shares at the end of the period:

December 31, 2024: 3,476,694 shares
March 31, 2024: 3,476,234 shares

3) Average number of shares outstanding during the period:

Nine months ended December 31, 2024: 54,304,732 shares
Nine months ended December 31, 2023: 54,295,636 shares

* Review of the Japanese-language originals of the attached consolidated quarterly financial statements by certified public accountants or an audit firm: Yes(voluntary)

* Explanation for appropriate use of financial forecasts and other special notes.

The forecasts given in this document are based on the current available information in the company and certain reasonable assumptions to the company. Actual results may differ from these forecasts by a variety of reasons.

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1. Qualitative Information on Quarterly Financial Results for the Period under Review

(1) Explanation of Business Results

In the nine months ended December 31, 2024, the economic environment showed a moderate recovery trend led by domestic demand, such as consumer spending and corporate capital investment. Meanwhile, we need to continue to pay close attention to risks of economic fluctuation primarily due to the policy change by the U.S.

Furthermore, regarding the business environment in which the Group operates, the demand for concrete piles across Japan and concrete pole shipments throughout Japan during the nine months ended December 31, 2024 decreased from a year earlier, mainly due to the 2024 problem in construction and logistics, labor shortages, and increasing raw material prices, and severe conditions continued.

In these circumstances, the Group has been addressing the significant issues stated in the Medium-Term Management Plan 2024 formulated in May 2024. As a result, the Group's net sales for the nine months ended December 31, 2024, were 39,319 million yen (down 2.4% year-on-year), operating profit was 1,117 million yen (down 39.4% year-on-year), ordinary profit was 1,579 million yen (down 26.3% year-on-year), and profit attributable to owners of parent was 509 million yen (down 45.7% year-on-year).

An overview of each business for the period under review is as follows.

1) Foundation Business

The demand for concrete piles across Japan during the nine months ended December 31, 2024 decreased approximately 8% from a year earlier, and the Group was also affected by a decline in demand. In addition, numerous financial reporting time lags have occurred due to construction delays of projects received. As a result, net sales amounted to 18,572 million yen (down 4.6% year-on-year).

Segment income was 703 million yen (down 18.6% year-on-year) mainly due to deteriorated earnings of manufacturing subsidiaries caused by a decline in production volume, despite our efforts, such as penetration of fair pricing and improvement in construction efficiency.

2) Concrete Secondary Product Business

In the Pole-related Business, which is part of the Concrete Secondary Product Business, concrete pole shipments throughout Japan decreased approximately 7% from a year earlier and the Group's shipment volume also decreased. As a result, net sales amounted to 11,241 million yen (down 5.4% year-on-year).

In the Civil Engineering Product Business, large-scale precast concrete wall projects, which were seen in the previous fiscal year, decreased in the period under review, but acceptance inspection of RC segments intended for the Linear Chuo Shinkansen progressed more smoothly than the Company's estimation. As a result, net sales were 9,277 million yen (up 6.4% year-on-year).

As a result, net sales in the Concrete Secondary Product Business amounted to 20,518 million yen (down 0.4% year-on-year). Segment income was 1,598 million yen (down 21.9% year-on-year) mainly due to the impact of the aforementioned drop in sales in large-scale precast concrete wall projects.

3) Real Estate and Solar Power Generation Business

The Company reported steady rental income, and generated and sold electricity for net sales that amounted to 228 million yen (up 0.3% year-on-year) and segment income was 142 million yen (up 1.9% year-on-year).

With regard the future outlook, we expect that the current conditions of the business environment in which the Group operates will remain severe due to the on-going risks presented by an unstable international environment and increases in energy, raw material, and personnel expenses, in addition to the 2024 logistics problem and construction start delays and extended construction periods and other issues in construction projects.

In the medium to long term, expectations remained high for high-quality precast concrete products that contribute to productivity enhancement and labor saving to address issues such as a decrease in the construction workforce and the 2024 logistics problem, in addition to the Company's own products and construction methods contributing to preparing for increasingly severe and frequent natural disasters (prevention, mitigation, and recovery). Furthermore, a high level of interests remained for the Company-developed technology for carbon capture and CCUS (carbon dioxide capture, utilization and storage) products, and low-carbon type concrete products from the perspective of carbon neutrality, and therefore opportunities for sustainable growth are considered to be numerous.

In this business environment, while steadily implementing the initiatives outlined in the Medium-Term Management Plan, we will make every effort to certainly achieve the financial results forecasts which have been presented in current downward revisions.

Looking ahead, the Group will continue to play a role in strengthening social infrastructure and contribute to society through offering technology and products to reduce environmental loads. In addition, we will be committed to utilizing the Group's synergy effect and realizing further growth, and by intensifying our efforts on corporate governance and sustainability, we are aiming to realize sustainable growth and enhance our corporate value to meet the expectations of our stakeholders.

(2) Explanation of Financial Position

The Group's financial policies are to reduce total assets so as to improve ROA through measures such as early collection of accounts receivable, optimization of product inventories, and efficient capital investment strategies; and to reduce interest-bearing debts by improving the efficiency of the Group's funds and assets.

Total assets at the end of the nine months ended December 31, 2024 were 79,215 million yen, down 2,779 million yen from the end of the previous fiscal year.

Current assets were 33,529 million yen, down 2,887 million yen from the end of the previous fiscal year, and non-current assets were 45,686 million yen, up 107 million yen from the end of the previous fiscal year.

The decrease in current assets was mainly due to a decrease in cash and deposits, and the increase in non-current assets was mainly due to an increase in other, net.

Total liabilities were 39,108 million yen, down 2,490 million yen from the end of the previous fiscal year.

Current liabilities were 24,205 million yen, down 2,681 million yen from the end of the previous fiscal year, and non-current liabilities were 14,903 million yen, up 191 million yen from the end of the previous fiscal year.

The decrease in current liabilities was mainly due to decreases in notes and accounts payable – trade, electronically recorded obligations - operating, and income taxes payable, and the increase in non-current liabilities was mainly due to an increase in long-term borrowings.

Total net assets were 40,106 million yen, down 289 million yen from the end of the previous fiscal year. It was mainly due to a decrease in retained earnings.

As a result of the above, the equity ratio came to 46.8%, up from 45.7% at the end of the previous consolidated fiscal year.

(3) Explanation of Consolidated Financial Results Forecast and Other Forward-looking Information

In light of the recent financial results trend, the Company revised the full-year consolidated financial results forecast announced on May 15, 2024. For details, please refer to the “Notice Concerning Revisions to the Full-year Consolidated Financial Results Forecast” announced today (February 14, 2025).

2. Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements

(1) Quarterly Consolidated Balance Sheets

(Thousands of yen)

| | As of March 31, 2024 | As of December 31, 2024 |
|--|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Assets | | |
| Current assets | | |
| Cash and deposits | 11,120,707 | 8,197,786 |
| Notes and accounts receivable - trade, and contract assets | 11,259,470 | 10,417,919 |
| Electronically recorded monetary claims - operating | 2,925,147 | 3,037,423 |
| Merchandise and finished goods | 6,950,355 | 7,310,681 |
| Work in process | 740,826 | 709,193 |
| Raw materials and supplies | 2,038,697 | 2,076,985 |
| Costs on construction contracts in progress | 319,817 | 190,316 |
| Other | 1,070,595 | 1,597,547 |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts | (8,134) | (8,134) |
| Total current assets | 36,417,483 | 33,529,717 |
| Non-current assets | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | | |
| Land | 17,237,062 | 17,237,042 |
| Other, net | 9,051,028 | 9,333,507 |
| Total property, plant and equipment | 26,288,090 | 26,570,549 |
| Intangible assets | 881,242 | 888,324 |
| Investments and other assets | | |
| Investment securities | 14,547,526 | 14,453,186 |
| Other | 3,992,230 | 3,899,986 |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts | (130,861) | (125,916) |
| Total investments and other assets | 18,408,895 | 18,227,256 |
| Total non-current assets | 45,578,229 | 45,686,131 |
| Total assets | 81,995,712 | 79,215,848 |

(Thousands of yen)

| | As of March 31, 2024 | As of December 31, 2024 |
|---|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Liabilities | | |
| Current liabilities | | |
| Notes and accounts payable - trade | 5,285,032 | 4,821,088 |
| Electronically recorded obligations - operating | 9,864,508 | 8,746,150 |
| Short-term borrowings | 4,084,600 | 4,243,900 |
| Current portion of long-term borrowings | 2,260,089 | 2,199,284 |
| Income taxes payable | 945,725 | 291,135 |
| Provisions | 717,594 | 394,465 |
| Other | 3,730,222 | 3,509,774 |
| Total current liabilities | 26,887,772 | 24,205,798 |
| Non-current liabilities | | |
| Bonds payable | 100,000 | 80,000 |
| Long-term borrowings | 6,533,312 | 6,774,454 |
| Retirement benefit liability | 1,220,462 | 1,224,783 |
| Other | 6,858,210 | 6,823,900 |
| Total non-current liabilities | 14,711,984 | 14,903,138 |
| Total liabilities | 41,599,757 | 39,108,936 |
| Net assets | | |
| Shareholders' equity | | |
| Share capital | 5,111,583 | 5,111,583 |
| Capital surplus | 3,858,899 | 3,941,555 |
| Retained earnings | 18,752,806 | 18,525,427 |
| Treasury shares | (1,009,783) | (1,009,421) |
| Total shareholders' equity | 26,713,506 | 26,569,144 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income | | |
| Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities | 4,999,946 | 4,801,016 |
| Revaluation reserve for land | 5,312,368 | 5,312,368 |
| Foreign currency translation adjustment | (138,068) | (125,068) |
| Remeasurements of defined benefit plans | 618,394 | 538,015 |
| Total accumulated other comprehensive income | 10,792,641 | 10,526,332 |
| Non-controlling interests | 2,889,807 | 3,011,435 |
| Total net assets | 40,395,955 | 40,106,912 |
| Total liabilities and net assets | 81,995,712 | 79,215,848 |

(2) Quarterly Consolidated Statements of Income and Comprehensive Income

Quarterly Consolidated Statements of Income (For the nine months)

(Thousands of yen)

| | For the nine months ended December 31, 2023 | For the nine months ended December 31, 2024 |
|---|--|--|
| Net sales | 40,306,601 | 39,319,177 |
| Cost of sales | 33,324,870 | 32,605,958 |
| Gross profit | 6,981,730 | 6,713,218 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | 5,137,458 | 5,595,711 |
| Operating profit | 1,844,272 | 1,117,507 |
| Non-operating income | | |
| Interest income | 5,438 | 5,019 |
| Dividend income | 197,876 | 254,322 |
| Share of profit of entities accounted for using equity method | 169,551 | 221,585 |
| Other | 105,803 | 109,336 |
| Total non-operating income | 478,669 | 590,264 |
| Non-operating expenses | | |
| Interest expenses | 50,780 | 62,423 |
| Loss on claims | 13,964 | - |
| Loss from suspension of plantoperations assets | 38,219 | 37,830 |
| Other | 77,641 | 27,770 |
| Total non-operating expenses | 180,605 | 128,024 |
| Ordinary profit | 2,142,336 | 1,579,746 |
| Extraordinary income | | |
| Gain on sale of non-current assets | 26,304 | 21,110 |
| Gain on sale of investment securities | 93,732 | 2,491 |
| Total extraordinary income | 120,036 | 23,602 |
| Extraordinary losses | | |
| System failure response costs | 30,890 | - |
| Loss on retirement of non-current assets | 42,550 | 19,445 |
| Total extraordinary losses | 73,440 | 19,445 |
| Profit before income taxes | 2,188,931 | 1,583,903 |
| Income taxes - current | 949,709 | 606,576 |
| Income taxes - deferred | 127,799 | 245,921 |
| Total income taxes | 1,077,509 | 852,497 |
| Profit | 1,111,422 | 731,406 |
| Profit attributable to non-controlling interests | 173,083 | 222,073 |
| Profit attributable to owners of parent | 938,338 | 509,332 |

Quarterly Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (For the nine months)

(Thousands of yen)

| | For the nine months ended December 31, 2023 | For the nine months ended December 31, 2024 |
|--|--|--|
| Profit | 1,111,422 | 731,406 |
| Other comprehensive income | | |
| Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities | 1,018,808 | (196,384) |
| Foreign currency translation adjustment | 19,597 | 14,884 |
| Remeasurements of defined benefit plans, net of tax | (30,025) | (82,105) |
| Share of other comprehensive income of entities accounted for using equity method | 5,973 | (542) |
| Total other comprehensive income | 1,014,353 | (264,148) |
| Comprehensive income | 2,125,776 | 467,257 |
| Comprehensive income attributable to | | |
| Comprehensive income attributable to owners of parent | 1,939,458 | 243,023 |
| Comprehensive income attributable to non-controlling interests | 186,317 | 224,233 |

(3) Notes to Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements

(Notes on Going Concern Assumption)

There is no relevant information.

(Notes in the Case of Significant Changes in the Amount of Shareholders' Equity)

There is no relevant information.

(Changes in Accounting Policies)

The Company has applied the "Accounting Standard for Current Income Taxes" (ASBJ Statement No. 27, October 28, 2022; hereinafter referred to as the "Revised Accounting Standard in 2022") from the beginning of the first quarter of the fiscal year under review.

The accounting category of income taxes (taxation on other comprehensive income) has been revised in accordance with the transitional treatment provided for in the proviso to Paragraph 20-3 of the Revised Accounting Standard in 2022 and the transitional treatment provided for in the proviso to Paragraph 65-2 (2) of the "Guidance on Accounting Standard for Tax Effect Accounting" (ASBJ Guidance No. 28, October 28, 2022; hereinafter referred to as the "Revised Guidance in 2022"). These changes in accounting policies do not affect the quarterly consolidated financial statements.

In addition, the Company has applied the Revised Guidance in 2022 from the beginning of the first quarter of the fiscal year under review for the revision to the treatment of the consolidated financial statements in case losses or gains on sale of subsidiaries' shares among consolidated companies are deferred for tax purposes. These changes in accounting policies are applied retrospectively, and the quarterly consolidated financial statements for the same period of the previous fiscal year and the consolidated financial statements for the previous fiscal year have been adjusted retrospectively. These changes in accounting policies do not affect the quarterly consolidated financial statements for the nine months ended December 31, 2023 or the consolidated financial statements for the previous fiscal year.

(Additional Information)

(A transaction in which the Company's shares are delivered to its employees, etc. through a trust)

(1) Summary of the transaction

As for the Board Incentive Plan Trust (hereinafter referred to as the "BIP Trust") and the Stock Granting Trust (J-ESOP) (hereinafter referred to as the "J-ESOP Trust") introduced in August 2015, the Company resolved at the Board of Directors' Meeting held on August 9, 2024 to continue the BIP Trust and the J-ESOP Trust for a new three-year period (from the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025 to the fiscal year ending March 31, 2027) and reintroduced them by entering into an agreement to extend their terms, for the purpose of increasing motivation to improve the Company's medium- to long-term performance and raising awareness toward the contribution to an increase in shareholder value.

(2) The Company's shares remaining in the trust

The Company's shares remaining in the trust are recorded as treasury shares in net assets at their book value (excluding incidental expenses) in the trust. For the BIP Trust, the book value and the number of treasury shares at the end of the nine months ended December 31, 2024 are 43,601 thousand yen and 135,686 shares, and for the J-ESOP Trust, 35,184 thousand yen and 105,668 shares.

(Segment Information, etc.)

[Segment Information]

I. For the nine months ended December 31, 2023

1. Information on net sales and income by reportable segment

(Thousand yen)

| | Reportable segment | | | | Adjustment (Note 1) | Amounts recorded in the quarterly consolidated statements of income (Note 2) |
|---|------------------------|---|--|------------|------------------------|--|
| | Foundation Business | Concrete Secondary Product Business | Real Estate and Solar Power Generation Business | Total | | |
| Net sales | | | | | | |
| Net sales to outside customers | 19,468,578 | 20,610,250 | 227,771 | 40,306,601 | — | 40,306,601 |
| Inter-segment net sales or transfers | 873 | — | — | 873 | (873) | — |
| Total | 19,469,452 | 20,610,250 | 227,771 | 40,307,475 | (873) | 40,306,601 |
| Segment income | 863,752 | 2,047,276 | 139,601 | 3,050,629 | (1,206,357) | 1,844,272 |

(Notes) The adjustments are as follows:

1. The adjustment for segment income mainly includes corporate expenses. Corporate expenses mainly include general and administrative expenses, not attributed to reportable segments.
2. Segment income is adjusted to the operating profit in the quarterly consolidated statements of income.

II. For the nine months ended December 31, 2024

1. Information on net sales and income by reportable segment

(Thousand yen)

| | Reportable segment | | | | Adjustment (Note 1) | Amounts recorded in the quarterly consolidated statements of income (Note 2) |
|---|------------------------|---|--|------------|------------------------|--|
| | Foundation Business | Concrete Secondary Product Business | Real Estate and Solar Power Generation Business | Total | | |
| Net sales | | | | | | |
| Net sales to outside customers | 18,572,184 | 20,518,591 | 228,402 | 39,319,177 | — | 39,319,177 |
| Inter-segment net sales or transfers | 1,638 | — | — | 1,638 | (1,638) | — |
| Total | 18,573,822 | 20,518,591 | 228,402 | 39,320,815 | (1,638) | 39,319,177 |
| Segment income | 703,041 | 1,598,006 | 142,287 | 2,443,334 | (1,325,827) | 1,117,507 |

(Notes) The adjustments are as follows:

1. The adjustment for segment income mainly includes corporate expenses. Corporate expenses mainly include general and administrative expenses, not attributed to reportable segments.
2. Segment income is adjusted to the operating profit in the quarterly consolidated statements of income.

(Notes on Statements of Cash Flow)

Quarterly consolidated statements of cash flows are not prepared for the period under review. Depreciation (including amortization of intangible assets) for the period under review is as follows.

| | For the nine months ended December 31, 2023 | For the nine months ended December 31, 2024 |
|--------------|--|--|
| Depreciation | 1,365,539 thousand yen | 1,268,043 thousand yen |

(Significant Events after Reporting Period)

There is no relevant information.

3. Other

Significant Events Relating to Going Concern Assumption, etc.

There is no relevant information.

Independent Auditor's Interim Review Report on the Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements

February 14, 2025

To the Board of Directors of
NIPPON CONCRETE INDUSTRIES CO., LTD.

Crowe Toyo & Co.
Tokyo Office

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| Designated and Managing Partner | Certified Public Accountant | TANAKA Akihiro |
| Designated and Managing Partner | Certified Public Accountant | IKEDA Hiroaki |
| Designated and Managing Partner | Certified Public Accountant | KIDO Akihito |

Auditor's Conclusion

We have reviewed the quarterly consolidated financial statements of NIPPON CONCRETE INDUSTRIES CO., LTD. (the "Group") for the third quarter (from October 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024) and the first nine months (from April 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024) of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025 (from April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025) included in the Consolidated Financial Results, namely, the quarterly consolidated balance sheets, the quarterly consolidated statements of income, the quarterly consolidated statements of comprehensive income, and the notes thereto.

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the aforementioned quarterly consolidated financial statements are not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the Article 4, Paragraph 1 of the Tokyo Stock Exchange's standard for preparation of quarterly financial statements and accounting standards for the quarterly financial statements generally accepted in Japan, omitting certain disclosures under the Article 4, Paragraph 2 of the Tokyo Stock Exchange's standard for preparation of quarterly financial statements.

Basis for Auditor's Conclusion

We conducted our review in accordance with the interim review standards generally accepted in Japan. Our responsibility under those standards is described in the Auditor's Responsibility for the Interim Review of the Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries in accordance with the provisions of the code of professional ethics in Japan, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities as auditors. We believe that we have obtained the evidence to provide a basis for our review conclusion.

Responsibilities of Management, the Audit & Supervisory Board Members, and the Audit & Supervisory Board for the Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of the quarterly consolidated financial statements in accordance with the Article 4, Paragraph 1 of the Tokyo Stock Exchange's standard for preparation of quarterly financial

statements and accounting standards for the quarterly financial statements generally accepted in Japan, omitting certain disclosures under the Article 4, Paragraph 2 of the Tokyo Stock Exchange's standard for preparation of quarterly financial statements. This includes designing and operating such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the quarterly consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the quarterly consolidated financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, and disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern in accordance with the Article 4, Paragraph 1 of the Tokyo Stock Exchange's standard for preparation of quarterly financial statements and accounting standards for the quarterly financial statements generally accepted in Japan, omitting certain disclosures under the Article 4, Paragraph 2 of the Tokyo Stock Exchange's standard for preparation of quarterly financial statements.

The Audit & Supervisory Board Members and the Audit & Supervisory Board are responsible for overseeing the Directors' execution of duties related to designing and operating the Group's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibility for the Interim Review of the Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements

Our responsibility as auditors is to express a conclusion on the quarterly consolidated financial statements in our review report from an independent standpoint based on our review.

In accordance with interim review standards generally accepted in Japan, we exercise professional judgment throughout the review, and perform the following with professional skepticism.

- Make inquiries, primarily of management and persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and apply analytical and other interim review procedures. An interim review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in Japan.
- Conclude whether nothing has come to our attention, based on the evidence obtained, related to going concern that causes us to believe that the quarterly consolidated financial statements are not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the Article 4, Paragraph 1 of the Tokyo Stock Exchange's standard for preparation of quarterly financial statements and accounting standards for the quarterly financial statements generally accepted in Japan, omitting certain disclosures under the Article 4, Paragraph 2 of the Tokyo Stock Exchange's standard for preparation of quarterly financial statements, if we conclude that a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the notes to the quarterly consolidated financial statements or, if such notes are inadequate, to express a qualified or negative conclusion. Our conclusions are based on the evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate whether nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the overall presentation and notes to the quarterly consolidated financial statements are not prepared in accordance with the Article 4, Paragraph 1 of the Tokyo Stock Exchange's standard for preparation of quarterly financial statements and accounting standards for the quarterly financial statements generally accepted in Japan, omitting certain disclosures under the Article 4, Paragraph 2 of the Tokyo Stock Exchange's standard for preparation of quarterly financial statements.
- Obtain evidence regarding the financial information of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries as a basis

to express a conclusion on the quarterly consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision, and review of the interim review of the quarterly consolidated financial statements. We remain solely responsible for our conclusion.

We communicate with the Audit & Supervisory Board Members and the Audit & Supervisory Board regarding the planned scope and timing of the review and significant findings that we identify during our review.

We also provide the Audit & Supervisory Board Members and the Audit & Supervisory Board with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, actions taken to eliminate threats or safeguards applied to reduce threats to an acceptable level.

Conflicts of Interest

Our firm and its managing partners do not have any interest in the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries which is required to be disclosed pursuant to the provisions of the Certified Public Accountants Act of Japan.

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- (Notes) 1. The original copy of the above interim review report is retained separately by the Company (filing company of the quarterly financial results).
2. XBRL data and HTML data are excluded from the scope of the interim review.