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# Financial Results for the 2nd Quarter of the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2022 [Japanese Standards] (Consolidated)

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Listed company name: CARTA HOLDINGS, Inc. Listed stock exchange: TSE Prime Market

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Availability of supplementary information Yes Holding investors' meeting: Yes

(For security analysts and institutional investors)

(Rounded down to million yen)

#### 1. Consolidated Financial Results for FY 2022 First Six Months (January 1, 2022 – June 30, 2022)

(1)Consolidated results of operations (cumulative total)

(The percentage indicates year-on-year change)

	Net sales		Net sales Operating income		Ordinary income		Net income	
	¥million	%	¥million	%	¥million	%	¥million	%
FY 2022 first six months	13,176	4.3	1,776	(39.6)	2,460	(25.5)	2,358	6.4
FY 2021 first six months	12,629	13.6	2,940	47.6	3,301	76.2	2,215	122.3

(Note) Comprehensive Income: FY 2022 first six months

FY 2022 first six months: \$1,376 million (49.5)%FY 2021 first six months: \$2,727 million 165.5%

	Net income per share	Diluted net income per share	EBITDA	
	¥	¥	¥million	%
FY 2022 first six months	91.94	91.31	4,070	0.9
FY 2021 first six months	87.84	87.42	4.034	60.7

<sup>\*</sup> EBITDA noted above (earnings before interest, tax, depreciation, and amortization) is calculated by adding interest expenses, depreciation, amortization, amortization of goodwill, loss on retirement of non-current assets, and impairment loss to the Company's profit before income taxes.

#### (2) Consolidated financial position

	Total assets	Net assets	Shareholders' equity ratio	Net assets per share
	¥million	¥million	%	Yen
June 30, 2022	46,570	28,050	59.9	1,093.89
December 31, 2021	55,376	27,757	49.6	1,070.34

(Reference) Owned capital: June 30, 2022: \{\pma27,917\) million

December 31, 2021: \\$27,444 million

#### 2. Dividend status

		Annual dividends					
	1Q end	$2\mathrm{Q}$ end	$3\mathrm{Q}$ end	Fiscal year-end	Total		
	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen		
FY 2021	_	25.00	_	26.00	51.00		
FY 2022	_	27.00					
FY 2022 (Forecast)			_	27.00	54.00		

(Note) Revisions to dividend forecast for the current quarter: No

#### 3. Forecast of Consolidated Financial Results for FY 2022 (January 1, 2022 — December 31, 2022)

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Full year	¥million 28,300	% 9.6	¥million 3,500	(29.6)	¥million 4,100	% (27.0)	¥million 4,100	32.0	Yen 159.83	¥million 7,600	% 13.4

(Note) Revisions to performance results forecast for the current quarter: Yes

#### X Notes

(1) Changes in significant subsidiaries during the period

:Yes

(Change of specified subsidiaries that lead to a change in the scope of consolidation)

Excluded from consolidation: 1 company (Name) Cyber Communications Inc.

(Note) For details, please see "2. Consolidated Financial Statements (4) Notes to Condensed Interim Consolidated Financial Statements (Changes in Significant Subsidiaries during the Period)" on page 13 of the attached documents.

(2) Application of special accounting methods for the preparation of quarterly consolidated financial statements

: Yes

Please see "2. Consolidated Financial Statements (4) Notes to Condensed Interim Consolidated Financial Statements (Adoption of Accounting Method Specific to Preparation of Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements)" on page 13 of the attached documents.

- (3) Changes in accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates, corrections and restatements and retrospective restatements
  - 1) Changes in accounting policy resulting from revisions to accounting standards

: Yes

2) Changes in accounting policy other than above

: None

3) Changes in accounting estimates

: None

4) Retrospective restatements

: None

#### (4) Number of shares issued (common stock)

1) Number of shares issued and outstanding (including treasury stock)

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As of June 30, 2022	25,796,405	As of December 31, 2021	25,643,132

#### 2) Number of treasury stock issued and outstanding

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As of June 30, 2022	274,734	As of December 31, 2021	2,234

#### 3) Average number of shares during the period (quarterly consolidated cumulative accounting period)

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Six months ended June 30, 2022	25,650,916	Six months ended June 30, 2021	25,219,931

#### Notice regarding audit procedures

This financial result is excluded from audit procedures.

## \* Explanations related to appropriate use of the performance forecast other special instructions

(Note on forward-looking statements)

Earnings forecasts and other forward-looking statements in this report are based on information currently available and certain assumptions judged to be reasonable. Therefore, these statements do not constitute a guarantee of achievement. Actual results may differ materially for various reasons.

Please refer to "1. Qualitative Information on Quarterly Financial Results for the Period under Review (3) Explanation of Consolidated Performance Forecast and Other Forward-looking Information" on page 5 of the attached documents.

#### (Supplementary materials)

Supplementary materials on financial results are on our website (in English and Japanese).

#### Attachment

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(Adoption of Accounting Method Specific to Preparation of Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements)

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

#### (1) Analysis of Operating Results

With regard to the online advertising market where the Group operates its mainstay business, according to research by Dentsu Inc., in 2021, the impact of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) eased in the second half of the year and the advertising market as a whole recovered significantly, with internet advertising spending reaching \(\frac{\pma}{2}\)2,705.2 billion, or an increase of 21.4% year on year, surpassing for the first time the total of traditional media advertising expenditures, which was \(\frac{\pma}{2}\),453.8 billion.

In addition, internet advertising medium expenditures, which consists of internet advertising spending excluding internet advertising production costs and merchandise-related EC platforms within advertising expenditures in Japan, grew to \$2,157.1 billion, or an increase of 22.8% year on year, driven by growth in video and social media advertising. Of this amount, performance-based advertising costs, which are the mainstay of transactions in internet advertising medium expenditures, amounted to \$1,838.2 billion, or an increase of 26.3% year on year, accounting for 85.2% of total internet advertising medium expenditures.

Under these circumstances, the Group worked to develop its business in the following three segments and has been promoting vertical integration throughout the Group to achieve sustainable growth: 1) the "Marketing Solutions Business," which provides advertising sales and solutions mainly through media communication; 2) the "Ad Platform Business," which operates ad distribution platforms; and 3) the "Consumer Business," which provides media solutions and operates its services in the EC, game, and HR fields.

As a result, the Group posted net sales of \$13,176 million, or an increase of 4.3% year on year, operating income of \$1,776 million, or a decrease of 39.6% year on year, due to an increase in advertising expenses for the "TELECY" operational TV advertising platform and aggressive upfront investments in the D2C domain, ordinary income of \$2,460 million, or a decrease of 25.5% year on year, and profit attributable to owners of parent of \$2,358 million, or an increase of 6.4% year on year, mainly due to the recording of an extraordinary income from gain on sales of investment securities in the period under review.

Financial results for each segment were as follows. Sales of each segment include intersegment sales and transfers.

In addition, in the previous period, the "Partner Sales Business" segment has been renamed the "Marketing Solutions Business" segment and some business that was previously included in the "Marketing Solutions Business" segment and the "Ad Platform Business" segment has been reclassified between the two segments due to organizational restructuring. Therefore, the following year-on-year comparisons are based on figures for the same period of the previous fiscal year that have been reclassified to reflect the new reporting segment classification.

#### 1) Marketing Solutions Business

The Marketing Solutions Business sells advertising space and provides solutions mainly through media communication. The Group has been working to acquire new profit sources and strengthen the sales structure through initiatives in operational advertising and sales promotion/EC-related services, as well as expanding sales of our own products and solutions.

As a result, the Marketing Solutions Business recorded net sales of \(\frac{\pmathbf{4}}{6},065\) million, or a decrease of 2.6% year on year, mainly due to a drop in demand for advertising placements by large-scale advertisers, and segment income of \(\frac{\pmathbf{4}}{1},260\) million, or a decrease of 33.5% year on year, primarily due to an increase in personnel and recruiting costs because of aggressive hiring of personnel, in the period under review.

#### 2) Ad Platform Business

The Ad Platform Business operates "Zucks," "PORTO," "TELECY," and others as operational advertising platforms, as well as "fluct" as media support services. We worked to improve and expand the functions of each platform and service, and also captured demand from corporate clients, which led to solid performance.

As a result, the Ad Platform Business recorded net sales of \(\frac{\pmathbf{\frac{4}}}{3},708\) million, or an increase of 19.2% year or year, and segment income of \(\frac{\pmathbf{\frac{4}}}{684}\) million, or a decrease of 14.0% year on year, mainly due to an increase in advertising expenses because of aggressive upfront investments in the "TELECY" operational TV advertising platform, in the period under review.

#### 3) Consumer Business

In the Consumer Business, we operate sales promotion media centered on "EC Navi," "PeX," and "Digico," as well as services in the EC, game, and HR domains. In media solutions, we have worked to expand the scale of existing media, and in the EC, game, and HR domains, we have made aggressive upfront investments to promote the strengthening of initiatives in the growing D2C domain in particular.

As a result, the Consumer Business recorded net sales of \(\frac{\pmathbf{\frac{4}}}{3}\),428 million, or an increase of 4.0% year on year, and segment loss of \(\frac{\pmathbf{\frac{4}}}{168}\) million (segment income of \(\frac{\pmathbf{\frac{2}}}{246}\) million for the same period of the previous fiscal year), mainly due to an increase in advertising expenses because of aggressive upfront investments in the D2C domain, in the period under review.

#### (2) Analysis of Financial Position

#### 1) Assets, Liabilities and Net Assets

(Assets)

#### (Liabilities)

Consolidated liabilities as of the end of the period under review amounted to \$18,520 million, a decrease of \$9,099 million from the end of the previous fiscal year. This was mainly attributable to a decrease in accounts payable – trade.

#### (Net Assets)

Consolidated net assets as of the end of the period under review stood at ¥28,050 million, an increase of ¥293 million from the end of the previous fiscal year. This was primarily owing to an increase in retained earnings due to the recording of profit attributable to owners of parent.

#### 2) Cash Flows

Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period under review (hereinafter, "funds") totaled ¥18,402 million. The following is the status and factors of each cash flow during the period under review.

#### (Net cash flows from operating activities)

Net cash flows used in operating activities amounted to \$1,370 million (\$3,498 million was provided in the same period of the previous fiscal year). The main negative factors included a decrease in notes and accounts payable - trade, and decreases in income taxes payable and provision for bonuses, while the main positive factors included a decrease in notes and accounts receivable - trade and the recording of profit before income taxes.

#### (Net cash flows from investing activities)

Net cash flows from in investing activities amounted to ¥160 million (¥350 million was used in the same period of the previous fiscal year). The main positive factors included an increase in funds resulting from the sales of investment securities.

#### (Net cash flows from financing activities)

Net cash flows used in financing activities amounted to \$1,630 million (\$1,032 million was used in the same period of the previous fiscal year). The main negative factors included a decrease in funds resulting from the payment of cash dividends and acquisition of treasury shares.

#### (3) Explanation of Consolidated Performance Forecast and Other Forward-looking Information

With regard to the consolidated performance forecast, overall sales are expected to remain unchanged from the previous announcement, as sales of "TELECY" in the Ad Platform Business and sales in the D2C domain in the Consumer Business are expected to exceed the plan, despite signs of sluggish growth in placements from some large-scale advertisers in the Marketing Solutions Business.

On the other hand, operating income and ordinary income are expected to be lower than the forecast previously announced due to the planned aggressive investment in advertising expenses that are planned to undergo significant future growth in "TELECY" in the Ad Platform Business and the D2C and game publishing domains in the Consumer Business.

The forecasts for profit attributable to owners of parent and EBITDA remain unchanged

from the previous announcement, as the extraordinary income from gain on sales of investment securities is expected to be much higher than assumed at the beginning of the period.

For details, please see the "Notice Regarding Revisions to the Full Year Consolidated Financial Forecast" announced today (August 12, 2022).

## 2. Consolidated Financial Statements

## (1) Consolidated Balance Sheets

	<u>-</u>	(Millions of yen
	As of December 31, 2021	As of June 30, 2022
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash and deposits	21,031	18,402
Accounts receivable - trade	18,349	11,879
Securities	175	180
Merchandise	50	88
Supplies	288	928
Other	2,675	3,325
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(56)	(63)
Total current assets	42,513	34,732
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment	1,290	1,444
Intangible assets		
Goodwill	1,836	1,674
Other	2,853	2,68
Total intangible assets	4,689	4,35
Investments and other assets	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	7
Investment securities	5,235	3,920
Deferred tax assets	229	210
Other	1,423	1,90
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(6)	(5
Total investments and other assets	6,883	6,03
Total non-current assets	12,863	11,83
Total assets		· · ·
	55,376	46,57
Liabilities  Current liabilities		
	16.000	10.69
Accounts payable – trade	16,899 162	10,62
Asset retirement obligations Provision for bonuses		1
Provision for directors' bonuses	1,237	1
	9	4.0
Provision for point card certificates	466	46
Income taxes payable	1,356	54
Deposits received	3,444	3,48
Short-term loans payable		1
Current portion of long-term loans	117	7
payable	9 505	9 20
Other	2,587	2,58
Total current liabilities	26,280	17,80
Non-current liabilities		
Long-term loans payable	63	4
Asset retirement obligations	238	23
Deferred tax liabilities	725	10
Lease obligations	16	2
Other		30
Total non-current liabilities	1,339	71
Total liabilities	27,619	18,520

		(Millions of yen)
	As of December 31, 2021	As of June 30, 2022
Net assets	<u>,                                      </u>	
Shareholders' equity		
Capital stock	1,410	1,510
Capital surplus	12,337	12,437
Retained earnings	$12,\!255$	13,947
Treasury shares	(0)	(521)
Total shareholders' equity	26,002	27,372
Accumulated other comprehensive income		
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	1,428	519
Foreign currency translation adjustment	13	25
Total accumulated other comprehensive income	1,441	545
Share acquisition rights	122	75
Non-controlling interests	190	56
Total net assets	27,757	28,050
Total liabilities and net assets	55,376	46,570

# (2) Consolidated Statements of Income and Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Consolidated Statements of Income)

		(Millions of yen)
	Six months ended June 30, 2021	Six months ended June 30, 2022
Net sales	12,629	13,176
Cost of sales	1,377	1,350
Gross profit	11,251	11,825
Selling, general and administrative expenses	8,310	10,049
Operating profit	2,940	1,776
Non-operating income	•	
Interest income and dividends income	32	39
Gain on investments in partnership	6	16
Foreign exchange gains	231	232
Share of gain of entities accounted for using equity method	19	114
Income from lease termination related a company	54	283
Miscellaneous gains	39	12
Other	1	14
Total non-operating income	386	713
Non-operating expenses	_	
Interest expenses	1	0
Loss on investments in partnership	24	14
Other	_	14
Total non-operating expenses	25	29
Ordinary profit	3,301	2,460
Extraordinary income		
Gain on sales of investment securities	258	1,022
Gain on sales of investments in subsidiaries	_	67
Other	0	_
Total extraordinary income	258	1,090
Extraordinary losses		
Loss on retirement of non-current assets	39	14
Loss on sales of shares of subsidiaries and associates	2	_
Loss on valuation of investment securities	33	9
Loss on change in equity	11	_
Impairment loss	74	25
Total extraordinary losses	162	50
Profit before income taxes	3,398	3,500
Income taxes	1,206	1,226
Profit	2,192	2,273
Profit attributable to non-controlling interests	(23)	(84)
Profit attributable to owners of parent	2,215	2,358
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## (Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income)

		(Millions of yen)
	Six months ended June 30, 2021	Six months ended June 30, 2022
Profit	2,192	2,273
Other comprehensive income		
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	558	(897)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	2	2
Share of other comprehensive income of entities accounted for using equity method	(24)	(2)
Total other comprehensive income	535	(896)
Comprehensive income	2,727	1,376
Comprehensive income attributable to		
Comprehensive income attributable to owners of parent	2,751	1,461
Comprehensive income attributable to non- controlling interests	(23)	(84)

(Millions of yen)

Cash flows from operating activities         Cash flows from operating activities           Profit before income taxes         3,398         3,5           Depreciation         363         3           Impairment loss         74         33           Amortization of goodwill         158         1           Increase (decrease) in allowance for doubtful accounts         2         1           Increase (decrease) in allowance for doubtful accounts         32         (3           Share of (profit) loss of entities accounted for using equity method         (19)         (11           Decrease (increase) in notes and accounts receivable – trade         3,463         6,4           Decrease (increase) in inventories         (96)         (67           Increase (decrease) in investment securities         (258)         (1,02           Stock compensation expenses         5         (1,02           Increase (decrease) in provision for bonuses         (21)         (62           Increase (decrease) in provision for directors' bonuses         (21)         (62           Increase (decrease) in provision for point card certificates         28         (62           Loss (gain) on change in equity         11         (62           Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable – other         191         4			(without or yell)
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Increase (decrease) in notes and accounts payable – trade	Decrease (increase) in notes and accounts receivable - trade	3,463	6,470
Loss (gain) on sales of investment securities         (258)         (1,02           Stock compensation expenses         5           Increase (decrease) in provision for bonuses         (280)         (1,22           Increase (decrease) in provision for directors' bonuses         (21)         (2           Increase (decrease) in provision for point card certificates         28         (2           Loss on retirement of non-current assets         39         11         (6           Loss (gain) on change in equity         11         (6           Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable – other         191         4           Other, net         765         (72           Subtotal         3,568         8           Interest and dividend income received         32         1           Interest expenses paid         (1)         (1)           Income taxes (paid) refund         (100)         (2,26           Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities         3,498         (1,37           Cash flows from investing activities         (26         (26           Purchase of property, plant and equipment         (346)         (26           Purchase of investment securities         (330)         1,6           Proceeds from sales of investment securities	Decrease (increase) in inventories	(96)	(670)
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	Six months ended June 30, 2021	Six months ended June 30, 2022
Cash flows from financing activities	•	
Net increase (decrease) in short-term loans payable	(19)	15
Repayments of long-term loans payable	(60)	(55)
Purchase of treasury shares	(0)	(521)
Net increase (decrease) in deposits for purchase of treasury shares	_	(477)
Cash dividends paid	(1,004)	(666)
Repayments of lease obligations payable	(27)	(14)
Proceeds from exercise of share options	80	139
Other, net	_	(49)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(1,032)	(1,630)
Effect of exchange rate change on cash and cash equivalents	233	211
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	2,348	(2,629)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	15,600	21,031
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	17,949	18,402

### (4) Notes to Condensed Interim Consolidated Financial Statements (Going Concern Assumption)

None

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

Based on a Board of Directors' meeting held on May 13, 2022, the Company acquired 272,500 treasury shares. As a result, in the period under review, treasury shares increased \$521 million, and as of the end of the period under review, treasury shares amounted to \$521 million.

#### (Changes in Significant Subsidiaries during the Period)

The Company carried out an absorption-type merger, effective January 1, 2022, in which the Company was the merging company and VOYAGE GROUP, Inc. and Cyber Communications Inc., its consolidated subsidiaries, were merged companies. Therefore, VOYAGE GROUP, Inc. and Cyber Communications Inc. have been excluded from the scope of consolidation.

## (Adoption of Accounting Method Specific to Preparation of Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements)

Tax expenses for the period are calculated by multiplying net income before income taxes for the period by the reasonably estimated annual effective tax rate after applying tax effect accounting which is calculated based on the estimated net income before income taxes for the entire fiscal year.

#### (Changes in Accounting Policies)

(Application of Accounting Standard for Fair Value Measurement, etc.)

Effective from the beginning of the previous period, the Group has applied "Accounting Standard for Fair Value Measurement" (ASBJ Statement No. 30, July 4, 2019, hereinafter referred to as "Fair Value Measurement Accounting Standard"), etc. In accordance with the transitional treatment stipulated in Paragraph 19 of the Fair Value Measurement Accounting Standard and Paragraph 44-2 of the "Accounting Standard for Financial Instruments" (ASBJ Statement No. 10, July 4, 2019), the Group has decided to adopt the new accounting policy stipulated by the Fair Value Measurement Accounting Standard, etc. prospectively from the date of the change. There is no impact on the consolidated financial statements.

#### (Changes in Accounting Estimates)

None

#### (Additional Information)

(Application of the Accounting Standard for Revenue Recognition)

Effective from the beginning of the previous period, the Group has applied "Accounting Standard for Revenue Recognition" (ASBJ Statement No. 29, March 31, 2020), etc. There is no impact on the consolidated financial statements. In addition, the Group applied "Accounting Standard for Revenue Recognition" (ASBJ Statement No. 29, March 30, 2018) etc. from the beginning of the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019.

#### (Segment Information)

I For the six months ended June 30, 2021 (January 1, 2021 to June 30, 2021)

1. Information on sales and income or loss by reportable business segment

(Millions of yen)

	Reportable Segments					G 1:1 (:
	Marketing Solutions Business	Ad Platform Business	Consumer Business	Total	Adjustment	Consolidation (Note)
Sales						
Outside Sales	6,231	3,102	3,295	12,629	_	12,629
Intersegment Sales or Transfer		6	-	6	(6)	_
Total	6,231	3,109	3,295	12,635	(6)	12,629
Segment Income (Loss)	1,897	796	246	2,940	_	2,940

(Note) Segment income (loss) is adjusted against operating profit in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

2. Information concerning impairment loss on non-current assets, goodwill and other items by reportable business segment

(Material impairment loss on non-current assets) None

(Material changes in goodwill)

In the Consumer Business, as a result of reviewing the progress of rakanu Co., Ltd., a consolidated subsidiary, against its business plan and future business prospects, 74 million yen of the unamortized balance of goodwill recorded at the time of acquisition of the company's shares was recorded as an impairment loss in the period under review as an extraordinary loss.

(Material profit from negative goodwill)
None

II For the six months ended June 30, 2022 (January 1, 2022 to June 30, 2022)

1. Information on sales and income or loss, and information on disaggregation of profit, by reportable business segment

(Millions of yen)

	Reportable Segments				G 1:1 ::	
	Marketing Solutions Business	Ad Platform Business	Consumer Business	Total	Adjustment	Consolidation (Note)
Sales						
Profit from contracts with customers	6,065	3,682	3,428	13,176	_	13,176
Other profit	_	_	_	_	_	_
Outside Sales	6,065	3,682	3,428	13,176	_	13,176
Intersegment Sales or Transfer	_	25	_	25	(25)	_
Total	6,065	3,708	3,428	13,202	(25)	13,176
Segment Income (Loss)	1,260	684	(168)	1,776	_	1,776

(Note) Segment income (loss) is adjusted against operating profit in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

2. Information concerning impairment loss on non-current assets, goodwill and other items by reportable business segment

(Material impairment loss on non-current assets)
None

#### (Material changes in goodwill)

In the Ad Platform Business, as a result of reviewing the progress of KAIKETSU Inc., a consolidated subsidiary, against its business plan and future business prospects, 25 million yen of the unamortized balance of goodwill recorded at the time of acquisition of the company's shares was recorded as an impairment loss in the period under review as an extraordinary loss.

(Material profit from negative goodwill)
None

3. Matters concerning changes etc. in reportable segments

In the previous period, the "Partner Sales Business" segment has been renamed the "Marketing Solutions Business" segment and some business that was previously included in the "Marketing Solutions Business" segment and the "Ad Platform Business" segment has been reclassified between the two segments due to organizational restructuring.

Segment information for the same period of the previous fiscal year has been prepared based on the classification method after the change.

In addition, beginning in the previous period, due to reorganization, the method for allocating common expenses has been partially reviewed and the method of calculating income or loss by business segment was changed.

However, since the impact of the partial revision of the method for allocating common expenses is minor, segment information for the same period of the previous fiscal year is presented based on the method used before the change.

In accordance with the transitional treatment stipulated in Paragraph 28-15 of the "Accounting Standard for Quarterly Financial Reporting" (ASBJ Statement No. 12, March 31, 2020), information disaggregating revenue from contracts with customers for the same period of the previous fiscal year is not presented.

#### (Significant Subsequent Events)

Acquisition and retirement of treasury shares

At the Board of Directors meeting held on August 12, 2022, the Company resolved to acquire treasury shares in accordance with Article 459, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act and Article 46 of its Articles of Incorporation and to retire treasury shares in accordance with Article 178 of the Companies Act, as follows.

(1) Reason for acquisition of treasury shares
To enhance shareholder returns and improve share capital efficiency.

(2) Details of the acquisition

1) Type of shares to be acquired

2) Total number of shares to be acquired

3) Total acquisition cost

4) Period of acquisition

5) Method of acquisition

(3) Details of the retirement

Type of shares to be retired
 Total number of shares to be retired

3) Retirement date

Common shares of the Company 250,000 shares (maximum)

(Ratio to total number of shares issued and outstanding (excluding treasury stock): 0.98%)

¥440 million (maximum)

Aug. 16, 2022 through Nov. 11, 2022 Market purchases based on discretionary dealing contract regarding treasury shares acquisition

Common shares of the Company

402,234 treasury shares currently held and all treasury shares acquired in accordance with (2) above

November 30, 2022