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Consolidated Financial Results for the Nine Months Ended November 30, 2022 (under IFRS)

January 12, 2023

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Listing: Tokyo Stock Exchange

Securities code: 4432

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Scheduled date to file quarterly securities report: January 12, 2023

Scheduled date to commence dividend payments:

Preparation of supplementary material on quarterly financial results: Yes

Holding of quarterly financial results presentation meeting:

Yes (for institutional investors and

analysts)

(Amounts are rounded down to the nearest million yen.)

1. Consolidated financial results for the nine months ended November 30, 2022 (from March 1, 2022 to November 30, 2022)

(1) Consolidated operating results (cumulative)

(Percentages indicate year-on-year changes.)

	Revenue	Revenue		Operating profit		Operating profit		income	Profit	
Nine months ended	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%		
November 30, 2022	17,019	14.7	5,233	12.3	5,160	12.5	3,878	14.7		
November 30, 2021	14,836	10.2	4,658	111.3	4,585	112.6	3,381	113.3		

	Profit attribut equity holders parent	s of the	Total comprehensive income		. 1	
Nine months ended	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Yen	Yen
November 30, 2022	3,907	15.6	4,269	25.3	115.14	113.19
November 30, 2021	3,381	113.3	3,405	82.0	103.78	98.37

Note: Effective the fiscal year ended February 28, 2022, the Company has adopted a share-based remuneration system which utilizes an officer remuneration BIP trust, and shares of the Company held by the trust are included in treasury shares. In line with this, for the calculation of basic earnings per share and diluted earnings per share, the number of the Company's own shares held by the trust was included in the number of treasury shares, which are excluded from the calculation for the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period.

(Reference)

	EBITDA	Adjusted EBITDA		Adjusted profit attributable to equity holders of the parent		
Nine months ended	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%
November 30, 2022	6,149	9.6	6,149	9.2	3,907	15.0
November 30, 2021	5,609	79.1	5,630	12.9	3,396	15.2

Note: The Company uses EBITDA, adjusted EBITDA and adjusted profit attributable to equity holders of the parent as important management indicators. For information about each indicator, refer to "(Notes when referring to summary information)" below.

(2) Consolidated financial position

	Total assets	Total equity	Equity attributable to equity holders of the parent	Ratio of equity attributable to equity holders of the parent
As of	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	%
November 30, 2022	61,579	33,520	33,455	54.3
February 28, 2022	58,919	30,619	30,543	51.8

2. Cash dividends

	Dividends per share						
	First quarter-end	irst quarter-end Second quarter-end Third quarter-end 1		Fiscal year-end	Annual total		
	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen		
Fiscal year ended February 28, 2022	0.00	20.60	0.00	22.00	42.60		
Fiscal year ending February 28, 2023	0.00	21.30	0.00				
Fiscal year ending February 28, 2023 (Forecast)				21.30	42.60		

Note: Revisions to the forecast of cash dividends most recently announced: None

3. Consolidated earnings forecasts for the fiscal year ending February 28, 2023 (from March 1, 2022 to February 28, 2023)

(Percentages indicate year-on-year changes.)

	Revenue		Operating profit		Adjusted EBITDA		Adjusted profit attributable to equity holders of the parent	
Fiscal year ending	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%
February 28, 2023	22,000	10.9	5,650	(5.6)	6,900	(5.7)	4,200	(4.4)

Note: Revisions to the earnings forecasts most recently announced: Yes

* Notes

- (1) Changes in significant subsidiaries during the period (changes in specified subsidiaries resulting in the change in scope of consolidation): None
- (2) Changes in accounting policies and changes in accounting estimates

(i) Changes in accounting policies required by IFRS: None

(ii) Changes in accounting policies due to other reasons: None

(iii) Changes in accounting estimates: Yes

(3) Number of issued shares (ordinary shares)

a. Total number of issued shares at the end of the period (including treasury shares)

As of November 30, 2022	34,465,570 shares
As of February 28, 2022	34,372,370 shares

b. Number of treasury shares at the end of the period

As of November 30, 2022	479,513 shares
As of February 28, 2022	500,000 shares

c. Average number of shares outstanding during the period (cumulative from the beginning of the fiscal vear)

For the nine months ended November 30, 2022	33,937,929 shares
For the nine months ended November 30, 2021	32,580,873 shares

* Quarterly financial results reports are exempt from quarterly reviews conducted by certified public accountants or an audit corporation.

* Proper use of earnings forecasts, and other special items

(Caution concerning forward-looking statements)

The forward-looking statements, including earnings forecasts, contained in these materials are based on information currently available to the Company and on certain assumptions deemed to be reasonable. Actual business and other results may differ substantially due to various factors.

(Notes when referring to summary information)

- 1. EBITDA = Operating profit + Depreciation and amortization expenses
- 2. From the fiscal year ended February 29, 2020, due to the adoption of IFRS 16, the right of use related to office leases is recognized as a right-of-use asset, and depreciation related to this asset is also recorded. However, in the calculation of EBITDA, depreciation related to this right-of-use asset is excluded from "Depreciation and amortization expenses."
- 3. Adjusted EBITDA = EBITDA + One-time expenses
- 4. Adjusted profit attributable to equity holders of the parent = Profit attributable to equity holders of the parent + One-time expenses Tax effect adjustment
- 5. EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted profit attributable to equity holders of the parent are not measures prescribed by IFRS, but rather are financial measures that the Group believes are useful for investors to evaluate the Group's performance.
- 6. EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted profit attributable to equity holders of the parent should not be considered as alternative measures to other measures presented in accordance with IFRS, as they exclude some of the items that affect quarterly profit and have significant limitations as a means of analysis. EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA, and Adjusted profit attributable to equity holders of the parent for the Group may not be comparable to the measures used by other companies in the industry due to different calculation methods from those used for the same or similar measures. As a result, their usefulness may be reduced.

Condensed Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements
(1) Condensed quarterly consolidated statements of financial position

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	As of February 28, 2022	As of November 30, 2022
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	9,016,639	10,972,622
Trade and other receivables	1,495,336	1,729,517
Other financial assets	32,215	45,060
Other current assets	396,721	531,758
Total current assets	10,940,914	13,278,958
Non-current assets		
Property and equipment	1,481,054	1,710,136
Goodwill	27,249,587	27,315,081
Other intangible assets	16,636,995	16,269,853
Other financial assets	2,597,678	2,998,388
Other non-current assets	13,141	6,917
Total non-current assets	47,978,457	48,300,376
Total assets	58,919,371	61,579,335
Liabilities and equity		
Liabilities		
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	636,663	772,468
Contract liabilities	5,746,468	6,528,273
Current portion of long-term borrowings	1,997,478	1,998,317
Income taxes payable	840,301	398,702
Other financial liabilities	383,667	618,566
Other current liabilities	1,798,507	1,411,190
Total current liabilities	11,403,085	11,727,519
Non-current liabilities		
Long-term borrowings, net of current portion	12,191,351	11,208,419
Provisions	90,297	90,470
Other financial liabilities	57,041	377,859
Deferred tax liabilities	4,558,135	4,654,845
Total non-current liabilities	16,896,826	16,331,595
Total liabilities	28,299,912	28,059,114
Equity		
Issued capital	1,084,100	1,108,029
Capital surplus	12,061,694	12,112,746
Other components of equity	778,173	1,160,842
Retained earnings	17,269,118	19,697,055
Treasury shares	(650,000)	(623,385)
Equity attributable to equity holders of the parent	30,543,086	33,455,288
Non-controlling interests	76,372	64,932
Total equity	30,619,458	33,520,220
Total liabilities and equity	58,919,371	61,579,335
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(2) Condensed quarterly consolidated statements of profit or loss and condensed quarterly consolidated statements of comprehensive income (Condensed quarterly consolidated statements of profit or loss)

	(Unit: thousar	nd yen, unless otherwise st
	Nine months ended November 30, 2021	Nine months ended November 30, 2022
Revenue	14,836,121	17,019,915
Personnel expenses except those included in research and development costs	(3,801,907)	(4,056,816)
Research and development costs	(1,826,638)	(1,950,227)
Outsourcing expenses	(1,306,488)	(1,679,620)
Commission expenses	(620,481)	(834,815)
Other operating income	7,969	5,886
Other operating expenses	(2,630,123)	(3,270,588)
Operating profit	4,658,452	5,233,732
Finance income	28,275	49,865
Finance costs	(101,339)	(123,079)
Profit before income taxes	4,585,388	5,160,518
Income taxes	(1,203,523)	(1,281,872)
Profit	3,381,865	3,878,645
rofit attributable to:		
Equity holders of the parent	3,381,371	3,907,742
Non-controlling interests	493	(29,096)
Profit	3,381,865	3,878,645
arnings per share		
Basic earnings per share (yen)	103.78	115.14
Diluted earnings per share (yen)	98.37	113.19

(Condensed quarterly consolidated statements of comprehensive income)

(Condensed quarterly consolidated statements of co	mprehensive income)	
		(Unit: thousand yen)
	Nine months ended November 30, 2021	Nine months ended November 30, 2022
Profit	3,381,865	3,878,645
Other comprehensive income		
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss		
Financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income	20,516	259,094
Total of items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss	20,516	259,094
Items that may be reclassified to profit or loss		
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	3,577	131,581
Total of items that may be reclassified to profit or loss	3,577	131,581
Other comprehensive income, net of income taxes	24,093	390,676
Total comprehensive income, net of income taxes	3,405,958	4,269,322
Attributable to:		
Equity holders of the parent	3,405,464	4,298,418
Non-controlling interests	493	(29,096)
Total comprehensive income	3,405,958	4,269,322
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(3) Condensed quarterly consolidated statement of changes in equity Nine months ended November 30, 2021

					(Un	it: thousand yen)
		Equity	y attributable to eq	quity holders of the	parent	
				Other compor	ents of equity	
	Issued capital	Capital surplus	Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	Stock acquisition rights	Financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income	Total
As of March 1, 2021	200,000	11,124,874	(13,565)	75,980	594,250	656,664
Profit						_
Other comprehensive income			3,577		20,516	24,093
Comprehensive income	_	=	3,577	=	20,516	24,093
Share-based payment transactions		20,794				_
Dividends						_
Exercise of stock acquisition rights	860,686	860,686		(45,833)		(45,833)
Purchase of treasury shares						_
Cancellation of treasury shares		(67)				
Total transactions with equity holders	860,686	881,413		(45,833)	-	(45,833)
As of November 30, 2021	1,060,686	12,006,287	(9,988)	30,146	614,766	634,924

					(Unit: thousand yen)
	Equity attribu	table to equity holders of	f the parent		_
	Retained earnings	Treasury shares	Total	Non-controlling interests	Total
As of March 1, 2021	14,345,215	(650,000)	25,676,754	1,170	25,677,924
Profit	3,381,371		3,381,371	493	3,381,865
Other comprehensive income			24,093		24,093
Comprehensive income	3,381,371		3,405,464	493	3,405,958
Share-based payment transactions			20,794		20,794
Dividends	(1,428,913)		(1,428,913)		(1,428,913)
Exercise of stock acquisition rights			1,675,540		1,675,540
Purchase of treasury shares		(67)	(67)		(67)
Cancellation of treasury shares		67	=		=
Total transactions with equity holders	(1,428,913)	=	267,353	=	267,353
As of November 30, 2021	16,297,673	(650,000)	29,349,572	1,663	29,351,236

Nine months ended November 30, 2022

Nine months ended N	loveiliber 50,	2022			(Un	nit: thousand yen)
		Equit	y attributable to ed	quity holders of the	,	
•			Other components of equity			
	Issued capital	Capital surplus	Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	Stock acquisition rights	Financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income	Total
As of March 1, 2022	1,084,100	12,061,694	(3,837)	18,420	763,589	778,173
Profit						_
Other comprehensive income			131,581		259,094	390,676
Comprehensive income	=	=	131,581	=	259,094	390,676
Share-based payment transactions		18,029				_
Dividends						_
Exercise of stock acquisition rights	23,929	23,929		(1,258)		(1,258)
Forfeiture of stock acquisition rights		6,750		(6,750)		(6,750)
Purchase of treasury shares						-
Changes in ownership interest in subsidiaries		2,343				-
Total transactions with equity holders	23,929	51,052	_	(8,008)	_	(8,008)
As of November 30, 2022	1,108,029	12,112,746	127,744	10,412	1,022,684	1,160,842
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_	Equity attribu	table to equity holders of	the parent		
	Retained earnings	Treasury shares	Total	Non-controlling interests	Total
As of March 1, 2022	17,269,118	(650,000)	30,543,086	76,372	30,619,458
Profit	3,907,742		3,907,742	(29,096)	3,878,645
Other comprehensive income			390,676		390,676
Comprehensive income	3,907,742		4,298,418	(29,096)	4,269,322
Share-based payment transactions		26,703	44,732		44,732
Dividends	(1,479,804)		(1,479,804)		(1,479,804)
Exercise of stock acquisition rights			46,600		46,600
Forfeiture of stock acquisition rights			_		-
Purchase of treasury shares		(89)	(89)		(89)
Changes in ownership interest in subsidiaries			2,343	17,656	20,000
Total transactions with equity holders	(1,479,804)	26,614	(1,386,217)	17,656	(1,368,560)
As of November 30, 2022	19,697,055	(623,385)	33,455,288	64,932	33,520,220

(4) Condensed quarterly consolidated statements of cash flows

	Ni	(Unit: thousand
	Nine months ended November 30, 2021	Nine months ended November 30, 2022
Cash flows from operating activities	,	,
Profit before income taxes	4,585,388	5,160,518
Depreciation and amortization expenses	1,149,156	1,120,376
Finance income	(28,275)	(49,865)
Finance costs	108,539	128,418
Decrease (increase) in trade and other receivables	(178,221)	(234,180)
Increase (decrease) in trade and other payables	(341,851)	125,637
Increase (decrease) in contract liabilities	438,435	781,804
Others	(506,076)	(194,342)
Subtotal	5,227,094	6,838,367
Interest and dividends received	25,860	29,523
Interest paid	(68,670)	(59,759)
Income taxes paid	(1,137,420)	(1,788,998)
Net cash flows from operating activities	4,046,863	5,019,133
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of property and equipment	(97,540)	(69,110)
Purchase of intangible assets	(276,929)	(332,811)
Payments for leasehold and guarantee deposits	(2,021)	(1,675)
Proceeds from refund of leasehold and guarantee deposits	9,287	2,946
Purchase of investments	(41,299)	(34,690)
Proceeds from sale and redemption of investments	2,229	=
Others	(2,184)	(341)
Net cash flows used in investing activities	(408,457)	(435,681)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Repayments of lease liabilities	(278,402)	(275,208)
Repayments of long-term borrowings	(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)
Purchase of treasury shares	(67)	(89)
Dividends paid	(1,428,913)	(1,469,636)
Proceeds from issuance of new shares	1,675,540	46,600
Proceeds from sale of interests in subsidiaries to non- controlling interests	_	20,000
Others	(1,476)	(6,815)
Net cash flows used in financing activities	(1,033,319)	(2,685,148)
Net foreign exchange differences	10,401	57,678
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	2,615,488	1,955,982
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	5,170,346	9,016,639
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	7,785,835	10,972,622