

Consolidated Financial Results for the Three Months Ended February 28, 2023

(Japanese Accounting Standards)

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1. Consolidated Financial Results for the Three Months Ended February 28, 2023 (From December 1, 2022 to February 28, 2023)

(1) Consolidated Operating Results

(Percentages indicate year-on-year changes.)

	Net sales		Net sales Operating profit		Ordinary p	rofit	Profit attributable to owners of parent	
Three months ended	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%
February 28, 2023	117,937	44.7	1,769	(59.6)	1,741	(59.7)	1,241	(59.0)
February 28, 2022	81,507	29.1	4,382	56.4	4,325	58.2	3,029	54.6

Note: Comprehensive income

For the three months ended February 28, 2023: \(\frac{\pma1}{2}, 256\) million, \([(58.5)\)\)\] For the three months ended February 28, 2022: \(\frac{\pma3}{2}, 2027\) million, \([52.9\)\)\]

	Basic earnings per share	Diluted earnings per share
Three months ended	Yen	Yen
February 28, 2023	15.60	_
February 28, 2022	39.24	39.04

Note: Diluted earnings per share for the three months ended February 28, 2023 is not stated because dilutive shares do not exist.

(2) Consolidated Financial Position

	Total assets	Net assets	Equity ratio
As of	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	%
February 28, 2023	148,302	55,737	37.6
November 30, 2022	161,259	56,301	34.9

Reference: NEXTAGE shareholders' equity

As of February 28, 2023: ¥55,737 million As of November 30, 2022: ¥56,301 million

2. Cash Dividends

		Annual dividends per share					
	First quarter	Second quarter	Third quarter	Fiscal year-end	Annual		
	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen		
Fiscal year ended November 30, 2022	_	0.00	_	24.00	24.00		
Fiscal year ending November 30, 2023	_						
Fiscal year ending November 30, 2023 (forecasts)		0.00	I	32.00	32.00		

Note: Revision to the latest forecast of dividends: None

3. Consolidated Financial Forecasts for the Fiscal Year Ending November 30, 2023 (From December 1, 2022 to November 30, 2023)

(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
Six months ending May 31, 2023	234,000	28.3	11,200	22.4	11,000	23.2	7,700	23.6	96.72
Fiscal year ending November 30, 2023	500,000	19.6	25,000	28.5	24,500	28.4	17,200	23.9	216.05

Note: Revision to the latest forecast of financial results: None

Notes:

(1) Changes in significant subsidiaries during the period (changes in specified subsidiaries resulting in a change in the scope of consolidation): None

New: None Excluded: None

- (2) Adoption of accounting method specific to preparation of quarterly consolidated financial statements: None
- (3) Changes in accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates, and restatement of revisions
 - a. Changes in accounting policies due to revisions to accounting standards and other guidelines: Yes
 - b. Changes in accounting policies due to reasons other than a. above: None
 - c. Changes in accounting estimates: None
 - d. Restatement of revisions: None
- (4) Number of common shares issued
 - a. Total number of issued shares at the end of the period (including treasury stock)

As of February 28, 2023 80,735,200 shares As of November 30, 2022 80,735,200 shares

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

As of February 28, 2023 1,124,764 shares As of November 30, 2022 1,202,522 shares

c. Average number of shares

For the three months ended February 28, 2023 79,573,504 shares For the three months ended February 28, 2022 77,201,929 shares

(Note) The Company introduced a trust-type employee stock ownership incentive plan (E-Ship) in October 2020.

The number of shares of treasury stock at the end of the period includes the following number of shares of the Company held by the NEXTAGE Employee Stock Ownership Trust Account, a dedicated account for E-Ship set up with a trust bank.

As of February 28, 2023 952,300 shares

In calculation of the average number of shares, the number of shares of treasury stock deducted from the number of common shares issued includes the following number of shares of the Company owned by the above-mentioned account.

For the three months ended February 28, 2023 990,125 shares

* This report is not subject to quarterly review by certified public accountants or audit firms.

This report is not subject to quarterly review procedures under the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, and at the time of disclosure of the report, review procedures for the quarterly financial statements under the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act have not been completed.

* Proper use of financial forecasts, and other special matters

Financial forecasts and other statements about the future that are included in this material are based on information currently in the possession of the Company and certain conditions judged reasonable by the Company. Actual results may differ significantly due to various factors. For notes on the conditions for financial forecasts and the use of financial forecasts, please refer to "Explanation of Consolidated Financial Results Forecast and Other Forward-looking Information" on page 4 of the attached documentation.

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1. Qualitative Information on Quarterly Financial Results

(1) Explanation of Operating Results

During the three months ended February 28, 2023, the Japanese economy has been gradually recovering as a result of various government policies, as restrictions on actions against infectious diseases have been eased and the transition to a new phase of co-existence with COVID-19 is underway. However, uncertainty about the future remains due to factors such as surging prices of raw materials and utility costs, inflation, and downward pressure on the economy.

In this environment, in the Japanese used car sales industry, domestic used car registrations from December 2022 through February 2023 were 1,333,867 vehicles (down 2.5% year on year). By vehicle type, used car registrations were 680,481 vehicles (down 4.8% year on year) for ordinary passenger cars and 653,386 vehicles (down 0.0% year on year) for kei-cars for the same period. (Source: statistical data from the Japan Automobile Dealers Association and Japan Light Motor Vehicle and Motorcycle Association.)

In this business environment, based on the management philosophy of "Be loved by Customers," the NEXTAGE Group has operated stores with "Lifetime value" and the number of customers under management in mind.

In dealership openings, the Group opened Fukushima-Date Store, Higashi-Shizuoka Store in December 2022, Himeji Store in January 2023, and Yonago Store, which is the first in Tottori Prefecture in February 2023, all as general stores. And the Group also opened Fukushima SUV Specialist Store, and Minoh Sedan Sports Car Specialist Store in December 2022 as specialist stores. In addition, the Group opened 4 vehicle purchasing specialist stores as storefront additions to new and existing stores, as well as Kyoto-Fushimi Store, and Kurashiki Store as vehicle purchasing stores in a standalone format.

As a result, for the three months ended February 28, 2023, the Group posted net sales of \$117,937 million (up 44.7% year on year), operating profit of \$1,769 million (down 59.6% year on year), ordinary profit of \$1,741 million (down 59.7% year on year), and profit attributable to owners of parent of \$1,241 million (down 59.0% year on year).

Used car dealership business

In the used car dealership business, the store count as of February 28, 2023 was 144 dealership bases (comprising 228 storefronts). New store openings consisted of 1 dealership base (2 storefronts) in the Hokkaido-Tohoku region, 1 storefront in the Tokai-Hokuriku region, 3 dealership bases (3 storefronts) in the Kansai region, and 2 dealership bases (2 storefronts) in the Chugoku-Shikoku region. In addition, the Group opened 4 vehicle purchasing specialist stores as storefront additions to new and existing stores.

New car dealership business

In the new car dealership business, the store count as of February 28, 2023 was 21 dealership bases (comprising 23 storefronts).

As a result, the store count as of February 28, 2023 was 165 dealership bases (comprising 251 storefronts).

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Region	Three months ended February 28, 2022 (From December 1, 2021 to February 28, 2022)			Fe (From	Three months ended February 28, 2023 (From December 1, 2022 to February 28, 2023)			Change YoY		
Region	Sales amount (Millions of yen)	Bases at first quarter-end	Sales volume (Vehicles)	Sales amount (Millions of yen)	Bases at first quarter-end	Sales volume (Vehicles)	Sales amount (%)	Bases at first quarter-end	Sales volume (%)	
Hokkaido-Tohoku	7,803	14 (20)	5,564	15,066	23 (36)	11,350	193.1	9 (16)	204.0	
Kanto-Koshinetsu	21,037	33 (50)	13,521	32,592	42 (66)	20,877	154.9	9 (16)	154.4	
Tokai-Hokuriku	26,516	39 (54)	15,923	32,751	44 (64)	21,194	123.5	5 (10)	133.1	
Kansai	12,883	20 (28)	8,017	17,675	27 (39)	11,283	137.2	7 (11)	140.7	
Chugoku-Shikoku	2,337	5 (8)	1,750	4,925	10 (15)	4,419	210.7	5 (7)	252.5	
Kyushu-Okinawa	10,928	16 (26)	7,623	14,927	19 (31)	10,736	136.6	3 (5)	140.8	
Total	81,507	127 (186)	52,398	117,937	165 (251)	79,859	144.7	38 (65)	152.4	

Notes: 1. Consumption and other sales taxes were not included in the amounts above.

2. The regions were composed of the following prefectures in which the Group has bases.

Hokkaido-Tohoku: Hokkaido, Aomori Prefecture, Akita Prefecture, Iwate Prefecture, Miyagi

Prefecture, Yamagata Prefecture, Fukushima Prefecture

Kanto-Koshinetsu: Ibaraki Prefecture, Tochigi Prefecture, Gunma Prefecture, Saitama Prefecture,

Chiba Prefecture, Metropolitan Tokyo, Kanagawa Prefecture, Yamanashi

Prefecture, Nagano Prefecture, Niigata Prefecture

Tokai-Hokuriku: Gifu Prefecture, Aichi Prefecture, Mie Prefecture, Shizuoka Prefecture,

Toyama Prefecture, Ishikawa Prefecture, Fukui Prefecture

Kansai: Shiga Prefecture, Kyoto Prefecture, Osaka Prefecture, Hyogo Prefecture,

Nara Prefecture, Wakayama Prefecture

Chugoku-Shikoku: Okayama Prefecture, Hiroshima Prefecture, Tottori Prefecture, Shimane

Prefecture, Yamaguchi Prefecture, Ehime Prefecture, Kochi Prefecture

Kyushu-Okinawa: Fukuoka Prefecture, Nagasaki Prefecture, Kumamoto Prefecture, Oita

Prefecture, Miyazaki Prefecture, Kagoshima Prefecture, Okinawa Prefecture

3. Figures in parentheses under bases at first quarter-end represent the number of storefronts. The number of dealership bases varies from the number of storefronts because a dealership base may have multiple storefronts by department.

(2) Explanation of Financial Position

Total assets as of February 28, 2023 were \\$148,302 million, a decrease of \\$12,957 million from the previous fiscal year-end.

Total current assets decreased by \(\pm\)16,613 million from the previous fiscal year-end to \(\pm\)94,544 million. The main contributing factor were decrease of \(\pm\)1,021 million in cash and deposits and \(\pm\)15,053 million in merchandise.

Total non-current assets increased by ¥3,655 million from the previous fiscal year-end to ¥53,758 million. The main contributing factor was an increase of ¥3,384 million in property, plant and equipment, primarily in connection with the opening of new stores.

Total current liabilities decreased by \$11,849 million from the previous fiscal year-end to \$40,874 million. The main contributing factors were decreases of \$839 million in accounts payable – trade and \$9,302 million in short-term borrowings.

Total non-current liabilities decreased by ¥543 million from the previous fiscal year-end to ¥51,690 million.

Total net assets decreased by ¥564 million from the previous fiscal year-end to ¥55,737 million.

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

No changes have been made to the consolidated financial forecast for the fiscal year ending November 30, 2023 announced in "Consolidated Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022" on January 5, 2023.

2. Matters concerning the Summary Information (Notes)

(1) Changes in Significant Subsidiaries during the Consolidated Quarter

None

 $(2) \ Adoption \ of \ Specific \ Accounting \ Methods \ for \ the \ Preparation \ of \ Quarterly \ Consolidated$

Financial Statements

None

(3) Changes in Accounting Policies, Accounting Estimates and Restatement of Revisions

For changes in accounting policies, please refer to "(Changes in accounting policies)" under "(3) Notes to the Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements" in "3. Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements and Primary Notes."

3. Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements and Primary Notes

(1) Quarterly Consolidated Balance Sheets

(Millions of yen)

	Fiscal 2022 (As of November 30, 2022)	First three months of fiscal 2023 (As of February 28, 2023)
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash and deposits	19,845	18,824
Accounts receivable – trade	12,829	12,684
Merchandise	72,563	57,509
Work in process	160	183
Supplies	709	675
Other	5,057	4,674
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(8)	(8)
Total current assets	111,157	94,544
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment		
Buildings and structures, net	31,489	33,213
Other, net	9,336	10,997
Total property, plant and equipment	40,826	44,210
Intangible assets	668	647
Investments and other assets	8,607	8,900
Total non-current assets	50,102	53,758
Total assets	161,259	148,302
Liabilities		·
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable – trade	7,300	6,460
Short-term borrowings	20,923	11,621
Current portion of long-term borrowings	7,438	7,107
Lease obligations	33	17
Income taxes payable	3,595	412
Provision for bonuses	_	758
Asset retirement obligations	73	73
Other	13,358	14,424
Total current liabilities	52,723	40,874
Non-current liabilities		
Long-term borrowings	48,015	46,585
Lease obligations	113	56
Asset retirement obligations	1,830	1,911
Other	2,274	3,137
Total non-current liabilities	52,234	51,690
Total liabilities	104,958	92,565

		(Millions of yen)
	Fiscal 2022	First three months of fiscal 2023
	(As of November 30, 2022)	(As of February 28, 2023)
Net assets		
Shareholders' equity		
Share capital	8,036	8,036
Capital surplus	13,494	13,494
Retained earnings	36,544	35,852
Treasury shares	(1,619)	(1,506)
Total shareholders' equity	56,456	55,876
Accumulated other comprehensive income		
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	8	5
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	(162)	(144)
Total accumulated other comprehensive income	(154)	(139)
Total net assets	56,301	55,737
Total liabilities and net assets	161,259	148,302

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

Quarterly Consolidated Statements of Income

First Three Months

		(Millions of yen)
	First three months of fiscal 2022	First three months of fiscal 2023
	(From December 1, 2021	(From December 1, 2022
	to February 28, 2022)	to February 28, 2023)
Net sales	81,507	117,937
Cost of sales	65,813	100,257
Gross profit	15,694	17,680
Selling, general and administrative expenses	11,312	15,911
Operating profit	4,382	1,769
Non-operating income		
Insurance claim income	5	8
Subsidy income	14	20
Gain on sales of scraps	5	6
Other	32	41
Total non-operating income	57	77
Non-operating expenses		
Interest expenses	57	69
Rent cost	2	0
Commission expenses	10	5
Other	44	28
Total non-operating expenses	114	104
Ordinary profit	4,325	1,741
Profit before income taxes	4,325	1,741
Income taxes – current	669	243
Income taxes – deferred	626	257
Total income taxes	1,296	500
Profit	3,029	1,241
Profit attributable to owners of parent	3,029	1,241

Quarterly Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income First Three Months

		(Millions of yen)
	First three months of fiscal 2022	First three months of fiscal 2023
	(From December 1, 2021	(From December 1, 2022
	to February 28, 2022)	to February 28, 2023)
Profit	3,029	1,241
Other comprehensive income		
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	2	(2)
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans, net of tax	(4)	18
Total other comprehensive income	(2)	15
Comprehensive income	3,027	1,256
Comprehensive income attributable to		_
Comprehensive income attributable to owners of parent	3,027	1,256
Comprehensive income attributable to non-controlling interests	_	_

(3) Notes to the Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements (Uncertainties of entity's ability to continue as going concern)

None

(Notes in case of a significant change in shareholders' equity)

None

(Changes in accounting policies)

Application of the Accounting Standard for Fair Value Measurement

The Company has applied the Accounting Standard for Fair Value Measurement (ASBJ Guidance No.31; June 17, 2021; hereinafter, the "Fair Value Accounting Standards") since the beginning of the first quarter of this fiscal year. In accordance with the transitional treatment set forth in paragraph 27-2 of the Fair Value Accounting Standards, the Company has applied the new accounting policies set forth by the Fair Value Accounting Standard prospectively. There is no effect on the quarterly consolidated financial statements by applying the standard.

(Segment information, etc.)

Segment information is omitted as the Group has only a single segment, which is engaged in automobile sales and associated services.

(Significant events after reporting period)

None