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## Announcement Concerning Differences between Consolidated Financial Results for the First Half of Fiscal 2017 and 2016

Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal Corporation ("the Company") announces the differences between the actual financial results for the first half of fiscal 2017 and 2016, because of an increase in the operating profit by \(\frac{1}{2}\)82,167 million (460.8 %) to the previous fiscal year.

## 1. Differences between the actual financial results for the first half of fiscal 2017 (April 1, 2017 - September 30, 2017) and 2016

(Millions of yen, except per share figures)

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|-------------------------------------|--|------------------|-----------------|---|------------------------|
|                                     | Net sales                                  | Operating profit | Ordinary profit | Profit attributable to owners of parent | Earnings per share (¥) |
| Actual for the first half of fiscal | 2,160,793                                  | 17,830           | 28,013          | 11,009                                  | 12.41                  |
| 2016 (A)                            |  |                  |                 |   |                        |
| Actual for the first half of fiscal | 2,745,096                                  | 99,997           | 157,634         | 99,153                                  | 112.34                 |
| 2017 (B)                            |  |                  |                 |   |                        |
| Change (B–A)                        | 584,302                                    | 82,167           | 129,621         | 88,144                                  |                        |
| % change                            | 27.0                                       | 460.8            | 462.7           | 800.7                                   |                        |
| (For reference)                     | 2,700,000                                  | _                | 150,000         | 85,000                                  | 96.0                   |
| Previous forecasts                  |  |                  |                 |   |                        |
| (Data released on July 28, 2017)    |  |                  |                 |   |                        |
| (C)                                 |  |                  |                 |   |                        |
| Change (B–C)                        | 45,096                                     | _                | 7,634           | 14,153                                  |                        |
| % change                            | 1.7  |                  | 5.1             | 16.7                                    |                        |

## 2. Reasons for the Differences

Compared with the actual financial results for the first half of fiscal 2016, the Company's actual profit for fiscal 2017 increased due to the cost reduction and performance improvement of the Group companies including overseas business.