

Consolidated Financial Results for the Six Months Ended September 30, 2016 (Japanese GAAP)

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Preparation of supplementary materials on Quarterly Financial Results

Yes

Holding of a briefing on Quarterly Financial Results

Yes (For analysts and institutional investors)

(Amounts less than one million yen are omitted)

1. Consolidated Financial Results for the Six Months Ended September 30, 2016 (From April 1, 2016 to September 30, 2016)

(1) Consolidated operating results

(Percentage figures represent changes from the same period of the previous year)

	Net sale	S	Operating income		Ordinary in	ncoma	Net income attr to owners of the	
Six months ended	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%
September 30, 2016	68,342	(29.3)	(182)	_	28	(99.5)	(227)	_
September 30, 2015	96,641	10.5	5,524	43.4	5,927	36.5	4,406	92.8

Note: Comprehensive income: Six months ended September 30, 2016 \pm (5,345) million [-%] Six months ended September 30, 2015 \pm 4,375 million [10.5%]

	Net income per	Diluted net income
	share	per share
Six months ended	Yen	Yen
September 30, 2016	(8.51)	-
September 30, 2015	164.71	-

(2) Consolidated financial position

	Total assets	Net assets	Equity ratio	Net assets per share
As of	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	%	Yen
September 30, 2016	97,557	60,913	58.6	2,138.03
March 31, 2016	98,735	67,017	63.7	2,350.26

Reference: Equity capital: As of September 30, 2016 ¥57,200 million
As of March 31, 2016 ¥62,878 million

2. Dividends

Z. Dividends	_							
		Annual dividends						
	End of 1st quarter	End of 2nd quarter	End of 3rd quarter	Year-end	Total			
	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen			
Fiscal year ended March 31, 2016	-	25.00	-	25.00	50.00			
Fiscal year ending March 31, 2017	-	15.00						
Fiscal year ending March 31, 2017 (Forecast)			-	25.00	40.00			

Note: Revisions to the forecast for dividends announced most recently: Yes

3. Forecast of Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2017 (From April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

(Percentage figures represent changes from the previous year)

	Net sale	es	Operating in	ncome	Ordinary in	ICOME	Net income attr to owners of the		
	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Yen
Fiscal year ending March 31, 2017	160,000	(16.2)	4,000	(61.4)	4,000	(63.1)	2,000	(70.7)	74.76

Note: Revisions to the forecast for earnings announced most recently: Yes

* Notes

(1) Changes in major subsidiaries during the six months ended September 30, 2016 (changes in specified subsidiaries accompanying changes in the scope of consolidation): No

Newly added: - subsidiaries (Company name) - Excluded: - subsidiaries (Company name) -

- (2) Application of accounting procedures specific to the preparation of quarterly consolidated financial statements: No
- (3) Changes in accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates and restatement

(i) Changes in accounting policies due to amendment of accounting standards, etc.: No (ii) Changes in accounting policies other than (i): No

(iii) Changes in accounting estimates: No (iv) Restatement: No

(4) Number of shares outstanding (common stock)

(i) Number of shares outstanding at end of period (including treasury stock)

September 30, 2016: 26,931,051

March 31, 2016: 26,931,051

Number of treasury stock at end of period

September 30, 2016: 177,262 March 31, 2016: 177,209

(iii) Average number of shares outstanding for the period

 Six months ended September 30, 2016:
 26,753,804

 Six months ended September 30, 2015:
 26,753,849

- * Presentation regarding the implementation status of the quarterly review procedures
 This quarterly financial report is not subject to the quarterly review procedures required by the Financial Instruments
 and Exchange Act of Japan, and at the time of disclosure of this quarterly financial report, the quarterly consolidated
 financial statement review procedures have not been completed.
- * Information on proper use of the projected financial results and other notes Forward-looking statements in this document, including earnings projections, are based on currently available information and certain assumptions that the Company regards as reasonable at the time of writing, and the Company does not in any way promise the achievement of the projections. Actual results may differ greatly from the forecast figures depending on various factors. For the preconditions of and precautions in using the earnings projections, please refer to "Explanation of forecast of consolidated financial results and other forward-looking information" on page 3 of the Attachment.

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Qualitative information on the financial results of the six months ended September 30, 2016 Explanation of operating results

During the six months ended September 30, 2016 (from April 1 to September 30, 2016), the global economy saw continued instability. Strong economic indicators mixed with weak in the U.S., while in Europe the UK made the decision to leave the EU. Emerging countries experienced an economic slowdown and the situation remains uncertain.

In the electronic components and electronic equipment industries, demand for automotive components continued to be robust, but the maturing of the smartphone market, the accompanying intensification in competition and the shift toward a stronger yen led to tough business conditions.

Faced with this business environment, the Foster Group ("the Group") pushed cost-cutting initiatives, such as streamlining initiatives that included mechanization, labor-saving activities and material cost reductions. However, a transition to new models for our flagship products resulted in a sharp fall in sales and an unavoidable decline in earnings.

The outcome of the above factors was that consolidated net sales for the six months ended September 30, 2016 fell by 29.3% from the same period in the previous year to ¥68,342 million, resulting in a consolidated operating loss of ¥182 million compared to an operating income of ¥5,524 million in the same period of the previous year, while consolidated ordinary income came to ¥28 million (down 99.5% y-o-y). Net loss attributable to owners of the parent was ¥227 million, whereas in the same period of the previous year, a net income attributable to owners of the parent of ¥4,406 million was posted.

The performance of each segment is as follows.

[Acoustic Components and Products Segment]

Sales volumes of flat TV speakers and speaker systems, audio speakers and headphones were roughly in line with expectations, but due to the impact of the stronger yen, sales of this segment fell by 8.1% over the same period of the previous year to ¥9,808 million, while operating income fell 41.5% y-o-y to ¥398 million.

[Automotive Components and Products Segment]

While sales of car speaker and speaker systems were strong thanks to strong demand in the North American market, as a result of the strong yen, sales for this segment were ¥30,081 million (down 8.7%, y-o-y). Meanwhile, operating income was ¥2,124 million (up 76.1%, y-o-y) due to an improvement in factory utilization.

[Information & Communication Components and Products Segment]

Due to declining smartphone sales at major customers and flagship products going through a transition to new models, headset sales decreased, and sales of this segment contracted by 48.9% y-o-y to $$\pm 25,597$ million. As a result of higher labor costs related to the ramp-up of new models and lowered production capacity utilization, etc., an operating loss for the segment of $$\pm 2,747$ million was posted, compared to an operating income of $$\pm 3,695$ million in the same period of the previous year.

[Other Segment]

Sales for this segment, including micro acoustic components and the "FOSTEX" brand products, were ¥2,853 million (down 0.5% y-o-y), while operating income was ¥42 million, compared to an operating loss of ¥58 million in the same period of the previous year.

(2) Explanation of financial position

Total assets decreased by $\pm 1,177$ million from the end of the previous consolidated fiscal year to $\pm 97,557$ million, due mainly to the decrease in cash and deposits. Total liabilities increased by $\pm 4,926$ million from the end of the previous consolidated fiscal year to $\pm 36,643$ million, due primarily to increases in notes and accounts payable - trade. Net assets declined by $\pm 6,103$ million from the end of the previous consolidated fiscal year to $\pm 60,913$ million, due to factors such as a decrease in the foreign currency translation adjustment. The equity ratio decreased by 5.1 percentage points from the end of the previous consolidated fiscal year to $\pm 8.6\%$.

(Cash flows

The balance of cash and cash equivalents as of September 30, 2016, decreased by ¥7,461 million from the end of the previous consolidated fiscal year to ¥10,397 million, due mainly to the following cash flows.

[Operating activities]

Net cash provided by operating activities totaled ¥245 million, due mainly to an increase in notes and accounts payable - trade.

[Investing activities]

Net cash used in investing activities totaled ¥8,217 million, due mainly to capital expenditure.

[Financing activities]

Net cash provided by financing activities totaled ¥2,335 million, due mainly to increases in long-term debt.

(3) Explanation of forecast of consolidated financial results and other forward-looking information

In consideration of the recent trend in earnings, we have revised the full-year forecasts that were announced on April 28, 2016.

Furthermore, the exchange rate assumptions for the second half of the fiscal year upon which earnings forecasts are predicated have been revised to ¥100 to the US dollar and ¥110 to the euro.

2. Matters concerning summary information (notes)

(1) Changes in major subsidiaries during the six months ended September 30, 2016

Not applicable.

(2) Application of accounting procedures specific to the preparation of quarterly consolidated financial statements

Not applicable.

(3) Changes in accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates and restatement Not applicable.

(4) Additional information

(Application of implementation guidance on recoverability of deferred tax assets)

The Application of Implementation Guidance on Recoverability of Deferred Tax Assets (Corporate Accounting Standards Guidance No. 26, March 28, 2016) has been applied as of the three months ended June 30, 2016.

3. Quarterly consolidated financial statements (1) Quarterly consolidated balance sheet

(Millions of yen)

	As of March 31, 2016	As of September 30, 2016
ssets		
Current assets		
Cash and deposits	16,519	9,41
Notes and accounts receivable - trade	23,880	21,57
Electronically recorded monetary claims -	564	45
operating	304	45
Securities	1,951	1,51
Finished goods	15,478	15,84
Raw materials	6,602	10,29
Work in process	1,230	2,56
Supplies	203	9
Short-term loans receivable	3	
Accounts receivable - other	932	64
Deferred tax assets	592	89
Other	2,378	2,51
Allowance for doubtful receivables	(378)	(5
Total current assets	69,959	65,77
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment		
Buildings and structures, net	9,636	9,13
Machinery and equipment, net	7,160	10,0
Tools, furniture and fixtures, net	2,711	2,49
Land	1,102	1,00
Construction in progress	1,385	1,09
Net property, plant and equipment	21,995	23,74
Intangible assets		
Software	352	3.
Leasehold rights	1,075	93
Other	106	10
Total intangible assets	1,534	1,38
Investments and other assets	,	,
Investment securities	3,339	3,18
Long-term loans receivable	30	
Long-term prepaid expenses	518	2,02
Asset for employees' retirement benefits	575	59
Deferred tax assets	424	50
Other	366	3
Allowance for doubtful receivables	(9)	(
Total investments and other assets	5,245	6,64
Total non-current assets	28,775	31,78
Total assets	98,735	97,55

(Millions of yen)

	As of March 31, 2016	As of September 30, 2016
Liabilities		
Current liabilities		
Notes and accounts payable - trade	13,021	15,385
Electronically recorded obligations - operating	75	40
Short-term bank loans	2,236	4,354
Current portion of long-term debt	5,093	3,942
Accounts payable - other	4,045	4,135
Income taxes payable	694	512
Accrued expenses	1,782	1,735
Deferred tax liabilities	164	154
Reserve for bonuses	598	1,066
Other	1,400	760
Total current liabilities	29,111	32,087
Long-term liabilities		
Long-term debt	1,432	3,428
Deferred tax liabilities	545	449
Liability for employees' retirement benefits	180	251
Liability for directors' retirement benefits	48	44
Asset retirement obligations	231	233
Other	168	148
Total long-term liabilities	2,605	4,556
Total liabilities	31,717	36,643
Net assets	•	,
Shareholders' equity		
Common stock	6,770	6,770
Capital surplus	9,372	9,372
Retained Earnings	44,944	44,048
Treasury stock	(133)	(133)
Total shareholders' equity	60,954	60,057
Accumulated other comprehensive income	,	,
Unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities	891	795
Foreign currency translation adjustment	1,479	(3,228)
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	(446)	(423)
Total accumulated other comprehensive		
income	1,924	(2,857)
Non-controlling interests	4,138	3,713
Total net assets	67,017	60,913
Total liabilities and net assets	98,735	97,557
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(2) Quarterly consolidated statement of income and quarterly consolidated statement of comprehensive income

(Quarterly Consolidated statement of income)

(Six months ended September 30)

		(Millions of yen)
	Six months ended September 30, 2015	Six months ended September 30, 2016
Net sales	96,641	68,342
Cost of sales	83,036	61,841
Gross profit	13,604	6,500
Selling, general and administrative expenses	8,080	6,682
Operating income (loss)	5,524	(182)
Non-operating income		· · ·
Interest income	63	61
Dividend income	19	20
Foreign currency exchange gain	323	_
Miscellaneous income	258	382
Total non-operating income	666	463
Non-operating expenses		
Interest expense	68	43
Foreign currency exchange loss	_	76
Miscellaneous loss	193	134
Total non-operating expenses	262	253
Ordinary income	5,927	28
Extraordinary income		
Compensation income	551	_
Total extraordinary income	551	_
Extraordinary losses		
Special retirement expenses	258	_
Total extraordinary losses	258	_
Income before income taxes	6,220	28
Income taxes – current	1,652	553
Income taxes – deferred	(96)	(514)
Total income taxes	1,556	38
Net income (loss)	4,664	(10)
Net income attributable to non-controlling interests	257	216
Net income (loss) attributable to owners of the parent	4,406	(227)

(Quarterly Consolidated statement of comprehensive income) (Six months ended September 30)

		(Millions of yen)
	Six months ended September 30, 2015	Six months ended September 30, 2016
Net income (loss)	4,664	(10)
Other comprehensive income		
Unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities	(194)	(95)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	(179)	(5,271)
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	84	32
Total other comprehensive income	(289)	(5,334)
Comprehensive income	4,375	(5,345)
(Breakdown)		_
Total comprehensive income attributable to owners of the parent	4,094	(5,009)
Total comprehensive income attributable to non-controlling interests	280	(336)

(Millions of yen)

(3) Quarterly consolidated statement of cash flows

Six months ended Six months ended September 30, 2015 September 30, 2016 Operating activities 28 Income before income taxes 6,220 Depreciation and amortization 2,860 2,651 (Increase) decrease in asset for employees' (199)(21)retirement benefits Increase (decrease) in liability for employees' 93 66 retirement benefits Increase (decrease) in directors' retirement (21)1 benefits Increase (decrease) in allowance for doubtful (300)(2) receivables Increase (decrease) in reserve for bonuses 579 503 Compensation income (551)Special retirement expenses 258 Interest and dividend income (83)(81) 43 Interest expense 68 Foreign exchange loss (gain) 42 332 Decrease (increase) in trade notes and accounts 1.546 1.000 Decrease (increase) in inventories (1,795)(7,543)Increase (decrease) in trade notes and accounts 3,893 1,955 payable Decrease (increase) in other accounts receivable 495 196 497 Increase (decrease) in other accounts payable (60)Other 370 (354)939 Subtotal 11,751 Interest and dividend income received 83 81 Interest expenses paid (68)(43)Proceeds from compensation 551 (195)Payments for special retirement expenses (258)Income taxes - paid (2,163)(536)Net cash provided by operating activities 9,896 245 Investing activities Purchases of investment securities (0)(0) (6,315)Purchases of property, plant and equipment (1,706)(80) Purchases of intangible assets (45)Decrease (increase) in time deposits 374 Decrease (increase) in short-term loans 2 1 receivable (5) (13) Payments of long-term loans receivable Collection of long-term loans receivable Payment for long-term prepaid expenses (163)(1,853)Other 51 39 Net cash used in investing activities (1,485)(8,217)

((Millio	ns o	of yen)	ĺ

	Six months ended September 30, 2015	Six months ended September 30, 2016
Financing activities		
Increase (decrease) in short-term bank loans payable, net	(2,366)	2,138
Proceeds from long-term debt	405	3,000
Repayments of long-term debt	(859)	(2,045)
Dividends paid	(749)	(668)
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests	(126)	(89)
Purchase of treasury stock	(0)	(0)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(3,694)	2,335
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(34)	(1,825)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	4,681	(7,461)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	5,924	17,858
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	10,606	10,397

(4) Notes to the consolidated financial statements (Notes on going concern assumption)

Not applicable.

(Notes on significant changes in the amount of shareholders' equity) Not applicable.

(Segment information, etc.)

[Segment information]

- I. Six months ended September 30, 2015 (from April 1, 2015 to September 30, 2015)
 - 1. Information on sales and income/loss according to reportable segments

(Millions of yen)

	Reportable segments						Amount reported on
	-	Automotive components and products	Information & communication components and products	Other	Total	Adjustments * Note 1	the consolidated income statement * Note 2
Net sales Sales to external customers Inter-segment sales or transfers	10,677	32,952	50,142	2,867	96,641	-	96,641
Total	10,677	32,952	50,142	2,867	96,641	-	96,641
Segment income (loss)	681	1,206	3,695	(58)	5,524	-	5,524

Notes: 1. There are no segment adjustments.

- 2. Total segment income (loss) coincides with the value of operating income of the consolidated income statement.
- II. Six months ended September 30, 2016 (from April 1, 2016 to September 30, 2016)
 - 1. Information on sales and income/loss according to reportable segments

(Millions of yen)

	Reportable segments					,	Amount reported on
	Acoustic components and products	Automotive components and products	Information & communication components and products	Other	Total	Adjustments * Note 1	the
Net sales Sales to external customers Inter-segment sales or transfers	9,808	30,081	25,597	2,853	68,342 -	-	68,342
Total	9,808	30,081	25,597	2,853	68,342	-	68,342
Segment income (loss)	398	2,124	(2,747)	42	(182)	-	(182)

Notes: 1. There are no segment adjustments.

2. Total segment income (loss) coincides with the value of operating loss of the consolidated income statement.

(Significant subsequent events)

At a meeting of the Board of Directors held on October 28, 2016, it was resolved that the Company would purchase treasury stock, pursuant to the provisions of Article 156 of the Companies Act, as applied by replacing the terms and phrases of Article 165 paragraph 3 of the Act.

1. Reason for purchase of treasury stock

To improve capital efficiency by returning profits to shareholders.

Moreover, although the stock is purchased on the assumption that it will be retired, in the event that a stock compensation plan is considered, the stock may be used as part of such a plan.

2. Details of purchase

(1) Stock subject to purchase: Common stock of the Company

(2) Total amount of stock to be purchased: 1,300,000 shares (maximum) (As a percentage of total number of

shares outstanding (excluding treasury stock) 4.9%)

(3) Total value of stock to be purchased: ¥2 billion (maximum)

(4) Purchase period: October 31, 2016 - January 31, 2017

(5) Method of purchase: On the open market, Tokyo Stock Exchange