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## Consolidated Financial Results for the Nine Months Ended December 31, 2024 [Japanese GAAP]

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Holding of financial results briefing: Yes (for analysts)

(Yen amounts are rounded down to millions, unless otherwise noted.)

#### 1. Consolidated Financial Results for the Nine Months Ended December 31, 2024 (April 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024)

#### (1) Consolidated Operating Results

(Percentages indicate year-on-year changes.)

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	Net sal	Net sales Operating profit Ordinary profit		Operating profit		Operating profit		profit	Profit attribution owners of	
Nine months ended	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%		
December 31, 2024	102,916	1.4	6,377	3.4	6,508	7.0	4,441	11.4		
December 31, 2023	101,450	(2.3)	6,168	28.8	6,085	22.3	3,985	2.9		
(Note) Comprehensive income	· Nine mor	nths ended	December 31	2024· ¥	3.92	5 million	[ (43.6)%	1		

(Note) Comprehensive income: Nine months ended December 31, 2024: ¥ 3,925 million [ (43.6)%] Nine months ended December 31, 2023: ¥ 6,959 million [ (1.9)%]

	Basic earnings per share	Diluted earnings per share
Nine months ended	Yen	Yen
December 31, 2024	266.96	266.35
December 31, 2023	233.96	233.43

#### (2) Consolidated Financial Position

	Total assets	Net assets	Capital adequacy ratio	Net assets per share
As of	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	%	Yen
December 31, 2024	168,857	120,391	70.2	7,223.19
March 31, 2024	161,971	120,467	73.2	7,112.73

(Reference) Equity: As of December 31, 2024: ¥ 118,562 million As of March 31, 2024: ¥ 118,642 million

#### 2. Dividends

	Annual dividends							
	1st quarter-end	2nd quarter-end	3rd quarter-end	Year-end	Total			
	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen			
Fiscal year ended March 31, 2024	-	-	-	153.00	153.00			
Fiscal year ending March 31, 2025	-	-	-					
Fiscal year ending March 31, 2025 (Forecast)				157.00	157.00			

(Note) Revision to the forecast for dividends announced most recently: None

(Note) Breakdown of the 3rd quarter dividend for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025 :

Commemorative dividend - yen Special dividend - yen

3. Consolidated Financial Results Forecast for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2025(April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025)

(Percentages indicate year-on-year changes.)

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	Net sale	es	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
Full year	140,000	5.4	9,000	32.8	9,000	32.9	7,500	46.8	452.19

(Note) Revision to the financial results forecast announced most recently: None

\* Notes:

(1) Significant changes in the scope of consolidation during the period: None

Newly included: - (Company name: )

Excluded: - (Company name: )

- (2) Adoption of accounting treatment specific to the preparation of quarterly consolidated financial statements: Yes
- (3) Changes in accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates, and restatement
  - 1) Changes in accounting policies due to revisions to accounting standards and other regulations: None
  - 2) Changes in accounting policies due to other reasons: None
  - 3) Changes in accounting estimates: None
  - 4) Restatement: None
- (4) Number of issued shares (common shares)
  - 1) Total number of issued shares at the end of the period (including treasury shares):

December 31, 2024: 17,293,516 shares March 31, 2024: 17,293,516 shares

2) Number of treasury shares at the end of the period:

December 31, 2024: 879,314 shares March 31, 2024: 613,226 shares

3) Average number of shares outstanding during the period:

Nine months ended December 31, 2024: 16,637,375 shares Nine months ended December 31, 2023: 17,033,272 shares

- \* Review of the Japanese-language originals of the attached consolidated quarterly financial statements by certified public accountants or an audit firm: Yes(voluntary)
- \* Proper use of earnings forecasts, and other special matters

Projections of results and future developments are based on information available to the Company at the current time, as well as certain assumptions judged by the Company to be reasonable. Various factors could cause actual results to differ materially from these projections. For the assumptions that form the basis of the projected results and notes regarding the use of projections, see "(3) Explanation of Consolidated Financial Results Forecast and Other Forward-looking Information" of "1. Qualitative Information on Quarterly Financial Results for the Period under Review" on page 3 of attached materials.

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

#### (1) Explanation of Business Results

(Overview of Results for the Period under Review)

During the nine months ended December 31, 2024 (April 1, 2024 - December 31, 2024), the Japanese economy faced a situation where the economic outlook remained unclear due to factors such as the globally unstable political situation and volatile exchange rate fluctuations. In addition, real wage growth has come to a standstill due to the rise in prices associated with soaring labor and logistics costs in addition to raw material prices, and consumers' awareness of the need to protect their lives has been firmly established. Amid this operating environment, the GUNZE Group continued to pursue the four basic strategies of "Creation of new value," "Capital cost-focused management," "Evolution of corporate constitution," and "Environmentally responsible management" in the last year of its medium-term management plan, "VISION 2030 stage 1."

The GUNZE Group's operating results for the period under review are as follows:

Net sales: \$\frac{\pmathbb{4}102,916 \text{ million}}{\pmathbb{6}377 \text{ million}}\$ (up by 1.4% year-on-year)

Operating profit: \$\frac{\pmathbb{4}6,377 \text{ million}}{\pmathbb{6}508 \text{ million}}\$ (up by 3.4% year-on-year)

Profit attributable to owners of parent: \$\frac{\pmathbb{4}441 \text{ million}}{\pmathbb{4}1.4\pmathbb{6}}\$ (up by 11.4\pmathbb{6} year-on-year)

Net sales increased due to the strong performance of the functional solutions business where the materials market was on a recovery trend and the medical business where new products and products for China expanded. Operating profit and ordinary profit increased as a whole primarily owing to the profit increase in the functional solutions business and the medical business, as well as the restructuring of the sports clubs, although the apparel business recorded a decline in profits due to the impact of higher costs and lower sales volume. Profit attributable to owners of parent increased mainly due to the recording of \(\frac{\pmathbf{\frac{1}}}{1,072}\) million in gain on sale of investment securities as a result of the sale of cross-shareholdings, despite the recording of \(\frac{\pmathbf{\frac{1}}}{1,154}\) million in business restructuring expenses primarily due to the wind-down of the electronic components business and additional loss associated with transfer of a subsidiary.

(Results by Business Segment)

#### [Functional Solutions]

The functional solutions business recorded net sales of \(\frac{\pmax}{3}\)8,604 million (up by 3.4% year-on-year) and an operating profit of \(\frac{\pmax}{5}\),179 million (up by 14.9% year-on-year).

<Major factors in the changes>

- In plastic films, sales in Japan remained strong, although the business was impacted by stagnant demand overseas.
- In engineering plastics, in addition to the recovery of the office equipment market, products for semiconductors performed strongly.

#### [Medical]

The medical business recorded net sales of \$9,625 million (up by 9.8% year-on-year) and an operating profit of \$1,784 million (up by 9.6% year-on-year).

<Major factors in the changes>

• Expansion of sales of adhesion prevention agent and absorbable medical materials including bone fixation devices progressed in Japan.

- Although aesthetic and medical market was on a gradual recovery trend, the Company struggled due to intensified competition.
- Sales of products in China expanded with a focus on the tissue reinforcement felt, despite the impact of regulations on high-cost medical care.

#### [Apparel]

The apparel business recorded net sales of \(\frac{\pmathbf{46,549}}{46,549}\) million (up by 0.2% year-on-year) and an operating profit of \(\frac{\pmathbf{1}}{1,320}\) million (down by 34.5% year-on-year) primarily due to the impact of increased purchasing cost caused by the yen's depreciation.

<Major factors in the changes>

- In the apparel business, although expansion of sales through e-commerce progressed, sales of men's innerwear stagnated, affected by the shift to private branding by mass retailers in response to consumer preference for low-priced products and sluggish sales of autumn and winter items due to the late-summer heat.
- Profit decreased, affected by the impact of higher costs due to production cutbacks and higher labor and other costs, in addition to the impact of the yen's depreciation since the beginning of the year.

#### [Lifestyle Creations]

The lifestyle creation business recorded net sales of ¥8,765 million (down by 7.3% year-on-year) and an operating profit of ¥634 million (up by 14.8% year-on-year).

<Major factors in the changes>

- The real estate category recorded a decline in revenue due to the impact of sales of idle land redevelopment in the previous fiscal year.
- The sports club business improved the profitability, although its revenue decreased due to the re-examining of unprofitable stores.

#### (2) Explanation of Financial Position

As of December 31, 2024, total assets were ¥168,857 million, an increase of ¥6,886 million compared to the end of the previous fiscal year. The main components of the increase included a ¥3,364 million increase in other, net in property, plant and equipment (construction in progress, etc.), a ¥2,000 million increase in notes and accounts receivable - trade, and contract assets, and a ¥1,489 million increase in cash and deposits, while the main components of a decrease included a ¥1,474 million decrease in investment securities due to the sale of cross-shareholdings.

Total liabilities were ¥48,466 million, an increase of ¥6,963 million compared to the end of the previous fiscal year. The main components of the increase included a ¥7,392 million increase in long- and short-term borrowings including commercial papers, while the main components of a decrease included a ¥931 million decrease in provision for bonuses.

Net assets were \$120,391 million, a decrease of \$76 million compared to the end of the previous fiscal year. The main components of an increase included the recording of profit attributable to owners of parent amounting to \$4,441 million, while the main components of the decrease included dividends paid of \$2,552 million and \$1,432 million spent for the purchase of treasury shares.

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

Because the consolidated financial results for the period under review have been almost in line with expectations, the Company has decided not to change its earlier consolidated financial results forecast for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025, which was announced on May 14, 2024.

## 2 .Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements and Primary Notes

## (1) Quarterly Consolidated Balance Sheets

		(Millions of yen)
	As of March 31, 2024	As of December 31, 2024
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash and deposits	10,818	12,307
Notes and accounts receivable - trade, and contract assets	27,588	29,588
Merchandise and finished goods	24,706	24,838
Work in process	7,425	7,811
Raw materials and supplies	6,026	6,645
Other	4,245	4,437
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(13)	(13
Total current assets	80,796	85,615
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment		
Buildings and structures, net	36,191	36,707
Machinery, equipment and vehicles, net	13,601	12,761
Land	10,479	10,326
Other, net	3,325	6,689
Total property, plant and equipment	63,597	66,485
Intangible assets	1,928	1,759
Investments and other assets		
Investment securities	6,833	5,359
Other	8,884	9,709
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(69)	(71
Total investments and other assets	15,648	14,996
Total non-current assets	81,174	83,241
Total assets	161,971	168,857

	As of March 31, 2024	As of December 31, 2024
Liabilities		
Current liabilities		
Notes and accounts payable - trade	8,286	8,36
Short-term borrowings	252	48
Commercial papers		7,60
Current portion of long-term borrowings	462	46
Income taxes payable	1,357	1,60
Provision for bonuses	1,405	47
Provision for business restructuring	1,783	2,26
Other	11,342	10,92
Total current liabilities	24,890	32,18
Non-current liabilities	,	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Long-term borrowings	8,230	7,78
Retirement benefit liability	3,937	3,97
Long-term leasehold and guarantee deposits received	3,986	4,02
Other	458	49
Total non-current liabilities	16,613	16,28
Total liabilities	41,503	48,46
Net assets		
Shareholders' equity		
Share capital	26,071	26,07
Capital surplus	6,565	6,56
Retained earnings	81,576	83,46
Treasury shares	(2,974)	(4,34
Total shareholders' equity	111,239	111,75
Accumulated other comprehensive income		
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	2,438	1,66
Deferred gains or losses on hedges	156	23
Revaluation reserve for land	(13)	(1
Foreign currency translation adjustment	4,118	4,31
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	702	59
Total accumulated other comprehensive income	7,403	6,80
Share acquisition rights	124	11
Non-controlling interests	1,700	1,70
Total net assets	120,467	120,39
Total liabilities and net assets	161,971	168,85

## (2)Quarterly Consolidated Statements of Income and Comprehensive Income Quarterly Consolidated Statements of Income (For the nine months)

	For the nine months ended December 31, 2023	For the nine months ended December 31, 2024
Net sales	101,450	102,916
Cost of sales	69,143	70,321
Gross profit	32,306	32,594
Selling, general and administrative expenses	26,138	26,216
Operating profit	6,168	6,377
Non-operating income		
Interest income	62	50
Dividend income	291	233
Rental income from non-current assets	297	332
Other	106	103
Total non-operating income	757	719
Non-operating expenses		
Interest expenses	192	59
Rental expenses on non-current assets	288	319
Foreign exchange losses	60	15
Other	298	194
Total non-operating expenses	840	588
Ordinary profit	6,085	6,508
Extraordinary income		
Gain on sale of non-current assets	7	664
Gain on sale of investment securities	723	1,072
Other	-	135
Total extraordinary income	731	1,872
Extraordinary losses		
Loss on sale and retirement of non-current assets	216	210
Business restructuring expenses	1,677	1,154
Settlement money for under-reporting water amount	534	
Other	22	50
Total extraordinary losses	2,451	1,415
Profit before income taxes	4,366	6,965
Income taxes	347	2,494
Profit	4,018	4,471
Profit attributable to non-controlling interests	33	29
Profit attributable to owners of parent	3,985	4,441

## Quarterly Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (For the nine months)

		(Millions of yen)
	For the nine months ended December 31, 2023	For the nine months ended December 31, 2024
Profit	4,018	4,471
Other comprehensive income		
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	450	(772)
Deferred gains or losses on hedges	188	83
Foreign currency translation adjustment	2,266	246
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans, net of tax	35	(104)
Total other comprehensive income	2,940	(546)
Comprehensive income	6,959	3,925
Comprehensive income attributable to		
Comprehensive income attributable to owners of parent	6,826	3,845
Comprehensive income attributable to non-controlling interests	132	79

#### (3) Notes to Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements

(Notes regarding assumptions of continuing operations)

None applicable

(Notes in the case of significant changes in shareholders' equity)

None applicable

(Application of an accounting method specific to the preparation of quarterly consolidated financial statements) (Calculation of income tax expenses)

The Company calculates income tax expenses by reasonably estimating the effective tax rate expected to be imposed on profit before income taxes for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025 and then multiplying profit before income taxes for the nine months ended December 31, 2024 by the effective tax rate thus estimated.

However, in cases where calculating tax expenses using the estimated effective tax rate yields a result that is notably lacking rationality, tax expenses will be calculated using the statutory effective tax rate.

Income taxes-deferred are included in income taxes.

(Changes in accounting policies, changes or restatement of accounting estimates)

None applicable

(Notes to quarterly consolidated statements of income)

\* Business restructuring expenses

Nine months ended December 31, 2023 (April 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023)

Loss associated with business restructuring including the transfer of shares of a consolidated subsidiary in the electronic components business

Nine months ended December 31, 2024 (April 1, 2024 - December 31, 2024)

Loss on business restructuring including the wind-down of the electronic components business and additional loss associated with transfer of shares of a consolidated subsidiary

(Segment information, etc.)

[Segment Information]

Nine Months Ended December 31, 2023 (April 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023)

1. Information on Net Sales and Profit/Loss of Each Reportable Segment

(Millions of yen)

		Reportable segments				Adjustment	Consolidated
	Functional solutions	Medical	Apparel	Lifestyle creations	Total	(Note1)	(Note 2)
Net sales							
Sales to customers	36,955	8,766	46,314	9,413	101,450	_	101,450
Intersegment sales and transfers	393	1	130	40	566	(566)	-
Total	37,348	8,768	46,444	9,454	102,016	(566)	101,450
Segment profit	4,506	1,627	2,017	552	8,704	(2,536)	6,168

#### Notes:

- The ¥(2,536) million segment profit adjustment consists of overall costs not allocated to reportable segments. Overall costs refer
  to SG&A expenses not allocated to reportable segments.
- Segment profit total was adjusted to be consistent with the operating profit recorded on the Quarterly Consolidated Statements of Income.

Nine Months Ended December 31, 2024 (April 1, 2024 - December 31, 2024)

1. Information on Net Sales and Profit/Loss of Each Reportable Segment

(Millions of yen)

		Re	portable segme	nts		Adjustment	Consolidated (Note 2)
	Functional solutions	Medical	Apparel	Lifestyle creations	Total	(Note 1)	
Net sales							
Sales to customers	38,153	9,624	46,410	8,727	102,916	_	102,916
Intersegment sales and transfers	450	1	138	38	628	(628)	_
Total	38,604	9,625	46,549	8,765	103,544	(628)	102,916
Segment profit	5,179	1,784	1,320	634	8,919	(2,541)	6,377

#### Notes:

- The ¥(2,541) million segment profit adjustment consists of overall costs not allocated to reportable segments. Overall costs refer
  to SG&A expenses not allocated to reportable segments.
- Segment profit total was adjusted to be consistent with the operating profit recorded on the Quarterly Consolidated Statements of Income.

(Notes regarding statements of cash flows)

The Company has not prepared the quarterly consolidated statements of cash flows for the nine months ended December 31, 2024. Depreciation (including amortization for intangible assets excluding goodwill) and amortization of goodwill for the nine months ended December 31 are as follows:

		(Millions of yen)
	For the nine months ended	For the nine months ended
	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2024
Depreciation	4,562	5,022
Amortization of goodwill	48	33

#### (Significant subsequent events)

(Stock split and partial amendment to the Articles of Incorporation with the stock split)

At a meeting of the Board of Directors held on February 6, 2025, the Company resolved to conduct a stock split and make a partial amendment to the Articles of Incorporation with the stock split.

#### 1. Purpose of the stock split

The Company hopes to gain support from a broader range of investors in order to enhance its corporate value over the medium to long term. This stock split is implemented with the aim of lowering the investment unit price of common stock so as to make investing more accessible for investors, as well as improving market liquidity of the stock.

#### 2. Overview of the stock split

#### (1) Method of the stock split

With a record date of Monday, March 31, 2025, common stock held by shareholders listed or recorded in the final shareholder s' register on that date will be split as a ratio of 2-for-1.

#### (2) Number of shares to be increased by the stock split

Total number of shares issued before the stock split	17,293,516 shares
Number of shares to be increased by this stock split	17,293,516 shares
Total number of shares issued after the stock split	34,587,032 shares
Total number of authorized shares after the stock split	100,000,000 shares

#### (3) Schedule of the stock split

Announcement of record date	Friday, March 14, 2025 (plan)
Record date	Monday, March 31, 2025
Effective date	Tuesday, April 1, 2025

#### 3. Partial amendment to the Articles of Incorporation with the stock split

#### (1) Reasons for amendment

In accordance with the stock split, based on the provisions of Article 184, Paragraph 2 of the Companies Act, the Company will make the following partial amendment to the total number of authorized shares in Article 6 of its Articles of Incorporation to conform to the split ratio, effective Tuesday, April 1, 2025.

#### (2) Details of amendment

Details of amendment are as follows:

#### (Parts to be amended are underlined.)

<b>Current Articles of Incorporation</b>	Amendment of Articles of Incorporation
(Total Number of Authorized Shares)	(Total Number of Authorized Shares)
Article 6. The total number of shares that can be	Article 6. The total number of shares that can be
issued by the Company shall be 50,000,000.	issued by the Company shall be 100,000,000.

#### (3) Schedule

Date of Board of Directors resolution	Thursday, February 6, 2025
Effective date	Tuesday, April 1, 2025

#### 4. Other

#### (1) Change in the Company's share capital

The stock split will not result in any change in the Company's share capital.

#### (2) Dividend

The stock split will be executed on April 1, 2025. The 129th term-end dividend, which has a record date of March 31, 2025 will be based on the number of shares before the stock split.

### Independent Auditor's Interim Review Report on the Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements

February 6, 2025

To the Board of Directors of **GUNZE LIMITED** 

#### Kyoritsu Audit Corporation

#### Osaka Office

Representative

Certified public Partner. Kiyoshi Asada

Engagement accountant

Partner

Engagement Partner

Certified public Tatsuya Teshima accountant

#### Auditor's Conclusion

We have conducted an interim review of the quarterly consolidated financial statements of GUNZE LIMITED for the third quarter accounting period (from October 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024) and the cumulative third quarter (from April 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024) of the fiscal year from April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025 included in the "Attachment" of the summary of quarterly consolidated results, namely, the quarterly consolidated balance sheets, quarterly consolidated statements of income, quarterly consolidated statements of comprehensive income, and notes thereto.

In the interim review that we conducted, we found no instances that would lead us to believe that the above quarterly consolidated financial statements were not prepared in all material respects in accordance with Article 4, Paragraph 1 of the Tokyo Stock Exchange's Standards for Preparation of Quarterly Financial Statements and accounting standards for quarterly financial statements that are generally accepted in Japan (however, omissions set forth in Article 4, Paragraph 2 of the Standards for Preparation of Quarterly Financial Statements apply).

#### Basis for Auditor's Conclusion

We conducted our interim review in accordance with the interim review standards that are generally accepted in Japan. Our responsibilities under the interim review standards are described in "Auditor's Responsibilities in Interim Review of Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements." Pursuant to the rules on professional ethics in Japan, we are independent from the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries, and have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities as an auditor. We believe that we have obtained the evidence to form a basis for our conclusion.

Responsibility of Management, Corporate Auditors and the Board of Corporate Auditors with Respect to Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements

The responsibility of management is to prepare quarterly financial statements in accordance with Article 4, Paragraph 1 of the Tokyo Stock Exchange's Standards for Preparation of Quarterly Financial Statements and accounting standards for quarterly financial statements that are generally accepted in Japan (however, omissions set forth in Article 4, Paragraph 2 of the Standards for Preparation of Quarterly Financial Statements apply). This includes designing and operating internal controls that management deems necessary in order to prepare quarterly consolidated financial statements free of material misstatements, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the quarterly consolidated financial statements, management is responsible for evaluating whether it is appropriate to prepare the quarterly consolidated financial statements based on the premise of a going concern, and for disclosing matters relating to going concern if required based on Article 4, Paragraph 1 of the Tokyo Stock Exchange's Standards for Preparation of Quarterly Financial Statements and accounting standards for quarterly financial statements that are generally accepted in Japan (however, omissions set forth in Article 4, Paragraph 2 of the Standards for Preparation of Quarterly Financial Statements apply).

The Corporate Auditors and Board of Corporate Auditors are responsible for monitoring the execution of Directors' duties related to designing and operating the financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities in the Interim Review of Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements

The auditor's responsibility is to express a conclusion with respect to the quarterly consolidated financial statements from an independent standpoint in an interim review report based on the interim review it has performed.

The auditor shall exercise professional judgment throughout the interim review process in accordance with interim review standards generally accepted in Japan, and perform the following while maintaining professional skepticism:

- Primarily, make inquiries of management, persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and others, and perform
  analytical procedures and other interim review procedures. Interim review procedures are limited procedures relative to audits of
  annual financial statements conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in Japan.
- If it is determined that there is material uncertainty regarding events or circumstances that would raise substantial doubts about factors relating to the premise of a going concern, the auditor shall conclude, based on the evidence obtained, whether there are any factors that lead the auditor to believe that the quarterly consolidated financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with Article 4, Paragraph 1 of the Tokyo Stock Exchange's Standards for Preparation of Quarterly Financial Statements and the accounting standards for quarterly financial statements that are generally accepted in Japan (however, omissions set forth in Article 4, Paragraph 2 of the Standards for Preparation of Quarterly Financial Statements apply). Moreover, if there is material uncertainty regarding the premise of a going concern, the auditor is required to call attention to the notes to the quarterly consolidated financial statements in the interim review report, or to express a qualified or negative conclusion on the quarterly consolidated financial statements if the notes to the quarterly consolidated financial statements regarding material uncertainty are not adequate. The auditor's conclusion is based on evidence obtained up to the date of the interim review report, but future events or circumstances may prevent the company from continuing as a going concern.
- Evaluate whether there are any matters that lead the auditor to believe that the presentation and notes of the quarterly consolidated financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with Article 4, Paragraph 1 of the Tokyo Stock Exchange's Standards for Preparation of Quarterly Financial Statements and accounting standards for quarterly financial statements generally accepted in Japan (however, omissions set out in Article 4, Paragraph 2 of the Standards for Preparation of Quarterly Financial Statements apply).
- Obtain evidence regarding financial information of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries in order to express a conclusion
  with respect to the quarterly consolidated financial statements. The auditor is responsible for instructing, supervising, and
  performing of the interim review of the quarterly consolidated financial statements. The auditor is solely responsible for the
  auditor's conclusions.

The auditor shall report to the Corporate Auditors and of Board of Corporate Auditors on the planned scope of the interim review, its timing, and any significant findings from the interim review.

The auditor shall report to the Corporate Auditors and of Board of Corporate Auditors regarding the compliance with provisions related to professional ethics in Japan regarding independence, as well as on any matters that are reasonably considered to affect the auditor's independence, and details of any measures that are taken to remove impediments, or any safeguards adopted to reduce impediments to an acceptable level.

#### Conflicts of Interest

There are no special interests between the audit corporation or its engagement partners and the Company or its consolidated subsidiaries that should be disclosed in accordance with the provisions of the Certified Public Accountants Act.

End

- Notes 1. The original copy of the above interim review report is kept separately by the Company (the company disclosing the quarterly consolidated financial statements).
  - 2. XBRL data and HTML data are not included within the scope of the interim review report.