

# Consolidated Financial Report for the First Quarter Ended June 30, 2024

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(Amounts rounded to the nearest million yen)

## 1. Consolidated Financial Results for the First Quarter Ended June 30, 2024

(From April 1, 2024 to June 30, 2024)

(1) Consolidated Operating Results (% inc

(% indicates the rate of increase / decrease to the same period of previous year)

	Net sa	ales	Operati	ng profit	Ordina	ry profit	Profit attrib	
April – June 2024	115,385	5.6%	2,911	11.0%	6,967	30.8%	4,804	31.4%
April – June 2023	109,220	(6.0)%	2,622	(39.8)%	5,326	252.0%	3,655	(26.3)%

(Note) Comprehensive Income: From April 1,

From April 1, 2024 to June 30, 2024: From April 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023:

15,743 Million Yen 3.3%

15,234 Million Yen (

(6.2)%

	Net income per share (Yen)	Diluted net income per share (Yen)
April – June 2024	49.49	49.47
April – June 2023	37.66	37.65

(2) Consolidated Financial Position

	Total assets	Net assets	Shareholders' equity ratio (%)
June 30, 2024	807,514	439,677	51.8
March 31, 2024	789,034	429,355	51.8

(Reference) Shareholders' equity: As of June 30, 2024: 417,966 Million Yen

As of March 31, 2024: 408,689 Million Yen

[Shareholders' equity = Net assets – Share acquisition rights – Non-controlling interests]

#### 2. Cash Dividends

	Cash dividends per share (Yen)				
	First quarter	Second quarter	Third quarter	Year end	Annual
April 2023 – March 2024	_	50.00	_	55.00	105.00
April 2024 – March 2025	_		-		
April 2024 - March 2025 (Forecast)		55.00		55.00	110.00

(Note) Revision of the latest forecast of cash dividends: No

#### 3. Forecast of Consolidated Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2025

(From April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025)

(% indicates the rate of increase / decrease to the same period of previous year)

	Net sa	lles	Opera pro	ating ofit	Ordin pro			tributable s of parent	Net income per share(Yen)
April – September 2024	238,000	9.1%	7,500	43.7%	11,500	1.7%	8,000	(11.3)%	82.41
April 2024 – March 2025	510,000	8.9%	27,000	20.2%	37,000	1.8%	29,500	1.8%	303.89

(Note) Revision of the latest forecast of consolidated financial results: No

#### (Notes)

(1) Changes in significant subsidiaries during the first quarter ended June 30, 2024: No

(Note) This item indicates whether there were changes in significant subsidiaries affecting the scope of consolidation during the first quarter ended June 30, 2024.

(2) Adoption of special accounting methods for presenting quarterly consolidated financial statements: Yes (Note) For more details, please refer to "5. Consolidated Financial Statements (4) Notes to Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements (Application of the specific accounting methods for preparing the quarterly consolidated financial statements)".

(3) Changes in accounting policies applied, changes in accounting estimates and retrospective restatement

Changes in accounting policies applied due to revisions of accounting standards: Yes

Changes in accounting policies other than the above: No

Changes in accounting estimates: No

Retrospective restatement: No

#### (4) Number of shares outstanding (common stock)

	June 30, 2024	March 31, 2024
Numbers of shares outstanding at period end	106,200,107	106,200,107
Numbers of shares of treasury stock at period end	9,127,509	9,126,797
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	April – June 2024	April – June 2023
Weighted-average number of shares outstanding during period	97,072,946	97,040,342

Review procedures on the quarterly consolidated financial statement contained in this report by independent auditors: Yes (voluntary)

#### (Cautionary statement on forward-looking statements)

The performance forecast and other forward-looking statements contained in this material have been prepared on the basis of information available at this point and certain assumptions which are judged to be rational. It may be substantially different from the actual performance because of various factors such as economic conditions in key markets, supply and demand of products, the prices of raw material and fuel, interest rates, and exchange rates.

#### 4. Qualitative Information on Operating Results

#### (1) Overview of Operating Results

During the first quarter under review, both net sales and operating profit increased. Despite weak sales in the Specialty Products and Machinery Segments, as well as in the Pharmaceutical Business, sales volume and sales prices increased in the Polymers & Chemicals Segment due to a recovery in demand for nylon polymer and caprolactam, mainly overseas.

Ordinary profit and profit attributable to owners of parent both increased due to the expansion of share in profit of entities accounted for using the equity method, mainly thanks to the effect of the sales price adjustments implemented in the previous fiscal year in the cement-related business (an equity-method affiliate).

As a result, the Company Group reports its consolidated results during the current term as follows:

(Billions of yen)

Item	Net sales	Operating profit	Ordinary profit	Profit attributable to owners of parent
April – June 2024 ①	115.4	2.9	7.0	4.8
April – June 2023 ②	109.2	2.6	5.3	3.7
Difference ① - ②	6.2	0.3	1.6	1.1
Percentage change	5.6%	11.0%	30.8%	31.4%

#### Overview by Segment

Net sales (Billions of yen)

Segment	April – June 2024	April – June 2023 ②	Difference ① - ②	Percentage Change
Specialty Products	15.1	15.8	(0.7)	(4.4)%
Polymers & Chemicals	70.9	60.9	10.0	16.4%
Machinery	19.2	20.6	(1.4)	(6.8)%
Others	15.7	17.7	(2.0)	(11.5)%
Adjustment	(5.5)	(5.8)	0.3	
Total	115.4	109.2	6.2	5.6%

Operating profit (Billions of yen)

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Segment	April – June 2024	April – June 2023 ②	Difference ① - ②	Percentage Change	
Specialty Products	2.2	3.0	(0.8)	(27.4)%	
Polymers & Chemicals	0.1	(1.5)	1.6		
Machinery	1.0	0.9	0.1	12.9%	
Others	0.3	0.9	(0.6)	(67.5)%	
Adjustment	(0.7)	(0.7)	0.0	_	
Total	2.9	2.6	0.3	11.0%	

(Note1) UBE America Inc. and UBE CORPORATION AMERICA INC. have been reclassified from the "Others" segment to the "Polymers & Chemicals" segment from the fiscal year ending March 2025. The results for the first quarter ended March 2024 are figures reflecting the segment reclassification.

(Note2) Adjustment for operating profit includes corporate expenses (general expenses that are not distributed to each reportable segment) and internal transactions between the segments.

#### Specialty Products – Decreases in both net sales and operating profit

The Polyimide Business recorded a decrease in net sales due to sluggish sales of our varnishes in the Chinese OLED panel market as the adoption of varnishes made by Chinese company progressed, although sales of films, mainly for FPCs, and raw material BPDA were strong.

The Separation Membrane Business recorded a decrease in net sales despite the continued stable demand for CO<sub>2</sub> separation membranes for biomethane production, partly due to the impact of delays in product shipments as the scale of each project increased.

The Ceramics Business recorded an increase in net sales thanks to the continued strong demand for bearing and the products used for substrates.

The Separators Business recorded an increase in net sales due to an increase in sales volume in line with an increase in demand for products for hybrid vehicles and other factors.

The Specialty Products Segment as a whole recorded decreases in both net sales and operating profit due to weak performance of polyimide.

#### Polymers & Chemicals – Increases in both net sales and operating profit

#### ■ Performance Polymers & Chemicals Business

The Composites Business recorded a decrease in net sales due to sluggish demand for automotive products.

The Nylon Polymer Business recorded an increase in net sales mainly due to recovery in demand for nylon film for food packaging overseas, resulting in increases in sales volume and selling prices.

The Caprolactam & Ammonium Sulfate Business recorded an increase in net sales due to increased sales volume overseas and higher selling prices resulting from higher market prices for raw materials.

The Industrial Chemicals Business recorded a decrease in net sales due to a decrease in sales volume resulting from the biennial inspection conducted at the ammonia product factory.

The C1 Chemicals and High-Performance Coating Businesses recorded a decrease in net sales due to a decline in sales volume resulting from the withdrawal from business of some unprofitable products, and other factors.

- The Elastomer Business recorded an increase in net sales due to the rising product price resulting from the market price rises of raw material such as butadiene.
- The Polymers & Chemicals Segment as a whole recorded increases in both net sales and operating profit despite the impact of the biennial inspection of the ammonia product factory, thanks to the significant effect of the higher sales volume and selling prices of nylon polymer and caprolactam resulting from the recovery in demand overseas.

# Machinery - Decrease in net sales and increase in operating profit

The Molding Machine Business recorded a decrease in net sales despite stable performance of after-sales services, mainly due to a delay in shipments of machinery products.

The Industrial Machines Business recorded a decrease in net sales despite solid sales of machinery products, which is due to strong performance of after-sales services in the previous fiscal year.

The Steel Products Business recorded a decrease in net sales due to a decrease in sales volume caused by the regular inspection, which lasted longer than the previous fiscal year.

As for the Machinery Segment as a whole, although revenue decreased due to a decline in sales volume in the Steel Products Business and the delay in shipments in the Molding Machine Business, after-sales services in the Molding Machine Business and product sales and after-sales services in the Industrial Machines Business showed stable performance, resulting in a decrease in net sales and an increase in operating profit.

#### Others – Decreases in both net sales and operating profit

The Pharmaceutical Business recorded a decrease in net sales due to sluggish sales of contract pharmaceuticals.

The Power Producer Business recorded a decrease in net sales due to a decrease in the volume of electricity sold resulting from a decline in electricity demand in cement-related businesses and other businesses.

The Others Segment as a whole recorded decreases in both net sales and operating profit due largely to the impact of sluggish sales of contract pharmaceuticals in the Pharmaceutical Business.

#### Cement-Related Business (Equity-Method Affiliate)

Although sales volume of cement decreased in both the domestic and overseas (North America) markets, the adjustment of selling prices implemented in the previous fiscal year contributed to an increase in share of profit of entities accounted for using the equity method relating to the cement-related business.

#### (2) Overview of Financial Condition

#### **Total Assets**

Total assets increased by 18.5 billion yen compared to the end of the previous fiscal year, to 807.5 billion yen. This is mainly due to increases in inventories, such as merchandise and finished goods, property, plant and equipment, and investment securities despite decreases in notes receivable-trade, accounts receivable-trade, and contract assets.

### **Liabilities**

Liabilities increased by 8.2 billion yen compared to the end of the previous fiscal year, to 367.8 billion yen. This is mainly due to an increase in interest-bearing debt despite a decrease in Other current liabilities.

#### Net assets

Net assets increased by 10.3 billion yen compared to the end of the previous fiscal year, to 440 billion yen. This is mainly due to an increase in foreign currency translation adjustment, despite a decrease in retained earnings because of profit attributable to owners of parent being lower than the amount of cash dividends.

As a result, shareholders' equity ratio remained unchanged from the previous consolidated fiscal year at 51.8%.

# 5. Consolidated Financial Statements

(1) Consolidated Balance Sheets

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	As of March 31, 2024	As of June 30, 2024
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash and deposits	36,359	33,106
Notes and accounts receivable - trade, and contract assets	107,778	102,245
Merchandise and finished goods	58,017	63,229
Work in process	29,503	30,776
Raw materials and supplies	46,428	46,347
Other	17,668	21,084
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(75)	(116)
Total current assets	295,678	296,671
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment		
Buildings and structures, net	51,705	51,727
Machinery, equipment and vehicles, net	92,501	92,852
Land	37,243	37,446
Other, net	40,709	47,736
Total property, plant and equipment	222,158	229,761
Intangible assets		
Goodwill	1,448	1,442
Other	7,121	10,318
Total intangible assets	8,569	11,760
Investments and other assets		_
Investment securities	223,923	230,840
Other	38,826	38,622
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(275)	(284)
Total investments and other assets	262,474	269,178
Total non-current assets	493,201	510,699
Deferred assets	155	144
Total assets	789,034	807,514

Liabilities	
Current liabilities	
Notes and accounts payable - trade	62,068 61,166
Short-term borrowings	63,370 69,577
Commercial papers	<del>-</del> 14,999
Current portion of bonds payable	10,000 10,000
Income taxes payable	4,154 2,148
Provision for bonuses	5,141 7,092
Other provisions	954 843
Other	52,534 45,450
Total current liabilities	198,221 211,275
Non-current liabilities	
Bonds payable	60,000 60,000
Long-term borrowings	75,572 71,958
Provisions	3,204 2,590
Retirement benefit liability	7,289 7,358
Asset retirement obligations	1,224 1,227
Other	14,169 13,429
Total non-current liabilities	161,458 156,562
Total liabilities	359,679 367,837
Net assets	
Shareholders' equity	
Share capital	58,435 58,435
Capital surplus	40,370 40,370
Retained earnings	276,409 275,874
Treasury shares	(21,598) (21,600)
Total shareholders' equity	353,616 353,079
Accumulated other comprehensive income	
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	8,885 8,653
Deferred gains or losses on hedges	64 210
Foreign currency translation adjustment	39,418 49,594
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	6,706 6,430
Total accumulated other comprehensive income	55,073 64,887
Share acquisition rights	62 62
Non-controlling interests	20,604 21,649
Total net assets	429,355 439,677
Total liabilities and net assets	789,034 807,514

# (2) Consolidated Statements of Income / Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

Consolidated Statements of Income

For the first quarter ended June 30, 2023 and 2024

·	-	(Millions of yen
	April 1, 2023 - June 30, 2023	April 1, 2024 - June 30, 2024
Net sales	109,220	115,385
Cost of sales	90,726	95,649
Gross profit	18,494	19,736
Selling, general and administrative expenses	15,872	16,825
Operating profit	2,622	2,91
Non-operating income		·
Interest income	63	198
Dividend income	411	196
Rental income	208	210
Share of profit of entities accounted for using equity method	2,268	3,859
Foreign exchange gains	815	718
Other	137	130
Total non-operating income	3,902	5,31
Non-operating expenses		
Interest expenses	244	276
Rental expenses	138	120
Other	816	859
Total non-operating expenses	1,198	1,25
Ordinary profit	5,326	6,96
Extraordinary income		
Gain on sale of non-current assets	3	
Gain on sale of investment securities	_	89
Gain on liquidation of subsidiaries and associates	_	31
Total extraordinary income	3	402
Extraordinary losses		
Loss on disposal of non-current assets	198	154
Impairment losses	78	<del>-</del>
Total extraordinary losses	276	154
Profit before income taxes	5,053	7,21
Income taxes	1,572	2,129
Profit	3,481	5,080
Profit (loss) attributable to non-controlling interests	(174)	282
Profit attributable to owners of parent	3,655	4,804

# Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income For the first quarter ended June 30, 2023 and 2024

	=	(Millions of yen)
	April 1, 2023 - June 30, 2023	April 1, 2024 - June 30, 2024
Profit	3,481	5,086
Other comprehensive income		
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	989	229
Deferred gains or losses on hedges	(9)	12
Foreign currency translation adjustment	6,573	7,029
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans, net of tax	20	(196)
Share of other comprehensive income of entities accounted for using equity method	4,180	3,583
Total other comprehensive income	11,753	10,657
Comprehensive income	15,234	15,743
Comprehensive income attributable to owners of parent	14,725	14,618
Comprehensive income attributable to non-controlling interests	509	1,125

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		(Millions of yen)
	April 1, 2023 - June 30, 2023	April 1, 2024 - June 30, 2024
Cash flows from operating activities		
Profit before income taxes	5,053	7,215
Depreciation and amortization	6,386	6,749
Impairment losses	78	_
Amortization of goodwill	3	62
Increase (decrease) in allowance for doubtful accounts	16	49
Interest and dividend income	(474)	(394)
Interest expenses	244	276
Share of loss (profit) of entities accounted for using equity method	(2,268)	(3,859)
Loss (gain) on sale of non-current assets	(2)	(2)
Decrease (increase) in trade receivables	14,612	7,521
Decrease (increase) in inventories	(5,994)	(3,965)
Increase (decrease) in trade payables	(12,765)	(3,982)
Other, net	3,474	(5,661)
Subtotal	8,363	4,009
Interest and dividends received	1,326	1,223
Interest paid	(225)	(244)
Income taxes paid	(2,403)	(3,336)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	7,061	1,652
Cash flows from investing activities	•	· · · · ·
Purchase of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	(8,125)	(17,232)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	115	_
Purchase of investment securities	(25)	_
Proceeds from sale of investment securities		114
Decrease (increase) in short-term loans receivable	(100)	(800)
Other, net	44	(48)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(8,091)	(17,966)
Cash flows from financing activities	(=,==,	( , , , , , , ,
Net increase (decrease) in short-term borrowings	(240)	6,865
Net increase (decrease) in commercial papers	2,000	14,999
Proceeds from long-term borrowings	_,,,,	36
Repayments of long-term borrowings	(1,169)	(4,593)
Purchase of treasury shares	(1)	(2)
Dividends paid	(4,371)	(5,345)
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests	(82)	(80)
Other, net	(140)	(194)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(4,003)	11,686
Effect of exchange rate change on cash and cash	975	1,352
equivalents  Net increase (decrease) in each and each equivalents	(4.050)	(2.276)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(4,058)	(3,276)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	30,703	35,859
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	26,645	32,583

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

(Notes regarding changes in accounting policies)
(Application of the "Accounting Standard for Current Income Taxes," etc.)

We have applied the "Accounting Standard for Current Income Taxes" (ASBJ Statement No. 27, October 28, 2022; hereinafter referred to as the "2022 revised Accounting Standard"), etc. from the beginning of the consolidated first quarter under review.

Revisions regarding the classification of income taxes, etc. (taxes imposed on other comprehensive income) are in accordance with the transitional treatment prescribed in the proviso of Paragraph 20-3 of the 2022 revised Accounting Standard and the proviso of paragraph 65-2 (2) of the Guidance on Accounting Standard for Tax Effect Accounting (ASBJ Guidance No. 28, October 28, 2022; hereinafter referred to as the "2022 revised Guidance"). Note that this change in accounting policy has no impact on the quarterly consolidated financial statements.

In addition, with regard to revisions related to the treatment in consolidated financial statements when gains or losses on sales of subsidiaries' shares, etc. between consolidated companies are deferred for tax purposes, the 2022 revised Guidance has been applied from the beginning of the consolidated first quarter under review. This change in accounting policy has been applied retrospectively. The quarterly consolidated financial statements and consolidated financial statements for the previous consolidated fiscal year presented herein are those after the retrospective application of the change. Note that this change in accounting policy has no impact on the quarterly consolidated financial statements and consolidated financial statements for the previous consolidated fiscal year.

(Application of the specific accounting methods for preparing the quarterly consolidated financial statements)

Tax expenses are calculated by estimating an effective tax rate for net income based on reasonable assumptions of an effective tax rate after application of tax effect accounting for net income before tax for the consolidated fiscal year, including the current term, and by multiplying the quarterly net income before tax by the estimated tax rate of net income. However, for subsidiaries for which calculating tax expenses using the said estimation of the effective tax rate would significantly lack rationality, tax expenses are calculated by using the statutory effective tax rate.

Income taxes adjustment is included in income taxes.

#### (Segment Information)

#### (1) Information concerning Net Sales and Operating Profit by Reportable Business Segment

#### For the First Quarter Ended June 30, 2023 (April 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023)

(Millions of yen)

	Reported segment						Amount recorded
	Specialty Products	Polymers & Chemicals	Machinery	Others	Total	Adjustment (note 1)	in consolidated statements of income (note 2)
Net sales							
External sales	12,044	58,123	20,536	18,517	109,220	_	109,220
Internal sales or transfers	3,763	2,757	49	(782)	5,787	(5,787)	_
Total	15,807	60,880	20,585	17,735	115,007	(5,787)	109,220
Segment profit or loss (operating profit or loss)	3,037	(1,534)	886	924	3,313	(691)	2,622

(Note 1) Adjustments are applied to the followings:

(691) million yen for adjustment for Segment profit or loss includes 151 million yen for the elimination of transaction between the Segments and (842) million yen for company-wide cost that is not allocated to each reported Segment. Company-wide cost consists mainly of administration and general expense that is not attributed to each reported Segment.

(Note 2) Segment profit or loss is adjusted with operating profit recorded in the consolidated statements of income.

#### For the First Quarter Ended June 30, 2024 (April 1, 2024 to June 30, 2024)

(Millions of yen)

	Reported segment						Amount recorded
	Specialty Products	Polymers & Chemicals	Machinery	Others	Total	Adjustment (note 1)	in consolidated statements of income (note 2)
Net sales							
External sales	11,738	66,457	19,060	18,130	115,385	_	115,385
Internal sales or transfers	3,374	4,399	116	(2,435)	5,454	(5,454)	_
Total	15,112	70,856	19,176	15,695	120,839	(5,454)	115,385
Segment profit (operating profit)	2,204	96	1,000	300	3,600	(689)	2,911

(Note 1) Adjustments are applied to the followings:

(689) million yen for adjustment for Segment profit or includes 67 million yen for the elimination of transaction between the Segments and (756) million yen for company-wide cost that is not allocated to each reported Segment. Company-wide cost consists mainly of administration and general expense that is not attributed to each reported Segment.

(Note 2) Segment profit is adjusted with operating profit recorded in the consolidated statements of income.

#### (2) Matters Related to Changes, etc. in Reportable Segments

Starting from the consolidated first quarter under review, UBE America Inc. and UBE CORPORATION AMERICA INC., our consolidated subsidiaries, which were previously included in "Others," have been included in Polymers & Chemicals due to a revision of the business management classification of these subsidiaries.

Segment information for the first quarter of the previous consolidated fiscal year has been prepared based on the classification after the revision.

(Note to significant changes in shareholders' equity)

(Note to events and conditions which indicate there could be substantial doubt about going concern assumption)

None.

# (Reference) Consolidated Key Indicators

(Billions of yen - except where noted)

	April – June 2023	April – June 2024	April 2024 – March 2025 (forecast)	April 2023 – March 2024
Capital investment	4.4	13.5	81.0	36.1
Depreciation and amortization	6.4	6.7	27.0	26.6
Research and development expenses	2.6	2.5	10.0	10.3
Adjusted operating profit *1	5.4	7.2	39.7	38.8
Interest-bearing debt	219.2	231.1	269.0	213.4
Shareholders' equity *2	372.0	418.0	424.0	408.7
Total assets	734.1	807.5	850.0	789.0
D/E ratio (times)	0.59	0.55	0.63	0.52
Shareholders' equity ratio (%)	50.7	51.8	49.9	51.8
Return on sales - ROS (%) *3	2.4	2.5	5.3	4.8
Return on assets - ROA (%) *4	_	_	4.8	5.1
Return on equity - ROE (%) *5			7.1	7.5
Return on invested capital - ROIC (%) *6	_	_	4.8	4.7

<sup>\*1</sup> Adjusted operating profit: Operating profit + Interest and dividend income + Share of profit of entities accounted for using equity method

<sup>\*2</sup> Shareholders' equity: Net assets – Share acquisition rights – Non-controlling interests

<sup>\*3</sup> ROS: Operating profit / Net sales

<sup>\*4</sup> ROA: Adjusted operating profit / Average total assets

<sup>\*5</sup> ROE: Profit attributable to owners of parent / Average shareholders' equity

<sup>\*6</sup> ROIC: Net operating profit after tax + Share of profit (loss) of entities accounted for using equity method / Average invested capital\* (Invested capital: Interest-bearing debt + Shareholders' equity )

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#### **Auditor's Conclusion**

We have reviewed the accompanying quarterly consolidated financial statements of UBE Corporation and its consolidated subsidiaries (the Group), which comprise the quarterly consolidated balance sheet as at June 30, 2024, and the quarterly consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income and cash flows for the three-month period ended June 30, 2024, and notes to the quarterly consolidated financial statements.

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the accompanying quarterly consolidated financial statements are not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with Article 4, Paragraph 1 of the Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc.'s Standards for the Preparation of Quarterly Financial Statements (the Standards) and accounting principles for quarterly financial statements generally accepted in Japan, applying the provisions for reduced disclosures as set forth in Article 4, Paragraph 2 of the Standards.

#### **Basis for Auditor's Conclusion**

We conducted our review in accordance with review standards for interim financial statements generally accepted in Japan. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Review of the Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our review of the quarterly consolidated financial statements in Japan, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the evidence we have obtained provides a basis for our conclusion.

# Responsibilities of Management, the Audit and Supervisory Committee for the Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of these quarterly consolidated financial statements in accordance with Article 4, Paragraph 1 of the Standards and accounting principles for quarterly financial statements generally accepted in Japan, applying the provisions for reduced disclosures as set forth in Article 4, Paragraph 2 of the Standards, and for the internal controls as management determines are necessary to enable the preparation of quarterly consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the quarterly consolidated financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, including the disclosures related to matters of going concern as required by Article 4, Paragraph 1 of the Standards and accounting principles for quarterly financial statements generally accepted in Japan, applying the provisions for reduced disclosures as set forth in Article 4, Paragraph 2 of the Standards.

The Audit and Supervisory Committee is responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Review of the Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on these quarterly consolidated financial statements based on our review.

As part of a review in accordance with review standards for interim financial statements generally accepted in Japan, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the review. We also:

- Make inquiries, primarily of management and persons responsible for financial and accounting matters and apply analytical and other interim review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in Japan.
- Conclude based on the evidence obtained whether anything has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the quarterly consolidated financial statements are not prepared in accordance with Article 4, Paragraph 1 of the Standards and accounting principles for quarterly financial statements generally accepted in Japan, applying the provisions for reduced disclosures as set forth in Article 4, Paragraph 2 of the Standards, should we determine that a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. Additionally, if we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's interim review report to the related disclosures in the quarterly consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our conclusion. Our conclusions are based on the evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's interim review report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate whether anything has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the overall
  presentation and disclosure of the quarterly consolidated financial statements are not prepared in
  accordance with Article 4, Paragraph 1 of the Standards and accounting principles for quarterly financial
  statements generally accepted in Japan, applying the provisions for reduced disclosures as set forth in
  Article 4, Paragraph 2 of the Standards.
- Obtain evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group
  as a basis for expressing a conclusion on the quarterly consolidated financial statements. We are
  responsible for the direction, supervision and review of the documentation of the interim review. We
  remain solely responsible for our conclusion.

We communicate with the Audit and Supervisory Committee regarding the planned scope and timing of the review and significant review findings.

We also provide the Audit and Supervisory Committee with a statement that we have complied with the ethical requirements regarding independence that are relevant to our review of the quarterly consolidated financial statements in Japan, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, actions taken to eliminate threats or safeguards applied to reduce threats to an acceptable level.

#### Interest Required to Be Disclosed by the Certified Public Accountants Act of Japan

Our firm and its designated engagement partners do not have any interest in the Group which is required to be disclosed pursuant to the provisions of the Certified Public Accountants Act of Japan.

Notes to the Readers of Independent Auditor's Interim Review Report
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Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc.'s Standards for the Preparation of Quarterly Financial Statements for the
conveniences of the reader.