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Consolidated Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2012(Japan GAAP)

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(Percentages indicate increase/decrease over the corresponding period in the previous fiscal year.)

1. Consolidated Financial Highlights for FY2011 (From April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2012)

(1) Consolidated Operating Results

(Amounts are rounded down to the nearest million yen)

	Net sales	t sales Opera		me	Ordinary inco	me	Net income	
	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%
FY2011	120,718	6.5	12,027	13.5	12,193	15.4	7,621	16.0
FY2010	113,380	5.9	10,598	13.7	10,569	13.1	6,573	11.1

Note: Comprehensive income:

FY2011: 7,638 million yen (26.0%)

FY2010: 6,060 million yen (1.6%)

	Net income per share- Basic	Net income per share- Diluted	Return on Equity	Ordinary income to total assets	Operating income Margin
	yen	yen	%	%	%
FY2011	173.49	_	11.7	12.7	10.0
FY2010	149.62	_	10.9	11.7	9.3

Reference: Investment income for equity method:

FY2011: -million yen

FY2010: —million yen

(2) Consolidated Financial Conditions

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	Total assets	Net assets	Equity ratio	Net assets per share
	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	%	Yen
FY2011	99,403	67,911	68.3	1,544.87
FY2010	92,495	62,294	67.3	1,417.18

Reference: Equity capital:

FY2011: 67,869 million yen

FY2010: 62,260 million yen

(3) Consolidated Cash Flows

(3) Consolidated	Cash Flows			
	Cash flows from operating activities	Cash flows from investing activities	Cash flows from financing activities	Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period
	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	Millions of yen
FY2011	7,559	-2,338	-2,726	21,304
FY2010	5,892	-1,874	-1,536	18,808

2. Dividends

Z. Dividends								
	Dividends per share						Dividend	Dividend on
	First quarter	Interim (Second quarter)	Third quarter	Year-end	Full-year	dividends (Annual)	payout ratio (Consolidated)	equity ratio (Consolidated)
	yen	yen	yen	yen	yen	Millions of yen	%	%
FY2010	_	19.00	_	25.00	44.00	1,933	29.4	3.2
FY2011	_	21.00	_	23.00	44.00	1,933	25.4	3.0
FY2012 (Forecast)	_	22.00	_	22.00	44.00		24.5	

3. Consolidated forecast for FY2012 (From April 1, 2012 to March 31, 2013)

	Net sales		Operating income		Operating income Ordinary income		Net income		Net income per share- Basic
	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Yen
First half	60,000	8.5	4,300	3.7	4,300	12.1	2,600	12.6	59.18
Full year	130,000	7.7	13,000	8.1	13,000	6.6	7,900	3.7	179.82



(Reference) Non-Consolidated Financial Highlights

1. Non-Consolidated Financial Highlights for FY2011 (From April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2012)

(1) Non-Consolidated Operating Results

(Amounts are rounded down to the nearest million yen)

	Net sales		Operating income		Ordinary income		Net income	
	Millions of ye	n %	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%
FY2011	75,174	10.2	7,557	40.6	9,070	44.7	6,379	50.0
FY2010	68,205	-1.4	5,376	-17.4	6,268	-12.8	4,252	-8.0

	Net income per share - Basic	Net income per share - Diluted
	Yen	Yen
FY2011	145.22	_
FY2010	96.80	_

(2) Non-Consolidated Financial Conditions

	Total assets	Net assets	Equity ratio	Net assets per share
	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	%	Yen
FY2011	82,575	58,764	71.2	1,337.62
FY2010	78,004	54,284	69.6	1,235.64

Reference: Equity capital:

FY2011: 58,764 million yen

FY2010: 54,284 million yen

(Additional information)

According to the promulgation of "The Law to Revise the Income Tax, etc., in Order to Construct a Tax System Addressing Changes in the Socio-Economic Structure" (Act No. 114 of 2011) and "Special Measures to Secure the Financial Resources to Implement the Restoration from the Tohoku Earthquake" (Act No.117 of 2011) on December 2, 2011, the corporate tax rate will be reduced while special corporate tax for restoration will be imposed in the fiscal year beginning on or after April 1, 2012.

Due to the effect of these changes, short-term deferred tax assets decreased by ¥163 million, long-term deferred tax assets decreased by ¥97 million, long-term deferred tax liabilities decreased by ¥22 million, valuation difference on available-for-sale securities increased by ¥3 million, income taxes-deferred increased by ¥242 million.

^{*} Earnings forecasts and other forward-looking statements in this release are based on information currently available and certain assumptions that the Company believes are reasonable. Therefore, they do not constitute a guarantee that they will be realized. Actual results may differ from such estimates due to unforeseen circumstances.



4. Review of Operations

During the term under review (April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2012), the Japanese economy showed a moderate recovery trend, as reconstruction after the Great East Japan Earthquake gradually advanced. Internationally, the prolonged European sovereign debt crisis caused concern of a global economic slowdown, although emerging economies have grown. In the medical equipment industry, there has been increased domestic demand for medical devices in acute care as a result of the upward revision of medical treatment fees in April 2010 which led to improved earnings for hospitals. There has also been increased demand for information systems supported by an increased introduction of IT systems in hospitals. Internationally, demand for medical devices was steady in the U.S. and emerging countries while the European market remained difficult due to the debt crisis.

Under these circumstances, the Company implemented key strategies including expanding and strengthening core business areas and strengthening technological development capacity under its SPEED UP III three-year business plan which covers fiscal years 2010 to 2012.

The Company is continuing to introduce products that support more efficient testing with simple operation. It launched a new high-performance electrocardiograph with its original technology, derived 18-lead ECG*, as well as a new 5- part differential hematology analyzer. It also released two new export products, a high-performance defibrillator with multi-parameter monitoring and a 256-channel amplifier for EEG. Nihon Kohden also strengthened its business structure in emerging markets. Nihon Kohden India Private Ltd. began operation and Nihon Kohden Do Brasil Ltda. was established. In order to improve service quality and efficiency, the Company decided to consolidate Nihon Kohden Service Corporation as of April 1st, 2012.

As a result, overall sales during the term under review increased 6.5% over FY2010 to \$120,718 million. Operating income increased 13.5% to \$12,027 million, ordinary income increased 15.4% to \$12,193 million and net income increased 16.0% over FY2010 to \$7,621 million.

* 18-lead ECG is a measurement method to derive 6-lead ECG, right-side leads V3R–V5R and posterior leads V7–V9, from the standard 12-lead ECG. This can help detect right ventricular infarction and posterior infarction which are difficult to find from the standard 12-lead ECG.

[Sales by region]

Japan: Both the hospital market and the clinic market remained steady and sales of all product categories increased. Sales of information systems showed strong growth due to introduction of IT systems in university and public hospitals. Sales of consumables and maintenance services also increased favorably. As a result, domestic sales increased 7.2% over FY2010 to ¥99,706 million.

International: Sales increased in all areas including the Americas, Europe and Asia. In the Americas, the Company realized sales growth in the United States despite unfavorable foreign currency impacts. Sales in Latin America also increased favorably. Sales in Europe increased due to sales recovery in Russia and Turkey. Sales in Germany also increased. In Asia, sales in China and India grew favorably. In Other areas, sales in North African countries were weak due to political instability. As a result, international sales increased 3.3% over FY2010 to ¥21,011 million.

[Sales by product category]

Physiological Measuring Equipment: In Japan, sales of diagnostic information systems showed strong growth. Sales of electrocardiographs and polygraphs for eath lab increased while sales of electroencephalographs were weak. Internationally, sales increased in all areas including the Americas, Europe and Asia. EEG sales were strong in the Americas, while ECG sales were strong in Europe and Asia. Overall, sales increased 8.8% over the previous fiscal year to ¥30,676 million.

Patient Monitors: In Japan, sales of clinical information systems showed strong growth and consumable sales such as sensors also increased robustly. Outside Japan, sales remained almost the same level as the previous fiscal year. Sales in Europe and Asia increased, while sales in the Americas decreased due to unfavorable foreign currency impacts. Sales in Other areas were also weak. Overall, sales increased 5.6% over the previous fiscal year to \display39,352 million.

Treatment Equipment: In Japan, AED sales recovered in the PAD market and defibrillators for hospitals showed favorable growth. Sales of vagus nerve stimulation therapy systems and irrigation catheters also contributed to a sales increase. Internationally, sales of defibrillators for hospitals showed robust growth. Sales of Metran ventilators also contributed to a sales increase. Overall, sales increased 6.4% over the previous fiscal year to ¥20,288 million.

Other Medical Equipment: In Japan, sales of hematology analyzers increased. Sales of locally purchased products including medical information systems also increased. Internationally, sales of hematology analyzers showed strong growth, while sales of locally purchased products decreased. Overall, sales increased 5.4% over the previous fiscal year to \(\frac{1}{2}\)30,400 million.



5. Consolidated Sales Results by Product Category

		(Millions of yen)
	FY2011	
	Amount	Growth rate (%)
Physiological Measuring Equipment	30,676	+8.8
Patient Monitors	39,352	+5.6
Treatment Equipment	20,288	+6.4
Other Medical Equipment	30,400	+5.4
Total	120,718	+6.5
(Reference) Domestic Sales	99,706	+7.2
(Reference) Overseas Sales	21,011	+3.3
(Reference) Overseas Sales		
Americas	6,951	+2.1
Europe	6,383	+5.1
Asia	6,794	+8.6
Other	881	-26.1

6. Consolidated Forecast for FY2012

In Japan, medical treatment fees were revised upward in April 2012 and the regional medical care revival plan, for which the Japanese government provides necessary funding in the supplementary budget, has made progress. Accordingly, acute care hospitals are likely to continue stable capital spending. Internationally, demand for medical equipment will remain steady in emerging countries and the United States, while there is concern about the impact of financial crisis in Europe. In the medical equipment industry, competition among companies will intensify domestically and internationally due to increasing cross-border M&A deals and new entrants.

Under these circumstances, Nihon Kohden will implement its 3-year business plan, SPEED UP III and make the utmost effort to achieve its target of FY2012 (ending March 2013). In Japan, the Company aims to expand sales in acute care hospitals since they are expected to continue stable capital spending. The Company will introduce new products in emergency and perinatal care as well as provide IT system solutions. In addition, as the only domestic AED maker, Nihon Kohden will introduce new AEDs to meet customer needs and work to promote AEDs. Internationally, the Company will expand its sales network and continue to introduce products that are tailored to the demands of local markets. In Patient Monitoring business, the Company will enhance product differentiation by aggressively promoting its original technologies such as esCCO* and CO2 sensors to increase sales as well as market share.

Considering its 2020 long-term vision, Nihon Kohden will also strive to further strengthen its business base for future growth. The Company's production facilities at Tomioka and Kawamoto plan to expand their manufacturing capabilities to meet the expansion of overseas business and increased sales of consumables. The Company will also expand its business base in emerging markets. In China, the Company plans to consolidate its three subsidiaries which are engaged in research and development, manufacture and sales into one subsidiary in order to accelerate and streamline business operations. A subsidiary dedicated to sales in Middle East and Africa will be established in Dubai. Nihon Kohden Singapore Pte Ltd. will be reorganized to strengthen sales and service structure in Southeast Asia and

The Company's forecast for FY2012 is based on an exchange rate of 80 yen to the dollar and 100 yen to the euro. *esCCO (estimated Continuous Cardiac Output) is a new non-invasive method of CCO measurement using ECG and pulse oximetry. It has not been launched in Japan.

(Consolidated Forecast for FY2012 by Product Category)

		(Millions of yen)
	FY2012 (For	ecast)
	Amount	Growth rate (%)
Physiological Measuring Equipment	32,650	+6.4
Patient Monitors	43,550	+10.7
Treatment Equipment	21,550	+6.2
Other Medical Equipment	32,250	+6.1
Total	130,000	+7.7
(Reference) Domestic Sales	105,000	+5.3
(Reference) Overseas Sales	25,000	+19.0



7. Consolidated Financial Statements

(1) Consolidated Balance Sheets

(Millions of yen)

	March 31, 2011	March 31, 2012
SSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash	9,331	9,342
Trade notes and accounts receivable	37,363	42,249
Marketable securities	9,500	12,000
Merchandise and finished goods	10,802	10,452
Work in process	1,202	1,304
Raw materials and supplies	2,279	2,395
Deferred tax assets	4,177	3,838
Other current assets	1,057	1,525
Allowance for doubtful receivables	-348	-366
Total current assets	75,366	82,742
Noncurrent assets:		
Property, plant and equipment		
Buildings and structures, net	3,304	3,118
Machinery, equipment and vehicles, net	669	520
Tools, furniture and fixtures, net	1,810	2,040
Land	2,624	2,624
Lease assets, net	90	46
Construction in progress	337	166
Total property, plant and equipment	8,838	8,516
Intangible assets		
Goodwill	763	757
Other intangible assets	3,307	2,764
Total intangible assets	4,070	3,522
Investments and other assets		
Investments in securities	2,363	2,555
Deferred tax assets	773	998
Other investments and other assets	1,136	1,127
Allowance for doubtful receivables	-51	-59
Total investments and other assets	4,220	4,622
Total noncurrent assets	17,129	16,660
Total assets	92,495	99,403



(Millions of yen)

	(Millions of yen)	
	March 31, 2011	March 31, 2012
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities:		
Trade notes and accounts payable	18,870	20,068
Short-term debt	1,339	620
Accounts payable-other	1,696	1,615
Lease obligations	39	22
Accrued income taxes	2,330	2,189
Accrued expenses	1,999	2,453
Reserve for bonuses	1,456	2,460
Provision for product warranties	623	428
Other current liabilities	1,319	854
Total current liabilities	29,673	30,714
Non-current liabilities:		
Long-term debt	7	3
Long-term accounts payable	194	191
Lease obligations	41	18
Deferred tax liabilities	25	14
Reserve for retirement benefits	116	405
Other non-current liabilities	143	144
Total non-current liabilities	528	778
Total liabilities	30,201	31,492
NET ASSETS		
Stockholders' equity:		
Common stock	7,544	7,544
Additional paid-in capital	10,487	10,487
Retained earnings	47,167	52,768
Treasury stock	-2,019	-2,020
Total stockholders' equity	63,179	68,779
Accumulated other comprehensive income:		
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	-76	45
Foreign currency translation adjustments	-843	-955
Total accumulated other comprehensive income	-919	-910
Minority interests	34	41
Total net assets	62,294	67,911
Total liabilities and net assets	92,495	99,403



(2) Consolidated Statements of Income

(Millions of yen) Year ended Year ended March 31, 2011 March 31, 2012 Net sales 113,380 120,718 Cost of sales 60,038 56,193 Gross profit 57,187 60,679 Selling, general and administrative expenses 46,588 48,652 10,598 12,027 Operating income Non-operating income 34 Interest income 21 Dividend income 79 81 96 Subsidy income Other, net 364 257 Total non-operating income 465 470 Non-operating expenses 16 19 Interest expenses Exchange loss 312 131 Contribution 58 Other, net 107 153 494 304 Total non-operating expenses 10,569 12,193 Ordinary income Extraordinary income Gain on sales of noncurrent assets 12 0 Gain on sales of investments in securities 7 Reversal of allowance for doubtful accounts 30 50 Total extraordinary income Extraordinary expenses Loss on sales of noncurrent assets 2 0 23 Loss on retirement of noncurrent assets 13 Loss on sales of investment securities 0 Loss on devaluation of investment in securities 243 Product voluntary field correction expenses 41 Loss on disaster Loss on adjustment for changes of accounting standard 11 for asset retirement obligations 326 13 Total extraordinary expenses 12,181 Income before income taxes and minority interests 10,292 Income taxes 3,982 4,523 Income taxes-deferred -271 23 Total income taxes 3,710 4,546 6,581 7,635 Income before minority interst 8 13 Minority interests Net income 6,573 7,621



(Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income)

(Millions of yen) Year ended Year ended March 31, 2011 March 31, 2012 Income before minority interests 6,581 7,635 Other comprehensive income Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities -226 121 Foreign currency translation adjustment -118 -294 3 Total other comprehensive income -521 Comprehensive Income 6,060 7,638 Comprehensive income attributable to Comprehensive income attributable to owners of the parent 6,049 7,631 Comprehensive income attributable to minority interests 10 7



(3) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(Millions of yen)

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