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## Notice Concerning Difference in Consolidated Earnings Results for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2012 Compared to the Same Period for the Earnings Forecast

We announce that a difference in our earnings results materialized for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2012 (April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2012) compared to the same period for the earnings forecast which we announced on January 27, 2012.

### 1. Difference between Consolidated Earnings Results for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2012 and same period for the earnings forecast

#### (US GAAP)

	Net Sales	Operating income	Income (loss) before income taxes and equity in earnings (loss) of affiliated company	Net income (loss)	Net income (loss) per share - (basic)
	Million yen	Million yen	Million yen	Million yen	Yen
FY2011 Forecast (A)	138,000	1,000	(1,800)	(1,000)	(5.77)
FY2011 Results (B)	141,048	837	(3,442)	(2,195)	(12.67)
Difference (B-A)	3,048	(163)	(1,642)	(1,195)	(6.90)
Percentage change	2.2%	(16.3%)	-	-	-
(Reference) FY2010 Results	99,634	6,111	5,551	3,163	18.03

### 2. Reasons for Difference in Earnings Results

Please refer to the FY2011 Consolidated Financial Results which we released today.

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