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Consolidated Financial Results for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2021 [Japanese GAAP]

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1. Consolidated financial results for the three months ended March 31, 2021 (From January 1, 2021 to March 31, 2021)

(1) Operating results (cumulative total) (Millions of yen, rounded down) (Percentages indicate changes from the same period in the previous fiscal year.) Profit attributable to Net sales Operating income Ordinary income owners of parent % % % % Three months ended 8,288 5.0 1,002 10.8 1,263 51.8 693 22.0 March 31, 2021 Three months ended 7,897 (18.5) 905 (48.5) 831 (53.0) 568 (58.0) March 31, 2020 Note: Comprehensive income: 1,692 million yen (774.9%) Three months ended March 31, 2021 Three months ended March 31, 2020 193 million yen (-88.4%)

| | Profit attributable to owners of parent per share (basic) | Profit attributable to owners of parent per share (diluted) |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|
| | yen | yen |
| Three months ended March 31, 2021 | 33.06 | - |
| Three months ended March 31, 2020 | 27.11 | - |

(2) Financial position

(Millions of yen, rounded down)

| | Total assets | Net assets | Equity ratio |
|---|--------------|--|--------------|
| | | | % |
| As of March 31, 2021 | 78,129 | 67,266 | 86.0 |
| As of December 31, 2020 | 76,075 | 66,622 | 87.5 |
| Reference: Shareholders' equity March 31, 20 December 3 | 021 | 67,219 million yen 66,578 million yen | |

2. Dividends

| | Dividends per share (yen) | | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------|-------------------|--|--|--|--|
| | First quarter-end | Second quarter-end | Third quarter-end | Year-end | Total (Full year) | | | | |
| Year ended December 31, 2020 | - | 0.00 | - | 50.00 | 50.00 | | | | |
| Year ending December 31, 2021 (Actual) | - | | | | | | | | |
| Year ending December 31, 2021 (Forecast) | | 0.00 | - | 50.00 | 50.00 | | | | |

(Note) Revisions of projected dividends most recently announced: None

3. Consolidated results forecast for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2021 (From January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021)

| | | | | | | (Millions of yen, rounded down) | | | |
|---|---------|-----|-----------|--------|----------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------|---|
| | | | | | | (Perc | entages ind | icate ye | ar-on-year changes.) |
| | Net sal | es | Operating | income | Ordinary | income | Profit attri to owne parer | ers of | Profit attributable to owners of parent per share |
| | | % | | % | | % | | % | yen |
| Six months ending June 30, 2021 | 16,500 | 6.4 | 1,800 | (12.8) | 2.100 | (0.3) | 1,300 | (11.1) | 61.99 |
| Fiscal year ending December 31, 2021 | 33,600 | 7.6 | 4,000 | 16.9 | 4,300 | 10.9 | 2,900 | 8.9 | 138.27 |

(Note) Revisions of consolidated forecasts most recently announced: Yes

For details, please refer to "Notification of Revisions to Consolidated Earnings Forecasts" issued on May 12, 2021.

* Oth<u>ers</u> (1) Changes in significant subsidiaries during the period under review: (Changes in specified subsidiaries accompanying changes in scope of consolidation): None New subsidiaries: ____ (name of company(ies)) Excluded subsidiaries: (name of company(ies)) (2) Adoption of specific accounting methods for the preparation of quarterly consolidated financial statements: Yes (Note) For details, please refer to "Adoption of specific accounting methods for the preparation of quarterly consolidated financial statements" on Page 8 (attached materials). (3) Changes in accounting policies and accounting estimates and restatements 1) Changes in accounting policies due to revisions of accounting standards, etc.: None 2) Changes in accounting policies other than 1): None 3) Changes in accounting estimates: None 4) Restatements: None (4) Number of shares outstanding (common stock) 1) Number of shares outstanding and issued at the end of period (including treasury stock) As of March 31, 2021 20,992,588 shares As of December 31, 2020 20,992,588 shares 2) Number of treasury stock at the end of period As of March 31, 2021 19,848 shares As of December 31, 2020 19,848 shares 3) Average number of shares during the period (quarterly cumulative total) Three months ended March 31, 2021 20,972,740 shares

<u>* The quarterly financial results report is not subject to quarterly review conducted by a certified</u> <u>public accountant or an audit firm.</u>

* Disclaimer regarding appropriate use of forecasts and related points of note

Three months ended March 31, 2020

Forward-looking statements such as the earnings forecasts in this material are based on currently available information and certain assumptions deemed rational, and are not intended as a guarantee that these forecasts will be achieved. Accordingly, actual results may differ significantly from these forecasts due to various factors. Accordingly, actual results may differ significantly from these forecasts due to various factors. For more information on the preconditions of the forecasts and on precautionary notes concerning the usage of these forecasts, please refer to "Explanation of Information Regarding Consolidated Earnings Forecasts and Other Projections" on page 3 of the Attached Documents.

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1. Qualitative Information Regarding Consolidated Results for the Three Months under Review

(1) Explanation Regarding Business Results

During the first quarter of the consolidated fiscal year under review, signs of moderate recovery were visible in the economy, including improvements in corporate earnings and recovery in capital investment in some areas. At the same time, an uncertain outlook continued due to concerns over the COVID-19 pandemic and impacts of trade friction between the US and China.

Looking at the business environment surrounding the Group, the transportation equipment-related market faced concerns over the impact of operational decline in the automobile industry due to semiconductor shortages. In the energy-related market, the competitive environment for products for solar cell applications remained challenging. In the semiconductor market, demand remained firm against the backdrop of strong semiconductor demand.

In this environment, to steadily capture business opportunities while solidly addressing customer needs, the Group made improvements to cost competitiveness through productivity enhancements, and engaged in development and reinforcement of new and high value-added products able to keep pace with technological innovations.

As a result, in the first quarter of the consolidated fiscal year under review, net sales rose 5.0% year on year to 8,288 million yen, and on the income side, operating income rose 10.8% to 1,002 million yen, ordinary income rose 51.8% to 1,263 million yen, and profit attributable to owners of parent rose 22.0% year on year to 693 million yen.

The overall performance of each business segment was as follows. (Please refer to "3. Supplementary Information" for an overview of each product category.)

Japan

Sales of products for semiconductor applications remained firm, supported by solid demand. In carbon products for mechanical applications, however, demand for bearings and sealing rings declined from spot demand in the first quarter of the previous fiscal year. In products for metallurgical applications, sales of products for EDM electrodes did not reach the level of the previous fiscal year. As a result, net sales were 4,206 million yen (down 1.4% year on year), and operating income was 894 million yen (down 3.5% year on year).

United States

Despite signs of recovery, in products for metallurgical applications, sales of products for continuous casting and products for industrial furnaces fell year on year; products for semiconductor applications were also lacking in strength. As a result, net sales were 601 million yen (down 3.4% year on year), and operating income was 0 million yen (compared to 30 million yen of operating loss for the same period in the previous fiscal year).

Europe

On a quarterly basis, a recovery trend was present. Although sales of carbon brush products remained strong, sales of carbon products for metallurgical applications and for mechanical applications declined year on year. This resulted in net sales of 823 million yen (down 10.2% year on year) and operating income of 56 million yen (up 21.5% year on year).

Asia

Despite a decrease in sales of products for solar cell applications, products for EDM electrodes and other products for metallurgical applications, as well as carbon brush products, performed well. As a result, net sales were 2,657 million yen (up 27.1% year on year), and operating income was 125 million yen (up 12.3% year on year).

(2) Explanation Regarding Financial Position

As of March 31, 2021, total assets increased by 2,053 million yen from the end of the previous consolidated fiscal year. This was primarily because, although cash and deposits fell by 266 million yen, notes and accounts receivable - trade increased by 775 million yen and property, plant and equipment rose by 1,393 million yen.

Total liabilities increased by 1,409 million yen from the end of the previous consolidated fiscal year. This was primarily because, although accounts payable - other decreased by 152 million yen, income taxes payable increased by 206 million yen, provision for bonuses increased by 316 million yen, and other of current liabilities increased by 694 million yen due to an increase of notes payable - facilities.

Total net assets increased by 644 million yen from the end of the previous consolidated fiscal year. This was primarily because, although retained earnings decreased by 355 million yen, foreign currency translation adjustment increased by 967 million yen.

(3) Explanation of Information Regarding Consolidated Earnings Forecasts and Other Projections

Based on the results of the first quarter of the consolidated fiscal year under review, the Group has revised its consolidated first-six-months and full-year forecasts for the fiscal year ending in December 2021, released on February 12, 2021. For details, please refer to "Notification of Revisions to Consolidated Earnings Forecasts" issued on May 12, 2021.

2. Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements

(1) Quarterly consolidated balance sheets

| | As of December 31, 2020 | As of March 31, 2021 |
|--|-------------------------|----------------------|
| | Amount | Amount |
| sets | | |
| Current assets | | |
| Cash and deposits | 13,632 | 13,365 |
| Notes and accounts receivable - trade | 11,389 | 12,164 |
| Securities | 2,999 | 2,999 |
| Merchandise and finished goods | 7,495 | 7,578 |
| Work in process | 5,454 | 5,683 |
| Raw materials and supplies | 2,725 | 2,593 |
| Other | 707 | 534 |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts | (150) | (155) |
| Total current assets | 44,253 | 44,765 |
| Non-current assets | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | | |
| Buildings and structures, net | 10,180 | 11,143 |
| Machinery, equipment and vehicles, net | 7,287 | 7,229 |
| Land | 5,821 | 5,852 |
| Leased assets, net | 786 | 1,005 |
| Construction in progress | 3,414 | 3,602 |
| Other, net | 958 | 1,007 |
| Total property, plant and equipment | 28,448 | 29,842 |
| Intangible assets | 198 | 211 |
| Investments and other assets | 3,174 | 3,310 |
| Total non-current assets | 31,821 | 33,364 |
| Total assets | 76,075 | 78,129 |

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| | As of December 31, 2020 | As of March 31, 2021 |
|---|-------------------------|----------------------|
| | Amount | Amount |
| iabilities | | |
| Current liabilities | | |
| Notes and accounts payable - trade | 1,587 | 1,749 |
| Electronically recorded obligations - operating | 788 | 837 |
| Short-term borrowings | 215 | 214 |
| Accounts payable - other | 1,831 | 1,679 |
| Income taxes payable | 365 | 572 |
| Provision for bonuses | 379 | 695 |
| Provision for directors' bonuses | 20 | _ |
| Other | 3,260 | 3,954 |
| Total current liabilities | 8,450 | 9,703 |
| Non-current liabilities | | |
| Long-term borrowings | 39 | 32 |
| Net defined benefit liability | 140 | 145 |
| Asset retirement obligations | 265 | 266 |
| Other | 556 | 714 |
| Total non-current liabilities | 1,003 | 1,159 |
| Total liabilities | 9,453 | 10,862 |
| Net assets | | |
| Shareholders' equity | | |
| Capital stock | 7,947 | 7,947 |
| Capital surplus | 9,609 | 9,609 |
| Retained earnings | 48,331 | 47,976 |
| Treasury shares | (60) | (60) |
| Total shareholders' equity | 65,828 | 65,473 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income | | |
| Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities | 131 | 157 |
| Foreign currency translation adjustment | 628 | 1,593 |
| Remeasurements of defined benefit plans | (9) | (7 |
| Total accumulated other comprehensive income | 749 | 1,74 |
| Non-controlling interests | 43 | 47 |
| Total net assets | 66,622 | 67,266 |
| Fotal liabilities and net assets | 76,075 | 78,129 |

(2) Quarterly consolidated statement of income and quarterly consolidated statement of comprehensive income

(Quarterly consolidated statements of income)

Three months ended March 31, 2020 and 2021

| | | ions of yen, rounded down) |
|---|--------------------|----------------------------|
| | Three months ended | Three months ended |
| | March 31, 2020 | March 31, 2021 |
| | Amount | Amount |
| Net sales | 7,897 | 8,288 |
| Cost of sales | 5,502 | 5,731 |
| Gross profit | 2,394 | 2,557 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | 1,489 | 1,554 |
| Operating income | 905 | 1,002 |
| Non-operating income | | |
| Interest income | 20 | 17 |
| Dividend income | 0 | 0 |
| Foreign exchange gains | — | 176 |
| Share of profit of entities accounted for using equity method | _ | 21 |
| Subsidies for employment adjustment | _ | 38 |
| Other | 23 | 18 |
| Total non-operating income | 43 | 272 |
| Non-operating expenses | | |
| Interest expenses | 0 | 7 |
| Foreign exchange losses | 105 | _ |
| Share of loss of entities accounted for using equity method | 1 | _ |
| Depreciation | 4 | 3 |
| Other | 5 | 0 |
| Total non-operating expenses | 117 | 12 |
| Ordinary income | 831 | 1,263 |
| Extraordinary income | | |
| Gain on sales of non-current assets | 21 | 0 |
| Subsidy income | 4 | 7 |
| Total extraordinary income | 26 | 7 |
| Extraordinary losses | | |
| Loss on sales of non-current assets | 0 | 0 |
| Loss on retirement of non-current assets | 39 | 52 |
| Total extraordinary losses | 39 | 52 |
| Profit before income taxes | 819 | 1,217 |
| Income taxes | 241 | 334 |
| Income taxes for prior periods | — | 189* |
| Total income taxes | 241 | 523 |
| Profit | 578 | 694 |
| Profit attributable to non-controlling interests | 10 | 0 |
| Profit attributable to owners of parent | 568 | 693 |

(Quarterly consolidated statement of comprehensive income)

Three months ended March 31, 2020 and 2021

| | (Milli | ions of yen, rounded down) |
|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | Three months ended March 31, 2020 | Three months ended March 31, 2021 |
| | Amount | Amount |
| Profit | 578 | 694 |
| Other comprehensive income | | |
| Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities | (28) | 25 |
| Foreign currency translation adjustment | (339) | 923 |
| Remeasurements of defined benefit plans, net of tax | (0) | 2 |
| Share of other comprehensive income of entities accounted for using equity method | (16) | 46 |
| Total other comprehensive income | (384) | 998 |
| Comprehensive income | 193 | 1,692 |
| Comprehensive income attributable to: | | |
| Owners of parent | 191 | 1,689 |
| Non-controlling interests | 1 | 3 |

(3) Notes on quarterly consolidated financial statements

(Notes regarding the premise of a going concern) Not applicable.

(Notes if the amount of shareholders' equity has changed significantly) Not applicable.

(Adoption of specific accounting methods for the preparation of quarterly consolidated financial statements)

Tax expense calculations

Tax expenses are calculated by multiplying profit before income taxes by an effective tax rate, which is reasonably estimated by applying tax effect accounting to estimated profit before income taxes for the fiscal year, including the first quarter under review.

(Additional information)

No significant changes have been made to assumptions regarding the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic described in "Additional information" in the securities report for the previous consolidated fiscal year.

(Consolidated statement of income)

*Income taxes for prior periods

Following a tax audit conducted by the Osaka Regional Taxation Bureau regarding income taxes for the taxable years from the fiscal year ended December 2016 to the fiscal year ended December 2018, the Company recorded 189 million yen in income taxes for prior periods.

(Segment information)

I. Three months ended March 31, 2020 (From January 1, 2020 to March 31, 2020)

1. Information on net sales and the amount of profits (losses) by reportable segment

| | | Rep | ions of yen, 1 Adjusted | Amount recorded in the consolidated | | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------|------------------|----------------------------|---|-------|--------------------|--|
| | Japan | United States | Europe | Asia | Total | amount (Note) 1 | quarterly income statement (Note) 2 |
| Net sales | | | | | | | |
| (1) Sales to unaffiliated customers | 4,266 | 623 | 917 | 2,090 | 7,897 | _ | 7,897 |
| (2) Intersegment sales or transfers | 1,693 | 7 | — | 22 | 1,723 | (1,723) | — |
| Total | 5,959 | 630 | 917 | 2,113 | 9,621 | (1,723) | 7,897 |
| Segment profit (loss) | 926 | (30) | 46 | 112 | 1,054 | (149) | 905 |

(Notes) 1. Adjusted segment profit (loss) mainly takes into account the elimination of intersegment transactions and unrealized income.

2. Segment profit (loss) has been adjusted to reflect the operating income recorded in the consolidated quarterly statement of income.

2. Regional information

| | | | | | (Milli | ons of yen, ro | unded down) |
|-----------------|-------|------------------|--------|------------------------------|------------|----------------|-------------|
| | | North | | A | sia | Rest of | |
| | Japan | North America | Europe | Asia (including China) | China only | world | Total |
| Net sales | 3,373 | 763 | 832 | 2,887 | 1,932 | 41 | 7,897 |
| Composition (%) | 42.7 | 9.7 | 10.5 | 36.6 | 24.5 | 0.5 | 100.0 |

(Notes) 1. Net sales are based on the locations of our customers, and are categorized into the relevant country or region segment according to geographical proximity.

2. The major countries or regions included in each geographic segment (except Japan) are listed below.

(1) North America: United States

(2) Europe: France, Germany, Italy

(3) Asia: China, Taiwan, South Korea

II. Three months under review (from January 1, 2021 to March 31, 2021)

1. Information on net sales and the amount of profits (losses) by reportable segment

| | (Millions of yen, rounded do | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|----------|---|-------|--------------------|--|--|
| | | Rep | Adjusted | Amount recorded in the consolidated | | | | |
| | Japan | United States | Europe | Asia | Total | amount (Note) 1 | quarterly income statement (Note) 2 | |
| Net sales | | | | | | | | |
| (1) Sales to unaffiliated customers | 4,206 | 601 | 823 | 2,657 | 8,288 | _ | 8,288 | |
| (2) Intersegment sales or transfers | 1,620 | 13 | — | 22 | 1,656 | (1,656) | _ | |
| Total | 5,826 | 615 | 823 | 2,679 | 9,945 | (1,656) | 8,288 | |
| Segment profit (loss) | 894 | 0 | 56 | 125 | 1,077 | (74) | 1,002 | |

(Notes) 1. Adjusted segment profit (loss) mainly takes into account the elimination of intersegment transactions and unrealized income.

2. Segment profit (loss) has been adjusted to reflect the operating income recorded in the consolidated quarterly statement of income.

2. Regional information

Asia North Rest of Total Japan Europe Asia world America (including China only China) Net sales 3,440 653 826 3,320 2,481 46 8,288 41.5 7.9 10.0 40.0 29.9 0.6 100.0 Composition (%)

(Notes) 1. Net sales are based on the locations of our customers, and are categorized into the relevant country or region segment according to geographical proximity.

2. The major countries or regions included in each geographic segment (except Japan) are listed below.

(1) North America: United States

(2) Europe: France, Germany, Italy

(3) Asia: China, Taiwan, South Korea

(Millions of yen, rounded down)

3. Supplementary Information

(1) Orders and sales by product category

i. Orders

| (Millions of yen, rounded down) | | | | | | | | |
|--|-------|-------------------------------------|-------|-------|----------------------|-------|--|--|
| | | Year ending December 31, 2021 | | | | | | |
| Products | 1Q | 2Q | 3Q | 4Q | Fiscal year total | 1Q | | |
| Special graphite products | 3,458 | 2,838 | 2,819 | 3,352 | 12,468 | 4,319 | | |
| Carbon products for general industries ^{*2} (for mechanical applications) | 1,129 | 834 | 760 | 884 | 3,609 | 912 | | |
| Carbon products for general industries (for electrical applications) | 1,076 | 852 | 1,501 | 1,674 | 5,105 | 1,462 | | |
| Compound materials and other products | 1,769 | 1,544 | 1,818 | 2,060 | 7,191 | 2,466 | | |
| Total | 7,433 | 6,070 | 6,900 | 7,972 | 28,376 | 9,160 | | |

(Notes) 1. These orders were denominated in foreign currency prior to the previous quarter; discrepancies resulting from fluctuations in foreign exchange rates during the quarter under review are included in the figure for orders placed in this quarter.

*2. Data for Carbon products for general industries (for mechanical applications) includes orders that have not been officially confirmed.

ii. Outstanding orders

(Millions of yen, rounded down) Year ending Year ended December 31, 2020 December 31, 2021 Products 1Q 2Q 4Q 3Q 1Q Special graphite products 2,437 2,115 1,904 2,134 3,072 Carbon products for general industries^{*2} 905 789 701 745 760 (for mechanical applications) Carbon products for general industries 900 707 932 1,188 1,275 (for electrical applications) Compound materials and other products 2,284 1,884 1,854 1,841 2,284 6,527 5,496 5,393 5,909 Total 7,393

(Notes) 1. These orders were denominated in foreign currency prior to the previous quarter; discrepancies resulting from fluctuations in foreign exchange rates during the quarter under review are included in the figure for orders placed in this quarter.

*2. Data for Carbon products for general industries (for mechanical applications) includes orders that have not been officially confirmed.

iii. Sales performance by product category

| (Unit: millions of yen) | | | | | | | |
|---|------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| | Year ended December 31, 2020 | | | | | Year ending December 31, 2021 | |
| Products | 1Q | 2Q | 3Q | 4Q | Fiscal year total | 1Q | |
| Special graphite products | 3,650 | 3,455 | 3,348 | 3,452 | 13,907 | 3,588 | |
| [Electronics applications] | 1,351 | 1,305 | 1,281 | 1,328 | 5,266 | 1,359 | |
| [General industries applications] | 1,880 | 1,664 | 1,654 | 1,824 | 7,024 | 1,790 | |
| [Others] | 418 | 485 | 412 | 299 | 1,616 | 438 | |
| Carbon products for general industries (for mechanical applications) | 1,032 | 977 | 875 | 879 | 3,763 | 927 | |
| Carbon products for general industries (for electrical applications) | 945 | 1,040 | 1,256 | 1,459 | 4,701 | 1,423 | |
| Compound materials and other products | 1,929 | 1,959 | 1,862 | 2,084 | 7,835 | 2,052 | |
| [3 major products] | 1,675 | 1,684 | 1,615 | 1,768 | 6,743 | 1,743 | |
| [Other products] | 253 | 274 | 247 | 316 | 1,092 | 308 | |
| Related goods | 338 | 184 | 262 | 232 | 1,017 | 297 | |
| Total | 7,897 | 7,616 | 7,605 | 8,107 | 31,226 | 8,288 | |

(2) Overview

Special graphite products

In electronics applications, sales of products for solar cell manufacturing applications, primarily in China, declined significantly. However, sales of products for single-crystal silicon manufacturing and products for composite semiconductor applications, mainly for SiC (silicon carbide) semiconductors, increased, resulting in an increase of 0.6% year on year.

In general industrial applications, sales of products for continuous casting and products for industrial furnaces increased year on year, but sales of products for EDM electrodes declined, with the result of a 4.8% decrease year on year.

Due to these factors, sales of special graphite products overall were down 1.7% over the previous year.

Carbon products for general industries

In carbon products for mechanical applications, although demand for pantograph sliders provided support, demand for bearings and sealing rings declined from spot demand in the first quarter of the previous fiscal year, resulting in a 10.2% decline in sales year on year.

Sales of carbon products for electrical applications increased by 50.5% year on year due to continued robust demand for compact motors for home appliances and electrical power tools from the second half of the previous fiscal year.

Due to these factors, sales of carbon products for general industries overall rose 18.9% over the previous fiscal year.

Compound materials and other products

Sales of SiC (silicon carbide)-coated graphite products maintained their sales level of the previous fiscal year. This was because, although sales of products for LED applications were still in the process of recovery and fell year on year, sales of some applications for products for semiconductor applications increased. Sales of C/C composite products increased year on year due to solid demand for products for industrial furnaces and strong demand for products for semiconductor applications. Sales of graphite sheet products increased year on year due to recovery in demand for leading products for automobile applications and steady performance in products for semiconductor applications.

Due to these factors, sales of the three major products rose 4.0% over the previous year, and sales of compound materials and other products increased 6.4% over the previous year.