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Consolidated Financial Results for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2019 (April 1, 2019 - December 31, 2019) [under Japanese GAAP]

February 6, 2020

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Scheduled date of filing quarterly securities report: February 14, 2020

Scheduled date of commencing dividend payments:

Availability of supplementary briefing material on quarterly financial results: Available

Schedule of quarterly financial results briefing session: Scheduled (for analysts)

(Amounts of less than one million yen are rounded down.)

1. Consolidated Financial Results for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 2019 (April 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019)

(1) Consolidated Operating Results

(% indicates changes from the previous corresponding period.)

| | Net sales | | Operating profit | | Ordinary profit | | Profit attributable to owners of parent | |
|-----------|-------------|------|------------------|------|-----------------|------|---|------|
| | Million yen | % | Million yen | % | Million yen | % | Million yen | % |
| FY2019 3Q | 198,419 | 12.1 | 19,928 | 16.5 | 20,158 | 14.9 | 13,039 | 16.5 |
| FY2018 3Q | 177,008 | 9.3 | 17,112 | 25.5 | 17,541 | 23.3 | 11,194 | 17.7 |

(Note) Comprehensive income: FY2019 3Q: 20,711 million yen [90.0%] FY2018 3Q: 10,899 million yen [(33.0) %]

| | Net income per share | Diluted net income per share | |
|-----------|----------------------|------------------------------|--|
| | Yen | Yen | |
| FY2019 3Q | 142.50 | - | |
| FY2018 3Q | 118.86 | - | |

(2) Consolidated Financial Position

| | Total assets | Net assets | Equity ratio | |
|-----------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--|
| | Million yen | Million yen | % | |
| FY2019 3Q | 241,083 | 160,889 | 64.4 | |
| FY2018 | 232,779 | 145,901 | 60.3 | |

(Reference) Equity: FY2019 3Q: 155,196 million yen FY2018: 140,448 million yen

2. Dividends

| | Annual dividends | | | | | | |
|------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------|-------|--|--|
| | 1st quarter-end | 2nd quarter-end | 3rd quarter-end | Year-end | Total | | |
| | Yen | Yen | Yen | Yen | Yen | | |
| FY2018 | - | 27.50 | - | 27.50 | 55.00 | | |
| FY2019 | _ | 32.50 | _ | | | | |
| FY2019(Forecast) | | | | 32.50 | 65.00 | | |

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

3. Consolidated Financial Results Forecast for Fiscal 2019 (April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020)

(% indicates changes from the previous corresponding period.)

| | Net sales | | Operating profit | | Ordinary profit | | Profit attributable to owners of parent | | Net income per share |
|-----------|-------------|-----|------------------|------|-----------------|------|---|-----|----------------------|
| | Million yen | % | Million yen | % | Million yen | % | Million yen | % | Yen |
| Full year | 274,000 | 7.4 | 28,400 | 11.9 | 28,500 | 10.4 | 18,300 | 9.5 | 200.00 |

(Note) Revision to the financial results forecast announced most recently: Yes

* Notes:

- (1) Changes in significant subsidiaries during the period under review (changes in specified subsidiaries resulting in changes in scope of consolidation): None
- (2) Accounting policies adopted specially for the preparation of quarterly consolidated financial statements: Yes
- (3) Changes in accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates and retrospective restatement
 - 1) Changes in accounting policies due to the revision of accounting standards: None
 - 2) Changes in accounting policies other than 1) above: None
 - 3) Changes in accounting estimates: None
 - 4) Retrospective restatement: None
- (4) Total number of issued shares (common stock)
 - 1) Total number of issued shares at the end of the period (including treasury shares):

FY2019 3Q: 94,704,740 shares FY2018: 94,704,740 shares

2) Total number of treasury shares at the end of the period:

FY2019 3Q: 3,204,309 shares FY2018: 3,204,145 shares

3) Average number of shares during the period:

FY2019 3Q: 91,500,527 shares FY2018 3Q: 94,178,784 shares

* This quarterly consolidated financial results report is exempt from the audit conducted by certified public accountants or an audit corporation.

* Explanation of the proper use of financial results forecast and other notes

The forecasts stated above are based on information available as of the date of publication of this document. Actual results may differ from these forecasts due to a wide range of factors hereafter.

Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements

Quarterly Consolidated Balance Sheets

| | Manah 21, 2010 | (Milions of yen) |
|--|-----------------|---------------------|
| Assets | March 31, 2019 | December 31, 2019 |
| Current assets | | |
| Cash and deposits | 3,256 | 5,471 |
| Deposits paid | 45,384 | 45,669 |
| Notes and accounts receivable - trade | 57,181 | 53,625 |
| Work in process | 29,674 | 31,556 |
| Raw materials and supplies | 10 | 22 |
| Short-term loans receivable from subsidiaries and associates | 12,000 | 12,000 |
| Other | 1,993 | 3,146 |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts | (23) | (22) |
| Total current assets | 149,478 | 151,469 |
| Non-current assets | | 131,109 |
| Property, plant and equipment | 18,921 | 18,685 |
| Intangible assets | 10,721 | 10,003 |
| Goodwill | 3,854 | 3,505 |
| Other | 2,478 | 2,322 |
| Total intangible assets | 6,333 | 5,828 |
| Investments and other assets | 0,555 | 5,626 |
| Investment securities | 45,554 | 55,071 |
| Other | 12,539 | 10,077 |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts | (46) | (48) |
| Total investments and other assets | 58,047 | 65,099 |
| Total non-current assets | 83,301 | 89,613 |
| Total assets | 232,779 | 241,083 |
| Liabilities | | 241,003 |
| Current liabilities | | |
| Notes and accounts payable - trade | 19,029 | 15,423 |
| Income taxes payable | 5,329 | 2,762 |
| Advances received | 20,597 | 21,420 |
| Provision for bonuses | 8,973 | 4,572 |
| Other provisions | 1,655 | 1,642 |
| Other | 13,043 | 15,465 |
| Total current liabilities | 68,629 | 61,286 |
| Non-current liabilities | 08,029 | 01,200 |
| Provision for directors' retirement benefits | 130 | 121 |
| Retirement benefit liability | 9,724 | 9,888 |
| Other provisions | 9,724 | 137 |
| Other | 8,394 | |
| | 18,249 | 8,759 18,907 |
| Total non-current liabilities Total liabilities | 86,878 | 80,193 |
| | 80,878 | 80,193 |
| Net assets Shareholders' equity | | |
| * * | 12.052 | 12.052 |
| Share capital | 12,952 9,950 | 12,952 9,950 |
| Capital surplus | 103,842 | 111,391 |
| Retained earnings | | |
| Treasury shares Total shareholders' equity | (10,026) | (10,026) 124,267 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income | 110,719 | 124,207 |
| Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities | 22 672 | 20.010 |
| Foreign currency translation adjustment | 23,672 56 | 30,919 |
| | 23,728 | 20.020 |
| Total accumulated other comprehensive income | 5,452 | 30,928 5,693 |
| Non-controlling interests Total net assets | 145,901 | 160,889 |
| Total liabilities and net assets | 232,779 | |
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Quarterly Consolidated Statements of Income

| | | (Milions of yen) |
|---|-----------|------------------|
| | 2018Fy 3Q | 2019Fy 3Q |
| Net sales | 177,008 | 198,419 |
| Cost of sales | 139,855 | 157,480 |
| Gross profit | 37,153 | 40,938 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | 20,040 | 21,010 |
| Operating profit | 17,112 | 19,928 |
| Non-operating income | | |
| Interest income | 120 | 137 |
| Dividend income | 409 | 398 |
| Share of profit of entities accounted for using equity method | _ | 18 |
| Other | 37 | 84 |
| Total non-operating income | 567 | 639 |
| Non-operating expenses | | _ |
| Interest expenses | 7 | 6 |
| Share of loss of entities accounted for using equity method | 12 | _ |
| Loss on retirement of non-current assets | 51 | 14 |
| Foreign exchange losses | 11 | 11 |
| Provision for loss on business withdrawal | _ | 187 |
| Special investigation expenses, etc. | _ | 108 |
| Other | 55 | 81 |
| Total non-operating expenses | 138 | 409 |
| Ordinary profit | 17,541 | 20,158 |
| Extraordinary income | | _ |
| Gain on sales of investment securities | 1,041 | 492 |
| Total extraordinary income | 1,041 | 492 |
| Extraordinary losses | | |
| Office transfer cost | 957 | 176 |
| Total extraordinary losses | 957 | 176 |
| Profit before income taxes | 17,626 | 20,474 |
| Income taxes | 6,072 | 6,958 |
| Profit | 11,554 | 13,516 |
| Profit attributable to non-controlling interests | 359 | 477 |
| Profit attributable to owners of parent | 11,194 | 13,039 |

Quarterly Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

| | (Milions of yen) |
|-----------|----------------------------------|
| 2018Fy 3Q | 2019Fy 3Q |
| 11,554 | 13,516 |
| | _ |
| (607) | 7,246 |
| (47) | (51) |
| (654) | 7,195 |
| 10,899 | 20,711 |
| | |
| 10,544 | 20,238 |
| 355 | 473 |
| | (607) (47) (654) 10,899 |

(Note)

Transactions of which the Company is unable to verify the actual existence

During the tax examination process that was conducted on NS Solutions Corporation (the "Company") in mid-November of 2019, questions arose with respect to the actual existence of certain of the Company's recorded purchase and resale of goods transactions. Due to this situation, the Company established a Special Investigation Committee and investigated this matter. As a result, transactions of which the actual existence cannot be verified have been ascertained. Therefore, the Company has cancelled such transactions, and has recorded the deposits and withdrawals related thereto as temporary receipts of 46,404 million yen and temporary payments of 44,753 million yen, respectively, and has also recorded the net amount of 1,650 million yen as other non-current liabilities.

In addition to the above, there were matters in relation to which orders were received and/or issued but not yet processed. Such matters may affect the Company's financial condition and operating results depending on their future circumstances.