

## Outline of Financial Results for the 1<sup>st</sup> half of fiscal year ended March 2003 (From April 1 to September 30, 2002) and Financial Results Outlook for fiscal year ended March 2003 (From April 1, 2002 to March 31, 2003)

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The Company acquired part of the business of the Electronics and Information Systems Division of Nippon Steel (referred to "EI Division"), as well as the interests of Nippon Steel in Nittetsu Hitachi systems Engineering, Inc., NCI Systems Integration, Inc., and NS&I System Service Corporation, on April 1, 2001. Such acquisitions are reflected on Financial Information for the fiscal years ended March 31, 2000 and 2001 described as "Pro forma consolidated" as if they had occurred on April 1, 1999 and 2000 respectively. No presentation of "pro forma" financial information is currently required under Japanese GAAP or any procedure, law and regulation in Japan. Moreover, such "Pro forma consolidated" information is not prepared in accordance with the pro forma presentation requirements of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.



# 1.Outline of Financial Results for the 1st half of fiscal year ended March 2003

(From April 1 to September 30, 2002)

## **Outline of Financial Results (Consolidated)**



(Billions of yen)

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	1st half Mar. 2002 A	1st half Mar. 2003 B	Change B-A <%>	1st half Mar. 2003 Previous outlook C	Change B-C
Net sales	67.9	68.8	+ <b>0.9</b> <+ 1.3%>	70.0	- 1.2
Operating income	5.7	5.4	- 0.3 <- 5.2%>		
Recurring profit	5.7	5.5	- 0.3 <- 4.9%>	4.5	+ 1.0
Net income	2.9	2.7	- 0.2 <- 6.7%>	2.2	+ 0.5
Number of employees at end of period	4,178	4,224	+ <b>46</b> <+ 1.1%>		

#### Outline of Financial Results (Non-consolidated)



#### (Billions of yen)

	1st half Mar. 2002 A	1st half Mar. 2003 B	Change B-A	Previous outlook for 1st half Mar. 2003 C	Change B-C			
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Net sales	58.5	61.8	+ 3.3 <+ 5.6%>	63.0	- 1.2			
Operating profit	4.7	4.5	- <b>0.2</b> <- 4.3%>					
Recurring profit	4.7	4.8	+ 0.0 <+ 0.6%>	4.0	+ 0.8			
Net income	2.5	2.5	+ <b>0.0</b> <+ 1.7%>	2.2	+ 0.3			
Number of employees at end of period	2,118	2,115	- 3 <- 0.1%>					

#### **Comments on the Previous Outlook**



(Billions of yes							
	1st half of	1st half					
	Mar. 2002	Mar. 2003	Change				
		Previous					
	Actual	outlook					
Net sales	67.9	70.0	+ 2.1				
Recurring profit	5.7	4.5	- 1.2				
Net income	2.9	2.2	- 0.7				

**Business expansion mainly in the field of Business Solutions and resource shift to high value-added business** 

■An increase in cost for relocating our division to new office facilities, training employees related to shift to high value-added business and enhancing sales and technical capabilities

■An increase in net sales and a decrease in profit compared to the corresponding period a year ago

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#### Features of Interim Results (Consolidated) -Changes Compared to Previous Outlook



(Billions of yen)							
	1st half	1st half					
	Mar . 2003	Mar. 2003	Change				
	Previous						
	outlook	Actual					
Net sales	70.0	68.8	- 1.2				
Recurring profit	4.5	5.5	+ 1.0				
Net income	2.2	2.7	+ 0.5				

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■We couldn't achieve the previous sales outlook due to a delay in completion of some business solutions projects.

■However, we've made up for a decrease in gross profit margin related to a delay in completion of some projects by enhancing efficiency of sales activities.

■We secured a profit increase compared to the previous outlook due primarily to a delay in expenditure of cost items and cost cutting efforts.

#### Features of Interim Results (Consolidated) -Changes in year to year Comparison



(Billions of ye						
	1st half	1st half				
	Mar. 2002	Mar. 2003	Change			
	Actual	Actual				
Net sales	67.9	68.8	+ 0.9			
<b>Business Solutions</b>	33.8	35.3	+ 1.5			
Platform Solutions	16.4	16.4	+ 0.1			
<b>Business Services</b>	17.8	17.0	- 0.8			
Gross profit	13.8	14.6	+ 0.8			
Selling, general and						
administrative expenses	8.1	9.1	+ 1.1			
Operating income	5.7	5.4	- 0.3			
Non-operating profit and loss	0.0	0.0	+ 0.0			
Recurring profit	5.7	5.5	- 0.3			
Extraordinary profit and loss	-0.3	-0.1	+ 0.2			
Income before income taxes	5.4	5.3	- 0.1			
Net income	2.9	2.7	- 0.2			

#### **Conditions of Order Acceptance by Business Field**



Business field	Business conditions	Order level compared to the same period a year earlier
Industrial Systems Solutions	Stable demand continues for large-scale ERP project as a part of intgrated solutions and global solutions, SCM project by beverage companies and PDM projects for high-tech, electronic & machinery and automobile part makers.	$\mathbf{\mathbf{\hat{\mathbf{A}}}}$
Financials Systems Solutions	While general business conditions are getting worse, we gained new orders from our clients for market trading systems, decision support systems and platform systems where we have advantageous positions.	$\checkmark$
	Along with trends of e-Japan initiatives, business for central government agencies and local governments shows stable progress mainly in the field of record management solutions. We gained large-scale science system solution projects.	
Internet Soutions	Week demand due to worsened conditions of net business	
<b>Business Solutions</b>		/
Platform Solutions	While contraction of hardware and software products continues, we focus on high-end platform solutions.	

(Billions of yer							
	Mar.	Mar.					
	2002	2003	Change				
Amount of Order Acceptance	69.8	79.4	+ 9.6				
Order Backlog at end of							
Period	28.5	31.5	+ 3.1				

#### Net Sales Trend by Industry of Customer (Consolidated)

**NS Solutions** 

#### (Billions of yen)

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							1st	half	1st	half
	Mar	. 2000	Mar. 2001 Mar. 2002		Mar. 2002		Mar. 2003			
	( <b>Pro</b>	forma	( <b>Pro</b>	forma						
	consol	idated)	consol	idated)	Actual		Ac	tual	Actual	
		Share		Share		Share		Share		Share
Industry and manufacturing,										
Distribution and consumer										
goods	63.6	47.9%	67.2	46.1%	62.5	41.9%	30.7	45.2%	29.5	42.8%
Nippon steel	30.5	23.0%	29.3	20.0%	24.6	16.5%	12.9	<b>18.9</b> %	12.4	18.0%
Others	33.1	25.0%	38.0	26.0%	37.8	25.4%	17.9	26.3%	17.1	24.8%
Financial services	15.5	11.7%	19.7	13.5%	23.4	15.7%	11.0	16.2%	9.8	14.3%
Government and public										
organizations	13.2	10.0%	18.8	12.9%	25.5	17.1%	8.3	12.2%	11.5	16.7%
Telecommunications	6.6	4.9%	8.6	5.9%	8.3	5.6%	5.7	8.4%	7.4	10.8%
Other solution providers,										
Service industries, Others	33.8	25.5%	31.6	21.7%	29.2	19.6%	12.1	17.9%	10.5	15.3%
Total	132.7	100.0%	146.0	100.0%	148.9	100.0%	67.9	100.0%	68.8	100.0%

#### **Balance Sheets (Consolidated)**



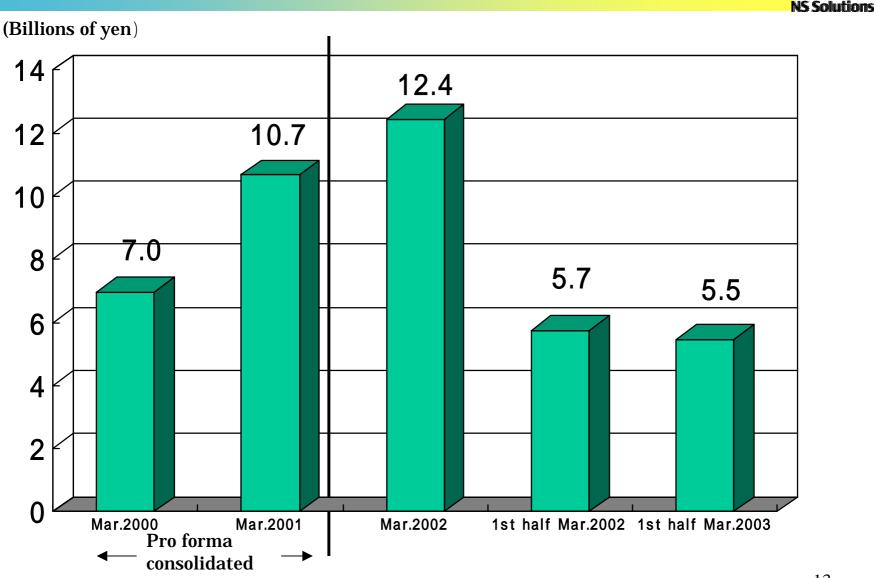
		( <b>B</b>	illions of yen)
	Mar 2002 Actual	Sep 2002 Actual	Change
Cash and bank deposits and deposited money	15.1	9.6	- 5.4
Current assets	52.5	45.6	- 6.9
Non-current assets	12.7	14.3	+ 1.5
Total assets	65.2	59.9	- 5.4
Short-term loans	0.0	0.4	+ 0.4
Current liabilities	33.1	25.3	- 7.8
Non-current liabilities	5.2	5.5	+ 0.3
Total liabilities	38.4	30.8	- 7.5
Minority interest in consolidated subsidiaries	0.8	0.9	+ 0.1
Common stock and additional paid-in capital	10.7	10.7	+ 0.0
Retained earnings and others	15.4	17.5	+ 2.1
Total shareholders' equity	26.0	28.1	+ 2.1
Total liabilities, minority interests and shareholders'	65.2	59.9	- 5.4

#### **Cash Flows Statements (Consolidated)**



				(Billie	ons of yen)	
	1st half Mar. 2002		1st half Mar. 2003		*Breakdown of effect of acquiring EI Division's business (increase of capital, purchase of business and cash owned by newly consolidated subsidiaries)	
		Effect of acquiring EI Division's business (increase of capital, purchase of business and cash owned by newly consolidated	Net			Payment for acquirement of EI Division's business (including shares of newly consolidated subsidiaries) -8.1
		subsidiaries) *	А	В	B-A	Cash owned by newly consolidated subsidiaries +1.0
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period (net of cash owned by a deconsolidated subisidiary)	6.8		6.8	15.1	+ 8.3	Total net cash used for investing activities -7.1
Net cash provided by operating activities	5.2		5.2	-3.1	- 8.3	Capital increase through shareholder allocation
Net cash used for investing activities	-8.6	-7.1	-1.6	-2.3	- 0.7	<u>in Apr 2001 +7.0</u>
Net cash provided by financing activities	6.3	7.0	-0.7	-0.1	+ 0.6	Total net cash provided by financing activities +7.0
Net increase (decrease) in period	2.9	-0.1	3.0	-5.4	- 8.4	mancing activities +7.0
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	9.7	-0.1	9.8	9.6	- 0.2	

## **Trend of Recurring Profit (Consolidated)**





# 2.Financial Results Outlook for fiscal year ended March 2003 (From April 1, 2002 to March 31, 2003)

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## **Outlook Summary (Consolidated)**



(**Billions of yen**) Mar. Mar. Mar. 2003 2002 2003 Previous Target Outlook Change outlook Change model Actual B B-A C B-C Α <%> 157.0 157.0 200.0 Net sales 148.9 + 8.1+ 0.0 <+ 5.4%> **Recurring profit** 12.4 12.6 + 0.212.6 + 0.0<+ 1.4%> Net income 6.4 6.6 +0.26.6 + 0.0<+ **2.8**%> 8.3% + 0.0% 8.0% - 0.3% 8.0% over10% **Recurring profit margin** Recurring profit per employee (million yen per

employee at end of period)\*3.03.0- 0.03.0+ 0.0\* The numbers set forth as "Recurring profit per employee"under "B" and "C" are calculated using the number of employees at end of Sep 2002.

### **Outlook Summary (Non-consolidated)**



				(Billions	s of yen)
	Mar.			Mar. 2003	
	2002 Actual	Mar. 2003 Outlook	Change	Previous outlook	Change
	Α	В	B-A <%>	С	B-C
Net sales	131.7	142.0	+ 10.3 <+ 7.8%>	142.0	+ 0.0
Recurring profit	10.0	10.5	+ <b>0.5</b> <+ 4.7%>	10.5	+ 0.0
Net income	5.3	5.8	+ 0.5 <+ 9.5%>	5.8	+ 0.0
Recurring profit margin	7.6%	7.4%	- 0.2%	0.1	+ 0.0%
Recurring profit per	7.070	7.470	0.~70	0.1	1 0.070

employee at end of period)\*4.95.0+ 0.15.0+ 0.0\* The numbers set forth as "Recurring profit per employee"under "B" and "C" are calculated<br/>using the number of employees at end of Sep 2002.

employee (million yen per

## **Comments on Financial Results Outlook for fiscal year ended March 2002**



(Billions of yen)

		Mar.		
		2003	Mar.	
	Mar.2002	Previous	2003	
	Actual	outlook	Outlook	Change
	Α		В	B-A
Net sales	148.9	157.0	157.0	+ 8.1
Recurring profit	12.4	12.6	12.6	+ 0.2
Net income	6.4	6.6	6.6	+ 0.2

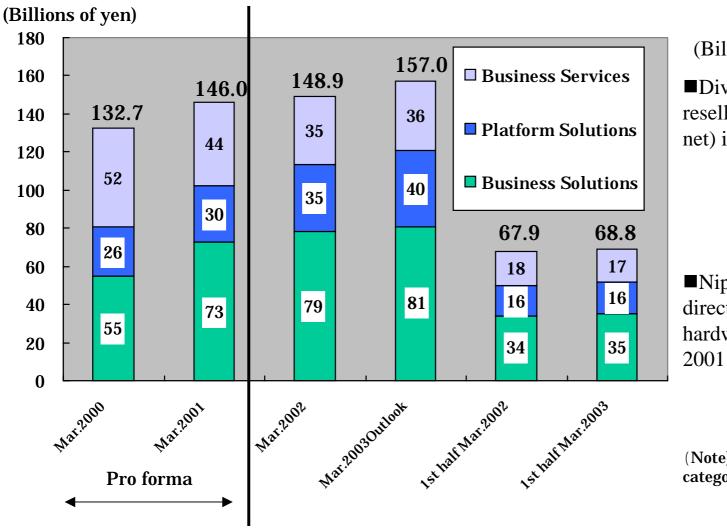
Business expansion mainly in the fields of Platform Solutions and Business Solutions and resource shift to high value-added business

■An increase in net sales and a small increase in profit compared to the previous fiscal year

An increase in cost for listing on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, relocating to new office facilities, training employees shifted to high value-added business, and enhancing sales and technical capabilities

#### Net Sales Trend by Business Line (Consolidated)





#### (Billions of yen)

■Divestiture of phone line reselling business (named Enet) in Sep. 2000

Mar.2000	16.3
Mar. 2001	7.3
Mar. 2002	0

■Nippon Steel began to directly purchase their own hardware for work since Jul. 2001

Mar 2001	7.3
Mar 2002	1.3

(Note) The above figures are categorized as Business Services.

#### **Balance Sheets (Consolidated)**



	(Billions of yen)				
	Mar 2002 Actual	Mar 2003 Outlook	Change		
Cash and bank deposits and deposited money	15.1	25.8	+ 10.7		
Current assets	52.5	67.6	+ 15.1		
Non-current assets	12.7	14.9	+ 2.1		
Total assets	65.2	82.4	+ 17.2		
Short-term loans	0.0	0.0	+ 0.0		
Current liabilities	33.1	31.7	- 1.5		
Non-current liabilities	5.3	5.8	+ 0.6		
Total liabilities	38.4	37.5	- 0.9		
Minority interest in consolidated subsidiaries	0.8	1.1	+ 0.2		
Common stock and additional paid-in capital	10.7	22.9	+ 12.2		
Retained earnings and others	15.4	21.0	+ 5.6		
Total shareholders' equity	26.0	43.9	+ 17.9		
Total liabilities, minority interests and shareholders' equity	65.2	82.4	+ 17.2		

#### **Cash Flows Statements (Consolidated)**



(Billions of yen							
	Mar. 2002			Mar. 2003 Outlook	Change		
		Effect of acquiring EI Division's business (increase of capital, purchase of business and cash owned by newly consolidated subsidiaries)	Net				
			Α	В	B-A		
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year (net of cash owned by a deconsolidated subsidiary)	6.8		6.8	15.1	+ 8.3		
Net cash provided by operating activities	10.5		10.5	2.9	- 7.7		
Net cash used for investing activities	-9.0	-7.1	-1.9	-3.5	- 1.5		
Net cash provided by financing activities	6.8	7.0	-0.2	11.4	+ 11.6		
Net increase (decrease) in period	8.3	-0.1	8.3	10.7	+ 2.4		
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	15.1	-0.1	15.2	25.8	+ 10.6		