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BRIEF STATEMENTS OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE FIRST QUARTER OF THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2004 (CONSOLIDATED)
(Based on accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S.A.)

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Osaka Securities Exchange, First section
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1. Matters concerning the preparation of the brief quarterly statements of accounts:
 - 1) Differences in the accounting method from the recognition method for the most recent business year on a consolidated basis: None.
 - 2) Changes in the scope of consolidation and the application of equity method: Yes.

Consolidated subsidiaries	(inclusion):	0 company
Consolidated subsidiaries	(exclusion):	2 companies
Companies subject to equity method	(inclusion):	0 company
Companies subject to equity method	(exclusion):	0 company

2. Summary of the business results for the first quarter of the year ending March 31, 2004 (from April 1, 2003 to June 30, 2003):

- (1) Progress of consolidated operating results

(Each amount is shown by rounding any fraction of over half of a million yen thereof upward to the nearest million yen and disregarding the rest.)

	First quarter ended June 30, 2003	First quarter ended June 30, 2002	(For reference) Year ended March 31, 2003
Net sales:	¥218,583 million (-%)	-	¥909,999 million
Operating income:	¥4,643 million (-%)	-	¥23,121 million

Income before income taxes:	¥4,516 million (-%)	-	¥13,301 million
Net income:	¥2,163 million (-%)	-	¥4,409 million
Net income per share (basic):	¥9.47	-	¥19.30
Net income per share (diluted):	¥9.45	-	-

(Notes) The disclosure of quarterly financial statements has commenced as from the first quarter of the current business year. Hence, no actual results for the first quarter of the previous business year or no comparison with the actual results for the first quarter of the previous business year is given herein.

[Qualitative information on the progress of consolidated operating results, etc.]

During the first quarter of the business year under review, the Japanese economy showed few signs of recovery as job insecurity was not dispelled as companies continued restructuring and private spending remained slow while exports decelerated due to the spread of severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS), a delay in the recovery of the U.S. economy and the uncertainty about the future prospects.

In the food and fresh meats industry, while consumers have shown more clear-cut preferences, such as an inclination for lower-priced products, price competition intensified. Thus, the situations were very severe.

Under these circumstances, the Group has placed the utmost importance on "regaining the trust" of consumers. Additionally, with the commencement of its New Medium-Term Business Plan in the business year under review, the Group has promoted business activities through management strictly based on compliance and the establishment of a system of corporate governance. However, in the midst of such efforts, to our regret, a beef grading scam by a company of the Group was revealed. To prevent a recurrence of such scam, the Company intends to conduct further more intensive education on compliance and establish a further more solid system of corporate governance and also concentrate all its energies on further reform.

As a result, for the first quarter of the business year under review, consolidated net sales amounted to ¥218,583 million in such severe business conditions. In regard to profits, income before income taxes and net income amounted to ¥4,516 million and ¥2,163 million, respectively. In comparison with the forecasts of the whole-year operating results, consolidated net sales and income before income taxes accounted for 22.3% and 22.6%, respectively, slightly lower than one-fourth of the whole-year forecasts.

By product category, net sales of hams and sausages, processed foods, and fresh meats and others amounted to ¥32,896 million, ¥42,236 million and ¥143,451 million, respectively.

(2) Movement in the consolidated financial condition

(Each amount is shown by rounding any fraction of over half of a million yen thereof upward to the nearest million yen and disregarding the rest.)

	First quarter ended June 30, 2003	First quarter ended June 30, 2002	(For reference) Year ended March 31, 2003
Total assets:	¥626,191 million	-	¥621,579 million
Shareholders' equity:	¥247,578 million	-	¥246,981 million
Ratio of shareholders' equity to total assets:	39.5%	-	39.7%
Shareholders' equity per share:	¥1,084.30	-	¥1,081.68

(Note) The disclosure of quarterly financial statements has commenced as from the first quarter of the current business year. Hence, no actual results for the first quarter of the previous business year are given herein.

[State of consolidated cash flows]

(Each amount is shown by rounding any fraction of over half of a million yen thereof upward to the nearest million yen and disregarding the rest.)

	First quarter ended June 30, 2003	First quarter ended June 30, 2002	(For reference) Year ended March 31, 2003
Cash flows from operating activities:	¥5,664 million	-	¥39,582 million
Cash flows from investing activities:	(¥42 million)	-	(¥5,139 million)
Cash flows from financing activities:	(¥6,903 million)	-	(¥753 million)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the quarter (year):	¥85,464 million	-	¥86,745 million

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[Qualitative information on the movement in the consolidated financial position, etc.]

<Financial position>

At the end of the first quarter of the business year under review, total assets increased by 0.7% from the end of the previous business year to account for ¥626,191 million, principally due to an increase in inventories by 8.3% to account for ¥87,389 million and a decrease in time deposits, which were transferred to working capital, by 41.1% to account for ¥3,678 million.

Liabilities increased by 1.1% from the end of the previous business year to account for ¥378,613 million, principally due to an increase in trade notes (non-interest bearing) and accounts payable by 7.6% to account for ¥84,168 million, an increase in accrued expenses by 26.1% to account for ¥19,188 million and a decrease in long-term debt, less current maturities by 2.8% resulting from the redemption of straight bonds to account for ¥73,515 million. Interest-bearing debt decreased by ¥2,174 million from the end of the previous business year to account for ¥210,210 million.

Shareholders' equity increased slightly from the end of the previous business year to account for ¥247,578 million, principally due to increases in foreign currency translation adjustment and net unrealized gains on securities available for sale and a net income of ¥2,163 million for the first quarter of the business year under review, in spite of the payment of dividends. As a result, the ratio of shareholders' equity declined 0.2% from the end of the previous business year to 39.5%.

<Cash flows>

With regard to operating activities, cash increased due to an increase in accounts payable - trade. However, due to an increase in inventories and a decrease in accrued income taxes, net cash provided by operating activities amounted to ¥5,664 million.

With regard to investing activities, capital investment accounted for ¥3,580 million, while ¥2,555 million of time deposits were transferred to cash reserves. As a result, net cash used in investing activities amounted to ¥42 million.

With regard to financing activities, net cash used in financing activities amounted to ¥6,903 million, due to the borrowing of long-term debt of ¥5,500 million, the repayment of long-term debt of ¥8,576 million and the payment of cash dividends of ¥3,660 million.

As a result, for the first quarter of the business year under review, cash and cash equivalents at end of the quarter decreased by ¥1,281 million in comparison with the end of the previous business year to amount to ¥85,464 million.

3. Forecast of consolidated operating results for the year ending March 31, 2004
(from April 1, 2003 to March 31, 2004):

With regard to the forecast of operating results for the business year ending March 31, 2004, the initial forecast publicized as of May 20, 2003 has not been amended. However, it may be amended due to the possible occurrence of uncertain factors, including the imposition of emergency import restrictions (or safeguard) against fresh and chilled beef and pork.

In the event that any amendment to the forecast of operating results becomes necessary, it will be publicized promptly.

Attachment

- Consolidated Balance Sheets

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Millions of yen)

	First quarter ended June 30, 2003 (as of June 30, 2003)	Year ended March 31, 2003 (as of March 31, 2003)
<u>Assets</u>		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	85,464	86,745
Time deposits	3,678	6,243
Marketable securities	1,671	1,564
Trade notes (non-interest bearing) and accounts receivable	91,992	91,666
Allowance for doubtful receivables	(956)	(1,079)
Inventories	87,389	80,728
Deferred income taxes	4,215	5,184
Prepayments and other current assets	15,047	11,749
Total current assets	288,500	282,800
Investments and non-current receivables:		
Investment in and advances to associated companies	1,211	1,210
Other securities investments	20,636	19,776
Deposits and sundry investments	15,926	16,234
Total investments and non-current receivables	37,773	37,220
Property, plant, and equipment - at cost, less accumulated depreciation	272,302	273,935
Deferred income taxes - non-current	22,548	22,340
Other assets	5,068	5,284
Total	626,191	621,579

(Millions of yen)

	First quarter ended June 30, 2003 (as of June 30, 2003)	Year ended March 31, 2003 (as of March 31, 2003)
<u>Liabilities and Shareholders' equity</u>		
Current Liabilities:		
Short-term bank loans	112,088	111,307
Current maturities of long-term debt	24,866	25,676
Trade notes (principally non-interest bearing) and accounts payable	84,168	78,201
Accrued income taxes	3,110	5,224
Deferred income taxes	383	212
Accrued expenses	19,188	15,216
Other current liabilities	6,445	7,946
Total current liabilities	250,248	243,782
Liability under retirement and severance program	51,115	51,652
Long-term debt, less current maturities	73,515	75,666
Deferred income taxes - non-current	930	829
Minority interests	2,805	2,669
Shareholders' equity:		
Common stock	24,166	24,166
Capital surplus	50,438	50,438
Retained earnings:		
Appropriated for legal reserve	6,590	6,562
Unappropriated	189,730	191,248
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(23,216)	(25,306)
Treasury stock, at cost	(130)	(127)
Total shareholders' equity	247,578	246,981
Total	626,191	621,579

STATEMENTS OF CONSOLIDATED INCOME

(Millions of yen)

	First quarter ended June 30, 2003 (from April 1, 2003 to June 30, 2003)	Year ended March 31, 2003 (from April 1, 2002 to March 31, 2003)
Revenues:		
Net sales	218,583	909,999
Sundry	1,552	1,764
Total	220,135	911,763
Cost and expenses:		
Cost of goods sold	173,155	721,545
Selling, general, and Administrative expenses	40,785	165,333
Interest	782	3,331
Sundry	897	8,253
Total	215,619	898,462
Income from consolidated operations before income taxes:	4,516	13,301
Income taxes:		
Current	2,249	8,939
Deferred	173	(42)
Total	2,422	8,897
Income from consolidated operations	2,094	4,404
Equity in earnings of associated companies – Net (less applicable income taxes)	69	5
Net income	2,163	4,409

STATEMENTS OF CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOWS

(Millions of yen)

	First quarter ended June 30, 2003 (from April 1, 2003 to June 30, 2003)	Year ended March 31, 2003 (from April 1, 2002 to March 31, 2003)
Operating activities:		
Net income		
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	2,163	4,409
Income taxes – deferred	6,130	25,032
Decrease in trade notes and accounts receivable	173	(42)
Decrease (increase) in inventories	28	16,052
Increase (decrease) in trade notes and accounts payable	(5,794)	13,928
Decrease in accrued income taxes	5,769	(15,271)
Other – net	(2,113)	(6,378)
Other – net	(692)	1,852
Net cash provided by operating activities	5,664	39,582
Investing activities:		
Additions to property, plant, and equipment	(3,580)	(25,251)
Proceeds from sales of property, plant, and equipment	325	1,387
Decrease in time deposits	2,555	16,712
Purchases of marketable securities and other securities investments	(42)	(1,323)
Proceeds from sales of marketable securities and other securities investments	520	6,705
Acquisition of associated company shares net of cash acquired	-	(2,140)
Decrease in deposits and sundry investments	304	488
Other – net	(124)	(1,717)
Net cash used in investing activities	(42)	(5,139)
Financing activities:		
Cash dividends	(3,660)	(3,660)
Increase (decrease) in short-term bank loans	(218)	13,529
Proceeds from long-term debt	5,500	867
Repayments of long-term debt	(8,576)	(11,509)
Others – Net	51	20
Net cash used in financing activities	(6,903)	(753)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(1,281)	33,690
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the quarter (year)	86,745	53,055
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the quarter (year)	85,464	86,745
Additional Information:		
Capital lease obligation incurred	-	10,960
Interest paid	721	3,327
Income taxes paid	4,362	15,319

SEGMENT INFORMATION

1. Segment information by business category:

The Company's group engages principally in the production and marketing of meat-related hams and sausages, processed foods and fresh meats. Because total net sales and operating income of such businesses, respectively, comprise more than 90% of the whole segments, the Company has prepared no segment information by business category for the year ended March 31, 2003 and the first quarter of the year ending March 31, 2004.

2. Segment information by geographic area:

For the first quarter of the year ending March 31, 2004 (from April 1, 2003 to June 30, 2003):

(Millions of yen)

Items	Japan	Other areas	Total	Eliminations or group-wide	Consolidation
Net sales:					
(1) Sales to outside customers	202,371	16,212	218,583	-	218,583
(2) Inter-segment sales	146	13,550	13,696	(13,696)	-
Total	202,517	29,762	262,279	(13,696)	218,583
Operating expenses	197,734	29,959	227,693	(13,753)	213,940
Operating income	4,783	(197)	4,586	57	4,643

(Notes) 1. Countries and areas are categorized in accordance with their geographic nearness. However, any net sales and assets in any country or area other than Japan account for less than 10% of the total net sales and the total assets of all the segments, respectively. Hence, all the countries and areas other than Japan are indicated collectively as the "other areas".

2. The other areas principally consist of Australia, the United States and Thailand.

For the year ended March 31, 2003 (from April 1, 2002 to March 31, 2003):

(Millions of yen)

Items	Japan	Other areas	Total	Eliminations or group-wide	Consolidation
Net sales:					
(1) Sales to outside customers	825,029	84,970	909,999	-	909,999
(2) Inter-segment sales	494	54,035	54,529	(54,529)	-
Total	825,523	139,005	964,528	(54,529)	909,999
Operating expenses	804,390	137,026	941,416	(54,538)	886,878
Operating income	21,133	1,979	23,112	9	23,121

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2. The other areas principally consist of Australia, the United States and Thailand.

3. Overseas sales:

As respective overseas sales for the year ended March 31, 2003 and the first quarter of the year ending March 31, 2004 did not amount to at least 10% of our consolidated sales, presentation of overseas sales is omitted.