MGC announces variance from (consolidated and non-consolidated) business forecasts for the first half of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010, revises full-year forecasts

Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Company, Inc. ("MGC") announced today that the results for the first half of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010 (also announced today) had varied from its consolidated and non-consolidated business forecasts for the same period, which were announced on August 3, 2009.

MGC also announced that, based on recent business trends, it had revised its consolidated and non-consolidated business forecasts for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010. The previous forecasts were announced on May 8, 2008.

1. Results for the first half of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010 (April 1, 2009 to September 30, 2009)

[1] Consolidated results

(Unit: ¥ million, %)

	Net sales	Operating income (loss)	Ordinary income (loss)	Net income (loss)
Previously announced forecasts (A) (announced August 3, 2009)	175,000	(4,000)	(6,000)	(4,000)
Revised forecasts (B)	180,770	(1,101)	(2,592)	(2,433)
Change (B – A)	5,770	2,898	3,407	1,566
Change (%)	3.3	-	-	-
Results for the same previous period (ended September 30, 2008)	269,204	9,620	19,951	14,565

[2] Non-consolidated results

(Unit: ¥ million, %)

	Net sales	Operating income (loss)	Ordinary income (loss)	Net income (loss)
Previously announced forecasts (A) (announced August 3, 2009)	125,000	(6,500)	(4,500)	(1,000)
Revised forecasts (B)	130,550	(6,136)	(3,656)	(712)
Change (B – A)	5,550	363	843	287
Change (%)	4.4	-	-	-
Results for the same previous period (ended September 30, 2008)	193,728	4,950	13,878	10,988

2. Revision of business forecasts for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010 (April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010)

[1] Revision of consolidated business forecasts

(Unit: ¥ million, %)

	Net sales	Operating income (loss)	Ordinary income (loss)	Net income (loss)
Previously announced forecasts (A) (announced May 8, 2009)	380,000	8,000	7,000	6,000
Revised forecasts (B)	390,000	1,000	2,000	1,000
Change (B – A)	10,000	(7,000)	(5,000)	(5,000)
Change (%)	2.6	(87.5)	(71.4)	(83.3)
Results for the same previous period (ended March 31, 2009)	447,647	(3,103)	6,975	7,014

[2] Revision of non-consolidated business forecasts

(Unit: ¥ million, %)

	Net sales	Operating income (loss)	Ordinary income (loss)	Net income (loss)
Previously announced forecasts (A) (announced May 8, 2009)	265,000	1,000	6,000	7,000
Revised forecasts (B)	275,000	(8,000)	(2,500)	1,000
Change (B – A)	10,000	(9,000)	(8,500)	(6,000)
Change (%)	3.8	-	-	(85.7)
Results for the same previous period (ended March 31, 2009)	310,017	(3,112)	12,695	12,686

3. Reason

Business performance during the six-month period ended September 30, 2009 exceeded the business forecasts announced on August 3, 2009, mainly due to favorable results in polycarbonate films used in flat panel displays.

MGC did not revise its full-year business forecasts at the time of announcing its first quarter results. For a number of reasons, however, the previous full-year forecasts of May 8, 2009 are now being revised. These reasons include a review of business performance during the first half of the year, an expectation that results from businesses such as natural gas chemicals and aromatic chemicals will fall short of initial forecasts, and a forecasted period of low demand for printed circuit boards.