



MITSUBISHI GAS CHEMICAL COMPANY, INC.

Consolidated Financial Results

For the First Half of the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2010

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SUMMARY OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

First Half Results for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2010

(April 1, 2009 to September 30, 2009)

October 30, 2009

MITSUBISHI GAS CHEMICAL COMPANY, INC.

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1. Summary of Consolidated Results

1) Operating results

Millions of yen, rounded down

Percentage figures denote change compared to equivalent period of previous year

| | April 1 - September 30, 2009 | | April 1 - September 30, 2008 | |
|---|------------------------------|----------|------------------------------|----------|
| | | Change % | | Change % |
| Sales | 180,770 | (32.8) | 269,204 | - |
| Operating income (loss) | (1,101) | - | 9,620 | - |
| Ordinary income (loss) | (2,592) | - | 19,951 | - |
| Net income (loss) | (2,433) | - | 14,565 | - |
| Net income (loss) per share (¥) | (5.38) | | 31.52 | |
| Fully diluted net income (loss) per share (¥) | - | | 30.84 | |

2) Financial position

Millions of yen, rounded down

| | As of September 30, 2009 | As of March 31, 2009 |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Total assets | 536,590 | 530,592 |
| Net assets | 275,262 | 272,083 |
| Shareholders' equity ratio (%) | 49.7 | 49.9 |
| Net assets per share (¥) | 590.44 | 585.90 |

Note: Shareholders' equity as of September 30, 2009: ¥266,905 million; as of March 31, 2009: ¥264,861 million

2. Cash Dividends

| | Fiscal year ending March 31, 2010 | Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2009 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Interim dividend per share (¥) | 4.00 | 8.00 |
| Year-end dividend per share (¥) | 4.00 (Forecast) | 8.00 |
| Annual dividend per share (¥) | 8.00 (Forecast) | 16.00 |

Note: The forecasts for year-end dividend and annual dividend have been revised.

3. Consolidated Business Forecasts for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2010

(April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010)

Millions of yen, rounded down

Percentage figures denote change compared to equivalent period of previous year

| | Fiscal year ending March 31, 2010 (April 1, 2009 - March 31, 2010) | |
|--------------------------------|--|----------|
| | | Change % |
| Sales | 390,000 | (12.9) |
| Operating income | 1,000 | - |
| Ordinary income | 2,000 | (71.3) |
| Net Income | 1,000 | (85.7) |
| Net income per share (¥) | 2.21 | |

Note: Consolidated business forecasts for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010 have been revised.

4. Other Information

- 1) **Transfer of important subsidiaries during the period under review: 1 new company**
 (Transfers of certain subsidiaries resulting in changes in the scope of consolidation) **Lingyou Engineering-Plastics (Shanghai) Co. Ltd.**
- 2) **Adoption of simplified accounting methods: Yes**
- 3) **Changes in accounting methods, procedures and presentation in the preparation of these financial statements:**
 1. **Changes following revisions to accounting standards: None**
 2. **Other changes: None**
- 4) **Number of shares outstanding (ordinary shares)**

| | As of September 30, 2009 | As of March 31, 2009 |
|--|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Number of shares outstanding (including treasury shares) | 483,478,398 | 483,478,398 |
| Number of treasury shares | 31,433,198 | 31,420,297 |
| | April 1 - September 30, 2009 | April 1 - September 30, 2008 |
| Average shares outstanding during period | 452,049,522 | 462,066,257 |

Reference:

Non-consolidated Business Forecasts for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2010 (April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010)

Millions of yen, rounded down

Percentage figures denote change compared to equivalent period of previous year

| | Fiscal year ending March 31, 2010 (April 1, 2009 - March 31, 2010) | |
|------------------------------|--|--------------------|
| Sales..... | 275,000 | Change % (11.3) |
| Operating loss..... | (8,000) | - |
| Ordinary loss | (2,500) | - |
| Net income | 1,000 | (92.1) |
| Net loss per share (¥) | 2.21 | |

Note: Non-consolidated business forecasts for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010 have been revised.

Notice regarding the appropriate use of the financial forecasts

1. Consolidated and non-consolidated forecasts: This document contains revisions to the first-half business forecasts announced on May 8, 2009.
2. Forecasts, etc., recorded in this document contain forward-looking statements that are based on management's estimates, assumptions and projections at the time of publication. A number of factors could cause actual results to differ materially from expectations.

Note: All comparisons are with the first half of the previous fiscal year, unless stated otherwise.

1. Consolidated operating results

Consolidated net sales for the Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Company, Inc. group of companies ("MGC Group") for the first half (April 1, 2009 to September 30, 2009) of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010 decreased 32.8%, or ¥88.4 billion, to ¥180.7 billion. A consolidated operating loss of ¥1.1 billion was recorded, compared with operating income of ¥9.6 billion in the first half of the previous year. A consolidated ordinary loss of ¥2.5 billion was recorded, compared with ordinary income of ¥19.9 billion in the first half of the previous year. A consolidated net loss of ¥2.4 billion was recorded, compared with consolidated net income of ¥14.5 billion in the previous year.

The domestic economy showed signs of a partial recovery during the six-month period under review, chiefly due to the effects of economic stimulus measures in Japan and other countries, which followed a sharp deterioration in the second half of the previous fiscal year. Overall, however, the situation remained severe.

The operating environment for MGC Group was characterized by weak overall demand, following rapid falls in commodity markets and a substantial drop in demand from the second half of the previous year. This was despite a marked recovery in demand for certain materials for semiconductor and LCD applications.

In this business environment, MGC Group started its new medium-term management plan, *MGC Will 2011*, and also endeavored to improve profitability through measures such as increasing sales volumes and reducing costs.

Results by business segment

Natural Gas Chemicals Segment

In the methanol business, revenue and earnings, including income from overseas methanol producing companies accounted for by the equity method, fell significantly. This resulted from continued low prices in the market following the rapid fall in the market at the end of 2008, and was despite higher sales volumes generated by pre-marketing initiatives in preparation for the planned operation of new plants next year.

In methanol and ammonia derivatives, a substantial decline on the previous year resulted from lower sales volumes due to falling domestic and overseas demand and the impact of a prolonged suspension of ammonia facilities.

Enzymes and coenzymes improved slightly due to an increase in domestic sales volumes of coenzyme Q10.

In the sale of natural gas and other energy, earnings decreased significantly due to year-on-year declines in crude oil prices, which had previously reflected high energy prices.

Consolidated net sales in the Natural Gas Chemicals Company decreased ¥30.4 billion, or 36.5%, to ¥52.8 billion, and operating loss of ¥4.1 billion was recorded, compared with operating income of ¥0.8 billion in the previous year.

Aromatic Chemicals Segment

In specialty aromatic chemical products, revenue and earnings decreased significantly, due to large falls in sales volumes stemming from substantial declines in demand for products such as meta-xylenediamine, Nylon-MXD6, and aromatic aldehydes, as well as the impact of more prolonged than anticipated inventory adjustment by some customers.

Revenue and earnings from the purified isophthalic acid business fell as a result of lower sales volumes concomitant with weakening demand, in addition to deteriorating margins concomitant with continued intense competition from the previous year.

Consolidated net sales in the Aromatic Chemicals Company decreased ¥34.8 billion, or 44.5%, to ¥43.5 billion, and operating loss of ¥3.3 billion was recorded, compared with operating income of ¥1.5 billion in the previous year.

Specialty Chemicals Segment

In inorganic chemicals for industrial use, earnings were roughly in line with the previous year due to price revisions, which offset lower sales volumes and lower revenue of hydrogen peroxide as a result of faltering demand in the paper pulp industry and other sectors.

Revenue and earnings from chemicals for the electronics industry, including those at overseas subsidiaries, declined as a result of lower sales volumes in materials for semiconductors and LCDs.

The engineering plastics business recorded lower revenue and earnings due to stagnating demand for polycarbonate and polyacetal, mainly in the automotive sector. However, earnings from polycarbonate sheets and films increased substantially due to strong demand for films used in flat panel displays.

Consolidated net sales in the Specialty Chemicals Company decreased ¥16.8 billion, or 23.6%, to ¥54.4 billion, and operating income increased ¥0.2 billion, or 7.5%, to ¥3.3 billion.

Information & Advanced Materials Segment

Revenue and earnings from materials for printed circuit boards decreased. Although there was a recovery in demand for semiconductor packaging early in the fiscal year, this remained slightly short of levels in the first half the previous year. Revenue and earnings from sales of LE sheets, the entry sheets used in mechanical drilling of printed circuit boards, also declined due to faltering demand.

Sales of AGELESS® and oxygen absorbers fell slightly short of the previous year due to intense competition in sales to the food industry, the principal market for this business.

Consolidated net sales in the Information & Advanced Materials Company decreased ¥6.0 billion, or 17.1%, to ¥29.5 billion, and operating income decreased ¥1.4 billion, or 34.3%, to ¥2.7 billion.

2. Consolidated financial position

Total consolidated assets as of September 30, 2009 were ¥536.5 billion, ¥5.9 billion higher than at the end of the previous year. This was mainly due to an increase in investment securities, which offset a decrease in current assets.

Liabilities increased ¥2.8 billion to ¥261.3 billion, mainly due to increases in accounts payable. Net assets

increased ¥3.1 billion to ¥275.2 billion, due to gains on evaluation of other investment securities and gains in foreign currency translation adjustments.

3. Consolidated business forecast for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010

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.

Revisions of consolidated and non-consolidated business forecasts for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010 are as follows.

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

(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 |

Revision of non-consolidated business forecasts for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010 (April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010)

(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 |

4. Other matters

- (1) Important changes to subsidiaries during the period (changes to specific subsidiary companies within the scope of consolidation):

Effective from the second quarter, Lingyou Engineering-Plastics (Shanghai) Co. Ltd. has been newly established and included in the scope of consolidation.

- (2) Adoption of simplified accounting methods and special accounting methods for presenting quarterly consolidated financial statements:

- (i) Method of estimating doubtful accounts for general debtors

If the actual default rate at the end of the first quarter is recognized as not being materially different from the rate calculated at the end of the previous fiscal year, a debt default provision is made using the actual default rate at the end of the previous fiscal year.

- (ii) Accounting standard for measurement of inventories

Assets held in inventory have been calculated primarily using the overall average of cost method based on the assets held in inventory at the end of the previous fiscal year. In cases where the profitability has declined, the book value is reduced accordingly.

- (iii) Method of estimating corporate and other taxes, deferred tax assets and liabilities

For the estimation of corporate and other tax payments, changes and tax-deductible items in the attached financial statements are limited to material items. In assessing the recoverability of deferred tax assets, the Company and its main consolidated subsidiaries employ the future earnings forecasts and tax planning assumptions of the financial statements for the previous fiscal year having deemed that there has been no marked change in the operating environment, etc., since the end of the previous year, and that there has been no marked change with respect to the occurrence of one-time or other such items.

- (iv) Method of estimating depreciation expenses for fixed assets

For fixed assets depreciated using the fixed-percentage method, the Company and its main consolidated subsidiaries adopt a method of assigning to the period under review an estimated proportional amount of depreciation expenses for the fiscal year.

- (3) Changes in principles, procedures and methods of indication of accounting methods for formulation of quarterly financial statements:

None

5. Consolidated Financial Statements

(1) Consolidated Balance Sheets

Millions of yen, rounded down

| | As of September 30, 2009 | As of March 31, 2009 |
|--|--------------------------|----------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Current assets | | |
| Cash..... | 20,648 | 23,209 |
| Trade notes and accounts receivable..... | 93,075 | 74,549 |
| Short-term investments | 21,944 | 30,845 |
| Merchandise and finished goods..... | 35,496 | 38,599 |
| Work in progress | 7,578 | 8,386 |
| Raw materials and supplies..... | 19,477 | 18,351 |
| Other current assets..... | 14,507 | 21,942 |
| Less allowance for doubtful receivables..... | (637) | (585) |
| Total current assets..... | 212,090 | 215,298 |
| Fixed assets | | |
| Buildings and structures, net..... | 46,761 | 46,662 |
| Machinery, equipment and vehicles, net | 71,796 | 71,495 |
| Other, net..... | 48,148 | 48,489 |
| Total property, plant and equipment | 166,705 | 166,647 |
| Intangible assets | 3,379 | 2,881 |
| Investments and other assets | | |
| Investments in securities..... | 129,614 | 121,540 |
| Other | 26,447 | 25,805 |
| Less allowance for doubtful receivables..... | (1,647) | (1,580) |
| Total investments and other assets..... | 154,413 | 145,765 |
| Total fixed assets | 324,499 | 315,293 |
| Total assets | 536,590 | 530,592 |

Consolidated Balance Sheets (contd.)

Millions of yen, rounded down

| | As of September 30, 2009 | As of March 31, 2009 |
|--|--------------------------|----------------------|
| LIABILITIES | | |
| Current Liabilities | | |
| Trade notes and accounts payable | 50,392 | 40,301 |
| Short-term borrowings..... | 82,511 | 86,974 |
| Accrued income taxes..... | 2,047 | 361 |
| Allowance..... | 3,765 | 3,786 |
| Other | 26,151 | 29,663 |
| Total current liabilities | 164,867 | 161,088 |
| Non-current liabilities | | |
| Corporate bonds | 20,000 | 20,000 |
| Long-term borrowings | 67,510 | 67,604 |
| Allowance..... | 6,350 | 6,266 |
| Other | 2,599 | 3,549 |
| Total non-current liabilities | 96,460 | 97,421 |
| Total liabilities..... | 261,327 | 258,509 |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Stockholders' equity | | |
| Common stock..... | 41,970 | 41,970 |
| Additional paid in capital | 35,590 | 35,589 |
| Retained earnings | 215,941 | 221,990 |
| Treasury stock, at cost..... | (7,899) | (7,891) |
| Total stockholders' equity | 285,602 | 291,658 |
| Valuation and translation adjustments | | |
| Unrealized gains (loss) on other securities | 960 | (3,330) |
| Deferred gains on hedges..... | 29 | 29 |
| Surplus on revaluation of land | 192 | 192 |
| Foreign currency translation adjustments..... | (19,879) | (23,688) |
| Total valuation and translation adjustments | (18,696) | (26,797) |
| Minority interests | 8,357 | 7,222 |
| Total net assets..... | 275,262 | 272,083 |
| Total liabilities and net assets | 536,590 | 530,592 |

(2) Consolidated Statements of Income

Millions of yen, rounded down

| | April 1 - September 30, 2009 | April 1 - September 30, 2008 |
|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Net sales..... | 180,770 | 269,204 |
| Cost of sales..... | 156,272 | 230,943 |
| Gross profit..... | 24,498 | 38,260 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses..... | 25,600 | 28,640 |
| Operating income (loss)..... | (1,101) | 9,620 |
| Non-operating income | | |
| Interest income..... | 109 | 172 |
| Dividend income..... | 745 | 839 |
| Equity in earnings of affiliates..... | 2,475 | 10,828 |
| Other..... | 865 | 1,396 |
| Total non-operating income..... | 4,195 | 13,237 |
| Non-operating expenses | | |
| Interest expense..... | 1,139 | 1,096 |
| Exchange losses..... | 1,622 | - |
| Personnel expenses for seconded employees..... | 922 | 665 |
| Other..... | 2,001 | 1,143 |
| Total non-operating expenses..... | 5,686 | 2,905 |
| Ordinary income (loss)..... | (2,592) | 19,951 |
| Extraordinary income | | |
| Gain on sale of fixed assets..... | 183 | - |
| Total extraordinary income..... | 183 | - |
| Extraordinary losses | | |
| Impairment losses..... | 518 | - |
| Bad-debt loss..... | 364 | - |
| Loss on business withdrawal..... | 286 | - |
| Transfer to allowance for bad debt..... | - | 1,092 |
| Loss on change of equity in affiliates..... | - | 10 |
| Total extraordinary losses..... | 1,169 | 1,103 |
| Net income (loss) before income taxes and minority interests..... | (3,579) | 18,848 |
| Income taxes, etc..... | (1,352) | 3,735 |
| Minority interests in income (loss)..... | 207 | 548 |
| Net income (loss)..... | (2,433) | 14,565 |

(3) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

Millions of yen, rounded down

| | April 1 - September 30, 2009 | April 1 - September 30, 2008 |
|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Cash flows from operating activities | | |
| Net income before income taxes and minority interests | (3,579) | 18,848 |
| Depreciation and amortization..... | 13,689 | 13,486 |
| (Gain) loss on disposal of property and equipment | (42) | 194 |
| Amortization of goodwill | (14) | 83 |
| Impairment losses | 518 | - |
| Equity in earnings of affiliates..... | (2,475) | (10,828) |
| Increase (decrease) in allowance for doubtful receivables..... | 118 | 1,114 |
| Increase (decrease) in reserve for retirement and severance benefits | 232 | 37 |
| Interest income and dividend income..... | (854) | (1,012) |
| Interest expenses..... | 1,139 | 1,096 |
| (Gain) loss on change of equity in affiliates..... | - | 10 |
| (Increase) decrease in notes and accounts receivable | (19,193) | 3,741 |
| (Increase) decrease in inventories | 3,147 | (8,081) |
| Increase (decrease) in trade notes and accounts payable..... | 10,432 | 3,609 |
| Increase (decrease) in consumer tax, etc. | 286 | (101) |
| Increase (decrease) in reserve for bonuses to directors | (119) | (97) |
| Other | (347) | 75 |
| Sub-total | 2,938 | 22,177 |
| Interest and dividends received..... | 863 | 1,013 |
| Dividends received from equity method affiliates | 4,326 | 6,776 |
| Interest paid | (1,177) | (1,103) |
| Income taxes paid | 5,115 | (5,806) |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 12,066 | 23,056 |
| Cash flows from investing activities | | |
| Purchase of short-term investments..... | (479) | (9) |
| Proceeds from sale of short-term investments | 440 | 111 |
| Purchase of fixed assets | (15,469) | (20,773) |
| Proceeds from sale of fixed assets..... | 496 | 884 |
| Purchase of investments in securities | (961) | (1,126) |
| Proceeds from sale of investments in securities..... | 35 | - |
| Other | 262 | (91) |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (15,674) | (21,006) |
| Cash flows from financing activities | | |
| Increase (decrease) in short-term borrowings..... | (1,452) | 1,255 |
| Proceeds from long-term debt..... | 2,469 | 9,311 |
| Payments on long-term debt | (5,920) | (8,288) |
| Purchase of treasury stock..... | (8) | (35) |
| Dividends paid to stockholders..... | (3,616) | (3,696) |
| Dividends paid to minority stockholders of subsidiaries | (217) | (312) |
| Other | (59) | 33 |
| Net cash used in financing activities | (8,805) | (1,732) |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents | 32 | (595) |
| Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | (12,381) | (277) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of period | 53,065 | 37,235 |
| Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents due to change in scope of consolidation | 814 | 117 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period..... | 41,498 | 37,075 |

(4) Notes regarding going concerns:

No applicable items.

(5) Segment information

a. Business segments

Six-month period ended September 30, 2009 (April 1, 2009 – September 30, 2009)

Millions of yen, rounded down

| | Natural gas chemicals | Aromatic chemicals | Specialty chemicals | Information chemicals and advanced materials | Other | Total | Elimination/corporate | Consolidated |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--|-------|---------|-----------------------|--------------|
| Sales to outside customers | 52,866 | 43,528 | 54,471 | 29,556 | 347 | 180,770 | - | 180,770 |
| Inter-segment sales | 2,263 | 590 | 898 | 4 | 103 | 3,861 | (3,861) | - |
| Total | 55,129 | 44,119 | 55,370 | 29,561 | 451 | 184,632 | (3,861) | 180,770 |
| Operating income (loss) | (4,163) | (3,338) | 3,303 | 2,773 | 220 | (1,204) | 102 | (1,101) |

Six-month period ended September 30, 2008 (April 1, 2008 – September 30, 2008)

Millions of yen, rounded down

| | Natural gas chemicals | Aromatic chemicals | Specialty chemicals | Information chemicals and advanced materials | Other | Total | Elimination/corporate | Consolidated |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--|-------|---------|-----------------------|--------------|
| Sales to outside customers | 83,305 | 78,391 | 71,337 | 35,648 | 521 | 269,204 | - | 269,204 |
| Inter-segment sales | 4,676 | 874 | 1,233 | 10 | 115 | 6,910 | (6,910) | - |
| Total | 87,982 | 79,266 | 72,570 | 35,658 | 636 | 276,114 | (6,910) | 269,204 |
| Operating income (loss) | 866 | 1,531 | 3,074 | 4,220 | 341 | 10,032 | (412) | 9,620 |

Notes:

1. The main products of each segment are as follows:

Natural gas chemicals:

Methanol, ammonia, amines, methacrylate derivatives, polyols, enzymes and coenzymes, natural gas and crude oil

Aromatic chemicals:

Xylene isomers and xylene derivatives

Specialty chemicals:

Hydrogen peroxide and other industrial inorganic chemicals, electronic chemicals and engineering plastics

Information and advanced materials:

Printed circuit board materials, printed circuit boards and oxygen absorber (AGELESS®)

Other:

Real estate business, etc

2. Inventories held for sale in the ordinary course of business were previously stated based on the lower of cost or market method, with cost being determined by the average method, but from the first quarter of the current fiscal

year the Company has adopted the “Accounting Standard for Measurement of Inventories” (ASBJ Statement No. 9 of July 5, 2006), and accordingly such inventories are now mainly stated using the acquisition cost method, with cost being determined by the average method (in cases where the profitability has declined, book value is reduced accordingly).

As a result of this change, operating income of each segment for the six-month period ended September 30, 2009 decreased as follows:

| <i>Millions of yen, rounded down</i> | |
|--------------------------------------|-------|
| Natural gas chemicals | (203) |
| Aromatic chemicals | (170) |
| Specialty chemicals | (598) |
| Information and advanced materials | (201) |

3. From the first quarter of the current fiscal year, the Company and its domestic consolidated subsidiaries changed the estimated useful lives of machinery. As a result of this change, operating income of each segment for the six-month period ended September 30, 2009 increased (decreased) as follows:

| <i>Millions of yen, rounded down</i> | |
|--------------------------------------|-------|
| Natural gas chemicals | (37) |
| Aromatic chemicals | 117 |
| Specialty chemicals | (99) |
| Information and advanced materials | (200) |

b. Geographic Segments

Six-month period ended September 30, 2009 (April 1, 2009 – September 30, 2009)

| | | | | | <i>Millions of yen, rounded down</i> | |
|---|---------|--------|---------------|---------|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| | Japan | Asia | Other regions | Total | Corporate and Eliminations | Consolidated |
| Sales to outside customers | 156,287 | 15,491 | 8,991 | 180,770 | - | 180,770 |
| Inter-segment sales and transfers | 13,577 | 690 | 58 | 14,326 | (14,326) | - |
| Total | 169,865 | 16,182 | 9,049 | 195,097 | (14,326) | 180,770 |
| Operating income | (2,548) | 868 | 328 | (1,350) | 249 | (1,101) |

Six-month period ended September 30, 2008 (April 1, 2008 – September 30, 2008)

| | | | | | <i>Millions of yen, rounded down</i> | |
|---|---------|--------|---------------|---------|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| | Japan | Asia | Other regions | Total | Corporate and Eliminations | Consolidated |
| Sales to outside customers | 226,263 | 23,801 | 19,138 | 269,204 | - | 269,204 |
| Inter-segment sales and transfers | 20,877 | 2,508 | 716 | 24,101 | (24,101) | - |
| Total | 247,140 | 26,310 | 19,855 | 293,306 | (24,101) | 269,204 |
| Operating income | 8,154 | 1,612 | 22 | 9,789 | (169) | 9,620 |

Notes:

1. The major countries or regions in the respective divisions are as follows:

Asia: Korea, China, Taiwan, Singapore, Thailand and Indonesia
 Other: U.S.A.

2. Inventories held for sale in the ordinary course of business were previously stated based on the lower of cost or market method, with cost being determined by the average method, but from the first quarter of the current fiscal year the Company has adopted the “Accounting Standard for Measurement of Inventories” (ASBJ Statement No. 9 of July 5, 2006), and accordingly such inventories are now mainly stated using the acquisition cost method, with cost being determined by the average method (in cases where the profitability has declined, book value is reduced accordingly).

As a result, operating income in Japan for the six-month period ended September 31, 2009 decreased ¥1,173 million.

3. From the first quarter of the current fiscal year, the Company and its domestic consolidated subsidiaries changed the estimated useful lives of machinery.

As a result, operating income in Japan for the six-month period ended September 30, 2009 decreased ¥220 million.

4. Country and regional segments other than Japan were previously categorized as “Other regions”, but from the third quarter of the previous fiscal year, revenues from Asia accounted for more than 10% of the total, and the classification has therefore been changed to “Asia”.

The segment information for the six-month period ended September 30, 2008 announced on November 7, 2008 is as follows.

Six-month period ended September 30, 2008 (April 1, 2008 – September 30, 2008)

| | <i>Millions of yen, rounded down</i> | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------|----------------------------|--------------|
| | Japan | Other regions | Total | Corporate and Eliminations | Consolidated |
| Sales to outside customers | 226,263 | 42,940 | 269,204 | - | 269,204 |
| Inter-segment sales and transfers | 20,877 | 3,224 | 24,101 | (24,101) | - |
| Total | 247,140 | 46,165 | 293,306 | (24,101) | 269,204 |
| Operating income | 8,154 | 1,634 | 9,789 | (169) | 9,620 |

c. Overseas sales

Six-month period ended September 30, 2009 (April 1, 2009 – September 30, 2009)

| | <i>Millions of yen, rounded down</i> | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------|---------|
| | Asia | North and South America | Other | Total |
| Overseas sales | 64,067 | 12,662 | 3,172 | 79,903 |
| Consolidated sales | - | - | - | 180,770 |
| Percentage of overseas sales to consolidated sales..... | 35.4 | 7.0 | 1.8 | 44.2 |

Six-month period ended September 30, 2008 (April 1, 2008 – September 30, 2008)

| | <i>Millions of yen, rounded down</i> | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------|---------|
| | Asia | North and South America | Other | Total |
| Overseas sales | 69,573 | 21,164 | 6,392 | 97,130 |
| Consolidated sales | - | - | - | 269,204 |
| Percentage of overseas sales to consolidated sales..... | 25.8 | 7.9 | 2.4 | 36.1 |

Notes:

1. The major countries or regions in the respective divisions are as follows:

Asia: Thailand, Malaysia, India, Indonesia, Korea, China, Taiwan, and Singapore

North and South America: U.S.A., Mexico, and Brazil

Other: Europe, and Oceania

2. Overseas sales are based on the net sales of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries in countries or regions other than Japan.

(6) Notes on Significant Change in Stockholders' Equity:

No applicable items.

6. Other information

The Tokyo Metropolitan Government issued MGC with an administrative order to pay a fine in order to facilitate measures to prevent a public environmental hazard concomitant with dioxin soil pollution on land in Ota Ward, Tokyo that was formerly owned by MGC. Following an appeal court decision issued in August 2008 that dismissed MGC's appeal against the fine, MGC has submitted its appeal to the Supreme Court. MGC has allocated the necessary reserve for the fine paid to the Tokyo Metropolitan Government.