First Half Financial Results Outlook for FY2005



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1. Consolidated Financial Results for First Half of FY 2005 Ending March 31, 2006















Financial Summary

	1st Half of	1st Half of		
	FY2005	FY2004	Difference	Growth
Net Sales	688.4	619.5	69.0	11.1%
Operating Income	56.6	54.2	2.4	4.5%
(Equity in earnings of affiliates, included in ordinary income)	(14.9)	(9.5)	(5.4)	(57.0%)
Ordinary Income	72.0	63.9	8.1	12.7%
Net Income	39.4	30.5	8.8	28.8%
ROE	6.6%	5.9%		
Exchange Rate (yen/US\$)	109.52	109.80		
Naphtha Price (yen/KL)	38,000	30,200		



Net Sales by Segment

						Shipping
	1st Half of	1st Half of			Sales Price	Volume
	FY2005	FY2004	Difference	Growth	Variance	Variance
Basic Chemicals	116.9	111.4	5.5	4.9%	11.0	-5.5
Petrochemicals	229.7	193.3	36.4	18.8%	33.0	3.4
Fine Chemicals	37.2	41.5	-4.3	-10.4%	0.5	-4.8
IT-related Chemicals	100.3	84.2	16.1	19.1%	-10.0	26.1
Agricultural Chemicals	90.4	82.5	7.9	9.6%	-1.0	8.9
Pharmaceuticals	86.5	82.7	3.8	4.6%	0.0	3.8
Others	27.6	23.9	3.7	15.5%	0.0	3.7
Total	688.4	619.5	69.0	11.1%	33.5	35.5

Overseas Operations	276.5	232.1	44.5	19.2%
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Operating Income by Segment

	Basic	Petro-	Fine	IT-related	Agricultural	Pharma-		
	Chemicals	chemicals	Chemicals	Chemicals	Chemicals	ceuticals	Others	Total
Operating Income								
1st Half of FY2005	5.9	8.9	4.7	8.8	8.3	18.6	1.5	56.6
1st Half of FY2004	2.2	4.5	6.9	13.1	6.5	18.1	2.9	54.2
Difference	3.6	4.4	-2.2	-4.3	1.8	0.5	-1.4	2.4
Price Variance	6.0	3.0	-0.5	-10.0	-1.0	0.0	0.0	-2.5
Sales Price Variance	11.0	33.0	0.5	-10.0	-1.0	0.0	0.0	33.5
Purchase Price Variance	-5.0	-30.0	-1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-36.0
Cost Variance	-1.0	0.5	1.0	-0.5	-2.0	-2.0	0.0	-4.0
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FC	-1.0	-0.5	0.0	-5.5	-2.0	-2.0	0.0	-11.0
Shipping Volume Variance	-1.4	0.9	-2.7	6.2	4.8	2.5	-1.4	8.9
Total	3.6	4.4	-2.2	-4.3	1.8	0.5	-1.4	2.4



Elements of Major Costs

	1st Half of	1st Half of	
	FY2005	FY2004	Difference
Labor Costs	89.5	87.5	2.0
Maintenance Costs	20.6	18.5	2.1
Depreciation and Amortization	45.8	39.8	6.0
Research & Development Expenses	39.1	37.5	1.6
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Capital Expenditures	51.7	53.2	-1.5
Employees (at September 30)	20,632	19,935	697



Special Gains / Losses

	1st Half of	1st Half of	
	FY2005	FY2004	Difference
Gain on business transfer	4.5	-	4.5
Gain on sale of investment securities	1.9	0.6	1.3
Reversal of allowance for doubtful receivables	-	2.3	-2.3
Special Gains	6.4	2.9	3.6
Restructuring charges	3.3	1.7	1.5
Expenses for subsidiary merger	2.4	-	2.4
Impairment loss on fixed assets	-	2.1	-2.1
Special Losses	5.7	3.8	1.9
Special Gains / Losses	0.7	-0.9	1.7



Consolidated Balance Sheets

	30-Sep-05	31-Mar-05		30-Sep-05	31-Mar-05
Current Assets	733.6	694.6	Liabilities	1,039.9	971.9
Cash and cash equivalents	79.7	55.2	Trade notes and accounts	192.0	202.3
Trade notes and accounts	299.5	306.1	Short-term debt	140.5	120.2
Inventories	244.1	234.6	Long-term debt due within one year	38.7	43.5
Others	110.3	98.7	Long-term debt due after one year	355.8	307.0
Non-current Assets	1,032.9	954.2	Others	312.8	298.9
Property, plant and equipment	525.1	515.9	Minority interests in consolidated subsidiaries	98.1	107.3
Intangible assets	49.8	41.1	Shareholders' equity	628.5	569.6
Investment securities	394.3	349.0	Common stock	89.7	89.7
Others	63.6	48.2	Capital surplus	23.7	23.7
			Retained earnings	401.4	374.2
			Revaluation reserve	3.8	3.8
			Unrealized gains on investment securities	119.6	96.1
			Foreign currency translation adjustments	-8.4	-16.7
			Treasury stock, at cost	-1.3	-1.2
Total	1,766.5	1,648.8	Total	1,766.5	1,648.8

Interest-bearing debt balance	535.1	470.7

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

	1st Half of FY2005	1st Half of FY2004	Difference
Cash flows from operating activities	52.1	64.1	-12.0
Cash flows from investing activities	-76.6	-56.4	-20.2
Free cash flows	-24.6	7.7	-32.3
Cash flows from financing activities	48.3	-12.5	60.8
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	0.8	0.0	0.8
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	24.5	-4.8	29.3
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	79.7	39.6	40.1



Major Subsidiaries

Company	Net S	Sales	Operating Income	
Company	FY05.1H FY04.1H		Status	
The Polyolefin Company	52.4	37.8	Significantly improved due	
(Singapore)	32.T	37.0	to higher market price	
Petrochemical			Substantiallyimproved	
Corporation of		owing to higher market		
Singapore			price	
Dongwoo Fine-Chem	54.3	40.3	Slightly decreased due to	
Dongwoo STI	25.6	18.4	lower sales prices although shipments increased	
Dongwoo Optical Materials	11.2	9.4	Jampinienta increased	
Valent U.S.A. and	25.8	21.9	Improved owing to	
Subsidiaries	25.6 21.9 i		increased shipments	



2. Outlook for FY2005



Financial Summary

	FY2005 (estimated)	FY2004	Difference	Growth
Net Sales	1,540.0	1,296.3	243.7	18.8%
Operating Income	110.0	105.2	4.8	4.6%
(Equity in earnings of affiliates, included in ordinary income)	(23.0)	(26.7)	-3.7	(-13.8%)
Ordinary Income	125.0	123.5	1.5	1.2%
Net Income	79.0	64.5	14.5	22.6%
ROE	12.8%	12.0%		
Exchange Rate (yen/US\$)	109.76	107.55		
Naphtha Price (yen/KL)	42,500	32,200		



Net Sales by Segment

	FY2005				Sales Price	Shipping
	(estimated)	FY2004	Difference	Growth	Variance	Volume Variance
Basic Chemicals	240.0	225.8	14.2	6.3%	11.5	2.7
Petrochemicals	475.0	412.6	62.4	15.1%	57.0	5.4
Fine Chemicals	78.0	84.1	-6.1	-7.2%	0.5	-6.6
IT-related Chemicals	235.0	174.8	60.2	34.4%	-33.0	93.2
Agricultural Chemicals	185.0	171.6	13.4	7.8%	0.0	13.4
Pharmaceuticals	230.0	170.7	59.3	34.7%	0.0	59.3
Others	97.0	56.7	40.2	70.9%	0.0	40.2
Total	1,540.0	1,296.3	243.7	18.8%	36.0	207.7



Operating Income by Segment

	Basic	Petro-	Fine	IT-related	Agricultural	Pharma-		
	Chemicals	chemicals	Chemicals	Chemicals	Chemicals	ceuticals	Others	Total
Operating Income								
FY2005 (estimated)	11.0	15.0	9.0	23.0	17.0	31.0	4.0	110.0
FY2004	5.2	15.0	11.5	18.7	14.8	34.4	5.6	105.2
Difference	5.8	0.0	-2.5	4.3	2.2	-3.4	-1.6	4.8
Price Variance	7.0	-3.5	-1.0	-33.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-30.5
Sales Price Variance	11.5	57.0	0.5	-33.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	36.0
Purchase Price Variance	-4.5	-60.5	-1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-66.5
Cost Variance	-2.0	1.0	1.0	5.0	-3.0	-41.0	0.0	-39.0
VC	0.5	2.5	1.0	13.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	18.0
FC	-2.5	-1.5	0.0	-8.0	-4.0	-41.0	0.0	-57.0
Shipping Volume Variance	0.8	2.5	-2.5	32.3	5.2	37.6	-1.6	74.3
Total	5.8	0.0	-2.5	4.3	2.2	-3.4	-1.6	4.8



Elements of Major Costs

	FY2005 (estimated)	FY2004	Difference
Labor Costs	193.0	179.1	13.9
Maintenance Costs	43.0	37.6	5.4
Depreciation and Amortization	102.0	88.2	13.8
Research & Development Expenses	96.0	78.2	17.8
Capital Expenditures	120.0	125.8	-5.8
Employees (at March 31)	23,900	20,195	3,705

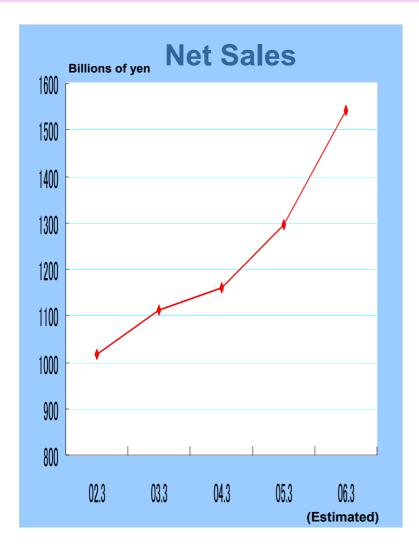


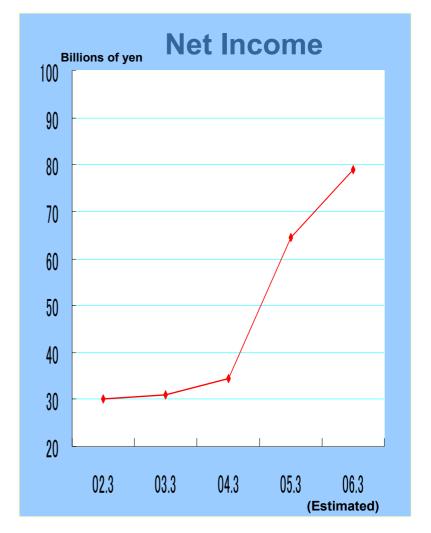
	FY2005		
	(estimated)	FY2004	Difference
Cash flows from operating activities	160.0	159.8	0.2
Cash flows from investing activities	-200.0	-117.9	-82.0
Free cash flows	-40.0	41.9	-81.9
Cash flows from financing activities	70.0	-31.2	101.2
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and			
cash equivalents	-	0.2	-0.2
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash			
equivalents	30.0	10.9	19.1
Interest-Bearing Debt Balance	570.0	470.7	99.3



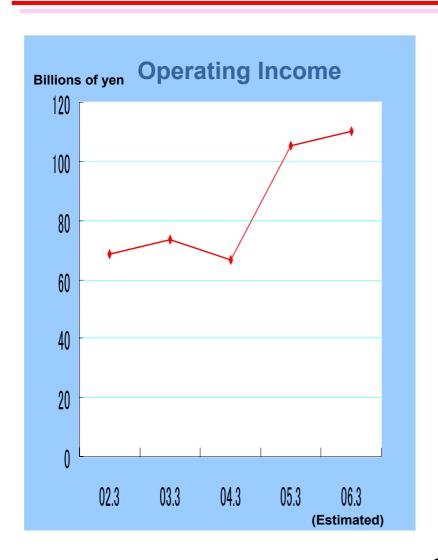
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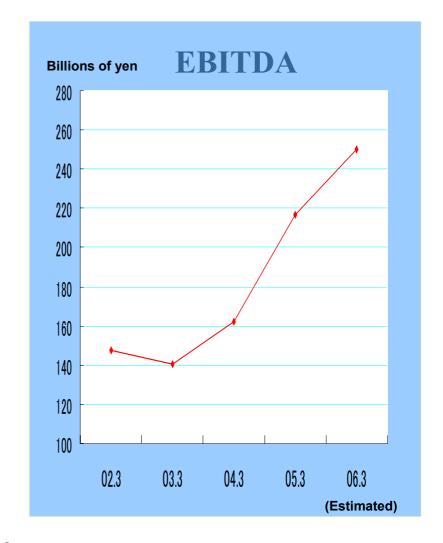




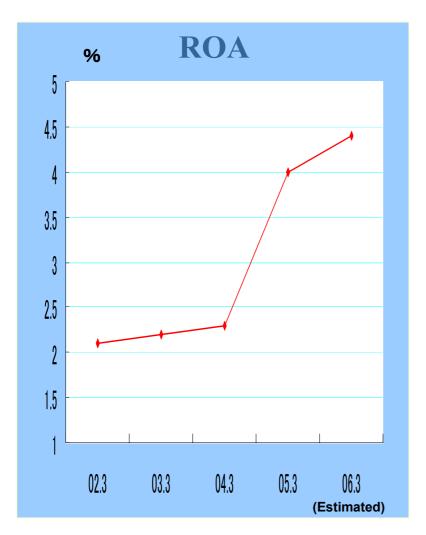


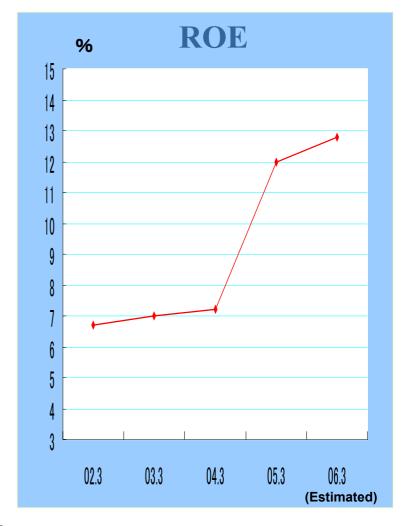




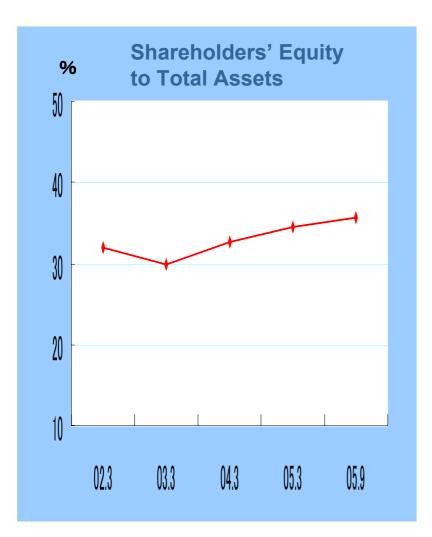


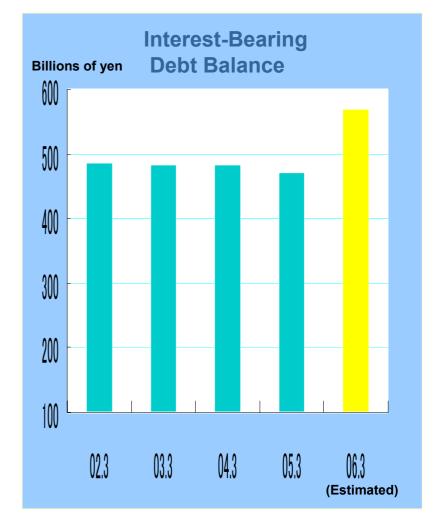














(Reference: Segment Information)



Capital Expenditures by Segment

	1st Half of	1st Half of	
	FY2005	FY2004	Difference
Basic Chemicals	6.2	4.1	2.1
Petrochemicals	7.5	4.8	2.6
Fine Chemicals	3.1	3.3	-0.2
IT-related Chemicals	14.7	21.2	-6.5
Agricultural Chemicals	5.9	6.2	-0.2
Pharmaceuticals	4.2	10.2	-6.0
Others	10.1	3.4	6.5
Total	51.7	53.2	-1.5



Depreciation and Amortization by Segment

	1st Half of	1st Half of	
	FY2005	FY2004	Difference
Basic Chemicals	5.4	5.5	-0.1
Petrochemicals	8.4	8.4	0.0
Fine Chemicals	3.1	2.9	0.2
IT-related Chemicals	9.8	7.4	2.4
Agricultural Chemicals	7.3	5.8	1.5
Pharmaceuticals	5.5	4.4	1.2
Others	6.2	5.4	0.9
Total	45.8	39.8	6.0



Research & Development Expenses by Segment

Unit; billions of yen

	1st Half of	1st Half of	
	FY2005	FY2004	Difference
Basic Chemicals	2.6	2.4	0.2
Petrochemicals	5.5	5.2	0.3
Fine Chemicals	2.2	2.0	0.2
IT-related Chemicals	6.0	4.3	1.8
Agricultural Chemicals	8.6	8.8	-0.2
Pharmaceuticals	13.4	14.1	-0.7
Others	0.8	0.7	0.1
Total	39.1	37.5	1.6

Corporate R&D expenses are allocated to each business segments.



Estimated Capital Expenditures by Segment

	FY2005		
	(estimated)	FY2004	Difference
Basic Chemicals	19.0	18.2	0.8
Petrochemicals	17.0	13.7	3.3
Fine Chemicals	6.0	7.5	-1.5
IT-related Chemicals	41.5	40.2	1.3
Agricultural Chemicals	8.5	18.0	-9.5
Pharmaceuticals	12.5	19.1	-6.6
Others	15.5	9.1	6.4
Total	120.0	125.8	-5.8



Estimated Depreciation and Amortization by Segment

	FY2005		
	(estimated)	FY2004	Difference
Basic Chemicals	13.5	10.8	2.7
Petrochemicals	19.0	17.8	1.2
Fine Chemicals	7.0	6.3	0.7
IT-related Chemicals	24.0	18.4	5.6
Agricultural Chemicals	14.0	12.1	1.9
Pharmaceuticals	13.5	10.5	3.0
Others	11.0	12.3	-1.3
Total	102.0	88.2	13.8

Estimated Research & Development Expenses by Segment

Unit; billions of yen

	FY2005		
	(estimated)	FY2004	Difference
Basic Chemicals	6.0	5.1	0.9
Petrochemicals	12.0	10.9	1.1
Fine Chemicals	4.0	4.4	-0.4
IT-related Chemicals	13.0	9.7	3.3
Agricultural Chemicals	19.0	18.6	0.4
Pharmaceuticals	41.0	28.1	12.9
Others	1.0	1.4	-0.4
Total	96.0	78.2	17.8

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