Business Results for the Second Quarter ended September 30, 2012

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Hitachi Construction Machinery Co., Ltd.



Masaki Fujita of the Technical Research Center (right), won a bronze medal in road cycling (time trial MC3), at the London Paralympics

Thank you very much for your support!

I. Summary of Consolidated Results



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- Net sales increased by 3% year-on-year, despite a substantial decrease in China, which was offset by the sales increase of mining machinery.
- Operating income increased by 2% year-on-year, helped by the sales increase in mining machinery and parts & service.
- Net income advanced by 194%, with 9.9 billion yen of extraordinary gain on the sale of TCM shares.

Billions of yen

		2nd Quarter	2nd Quarter	<u>-</u>
		of FY12	of FY11	Change
		(390.0)		
Net sa	ales	376.9	364.9	3%
		(23.0)		
Opera	ating income	20.9	20.4	2%
		(16.5)		
Ordina	ary income	13.7	17.8	-23%
		(18.5)		
Net in	icome	16.1	5.5	194%
_ YE	N/USD	79.48	79.50	
F YE	N/EUR	100.96	113.99	
YE	N/RMB	12.59	12.41	
Dividen	nd per share	20 yen	1 5 yen	5 yen

Note: Figures in () are forecast as of July 2012.

	2nd Quarter	2nd Quarter	Increase (Decrease)
	of FY12	of FY11	Amount	%
Net sales	376.9	364.9	12.0	3%
Cost of sales	279.5	268.6	10.9	4%
SGA expenses	76.4	75.9	0.5	1%
Operating income	20.9	20.4	0.5	2%
Non-operating income (loss)	(7.2)	(2.6)	(4.6)	177%
Ordinary income	13.7	17.8	(4.1)	-23%
Extraordinary income (loss)	8.6	(0.5)	9.1	-
Income taxes	3.9	8.2	(4.3)	-52%
Minority interests	(2.3)	(3.7)	1.4	-37%
Net income	16.1	5.5	10.6	194%

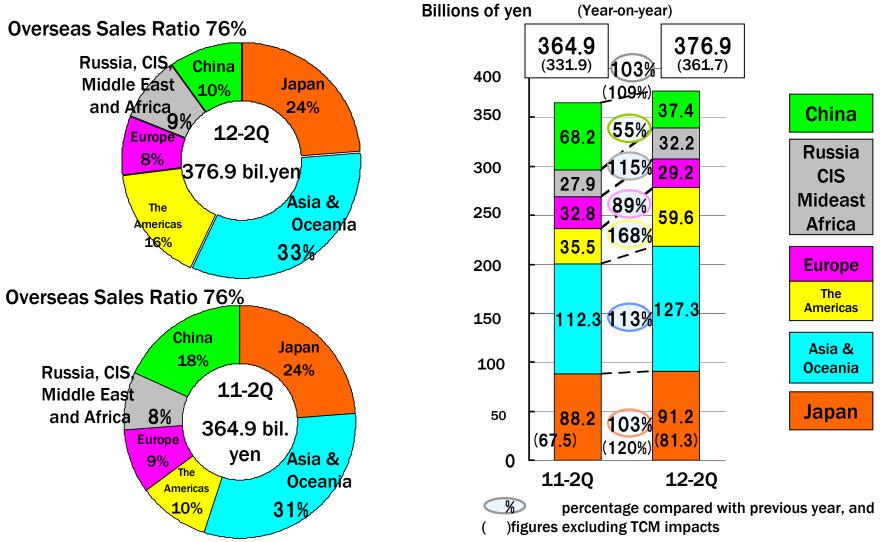
Sales by Geographic Region (Consolidated)





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- Sales drop in China was offset by the increase in Asia & Oceania, the Americas and Japan.
- Sales would increase by 9% to 361.7 billion yen in 2Q of FY12 from 331.9 billion yen in 2Q of FY11 if excluding the impact of TCM group.





	2nd Quarter		2nd Quarter		Increase (Decrease)
	of FY20	12	of FY2	2011	Amount	%
Net sales		376.9		364.9	12.0	3%
Cost of sales	(74.2%)	279.5	(73.6%)	268.6	10.9	4%
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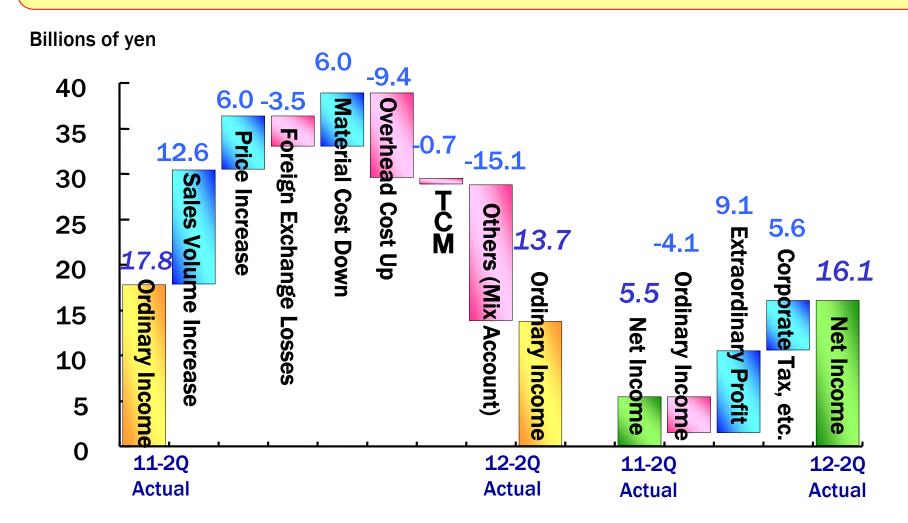
- Dividends/interest income declined, due to the volume drop of the Sales Finance in China.
- Foreign exchange gain declined, with the effects of a highly appreciated yen against the euro and emerging nations' currencies, such as Indian rupee and South African rand.

	2nd Quarter	2nd Quarter	
	of FY2012	of FY2011	Change
Dividends/interest income and expenses	(4.6)	(3.5)	(1.1)
Gain on equity earnings of affiliated companies	(0.1)	0.1	(0.2)
Foreign exchange gains, net	(2.4)	(1.2)	(1.2)
Others	(0.1)	2.0	(2.1)
Total	(7.2)	(2.6)	(4.6)



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- Profit increased by 12.6 billion yen due to the Sale Volume Increase.
- On the other hand, "Others (Mix Account)" reduced substantially, due to a drop in the composition ratio of sales in China.



Consolidated Balance Sheet





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- Notes and accounts receivable reduced by 85.1 billion yen, and on hand days decreased by 39 days.
- Inventories increased by 15.2 billion yen, and on hand days rose by 5 days.

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	(A) 12-2Q	(B) FY11	(C) 11-2Q	(A-B) Change
Cash and bank deposits	48.2	72.8	54.9	(24.6)
Notes and accounts receivable	174.4	238.5	166.5	(64.1)
Lease receivables and investment assets	99.3	120.3	119.2	(21.0)
Inventories	284.1	268.9	243.8	15.2
Others	62.3	51.8	55.1	10.5
Total current assets	668.3	752.3	639.5	(84.0)
Property, plant and equipment	242.9	244.9	224.7	(2.0)
Intangible assets	34.8	40.8	42.9	(6.0)
Others	57.7	48.2	45.2	9.5
Total fixed assets	335.3	333.8	312.7	1.5
Total assets	1,003.6	1,086.1	952.2	(82.5)

	(D) 12-2Q	(E) FY11	(F) 11-2Q	(D-E) Change
Notes and accounts payable	162.2	192.9	161.0	(30.7)
Others	287.8	327.2	234.0	(39.4)
Total current liabilities	450.0	520.1	395.0	(70.1)
Total non-current liabilities	182.4	197.3	217.3	(14.9)
Total liabilities	632.4	717.3	612.3	(84.9)
Minority interests Common stock,	44.3	45.4	41.7	(1.1)
capital surplus, and	362.7	349.8	335.4	12.9
Others	(35.8)	(26.4)	(37.1)	(9.4)
(Shareholders' equity ratio)	(32.5%)	(29.7%)	(31.2%)	(2.8%)
Total net assets	371.2	368.8	340.0	2.4
Total liabilities and net assets	1,003.6	1,086.1	952.2	(82.5)

On hand days (divided by net sales) Day						
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Inventories	125	120	112	5		
Notes and accounts payable	71	86	69	(15)		
Net working capital	175	194	175	(19)		

	(35.0%)	(35.8%)	(35.2%)	(-0.8%)
Interest-bearing debt	351.3	388.9	335.6	(37.6)
Cash and cash equivalents	63.6	81.2	56.3	(17.6)
(Deposit)	15.4	8.4	1.4	7.0
Interest-bearing debt, net	(28.7%)	(28.3%)	(29.3%)	(0.4%)
Debt	287.7	307.7	279.4	(20.0)

Note: On hand days for notes and accounts receivable includes lease receivable and investment assets.

Net D/E Ratio	0.88	0.95	0.94	(0.07)
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Consolidated Cash Flows



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- CF from operating activities increased despite inventory boost, supported by a significant decrease in accounts receivable and lease receivable.
- Among CF from financing activities, 8.9 billion yen was provided by net of sale of TCM equity, investment and loan to UniCareer.
- 23.7 billion yen of capital expenditure was spent, mainly by HCM.

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	FY12	FY12 2Q		2Q	Change	
	Actu	ıal	Actu	al	Chan	ge
Income before taxes and minority interest		22.3		17.4		4.9
Depreciation and amortization	39.7	17.4	36.3	18.9	3.4	(1.5)
(Increase) decrease in notes and accounts receivable		39.3		4.4		34.9
(Increase) decrease in lease receivable and investment assets		12.0		4.2		7.8
(Increase) decrease in inventories		(38.9)		(65.9)		27.0
(Increase) decrease in notes and accounts payable	9.9	(2.5)	(31.1)	26.2	41.0	(28.7)
Income taxes paid		(13.8)		(9.2)		(4.6)
Others, net		(9.7)		(6.7)		(3.0)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating ativities		26.1		(10.7)		36.8
Net cas used in investing activities		(11.4)		(14.6)		3.2
Free Cash Flows		14.7		(25.3)		40.0
Net increase (decrease) in short-term loans		(8.4)		21.9		(30.3)
Net increase (decrease) in long-term loans	(17.1)	(8.7)	22.7	0.8	(39.8)	(9.5)
Dividends paid to shareholders		(6.1)		(5.2)		(0.9)
Interest paid, others	(12.7)	(6.6)	(12.1)	(6.9)	(0.6)	0.3
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		(29.8)		10.6		(40.4)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		(3.5)		(4.4)		0.9
Net increase/decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(18.5)		(19.1)		0.6
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		81.1		74.7		6.4
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year		62.5		55.6		6.9
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II. Consolidated Earnings Forecast



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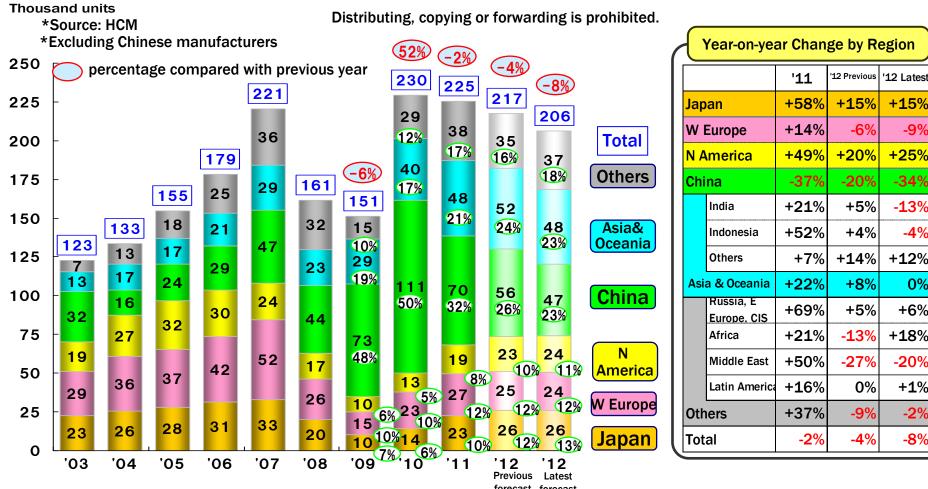
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- The forecast for China was revised down by 9,000 units to 47,000 units (34% decrease year-on-year), with reversal timing of demand in China being deferred to next fiscal year.
- The forecast for India was also revised down by 3,000 units to 13,000 units (13% decrease year-on-year).
- As a result, the global forecast was revised down by 11,000 units from the previous forecast and by 19,000 units (or 8%) from the actual demand in the previous fiscal year.

Global Demand Trend for Hydraulic Excavator



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Summary of Consolidated Earnings Forecasts





- Net sales were revised down by 80 billion yen from the previous forecast to 740 billion yen (9% decrease year-on-year), due to sales declines in China and mining machinery.
- Operating income was revised down, despite efforts such as price hike and reduced costs to cover the sales drop, by 16 billion ven from the previous forecast to 56 billion ven (2% increase year-on-year)

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		FY12	FY11	
		Forecast	Actual	Change
		(820.0)		
Net sales		740.0	817.1	-9%
		(72.0)		
Opearting income		56.0	54.8	2%
		(62.0)		
Ordinary income		45.0	51.7	-13%
		(40.0)		
Net income		33.0	23.0	43%
F X	YEN/USD	78.76	78.85	
	YEN/EUR	100.45	108.95	
	YEN/RMB	12.42	12.41	
Dividend per share		40 200	30 ven	10 ven
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Note: Figures in () are forecast as of July 2012.

Exchange rates in and after the 3rd quarter of FY12:

(YEN/USD) 78.00 100.00 (YEN/EUR) 12.30 (YEN/RMB)

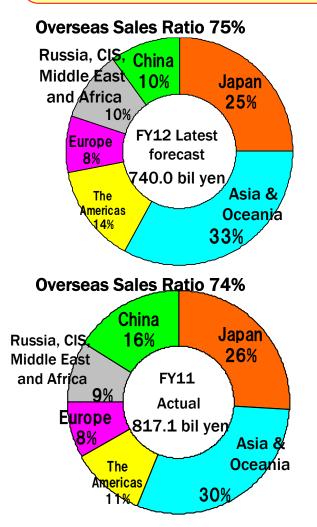
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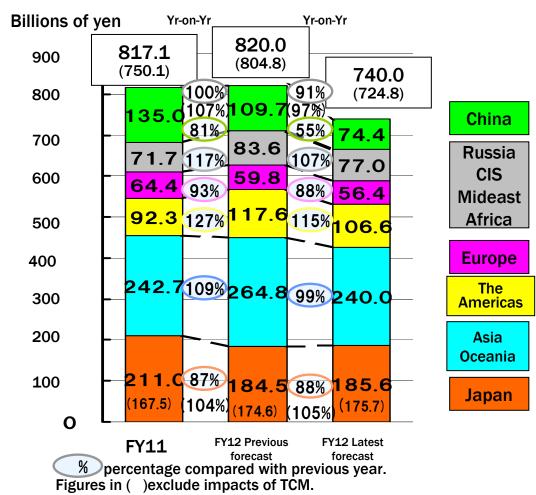




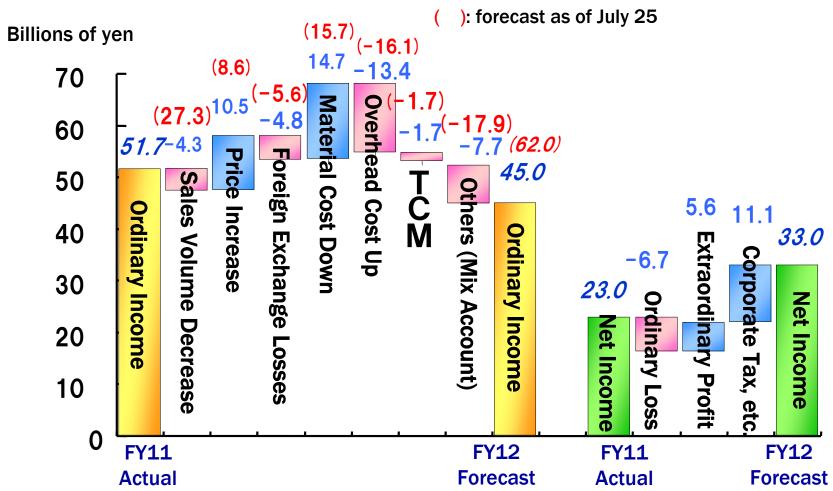
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- Sales forecast for China was revised down by 35.3 billion yen from the previous forecast to 74.4 billion yen (45% decrease year-on-year).
- Sales forecast for Asia & Oceania was revised down by 24.8 billion yen from the previous forecast to 240 billion yen (1% decrease year-on-year). This is mainly due to a drop in mining machinery.





- Ordinary Income was revised down with sales volume decrease of 31.6 billion yen.
- Meanwhile, profits are expected to be improved, supported by price increase and cost down in the Americas and Japan.



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