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Summary of Consolidated Financial Results for the First Quarter of the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2023 [Japanese GAAP]

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(Amounts are rounded down to the nearest one million yen.)

1. Consolidated Financial Results for the First Quarter of the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2023 (April 1, 2022 to June 30, 2022) (1) Consolidated Financial Results (Percentages indicate the change against the same period of the previous fiscal year.)

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	Net sale	es	Operating p	orofit	Ordinary profit Profit attribut owners of p				
	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	
3 months ended June 30, 2022	10,601	-	1,070	-	1,071	-	732	-	
3 months ended May 31, 2021	7,709	19.8	739	40.5	754	43.7	503	38.1	

(Note) Comprehensive income FY 3/2023 1Q: ¥738 million (-%) FY 3/2022 1Q: ¥510 million (29.6%)

	Net income per share	Diluted net income per share
	Yen	Yen
3 months ended June 30, 2022	62.02	61.72
3 months ended May 31, 2021	42.73	42.54

Note 1. We changed the account closing date from the last day of February to March 31 in the term ended March 31, 2022. Accordingly, the period of the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023 (April 1 to June 30, 2022) is different from the period of the first quarter of the term ended March 31, 2022 (March 1 to May 31, 2021). Therefore, year-on-year increase/decrease rates are not written.

Note 2. We have been applying the "Accounting Standard for Revenue Recognition (ASBJ Statement No. 29; March 31, 2020)," etc. from the beginning of the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023. The figures in the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023 are those after the application of said accounting standard, etc. Therefore, year-on-year increase/decrease rates are not written.

(2) Consolidated Financial Position

		Total assets	Net assets	Equity ratio		
		Millions of yen	Millions of yen	%		
	As of June 30, 2022	14,229	8,486	58.9		
	As of March 31, 2022	16,543	8,404	50.2		
(]	(Reference) Equity capital: FY 3/2023 1Q: ¥8,381 million FY 3/2022: ¥8,303 million					

2. Dividends

		Dividends per share								
	End of the 1Q	End of the 1Q End of the 2Q End of the 3Q Year-end Annual								
	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen					
Year ended March 31, 2022	-	0.00	-	40.00	40.00					
Year ending March 31, 2023	-									
Year ending March 31, 2023 (Forecast)		0.00	-	50.00	50.00					

Note: Revision of forecast for dividend recently announced: No

3. Forecast of Consolidated Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2023 (April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023)

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		(Percentages indicate the change against the same period of the previous fiscal year.)								
	Net sales Ope		Operating profit Ordinary prof		Ordinary profit		Profit attributable to owners of parent		Net income per share	
	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Yen	
First half (cumulative total)	22,736	-	1,639	-	1,638	-	1,103	-	93.38	
Year ending March 31, 2023	50,019	-	4,642	-	4,640	-	3,173	-	268.73	

Note 1. Revision of forecast for consolidated financial results recently announced: No

Note 2. We changed the account closing date from the last day of February to March 31 in the term ended March 31, 2022.

Accordingly, the period of the second quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023 (April 1 to September 30, 2022) is different from the period of the second quarter of the term ended March 31, 2022 (March 1 to August 31, 2021). Therefore, year-on-year

increase/decrease rates are not written. The term ended March 31, 2022 spans 13 months due to the change in the accounting period, so year-on-year increase/decrease rates of annual figures are not written.

*Notes

(1) Changes in significant subsidiaries during the period: None

(2) Application of the accounting procedures for producing quarterly consolidated financial statements: None

(3) Changes in accounting policies, accounting estimates and restatements:

- 1) Changes in accounting policies due to revisions of accounting standards: Yes
- 2) Changes in accounting policies due to reasons other than above 1): None
- 3) Changes in accounting estimates:
- 4) Restatements:

(4) Number of outstanding shares (common stock)

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1) Number of outstanding shares (including treasury	As of June	12,590,800 shares	As of March	12,583,400 shares			
shares) at end of term	30, 2022		31, 2022				
2) Number of treasury shares at end of term	As of June	775,425 shares	As of March	775,825 shares			
	30, 2022		31, 2022				
3) Average number of shares during the period	As of June	11,807,996 shares	3 months	11,793,248 shares			
(during the quarter)	30, 2022		ended May				
			31, 2021				

None

None

Note: The shares in the Company possessed by Custody Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust E) (1Q of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023: 46,600 shares / fiscal year ended March 31, 2022: 47,000 shares) are included in the number of treasury shares at end of term as a trust asset of the stock benefit trust (J-ESOP). In addition, the shares in the Company possessed by Custody Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust E) are included in the treasury shares to be deducted in the calculation of the average number of shares during the period (1Q of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023: 46,823 shares / 1Q of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2022: 47,327 shares).

*Summary of financial results is out of scope of quarterly review by certified public accountant or audit corporation.

*Cautionary statement regarding forecasts of operating results and special notes

Forward-looking statements in these materials are based on information currently available to the Company and assumptions that the Company believes are reasonable. These statements are not promise by the Company regarding future performance. Actual results may differ significantly from these statements for a number of reasons. For information on the forecasts and cautions when using these forecasts, please see "(3) Explanation Regarding Future Forecast Information Including Forecast of Consolidated Financial Results of 1. Qualitative Information" on page 4.

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1. Qualitative Information

(1) Explanation of Financial Results

The Company changed its fiscal year end from the last day of February to March 31 by the resolution to change a part of the Article of Incorporation at the annual general meeting of shareholders held on May 28, 2021. As a transitional measure, fiscal year ended March 31, 2022 was a 13-month period from March 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022. Accordingly, the period of the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023 (April 1 to June 30, 2022) is different from the period of the first quarter of the term ended March 31, 2022 (March 1 to May 31, 2021). Therefore, year-on-year increase/decrease and their rates are not written. In addition, we have been applying the "Accounting Standard for Revenue Recognition (ASBJ Statement No. 29; March 31, 2020); hereinafter the 'Revenue Recognition Accounting Standard,'" etc. since the beginning of the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023. Accordingly, the figures in the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023 are those after the application of the Revenue Recognition Accounting Standard, etc. For the details of the application of the Revenue Recognition Accounting Policies) of (3) Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in 2. Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes."

In the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023, the Japanese economy saw the sluggish recovery of consumer spending and corporate earnings, due to the skyrocketing of prices of resources, including crude oil, the rapid weakening of the yen, etc. In the latter half of the first quarter, the outlook for the domestic economy became more uncertain, due to the concern over the resurgence of COVID-19, etc.

The outlook for the global economy, too, was more uncertain than before, due to the skyrocketing of prices of commodities, including natural resources, in the wake of Russia's invasion into Ukraine, etc. although there was a sign of recovery of economic activities mainly in Europe and the U.S. after many people were vaccinated against COVID-19.

In this situation, the environment surrounding the Japanese human resource service industry showed a gentle recovery and the impact of COVID-19 on economic activities weakened gradually. However, in the latter half of the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023, there was concern over the resurgence of COVID-19 due to new variants.

Under such a business environment, our corporate group actively promoted businesses, mainly business process outsourcing section, like in the previous fiscal year.

In the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023, the clerical human resource services business steadily received orders for continuous and new projects from local governments and leading BPO business operators and orders for BPO projects and new CRM projects from new clients, while the manufacturing human resource services business increased new clients through the 6 footholds established in the previous fiscal year, so the amount of orders grew in the manufacturing and processing category and the food processing category. Regarding the sales human resource services business, the impact of COVID-19 subsided, so we strived to expand the business, but could not produce sufficient results.

As a result, net sales in the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023 were 10,601,721 thousand yen, as the clerical human resource services business steadily received orders from local governments and leading BPO business operators and the manufacturing human resource services business had a healthy amount of orders.

In terms of profit, operating profit was 1,070,287 thousand yen, ordinary profit was 1,071,132 thousand yen, and profit attributable to owners of parent was 732,368 thousand yen, due to the net sales growth and the receipt of orders for profitable projects.

(Clerical human resource services business)

The business process outsourcing section kept receiving orders for continuous and new projects from local governments and leading BPO business operators, and the customer relationship management section increased new clients and the amount of orders from existing clients. In addition, in the office services section, the number of transactions for dispatching office workers to financial institutions was healthy although the scale of large-scale spot transactions shrank. As a result, net sales of this business were 9,072,227 thousand yen. In terms of profit, operating profit was 1,019,121 thousand yen, as the amount of orders increased, we received new orders for profitable projects, and made efforts to rationalize and cut down the expenses for increasing registered workers and recruiting workers.

a) Business process outsourcing

Net sales of this section were 6,755,787 thousand yen, because we were able to secure the amount of orders for continuous projects and started transactions with new local governments as we made efforts to increase orders for

continuous projects, social security and tax number projects, and benefit projects from local governments, leading BPO business operators, etc.

(b) Customer relationship management

Net sales of this section were 1,024,425 thousand yen, as we received a favorable number of orders for call center operations, etc. from new clients in Sapporo, Sendai, Fukuoka, and Okinawa and increased the amount of orders from existing clients, including telemarketing business operators.

(c) Office services

Net sales of this section were 1,292,014 thousand yen, as we steadily received orders for staffing from financial institutions and orders from local governments, etc. although the scale of large-scale spot transactions shrank.

(Manufacturing human resource services business)

Net sales of this business were 1,238,185 thousand yen, as the amount of orders steadily increased in both the manufacturing and processing category and the food processing category, thanks to the efforts to increase new clients, mainly targeting affiliated enterprises of existing clients. In terms of profit, operating profit was 49,914 thousand yen, as the amount of orders grew.

(Sales human resource services business)

Net sales of this business were 214,288 thousand yen, as we actively conducted marketing to increase new clients and strived to increase the share of existing clients since the impact of COVID-19 subsided, but could not produce sufficient results. In terms of profit, we strived to reduce expenses for increasing registered workers, etc., but posted an operating loss of 7,660 thousand yen.

(Other services)

This business is the automobile management business of Tokyo Vehicle Management Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of Japan Business Service Co., Ltd. Net sales of this business were healthy and amounted to 77,019 thousand yen. Operating profit was 8,912 thousand yen.

(2) Explanation of Financial Position

(Assets)

Total assets at the end of the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023 are 14,229,945 thousand yen, down 2,314,043 thousand yen from the end of the previous fiscal year. This is due mainly to a decrease of 2,682,310 thousand yen in "Notes and accounts receivable - trade, and contract assets" ("Notes and accounts receivable - trade" at the end of the previous fiscal year).

(Liabilities)

Total liabilities at the end of the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023 are 5,743,826 thousand yen, down 2,395,658 thousand yen from the end of the previous fiscal year. This is due mainly to a decrease of 989,087 thousand yen in "Income taxes payable," of 891,490 thousand yen in "Accounts payable - other" and of 278,422 thousand yen in "Other" in the "Current liabilities" section including "Accrued expenses" and "Accrued consumption taxes" despite an increase of 54,000 thousand yen in "Short-term borrowings."

(Net assets)

Total net assets at the end of the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023 are 8,486,118 thousand yen, up 81,614 thousand yen from the end of the previous fiscal year. This is due mainly to an increase of 69,686 thousand yen in "Retained earnings" (up 732,368 thousand yen in "Profit attributable to owners of parent" and down 474,183 thousand yen due to the payment of dividends and 188,498 thousand yen after the application of the Revenue Recognition Accounting Standard, etc.) and of 15,887 thousand yen in "Share acquisition rights."

(3) Explanation Regarding Future Forecast Information Including Forecast of Consolidated Financial Results

There are no revisions to the forecast for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023, which was announced on May 13, 2022.

2. Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes

(1) Consolidated Balance Sheets

		(Unit: Thousands of yen)
Acceta	As of March 31, 2022	As of June 30, 2022
Assets Current assets		
Cash and deposits	7,031,627	7,521,094
Notes and accounts receivable - trade	7,962,411	7,521,094
Notes and accounts receivable - trade, and contract assets	7,902,411	5,280,101
Inventories	4,422	
Income taxes receivable	4,422	3,189 2,869
Other	- 330,644	330,215
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(2,139)	(1,100)
Total current assets		
	15,326,967	13,136,370
Non-current assets	290.207	255 272
Property, plant and equipment	280,207	255,273
Intangible assets	134,667	120,245
Investments and other assets	802,147	718,056
Total non-current assets	1,217,021	1,093,574
Total assets	16,543,988	14,229,945
Liabilities		
Current liabilities		
Short-term borrowings	36,000	90,000
Current portion of bonds payable	30,000	30,000
Current portion of long-term borrowings	284,960	261,621
Accounts payable - other	3,329,102	2,437,612
Income taxes payable	1,151,452	162,365
Provision for bonuses	220,823	120,922
Provision for loss on order received	117,249	-
Other	2,204,761	1,926,338
Total current liabilities	7,374,350	5,028,859
Non-current liabilities		
Bonds payable	50,000	50,000
Long-term borrowings	579,740	527,220
Provision for share-based remuneration	19,299	18,934
Retirement benefit liability	2,987	2,036
Asset retirement obligations	81,098	83,288
Other	32,008	33,487
Total non-current liabilities	765,134	714,966
Total liabilities	8,139,485	5,743,826
— Net assets		
Shareholders' equity		
Share capital	397,601	400,567
Capital surplus	238,029	241,036
Retained earnings	8,139,222	8,208,909
Treasury shares	(478,733)	(478,431)
Total shareholders' equity	8,296,120	8,372,080
Accumulated other comprehensive income		0,2,0 0 0
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	7,775	9,583
Total accumulated other comprehensive income	7,775	9,583
Share acquisition rights	34,265	50,152
Non-controlling interests		
	66,342 8 404 503	54,301
Total net assets	8,404,503	8,486,118
Total liabilities and net assets	16,543,988	14,229,945

(2) Consolidated Statements of Income and Statements of Comprehensive Income

Consolidated Statements of Income

For the first quarter

		(Unit: Thousands of yen)
	Three months ended May 31, 2021	Three months ended June 30, 2022
Net sales	7,709,398	10,601,721
Cost of sales	5,854,783	8,324,737
Gross profit	1,854,615	2,276,984
Selling, general and administrative expenses	1,115,459	1,206,697
Operating profit	739,155	1,070,287
Non-operating income		
Interest income	4	2
Subsidy income	16,836	1,610
Other	120	310
Total non-operating income	16,962	1,922
Non-operating expenses		
Interest expenses	1,061	994
Other	127	82
Total non-operating expenses	1,188	1,077
Ordinary profit	754,929	1,071,132
Profit before income taxes	754,929	1,071,132
Income taxes-current	229,990	166,365
Income taxes-deferred	19,176	168,435
Total income taxes	249,166	334,801
Profit	505,763	736,330
Profit attributable to non-controlling interests	1,791	3,962
Profit attributable to owners of parent	503,971	732,368

Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

For the first quarter

-		(Unit: Thousands of yen)
	Three months ended May 31, 2021	Three months ended June 30, 2022
Profit	505,763	736,330
Other comprehensive income		
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	5,010	1,808
Total other comprehensive income	5,010	1,808
Comprehensive income	510,773	738,139
Comprehensive income attributable to		
Comprehensive income attributable to owners of parent	508,981	734,176
Comprehensive income attributable to non-controlling interests	1,791	3,962

(3) Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

(Notes Relating to Going Concern Assumption) None applicable.

(Notes on Significant Changes in Shareholders' Equity) None applicable.

(Changes in Accounting Policies)

(Application of Accounting Standard for Revenue Recognition, etc.)

The Company adopted the "Accounting Standard for Revenue Recognition (ASBJ Statement No. 29; March 31, 2020); hereinafter the 'Revenue Recognition Accounting Standard,'" etc. at the beginning of the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023. In order to recognize the amount expected to be received in exchange for the promised goods or services as revenue when the control of the promised goods or services is transferred to a customer, the Company has changed its method so that we estimate the degree of completion related to fulfillment of performance obligations and recognize revenue over a certain period based on such degree of completion.

Specifically, the Company previously recognized the amount after inspection by a customer as revenue. However, from the beginning of the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023, the Company will primarily recognize revenue for each month by prorating the contract amount by the number of months of the entire contract period.

As for the application of the Revenue Recognition Accounting Standard, etc., in accordance with the transitional treatment prescribed in the proviso of Paragraph 84 of the Revenue Recognition Accounting Standard, the cumulative effect of retrospective application of the new accounting policy prior to the beginning of the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023 was reflected in retained earnings at the beginning of the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023, and the new accounting policies were applied to the beginning balance of the current fiscal year. However, the new accounting policies were not applied retrospectively to contract projects for which almost all revenues were recognized in accordance with the previous treatment prior to the beginning of the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023, in accordance with the method prescribed in Paragraph 86 of the Revenue Recognition Accounting Standard. In addition, the Company has applied the method prescribed in Paragraph 86, Item (1) of the Revenue Recognition Accounting Standard and conducted accounting for changes in contracts made prior to the beginning of the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023 based on the contract terms after reflecting all contract changes, and the cumulative effect of such changes has been reflected in retained earnings at the beginning of the term ending March 31, 2023.

As a result of the application of the new accounting policies from the beginning of the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023, net sales increased 554,712 thousand yen, operating profit and ordinary profit increased 183,589 thousand yen, and profit attributable to owners of parent increased 127,374 thousand yen in the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023. However, the impact of this change on the consolidated financial statements for the current fiscal year is immaterial because most of the contracted projects were inspected by the end of March 2023, the end of the current fiscal year. The application of the new accounting policies resulted in a decrease of 188,498 thousand yen in retained earnings at the beginning of the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023.

Due to the application of the Revenue Recognition Accounting Standard, etc., "Notes and accounts receivable - trade," which was included in the "Current assets" section in the consolidated balance sheet for the previous fiscal year, is included in "Notes and accounts receivable - trade, and contract assets" from the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023. In accordance with the transitional treatment prescribed in Paragraph 89-2 of the Revenue Recognition Accounting Standard, no reclassification has been made for the previous consolidated fiscal year using the new presentation. Furthermore, in accordance with the transitional treatment prescribed in Paragraph 28-15 of the "Accounting Standard for Quarterly Financial Reporting (ASBJ Statement No. 12; March 31, 2020)," information that breaks down revenue from contracts with customers for the first quarter of the previous fiscal year is not presented.

(Application of Accounting Standard for Fair Value Measurement)

The "Accounting Standard for Fair Value Measurement (ASBJ Statement No. 30; July 4, 2019); hereinafter the 'Fair Value

Measurement Accounting Standard," etc. have been applied since the beginning of the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023, and the Company has decided to prospectively apply the new accounting policies prescribed by the Fair Value Measurement Accounting Standard, etc., in accordance with the transitional treatment prescribed by Paragraph 19 of the Fair Value Measurement Accounting Standard and Paragraph 44-2 of the "Accounting Standard for Financial Instruments (ASBJ Statement No. 10; July 4, 2019)."

In addition, the "Implementation Guidance on Accounting Standard for Fair Value Measurement (ASBJ Guidance No. 31; June 17, 2021); hereinafter the 'Guidance on Accounting Standard for Fair Value Measurement" has been applied since the beginning of the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023, and the Company has decided to apply the new accounting policies prescribed by the Guidance on Accounting Standard for Fair Value Measurement prospectively in accordance with the transitional treatment prescribed in Paragraph 27-2 of the Guidance on Accounting Standard for Fair Value Measurement.

This change has no impact on the quarterly consolidated financial statements.

(Additional Information)

(Impact of COVID-19)

There are no material changes in the assumptions related to the impact of the COVID-19, which were written in the (Additional Information: Impact of COVID-19) of Securities Report for the previous consolidated fiscal year.

(Segment Information, etc.)

[Segment Information]

I For the first quarter ended May 31, 2021 (March 1, 2021 - May 31, 2021)

1. Information on sales and income (loss) by reporting segments

(Unit: Thousands of yen								
		Reporting	segments					
	Clerical human resource services business	Manufacturing human resource services business	Sales human resource services business	Total	Other ^(Note 1)	Amount on the consolidated statements of income ^(Note 2)		
Net sales								
To outside customers	6,406,621	916,730	310,858	7,634,210	75,188	7,709,398		
Intersegment sales and transfers	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Total	6,406,621	916,730	310,858	7,634,210	75,188	7,709,398		
Segment income	701,891	22,391	7,134	731,417	7,737	739,155		

Note: 1. "Other" is the automobile management business of Tokyo Vehicle Management Co., Ltd., which is not a reporting segment.

Note: 2. The segment income matches operating profit in the consolidated statements of income.

2. Information on impairment loss, goodwill, etc. in non-current assets by reporting segments None applicable.

II For the first quarter ended June 30, 2022 (April 1, 2022 - June 30, 2022)

1. Information on sales and income (loss) by reporting segments

(Unit: Thousands of yen)

	Reporting segments					
	Reporting segments					Amount on the
	Clerical human resource services business	Manufacturing human resource services business	Sales human resource services business	Total	Other ^(Note 1)	consolidated statements of income ^(Note 2)
Net sales						
Dispatch of workers	5,376,247	1,234,783	4,964	6,615,995	-	6,615,995
Undertaking of tasks	3,679,597	-	209,324	3,888,921	77,019	3,965,941
Dispatch of workers to be employed as full-time employees	988	-	-	988	-	988
Introduction of workers	15,393	3,402	-	18,795	-	18,795
Revenues from contracts with customers	9,072,227	1,238,185	214,288	10,524,701	77,019	10,601,721
To outside customers	9,072,227	1,238,185	214,288	10,524,701	77,019	10,601,721
Intersegment sales and transfers	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	9,072,227	1,238,185	214,288	10,524,701	77,019	10,601,721
Segment income (loss)	1,019,121	49,914	(7,660)	1,061,374	8,912	1,070,287

Note: 1. "Other" is the automobile management business of Tokyo Vehicle Management Co., Ltd., which is not a reporting segment.

Note: 2. The segment income (loss) matches operating profit in the consolidated statements of income.

2. Information on impairment loss, goodwill, etc. in non-current assets by reporting segments

None applicable.

3. Items regarding the change in the reporting segments

As mentioned in (Changes in Accounting Policies), we have been applying the Revenue Recognition Accounting Standard, etc. since the beginning of the first quarter of the term ending March 31, 2023, changing the processing method for revenue recognition. Accordingly, we have changed the method for calculating the profit and loss of reporting segments