

Notice Regarding Revisions to the Full-year Earnings Forecast and Dividend Forecast

We hereby announce that we have revised the forecast for the fiscal year ending March 2025 (April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025), which was announced on August 6, 2024. This is based on recent business performance trends and current outlook.

Details are as follows:

1. Revisions to Earnings Forecast

Revisions to the consolidated financial results forecast for the fiscal year ending March 2025 (April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025)

	Net Sales	Operating income	Ordinary income	Profit attributable to owners of parent	Net profit per share
	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	Yen
Previously published forecast* (A) <small>* announced on August 6, 2024</small>	48,700	8,800	8,600	6,000	294.16
Forecasts announced this time (B)	46,000	8,000	7,700	5,000	246.99
Increase/Decrease (B-A)	△2,700	△800	△900	△1,000	
Percentage change (%)	△5.5	△9.1	△10.5	△16.7	
For reference: Results for the previous fiscal year (fiscal year ended March 2024)	36,423	2,933	2,914	2,060	100.43

2. Reasons for the Revisions to Earnings Forecast

In the test socket field, sales of products for smartphones and PCs were strong, but sluggish in the third quarter due to the early shipment in the first half of the year. In the burn-in socket field, products for logic semiconductors used in automotive ADAS were strong in the first half of the year, but slowed in the third quarter. Additionally, MCU products were affected by inventory adjustments in the market. Products for memory semiconductors also grew significantly compared to the same period last year due to the resumption of investment in DRAM targeting data centers, including AI applications, but growth slowed in the third quarter.

In addition, in the connector solutions business, inventory adjustments in the market for industrial equipment products have been prolonged, and the decline was particularly large for customers in Europe, which is a major market.

Based on these circumstances, we expect sales and profits will be affected, and therefore we will revise the "Full-year Earnings Forecast for the Fiscal Year Ending March 2025" announced on August 6, 2024.

The exchange rates assumed for the consolidated financial forecast are as follows. Expected exchange rates for the full year: 1 USD = 153.00 yen, 1 EUR = 164.00 yen

3. Dividend Forecast

In our medium-term management plan, we announced our goal of a dividend payout ratio of 30% or higher, and has maintained a dividend payout ratio of 30% or higher since fiscal year 2018.

Although it is necessary to revise downward the earnings forecast for the fiscal year ending March 2025 as mentioned above, we have decided to maintain the year-end dividend forecast of 54 yen per share announced on August 6, 2024. As a result, there is no change to the annual dividend forecast for the fiscal year ending March 2025, which is expected to be 89 yen per share, including the interim dividend of 35 yen already paid.

However, the final dividend will be proposed for approval at the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders to be held in June 2025.

Note: The earnings forecasts described in this disclosure are prepared based on information and forecasts available to the Company as of the date of this disclosure, and are not meant to promise the achievement of the forecasts. The Company's actual results may differ substantially from such statements due to various risks and uncertainties.