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Announcement of a Revision in the Earnings Forecast (Consolidated and Non-Consolidated) for the Full Term for the Period Ended March 2010

We hereby announce that based on recent trends in business results, etc., the company has changed its earnings forecasts announced on November 5, 2009 for the full term (consolidated and non-consolidated) ended March 2010 (September 21, 2009 to March 31, 2010) as shown below.

1. Revisions to consolidated earnings forecast and non-consolidated earnings forecast for the period ended March 2010 (September 21, 2009 to March 31, 2010)

Consolidated (Unit: ¥ million)

| | Sales | Operating income | Ordinary income | Net income | Net income per share |
|--|--------|------------------|-----------------|------------|----------------------|
| Previously announced forecast (A) | 20,000 | 650 | 600 | 150 | ¥12.55 |
| Currently revised forecast (B) | 19,884 | 649 | 552 | 196 | ¥16.45 |
| Change in value (B – A) | (116) | (1) | (48) | 46 | |
| Rate of change (%) | (0.6) | (0.2) | (8.0) | 30.7 | |
| (Reference) Result for the previous term (Figures for the period ended September 2009) | 39,458 | 1,751 | 1,561 | 619 | ¥51.59 |

Non-consolidated (Unit: ¥ million)

| | Sales | Operating income | Ordinary income | Net income | Net income per share |
|--|--------|------------------|-----------------|------------|----------------------|
| Previously announced forecast (A) | 12,100 | 100 | 200 | 50 | ¥4.18 |
| Currently revised forecast (B) | 11,914 | 134 | 302 | 271 | ¥22.74 |
| Change in value (B – A) | (186) | 34 | 102 | 221 | |
| Rate of change (%) | (1.5) | 34.0 | 51.0 | 442.0 | |
| (Reference) Result for the previous term (Figures for the period ended September 2009) | 24,559 | 672 | 758 | 31 | ¥2.65 |

2. Reasons for revision to earnings forecasts for the full term for the period ended March 2010 (Consolidated)

In the clinical testing business, a fall in the number of patients coming for consultations owing to new-strain influenza and a reduction in the number of allergy tests meant that we struggled to receive orders for testing. However, in the pharmaceutical business we managed to acquire prescriptions centering on the existing stores. On the cost front, thanks to our group-wide efforts to curb investment in facilities and reduce other fixed costs, we expect sales, operating income and ordinary income to be mostly in line with the previously announced forecasts. There have been a reversal of accrued retirement benefits in a consolidated subsidiary accompanying changes in the retirement benefit system and the method of accounting we use. Consequently, we expect net income to exceed the previously announced forecast.

(Non-consolidated)

We expect sales to be broadly in line with the previously announced forecasts. In addition, thanks to cost cutting efforts we expect operating income, ordinary income and net income to be in line with the previously announced forecasts. Furthermore, we revised the previous forecast for net income as shown above, because we expect to post an extraordinary gain from disposal of surplus accompanying a decrease in capital of a consolidated subsidiary.

(Note) The earnings forecasts above were prepared based on the information available on the date this data was announced. Actual earnings may differ from the forecast figures due to various factors arising in the future.