

# Consolidated Balance Sheets

# As of March 31, 2009 and 2008

						housands of	
		N 4:11:	c		ι	J.S. dollars	
		Millions				(Note 3)	
ASSETS		2009	2	2008		2009	
Current Assets:							
Cash and deposits (Note 17)	¥	51,967	¥	43,987	\$	529,043	
Notes and accounts receivable - trade		57,329		58,000		583,620	
Short-term investment securities (Note 17)		8,799		13,704		89,585	
Inventories (Note 5)		45,822		40,313		466,480	
Deferred tax assets (Note 15)		4,480		5,524		45,614	
Other		6,925		5,528		70,499	
Allowance for doubtful accounts		(212)		(217)		(2,161)	
Total current assets		175,112		166,841		1,782,679	
Property, Plant and Equipment (Notes 6, 7 and 8):							
Land		32,939		33,187		335,330	
Buildings and structures		45,477		45,276		462,968	
Machinery, equipment and vehicles		33,843		32,526		344,535	
Construction in progress		1,056		5,574		10,759	
Other		3,333		2,707		33,934	
Property, plant and equipment, net		116 0 TD(	465nc2a79	2 0 0 7.98 49	2.1199	4s771 Tf10.528T/TT2	1 Tf7.98 0 0

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		Millions	s of yen_	U	housands of J.S. dollars (Note 3)	
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		2009			. =	2009
Current Liabilities:						
Notes and accounts payable – trade	¥	22,479	¥	23,875	\$	228,841
Short-term loans payable (Note 8)		2,943		3,969		29,963
Income taxes payable (Note 15)		4,691		3,870		47,757
Accrued expenses		13,470		13,600		137,135
Other		12,797		13,409		130,283
		56,381		58,724		573,978TT4 1 Tf7.98 0 0 7.98 a

# Consolidated Statements of Income

For the Years Ended March 31, 2009 and 2008

						housands of U.S. dollars	
		Millions of yen					
		2009			2009		
Net Sales	¥	466,671	¥	431,858	\$	4,750,806	
Cost of Sales (Notes 5 and 14)		334,992		298,498		3,410,283	
Gross Profit							

# Consolidated Statements of Changes in Net Assets

# For the years ended March 31, 2009 and 2008

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	Capital stock	Capital surplus	Retained earnings		nsury ock		Valuation Valuation difference on vailable-for-sale securities		anslation adju Deferred gains or losses on hedges	t	Foreign currency ranslation adjustment		abscription rights to shares		finority nterests	:	Total net assets
Balance at March 31, 2007	¥ 17,117	¥ 9,779	¥ 207,550	¥	(3,010)	¥	39,102	¥	41	¥	394	¥	_	¥	29,331	¥	300,306
Changes of items during the period: Dividends from surplus Net income Purchase of treasury stock Disposal of treasury stock Retirement of treasury stock Net changes of items other than shareholders' equity		(2) (330)	(4,561) 11,147 (4,915)	(	(5,634) 135 5,246	_	(12,987)		(291)	_	397		8		1,322		(4,561) 11,147 (5,634) 132 (11,551)
Total changes of items during the period		(333)	1,671		(252)		(12,987)		(291)		397		8		1,322		(10,466)
Balance at March 31, 2008 Effect of changes in accounting policies applied to	17,117	9,446	209,221	(	(3,263)		26,115		(250)		791		8		30,653		289,839

# Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

# For the Years Ended March 31, 2009 and 2008

		Million	ns of yen	l	 sands of U.S. ars (Note 3)
	2009		2008		 2009
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:					
Income before income taxes and minority interests	¥	24,596	¥	22,327	\$ 250,397
Depreciation and amortization		15,403		13,515	156,810
Decrease (Increase) in provision for retirement benefits		278		(1,543)	2,837
Increase in prepaid pension costs		(2,533)		(1,361)	(25,792)
Interest and dividend income		(1,688)		(1,723)	(17,186)
Interest expenses		167		180	1,701
Equity in earnings of affiliates		(767)		(1,091)	(7,813)
Gain on sales of short-term investment securities		(161)		(1,649)	(1,646)
(Increase) Decrease in notes and accounts receivable - trade		(127)		2,200	(1,293)
(Increase) Decrease in inventories		(6,480)		4,563	(65,970)

# Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

# Nisshin Seifun Group Inc. and Consolidated Subsidiaries

For the Years Ended March 31, 2009 and 2008

# 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

## (a) Basis of Presentation

Nisshin Seifun Group Inc. (the "Company") and its domestic subsidiaries maintain their accounting records and prepare their financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in

eliminated in consolidation.

Investments in subsidiaries and affiliates which are not consolidated and accounted for by the equity method are stated at cost as adjusted for equity in undistributed earnings and losses from the date of acquisition. As of March 31, 2009 the number of subsidiaries and affiliates accounted by the equity method was nine (ten in 2008).

Differences between the cost and the underlying net equity at fair value of investments in consolidated subsidiaries and in companies which are accounted for by the equity method have been amortized by the straight-line method for a period of five year. However, immaterial goodwill and negative goodwill are charged or credited to income in the year of acquisition.

#### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### (c) Translation of Foreign Currency Accounts

Current and non-current receivables and payables denominated in foreign currencies are translated at current rates of exchange prevailing at the balance sheet date and the resulting exchange gains or losses are recognized in earnings. Financial statements of overseas consolidated subsidiaries are translated into Japanese yen at the exchange rates in effect at the balance sheet date, with the exceptions that the components of net assets excluding minority interests are translated at their historical rates and that statement of income items are translated at the average rates of exchange in effect during the year.

Translation adjustments resulting from translation of foreign currency financial statements are presented as foreign currency translation adjustments and minority interests in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets.

### (d) Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents are short-term investments that are readily convertible into cash and that are exposed to insignificant risk of changes in value. Cash equivalents include short-term investment securities, time deposits and certificates of deposit, all of which mature or become due within three months of the date of acquisition.

A reconciliation between cash in the consolidated balance sheets and cash equivalents in the consolidated statements of cash flows is presented in Note 17.

#### (e) Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market.

Flour and bran, cost is determined by the retail cost method; for other products, cost is principally determined by the periodic average method. For raw materials, cost is principally determined by the moving average method.

See Note 2(b).

#### (f) Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

The Company and its domestic consolidated subsidiaries provide allowance for doubtful accounts principally at an amount computed based on the historical bad debt ratio during a certain reference period, plus an estimated uncollectible amount based on an analysis of certain individual accounts, including claims in bankruptcy.

Overseas consolidated subsidiaries provide allowance for doubtful accounts based on an estimate of uncollectible amounts for specific accounts.

## 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### (g) Depreciation and Amortization (excluding leased assets)

Property, plant and equipment are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation.

Depreciation of property, plant and equipment is computed by the declining-balance method for the Company and its domestic consolidated subsidiaries (excluding buildings acquired on or after April 1, 1998), and by the straight-line method for overseas consolidated subsidiaries over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets. Depreciation of buildings acquired on or after April 1, 1998 is computed by the straight-line method for the Company and its domestic consolidated subsidiaries.

Amortization of intangible assets is computed by the straight-line method. Software for internal use is carried at cost less accumulated amortization, which is calculated by the straight-line method over its estimated useful life (five years).

## (h) Leases

Finance leases that do not transfer ownership of leasm

# 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

## (k) Provision for Directors' Retirement Benefits

Ten (nine in 2008) of the Company's domestic consolidated subsidiaries provide an accrual for the necessary payments for directors' retirement benefits based on the projected benefits to be paid at the year end in accordance with internal policies.

## (l) Income Taxes

## 2. Changes in Accounting Policies

# (a) Unification of Accounting Policies Applied to Foreign Subsidiaries for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Effective the year ended March 31, 2009, the Company has applied "Practical Solution on Unification of Accounting Policies Applied to Foreign Subsidiaries for the Consolidated Financial Statements" (ASBJ Practical Issues Task Force (PITF) No.18 issued by the Accounting Standards Board of Japan on May 17, 2006).

The effect of this application at the beginning of the year ended March 31, 2009 was to decrease noncurrent assets by ¥120 million (\$1,228 thousand), retained earnings by ¥48 million (\$492 thousand) and minority interests by ¥72 million (\$736 thousand), respectively.

The effect on income and loss and segment information for the year ended March 31, 2009 was immaterial.

## (b) Changes in Measurement of Inventories

Effective the year ended March 31, 2009, the Company and its subsidiaries have adopted "Accounting Standard for Measurement of Inventories" (ASBJ Statement No.9 issued by the Accounting Standards Board of Japan on July 5, 2006).

The effect of the adoption was to decrease operating income and income before income taxes and minority interests by ¥191 million (US\$1,953 thousand) for the year ended March 31, 2009 from the corresponding amounts which would have been recorded under the previous method. The effect of the adoption on segment information is described in Note 20.

#### (c) Changes in Method of Accounting for Depreciation

Effective the year ended March 31, 2009, the Company and its domestic consolidated subsidiaries have changed the useful lives of machinery from 7 to 16 years to 7 to 12 years based on the reassessment of the useful lives in light of the change in the Corporation Tax Law. The effect of this change was to decrease operating income and income before income taxes and minority interests by ¥1,122 million (\$11,429 thousand) for the year ended March 31, 2009 from the corresponding amounts which would have been recorded under the previous method. The effect of this change on segment information is described in Note 20.

Effective the year ended March 31, 2008, the Company and its domestic consolidated subsidiaries have changed their method of accounting for depreciation of property, plant and equipment acquired on or after April 1, 2007 in accordance with the Corporation Tax Law as amended. The effect of this change was to decrease operating income and income before income taxes and minority interests in by ¥203 million for the year ended March 31, 2008 from the corresponding amounts which would have been recorded under the previous method. The effect of this change on segment information is described in Note 20.

#### 2. Changes in Accounting Policies (continued)

### (c) Changes in Method of Accounting for Depreciation (continued)

In addition, effective the year ended March 31, 2008, after having depreciated the book value of property, plant and equipment acquired on or before March 31, 2007 to 5 of their respective acquisition cost based on the Corporation Tax Law prior to the amendment, the Company and its domestic consolidated subsidiaries depreciate the difference of the remaining acquisition cost less minimum salvage value using the straight-line method over a period of 5 years and book such depreciation as depreciation expense, in accordance with the Corporation Tax Law as amended. The effect of this change was to decrease operating income and income before income taxes and minority interests by ¥700 million for the year ended March 31, 2008 from the corresponding amounts which would have been recorded under the previous method. The effect of this change on segment information is described in Note 20.

## (d) Changes in Method of Accounting for Lease Transactions

Effective the year ended March 31, 2009, the Company has applied "Accounting Standard for Lease Transactions" (Statement No.13) and "Guidance on Accounting Standard for Lease Transactions" (Guidance No. 16) issued by the Accounting Standards Board of Japan on March 30, 2007. Under the previous accounting standard, finance leases which do not transfer ownership of the leased assets to lessee were permitted to be accounted for as operating lease transactions. The new accounting standard requires that all finance lease transactions should be accounted for in a similar manner as sales transactions and treated as capital leases.

## 4. Investment Securities

Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and affiliates included in "Investment securities" as of March 31, 2009 and 2008 amounted to \$15,898 million (\$161,852 thousand) and \$18,172million, respectively.

# 4. Investment Securities (continued)

# (b) Information regarding available-for-sale securities with fair market value

		200	9		
	Millions of ye	n	Tho	usands of U.S.	dollars
Acquisition	Carrying	Unrealized	Acquisition	Carrying	Unrealized
Cost	Value	Gains (Losses)	Cost	Value	Gains (Losses)

Securities whose carrying value exceeds their acquisition cost: Equity securities

## 4. Investment Securities (continued)

## (c) Sale of securities classified as available-for-sale securities

Information regarding sale of securities classified as available-for-sale securities for the years ended March 31, 2009 and 2008 is summarized as follows:

	<u></u>	Million	s of yen		ands of U.S.
	20	009		2008	2009
Proceeds from sales	¥	226	¥	2,071	\$ 2,310
Aggregate gains on sales		161		1,681	1,642

## (d) Available-for-sale securities without fair market value

		Millions of ye				sands of U.S. dollars
		2009		2008		2009
Held to maturity securities:						
Certificates of deposits	¥	500	¥	500	\$	5,090
Available-for-sale securities:						
Certificates of deposits		6,000		-		61,081
Unlisted stock		4,578		4,640		46,606
Total	¥	11,078	¥	5,140	\$	112,777

# (e) The redemption schedule of held-to-maturity securities at March 31, 2009 is summarized as follows:

	Millions of yen				Thousands of U.S. dollars			
		e in one r or less	Due after one year through		Due in one year or less		Due aft year th	ter one nrough
Bonds:								
Government and municipal bonds	¥	1,500	¥	-	\$	15,270	\$	-
Corporate bonds		800		-		8,144		-
Other		500		-		5,090		-
Other:		6,000		-		61,081		
Total	¥	8,800	¥	-	\$	89,586	\$	-

#### 5. Inventories

Inventories at March 31, 2009 and 2008 comprised of the following:

		Million	s of yen		sands of U.S. dollars
	2009			2008	2009
Merchandise and finished goods	¥	26,190	¥	22,923	\$ 266,622
Raw materials and supplies		16,408		12,962	167,042
Work in process		3,223		4,426	 32,815
Total	¥	45,822	¥	40,313	\$ 466,480

5. Inventories (continued)

# 6. Leases (continued)

(Lessor)

	Millio	ons of yen	Thousands of U.S. dollars			
Due within one year	¥	110	\$	1,129	-	
Due after one year		778		7,929		
Total	¥	889	\$	9,058		

# 7. Property, Plant and Equipment

Accumulated depreciation of property, plant and equipment at March 31, 2009 and 2008

## 8. Short-Term and Long-Term Loans Payable (continued)

The annual maturities of long-term lease obligations within 5 years of March 31, 2009 excluding the current potion are summarized as follows:

Year ending March 31,	Millions of yen		Thousands of U.S. doll		
2011	¥	195	\$	1,995	
2012		196		2,000	
2013		195		1,991	
2014		134		1,369	

The Group has entered into certain line-of-credit agreements with major financial institutions amounting to \\$17,830 million (\\$181,513 thousand) and \\$18,830 million at March 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

There were no loans payable outstanding at March 31, 2009 and 2008 under these line-of-credit agreements.

Administrative expenses related to these line-of-credit agreements amounted to ¥17 million dd tarch 315.30. The Gcarryng tm i cllarer 1, 2009

## 9. Provision for Employees' Retirement Benefits (continued)

	Millions of yen			sands of U.S. dollars	
	2009		2008		 2009
Projected benefit obligation	¥	(46,923)	¥	(48,512)	\$ (477,688)
Fair value of plan assets		35,171		40,165	358,058
Unrecognized actuarial loss		9,189		3,711	93,555
Unrecognized prior service cost		(2,131)		(2,329)	(21,696)
Less: Prepaid pension cost		3,894		1,361	 39,649
Allowance for employees' retirement benefits	¥	(8,587)	¥	(8,325)	\$ (87,420)

- \* Certain subsidiaries apply the simplified method to calculate benefit obligations.
- \* In addition to the above allowance for retirement benefits, a special retirement benefit of ¥429 million was included in Other in current liabilities in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet at March 31, 2008.

The components of retirement benefit costs for the years ended March 31, 2009 and 2008 are summarized as follows:

	Millions of yen				 ands of U.S. dollars
	2009		2008		 2009
Service cost	¥	1,816	¥	1,749	\$ 18,495
Interest cost		1,093		1,124	11,135
Expected return on plan assets		(995)		(1,021)	(10,132)
Amortization of actuarial loss		522		305	5,316
Amortization of prior service cost		(198)		(198)	 (2,018)
Net retirement benefit costs	¥	2,239	¥	1,960	\$ 22,795

- \* Retirement benefit costs incurred by consolidated subsidiaries that apply the simplified method are recorded as service cost.
- \* In addition to the above retirement benefit costs, a special retirement benefits of ¥429 million was included in other expenses in the accompanying consolidated statement of income for the year ended March 31, 2008.

The assumptions used in the above computations for the years ended March 31, 2009 and 2008 are set forth as follows:

		2009	_	2008
Discount rate	Principally	2.5%	Principally	2.5%
Expected rate of return on plan assets	Principally	2.5%	Principally	2.5%
Amortization period of actuarial difference	Principally	15 years	Principally	15 years
Amortization period of prior service cost		15 years		15 years

#### 10. Stock Option Plans

Stock option expenses included in "Selling, General and Administrative Expenses" in the accompanying consolidated statement of income for the years ended March 31, 2009 and 2008 amounted to ¥29 million (\$304 thousand) and ¥8 million, respectively.

At March 31, 2009, the Company and consolidated subsidiaries had the following stock option plans:

	2002 Plan	2003 Plan	2004 Plan	2005 Plan
	10 directors and 13	10 directors and 13	10 directors and 12	9 directors and 10
	operating officers of	operating officers of	operating officers of	operating officers of
Grantees	the Company and 26	the Company and 29	the Company and 25	the Company and 26
	directors of	directors of	directors of	directors of
	consolidated subsidiaries	consolidated subsidiaries	consolidated subsidiaries	consolidated subsidiaries
Type of stock	Common Stock	Common Stock	Common Stock	Common Stock
Number of shares granted	275,000 shares	290,400 shares	269,500 shares	258,500 shares
Grant date	July 23,2002	July 23, 2003	July 26, 2004	August 17, 2005
Conditions for vesting	Not stated	Not stated	Not stated	Not stated
Service period	Not specified	Not specified	Not specified	Not specified
Exercisable period	July 16, 2004-	July 16, 2005-	July 17, 2006-	July 21, 2007-
	July 15, 2009	July 15, 2010	July 16, 2011	July 20, 2012-
	2002 Plan	2003 Plan	2004 Plan	2005 Plan
Non-Vested (number of shares)				
Outstanding at beginning of the year	-	-	-	-
Granted during the year	-	-	-	-
Forfeited during the year	-	-	-	-
Vested during the year	-	-	-	-
Outstanding at end of the year	-	-	-	-
Vested (number of shares)				
Outstanding at beginning of the year	16,500	56,100	177,100	247,500
Vested during the year	-	-	-	-
Exercised during the year	14,300	28,600	86,900	64,900
Forfeited during the year	-	-	-	-
Outstanding at end of the year	2,200	27,500	90,200	182,600
Exercise price (Yen)	¥805	¥811	¥999	¥1,085
Exercise price (U.S. dollars)	\$8.20	\$8.26	\$10.17	\$11.05

	2007 Plan	2008 Plan
Non-Vested (number of shares)	_	
Outstanding at beginning of the year	250,000	-
Granted during the year	-	266,000
Forfeited during the year	-	-
Vested during the year	-	-
Outstanding at end of the year	250,000	266,000
Vested (number of shares)		
Outstanding at beginning of the year	-	-
Granted during the year	-	-
Exercised during the year	-	-
Forfeited during the year	-	-
Outstanding at end of the year	-	-
Exercise price (Yen)	¥1,197	¥1,397
Exercise price (U.S. dollars)	\$12.19	\$14.22
Fair value as of grant date (Yen)	¥102	¥201
Fair value as of grant date	\$1.04	\$2.05
(U.S. dollars)		

The fair value of options granted as of the grant da

	2002 Plan	2003 Plan	2004 Plan	2005 Plan
Non-Vested (number of shares)				
Outstanding at beginning of the year	-	-	-	258,500
Granted during the year	-	-	-	-
Forfeited during the year	-	-	-	-
Vested during the year	-	-	-	258,500
Outstanding at end of the year	-	-	-	-
Vested (number of shares)				
Outstanding at beginning of the year	33,000	91,300	213,400	-
Vested during the year	-	-	-	258,500
Exercised during the year	16,500	35,200	36,300	11,000
Forfeited during the year	-	-	-	-
Outstanding at end of the year	16,500	56,100	177,100	247,500
Exercise price (Yen)	¥805	¥811	¥999	¥1,085
Exercise price (U.S. dollars)	\$8.03	\$8.09	\$9.97	\$10.83
Weighted-average market price upon	¥1,191	¥1,120	¥1,139	¥1,091
exercise (Yen)				
Weighted-average market price upon	\$11.89	\$11.18	\$11.37	\$10.89
exercise (U.S. dollars)				
	2007 Plan			
	12 directors and 11			
	operating officers of			
Grantees	the Company and 23			
Grances	directors of			
	consolidated			
T. C. 1	subsidiaries			
Type of stock	Common Stock			
Number of shares granted	250,000 shares			
Grant date	August 13, 2007			
Conditions for vesting	Not stated			
Service period	Not specified			
Exercisable period	July 27, 2009-			
	July 26, 2014			
	2007 Plan			
Non-Vested (number of shares)				
Outstanding at beginning of the year	-			
Granted during the year	250,000			
Forfeited during the year	-			
Vested during the year	-			
Outstanding at end of the year	250,000			
Vested (number of shares)				
Outstanding at beginning of the year	-			
Granted during the year	-			
Exercised during the year	-			
Forfeited during the year	-			

The fair value of options granted as of the grant date was estimated using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model based on the following assumptions:

	2007 Plan
Expected volatility *1 (%)	17.5
Expected remaining period *2 (years)	4.5
Expected dividends per share *3 (yen)	¥18
Expected dividends per share *3 (U.S. dollars)	\$0.18
Risk free interest rate *4 (%).	1.21

- \*1 Expected volatility is estimated based on the actual stock price in the period from January 2003 to August 2007.
- \*2 As it is difficult to estimate the expected remaining period in a reasonable manner, it is determined to be the period from the grant date to the mid-point of the exercisable period.
- \*3 Expected dividends per share refers to the expected annual amount for the year ended March 31, 2007.
- \*4 Risk free interest rate represents the interest rate of government bonds whose remaining period corresponds to the expected remaining period of the above stock options.

Because it is difficult to estimate the forfeited number of stock options for future periods, estimation of the vested numbers is based on actual forfeitures in prior periods.

#### 11. Shareholders' Equity

The Corporation Law of Japan (the "Law") provides that an amount equal to 10% of the amount to be disbursed as distributions of capital surplus (other than the capital reserve) and retained earnings (other than the legal reserve) be transferred to the capital reserve and the legal reserve, respectively, until the sum of the capital reserve and the legal reserve equals 25% of the capital stock account. Such distributions can be made at any time by resolution of the shareholders, or by the Board of Directors if certain conditions are met.

#### 12. Supplemental Information for Consolidated Statements of Changes in Net Assets

#### (a) Type and Number of Outstanding Shares

	<u></u>	Thousands of shares						
		Year ended March 31, 2009						
		Decrease in						
	Balance at	Increase in shares	shares during the	Balance at year				
Types of shares	beginning of year	during the year	year	end				
Issued stock:	251,535	_		251,535				
Common stock	231,333	-	-	231,333				
Treasury stock:	3,170	120	227	2.062				
Common stock	3,170	120	221	3,063				

<sup>1.</sup> Treasury stock increased due to a repurchase of odd-lot shares of less than one unit (120 thousand shares).

<sup>2.</sup> Treasury stock decreased due to (a) a disposal of odd-lot shares of less than one unit (32 thousand shares) and (b) exercise of stock options (194 thousand shares).

- 12. Supplemental Information for Consolidated Statements of Changes in Net Assets (continued)
- (a) Type and Number of Outstanding Shares (continued)

	Thousands of shares				
	Year ended March 31, 2008				
	Decrease in				
	Balance at	Increase in shares	shares during the		
Types of shares	beginning of year	during the year	year		
Types of shares			shares during the		

# 12. Supplemental Information for Consolidated Statements of Changes in Net Assets (continued)

# (c) Dividends (continued)

# (1) Dividends paid to shareholders (continued)

			Year ended March 31, 2008	8		
Date of		Type of				
approval	Resolution approved by	shares	Amount	Amount per share	Cut-off date	Effective date
			(Millions of yen)	(Yen)		
June 27, 2007	Annual general meeting	Common	¥ 2,280	¥ 9	March 31,	June 28,
	of shareholders	stock			2007	2007
November 9,	Board of directors	Common	¥ 2,280	¥ 9	September	December
2007		stock			30, 2007	10,2007

# (2) Dividends with a cut-off date during the fiscal year but an effective date subsequent to the fiscal year

Date of approval	Resolution approved by	Type of share	Source of dividends	Amount		Amount per share		Amount Amount pe		Cut-off date	Effective date
				(Millions of yen)	(Thousands of U.S. dollars)	(Yen)	(U.S. dollars)				
June 25,	Annual general	Common	Retained	¥ 2,236	\$ 22,772	¥ 9	\$ 0.09	March 31,	June 26,		
2009	meeting of	stock	earnings					2009	2009		
	shareholders										
				Year ended Ma	arch 31, 2008						
Date of approval	Resolution approved by	Type of share	Source of dividends		Amount	Amoun	per share	Cut-off date	Effective date		
	• •	J 1	Source of		,		per share	Cut-off date			
	• •	J 1	Source of	(Mill	Amount	(	*	Cut-off date  March 31,			
approval	by	share	Source of dividends	(Mill	Amount ions of yen)	(	Yen)		date		

## 14. Research and Development Expenses

#### 15. Income Taxes

Income taxes applicable to the Group consist of corporate tax, inhabitants' taxes and enterprise taxes which, in the aggregate, resulted in a statutory tax rate of approximately 40.6% for the years ended March 31, 2009 and 2008.

#### 16. Contingent Liabilities

At March 31, 2009 and 2008, the Company was contingently liable as a guarantor of loan obligations to financial institutions for one affiliated company and others as follows:

		Millions of			Thousands of U.S. Dollar		
		2009		2008		2009	
Employee housing loans receivable	¥	211	¥	259	\$	2,153	
Hanshin Silo Co., Ltd (affiliated company)		690		522		7,028	
Nihon-Bio Co., Ltd (client-related)		248		290		2,530	
	¥	1,150	¥	1,072	\$	11,711	

#### 17. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and deposit on the accompanying consolidated balance sheets and cash and cash equivalents on the accompanying consolidated statements of cash flows are reconciled as of March 31, 2009 and 2008 as follows:

	Millions of yen					Thousands of U.S. Dollars	
	2009		2008		2009		
Cash and deposit	¥	51,967	¥	43,987	\$	529,043	
Marketable securities		8,799		13,704		89,585	
Total		60,767		57,692		618,627	
Time deposits with maturities of more than three months		(19,627)		(7,136)		(199,816)	
Marketable securities with maturities of more than three months		(800)		(11,705)		(8,144)	
Cash and cash equivalents	¥	40,339	¥	38,850	\$	410,667	

#### 18. Derivatives

The Group uses forward exchange contracts and currency option contracts and certain overseas consolidated subsidiaries use commodity futures on flour as derivative financial instruments solely for the purpose of mitigating future risks arising from fluctuation in foreign currency exchange rates and commodity prices. The Group does not enter into derivatives transactions for trading or speculative purposes. Forward exchange contracts, currency option contracts and commodity futures are subject to the risk arising from foreign exchange rate changes and commodity price changes. Because the counterparties to such transactions are limited to major financial institutions, the Group does not anticipate any losses arising from credit risk. The derivatives transactions are executed by the Finance and Accounting departments based on the instructions of Operating divisions exposed to foreign exchange risks in accordance with established internal policies and within certain specified limits, thereby allowing for the diversification of the risks.

Internal policies also restrict currency option trading to purchase call options. At certain consolidated subsidiaries, the derivatives transactions are executed by the Finance department in accordance with the instructions of relevant departments. The Company's Finance and Accounting departments report information on derivatives transactions to the managers, directors or executive officers on a monthly basis.

# 18. Derivatives (continued)

The estimated fair value of the open derivative positions at March 31, 2009 is summarized as follows:

	2009											
	Millions of yen			Thousands of U.S. dollars								
		ontract				ealized		ontract		_		alized
	ar	nount	Fair	r value	gain	(loss)	ar	nount	Fai	r value	gain	(loss)
Foreign currency option:												
Buy:												
Canadian dollars	¥	507	¥	510	¥	2	\$	5,164	\$	5,193	\$	30
Forward exchange contracts:												
Buy:												
U.S. dollars	¥	166	¥	167	¥	0	\$	1,691	\$	1,701	\$	9
		673	¥	677	¥	3	\$	6,855		6,894		39
Commodity futures:												
Buy:												
Flour	¥	5	¥	5	¥	(0)	\$	60	\$	59	\$	(1)
	¥	5	¥	5	¥	(0)		60	\$	59	\$	(1)
						(-)						( )
			9	2008								
				ns of ye	1							
	Co	ontract				ealized						
	ar	nount	Fair	r value	gain	(loss)						
Forward exchange contracts:												
Buy:												
U.S. dollars	¥	50	¥	49	¥	(0)						
Canadian dollar		1,045		1,036		(8)						
Sell:												
Japanese Yen	¥	107	¥	108	¥	(1)						
	¥	-	¥	-	¥	(10)						
Commodity futures:												
Sell												
Flour	¥	340	¥	403	¥	(63)						
	¥	340	¥	403	¥	(63)						

<sup>\*</sup> Fair value of forward exchange contracts is stated based on the quoted market price.

## 19. Related Party Transactions

Disclosure of related party transactions has been omitted as the total amount of such transactions was immaterial for the years ended March 31, 2009 and 2008.

Effective the year ended March 31, 2009, the Company has applied "Accounting Standard for Disclosure of Related Party Transactions" and "Guidance on Disclosure of Related Party Transactions" issued by the Accounting Standards Board of Japan on October 17, 2006. There is no effect on consolidated financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2009.

#### **20.** Segment Information

#### **Business Segment Information**

Operations by business segment for the years ended March 31, 2009 and 2008 are summarized as follows:

Millions of yen								
	2009							
				Corporate				
Flour	Processed			Assets and				
Milling	Food	Other	Total	Eliminations	Consolidated			

Net Sales:

## **20.** Segment Information (continued)

	Thousands of U.S. dollars							
	2009							
	Flour Milling	Processed Food	Other	Total	Corporate Assets and Eliminations	Consolidated		
Net Sales:								
Sales to external customers	\$ 2,028,877	\$ 2,339,236	\$ 382,694	\$ 4,750,806	\$ -	\$ 4,750,806		
Intersegment sales and transfers	256,115	5,203	37,926	299,244	(299,244)			
Total	\$ 2,284,991	\$ 2,344,439	\$ 420,620	\$ 5,050,050	\$ (299,244)	\$ 4,750,806		
Operating expenses	2,162,986	2,265,634	400,202	4,828,822	(299,489)	4,529,333		
Operating income	\$ 122,006	\$ 78,805	\$ 20,417	\$ 221,228	\$ 246	\$ 221,474		
Total Assets, Depreciation and								
Amortization, and Capital Expenditures:								
Total assets	\$ 1,245,390	\$ 1,313,559	\$ 505,042	\$ 3,063,990	\$ 711,636	\$ 3,775,626		
Depreciation and amortization	82,431	61,501	15,915	159,847	(3,037)	156,810		
Capital expenditures	71,069	46,782	25,864	143,715	(3,270)	140,445		
			Million	ns of yen				
			20	2008				
	Flour Milling	Processed Food	Other	Total	Corporate Assets and Eliminations	Consolidated		
Net Sales:								
Sales to external customers	¥ 164,449	¥ 224,914	¥ 42,494	¥ 431,858	¥ -	¥ 431,858		
Intersegment sales and transfers	19,038	774	5,936	25,750	(25,750)	-		
Total	183,487	225,689	48,431	457,608	(25,750)	431,858		
Operating expenses								
	173,293	220,730	44,086	438,110	(25,443)	412,666		
Operating income	173,293 ¥ 10,194	220,730 ¥ 4,958	44,086 ¥ 4,344	438,110 ¥ 19,498	(25,443) ¥ (306)	412,666 ¥ 19,191		
Operating income  Total Assets, Depreciation and								
Total Assets, Depreciation and								
Total Assets, Depreciation and Amortization, and Capital Expenditures:	¥ 10,194	¥ 4,958	¥ 4,344	¥ 19,498	¥ (306)	¥ 19,191		

- 1. Business segments were determined based on the similarities of the product types.
- 2. Primary products for each business segment are summarized as follows:

Flour Milling	Flour, bran
Processed Food	Prepared mix, flour for consumer use, pasta, pasta source, frozen food, chilled food, cake and bread ingredients, biochemical products, life science products, healthcare foods
Other	Pet food, engineering, mesh cloths, transport and storage

3. Corporate assets included in the "corporate assets and eliminations" column amounted to \(\xi\)77,298 million (\\$786,918 thousand) and \(\xi\)83,611 million at March 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively, and consisted primarily of the Company's surplus funds (cash and deposits, and marketable securities) and investment securities.

## **20.** Segment Information (continued)

- 4. Changes in accounting policies
  - (a) Changes in measurement of inventories

As described in Note 2, "Changes in Accounting Policies, (b) Changes in Measurement of Inventories," effective the year ended March 31, 2009, the Company and its domestic consolidated subsidiaries have adopted, "Accounting Standard for Measurement of Inventories" (ASBJ Statement No.9 issued by the Accounting Standards Board of Japan issued on July 5, 2006). The effect of the adoption, was to increase operating expenses and decrease operating income for Processed Food by ¥191 million (US\$1,953 thousand) for the year ended March 31, 2009 from the corresponding amount which would have been recorded under the previous method.

(b) Changes in method of accountie

# **20.** Segment Information (continued)

**Geographical Segment Information**