

Fiscal quarter ended December 2007 – supplementary financial summary –

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Consolidated results for fiscal quarter ended Dec. 2007

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(¥ billion)

	20	06	2007		
	Oct.–Dec.	Apr.–Dec.	Oct.–Dec.	Apr.–Dec. [<i>a</i>]	
Net sales	418.2	1,187.1	409.6	1,240.3	
Operating profit	43.5	94.2	34.4	98.1	
Ordinary profit	44.8	93.5	34.9	98.0	
Net income	27.9	56.9	23.4	61.4	

Oct 2006 vs		Apr.– 2006 vs	9	
Increase (decrease)	% change	Increase (decrease)	% change	foi [4
(8.6)	-2.1%	53.3	+4.5%	
(9.1)	-20.8%	3.9	+4.2%	
(9.9)	-22.0%	4.5	+4.8%	
(4.5)	-16.2%	4.5	+8.0%	

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% of forecast	FY 2007 forecast in Dec.
[a/b]	[<i>b</i>]
72.4%	1,714.0
75.5%	130.0
76.0%	129.0
80.8%	76.0

Key operating factors

Naphtha price (¥/kL, domestic)	48,100	50,300	61,700	59,700
¥/US\$ exchange rate (market average)	118	116	113	117

	At end of March 2007	At end of Dec. 2007	Increase (decrease)
Total assets	1,459.9	1,492.3	32.4
Equity*	645.7	668.9	23.3
Interest-bearing debt	216.9	234.1	17.2
Debt/equity ratio	0.34	0.35	0.01

* Shareholders' equity and valuation, translation adjustment and others.

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											(¥ t	oillion)
		21	006			2007			OctE 2006 vs.		Apr.–I 2006 vs.	
	Oct	–Dec. % of sales	Apr.–I	Dec. % of sales	Oct	-Dec. % of sales	Apr.–I	Dec. % of sales	Increase (decrease)	% change	Increase (decrease)	% change
Net sales	418.2	100.0%	1,187.1	100.0%	409.6	100.0%	1,240.3	100.0%	(8.6)	-2.1	53.3	+4.5
Cost of sales	307.4	73.5%	891.9	75.1%	305.5	74.6%	932.7	75.2%	(1.8)	-0.6	40.8	+4.6
Gross profit	110.8	26.5%	295.2	24.9%	104.0	25.4%	307.6	24.8%	(6.8)	-6.1	12.5	+4.2
Selling, general and administrative expenses	67.3	16.1%	201.0	17.0%	69.6	17.0%	209.5	16.9%	2.3	+3.4	8.5	+4.2
Operating profit	43.5	10.4%	94.2	7.9%	34.4	8.4%	98.1	7.9%	(9.1)	-20.8	3.9	+4.2
Non-operating expenses of which,	1.3		(0.7)		0.5		(0.1)		(0.8)		0.6	
financing income and expense	(0.3)		(0.4)		0.0		0.3		0.3		0.7	
equity in net earnings of unconsolidated subsidiaries and affiliates	1.3		1.9		1.0		3.2		(0.4)		1.4	
Ordinary profit	44.8	10.7%	93.5	7.9%	34.9	8.5%	98.0	7.9%	(9.9)	-22.0	4.5	+4.8
Special gains and losses	0.3		(2.5)		0.1		(6.3)		(0.2)		(3.7)	
Income before income taxes and minority interest	45.1	10.8%	91.0	7.7%	35.0	8.5%	91.8	7.4%	(10.1)	-22.3	0.8	+0.9
Income taxes	(17.0)		(33.7)		(11.4)		(30.0)		5.6		3.8	
Minority interest in income of consolidated subsidiaries	(0.1)		(0.4)		(0.2)		(0.5)		(0.1)		(0.1)	
Net income	27.9	6.7%	56.9	4.8%	23.4	5.7%	61.4	4.9%	(4.5)	-16.2	4.5	+8.0

Balance sheets



								(¥	billion)
		At end of Mar. 2007	At end of Dec. 2007	Increase (decrease)			At end of Mar. 2007	At end of Dec. 2007	Increase (decrease)
C	urrent assets	723.0	792.1	69.1	Lia	abilities	806.4	815.5	9.0
	Cash on hand and in banks	101.5	89.9	(11.6)		Current liabilities	503.6	556.8	53.2
	Notes and accounts receivable, trade	300.4	321.6	21.2		Long-term liabilities	302.8	258.7	(44.1)
	Inventories	240.0	287.1	47.1	Ne	et assets	653.5	676.9	23.4
	Other current assets	81.1	93.6	12.5		Shareholders' equity	561.8	604.5	42.7
Fi	xed assets	736.9	700.2	(36.7)		Common stock	103.4	103.4	_
	Property, plant and equipment	427.0	422.5	(4.5)		Capital surplus	79.4	79.4	0.0
	Intangible fixed assets	28.5	26.0	(2.5)		Retained earnings	380.5	423.7	43.2
	Investments and other	281.5	251.8	(29.7)		Treasury stock, at cost	(1.5)	(2.0)	(0.5)
	assets					Valuation, transition adjustment and others	83.9	64.5	(19.5)
						Minority interest in consolidated subsidiaries	7.9	8.0	0.1
To	otal assets	1,459.9	1,492.3	32.4	То	tal liabilities and net assets	1,459.9	1,492.3	32.4

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		20	06	20	07
		OctDec.	Apr.–Dec.	OctDec.	Apr.–Dec.
a.	Cash flows from operating activities	22.6	70.3	(14.5)	29.1
b.	Cash flows from investing activities	(28.7)	(69.6)	(8.5)	(40.6)
c.	Free cash flows [a+b]	(6.0)	0.7	(23.0)	(11.5)
d.	Cash flows from financing activities	(2.1)	(4.2)	37.5	(0.1)
e.	Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	0.2	0.3	(0.4)	(0.0)
f.	Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents [c+d+e]	(7.9)	(3.2)	14.1	(11.6)

g.	Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	93.4	86.4	76.0	101.7
h.	Cash and cash equivalents held by newly consolidated subsidiaries	_	2.2	_	_
I.	Cash and cash equivalents at end [f+g+h]	85.4	85.4	90.1	90.1



Sales and operating profit by segment, Oct.–Dec. 2006 and 2007



(¥ billion)
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		Sales		Operating profit			
	OctDec. 2006	OctDec. 2007	Increase (decrease)	OctDec. 2006	OctDec. 2007	Increase (decrease)	
Chemicals	203.4	216.4	13.1	18.5	19.0	0.4	
Homes	106.6	84.8	(21.8)	8.9	3.2	(5.7)	
Pharma	29.7	30.8	1.1	7.1	5.3	(1.9)	
Fibers	27.0	27.1	0.2	1.4	1.8	0.4	
Electronics Materials & Devices	29.3	29.2	(0.2)	6.2	5.5	(0.7)	
Construction Materials	17.1	13.5	(3.5)	2.3	0.8	(1.5)	
Services, Engineering and Others	5.1	7.7	2.6	0.7	0.7	0.1	
Corporate Expenses and Eliminations		_	_	(1.6)	(1.9)	(0.2)	
Consolidated	418.2	409.6	(8.6)	43.5	34.4	(9.1)	
Overseas sales Percent of total	105.7 25.3%	122.5 29.9%	16.8 4.6%			9	

Sales and operating profit by segment, Apr.–Dec. 2006 and 2007



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		Sales		C	Deprating prof	it
	Apr.–Dec. 2006	Apr.–Dec. 2007	Increase (decrease)	Apr.–Dec. 2006	Apr.–Dec. 2007	Increase (decrease)
Chemicals	597.6	662.8	65.3	41.3	55.1	13.9
Homes	275.7	251.7	(24.0)	14.3	8.1	(6.2)
Pharma	80.9	85.7	4.8	14.4	13.0	(1.3)
Fibers	77.6	84.1	6.5	2.7	5.2	2.6
Electronics Materials & Devices	85.7	86.8	1.1	18.5	17.0	(1.6)
Construction Materials	47.6	43.4	(4.2)	4.9	2.9	(1.9)
Services, Engineering and Others	22.0	25.8	3.8	3.0	3.5	0.5
Corporate Expenses and Eliminations	_	_	_	(4.8)	(6.7)	(1.9)
Consolidated	1,187.1	1,240.3	53.3	94.2	98.1	3.9
Overseas sales Percent of total	315.4 26.6%	376.3 30.3%	60.9 3.8%			

Sales increases/decreases by segment, Oct.–Dec. 2007 vs. 2006



			Iı	ncrease (decrease) due t	0:	
	Oct.–Dec. 2006	Oct.–Dec. 2007	Sales volume	Sales prices	of which, due to foreign exchange	Others	Net increase (decrease)
Chemicals	203.4	216.4	3.3	9.8	(1.2)	0.0	13.1
Homes	106.6	84.8	(17.1)	9.6	_	(14.3)	(21.8)
Pharma	29.7	30.8	3.3	(0.2)	0.1	(2.0)	1.1
Fibers	27.0	27.1	(1.0)	1.2	0.2	0.0	0.2
Electronics Materials & Devices	29.3	29.2	2.4	(2.6)	(0.0)	0.0	(0.2)
Construction Materials	17.1	13.5	(3.5)	(0.0)	_	0.0	(3.5)
Services, Engineering and Others	5.1	7.7	2.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.6
Total	418.2	409.6	(10.1)	17.8	(1.0)	(16.3)	(8.6)

Operating profit increases/decreases by segment, Oct.–Dec. 2007 vs. 2006

			I	ncrease (decrease) due to):	
	Oct.–Dec. 2006	Oct.–Dec. 2007	Sales volume	Sales prices	of which, due to foreign exchange	Operating costs and others	Net increase (decrease)
Chemicals	18.5	19.0	1.0	9.8	(1.2)	(10.4)	0.4
Homes	8.9	3.2	(3.2)	9.6	—	(12.1)	(5.7)
Pharma	7.1	5.3	1.0	(0.2)	0.1	(2.7)	(1.9)
Fibers	1.4	1.8	0.2	1.2	0.2	(1.0)	0.4
Electronics Materials & Devices	6.2	5.5	1.3	(2.6)	(0.0)	0.6	(0.7)
Construction Materials	2.3	0.8	(1.2)	(0.0)	—	(0.3)	(1.5)
Services, Engineering and Others	0.7	0.7	0.1	0.0	0.0	(0.0)	0.1
Corporate expenses and eliminations	(1.6)	(1.9)	0.0	0.0	0.0	(0.2)	(0.2)
Total	43.5	34.4	(0.7)	17.8	(1.0)	(26.1)	(9.1)

Sales increases/decreases by segment, Apr.–Dec. 2007 vs. 2006



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	Apr.–Dec. Apr.–Dec. 2006 2007		Sales volume	Sales prices	of which, due to foreign exchange	Others	Net increase (decrease)
Chemicals	597.6	662.8	17.9	39.8	1.0	7.6	65.3
Homes	275.7	251.7	(27.8)	19.1	_	(15.3)	(24.0)
Pharma	80.9	85.7	8.6	(0.8)	0.6	(3.0)	4.8
Fibers	77.6	84.1	2.6	3.9	1.1	0.0	6.5
Electronics Materials & Devices	85.7	86.8	4.4	(3.3)	0.3	(0.0)	1.1
Construction Materials	47.6	43.4	(4.6)	0.4	-	0.0	(4.2)
Services, Engineering and Others	22.0	25.8	3.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.8
Total	1,187.1	1,240.3	5.0	59.0	3.0	(10.7)	53.3

Operating profit increases/decreases by segment, Apr.–Dec. 2007 vs. 2006

			-	Increase (c	lecrease) due to	•	
	Apr.–Dec. 2006	Apr.–Dec. 2007	Sales volume	Sales prices	of which, due to foreign exchange	Operating costs and others	Net increase (decrease)
Chemicals	41.3	55.1	2.4	39.8	1.0	(28.3)	13.9
Homes	14.3	8.1	(6.5)	19.1	_	(18.8)	(6.2)
Pharma	14.4	13.0	3.8	(0.8)	0.6	(4.3)	(1.3)
Fibers	2.7	5.2	0.9	3.9	1.1	(2.2)	2.6
Electronics Materials & Devices	18.5	17.0	1.0	(3.3)	0.3	0.7	(1.6)
Construction Materials	4.9	2.9	(1.6)	0.4	_	(0.7)	(1.9)
Services, Engineering and Others	3.0	3.5	0.7	0.0	0.0	(0.2)	0.5
Corporate expenses and eliminations	(4.8)	(6.7)	0.0	0.0	0.0	(1.9)	(1.9)
Total	94.2	98.1	0.7	59.0	3.0	(55.8)	3.9



Forecast for fiscal year 2007

Consolidated operating performance

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(¥ billion)

		FY 2006	_		FY	2007 foreca	st		FY 2007
	1 at half	2 1 1 1	T . (. 1	1st half		2nd half			forecast
	1st half	2nd half	Total	1st naii	OctDec.	JanMar.	forecast	Total	in Dec.
Net sales	768.9	854.9	1,623.8	830.8	409.6	473.6	883.2	1,714.0	1,714.0
Operating profit	50.7	77.1	127.8	63.7	34.4	31.9	66.3	130.0	130.0
Ordinary profit	48.8	77.7	126.5	63.1	34.9	31.0	65.9	129.0	129.0
Net income	29.0	39.6	68.6	38.0	23.4	14.6	38.0	76.0	76.0

Key operating factors

Naphtha price (¥/kL, domestic)	51,450	48,450	49,950	58,750	61,700	66,000	63,850	61,300	60,000
¥/US\$ exchange rate (market average)	115	119	117	119	113	105	109	114	117

	FY 2006	FY 2007 forecast
Dividends per share	¥12	¥13 (planned)



		FY 2006			FY 200	7 revised fo	orecast		FY 2007	Increase
	1st half	2nd half	Total	1st half	foundation				forecast in Dec.	(decrease) [<i>a-b</i>]
					OctDec.	JanMar.	Torcease	[<i>a</i>]	[<i>b</i>]	
Chemicals	394.2	411.0	805.2	446.4	216.4	223.2	439.6	886.0	886.0	
Homes	169.1	236.6	405.7	166.9	84.8	129.3	214.1	381.0	380.0	1.0
Pharma	51.1	53.4	104.5	54.9	30.8	29.3	60.1	115.0	114.0	1.0
Fibers	50.6	56.0	106.6	56.9	27.1	33.0	60.1	117.0	116.0	1.0
Electronics Materials & Devices	56.4	55.7	112.1	57.7	29.2	31.1	60.3	118.0	120.0	(2.0)
Construction Materials	30.6	30.2	60.8	29.9	13.5	15.6	29.1	59.0	61.0	(2.0)
Services, Engineering and Others	16.9	12.0	28.9	18.1	7.7	12.2	19.9	38.0	37.0	1.0
Consolidated	768.9	854.9	1,623.8	830.8	409.6	473.6	883.2	1,714.0	1,714.0	_

Operating profit forecast by segment

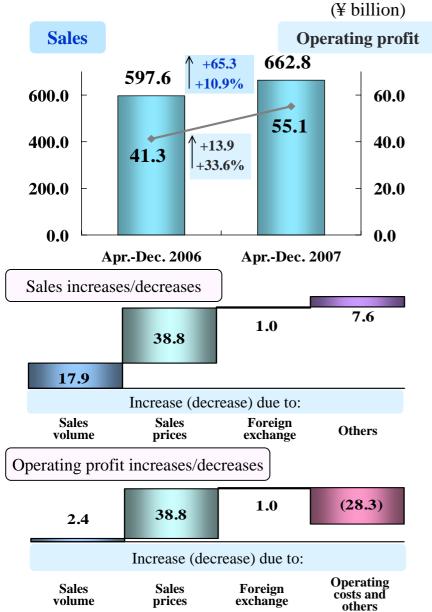


		FY 2006			FY 200	7 revised fo	orecast		FY 2007	Increase	
	1st half	2nd half	Total	1st half			2nd half	Total	forecast in Dec.	(decrease) [<i>a-b</i>]	
					OctDec.	JanMar.	forecast	[<i>a</i>]	[<i>b</i>]		
Chemicals	22.8	33.8	56.6	36.2	19.0	12.3	31.3	67.5	69.0	(1.5)	
Homes	5.4	22.1	27.5	4.8	3.2	11.5	14.7	19.5	19.0	0.5	
Pharma	7.2	6.7	13.9	7.7	5.3	0.9	6.2	14.0	13.5	0.5	
Fibers	1.3	2.9	4.2	3.5	1.8	1.7	3.5	7.0	6.5	0.5	
Electronics Materials & Devices	12.4	10.3	22.6	11.5	5.5	5.0	10.5	22.0	23.0	(1.0)	
Construction Materials	2.5	2.5	5.0	2.1	0.8	0.6	1.4	3.5	4.0	(0.5)	
Services, Engineering and Others	2.3	1.5	3.9	2.7	0.7	1.6	2.3	5.0	4.5	0.5	
Corporate Expenses and Eliminations	(3.2)	(2.6)	(5.8)	(4.9)	(1.9)	(1.7)	(3.6)	(8.5)	(9.5)	1.0	
Consolidated	50.7	77.1	127.8	63.7	34.4	31.9	66.3	130.0	130.0	_	



Appendix

Chemicals



Review of operations

Good performance of both volume products and specialty products. Sales and operating profit increase.

Volume products:

Strong overseas demand for acrylonitrile. Sales and operating profit increase.

Specialty products:

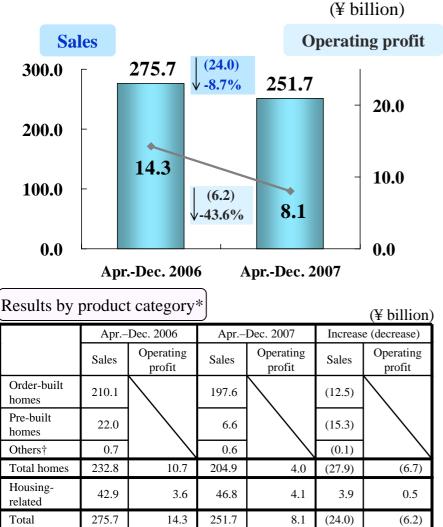
Increased shipments of ion-exchange membranes for chlor-alkali to China. Sales and operating profit increase.

Highlights

- Nov., announcement of price increase effective in Feb. for Saran Wrap[™] cling film and Ziploc[™] storage bags.
- Nov., announcement of plant expansion for Hipore[™] Li-ion battery separator.

Homes (i)

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* Product category division unaudited, simplified calculation.

[†] Including commissions on property insurance.

Review of operations

Good performance of housing-related operations such as remodeling. Decreased deliveries of order-built unit homes as an effect of fewer orders received until the first half of 2007 and postponement of delivery of some units due to improper acquisition of ministerial certification by a supplier of certain components as came to light in late October 2007. Lower number of condominium units delivered year-on-year, with this year's condominium deliveries concentrating in the fourth quarter. Sales and operating profit decrease.

Value of home orders increasing 5% year-on-year during Oct. to Dec. despite a challenging housing market, recovering from the decrease during Oct. to Dec. 2006, and raising the value of home orders during Apr. to Dec. to even with a year ago.

Highlights

• Oct., news release of *Improper Acquisition of Ministerial Certification by Nichias Corp.*

Homes (ii)

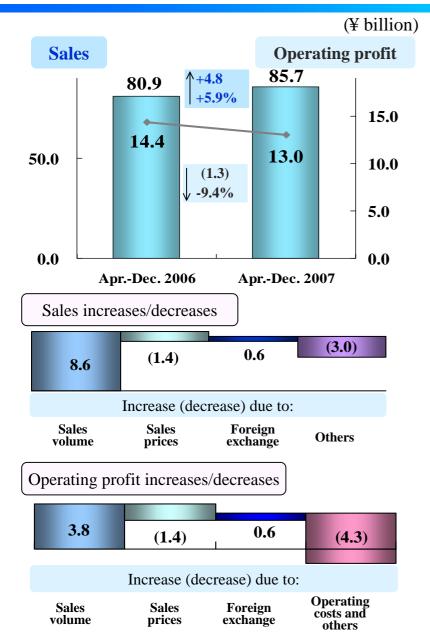
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Sal	es and	order tr	rends				(¥ t	oillion, %	chang	e from sat	me per	riod of pre	vious y	ear show	n at right)
		Value of ne during th			of order- homes		s of pre- t homes	Other sales*	Unco	nsolidated		solidated sidiaries	Cons	solidated	Order backlog
FY 03	H1	161.4	(+15.9%)	121.2	(-0.6%)	5.2	(-17.8%)	0.5	126.9	(-1.3%)	20.9	(+6.6%)	147.8	(-0.1%)	322.2
	H2	156.7	(+4.5%)	159.9	(+13.1%)	30.8	(+200.9%)	0.6	191.2	(+26.0%)	22.3	(+6.2%)	213.5	(+23.7%)	319.0
	annual	318.1	(+9.9%)	281.1	(+6.8%)	36.0	(+117.0%)	1.1	318.2	(+13.5%)	43.1	(+6.2%)	361.3	(+12.7%)	
FY 04	H1	153.1	(-5.2%)	138.9	(+14.6%)	6.6	(+25.3%)	0.5	146.0	(+15.0%)	21.3	(+1.9%)	167.3	(+13.2%)	333.2
	H2	148.7	(-5.1%)	171.9	(+7.5%)	13.6	(-55.9%)	0.6	186.0	(-2.8%)	22.5	(+0.9%)	208.5	(-2.3%)	310.1
	annual	301.8	(-5.1%)	310.7	(+10.6%)	20.1	(-44.1%)	1.1	332.0	(+4.3%)	43.8	(+1.6%)	375.8	(+4.0%)	
FY 05	H1	150.4	(-1.7%)	140.2	(+0.9%)	20.5	(+213.0%)	0.4	161.1	(+10.4%)	24.3	(+14.1%)	185.3	(+10.8%)	320.4
	H2	162.9	(+9.5%)	179.3	(+4.3%)	13.1	(-3.6%)	0.6	193.0	(+3.8%)	26.1	(+16.0%)	219.2	(+5.1%)	304.0
	annual	313.3	(+3.8%)	319.4	(+2.8%)	33.6	(+67.0%)	1.1	354.1	(+6.7%)	50.4	(+15.1%)	404.5	(+7.7%)	
FY 06	H1	156.1	(+3.7%)	134.7	(-3.9%)	6.0	(-70.9%)	0.5	141.1	(-12.4%)	28.0	(+15.2%)	169.1	(-8.7%)	325.3
	Q3	65.9	(-13.0%)	75.4	(+5.1%)	16.0	(+208.6%)	0.2	91.6	(+18.7%)	14.9	(+13.7%)	106.5	(+17.9%)	315.8
	H2	147.3	(-9.6%)	182.9	(+2.0%)	23.0	(+75.8%)	0.5	206.4	(+6.9%)	30.2	(+15.7%)	236.6	(+7.9%)	289.8
	annual	303.4	(-3.2%)	317.6	(-0.6%)	28.9	(-13.8%)	1.0	347.5	(-1.9%)	58.2	(+15.5%)	405.7	(+0.3%)	
FY 06	H1	153.6	(-1.5%)	131.2	(-2.6%)	5.0	(-16.5%)	0.4	136.6	(-3.2%)	30.3	(+8.2%)	166.9	(-1.3%)	312.3
	Q3	69.2	(+5.0%)	66.2	(-12.2%)	1.7	(-89.6%)	0.2	68.1	(-25.7%)	16.7	(+12.2%)	84.8	(-20.4%)	315.3
	H2 forecast	156.4	(+6.2%)	158.8	(-13.1%)	19.5	(-15.0%)	0.6	178.9	(-13.3%)	35.2	(+16.6%)	214.1	(-9.5%)	309.8
	annual	310.0	(+2.2%)	290.0	(-8.7%)	24.5	(-15.3%)	1.0	315.5	(-9.2%)	65.5	(+12.5%)	381.0	(-6.1%)	

* Including commissions on property insurance.

Pharma (i)





Review of operations

Growth for device operations with increased shipments of APS[™] polysulfone-membrane artificial kidneys following increased production capacity. Lower licensing income and higher R&D expenditures of pharmaceutical operations. Sales increase, but operating profit decrease.

Highlights

- Oct., integration of artificial kidneys and other devices with Kuraray Medical.
- Dec., termination of alliance in promotion of Voltaren* nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug.

Highlights in January:

- Capacity expansion of Sepacell[™] leukocyte reduction filters; completion in Dec. 08.
- Acquisition of approval for production and sale of recombinant thrombomodulin alpha in Japan; to be marketed as RecomodulinTM.
- New hollow-fiber spinning plant for Planova[™] virus removal filters; completion in Mar. 09.

* Trademark of Novartis AG

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Sa	ales of Asahi Kasei Pharma Corporation (¥ billion)						
		FY 2006			FY 2007		
		OctDec.	Apr.–Dec.	total	OctDec	Apr.–Dec.	
	Pharamaceuticals	15.3	40.1	50.7	13.5	37.6	
	Others	1.3	4.2	5.7	1.3	4.2	
	Non-consolidated	16.5	44.3	56.4	14.8	41.8	
	Devices [*]	12.0	33.0	43.1	14.3	39.0	
	Others	1.2	3.6	5.0	1.7	4.9	
	Consolidated	29.7	80.9	104.5	30.8	85.7	

* Asahi Kasei Kuraray Medical and Asahi Kasei Medical

	FY 2006			FY 2007	
	OctDec.	Apr.–Dec.	total	OctDec.	Apr.–Dec.
Elcitonin	3.7	10.9	13.8	3.8	10.9
Bredinin	1.7	4.7	6.0	1.7	4.9
Flivas	2.6	7.2	9.3	2.7	7.4
Toledomin TM	1.8	4.8	6.0	1.8	4.9
Exacin TM	0.3	0.9	1.1	0.3	0.8
Zesulan TM	0.4	0.9	1.3	0.4	0.9
Eril	0.5	1.1	1.4	0.5	1.2

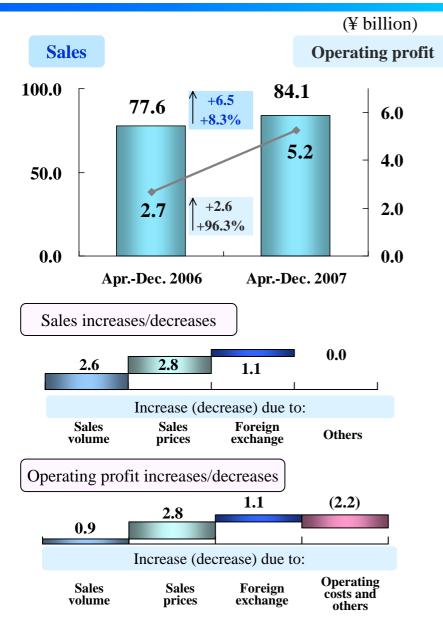
Pharma (iii)



Product pipeline

Development stage	Product	Objective	Class	Indication	
Approval acquired on Jan. 25, 2008, pending market launch	ART-123 (Intravenous)	New biologic	Recombinant thrombomodulin alpha	Disseminated intravascular coagulation	
Pending approval	AK-120 (Oral)	New molecular entity	Antivirus	Shingles (zoster)	
Phase III	AT-877 (Injection)	Additional indication	Rho-kinase inhibitor	Acute cerebral thrombosis	
	PTH (Injection)	Additional indication	Synthetic human parathyroid hormone	Osteoporosis	
Phase II	AT-877 (Oral)	New dosage form	Rho-kinase inhibitor	Angina pectoris	
	KT-611 (Oral)	Additional indication	α-1 blocker	Neurogenic bladder	

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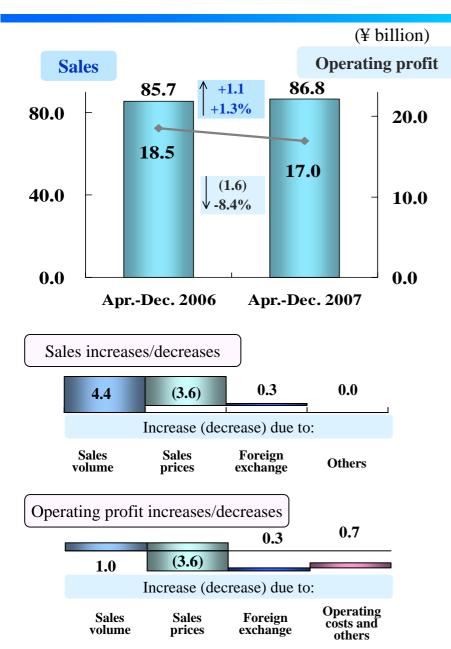
Review of operations

Overseas operations for Roica[™] elastic polyurethane filament performed well with strong demand. Increased shipments of Bemberg[™] regenerated cellulose, especially in overseas markets. Sales and operating profit increase.

Highlights

• Nov., award ceremony for the Asahi Kasei Award for Fashion Design Creativity in China together with a fashion show.

Electronics Materials and Devices



Review of operations

Good performance of electronics materials operations with increased shipments and strong demand. In electronics devices operations, fewer shipments of LSIs and lower product prices as an effect of inventory adjustments in home electronics markets. Sales increase, but operating profit decrease.

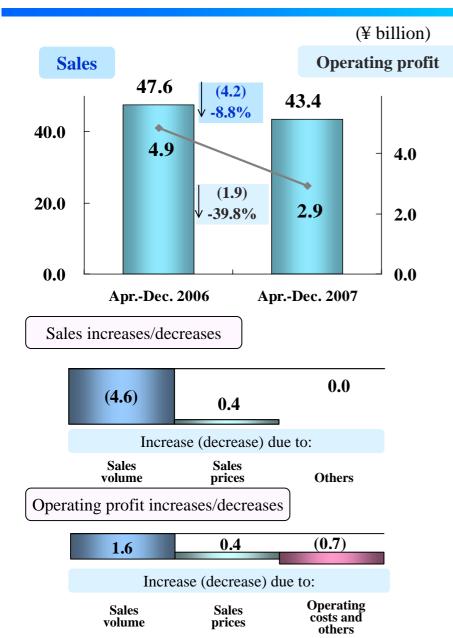
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Highlights

• Dec., announcement of capacity expansion in China for the production of photosensitive dry film resist for print circuit board; start-up in Apr. 08.

Construction Materials

Asahi KASEI



Review of operations

Fewer shipments of Hebel[™] autoclaved lightweight concrete (ALC) panels and other building materials and housing materials as an effect of the decline in construction starts following a revision of building codes in Japan.



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