



Consolidated Financial Results for the Second Quarter (First Half) of the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2025 (Under Japanese GAAP)

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(Yen amounts are rounded down to millions of yen.)

1. Consolidated financial results for the second quarter (first half) of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025 (April 1, 2024 - September 30, 2024)

(1) Consolidated operating results (YTD) (Percentages indicate year-on-year changes.)

	Net sales		Operating profit		Ordinary profit		Profit attributable to owners of parent	
	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%
First half of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025	8,742	3.6	197	155.5	162	242.7	84	-
First half of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024	8,435	20.4	77	-	47	-	(30)	-

Note: Comprehensive income First half of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025 84 million yen (-%)
 First half of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024 (30) million yen (-%)

	Profit per share	Diluted profit per share
	Yen	Yen
First half of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025	1.89	-
First half of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024	(0.73)	-

Note: The presentation of diluted profit per share for the first half of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2024, is omitted as there was a loss per share, although there were dilutive shares. The presentation of diluted profit per share for the first half of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025, is omitted as there was no dilutive effect, although there were dilutive shares.

(2) Consolidated financial position

	Total assets	Net assets	Equity ratio	Net assets per share
	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	%	Yen
First half of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025	6,456	1,146	17.7	(83.16)
Fiscal year ended March 31, 2024	7,313	1,306	17.8	(83.53)

Reference: Equity First half of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025 1,141 million yen
 Fiscal year ended March 31, 2024 1,301 million yen

2. Cash dividends

	Annual dividends per share				
	First quarter-end	Second quarter-end	Third quarter-end	Fiscal year-end	Total
	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen
Fiscal year ended March 31, 2024	-	0.00	-	0.00	0.00
Fiscal year ending March 31, 2025	-	0.00			
Fiscal year ending March 31, 2025 (forecast)			-	0.00	0.00

Note: Revision to the most recently announced dividend forecast: None

Note: The cash dividends section above shows the status of dividends on common stock. For the status of dividends on a class of stock (unlisted) with rights that differ from those for common stock issued by the Company, see the section titled "Dividend on class stock."

3. Consolidated financial results forecast for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025 (April 1, 2024 - to March 31, 2025) (Percentages indicate year-on-year changes.)

	Net sales		Operating profit		Ordinary profit		Profit attributable to owners of parent		Profit per share
	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Yen
Full year	17,500	3.1	450	38.3	370	48.4	220	1.6	4.98

Note: Revision to the most recently announced financial results forecast: None

*Notes

- (1) Significant changes in scope of consolidation during the period: None
New companies: -
Excluded companies: -
- (2) Application of accounting treatment specific to the preparation of the semi-annual consolidated financial statements: None
- (3) Changes in accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates, and restatement
 - (i) Changes in accounting policies due to revisions to accounting standards and other regulations: Yes
 - (ii) Changes in accounting policies other than as provided in item (i): None
 - (iii) Changes in accounting estimates: None
 - (iv) Restatement: None

Note: For details, see "(4) Notes to semi-annual consolidated financial statements (Notes on changes in accounting policies)" in "2. Semi-Annual Consolidated Financial Statements and Key Notes" on page 10 of the attached document.

- (4) Number of issued shares (common stock)
 - (i) Total number of issued shares at the end of the period (including treasury shares)

First half of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025	44,728,213
Fiscal year ended March 31, 2024	44,197,682
 - (ii) Number of treasury shares at the end of the period

First half of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025	2,530
Fiscal year ended March 31, 2024	2,530
 - (iii) Average number of shares outstanding during the period (first half of the fiscal year)

First half of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025	44,337,511
First half of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024	40,943,160

* Semi-annual financial results reports are exempt from audit procedures conducted by certified public accountants or an audit corporation.

* Proper use of earnings forecasts, and other special matters

The forward-looking statements provided in this document, such as the financial results forecast, are based on information currently available to the Company and certain assumptions deemed to be reasonable. Actual financial results could potentially differ markedly from the forecast due to various factors. For matters related to the financial results forecast mentioned above, see the "Explanation of forward-looking information such as consolidated financial results forecast" section on page 3 of the attached document.

○ Dividend on class stock

Shown below is a breakdown of the dividend per share on class stock whose rights differ from those of common stock.

(Class C preferred stock)

	Dividend per share				
	First quarter-end	Second quarter-end	Third quarter-end	Fiscal year-end	Total
	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen
Fiscal year ended March 31, 2024	-	-	-	85,000.00	85,000.00
Fiscal year ending March 31, 2025	-	-			
Fiscal year ending March 31, 2025 (forecast)			-	85,000.00	85,000.00

Notes: 1. Class C preferred stock was issued in May 2021. Dividends began to be paid from the fiscal year ended March 31, 2022, in accordance with the Class C preferred stock issuance guidelines set forth at the time of issuance.
2. Revision to the most recently announced dividend forecast: None

(Class D preferred stock)

	Dividend per share				
	First quarter-end	Second quarter-end	Third quarter-end	Fiscal year-end	Total
	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen
Fiscal year ended March 31, 2024	-	-	-	40,000.00	40,000.00
Fiscal year ending March 31, 2025	-	-			
Fiscal year ending March 31, 2025 (forecast)			-	20,000.00	20,000.00

Notes: 1. Class D preferred stock was issued in May 2021. Dividends began to be paid from the fiscal year ended March 31, 2022, in accordance with the Class D preferred stock issuance guidelines set forth at the time of issuance.
2. Revision to the most recently announced dividend forecast: None

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1. Qualitative Information on Semi-Annual Financial Results

(1) Explanation of operating results

During the consolidated first half of the current fiscal year, the Japanese economy recovered moderately as economic activity continued to normalize. However, the economic outlook remained uncertain due to factors such as unseasonable weather including typhoons and heat waves, soaring raw material prices, consumers' desire to save money due to rising prices, and concerns over a downturn in consumer sentiment.

Under these circumstances, the Group tackled challenges such as labor shortages, rising costs, and changes in the business environment. We continued to enhance the profit structure by raising customer gross margin through menu revisions and menu mixes, improving costs by lowering ingredient losses and stepping up labor productivity by revamping our outlet operation. Increasing the number of customers at outlets was a major theme for the period, and we worked rigorously to "return to our essence" through improving the quality of the main items in each business category and re-establishing the skills to make them. We also took measures to draw in new customers and experimented with raising our visibility using social media. To move from a revival phase aimed at becoming profitable to the next phase of regrowth, we remodeled our business formats while developing and experimenting with new business concepts and preparing to open new outlets, with results being achieved gradually.

We also strove to invest in human capital and endeavored to become "a company able to make employees affluent and happy" as set forth in our business philosophy. We did so through efforts to raise employee base salaries, improve and enhance employee training and education, step up foreign employee recruiting, and set up new departments charged to promote diversity in the future.

Our outlets numbered 311 (including 30 franchise outlets) at the end of the consolidated first half of the current fiscal year, following three openings (including one franchise outlet) and four closures.

As a result, for the Group, during the consolidated first half of the current fiscal year, net sales were 8,742 million yen (up 3.6% year on year), operating profit was 197 million yen (up 155.5% year on year), ordinary profit was 162 million yen (up 242.7% year on year), and profit attributable to owners of parent was 84 million yen (compared with a loss attributable to owners of parent of 30 million yen in the consolidated first half of the previous fiscal year).

(2) Explanation of financial position

(i) Assets, liabilities and net assets

Total assets at the end of the consolidated first half of the current fiscal year were 6,456 million yen, a decrease of 856 million yen compared with the end of the previous consolidated fiscal year.

This was due to a respective decrease of 697 million yen in cash and deposits, 165 million yen in accounts receivable - trade, and 22 million yen in intangible assets.

Total liabilities were 5,310 million yen, a decrease of 696 million yen compared with the end of the previous consolidated fiscal year. This was mainly due to a decrease of 249 million yen in long-term borrowings as a result of repaying them, a decrease of 182 million yen in accounts payable and a decrease of 170 million yen in consumption taxes payable.

Total net assets were 1,146 million yen, a decrease of 160 million yen compared with the end of the previous consolidated fiscal year. This was mainly due to: i) a decrease of 256 million yen in legal capital surplus as a result of paying dividends on Class C preferred stock and Class D preferred stock; and ii) lowering of share capital and legal capital surplus by 116 million yen and 116 million yen, respectively, under Article 447, Paragraph 1 and Article 448, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act and transferring these amounts to other capital surplus.

As a result, the equity ratio was 17.7%, a decrease of 0.1 percentage points from the end of the previous fiscal year, and net assets per share of common stock fell 83.16 yen.

(ii) Cash flows

The balance of cash and cash equivalents ("cash") at the end of the consolidated first half of the current fiscal year amounted to 1,086 million yen, a decrease of 697 million yen compared with the end of the previous consolidated fiscal year.

Shown below are cash flows and the underlying factors therefor for the consolidated first half of the current fiscal year.

(Cash flows from operating activities)

Cash provided from operating activities was 103 million yen (compared with 232 million yen in cash provided in the consolidated first half of the previous fiscal year). This was mainly due to 98 million yen in profit before income taxes, of which 209 million yen was depreciation and amortization that did not involve cash spending, and 41 million yen in impairment losses.

(Cash flows from investing activities)

Cash used in investing activities was 305 million yen (compared with 121 million yen in cash used in the consolidated first half of the previous fiscal year). This was mainly due to 282 million yen in expenditure for purchase

of property, plant and equipment for the opening of the new Beniton Nishi-Kasai Outlet, and 18 million yen in payment of leasehold and guarantee deposits.

(Cash flows from financing activities)

Cash used in financing activities was 495 million yen (compared with 450 million yen in cash used in the consolidated first half of the previous fiscal year). This was mainly due to 249 million yen in repayments of long-term borrowings and 256 million yen in dividends paid to Class C preferred shareholders and Class D preferred shareholders.

(3) Explanation of forward-looking information such as consolidated financial results forecast

Revision to consolidated financial results forecasts

The Company has revised its financial results forecast for the first half of the consolidated fiscal year ending March 31, 2025, based on currently available information and forecasts, taking into account net sales up to the first half of the consolidated fiscal year ending March 31, 2025.

For details, please see “Notice Concerning Revision of Consolidated Financial Results Forecast for the Second Quarter (First Half) of the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2025” announced on October 29, 2024.

Furthermore, we expect net sales to remain strong from the third quarter onwards due to a rapid recovery in the flow of people, particularly in urban areas, as a result of the normalization of socioeconomic activities. But we also expect the upward trend in costs to continue, due to factors including rising food and energy prices as well as increases in minimum wages. Therefore, our forecasts for the fiscal year ending March 2025 (full year), which were announced on May 10, 2024, remain unchanged.

2. Semi-Annual Consolidated Financial Statements and Key Notes

(1) Semi-annual consolidated balance sheet

(Millions of yen)

	Previous fiscal year (March 31, 2024)	First half of the current fiscal year (September 30, 2024)
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash and deposits	1,783	1,086
Accounts receivable - trade	712	546
Raw materials and supplies	124	138
Other	177	200
Total current assets	2,797	1,971
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment		
Buildings and structures, net	2,010	1,946
Machinery, equipment and vehicles, net	217	244
Tools, furniture and fixtures, net	103	130
Land	365	365
Construction in progress	10	1
Total property, plant and equipment	2,707	2,689
Intangible assets		
Leased assets	33	20
Other	87	78
Total intangible assets	121	98
Investments and other assets		
Investment securities	371	371
Leasehold and guarantee deposits	1,272	1,279
Deferred tax assets	15	27
Other	19	13
Total investments and other assets	1,679	1,691
Total non-current assets	4,508	4,479
Deferred assets		
Share issuance costs	0	0
Share acquisition rights issuance costs	6	5
Total deferred assets	7	5
Total assets	7,313	6,456

(Millions of yen)

	Previous fiscal year (March 31, 2024)	First half of the current fiscal year (September 30, 2024)
Liabilities		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable - trade	799	800
Current portion of long-term borrowings	249	249
Accounts payable - other	392	209
Accrued expenses	568	518
Income taxes payable	50	30
Provision for bonuses	80	83
Lease obligations	1	-
Asset retirement obligations	5	19
Provision for loss on outlet closings	2	2
Other	383	182
Total current liabilities	2,534	2,098
Non-current liabilities		
Long-term borrowings	2,646	2,396
Asset retirement obligations	744	732
Deferred tax liabilities	12	10
Other	69	72
Total non-current liabilities	3,472	3,212
Total liabilities	6,007	5,310
Net assets		
Shareholders' equity		
Share capital	216	106
Capital surplus	1,439	1,305
Retained earnings	(352)	(268)
Treasury shares	(2)	(2)
Total shareholders' equity	1,301	1,141
Share acquisition rights	4	4
Total net assets	1,306	1,146
Total liabilities and net assets	7,313	6,456

(2) Semi-annual consolidated statement of income and consolidated statement of comprehensive income

Semi-annual consolidated statement of income

(Millions of yen)

	First half of the previous fiscal year (From April 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023)	First half of the current fiscal year (From April 1, 2024 to September 30, 2024)
Net sales	8,435	8,742
Cost of sales	2,784	2,822
Gross profit	5,650	5,920
Selling, general and administrative expenses	5,573	5,723
Operating profit	77	197
Non-operating income		
Interest and dividend income	7	8
Rental income	6	5
Penalty income	10	-
Other	3	2
Total non-operating income	27	16
Non-operating expenses		
Interest expenses	47	44
Other	9	6
Total non-operating expenses	57	51
Ordinary profit	47	162
Extraordinary income		
Gain on sale of property, plant and equipment	-	2
Reversal of provision for loss on outlet closings	6	1
Other	0	-
Total extraordinary income	7	3
Extraordinary losses		
Loss on sale of non-current assets	2	-
Impairment losses	33	41
Loss on retirement of non-current assets	0	8
Loss on outlet closings	13	4
Other	12	13
Total extraordinary losses	63	68
Profit (loss) before income taxes	(8)	98
Income taxes - current	24	27
Income taxes - deferred	(2)	(13)
Total income taxes	21	14
Profit (loss)	(30)	84
Profit (loss) attributable to owners of parent	(30)	84

Semi-annual consolidated statement of comprehensive income

(Millions of yen)

	First half of the previous fiscal year (From April 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023)	First half of the current fiscal year (From April 1, 2024 to September 30, 2024)
Profit (loss)	(30)	84
Comprehensive income	(30)	84
(Breakdown)		
Comprehensive income attributable to owners of parent	(30)	84

(3) Semi-annual consolidated statement of cash flows

(Millions of yen)

	First half of the previous fiscal year (From April 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023)	First half of the current fiscal year (From April 1, 2024 to September 30, 2024)
Cash flows from operating activities		
Profit (loss) before income taxes	(8)	98
Depreciation	244	209
Amortization of deferred assets	3	1
Impairment losses	33	41
Performance difference on asset retirement obligations	(3)	(12)
Increase (decrease) in provision for bonuses	1	2
Increase (decrease) in provision for loss on outlet closings	3	0
Interest and dividend income	(7)	(8)
Interest expenses	47	44
Loss (gain) on sale and retirement of non-current assets	2	5
Decrease (increase) in trade receivables	(9)	165
Decrease (increase) in inventories	(9)	(13)
Decrease (increase) in other current assets	(42)	(16)
Increase (decrease) in trade payables	20	1
Increase (decrease) in advances received	(49)	(36)
Increase (decrease) in accrued consumption taxes	24	(170)
Increase (decrease) in other current liabilities	(17)	(136)
Other	24	15
Subtotal	258	192
Interest and dividends received	7	8
Interest paid	(49)	(46)
Income tax paid	(49)	(53)
Income taxes refund	65	1
Cash flows from operating activities	232	103

(Millions of yen)

	First half of the previous fiscal year (From April 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023)	First half of the current fiscal year (From April 1, 2024 to September 30, 2024)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(127)	(282)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	34	-
Purchase of intangible assets	(9)	(7)
Payments of leasehold and guarantee deposits	(27)	(18)
Proceeds from refund of leasehold and guarantee deposits	20	7
Payments for asset retirement obligations	(10)	(4)
Cash flows from investing activities	(121)	(305)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Repayments of long-term borrowings	(283)	(249)
Repayments of lease obligations	(37)	(1)
Purchase of treasury share acquisition rights	(1)	-
Proceeds from issuance of shares upon exercise of stock acquisition rights	-	12
Dividends paid	(127)	(256)
Cash flows from financing activities	(450)	(495)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(339)	(697)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	1,651	1,783
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	1,312	1,086

(4) Notes to semi-annual consolidated financial statements

(Notes on going concern assumption)

Not applicable.

(Notes on a substantial change in the amount of shareholders' equity)

First half of the previous fiscal year (from April 1, 2023, to September 30, 2023)

1. Dividends paid

Resolution	Type of shares	Total dividends (millions of yen)	Dividend per share (yen)	Record date	Effective date	Dividend source
June 29, 2023 General Meeting of Shareholders	Class C preferred stock	127	85,000.00	March 31, 2023	June 30, 2023	Capital surplus

2. Dividends for which the record date falls within the consolidated first half of the fiscal year under review but for which the effective date falls after the end of the consolidated first half of the fiscal year under review
Not applicable.

3. Substantial changes in shareholders' equity

On June 29, 2023, as resolved by a general meeting of shareholders held on the same day, we reduced share capital and legal capital surplus by 216 million yen and 191 million yen, respectively, under Article 447, Paragraph 1 and Article 448, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act and transferred these amounts to other capital surplus. We reduced other capital surplus by 991 million yen and transferred the same amount to retained earnings brought forward for deficit disposition under Article 452 of the Companies Act.

First half of the current fiscal year (from April 1, 2024, to September 30, 2024)

1. Dividends paid

Resolution	Type of shares	Total dividends (millions of yen)	Dividend per share (yen)	Record date	Effective date	Dividend source
June 27, 2024 General Meeting of Shareholders	Class C preferred stock	127	85,000.00	March 31, 2024	June 28, 2024	Capital surplus
June 27, 2024 General Meeting of Shareholders	Class D preferred stock	129	40,000.00	March 31, 2024	June 28, 2024	Capital surplus

2. Dividends for which the record date falls within the first half of the fiscal year under review, but for which the effective date falls after the end of the first half of the fiscal year under review
Not applicable.

3. Substantial changes in shareholders' equity

On June 27, 2024, as resolved by the general meeting of shareholders held on the same day, we reduced share capital and legal capital surplus by 116 million yen and 116 million yen, respectively, under Article 447, Paragraph 1 and Article 448, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act and transferred these amounts to other capital surplus.

(Notes on changes in accounting policies)

(Application of "Accounting Standard for Current Income Taxes")

Starting from the beginning of the first half of the current fiscal year, we began to apply the "Accounting Standard for Current Income Taxes" (Accounting Standards Board of Japan (ASBJ) Statement No. 27, October 28, 2022, hereinafter referred to as the "Revised Accounting Standard of 2022").

With regard to the revision to the recognition classification for income taxes (taxation on other comprehensive income), we conformed to the transitional treatment set forth in the proviso of Paragraph 20-3 of the Revised Accounting Standard of 2022 and the transitional treatment set forth in the proviso of Paragraph 65-2 (2) of the

“Guidance on Accounting Standard for Tax Effect Accounting” (ASBJ Guidance No. 28, October 28, 2022, hereinafter referred to as the “Revised Implementation Guidance of 2022”). This accounting policy change did not affect the semi-annual consolidated financial statements.

Moreover, with regard to the revision to the treatment of deferral for tax purposes of gains and losses on sales of shares of subsidiaries between consolidated companies in consolidated financial statements, we began to apply the Revised Implementation Guidance of 2022, starting from the beginning of the first half of the current fiscal year. We applied this accounting policy change retroactively, and the semi-annual consolidated financial statements and consolidated financial statements for the first half of the previous fiscal year and for the previous fiscal year have been restated accordingly. The accounting policy change did not affect the semi-annual consolidated financial statements for the first half of the previous fiscal year and the consolidated financial statements for the previous fiscal year.

(Notes to segment information)

(Segment information)

I First half of the previous fiscal year (from April 1, 2023, to September 30, 2023)

The presentation of segment information was omitted since the Group only has the restaurant service business segment and such presentation is considered to be of little importance as disclosure information.

II First half of the current fiscal year (from April 1, 2024, to September 30, 2024)

The presentation of segment information was omitted since the Group only has the restaurant service business segment and such presentation is considered to be of little importance as disclosure information.