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GS Yuasa Corporation Consolidated Earnings Report for the Three Months ended June 30, 2012 (Japanese GAAP)

1. Qualitative Information on Quarterly Financial Results

- (1) Results of Operations
- 1). Overview

In the first quarter of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2013 (April 1, 2012 – June 30, 2012), the Japanese economy improved moderately on solid domestic demand driven mainly by reconstruction-related consumption. Overall, however, economic sentiment remained severe due to concerns over summer power supplies and other issues in Japan, the debt crisis and worsening economic environment in Europe, as well as slowing growth in China.

In this environment, the GS Yuasa Group's net sales in the first quarter were driven by rising domestic demand for new automobile batteries, higher sales of industrial batteries and power supplies to domestic datacenters and railway companies, and robust sales in Asia, particularly China. As a result, net sales in the period increased ¥2,551 million, or 4.2% versus the first quarter of the previous year, to ¥62,900 million.

In terms of profitability, operating income increased ¥614 million versus the first quarter of the previous year, or 75.6%, to ¥1,426 million due to increased sales and lower prices for lead, a key raw material. Ordinary income increased by ¥741 million year on year, or 62.5%, to ¥1,927 million, due mainly to increased equity in earnings of equity method affiliates. Net income increased by ¥930 million year on year, or 709.0%, to ¥1,062 million.

2). Business Segment Results (Domestic Automotive Batteries)

Net sales in the domestic automotive batteries segment totaled ¥12,671 million for the first quarter ended June 30, 2012, a decline of ¥44 million, or 0.4%, compared with the first quarter of the previous fiscal year. Sales of mainstay lead-acid batteries increased, mainly for idle-stop (start and stop) vehicles and hybrid vehicles, while sales of automotive components were sluggish. Segment operating income increased ¥128 million, or 54.2%, year on year to ¥366 million, mainly as a result of lower lead prices.

(Domestic Industrial Batteries and Power Supplies)

Net sales in the domestic industrial batteries and power supplies segment for the three-month period totaled ¥13,945 million, an increase of ¥1,413 million, or 11.3%, compared with the first quarter of the previous fiscal year as a result of increased sales of industrial batteries for datacenters and railway vehicles. The segment's operating income totaled ¥481 million, a year-on-year increase of ¥143 million, or 42.4%.

(Overseas Operations)

Net sales in the overseas operations for the first quarter ended June 30, 2012 totaled ¥30,979 million, an increase of ¥956 million, or 3.2%, compared with the first quarter of the previous fiscal year as sales volumes increased for automotive and motorcycle batteries, mainly in China. Operating income totaled ¥1,688 million, a year-on-year increase of ¥602 million, or 55.5%, on the strength of the sales increase.

(Lithium-ion Batteries)

Net sales in the lithium-ion batteries segment for the three-month period totaled $\pm 3,143$ million, an increase of ± 161 million, or 5.4%, compared with the first quarter of the previous fiscal year as growth in sales volumes slackened. The segment's operating loss totaled $\pm 1,054$ million, a year-on-year decline of ± 219 million as a result of the front-loading of depreciation and other fixed expenses associated with capital investments made to increase production capacity.

(Other)

Net sales in the other segment for the first quarter ended June 30, 2012 totaled ¥2,160 million, an increase of ¥65 million, or 3.1%, compared with the first quarter of the previous fiscal year. The segment posted an operating loss of ¥56 million, a year-on-year decline of ¥41 million.

(2) Financial Condition

Total assets at the end of the first quarter (June 30, 2012) totaled ¥278,132 million, a decline of ¥293 million from the end of the previous fiscal year. While property, plant and equipment rose as a result of new capital investments to increase production of lithium-ion automotive batteries, the increase was outweighed by a decline in notes and accounts receivable.

Liabilities at the end of the first quarter totaled ¥142,530 million, an increase of ¥326 million from the end of the previous fiscal year, as higher debt outweighed a decline in notes and accounts payable.

Net assets at the end of the first quarter totaled ¥135,602 million, a decrease of ¥619 million from the end of the previous fiscal year as dividend payments outweighed the booking of net income and higher foreign currency translation adjustments.

(3) Consolidated Earnings Forecast

There is no change to the earnings forecast announced on May 9, 2012.

2. Other Information

- (1) Changes Affecting the Status of Material Subsidiaries (Scope of Consolidation) Not applicable.
- (2) Use of Accounting Procedures Specific to Preparation of Quarterly Consolidated Financial Statements

Regarding taxes, a reasonable estimate of the effective tax rate for the projected full-year pretax income for the current fiscal year, including the actual income figure for the three months ended June 30, 2012, has been arrived at using the tax-effect accounting method. This estimated effective tax rate has been used to calculate taxes against income before taxes and minority interests for the three months ended June 30, 2012. The income tax adjustment is included in income taxes.

(3) Changes in Accounting Policy, Changes in Accounting Estimates, and Retrospective Restatement

Change in depreciation method

In response to Japan's recent corporate tax law amendments and effective from the first quarter of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2013, the method which GS Yuasa Corporation and its domestic consolidated subsidiaries use for depreciation of property, plant, and equipment acquired on or after April 1, 2012 will be adjusted to reflect the revised corporate tax code. The impact of this change is expected to be negligible.

3. Consolidated Financial Statements

(1) Consolidated Balance Sheets

		(Millions of yen)
	As of March 31, 2012	As of June 30, 2012
	Amount	Amount
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash and deposits	10,692	11,308
Notes and accounts receivable	59,747	52,171
Marketable securities	5,801	4,202
Merchandise and finished goods	24,511	26,571
Work in process	7,616	8,737
Raw materials and supplies	8,316	8,203
Deferred tax assets	2,428	2,512
Other	17,880	11,813
Allowance for doubtful receivables	(309)	(384)
Total current assets	136,685	125,137
Fixed assets		
Property, plant, and equipment		
Buildings and structures, net	36,230	36,545
Machinery and equipment, net	23,654	23,616
Land	18,392	18,805
Lease assets, net	9,218	9,037
Construction in progress	11,835	22,460
Other, net	2,171	2,180
Total property, plant, and equipment	101,502	112,645
Intangible assets		·
Lease assets	707	795
Other	1,465	1,524
Total intangible assets	2,172	2,320
Investments and other assets		
Investment securities	29,477	29,453
Other	9,176	9,171
Allowance for doubtful receivables	(633)	(622)
Total investments and other assets	38,019	38,003
Total fixed assets	141,694	152,969
Deferred assets	45	26
Total assets	278,426	278,132

(Millions of yen) As of March 31, 2012 As of June 30, 2012

	AS OF March 31, 2012	
	Amount	Amount
Liabilities		
Current liabilities		
Notes and accounts payable	28,252	25,345
Short-term borrowings	26,081	28,240
Payables	14,583	13,902
Income taxes payable	2,245	1,089
Notes payable-facilities	4,782	5,797
Other	11,405	13,637
Total current liabilities	87,351	88,012
Long-term liabilities		
Long-term debt	30,042	30,240
Lease obligations	9,195	9,043
Liability for retirement benefits	7,558	7,380
Other '	8,055	7,854
Total long-term liabilities	54,852	54,518
Total liabilities	142,204	142,530
Net assets		
Shareholders' equity	00.004	00.004
Common stock	33,021	33,021
Capital surplus	54,880	54,880
Retained earnings	32,516	30,268
Less treasury stock, at cost	(312)	(313)
Total shareholders' equity	120,105	117,856
Accumulated other comprehensive income		
Net unrealized gain on available-for-sale	5,365	4,300
securities	5,305	4,300
Deferred gain (loss) on derivatives under	68	(55)
hedge accounting	08	(55)
Land revaluation surplus	1,400	1,427
Foreign currency translation adjustments	(11,812)	(8,931)
Total accumulated other comprehensive income	(4,978)	(3,259)
Minority interests	21,094	21,004
Total net assets	136,221	135,602
Total liabilities and net assets	278,426	278,132
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(2) Consolidated Statements of Income and Comprehensive Income Consolidated Statements of Income

	Three months ended June 30, 2011	(Millions of yen) Three months ended June 30, 2012
	Amount	Amount
Net sales	60,348	62,900
Cost of sales	47,771	49,564
Gross profit	12,577	13,335
Selling, general and administrative	11,765	11,909
expenses	•	
Operating income	812	1,426
Non-operating income		
Interest income	21	25
Dividend income	169	179
Equity in earnings of equity method affiliates	692	867
Other	173	183
Total non-operating income	1,056	1,255
Non-operating expenses		
Interest expenses	348	337
Foreign exchange gain (loss)	72	218
Other	261	198
Total non-operating expenses	682	755
Ordinary income	1,186	1,927
Extraordinary income		
Gain on sales of fixed assets	6	32
Reversal of deposits	_	14
Other	5	10
Total extraordinary income	12	56
Extraordinary loss		
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	56	9
Loss on sales of fixed assets	7	1
Loss on revaluation of investment securities	32	26
Disaster losses	639	_
Special extra retirement payments	_	17
Other	190	4
Total extraordinary loss	926	58
Income before income taxes and minority	272	1,925
interests		
Income taxes	732	1,105
Income (loss) before minority interests	(460)	820
Minority interests in net earnings (loss)	(591)	(242)
Net income	131	1,062

Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

(Millions of yen) Three months ended Three months ended June 30, 2011 June 30, 2012 Amount Amount Income (loss) before minority interests 820 (460)Other comprehensive income Net unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities (186)(1,061)Deferred gain (loss) on derivatives under hedge (123)(3) accounting Foreign currency translation adjustments 586 2,219 Share of other comprehensive income of equity 388 965 method affiliates Total other comprehensive income 784 1,999 Comprehensive income 324 2,819 Components: Comprehensive income attributable to owners of 818 2,754 the parent Comprehensive income attributable to minority (493)65 interests

- (3) Note on the Going-concern Assumption Not applicable
- (4) Note on significant change in Shareholders' equity Not applicable
- (5) Segment Information

Net sales

Total

transfers

Segment income (loss)

I. Three months ended June 30, 2011 (April 1 to June 30, 2011)

Sales and income/loss by reportable segment

(Millions of yen) Reportable segment Domestic Industrial Domestic **Batteries** Automotive and Power Overseas Lithium-ion Others **Batteries** Supplies Operations **Batteries** Total (note) Total 12,001 29,472 2,893 Sales to outside customers 12,365 56,731 3,617 60,348 Inter-segment sales and 351 530 551 89 1,522 (1,522)

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338 Note: "Others" comprises a) businesses that are not included in reportable segment such as lighting operation and b) segment income adjustment. Segment income adjustment was minus 510 million yen, which includes minus 244 million yen elimination of inter-segment transactions and minus 265 million yen of unallocated corporate expenses. The main component of these unallocated corporate expenses is SG&A expenses that are not attributable to reportable segments.

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II. Three months ended June 30, 2012 (April 1 to June 30, 2012)

Sales and income/loss by reportable segment

12,716

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(Millions of yen)

	Domestic Automotive	Domestic Industrial Batteries and Power	Overseas	Lithium-ion		Others	
	Batteries	Supplies	Operations	Batteries	Total	(note)	Total
Net sales							
Sales to outside customers	12,302	13,435	30,600	3,135	59,473	3,427	62,900
Inter-segment sales and transfers	369	509	379	7	1,266	(1,266)	_
Total	12,671	13,945	30,979	3,143	60,740	2,160	62,900
Segment income (loss)	366	481	1,688	(1,054)	1,482	(56)	1,426

Note: "Others" comprises a) businesses that are not included in reportable segment such as lighting operation and b) segment income adjustment. Segment income adjustment was minus 582 million yen, which includes minus 321 million yen elimination of inter-segment transactions and minus 261 million yen of unallocated corporate expenses. The main component of these unallocated corporate expenses is SG&A expenses that are not attributable to reportable segments.

4. Supplementary Information

(1) Quarterly income/loss

Fiscal year ending March 31, 2013 (April 1, 2012 to March 31, 2013)

(Millions of yen)

	Q1 (Apr. – Jun.)	Q2 (Jul. – Sep.)	Q3 (Oct. – Dec.)	Q4 (Jan. – Mar.)	Q2 YTD (Apr. – Sep.)	Q3 YTD (Apr. – Dec.)	Full year
Net sales	62,900	_	_		_	_	_
Operating income	1,426	_	_	_	_	_	_
Ordinary income	1,927	_	_	_	_	_	_
Net income	1,062	_	_	_	_	_	_

Fiscal year ended March 31, 2012 (April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2012)

(Millions of yen)

	Q1 (Apr. – Jun.)	Q2 (Jul. – Sep.)	Q3 (Oct. – Dec.)	Q4 (Jan. – Mar.)	Q2 YTD (Apr. – Sep.)	Q3 YTD (Apr. – Dec.)	Full year
Net sales	60,348	71,546	73,358	80,180	131,895	205,253	285,434
Operating income	812	3,985	4,129	7,103	4,797	8,927	16,030
Ordinary income	1,186	3,881	4,934	7,989	5,067	10,002	17,991
Net income	131	2,344	3,251	6,005	2,476	5,727	11,733

Fiscal year ended March 31, 2011 (April 1, 2010 to March 31, 2011)

(Millions of ven)

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q2 YTD	Q3 YTD	
	(Apr. – Jun.)	(Jul Sep.)	(Oct Dec.)	(Jan. – Mar.)	(Apr Sep.)	(Apr. – Dec.)	Full year
Net sales	59,229	68,793	69,417	75,073	128,022	197,440	272,514
Operating income	2,241	3,872	5,841	5,633	6,114	11,955	17,589
Ordinary income	2,079	3,750	6,365	5,318	5,829	12,195	17,513
Net income	815	1,798	5,427	3,681	2,613	8,041	11,722

Fiscal year ended March 31, 2010 (April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010)

(Millions of yen)

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	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q2 YTD	Q3 YTD	Full year
	(Apr. – Jun.)	(Jul. – Sep.)	(Oct. – Dec.)	(Jan. – Mar.)	(Apr. – Sep.)	(Apr. – Dec.)	ruii yeai
Net sales	48,917	60,442	63,595	74,269	109,360	172,955	247,224
Operating income	(2,243)	2,156	4,235	7,373	(87)	4,148	11,521
Ordinary income	(2,293)	2,340	4,032	6,092	47	4,079	10,171
Net income	(2,412)	740	2,096	6,064	(1,672)	423	6,487

Fiscal year ended March 31, 2009 (April 1, 2008 to March 31, 2009)

(Millions of yen)

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q2 YTD	Q3 YTD	Full year
	(Apr. – Jun.)	(Jul. – Sep.)	(Oct. – Dec.)	(Jan. – Mar.)	(Apr. – Sep.)	(Apr. – Dec.)	Full year
Net sales	69,582	74,857	72,410	66,570	144,439	216,850	283,421
Operating income	2,301	4,228	3,526	4,219	6,530	10,057	14,276
Ordinary income	3,149	3,660	1,476	2,692	6,810	8,286	10,979
Net income	1,161	1,352	165	1,549	2,513	2,679	4,228