1ST HALF FY2017/3 FINANCIAL REVIEW

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NIPPON PAPER INDUSTRIES CO.,LTD.



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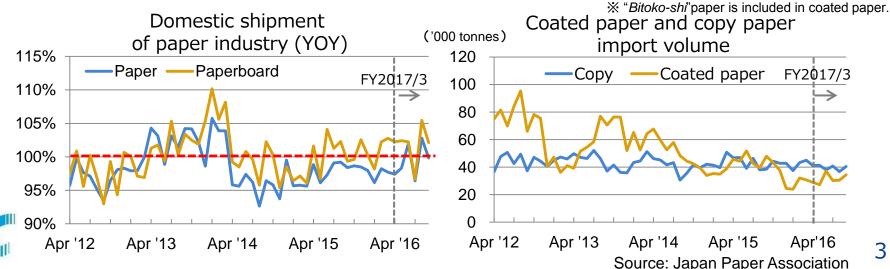


1. Business Environment: Industry Data (domestic shipment, exports, and imports)

Domestic demand of graphic paper including newsprint is declining. Paperboard demand is steady.

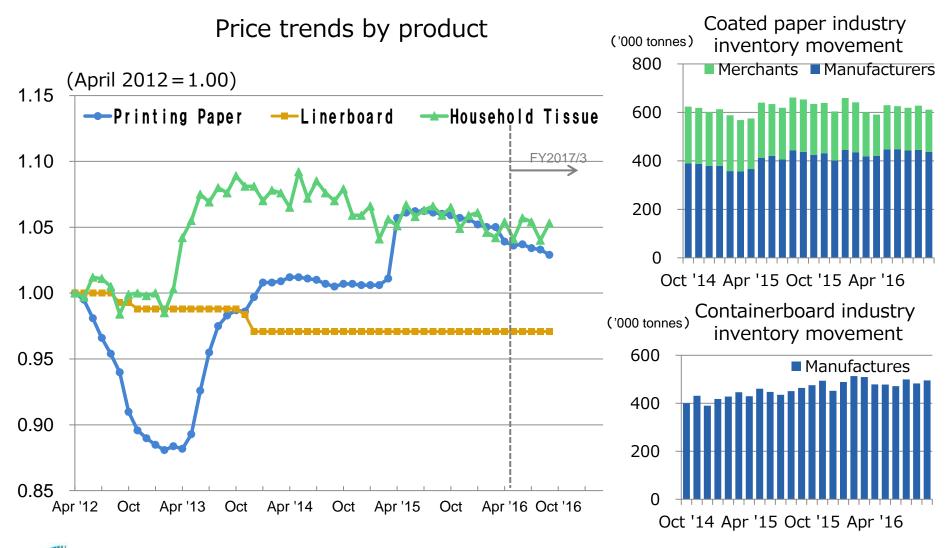
		Apr '16 - Sep '16			
		Domestic shipments Exports		orts	
		volume	YOY	volume	YOY
	Newsprint	1,435	-3.0%	0	-67.3%
	Printing & business communication paper	3,698	-0.4%	345	10.1%
	Coated paper *	2,092	-1.0%	265	4.4%
	Uncoated & specialty printing paper	956	-0.6%	57	34.3%
	Business communication paper	651	1.8%	23	33.4%
	Other papers (packaging, sanitary and other miscellaneous uses)	1,588	1.7%	137	26.9%
Pa	per total	6,721	-0.5%	482	14.2%
	Container board	4,498	2.0%	189	22.1%
	Folding box board and others	1,074	0.9%	11	-14.6%
Pa	perboard total	5,572	1.8%	200	19.3%
Paper and paperboard total		12,293	0.5%	681	15.7%

	volume: '000 tonnes			
Apr '16 - Sep '16				
Impo	orts			
volume	YOY			
7	-70.5%			
498	-16.7%			
188	-30.7%			
71	0.8%			
239	-6.7%			
19	1.0%			
525	-18.2%			
22	-21.5%			
138	-2.9%			
160	-5.9%			
684	-15.6%			
138 160	-2.9% -5.9%			



1. Business Environment: Domestic price trends

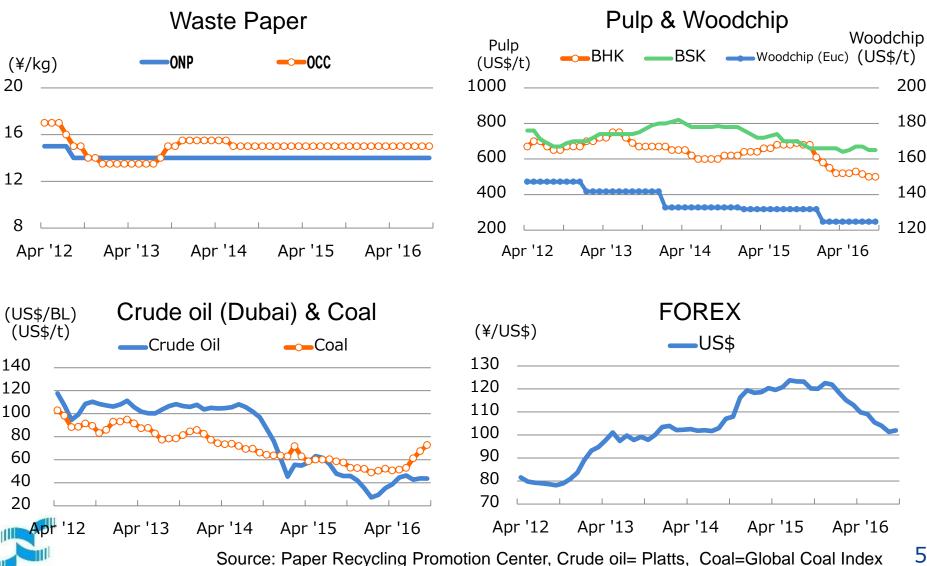
Printing paper price is gradually decreasing.





1. Business Environment: Major input price trends

JPY continues to appreciate. Coal price is increasing.



2. Financial Results: Highlights

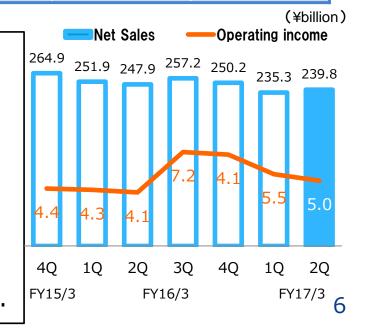
Net sales decreased and operating income increased. Booked an Ex-loss regarding withdrawing North America operations. (Ybillion)

	1H FY2017/3	1H FY2016/3	Varia	ance
	Result	Result	Amount	%
Net sales	475.1	499.8	-24.7	-4.9%
Operating income	10.5	8.4	2.1	24.5%
Ordinary income	13.5	16.2	-2.7	-16.7%
Net income*	-3.9	14.3	-18.2	-

* Profit attributable to owners of parent

◆ Net sales decreased mainly due to Shikoku Coca-Cola share sale in last year.

- ◆Operating income was below the target due to the shortage of cost reductions following the Kumamoto Earthquake, typhoons and production slumps.
- ◆Booked an JPY17b extraordinary loss regarding withdrawing the printing & publishing paper business in North America.





2. Financial Results: Segment information

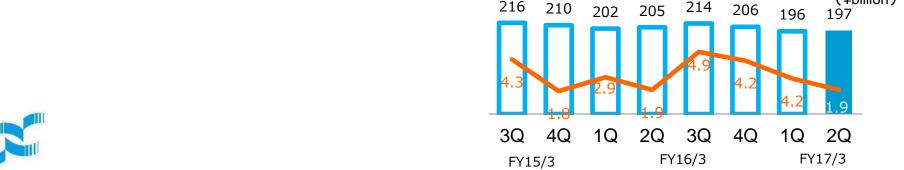
Operating income increased other than pulp and paper segment.

		Sales			Operating Income		
	1H FY2016/3	1H FY2017/3	Variance	1H FY2016/3	1H FY2017/3	Variance	
Pulp and paper	407.0	393.2	-13.8	4.8	4.7	-0.1	
Paper related (packaging and chemical products)	45.2	45.1	-0.1	1.4	2.4	1.0	
Wood products and construction related	29.5	27.8	-1.7	1.4	2.1	0.7	
Other (logistics, etc.)	18.1	8.9	-9.2	0.8	1.3	0.5	
Total	499.8	475.1	-24.7	8.4	10.5	2.1	



2. Financial Results: Pulp & paper segment

Paper	Shipment: -1.7% (Domestic -3.9%, Exports +28.3% (YOY)) ->Cost reductions was below the target and sales volumes of newsprint decreased mainly due to the Kumamoto Earthquake and typhoons. JPY appreciation pushed down Export prices.
Paperboard	 Shipment: +1.3% (Domestic +0.2%, Exports +19.6% YOY)) ->Sales volume increased YOY due to steady demand mainly for beverages in spite of bad weather like typhoons.
Household Tissue **********************************	Demand in Tissue paper,, toilet rolls, and health care goods was good and sales volume is over YOY.
Other	Electric power sales was steady.



Net sales and operating income

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Operating income

Net sales

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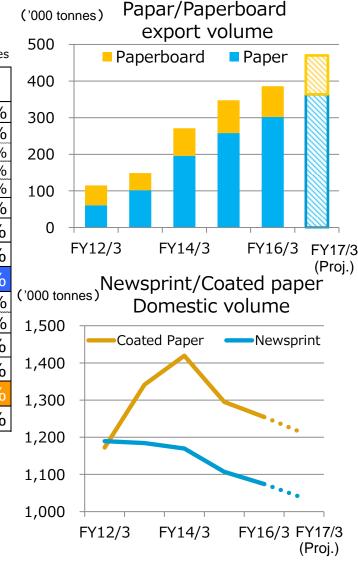


2. Financial Results: Pulp & paper - sales volume by product

Paper domestic shipment decreased but is almost in line with our plan.

		i	volun	ne: '000 tonnes
		1H	1H	YOY
		FY2016/3	FY2017/3	101
	Newsprint	530	510	-3.9%
	Printing & Business communication paper	1,146	1,098	-4.2%
	Coated paper	621	591	-4.7%
	Uncoated & Specialty printing paper	265	253	-4.7%
	Business communication paper	260	253	-2.5%
	Packaging paper and others	155	153	-1.5%
	Domestic sales (paper)	1,832	1,760	-3.9%
	Export (paper)	134	172	28.3%
Pa	per total	1,966	1,933	-1.7%
	Container board	591	593	0.4%
	Folding box board and others	177	177	-0.1%
	Domestic sales (paperboard)	768	770	0.2%
	Export (paperboard)	45	54	19.6%
Pa	perboard total	813	823	1.3%
Gr	and total (paper and paperboard)	2,779	2,756	-0.8%

[&]quot;Total" means the sum of sales volume of Nippon Paper Industries Co., Ltd., Nippon Paper Papylia Co., Ltd. and Nippon Paper Crecia Co., Ltd.





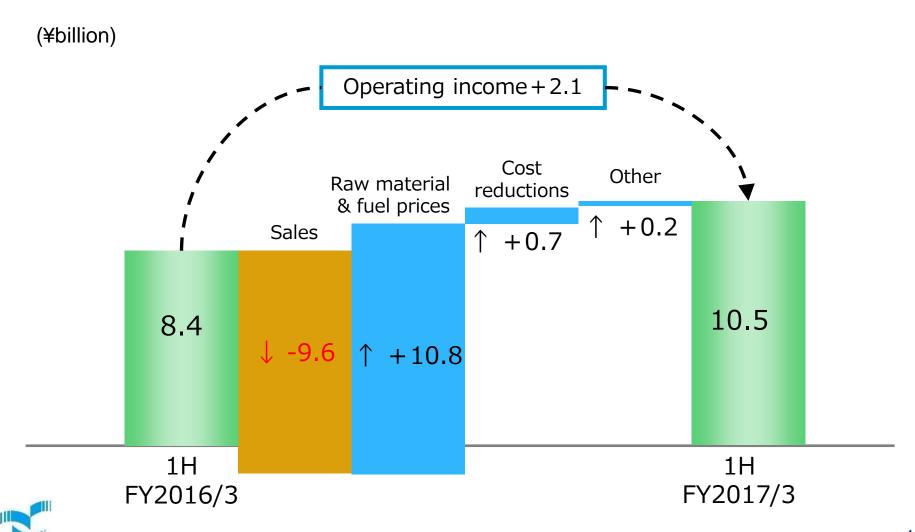
2. Financial Results: Paper-Related Segment, Wood Products and Construction Related Segment, Other Segment

	Business Overview	Net sales and operating income NetOperating (¥billion) income
Paper-related segment	 <liquid-packaging business="" cartons=""></liquid-packaging> Sales and operating income increased due to steady sales for beverage including vegetable juice. <chemicals business=""></chemicals> Sluggish sales of LCD film continued though DP and chemical products businesses are steady. 	22.9 21.5 22.1 23.1 22.5 21.2 21.5 23.6 1.0 0.4 0.8 0.6 0.7 0.6 0.6 1.3 3Q 4Q 1Q 2Q 3Q 4Q 1Q 2Q FY15/3 FY16/3 FY17/3
Wood products and construction related segment	 Operating income increased due to housing starts increase and new inclusion of Amapa Florestal e Celulose S.A. (Amcel), our subsidiary in Brazil, into our consolidated scope. 	14.5 17.2 14.3 15.2 15.517.2 13.8 14.1 0.6 0.6 0.8 1.0 1.2 1.0 3Q 4Q 1Q 2Q 3Q 4Q 1Q 2Q FY15/3 FY16/3 FY17/3
Other segment	Both logistics and leisure business results remained almost unchanged year-on-year. (Note) Shikoku Coca-cola was extracted out of consolidated scope from previous 2Q.	18.5 16.1 13.5 4.6 4.9 5.5 4.2 4.7 0.8 0.7 1.0 0.8 0.5 3Q 4Q 1Q 2Q 3Q 4Q 1Q 2Q FY15/3 FY16/3 FY17/3



2. Financial Results: Variance analysis for operating income

Despite less domestic sales volume and lower prices, less input prices increased profit.



2. Financial Results: Balance sheet

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	Mar 31, 2016	Sep 30, 2016	Variance
Total assets	1,390.9	1,346.9	-44.1
Cash and time deposits	112.5	63.6	-49.0
Inventories	158.1	162.5	4.4
Other current assets	232.3	231.4	-0.9
Property, plant, equipment, and intangible fixed assets	684.6	701.5	16.9
Investments and other assets	203.4	187.9	-15.5
Total liabilities	966.2	946.3	-19.9
Interest bearing liabilities (incl. lease obligations)	703.8	675.3	-28.6
Other liabilities	262.4	271.0	8.6
Total net assets	424.7	400.6	-24.1
Shareholder's equity	402.8	385.3	-17.5
Total liabilities and net assets	1,390.9	1,346.9	-44.1
N	501.0	c.,	20.4
Net interest-bearing debt	591.3	611.7	20.4
Net D/E ratio	1.47	1.59	0.12
ROA*	2.0%	-	-



2. Financial Results: Cash flow statement

		1H FY2016/3	1H FY2017/3	Variance
Оре	erating activities	15.3	38.0	22.7
	Income before income taxes	14.0	1.6	-12.5
	Depreciation	29.0	26.9	-2.2
	Change in net working capital	-13.3	4.2	17.5
	Other	-14.5	5.4	19.8
Inve	Investing activities		-47.2	-88.8
	Purchase of noncurrent assets and investment securities	-18.1	-58.3	-40.1
	Sale of noncurrent assets and investment securities	47.4	10.8	-36.5
	Other	12.4	0.2	-12.2
Free	e cash flows	56.9	-9.2	-66.1
Financing activities		-0.2	-44.2	-43.9
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of period		139.5	63.6	-76.0
Сар	ital expenditure	22.0	22.9	0.9

3. FY2017/3 Earnings Forecast: *Highlights*

	FY2017/3	FY2016/3	Varia	ance
	Forecast	Result	Amount	%
Net sales	990.0	1,007.1	-17.1	-1.7%
Operating income	28.0	22.6	5.4	23.8%
Ordinary income	28.0	17.1	10.9	63.5%
Net income*	1.0	2.4	-1.4	-58.7%

^{*} Profit attributable to owners of parent

- ◆ Revised earnings forecast downward, taking into account 1st half results of FY17/3.
- ◆ In the revised forecast, included financial impacts from the alliance with Tokushu Tokai Paper in containerboard and kraft paper business and from the acquisition of Nippon Dynawave Packaging.
- ◆ Projected extraordinary loss from withdrawing printing and publishing paper business in North America and extraordinary profit from sale of fixed assets and investment securities.



3. FY2017/3 Earnings Forecast: Assumptions

Previous assumptions (on May 13, 2016)

Domestic Sales (full year base projection)

Volume	Paper	-3.5%	-2.7%
(YOY)	Paperboard	+1.4%	+2.1%
Price	Paper Paperboard		Remain at current level Remain at current level

Raw materials and fuel prices, FOREX (2nd Half projection)

Crude Oil	US\$50/BL (Dubai)	US\$40/BL
Coal	US\$62/t (Australian black coal)	US\$62/t
Waste Paper	Remain at current level	Remain at current level
FOREX	¥105/US\$	¥115/US\$



3. FY2017/3 Earnings Forecast: Sales volume by product

('000 tons)		FY2016/3 results	FY2017/3 estimate (As of Nov.2)	YOY	FY201 estim (As of M
	Newsprint	1,074	1,036	-3.6%	1
	Printing & Business communication paper	2,311	2,218	-4.0%	2
	Coated paper	1,255	1,210	-3.5%	
	Uncoated & Specialty printing paper	524	497	-5.1%	
	Business communication paper	532	511	-4.0%	
	Packaging paper and others	318	318	-0.1%	
	Domestic sales (paper)	3,703	3,572	-3.5%	3,
	Export (paper)	302	364	20.5%	
Paper total		4,006	3,936	-1.7%	3,
	Container board	1,146	1,165	1.7%	1
	Folding box board and others	363	365	0.5%	***************************************
	Domestic sales (paperboard)	1,509	1,530	1.4%	1,
	Export (paperboard)	84	106	26.3%	
Pa	perboard total	1,593	1,636	2.7%	1,
Grand total (paper and paperboard)		5,598	5,572	-0.5%	5,

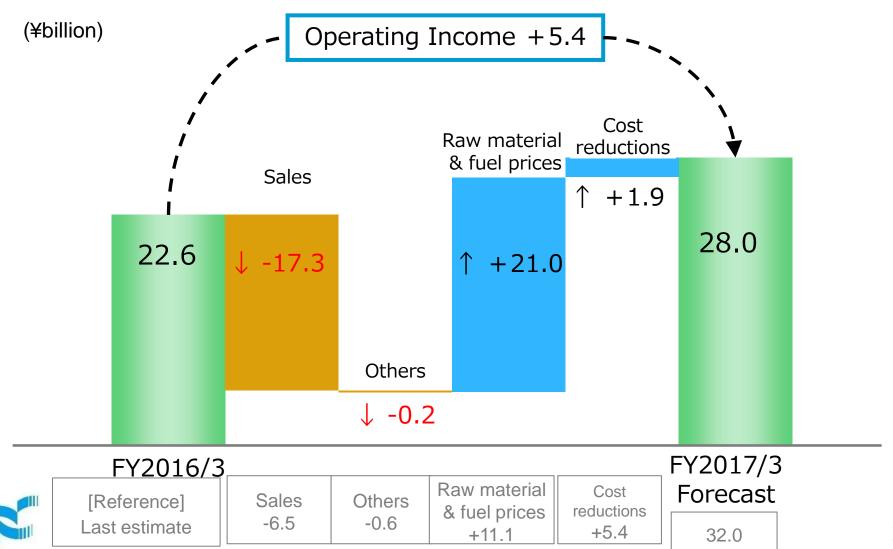
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3. FY2017/3 Earnings Forecast: Variance analysis for operating income

Lower raw material and fuel prices push up operating income despite of sales volume and price decrease.



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4. FY2017/3 Earnings Forecast: Key figures and indices

	FY2013/3	FY2014/3	FY2015/3	FY2016/3	FY2017/3	
					1H Results	Full year forecast
Operating margin on sales	2.5%	2.6%	2.2%	2.2%	2.2%	2.8%
Ordinary margin on sales	2.3%	2.6%	2.2%	1.7%	2.8%	2.8%
Capital expenditure (¥billion)	53.3	47.2	48.5	46.9	22.9	55.0
Depreciation (¥billion)	64.9	63.2	61.4	57.7	26.9	54.2
Net interest-bearing debt (¥billion)	719.3	678.4	647.7	591.3	611.7	610.0
Net D/E (times)	1.89	1.70	1.55	1.47	1.59	1.5+
Number of employees	13,052	13,107	12,771	11,741	13,121	13,128
Earnings per share (¥)	92.00	196.67	200.27	20.95	-33.44	8.64
Dividends per share (¥)	40	40	50	60	30	60
ROA *1	2.3%	2.7%	2.2%	2.0%	_	2.9%*2

^{*1} ROA = (Ordinary income + Interest expenses)/Total assets

^{*2} Based on the total assets as of the end of September 2016



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