Summary of Consolidated Financial Results for the Nine Months Ended December 31, 2014

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Stock Exchange Listings: Tokyo
Code Number: 3863

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Planned date of Financial Report

submission:

February 12, 2015

Planned date of the commencement of

dividend payments:

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Availability of support documentation: Yes

Holding of financial result briefing: Yes (for institutional investors and investment analysts)

(Amounts indicated are displayed with amounts of less than one million yen rounded off.)

1. Consolidated Financial Results of Operations for the Nine Months Ended December 2014 (April 1, 2014–December 31, 2014)

1) Consolidated Results of Operations

(The percentages indicate the percentage increase or decrease compared to the same period of the previous fiscal year.)

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	Net sales		Operating income		Ordinary income		Net income	
	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%
Nine months ended December 31, 2014	787,607	-1.8	19,261	7.5	19,886	6.1	27,496	83.4
Nine months ended December 31, 2013	801,886	_	17,913	-	18,746	_	14,995	_

Note: Comprehensive income

Nine months ended December 31, 2014 46,765 million yen (56.5 %) Nine months ended December 31, 2013 29,881 million yen (-%)

	Net income per share	Net income per share after adjusting for dilution	
	Yen	Yen	
Nine months ended December 31, 2014	237.52	_	
Nine months ended December 31, 2013	129.51	_	

(2) Consolidated Financial Status

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	Total assets	Net assets	Equity ratio			
	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	%			
As of December 31, 2014	1,512,342	469,249	30.8			
As of March 31, 2014	1,480,894	426,584	28.6			

Reference: Shareholders' equity

As of December 31, 2014 As of March 31, 2014 465,551 million yen 422,881 million yen

2. Dividend Status

	Dividends per share					
	1 st quarter 2 nd quarter 3 rd quarter end end end			End of fiscal year	Annual	
	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen	
Fiscal year ended March, 2014	-	10.00	-	30.00	40.00	
Fiscal year ending March, 2015	_	20.00	_			
Fiscal year ending March, 2015 (Projection)				30.00	50.00	

Note: Recent revisions to dividend projection

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3. Projection of Consolidated Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ending March 2015 (April 1, 2014–March 31, 2015)

(The percentages indicate the percentage increase or decrease compared to the same period of the previous fiscal year.)

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	Net sales Operating income		come	Ordinary income		Net income		Net income per share	
	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Yen
Full fiscal year	1,070,000	-1.0	30,000	5.1	25,000	-11.3	26,000	14.2	224.59

Note: Recent revisions to consolidated financial results /No

4. Others

[1] Has the Company made any important changes in its subsidiaries (changes in specified subsidiaries as a result of changes in the scope of consolidation)? /No

New – (Company name:) Eliminated – (Company name:)

- [2] Has the Company adopted a specific accounting method for preparation of quarterly consolidated financial statements? /Yes
- [3] Changes in Accounting principles, changes in accounting estimates, or restatements
 - (i) Has the Company made any changes in accounting principles following the revision of the Accounting Standard and others?

 /Yes
 - (ii) Has the Company made any changes in accounting principles other than those described in (i)? /No
 - (iii) Has the Company made any changes in accounting estimates? /No
 - (iv) Has the Company made any restatements? /No
- [4] Number of issued and outstanding shares (common stock)
 - (i) Number of issued and outstanding shares (including treasury stock) as of:

December 31, 2014 116,254,892 Shares March 31, 2014 116,254,892 Shares

(ii) Number of treasury stock as of:

December 31, 2014 493,532 Shares March 31, 2014 484,315 Shares

(iii) Average number of shares during the periods of:

Nine months ended December 31, 2014 115,766,475 Shares Nine months ended December 31, 2013 115,782,371 Shares

* Presentation of implementation status of quarterly review procedure

This "Summary of Consolidated Financial Results for the Nine Months Ended December 31, 2014" is not subject to quarterly review procedures in accordance with the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law and, as of the date of publication of these quarterly consolidated financial results, the quarterly review procedures for the consolidated quarterly financial statements are currently in progress.

- *Disclaimer regarding forward-looking statement and other remarks:
 - 1. Any statement in this document regarding future performance of the Company is based on the information available at the time of the announcement and certain assumptions judged to be reasonable. Actual performance may differ from forecasts due to a variety of factors.
 - 2. The support documentation will be posted on the following our website. http://www.nipponpapergroup.com/english/ir/library.html

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(Appendices)

1. Consolidated Operating Results for the Nine Months Ended December 2014 (April 1, 2014–December 31, 2014)

Operating results by business segment are as follows:

Pulp and Paper:

Consolidated net sales ¥ 625,444 million (down 0.6% year-on-year) Consolidated operating income ¥ 13,177 million (up 33.9% year-on-year)

Paper-Related:

Consolidated net sales \$ \$ 69,534 million (down 0.9% year-on-year) Consolidated operating income \$ \$ 3,380 million (down 16.2% year-on-year)

Wood Products and Construction Related:

Consolidated net sales ¥ 42,041 million (down 15.5% year-on-year)
Consolidated operating income ¥ 1,150 million (down 35.1% year-on-year)

Other:

2. Supplementary Financial Results Presentation Materials for the Nine Months Ended December 31, 2014

(1) Consolidated Balance Sheets

	(Millions of yen		
	As of March 31, 2014	As of December 31, 2014	
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and deposits	97,247	50,715	
Notes and accounts receivable-trade	201,713	239,475	
Merchandise and finished goods	81,465	86,897	
Work in process	16,884	22,877	
Raw materials and supplies	52,899	58,872	
Other	55,468	60,942	
Allowance for doubtful receivables	(261)	(458)	
Total current assets	505,417	519,342	
Noncurrent assets			
Property, plant and equipment			
Buildings and structures	491,774	491,222	
Accumulated depreciation	(348,323)	(351,616)	
Buildings and structures, net	143,450	139,606	
Machinery, equipment and vehicles	2,164,286	2,178,956	
Accumulated depreciation	(1,849,355)	(1,877,910)	
Machinery, equipment and vehicles, net	314,930	301,045	
Land	223,863	223,779	
Construction in progress	14,649	20,179	
Other	90,940	90,789	
Accumulated depreciation	(58,655)	(58,760)	
Other, net	32,284	32,028	
Total property, plant and equipment	729,179	716,639	
Intangible assets	21,804	19,609	
Investments and other assets			
Investments in securities	201,973	234,498	
Other	23,701	23,228	
Allowance for doubtful receivables	(1,182)	(975)	
Total investments and other assets	224,493	256,751	
Total noncurrent assets	975,477	992,999	
Total assets	1,480,894	1,512,342	

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	As of March 31, 2014	As of December 31, 2014	
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Notes and account payable-trade	130,997	145,367	
Short-term loans payable	292,326	269,182	
Accrued income taxes	4,561	3,818	
Other	81,348	92,160	
Total current liabilities	509,234	510,529	
Long-term liabilities			
Bonds payable	48,000	63,000	
Long-term loans payable	432,719	398,534	
Accrued environmental costs	783	672	
Net defined benefit liability	37,650	33,333	
Other	25,921	37,024	
Total long-term liabilities	545,075	532,564	
Total liabilities	1,054,309	1,043,093	
Net assets			
Shareholders' equity			
Common stock	104,873	104,873	
Capital surplus	217,105	217,105	
Retained earnings	77,994	101,485	
Treasury stock, at cost	(1,336)	(1,352)	
Total shareholders' equity	398,636	422,111	
Accumulated other comprehensive income			
Net unrealized holding gain on other securities	7,814	19,152	
Net deferred gain on hedges	1,325	2,562	
Translation adjustments	21,567	25,673	
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	(6,463)	(3,947)	
Total accumulated other comprehensive income	24,244	43,440	
Minority interests in consolidated subsidiaries	3,703	3,697	
Total net assets	426,584	469,249	
Total liabilities and net assets	1,480,894	1,512,342	

 $(2) \ Consolidated \ Statements \ of \ Operations \ and \ Statements \ of \ Comprehensive \ Income \ - \ Consolidated \ Statements \ of \ Operations \ -$

		(Millions of yen)
	Nine months ended December 31, 2013	Nine months ended December 31, 2014
Net sales	801,886	787,607
Cost of sales	628,017	615,165
Gross profit	173,869	172,441
Selling, general and administrative expenses		
Freightage related expenses	47,441	47,223
Sales related expenses	49,517	48,367
Salaries and allowances	33,412	32,403
Other	25,583	25,185
Total selling, general and administrative expenses	155,955	153,179
Operating income	17,913	19,261
Other income		
Interest income	253	245
Dividend income	1,848	1,674
Equity in earnings of affiliates	5,471	3,961
Other	5,260	5,068
Total other income	12,833	10,950
Other expenses	<u> </u>	<u>·</u>
Interest expense	8,555	7,896
Other	3,445	2,429
Total other expenses	12,000	10,326
Ordinary income	18,746	19,886
Extraordinary income		-,
Gain on sales of noncurrent assets	5,810	19,349
Other	3,176	488
Total extraordinary income	8,986	19,838
Extraordinary loss	<u>, </u>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Business restructuring expenses	544	1,437
Loss on retirement of noncurrent assets	855	1,118
Provision of allowance for loss on dissolved welfare pension fund	665	_
Other	1,105	1,274
Total extraordinary loss	3,170	3,829
Income before income taxes and minority interests in consolidated subsidiaries	24,562	35,894
Income taxes—current	4,741	4,688
Income taxes—deferred	5,170	3,680
Total income taxes	9,911	8,368
Income before minority interests	14,651	27,525
Minority interests in consolidated subsidiaries	(344)	28
Net income	14,995	27,496

- Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income -

	(Millions of ye		
	Nine months ended December 31, 2013	Nine months ended December 31, 2014	
Income before minority interests	14,651	27,525	
Other comprehensive income			
Net unrealized holding gain on other securities	4,658	11,248	
Net deferred gain (loss) on hedges	(355)	1,518	
Translation adjustments	3,442	1,933	
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	-	1,260	
Share of other comprehensive income of affiliates accounted for using the equity method	7,483	3,278	
Total other comprehensive income	15,229	19,240	
Comprehensive income	29,881	46,765	
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Comprehensive income attributable to shareholders	30,084	46,692	
Comprehensive income attributable to minority interests	(202)	73	