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(1) Significant changes of subsidiaries during the period (including changes in scope of consolidation): None

(2) Application of specific accounting treatment: Yes

(Note) For details, please refer to “(1) Application of Specific Accounting Treatment” under “2. Summary Information (Notes)” on page 6.

(3) Changes in accounting policies; changes in accounting estimates; restatements

(i) Changes in accounting policies due to amendment of accounting standards: Yes

(ii) Other changes in accounting policies: None

(iii) Changes in accounting estimates: None

(iv) Restatements: None

(Note) For details, please refer to “(2) Changes in Accounting Policies; Changes in Accounting Estimates; Restatements” under “2. Summary Information (Notes)” on page 6.

(4) Number of issued shares (common stock)

(i) Number of issued shares at end of year (including treasury stock)

Nine months ended December 31, 2015: 1,314,895,351 shares

Year ended March 31, 2015: 1,314,895,351 shares

(ii) Number of treasury stock at end of year

Nine months ended December 31, 2015: 4,855,059 shares

Year ended March 31, 2015: 4,677,305 shares

(iii) Average number of shares during the period (quarterly cumulative period)

Nine months ended December 31, 2015: 1,310,127,151 shares

Nine months ended December 31, 2014: 1,310,371,526 shares

* Indication regarding the situation of quarterly review procedures

These financial results are not subject to the quarterly review procedures pursuant to the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act. As of the disclosure of these financial results, the procedures for reviewing quarterly financial statements pursuant to the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act are in progress.

* Appropriate use of business forecasts and other special items

(Notes regarding descriptions of earnings forecasts and other forward-looking statements, etc.)

Earnings forecasts and other forward-looking statements in this document are based on information currently available to the Company’s management and certain assumptions judged rational, and we do not promise that the forecasts in this report will be achieved. Accordingly, there might be cases in which actual results materially differ from forecasts of this report. For key assumptions on which the consolidated financial forecasts are based, please refer to (3) Explanation of Forecast and Other Future Predictions under “1. Qualitative Information Regarding the Consolidated Performance” on page 5.

(Method of obtaining supplementary information to and contents of the first three quarters financial results briefing)

Mitsubishi Materials Corporation is scheduled to hold a first three quarters financial results briefing for institutional investors on February 9, 2016 (Tuesday). Supplementary information to the quarterly financial results to be used in this briefing is being released on TDnet and on the Company’s website with the announcement of the consolidated financial results for the nine months ended December 31, 2015.

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1. Qualitative Information Regarding the Consolidated Performance

(1) Explanation of Business Performance

1) Overview of period under review

During the consolidated cumulative third quarter under review, the overall global economy headed toward modest recovery thanks to signs showing that the U.S. and some other economies continued to recover, while there was a slowdown in the economies of China and other countries in Asia.

The Japanese economy also continued to improve gradually, thanks to increased corporate earnings and improved employment and income conditions.

Regarding the operating environment for the Mitsubishi Materials Group, although foreign exchange markets were generally characterized by yen depreciation, the Group was affected by such factors as a fall in copper prices.

Under these circumstances, consolidated net sales for the period totaled ¥1,055,860 million, down 6.7% from the previous corresponding period. Operating profit decreased 0.8% to ¥52,220 million, and ordinary income decreased 16.1%, to ¥55,471 million. Net income attributable to owners of the parent increased 40.5%, to ¥56,553 million.

2) Overview of Segment

(Cement)

(Billions of yen)

	FY 2015 Q1-Q3	FY 2016 Q1-Q3	Increase/decrease (%)	
Net sales	¥142.1	¥147.2	¥5.0	(3.5%)
Operating profit	12.9	16.0	3.0	(23.8%)
Ordinary income	¥12.6	¥15.7	¥3.1	(25.0%)

In Japan, the Cement segment was affected by a decline in overall demand due to construction delays stemming from labor shortages in the construction industry, bad weather and other factors, resulting in decreased sales volumes. In the United States, with cement demand continuing on a recovery trend in Southern California, sales volumes increased. In China, sales volumes decreased substantially due to falling demand for real estate investment in Shandong. In the overall Cement business, cement production amounted to 8.8 million tons, down 0.4 million tons year on year.

As a result, the entire Cement business posted year-on-year increases in net sales and operating profit. Ordinary income rose from the previous corresponding period due to an increase in operating profit.

(Metals)

(Billions of yen)

	FY 2015 Q1-Q3	FY 2016 Q1-Q3	Increase/decrease (%)	
Net sales	¥610.6	¥511.8	¥(98.8)	(-16.2%)
Operating profit	18.0	17.4	(0.5)	(-3.3%)
Ordinary income	¥27.9	¥19.0	¥(8.9)	(-32.0%)

In the copper business, net sales fell but operating profit rose. The business was affected by lower copper prices and a decrease in sales of purchased items, as well as a temporary suspension of operations at PT. Smelting in Indonesia from mid-June to early September due to equipment trouble. However, operating costs fell and production in Japan increased. In the entire Metals business, copper cathode production amounted to 370 thousand tons, down 56 thousand tons from the previous corresponding period.

In the gold and other valuable metals business, net sales increased but operating profit fell due to higher ore grades, which led to increased production, but the business was affected by lower palladium prices and other factors.

In the copper and copper alloy products business, both net sales and operating profit decreased, because sales of products for automobiles, semiconductors and others fell.

As a result, the entire Metals business posted year-on-year decreases in both net sales and operating profit. Ordinary income for the overall segment was down year on year, due to lower dividend income and equity in earnings of affiliates.

(Advanced Materials & Tools)

(Billions of yen)

	FY 2015 Q1-Q3	FY 2016 Q1-Q3	Increase/decrease (%)	
Net sales	¥100.7	¥115.3	¥14.6	(14.5%)
Operating profit	12.1	12.8	0.6	(5.1%)
Ordinary income	¥12.2	¥12.2	¥(0.0)	(-0.4%)

In the cemented carbide products business, demand was robust in Japan and overseas, particularly in Europe and the United States. Against this backdrop, we conducted proactive sales promotions. These factors, plus the addition of Mitsubishi Hitachi Tool Engineering, Ltd. (formerly Hitachi Tool Engineering, Ltd.) as a consolidated subsidiary in April 2015, led to increases in net sales and operating profit.

In the high-performance alloy products business, although sales of products for the automobile sector hovered at a steady level in North America, both net sales and operating profit decreased as sales volumes in Japan declined. Among other factors, Hitachi Metals MMC Superalloy, Ltd. (formerly MMC Superalloy Corporation) transitioned to an equity-method affiliate of the Group from a consolidated subsidiary in July 2014.

As a result, the overall Advanced Materials & Tools business recorded a year-on-year increase in both net sales and operating profit. Ordinary income decreased due to a decrease in foreign exchange gain.

(Electronic Materials & Components)

(Billions of yen)

	FY 2015 Q1-Q3	FY 2016 Q1-Q3	Increase/decrease (%)	
Net sales	¥49.0	¥52.9	¥3.9	(8.0%)
Operating profit	3.4	2.5	(0.9)	(-27.4%)
Ordinary income	¥5.8	¥5.2	¥(0.5)	(-10.2%)

In the advanced materials and chemical products business, despite the steady progress in sales of semiconductor manufacturing equipment-related products, sales of LSI products for smartphones and products for hybrid automobiles decreased, causing both net sales and operating profit to fall.

In the electronic components business, sales of products for telecommunications equipment expanded. However, costs rose due to investments in new products and sales of products for household appliances were down. As a result, net sales were up but operating profit fell.

In the polycrystalline silicon business, operations were temporarily suspended at the Yokkaichi Plant from early January to late-June of 2014. In the consolidated cumulative third quarter under review, however, the plant continued with normal operations, leading to an increase in sales. As a result, both net sales and operating profit rose.

As a result, the entire Electronic Materials & Components business reported an increase in net sales, while operating profit decreased. Ordinary income decreased due to a decline in operating profit.

(Aluminum)

(Billions of yen)

	FY 2015 Q1-Q3	FY 2016 Q1-Q3	Increase/decrease (%)	
Net sales	¥122.0	¥122.4	¥0.3	(0.3%)
Operating profit	5.9	4.1	(1.7)	(-29.0%)
Ordinary income	¥5.4	¥3.7	¥(1.7)	(-31.2%)

In the aluminum cans business, demand for bottle cans was on a par with the same period of the preceding fiscal year, while demand for regular cans increased. Furthermore, the cost of materials increased.

In the rolled aluminum and processed aluminum products business, demand was down for products for automobiles and products used in solar cells, while demand for products used in aluminum cans increased.

As a result, the entire Aluminum business posted a year-on-year increase in net sales but a decrease in operating profit. Ordinary income decreased due to a decline in operating profit.

(Others)

(Billions of yen)

	FY 2015 Q1-Q3	FY 2016 Q1-Q3	Increase/decrease (%)	
Net sales	¥172.8	¥172.6	¥(0.2)	(-0.1%)
Operating profit	5.0	4.8	(0.1)	(-3.3%)
Ordinary income	¥6.9	¥5.5	¥(1.3)	(-20.1%)

In the energy-related business, both net sales and operating profit decreased as stagnant market conditions caused coal sales to fall, and electric power sales volume declined as a result of ongoing construction projects to upgrade hydroelectric power plants.

In the "E-waste" (used electronics and electrical products) recycling business, net sales and operating profit were down, due to a reduction in the handling volume owing to the lack of impact from last-minute demand after the increase in the consumption tax rate and a decline in metal scrap prices.

Orders for nuclear energy and engineering services amounted to ¥44.8 billion, down ¥7.1 billion from the previous corresponding period. The order backlog at the end of the period was ¥34.3 billion, down ¥5.5 billion from a year earlier.

(2) Explanation of Financial Position

As of December 31, 2015, the Group's consolidated total assets stood at ¥1,819.7 billion, down ¥78.4 billion from March 31, 2015. This was mainly due to a decrease in other current assets.

Total liabilities decreased ¥12.2 billion, to ¥1,146.3 billion, due primarily to a decrease in notes and accounts payable-trade.

(3) Explanation of Forecast and Other Future Predictions

In our consolidated earnings forecast, we have revised the net sales, operating profit and ordinary income figures for the full fiscal year ending March 31, 2016, from the forecast announced on November 10, 2015, because of lower-than-expected sales of copper cathode and cemented carbide products and due to the expected impact of such factors as lower dividend income from overseas mines, stemming from a downturn in copper prices.

(Billions of yen)

	Previous forecast	Current forecast	Increase/decrease (%)
Net sales	¥1,480.0	¥1,410.0	-4.7%
Operating profit	83.0	72.0	-13.3%
Ordinary income	88.0	73.0	-17.0%
Net income attributable to owners of the parent	¥65.0	¥54.0	-16.9%

2. Summary Information (Notes)

(1) Application of Specific Accounting Treatment

The Group rationally assumes an effective tax rate after applying tax-effect accounting to income before income taxes for the consolidated fiscal year, including the period under review, and multiplies such effective tax rate by quarterly income before income taxes to arrive at the tax expense.

(2) Changes in Accounting Policies; Changes in Accounting Estimates; Restatements

Changes in Accounting Policies

(Adoption of Accounting Standard for Business Combinations)

The Company has applied the “Accounting Standard for Business Combinations” (ASBJ Statement No. 21, September 13, 2013), the “Accounting Standard for Consolidated Financial Statements” (ASBJ Statement No. 22, September 13, 2013) and the “Accounting Standard for Business Divestures” (ASBJ Statement No. 7, September 13, 2013) from the first three months of the year ending March 31, 2016, causing differences resulting from changes in the Company’s ownership of subsidiaries of which ownership continues to be recorded in capital surplus and changing the method of recording acquisition-related expenses in the fiscal year in which such expenses are incurred. Also, for corporate combinations occurring after the beginning of the first three months of the year ending March 31, 2016, the allocation of acquisition costs as determined after review of provisional accounting treatment is reflected in the consolidated quarterly financial statements for the consolidated quarterly financial period to which the business combination date belongs. Furthermore, the presentation of quarterly net income has been changed, and the presentation of minority interests has been changed to non-controlling interests. The consolidated quarterly financial statements for the first nine months of the preceding fiscal year and the consolidated financial statements for the previous fiscal year have been revised to reflect these changes in presentation.

With regard to application of the Accounting Standard for Business Combinations, etc., as Clause 58-2 (4) of the Accounting Standard for Business Combinations, Clause 44-5 (4) of the Accounting Standard for Consolidated Financial Statements and Clause 57-4 (4) of the Accounting Standard for Business Divestures stipulate transitional treatment, these standards will be applied going forward from the beginning of the first three months of the year ending March 31, 2016.

As a result, operating profit, ordinary income and income before income taxes each decreased ¥297 million during the first nine months of the year ending March 31, 2016. Also, the capital surplus decreased ¥5 million as of December 31, 2015.

(3) Additional Information

(Reserve for Environmental Measures)

The Company has recorded estimated amounts for losses related to waste processing and losses due to treatment of contaminated soil in the Kazuno region of Akita Prefecture. In addition, with regard to abandoned mines managed by the Company, the Company has recorded estimated expenses related to a specific countermeasure work for preventing mining-induced pollution and expenses for the countermeasure work to stabilize a collection site.

Construction expenses for these specific measures related to abandoned mines are for executing countermeasures to stabilize a large-scale collection site as well as to avoid hazards at such sites accompanying the revised technical guidelines of the Mining Safety Act. In response to recent changes in the natural environment, these also include drastic measures to control mine-induced pollution, mainly increasing water treatment capacity to prevent runoff of untreated water. During the first three months of the year ending March 31, 2016, the content of construction and estimates were determined. Accordingly, the Company recorded extraordinary losses of ¥10,841 million as a provision for environmental measures.

This reserve is included within “other provision” under noncurrent liabilities.

(4) Contingent Liabilities

First nine months of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2016 (As of December 31, 2015)

Our consolidated subsidiary, PT. Smelting in Indonesia (hereafter “the Consolidated Subsidiary”) received a notice of correction dated December 30, 2014, from the Indonesian taxation authorities concerning sales transaction amounts, etc., of the Consolidated Subsidiary for the fiscal term ended December 31, 2009, assessing an additional US\$47 million (¥5,773 million at the exchange rate as of December 31, 2015). On January 28, 2015, the Consolidated Subsidiary made a provisional payment of US\$14 million (¥1,688 million at the same exchange rate) as part of the tax penalty.

However, the matter pointed out by the Indonesian taxation authorities, that the amount of reported sales has been underestimated based on a comparison of profit margins with a company identified by the said authorities, is deemed extremely irrational. As the subsequent order for a correction is considered totally unacceptable, on March 25, 2015, the Company and its Consolidated Subsidiary submitted a written opposition to the Indonesian taxation authorities.

3. Consolidated Financial Statements

(1) Consolidated Balance Sheets

(Millions of yen)

	As of March 31, 2015	As of December 31, 2015
ASSETS		
Current Assets:		
Cash and deposits	¥93,152	¥62,731
Notes and accounts receivable-trade	230,874	236,407
Merchandise and finished goods	85,100	86,631
Work in process	107,093	106,996
Raw materials and supplies	104,539	93,959
Other	249,772	211,689
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(2,129)	(2,107)
Total Current Assets	868,403	796,308
Noncurrent Assets:		
Property, Plant and Equipment:		
Machinery and equipment, net	185,119	187,856
Land, net	273,589	270,023
Other, net	196,326	203,222
Total Property, Plant and Equipment	655,034	661,102
Intangible Assets:		
Goodwill	41,249	49,911
Other	11,686	17,566
Total Intangible Assets	52,936	67,477
Investments and Other Assets:		
Investment securities	265,052	234,246
Other	63,706	67,912
Allowance for investment loss	(1,168)	(1,168)
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(5,807)	(6,144)
Total Investments and Other Assets	321,783	294,846
Total Noncurrent Assets	1,029,753	1,023,426
Total Assets	¥1,898,157	¥1,819,734

(Millions of yen)

	As of March 31, 2015	As of December 31, 2015
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities:		
Notes and accounts payable-trade	¥128,375	¥99,679
Short-term loans payable	252,197	232,432
Current portion of bonds payable	20,040	25,140
Commercial papers	5,000	—
Income taxes payable	9,545	12,095
Provision	13,206	8,182
Gold payable	227,505	214,452
Other	121,946	107,245
Total Current Liabilities	777,817	699,228
Noncurrent Liabilities:		
Bonds payable	65,100	40,000
Long-term loans payable	288,534	262,574
Other provision	7,763	17,635
Net defined benefit liability	39,662	41,396
Other	89,764	85,478
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	490,825	447,085
Total Liabilities	1,268,643	1,146,313
NET ASSETS		
Shareholders' Equity:		
Capital stock	119,457	119,457
Capital surplus	92,272	92,266
Retained earnings	252,858	298,217
Treasury stock	(1,865)	(1,942)
Total Shareholders' Equity	462,723	507,999
Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income:		
Valuation difference on securities available for sale	42,717	34,544
Deferred gains or losses on hedges	(1,025)	664
Revaluation reserve for land	33,856	32,894
Foreign currency translation adjustment	15,746	10,298
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	(3,256)	(1,981)
Total Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	88,039	76,420
Non-controlling interests	78,751	89,001
Total Net Assets	629,514	673,421
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	¥1,898,157	¥1,819,734

(2) Consolidated Statement of Income and Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

Consolidated Statement of Income

[For the Nine Months Ended December 31, 2014 and 2015]

(Millions of yen)

	Nine Months Ended Dec. 31, 2014 (Apr. 1, 2014 - Dec. 31, 2014)	Nine Months Ended Dec. 31, 2015 (Apr. 1, 2015 - Dec. 31, 2015)
Net Sales	¥1,131,948	¥1,055,860
Cost of Sales	980,168	896,143
Gross Profit	151,780	159,717
Selling, General and Administrative Expenses	99,114	107,496
Operating Profit	52,665	52,220
Non-operating Profit:		
Interest income	434	443
Dividends income	14,777	7,046
Equity in earnings of affiliates	6,296	4,157
Rent income on noncurrent assets	3,722	3,770
Other	3,031	3,432
Total Non-Operating Profit	28,263	18,850
Non-operating Expenses:		
Interest expenses	6,323	5,184
Other	8,513	10,416
Total Non-operating Expenses	14,837	15,600
Ordinary Income	66,091	55,471
Extraordinary Income:		
Gain on sales of investment securities	880	19,187
Gain on change in equity	64	10,464
Gain on sales of noncurrent assets	240	6,281
Gain on redemption of investment securities	—	1,234
Other	218	4,210
Total Extraordinary Income	1,404	41,378
Extraordinary Losses:		
Provision for environmental measures	1,300	10,841
Loss on suspension of operations	1,136	2,661
Other	3,075	2,687
Total Extraordinary Loss	5,511	16,191
Income before Income Taxes	61,984	80,657
Income taxes	17,072	20,999
Net Income	44,911	59,658
Net Income Attributable to Non-Controlling Interests	4,646	3,104
Net Income Attributable to Owners of the Parent	¥40,264	¥56,553

Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

[For the Nine Months Ended December 31, 2014 and 2015]

(Millions of yen)

	Nine Months Ended Dec. 31, 2014 (Apr. 1, 2014 - Dec. 31, 2014)	Nine Months Ended Dec. 31, 2015 (Apr. 1, 2015 - Dec. 31, 2015)
Net Income	¥44,911	¥59,658
Other comprehensive income		
Valuation difference on securities available for sale	4,746	(8,217)
Deferred gains or losses on hedges	(3,410)	2,046
Revaluation reserve for land	—	59
Foreign currency translation adjustment	24,818	(2,696)
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	1,348	1,124
Equity in earnings of affiliates	720	(3,292)
Total other comprehensive income	28,223	(10,975)
Comprehensive income	73,135	48,682
(Breakdown)		
Comprehensive income attributable to owners of the parent company	62,713	45,661
Comprehensive income attributable to non-controlling interests	¥10,422	¥3,021

(3) Notes on Consolidated Financial Statements
Notes on Assumptions for Going Concern: N/A

Segment Information

[Segment Information]

I. For the Nine Months ended December 31, 2014 (From April 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014)
Sales and Income of Reporting Segments

(Millions of yen)

	Cement	Metals	Advanced Materials & Tools	Electronic Materials & Components	Aluminum	Others	Total	Adjustment amount	Amount indicated in the statements of income
Net sales									
(1)Outside Customers	¥139,468	¥604,001	¥84,202	¥41,261	¥120,524	¥142,492	¥1,131,948	—	¥1,131,948
(2)Within Consolidated Group	2,720	6,667	16,526	7,751	1,531	30,354	65,551	(65,551)	—
Total	142,188	610,668	100,728	49,012	122,055	172,846	1,197,500	(65,551)	1,131,948
Segment income	¥12,638	¥27,971	¥12,267	¥5,836	¥5,451	¥6,943	¥71,108	¥(5,017)	¥66,091

(Notes)

1. “Others” includes nuclear energy-related services, environmental and recycling-related business, real estate business, and engineering-related services.
2. Included in the segment income adjustment amount (-¥5,017 million) are segment eliminations (-¥15 million) and corporate expenses (-¥5,001 million) that cannot be allocated to any specific segment. Corporate expenses consist mainly of management-related costs, basic experimental research costs, and financial income/expenses.
3. Segment income has been adjusted together with ordinary income on the consolidated quarterly statement of income.

II. For the Nine Months ended December 31, 2015 (From April 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015)
Sales and Income of Reporting Segments

(Millions of yen)

	Cement	Metals	Advanced Materials & Tools	Electronic Materials & Components	Aluminum	Others	Total	Adjustment amount	Amount indicated in the statements of income
Net sales									
(1)Outside Customers	¥144,652	¥505,467	¥101,240	¥42,554	¥121,123	¥140,822	¥1,055,860	—	¥1,055,860
(2)Within Consolidated Group	2,573	6,344	14,101	10,373	1,280	31,790	66,463	(66,463)	—
Total	147,225	511,811	115,341	52,927	122,404	172,613	1,122,323	(66,463)	1,055,860
Segment income	¥15,792	¥19,015	¥12,215	¥5,243	¥3,748	¥5,550	¥61,566	¥(6,095)	¥55,471

(Notes)

1. “Others” includes nuclear energy-related services, environmental and recycling-related business, real estate business, and engineering-related services.
2. Included in the segment income adjustment amount (-¥6,095 million) are segment eliminations (-¥13 million) and corporate expenses (-¥6,081 million) that cannot be allocated to any specific segment. Corporate expenses consist mainly of management-related costs, basic experimental research costs, and financial income/expenses.
3. Segment income has been adjusted together with ordinary income on the consolidated quarterly statement of income.

Notes in Event of Significant Changes in Shareholders’ Equity: N/A