V. Financial Information

- 1. Method of Preparing Consolidated Financial Statements and Financial Statements
- (1) The Company prepares its consolidated financial statements in accordance with the "Regulation on Terminology, Forms, and Preparation Methods of Consolidated Financial Statements" (Ministry of Finance Order No. 28 of 1976).
- (2) The Company prepares its financial statements in accordance with the "Regulation on Terminology, Forms, and Preparation Methods of Financial Statements" (Ministry of Finance Order No. 59 of 1963; hereinafter referred to as the "Regulation on Financial Statements").

In addition, the Company falls under a special company submitting financial statements, and prepares its financial statements pursuant to the provisions of Article 127 of the Regulation on Financial Statements.

2. Audit Certification

The Company's consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023 and the financial statements for the fiscal year from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023 have been audited by GYOSEI & CO. in accordance with the provisions of Article 193-2, Paragraph 1 of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act.

3. Special Efforts to Ensure the Appropriateness of Consolidated Financial Statements, etc.

The Company has undertaken special efforts to ensure the appropriateness of its consolidated financial statements, etc. Specifically, in order to develop a system for gaining proper understanding of the details of accounting standards, etc., or appropriately responding to changes in such standards, the Company has joined the Financial Accounting Standards Foundation and regularly collects information.

1. Consolidated Financial Statements, etc.

- (1) Consolidated Financial Statements
 - 1) Consolidated Balance Sheets

	Previous fiscal year (As of December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (As of December 31, 2023)
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash and deposits	12,300,053	11,337,201
Notes and accounts receivable - trade	*1, *2 5,255,686	*1, *2 5,345,669
Merchandise and finished goods	6,319,121	6,939,156
Work in process	39,927	36,838
Raw materials and supplies	1,999,103	2,072,829
Other	784,924	446,775
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(185)	
Total current assets	26,698,631	26,178,470
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment		
Buildings and structures	15,437,304	16,206,86
Accumulated depreciation	(6,423,189)	(6,946,10)
Buildings and structures, net	9,014,115	9,260,76
Machinery, equipment and vehicles	9,088,926	9,889,93
Accumulated depreciation	(6,006,867)	(6,575,88
Machinery, equipment and vehicles, net	3,082,059	3,314,04
Land	6,452,228	6,461,90
Construction in progress	453,754	995,35
Other	3,331,141	3,850,74
Accumulated depreciation	(2,513,398)	(2,883,35
Other, net	817,742	967,39
Total property, plant and equipment	19,819,899	20,999,46
Intangible assets	1,902,217	1,930,20
Investments and other assets	<i>y</i> . • <i>y</i> . • .	, , -
Investment securities	1,775,734	1,312,25
Long-term loans receivable	7,425	1,120
Net defined benefit asset	56,180	511,05
Deferred tax assets	826,583	909,850
Other	1,719,802	1,595,54
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(46,087)	(46,08)
Total investments and other assets	4,339,639	4,283,73
Total non-current assets	26,061,755	27,213,40
Total assets	52,760,387	53,391,87

		(Thousand yen)
	Previous fiscal year (As of December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (As of December 31, 2023)
Liabilities		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable - trade	1,133,259	931,247
Accounts payable - other	4,022,247	3,665,522
Income taxes payable	1,334,496	410,988
Provision for bonuses	591,582	581,530
Other	*3 914,619	*3 978,650
Total current liabilities	7,996,205	6,567,940
Non-current liabilities		
Net defined benefit liability	10,628	14,620
Deferred tax liabilities	610	277
Asset retirement obligations	643,317	734,815
Other	117,875	141,919
Total non-current liabilities	772,431	891,633
Total liabilities	8,768,636	7,459,574
Net assets		
Shareholders' equity		
Capital stock	2,000,000	2,000,000
Capital surplus	274,537	306,957
Retained earnings	41,875,487	43,079,323
Treasury shares	(2,030,911)	(1,982,161)
Total shareholders' equity	42,119,113	43,404,119
Accumulated other comprehensive income		
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	214,928	(106,728)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	1,766,040	2,373,812
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	(108,331)	261,094
Total accumulated other comprehensive income	1,872,637	2,528,178
Total net assets	43,991,750	45,932,297
Total liabilities and net assets	52,760,387	53,391,872
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Consolidated Statements of Earnings and Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income Consolidated Statements of Earnings

(Thousand yen) Previous fiscal year Current fiscal year (From January 1, 2022 (From January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2022) to December 31, 2023) Net sales *145,238,377 *1 47,762,432 Cost of sales 15,729,160 18,237,124 29,509,216 29,525,308 Gross profit Selling, general and administrative expenses *2, *3 21,957,505 *2, *3 24.000.097 7,551,711 5,525,210 Operating income Non-operating income 20,044 Interest income 21,212 15,980 17,247 Dividend income Company house defrayment income 3,890 3,604 Subsidy income 101,506 20,949 Surrender value of insurance 86,359 152,574 Foreign exchange gains Other 104,327 38.247 399,491 186,454 Total non-operating income Non-operating expenses Share of loss of entities accounted for using equity 110,704 112,392 method Foreign exchange losses 6,375 Other 9,530 7,934 Total non-operating expenses 121,922 125,014 Ordinary income 7,829,279 5,586,650 Extraordinary income Gain on sales of non-current assets *4 949 *4 1 448 Gain on sales of investment securities Total extraordinary income 1,397 1 Extraordinary losses Loss on retirement of non-current assets *5 7,060 *5 39,568 Compensation for damages 115,000 Total extraordinary losses 7,060 154,568 7,823,617 5,432,083 Profit before income taxes 2,387,643 1,533,874 Income taxes - current Income taxes - deferred (141,300)(103,419)2,246,342 1,430,455 Total income taxes 5,577,274 4,001,627 Profit attributable to owners of parent 5,577,274 4,001,627

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	Previous fiscal year (From January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (From January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)
Profit	5,577,274	4,001,627
Other comprehensive income		
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	114,665	(321,656)
Deferred gains or losses on hedges	(68,821)	-
Foreign currency translation adjustment	915,502	607,772
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans, net of tax	(285,315)	369,425
Total other comprehensive income	* 676,032	* 655,541
Comprehensive income	6,253,306	4,657,169
Comprehensive income attributable to		
Comprehensive income attributable to owners of parent	6,253,306	4,657,169
Comprehensive income attributable to non-controlling interests	-	-

3) Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity Previous fiscal year (from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)

	Shareholders' equity				
	Capital stock	Capital surplus	Retained earnings	Treasury shares	Total shareholders' equity
Balance at beginning of period	2,000,000	246,299	38,834,669	(2,080,393)	39,000,575
Changes of items during period					
Dividends of surplus			(2,536,456)		(2,536,456)
Profit attributable to owners of parent			5,577,274		5,577,274
Purchase of treasury shares				(1,350)	(1,350)
Disposal of treasury shares		28,237		50,832	79,069
Net changes of items other than shareholders' equity					
Total changes of items during period	-	28,237	3,040,818	49,482	3,118,537
Balance at end of period	2,000,000	274,537	41,875,487	(2,030,911)	42,119,113

	Accumulated other comprehensive income					
	Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	Deferred gains or losses on hedges	Foreign currency translation adjustment	Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	Total accumulate other comprehensive income	Total net assets
Balance at beginning of period	100,262	68,821	850,537	176,984	1,196,605	40,197,181
Changes of items during period						
Dividends of surplus						(2,536,456)
Profit attributable to owners of parent						5,577,274
Purchase of treasury shares						(1,350)
Disposal of treasury shares						79,069
Net changes of items other than shareholders' equity	114,665	(68,821)	915,502	(285,315)	676,032	676,032
Total changes of items during period	114,665	(68,821)	915,502	(285,315)	676,032	3,794,569
Balance at end of period	214,928	-	1,766,040	(108,331)	1,872,637	43,991,750

Current fiscal year (from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)

	Shareholders' equity				
	Capital stock	Capital surplus	Retained earnings	Treasury shares	Total shareholders' equity
Balance at beginning of period	2,000,000	274,537	41,875,487	(2,030,911)	42,119,113
Changes of items during period					
Dividends of surplus			(2,797,792)		(2,797,792)
Profit attributable to owners of parent			4,001,627		4,001,627
Purchase of treasury shares				(2,148)	(2,148)
Disposal of treasury shares		32,420		50,898	83,319
Net changes of items other than shareholders' equity					
Total changes of items during period	-	32,420	1,203,835	48,749	1,285,005
Balance at end of period	2,000,000	306,957	43,079,323	(1,982,161)	43,404,119

	Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	Foreign currency translation adjustment	Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	Total accumulate other comprehensive income	Total net assets
Balance at beginning of period	214,928	1,766,040	(108,331)	1,872,637	43,991,750
Changes of items during period					
Dividends of surplus					(2,797,792)
Profit attributable to owners of parent					4,001,627
Purchase of treasury shares					(2,148)
Disposal of treasury shares					83,319
Net changes of items other than shareholders' equity	(321,656)	607,772	369,425	655,541	655,541
Total changes of items during period	(321,656)	607,772	369,425	655,541	1,940,547
Balance at end of period	(106,728)	2,373,812	261,094	2,528,178	45,932,297

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	Previous fiscal year (From January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (From January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)
Cash flows from operating activities		
Profit before income taxes	7,823,617	5,432,083
Depreciation	2,080,891	2,275,209
Increase (decrease) in allowance for doubtful accounts	(5,856)	(197)
Increase (decrease) in provision for bonuses	77,241	(12,545)
Decrease (increase) in net defined benefit asset	(28,757)	77,437
Increase (decrease) in net defined benefit liability	1,951	3,135
Interest and dividend income	(37,193)	(37,292)
Share of loss (profit) of entities accounted for using equity method	112,392	110,704
Foreign exchange losses (gains)	(30,521)	(48,215)
Loss (gain) on sales of investment securities	(448)	-
Loss (gain) on sales of non-current assets	(949)	(1)
Loss on retirement of non-current assets	7,060	39,568
Loss on compensation for damages	-	115,000
Decrease (increase) in trade receivables	(546,020)	(63,545)
Decrease (increase) in inventories	(2,148,445)	(469,541)
Increase (decrease) in trade payables	108,264	(251,803)
Surrender value of insurance	-	(86,359)
Other	16,726	188,547
Subtotal	7,429,954	7,272,184
Interest and dividend income received	34,812	36,613
Cash compensation for damage paid	-	(115,000)
Income taxes paid	(2,456,758)	(2,428,110)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	5,008,008	4,765,687
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(3,061,820)	(2,598,241)
Proceeds from sales of property, plant and equipment	1,003	1
Purchase of intangible assets	(761,154)	(612,051)
Payments of loans receivable	(73,500)	(75,200)
Collection of loans receivable	3,454	5,661
Proceeds from redemption of investment securities	200,000	-
Proceeds from sales of investment securities	546	-
Payments for guarantee deposits	(285,452)	(179,032)
Proceeds from collection of guarantee deposits	115,978	101,153
Proceeds from cancellation of insurance funds	-	286,368
Other	(4,277)	(38,350)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(3,865,221)	(3,109,692)
Cash flows from financing activities	·	
Increase (decrease) in notes and short-term borrowings - trade	(42,631)	-
Net decrease (increase) in treasury shares	(1,243)	(1,669)
Cash dividends paid	(2,534,587)	(2,796,096)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(2,578,462)	(2,797,765)

		(Thousand yen)
	Previous fiscal year (From January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (From January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)
Effect of exchange rate change on cash and cash equivalents	381,279	175,610
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(1,054,396)	(966,159)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	13,312,634	12,258,237
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	* 12,258,237	* 11,292,078

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements

(Significant matters that serve as the basis for preparation of consolidated financial statements)

1. Matters regarding the scope of consolidation

Number of consolidated subsidiaries: 9

Names of consolidated subsidiaries

MILBON USA, INC.

Milbon Trading (Shanghai) Co., Ltd.

Milbon Korea Co., Ltd.

MILBON (THAILAND) CO., LTD.

MILBON MALAYSIA SDN. BHD.

MILBON VIETNAM CO., LTD.

MILBON SINGAPORE PTE. LTD.

Milbon (Zhejiang) Cosmetics Co., Ltd.

Milbon Europe GmbH

2. Matters regarding the application of equity method

Number of associates accounted for by the equity method: 1

Names of companies, etc.

KOSÉ Milbon Cosmetics Co., Ltd.

3. Matters regarding fiscal years, etc., of consolidated subsidiaries

The account closing dates of consolidated subsidiaries are the same as the consolidated account closing date.

4. Matters regarding accounting policies

- (1) Valuation standards and methods for significant assets
 - (i) Securities

Available-for-sale securities

Other than shares, etc., without market price

Stated at market value (unrealized gains and losses are reported as a separate component of net assets, and cost of sales is calculated by the moving-average method)

Shares, etc., without market price

Stated at cost using the moving-average method

(ii) Inventories

Merchandise

Stated primarily at cost using the weighted average method (the balance sheet value is calculated using the inventory write-down method based on decreased profitability)

Finished goods and work in process

Stated primarily at cost using the weighted average method (the balance sheet value is calculated using the inventory write-down method based on decreased profitability)

Raw materials

Stated primarily at cost using the weighted average method (the balance sheet value is calculated using the inventory write-down method based on decreased profitability)

Supplies

Stated at cost using the last-purchase-price method (the balance sheet value is calculated using the inventory write-down method based on decreased profitability)

(2) Depreciation and amortization methods for significant depreciable assets

(i) Property, plant and equipment

They are depreciated using the straight-line method.

The estimated useful lives of major asset items are as follows:

Buildings and structures: 2 to 50 years Machinery, equipment and vehicles: 2 to 17 years

(ii) Intangible assets

They are amortized using the straight-line method.

Software for internal use is amortized using the straight-line method over the estimated period of internal use (2 to 5 years).

(3) Accounting standards for significant allowances

(i) Allowance for doubtful accounts

To prepare for losses arising from uncollectible receivables, the Company and its overseas consolidated subsidiaries record an allowance for doubtful accounts at an estimated uncollectible amount based on the historical rate of credit losses with respect to general receivables, and in consideration of individual collectability with respect to doubtful accounts and other specific receivables.

(ii) Provision for bonuses

To provide for payment of bonuses to employees (including those for employees also serving as officers), the Company and its overseas consolidated subsidiaries record a provision for bonuses based on the estimated payment amount.

(4) Accounting methods for retirement benefits

(i) Method of attributing expected retirement benefits to periods

In calculating retirement benefit obligations, expected retirement benefits are attributed to the period up to the end of the current fiscal year based on the benefit formula basis.

(ii) Method of amortizing actuarial differences and past service costs

Actuarial gains and losses are amortized using the straight-line method over a certain number of years (5 years) within the average remaining years of service of the eligible employees at the time of occurrence, starting from the fiscal year following the occurrence.

Prior service cost is amortized using the straight-line method over a certain number of years (5 years) within the average remaining years of service of the eligible employees at the time of occurrence.

(iii) Adoption of a simplified method in small companies, etc.

Certain overseas consolidated subsidiaries apply a simplified method to calculate net defined benefit liability and retirement benefit expenses based on the method where the amount of retirement benefits to be paid for voluntary retirement at the end of the fiscal year represents the amount of retirement benefit obligations.

(5) Accounting standards for significant revenue and expenses

The principal performance obligations relating to revenue from contracts with customers of the Group, as well as the standard point at which such obligations are satisfied (i.e., the point at which revenue is recognized) are explained as follows.

The Group is engaged in the manufacturing and sale of cosmetic products. In terms of the sale of such goods or products, revenue is recognized upon delivery of the goods or products to customers. However, revenue is recognized at the time of shipment if the period from the time of shipment to the point at which control of the goods or products is transferred to the customer is the standard period.

Revenue is measured by the amount of consideration promised in the contract with the customer, less any applicable rebates and returns.

The transaction consideration is typically received within one month of the fulfillment of the performance obligation and does not contain any significant financial elements.

- (6) Translation standards of significant assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies into Japanese yen Foreign currency denominated monetary receivables and payables are translated into Japanese yen at the spot exchange rate on the consolidated closing date, and foreign exchange gains and losses from translation are recognized as profit or loss. The assets and liabilities of overseas consolidated subsidiaries are translated into Japanese yen at the spot exchange rate on the local account closing dates of overseas consolidated subsidiaries, while revenue and expenses are translated into Japanese yen at the average exchange rate for the period, and foreign exchange gains and losses from translation are recorded in foreign currency translation adjustment under net assets.
- (7) Scope of funds in the consolidated statements of cash flows

 Funds (cash and cash equivalents) in the consolidated statements of cash flows comprise cash on hand, deposits available for withdrawal as needed, and short-term investments due for redemption within three months from the date of acquisition, which are easily cashable and are subject to minimal risk of fluctuations in value.

(Significant accounting estimates)

Valuation of merchandise and finished goods

(1) Amount recorded in consolidated financial statements for the current fiscal year

(Thousand yen)

	Previous fiscal year	Current fiscal year
Merchandise and finished goods	6,319,121	6,939,156
Loss on valuation of inventories	254,786	1,109,533

(Note) The amount of loss on valuation of inventories represents the amount of write-down due to decreased profitability.

(2) Information to aid in understanding the details of accounting estimates

In the calculation using the method of write-down based on decreased profitability, regarding merchandise and finished goods, a method, in which the planned shipment volume and the inventory volume at the end of the fiscal year are compared for each merchandise and finished good, and the amount of slow-moving inventories exceeding the planned shipment volume for a certain period is written down, and other methods are adopted.

These accounting estimates may differ from the actual profitability if assumed circumstances change as they can be affected by changes in the future uncertain market environment and other factors.

(New accounting standards not yet applied)

- Accounting Standard for Current Income Taxes (ASBJ Statement No. 27, October 28, 2022)
- · Accounting Standard for Presentation of Comprehensive Income (ASBJ Statement No. 25, October 28, 2022)
- Guidance on Accounting Standard for Tax Effect Accounting (ASBJ Guidance No. 28, October 28, 2022)

(1) Summary

These accounting standards, etc., specify the classification of income taxes, etc., when other comprehensive income is taxed as well as the treatment of tax effects on sales of shares of subsidiaries and other securities when the group corporate tax system is applied.

(2) Scheduled date of application

Scheduled to apply from the beginning of the fiscal year ending December 31, 2025.

(3) Impact of applying these accounting standards, etc.

The impact on the consolidated financial statements due to the application of the "Accounting Standard for Current Income Taxes," etc., is currently being evaluated.

(Consolidated balance sheets)

*1 Treatment of notes due at the fiscal year-end

Notes due at the end of the fiscal year are treated as settled on the due date.

As the fiscal year-end fell on a holiday for financial institutions, the following notes due at the fiscal year-end are treated as settled on the due date.

(Thousand yen)

	Previous fiscal year (As of December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (As of December 31, 2023)
Notes receivable - trade	80,781	68,336

*2 Receivables from contracts with customers in notes and accounts receivable - trade are as follows:

(Thousand yen)

	Previous fiscal year (As of December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (As of December 31, 2023)	
Notes receivable - trade	170,637	188,316	
Accounts receivable - trade	5,085,049	5,157,353	

*3 "Contract liabilities" are included in "other" under "current liabilities." The amount of the "contract liabilities" is as described in "Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Revenue recognition), 3. Information on the reconciliation of satisfaction of performance obligations within contracts with customers and cash flows arising from such contracts, and information on the amount and timing of revenue that is expected to be recognized after the following fiscal year arising from contracts with customers that exist at the end of the current fiscal year, (1) Balance of contract liabilities, etc."

(Consolidated statements of earnings)

*1 Revenue from contracts with customers

The Company does not disaggregate revenues from contracts with customers and other sources of revenue. The amount of revenue from contracts with customers is presented in "Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Revenue recognition), 1. Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers" in the consolidated financial statements.

*2 Major expenses included in selling, general and administrative expenses and their amounts

(Thousand yen)

	Previous fiscal year (From January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (From January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)	
Remuneration, salaries and allowances	5,858,488	6,066,242	
Logistics expenses	3,543,161	3,675,086	
Promotion expenses	1,177,111	1,516,851	
Provision for bonuses	422,032	366,644	
Retirement benefit expenses	307,677	422,581	
Provision of allowance for doubtful accounts	(3,566)	(197)	

*3 The total amount of research and development expenses included in general and administrative expenses

(Thousand yen)

	Previous fiscal year (From January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (From January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)
Research and development expenses	2,074,942	2,334,179

*4 Breakdown of gain on sales of non-current assets

(Thousand yen)

	Previous fiscal year (From January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (From January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)	
Machinery, equipment and vehicles	949		1

*5 Breakdown of loss on retirement of non-current assets

	Previous fiscal year (From January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (From January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)
Buildings and structures	5,230	26,019
Machinery, equipment and vehicles	872	11,276
Other	186	2,272
Intangible assets	771	-
Total	7,060	39,568

* Reclassification adjustments and tax effects relating to other comprehensive income

		(Thousand yen
	Previous fiscal year (From January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (From January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities		
Amount arising during the fiscal year	165,672	(463,482)
Reclassification adjustments	(448)	-
Before tax effect adjustments	165,224	(463,482)
Tax effects	(50,558)	141,825
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	114,665	(321,656)
Deferred gains or losses on hedges		
Amount arising during the fiscal year	(99,165)	-
Reclassification adjustments	-	-
Before tax effect adjustments	(99,165)	-
Tax effects	30,344	-
Deferred gains or losses on hedges	(68,821)	-
Foreign currency translation adjustment		
Amount arising during the fiscal year	915,502	607,772
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans, net of tax		
Amount arising during the fiscal year	(383,108)	463,125
Reclassification adjustments	(28,008)	69,188
Before tax effect adjustments	(411,117)	532,313
Tax effects	125,801	(162,888)
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans, net of tax	(285,315)	369,425
Total other comprehensive income	676,032	655,541

(Consolidated statements of changes in shareholders' equity)

Previous fiscal year (from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)

1. Matters regarding issued shares

Class of shares	Beginning of the fiscal year	Increase	Decrease	End of the fiscal year
Common stock (shares)	33,117,234	-	-	33,117,234

2. Matters regarding treasury shares

Class of shares	Beginning of the fiscal year	Increase	Decrease	End of the fiscal year
Common stock (shares)	606,080	238	14,807	591,511

(Outline of reasons for changes)

- 1. The increase is due to the purchase of shares less than one unit.
- 2. The decrease is due to a decrease of 20 shares from the sale of shares less than one unit, and a decrease of 14,787 shares from the disposal of treasury shares pursuant to the resolution of the Board of Directors meeting held on April 15, 2022, accompanying the introduction of the restricted share-based compensation plan.

3. Matters regarding dividends

(1) Amount of dividends paid

Resolution	Class of shares	Total amount of dividends (Thousand yen)	Dividend per share (Yen)	Record date	Effective date
Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held on March 29, 2022	Common stock	1,235,423	38	December 31, 2021	March 30, 2022
Board of Directors meeting held on August 10, 2022	Common stock	1,301,032	40	June 30, 2022	August 16, 2022

(2) Dividend for which the record date falls in the current fiscal year but the effective date falls in the following fiscal year

Resolution	Class of shares	Source of dividends		Dividend per share (Yen)	Record date	Effective date
Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held on March 29, 2023	Common stock	Retained earnings	1,496,183	46	December 31, 2022	March 30, 2023

Current fiscal year (from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)

1. Matters regarding issued shares

Class of shares	Beginning of the fiscal year	Increase	Decrease	End of the fiscal year
Common stock (shares)	33,117,234	-	-	33,117,234

2. Matters regarding treasury shares

Class of shares	Beginning of the fiscal year	Increase	Decrease	End of the fiscal year
Common stock (shares)	591,511	418	14,822	577,107

(Outline of reasons for changes)

- 1. The increase is due to the purchase of shares less than one unit.
- 2. The decrease is due to a decrease of 108 shares from the sale of shares less than one unit, and a decrease of 14,714 shares from the disposal of treasury shares pursuant to the resolution of the Board of Directors meeting held on April 14, 2023, accompanying the introduction of the restricted share-based compensation plan.

3. Matters regarding dividends

(1) Amount of dividends paid

Resolution	Class of shares	Total amount of dividends (Thousand yen)	Dividend per share (Yen)	Record date	Effective date
Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held on March 29, 2023	Common stock	1,496,183	46	December 31, 2022	March 30, 2023
Board of Directors meeting held on August 10, 2023	Common stock	1,301,609	40	June 30, 2023	August 24, 2023

(2) Dividend for which the record date falls in the current fiscal year but the effective date falls in the following fiscal year

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Resolution	Class of shares	Source of dividends	Total amount of dividends (Thousand yen)	Dividend per share (Yen)	Record date	Effective date
Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held on March 28, 2024	Common stock	Retained earnings	1,561,926	48	December 31, 2023	March 29, 2024

(Consolidated statements of cash flows)

* Reconciliation between the balance of cash and cash equivalents at the end of the fiscal year and the amount of accounts presented in the consolidated balance sheets

	Previous fiscal year (From January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (From January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)	
Cash and deposits	12,300,053	11,337,201	
Time deposits with deposit terms over three months	(41,815)	(45,123)	
Cash and cash equivalents	12,258,237	11,292,078	

(Lease transactions)

1. Operating lease transactions

(Lessor)

Remaining lease payments for non-cancelable operating lease transactions

(Thousand yen)

	Previous fiscal year (As of December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (As of December 31, 2023)
Within one year	366,385	456,098
Over one year	942,027	1,132,717
Total	1,308,413	1,588,816

(Financial instruments)

- 1. Matters regarding financial instruments
 - (1) Policy for financial instruments

The Group manages its funds in principle for the purpose of maintaining its assets, and only manages highly secured funds.

The Group also has a policy of not engaging in derivative transactions for speculative purposes.

(2) Content of financial instruments and risks thereof, and risk management systems

Notes and accounts receivable - trade, which are trade receivables, are exposed to customer credit risks. For such risks, the Group controls the due dates and balances by business partner.

Investment securities are primarily shares of companies with which the Group has business relationships, and are exposed to market price fluctuation risks. For such risks, the Group regularly understands and manages their market value and issuers' financial conditions, etc., and regularly reports the identified market value to the Board of Directors.

Accounts payable - trade, which are trade payables, are mostly due within one month.

(3) Supplementary explanation on market value, etc., of financial instruments

The market value of financial instruments is calculated based on their market prices. If a market price is not available, the value is calculated in a reasonable manner. As the market value calculation incorporates fluctuating factors, the value may differ if different assumptions are used in calculation.

Matters regarding market value, etc., of financial instruments
 The amounts in the consolidated balance sheets, market value of financial instruments, and their differences are shown below.

Previous fiscal year (as of December 31, 2022)

(Thousand yen)

	Amounts in the consolidated balance sheets	Market value	Differences
Investment securities Available-for-sale securities	1,747,334	1,747,334	-
Total assets	1,747,334	1,747,334	-

Current fiscal year (as of December 31, 2023)

(Thousand yen)

	Amounts in the consolidated balance sheets	Market value	Differences
Investment securities Available-for-sale securities	1,283,851	1,283,851	-
Total assets	1,283,851	1,283,851	-

(Note 1) "Cash and deposits," "notes and accounts receivable - trade," "accounts payable - trade," "accounts payable - other," and "income taxes payable" are omitted, because they comprise cash and short-term instruments whose carrying amount approximates their market value.

(Note 2) Shares, etc., without market price are not included in "investment securities." The amount of the financial instrument in the consolidated balance sheets is as follows:

(Thousand yen)

Category	Previous fiscal year	Current fiscal year
Unlisted shares	28,400	28,400

(Note 3) Scheduled redemption amounts of monetary claims after the consolidated closing date

Previous fiscal year (as of December 31, 2022)

(Thousand yen)

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	Within one year	Over one year within five years	Over five years within ten years	Over ten years	
Cash and deposits	12,300,053	-	-	-	
Notes and accounts receivable - trade	5,255,686	-	-	-	
Total	17,555,740	-	-	-	

Current fiscal year (as of December 31, 2023)

	Within one year	Over one year within five years	Over five years within ten years	Over ten years
Cash and deposits	11,337,201	1	-	-
Notes and accounts receivable - trade	5,345,669	-	-	-
Total	16,682,870	-	-	-

3. Matters regarding the breakdown of the market value of financial instruments by level

The market value of financial instruments is classified into the following three levels according to the observability and materiality of the inputs used to measure market value.

Level 1 market value: Market value measured using observable inputs, i.e., quoted prices in active markets for assets or

liabilities that are the subject of the measurement.

Level 2 market value: Market value measured using observable inputs other than Level 1 inputs.

Level 3 market value: Market value measured using unobservable inputs.

If multiple inputs are used that are significant to the market value measurement, the market value measurement is categorized in its entirety in the level of the lowest level input that is significant to the entire measurement.

(1) Financial instruments measured at market value in the consolidated financial statements

Previous fiscal year (as of December 31, 2022)

(Thousand yen)

Cotonom	Market value				
Category	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	
Investment securities					
Available-for-sale securities					
Shares	1,747,334	-	-	1,747,334	
Total assets	1,747,334	-	-	1,747,334	

Current fiscal year (as of December 31, 2023)

(Thousand yen)

	Market value				
Category	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	
Investment securities					
Available-for-sale securities					
Shares	1,283,851	-	-	1,283,851	
Total assets	1,283,851	-	-	1,283,851	

(Note) A description of the valuation techniques and inputs used in the market value measurements

Investment securities

Listed shares are valued using quoted prices. As listed shares are traded in active markets, their market value is classified as Level 1.

(Securities)

1. Held-to-maturity bonds

Previous fiscal year (as of December 31, 2022) Not applicable.

Current fiscal year (as of December 31, 2023) Not applicable.

2. Available-for-sale securities

Previous fiscal year (as of December 31, 2022)

(Thousand yen)

	Туре	Amounts in the consolidated balance sheets	Acquisition cost	Differences
	(1) Shares	1,746,801	1,437,020	309,780
Available-for-sale securities with the amount in the consolidated balance	(2) Bonds	-	-	-
sheets exceeding the acquisition cost	(3) Other	-	-	-
	Subtotal	1,746,801	1,437,020	309,780
A 711 C 1 22 21 A	(1) Shares	533	618	(85)
Available-for-sale securities with the amount in the consolidated balance	(2) Bonds	-	-	-
sheets not exceeding the acquisition cost	(3) Other	-	-	-
	Subtotal	533	618	(85)
Total		1,747,334	1,437,638	309,695

(Note) Unlisted shares (the amount in the consolidated balance sheets: 28,400 thousand yen) are not included in the available-for-sale securities in the table above, since they are shares, etc., without market price.

Current fiscal year (as of December 31, 2023)

(Thousand yen)

	Туре	Amounts in the consolidated balance sheets	Acquisition cost	Differences
	(1) Shares	14,450	2,039	12,411
Available-for-sale securities with the amount in the consolidated balance	(2) Bonds	-	-	-
sheets exceeding the acquisition cost	(3) Other	-	-	-
	Subtotal	14,450	2,039	12,411
A 7111 C 1 22 21 4	(1) Shares	1,269,401	1,435,598	(166,197)
Available-for-sale securities with the amount in the consolidated balance	(2) Bonds	-	-	-
sheets not exceeding the acquisition cost	(3) Other	-	-	-
	Subtotal	1,269,401	1,435,598	(166,197)
Total		1,283,851	1,437,638	(153,786)

(Note) Unlisted shares (the amount in the consolidated balance sheets: 28,400 thousand yen) are not included in the available-for-sale securities in the table above, since they are shares, etc., without market price.

3. Available-for-sale securities sold during the fiscal year

Previous fiscal year (from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)

(Thousand yen)

Туре	Sales amount	Total gain on sales	Total loss on sales
(1) Shares	538	448	-
(2) Bonds	-	-	-
(3) Other	-	-	-
Total	538	448	-

Current fiscal year (from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)

(Thousand yen)

Туре	Sales amount	Total gain on sales	Total loss on sales
(1) Shares	-	-	-
(2) Bonds	-	-	-
(3) Other	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-

4. Impairment losses on securities

Not applicable.

Impairment losses are fully recognized for securities whose market value declined 50% or more compared to the acquisition cost. For securities whose market value declined 30% or more but less than 50%, impairment losses are determined by judging the individual recoverability.

(Derivative transactions)

1. Derivative transactions for which hedge accounting is applied

Currency-related transactions

Previous fiscal year (as of December 31, 2022)

Not applicable.

Current fiscal year (as of December 31, 2023)

Not applicable.

(Retirement benefits)

1. Outline of retirement benefit plans adopted

The Company has both a defined benefit corporate pension plan as the defined benefit plan and a defined contribution pension plan. Some of the consolidated subsidiaries have adopted a lump-sum retirement payment plan as the defined benefit plan and a defined contribution plan.

For the lump-sum retirement payment plan adopted by some of the consolidated subsidiaries, net defined benefit liability and retirement benefit expenses are calculated using a simplified method.

The Company participates in the employees' pension fund plan, which is a multi-employer plan. The same accounting as for the defined contribution plan is adopted for the plans for which the amount of plan assets corresponding to the Company's contribution cannot be reasonably calculated.

2. Defined benefit plan (excluding plans that adopt the simplified method)

(1) Reconciliation of retirement benefit obligations at the beginning and end of the fiscal year

(Thousand yen)

	Previous fiscal year (From January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (From January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)
Balance of retirement benefit obligations at the beginning of the fiscal year	2,771,124	2,989,436
Service cost	214,520	223,250
Interest cost	14,066	24,356
Actuarial gains and losses generated	12,798	(474,972)
Past service costs generated	111,974	349,624
Retirement benefits paid	(135,047)	(151,150)
Balance of retirement benefit obligations at the end of the fiscal year	2,989,436	2,960,545

(2) Reconciliation of plan assets at the beginning and end of the fiscal year

Previous fiscal year (From January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (From January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)
3,209,664	3,045,617
80,241	76,140
(258,335)	337,777
149,095	163,216
(135,047)	(151,150)
3,045,617	3,471,601
_	(From January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022) 3,209,664 80,241 (258,335) 149,095 (135,047)

(3) Reconciliation of retirement benefit obligations and plan assets at the end of the fiscal year and net defined benefit liability and net defined benefit asset recorded in the consolidated balance sheets

(Thousand yen)

	Previous fiscal year (As of December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (As of December 31, 2023)
Retirement benefit obligations of funded plans	2,989,436	2,960,545
Plan assets	(3,045,617)	(3,471,601)
Net liabilities and assets recorded in the consolidated balance sheets	(56,180)	(511,056)
Net defined benefit asset	(56,180)	(511,056)
Net liabilities and assets recorded in the consolidated balance sheets	(56,180)	(511,056)

(4) Retirement benefit expenses and breakdown thereof

(Thousand yen)

	Previous fiscal year (From January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (From January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)
Service cost	214,520	223,250
Interest cost	14,066	24,356
Expected return on plan assets	(80,241)	(76,140)
Amortization of actuarial gains and losses	(33,607)	23,485
Amortization of past service costs	5,598	45,703
Retirement benefit expenses for defined benefit plans	120,337	240,654

(5) Remeasurements of defined benefit plans, net of tax

Components of remeasurements of defined benefit plans, net of tax (before tax effects) are as follows:

(Thousand yen)

	Previous fiscal year (From January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (From January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)
Actuarial gains and losses	304,741	(836,234)
Past service costs	106,375	303,921
Total	411,117	(532,313)

(6) Remeasurements of defined benefit plans

Components of remeasurements of defined benefit plans (before tax effects) are as follows:

	Previous fiscal year (As of December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (As of December 31, 2023)
Unrecognized actuarial gains and losses	(49,721)	786,513
Unrecognized past service costs	(106,375)	(410,296)
Total	(156,096)	376,216

(7) Matters regarding plan assets

(i) Major components of plan assets

Ratios by major category of the total plan assets are as follows:

	Previous fiscal year (As of December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (As of December 31, 2023)
Japanese bonds	23%	21%
Japanese shares	24%	25%
Foreign bonds	10%	13%
Foreign shares	23%	23%
Other	20%	18%
Total	100%	100%

(ii) Method of determining expected long-term rate of return on plan assets

The current and expected allocation of plan assets, and the current and expected future long-term rate of return on diverse assets comprising plan assets are taken into account in determining expected long-term rate of return on plan assets.

(8) Matters regarding basis for actuarial assumptions

Major actuarial assumptions (in weighted average)

	Previous fiscal year (As of December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (As of December 31, 2023)
Discount rate	0.5%	1.5%
Expected long-term rate of return on plan assets	2.5%	2.5%
Expected rate of increase in salary	5.9%	5.9%

3. Defined benefit plans that apply the simplified method

(1) Reconciliation of net defined benefit liability at the beginning and end of the fiscal year under the plans that apply the simplified method

		(I nousand yen)
	Previous fiscal year (From January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (From January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)
Balance of net defined benefit liability at the beginning of the fiscal year	7,753	10,628
Retirement benefit expenses	1,951	3,135
Translation gains or losses	923	856
Balance of net defined benefit liability at the end of the fiscal year	10,628	14,620

(2) Reconciliation of retirement benefit obligations and plan assets at the end of the fiscal year and net defined benefit liability and net defined benefit asset recorded in the consolidated balance sheets

		(Thousand yen)
	Previous fiscal year (As of December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (As of December 31, 2023)
Retirement benefit obligations of unfunded plans	10,628	14,620
Net liabilities and assets recorded in the consolidated balance sheets	10,628	14,620
Net defined benefit liability	10,628	14,620
Net liabilities and assets recorded in the consolidated balance sheets	10,628	14,620

(3) Retirement benefit expenses

Retirement benefit expenses calculated using the simplified method: Previous fiscal year: 1,951 thousand yen

Current fiscal year: 3,135 thousand yen

4. Defined contribution plans

The required amount of contributions to defined contribution plans of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries are 110,148 thousand yen for the previous fiscal year and 109,419 thousand yen for the current fiscal year.

5. Multi-employer plans

The required amount of contributions to the employees' pension fund plan and corporate pension fund plan, which are multiemployer plans and adopt the same accounting method as that for defined contribution plans, are 185,256 thousand yen for the previous fiscal year and 197,109 thousand yen for the current fiscal year.

(1) The latest status of funding of multi-employer plans

(Thousand yen)

	Previous fiscal year (As of December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (As of December 31, 2023)
Amount of plan assets	16,951,908	17,329,484
Aggregate actuarial obligation under pension finance calculation and minimum reserve	19,873,038	19,781,141
Difference	(2,921,130)	(2,451,657)

(2) Ratio of contributions by the Company in multi-employer plans

Previous fiscal year: 11.6% (as of December 31, 2022) Current fiscal year: 12.2% (as of December 31, 2023)

(3) Supplementary explanation

Major factors for the difference in (1) above are the balance of past service liabilities under pension finance calculation (6,938,156 thousand yen for the previous fiscal year, 6,019,889 thousand yen for the current fiscal year) and the general reserve (4,017,026 thousand yen for the previous fiscal year, 3,568,232 thousand yen for the current fiscal year). Past service liabilities under the plan are amortized using the straight-line method over a period of 6 years. The Company has amortized special contribution in the consolidated financial statements (126,896 thousand yen in the previous fiscal year, 134,720 thousand yen in the current fiscal year).

The ratios in (2) above do not correspond to the actual ratios of the contribution by the Company.

(Stock options, etc.) Not applicable.

(Tax effect accounting)

1. Breakdown of major causes for deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities

(Thousand yen)

		(Thousand yen
	Previous fiscal year (As of December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (As of December 31, 2023)
Deferred tax assets		
Tax loss carryforward (Note)	342,943	386,271
Provision for bonuses	174,159	169,251
Loss on valuation of inventories	89,986	355,246
Accrued enterprise tax and business office tax	86,245	45,781
Accrued social insurance premiums	26,071	26,033
Unrealized income on inventories	435,069	381,134
Depreciation	227,383	224,876
Asset retirement obligations	184,536	211,817
Allowance for doubtful accounts	14,102	14,102
Net defined benefit liability	2,125	2,924
Retirement benefits for directors (and other officers)	3,709	3,709
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	-	47,058
Other	108,938	91,400
Subtotal deferred tax assets	1,695,270	1,959,607
Valuation allowance for tax loss carryforward (Note)	(342,943)	(386,271)
Valuation allowance for aggregate deductible	(24.205)	(44.700)
temporary differences	(24,295)	(44,706)
Subtotal valuation allowance	(367,238)	(430,977)
Total deferred tax assets	1,328,032	1,528,629
Deferred tax liabilities		
Net defined benefit asset	(17,191)	(156,383)
Retirement cost for asset retirement obligations	(113,579)	(124,342)
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	(94,766)	-
Retained earnings of overseas subsidiaries	(275,911)	(338,053)
Other	(610)	(277)
Total deferred tax liabilities	(502,057)	(619,056)
Net deferred tax assets (liabilities)	825,975	909,573

(Note) Tax loss carryforward and corresponding deferred tax assets by carryforward period Previous fiscal year (as of December 31, 2022)

(Thousand yen)

	Within one year	Over one year within two years	Over two years within three years	Over three years within four years	Over four years within five years	Over five years	Total
Tax loss carryforward	-	-	9,698	7,955	7,549	317,739	342,943
Valuation allowance	-	-	(9,698)	(7,955)	(7,549)	(317,739)	(342,943)
Deferred tax assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

(Note) Tax loss carryforward is the amount obtained by multiplying it with the effective statutory tax rate.

(Thousand yen)

	Within one year	Over one year within two years	Over two years within three years	Over three years within four years	Over four years within five years	Over five years	Total
Tax loss carryforward	-	10,095	8,281	7,859	110,758	249,277	386,271
Valuation allowance	-	(10,095)	(8,281)	(7,859)	(110,758)	(249,277)	(386,271)
Deferred tax assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

(Note) Tax loss carryforward is the amount obtained by multiplying them with the effective statutory tax rate.

2. Breakdown by item of major causes of significant difference between the effective statutory tax rate and the income tax rate after applying tax effect accounting

	Previous fiscal year (As of December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (As of December 31, 2023)
Effective statutory tax rate	30.6%	30.6%
(Adjustments)		
Items permanently excluded from deductible expenses such as entertainment expenses	1.0%	2.3%
Exclusion of dividend income from taxable income	(0.8)%	0.0%
Inhabitant tax on per capita basis	0.3%	0.5%
Experimentation and research expenses tax credit	(4.1)%	(6.6)%
Salary increase tax credits	(0.6)%	(2.2)%
Increase (decrease) in valuation allowance	2.3%	1.2%
Other	(0.0)%	0.5%
Income tax rate after applying tax effect accounting	28.7%	26.3%

(Business combinations, etc.)
Not applicable.

(Asset retirement obligations)

Asset retirement obligations recorded in the consolidated balance sheets

(1) Outline of the asset retirement obligations

These are the restoration obligation under real estate lease contracts of branch offices and sales offices.

(2) Calculation method of the amount of the asset retirement obligations

The amount of asset retirement obligations is calculated by using the government bond yield as the discount rate based on the estimated period of use of 10 to 15 years from the acquisition.

(3) Changes in the total amount of the asset retirement obligations

(Thousand yen)

	Previous fiscal year (From January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (From January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)	
Balance at the beginning of the fiscal year	608,139	643,317	
Increase due to the acquisition of property,	58.055	118,734	
plant and equipment	38,033	116,/34	
Adjustments due to passage of time	0	2,375	
Decrease due to the performance of asset	(22,977)	(20 (11)	
retirement obligations	(22,877)	(29,611)	
Balance at the end of the fiscal year	643,317	734,815	

(Real estate for lease, etc.)

Not applicable.

(Revenue recognition)

1. Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers

(Thousand yen)

Category	Previous fiscal y (From January 1, to December 31,	2022	Current fiscal year (From January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)		
	Amount	Ratio (%)	Amount	Ratio (%)	
Hair care products	26,312,862	58.2	28,355,020	59.4	
Hair coloring products	16,631,187	36.7	16,953,723	35.5	
Permanent wave products	1,450,096	3.2	1,463,884	3.0	
Cosmetic products	572,085	1.3	571,762	1.2	
Other	272,146	0.6	418,040	0.9	
Revenue from contracts with customers	45,238,377	100.0	47,762,432	100.0	
Revenue from other sources	-	-	-	-	
Net sales to external customers	45,238,377	100.0	47,762,432	100.0	

- 2. Useful information in understanding revenue from contracts with customers
 - The description of useful information in understanding revenue from contracts with customers is omitted as it is provided in "Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Significant matters that serve as the basis for preparation of consolidated financial statements), 4. Matters regarding accounting policies, (5) Accounting standards for significant revenue and expenses."
- 3. Information on the reconciliation of satisfaction of performance obligations within contracts with customers and cash flows arising from such contracts, and information on the amount and timing of revenue that is expected to be recognized after the following fiscal year arising from contracts with customers that exist at the end of the current fiscal year
 - (1) Balance of contract liabilities, etc.

Previous fiscal year (from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)

(Thousand yen)

	Beginning of the fiscal year (As of January 1, 2022)	End of the fiscal year (As of December 31, 2022)
Receivables from contracts with customers	4,673,258	5,255,686
Contract liabilities	21,901	4,612

(Note) Contract liabilities are advances received from customers and are reversed upon recognition of revenue.

Current fiscal year (from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)

(Thousand ven)

		(Thousand yen)
	Beginning of the fiscal year	End of the fiscal year
	(As of January 1, 2023)	(As of December 31, 2023)
Receivables from contracts with customers	5,255,686	5,345,669
Contract liabilities	4,612	8,545

(Note) Contract liabilities are advances received from customers and are reversed upon recognition of revenue.

(2) Transaction price allocated to the remaining performance obligations
The description of information on the remaining performance obligations is omitted since there are no significant contracts
with an original expected duration of more than one year and the Company has applied the practical expedient to the notes on
transaction prices allocated to the remaining performance obligations.

(Segment information, etc.)

Segment information

This information is omitted since the Group has a single segment of manufacture and sales of cosmetic products.

Related information

Previous fiscal year (from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)

1. Information by product and service

(Thousand yen)

	Hair care products	Hair coloring products	Permanent wave products	Cosmetic products	Other	Total
Net sales to external customers	26,312,862	16,631,187	1,450,096	572,085	272,146	45,238,377

2. Information by geographical area

(1) Net sales

(Thousand yen)

Japan	Other	Total
35,334,124	9,904,253	45,238,377

(Note) Net sales are based on locations of customers and classified by country or region.

(2) Property, plant and equipment

(Thousand yen)

Japan	China	Other	Total
15,422,742	2,886,791	1,510,364	19,819,899

3. Information by major customer

(Thousand yen)

Name of customer	Net sales
Topy Co., Ltd.	4,804,640
GAMO Co., Ltd.	3,810,883
BIC HOLDINGS Inc.	3,396,274

(Note) The description of related segments is omitted since the Group has a single segment of manufacture and sales of cosmetic products.

Current fiscal year (from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)

1. Information by product and service

(Thousand yen)

	Hair care products	Hair coloring products	Permanent wave products	Cosmetic products	Other	Total
Net sales to external customers	28,355,020	16,953,723	1,463,884	571,762	418,040	47,762,432

2. Information by geographical area

(1) Net sales

(Thousand yen)

Japan	Other	Total
36,502,248	11,260,183	47,762,432

(Note) Net sales are based on locations of customers and classified by country or region.

(2) Property, plant and equipment

(Thousand yen)

Japan	China	Other	Total
16,275,719	2,912,054	1,811,687	20,999,461

3. Information by major customer

(Thousand yen)

Name of customer	Net sales
Topy Co., Ltd.	5,199,462
GAMO Co., Ltd.	3,947,360
BIC HOLDINGS Inc.	3,493,093

(Note) The description of related segments is omitted since the Group has a single segment of manufacture and sales of cosmetic products.

Information regarding impairment losses on non-current assets by reportable segment Not applicable.

Information regarding amortization and unamortized balance of goodwill by reportable segment Not applicable.

Information regarding gain on bargain purchase by reportable segment Not applicable.

Related party information

Previous fiscal year (from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022) Not applicable.

Current fiscal year (from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023) Not applicable.

(Per share information)

	Previous fiscal year (From January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (From January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)
Net assets per share (yen)	1,352.52	1,411.56
Basic earnings per share (yen)	171.49	122.99

(Notes) 1. Diluted earnings per share are not presented because there are no dilutive shares.

2. The basis for calculating basic earnings per share is as follows:

	Previous fiscal year (from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)
Profit attributable to owners of parent (thousand yen)	5,577,274	4,001,627
Amount not attributable to common shareholders (thousand yen)	-	-
Profit attributable to owners of parent related to common stock (thousand yen)	5,577,274	4,001,627
Average number of shares of common stock during the period (shares)	32,521,551	32,536,033

(Significant subsequent events)

Not applicable.

Consolidated supplementary schedules Schedule of corporate bonds Not applicable.

Schedule of borrowings, etc.

Category	Balance at beginning of period (Thousand yen)	Balance at end of period (Thousand yen)	Average interest rate (%)	Repayment due date
Short-term borrowings	-	-	-	-
Current portion of long-term borrowings	-	-	-	-
Current portion of lease obligations	-	-	-	-
Long-term borrowings (except for the current portion)	-	-	-	-
Lease obligations (except for the current portion)	-	-	-	-
Other interest-bearing liabilities	74,032	75,032	0.002	-
Total	74,032	75,032	-	-

⁽Notes) 1. The average interest rate shows the weighted average interest rate applicable to the balance at end of period.

Schedule of asset retirement obligations

The description of matters to be reported in the schedule of asset retirement obligations is omitted, because relevant information is provided as notes pursuant to Article 15-23 of the Regulation on Consolidated Financial Statements.

(2) Other Quarterly information, etc., for the current fiscal year

(Cumulative accour	nting period)	1st quarter	2nd quarter	3rd quarter	Current fiscal year
Net sales	(Thousand yen)	10,340,911	22,703,504	34,150,359	47,762,432
Profit before income taxes	(Thousand yen)	1,165,683	3,100,045	3,473,759	5,432,083
Profit attributable to owners of parent	(Thousand yen)	882,314	2,195,360	2,489,397	4,001,627
Basic earnings per share	(Yen)	27.13	67.48	76.52	122.99

(Accounting period)	1st quarter	2nd quarter	3rd quarter	4th quarter
Basic earnings per share (Yen)	27.13	40.35	9.04	46.47

^{2.} Other interest-bearing liabilities are guarantee deposits received from customers with no prescribed repayment due date.

2. Financial Statements, etc.

- (1) Financial Statements
 - 1) Balance Sheets

		(Thousand yen)	
	Previous fiscal year (As of December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (As of December 31, 2023)	
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and deposits	9,399,665	7,108,249	
Notes receivable - trade	*2 170,637	*2 188,316	
Accounts receivable - trade	*1 5,654,505	*1 5,368,165	
Merchandise and finished goods	4,034,129	4,679,315	
Work in process	39,422	35,531	
Raw materials and supplies	1,645,261	1,763,522	
Short-term loans receivable from subsidiaries and associates	-	206,500	
Prepaid expenses	182,762	178,912	
Other	*1 223,645	*1 242,460	
Total current assets	21,350,030	19,770,973	
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment			
Buildings	5,958,847	6,183,252	
Structures	89,773	81,817	
Machinery and equipment	2,106,899	2,049,772	
Vehicles	10,288	12,126	
Tools, furniture and fixtures	642,177	809,774	
Land	6,324,093	6,324,093	
Construction in progress	277,940	807,292	
Total property, plant and equipment	15,410,019	16,268,129	
Intangible assets			
Software	1,194,130	1,440,820	
Other	315,446	116,750	
Total intangible assets	1,509,577	1,557,571	

		(Thousand yen)
	Previous fiscal year (As of December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (As of December 31, 2023)
Investments and other assets		
Investment securities	1,775,734	1,312,251
Shares of subsidiaries and associates	2,213,793	2,213,793
Investments in capital of subsidiaries and associates	4,457,200	4,457,200
Long-term loans receivable from subsidiaries and associates	828,000	1,124,000
Prepaid pension costs	212,277	134,839
Deferred tax assets	911,607	958,161
Other	1,248,689	1,091,029
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(408,501)	(487,087)
Total investments and other assets	11,238,801	10,804,188
Total non-current assets	28,158,398	28,629,889
Total assets	49,508,428	48,400,863
Liabilities		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable - trade	*1 1,159,984	*1 1,022,967
Accounts payable - other	*1 3,797,900	*1 3,468,944
Accrued expenses	454,798	482,833
Income taxes payable	1,263,767	319,897
Advances received	4,357	6,579
Deposits received	329,607	332,961
Provision for bonuses	549,238	535,907
Other	22,327	19,211
Total current liabilities	7,581,981	6,189,303
Non-current liabilities		
Asset retirement obligations	602,626	691,749
Other	74,032	75,032
Total non-current liabilities	676,659	766,782
Total liabilities	8,258,641	6,956,086

		(Thousand yen)
	Previous fiscal year (As of December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (As of December 31, 2023)
Net assets		
Shareholders' equity		
Capital stock	2,000,000	2,000,000
Capital surplus		
Legal capital surplus	199,120	199,120
Other capital surplus	75,417	107,837
Total capital surplus	274,537	306,957
Retained earnings		
Legal retained earnings	300,880	300,880
Other retained earnings		
General reserve	3,500,000	3,500,000
Retained earnings brought forward	36,990,353	37,425,828
Total retained earnings	40,791,233	41,226,708
Treasury shares	(2,030,911)	(1,982,161)
Total shareholders' equity	41,034,858	41,551,504
Valuation and translation adjustments		
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	214,928	(106,728)
Total valuation and translation adjustments	214,928	(106,728)
Total net assets	41,249,787	41,444,776
Total liabilities and net assets	49,508,428	48,400,863
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2) Statements of Earnings

		(Thousand yen)
	Previous fiscal year (From January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (From January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)
Net sales	*1 41,780,945	*1 42,520,224
Cost of sales	*1 16,215,637	*1 17,973,474
Gross profit	25,565,308	24,546,749
Selling, general and administrative expenses	*1, *2 18,157,310	*1, *2 19,845,110
Operating income	7,407,997	4,701,639
Non-operating income		
Interest and dividend income	*1 226,638	*1 37,621
Surrender value of insurance	-	86,359
Foreign exchange gains	157,434	-
Miscellaneous income	*1 168,387	*1 98,175
Total non-operating income	552,460	222,156
Non-operating expenses		
Foreign exchange losses	-	15,201
Miscellaneous losses	472	2,140
Total non-operating expenses	472	17,342
Ordinary income	7,959,986	4,906,452
Extraordinary income		
Gain on sales of non-current assets	*1 684	1
Gain on sales of investment securities	448	-
Total extraordinary income	1,132	1
Extraordinary losses		
Loss on retirement of non-current assets	6,262	39,493
Loss on valuation of shares of subsidiaries and	49,000	_
associates	,	
Provision of allowance for doubtful accounts of loans receivable from subsidiaries and associates	362,414	78,585
Compensation for damages	<u>-</u>	115,000
Total extraordinary losses	417,676	233,079
Profit before income taxes	7,543,443	4,673,373
Income taxes - current	2,212,832	1,344,834
Income taxes - deferred	(203,274)	95,271
Total income taxes	2,009,557	1,440,105
Profit	5,533,885	3,233,267

Schedule of manufacturing costs

		Previous fiscal y (From January 1, to December 31, 2	2022	Current fiscal yo (From January 1, 2 to December 31, 2	2023
Category	Note	Amount (Thousand yen)	Ratio (%)	Amount (Thousand yen)	Ratio (%)
I. Cost of raw materials		9,740,305	69.5	9,919,284	68.8
II. Cost of outsourced processing		1,659,198	11.8	1,596,669	11.1
III. Labor cost		1,035,166	7.4	1,105,952	7.7
(Provision for bonuses)		(75,208)		(78,661)	
IV. Expenses		1,572,281	11.2	1,793,953	12.4
(Depreciation)		(760,879)		(849,768)	
(Repair expenses)		(98,181)		(94,493)	
(Utility expenses)		(130,522)		(131,995)	
(Supplies expenses)		(98,494)		(107,344)	
Gross manufacturing cost for the fiscal year		14,006,951	100.0	14,415,860	100.0
Beginning of work in process		41,084		39,422	
Total		14,048,035		14,455,283	
Transfer to other account	*1	102,924		105,144	
Ending of work in process		39,422		35,531	
Cost of products manufactured		13,905,688		14,314,607	

(Footnote)

	Previous fiscal year (From January 1, 202 to December 31, 2022	2	Current fiscal year (From January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)			
*1	*1 Breakdown of the transfer to other account is as follows:			^k 1 Breakdown of the transfer to other account is as follows:		
	Promotion expenses	92,920 thousand yen		Promotion expenses	89,004 thousand yen	
	Research and development expenses	8,333 thousand yen		Research and development expenses	12,474 thousand yen	
	Other	1,669 thousand yen		Other	3,665 thousand yen	
	Total	102,924 thousand yen		Total	105,144 thousand yen	
2	Method of calculation of costs The continuous process cost system	is adopted.	2	Method of calculation of costs Same as the previous fiscal year		

3) Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity Previous fiscal year (from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)

		Shareholders' equity							
		Capital surplus				Retained earnings			
						Other retain	ed earnings		
Capital stock	Capital stock	Legal capital Other capital surplus surplus	Total capital surplus	Legal retained earnings	General reserve	Retained earnings brought forward	Total retained earnings		
Balance at beginning of period	2,000,000	199,120	47,179	246,299	300,880	3,500,000	33,992,924	37,793,804	
Changes of items during period									
Dividends of surplus							(2,536,456)	(2,536,456)	
Profit							5,533,885	5,533,885	
Purchase of treasury shares									
Disposal of treasury shares			28,237	28,237					
Net changes of items other than shareholders' equity									
Total changes of items during period	-	-	28,237	28,237	-	-	2,997,429	2,997,429	
Balance at end of period	2,000,000	199,120	75,417	274,537	300,880	3,500,000	36,990,353	40,791,233	

	Shareholders' equity		Valuatio	on and translation adju	stments	
	Treasury shares	Total shareholders' equity	Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	Deferred gains or losses on hedges	Total valuation and translation adjustments	Total net assets
Balance at beginning of period	(2,080,393)	37,959,710	100,262	68,821	169,083	38,128,794
Changes of items during period						
Dividends of surplus		(2,536,456)				(2,536,456)
Profit		5,533,885				5,533,885
Purchase of treasury shares	(1,350)	(1,350)				(1,350)
Disposal of treasury shares	50,832	79,069				79,069
Net changes of items other than shareholders' equity			114,665	(68,821)	45,844	45,844
Total changes of items during period	49,482	3,075,148	114,665	(68,821)	45,844	3,120,993
Balance at end of period	(2,030,911)	41,034,858	214,928	-	214,928	41,249,787

								(Thousand yen)	
		Shareholders' equity							
			Capital surplus			Retained	earnings		
						Other retain	ed earnings		
	Capital stock	Legal capital surplus	Other capital surplus	Total capital surplus	Legal retained earnings	General reserve	Retained earnings brought forward	Total retained earnings	
Balance at beginning of period	2,000,000	199,120	75,417	274,537	300,880	3,500,000	36,990,353	40,791,233	
Changes of items during period									
Dividends of surplus							(2,797,792)	(2,797,792)	
Profit							3,233,267	3,233,267	
Purchase of treasury shares									
Disposal of treasury shares			32,420	32,420					
Net changes of items other than shareholders' equity									
Total changes of items during period	-	-	32,420	32,420	-	-	435,475	435,475	
Balance at end of period	2,000,000	199,120	107,837	306,957	300,880	3,500,000	37,425,828	41,226,708	

	Sharehold	ers' equity	Valuation and trans	slation adjustments	
	Treasury shares	Total shareholders' equity	Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	Total valuation and translation adjustments	Total net assets
Balance at beginning of period	(2,030,911)	41,034,858	214,928	214,928	41,249,787
Changes of items during period					
Dividends of surplus		(2,797,792)			(2,797,792)
Profit		3,233,267			3,233,267
Purchase of treasury shares	(2,148)	(2,148)			(2,148)
Disposal of treasury shares	50,898	83,319			83,319
Net changes of items other than shareholders' equity			(321,656)	(321,656)	(321,656)
Total changes of items during period	48,749	516,645	(321,656)	(321,656)	194,989
Balance at end of period	(1,982,161)	41,551,504	(106,728)	(106,728)	41,444,776

Notes to the Financial Statements

(Significant accounting policies)

- 1. Valuation standards and methods for assets
 - (1) Valuation standard and method for securities
 - (i) Shares of subsidiaries and shares of associates

Stated at cost using the moving-average method

(ii) Available-for-sale securities

Other than shares, etc., without market price

Stated at market value based on the market price, etc., at the fiscal year-end (unrealized gains and losses are reported as a separate component of net assets, and cost of sales is calculated by the moving-average method)

Shares, etc., without market price

Stated at cost using the moving-average method

- (2) Valuation standards and methods for inventories
 - (i) Merchandise

Stated at cost using the weighted average method (the balance sheet value is calculated using the inventory write-down method based on decreased profitability)

(ii) Finished goods and work in process

Stated at cost using the weighted average method (the balance sheet value is calculated using the inventory write-down method based on decreased profitability)

(iii) Raw materials

Stated at cost using the weighted average method (the balance sheet value is calculated using the inventory write-down method based on decreased profitability)

(iv) Supplies

Stated at cost using the last-purchase-price method (the balance sheet value is calculated using the inventory write-down method based on decreased profitability)

- 2. Depreciation and amortization methods for non-current assets
 - (1) Property, plant and equipment

They are depreciated using the straight-line method.

Useful lives of principal assets are as follows:

Buildings: 2 to 50 years Machinery and equipment: 2 to 17 years

(2) Intangible assets

They are amortized using the straight-line method.

Software for internal use is amortized using the straight-line method over the estimated period of internal use (2 to 5 years).

3. Translation standards of assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies into Japanese yen

Foreign currency denominated monetary receivables and payables are translated into Japanese yen at the spot exchange rate at the fiscal year-end, and foreign exchange gains and losses from translation are recognized as profit or loss.

4. Accounting standards for allowances

(1) Allowance for doubtful accounts

To prepare for losses arising from uncollectible receivables, an allowance for doubtful accounts is recorded at an estimated uncollectible amount based on the historical rate of credit losses with respect to general receivables, and in consideration of individual collectability with respect to doubtful accounts and other specific receivables.

(2) Provision for bonuses

To provide for payment of bonuses to employees (including those for employees also serving as officers), a provision for bonuses is recorded based on the estimated payment amount.

(3) Provision for retirement benefits

To prepare for the payment of retirement benefits to employees, a provision for retirement benefits is recorded based on the estimated amount of retirement benefit obligations and plan assets at the end of the current fiscal year.

(i) Method of attributing expected retirement benefits to periods

In calculating retirement benefit obligations, expected retirement benefits are attributed to the period up to the end of the current fiscal year based on the benefit formula basis.

(ii) Method of amortizing actuarial differences and past service costs

Actuarial gains and losses are amortized using the straight-line method over a certain number of years (5 years) within the average remaining years of service of the eligible employees at the time of occurrence, starting from the fiscal year following the occurrence.

Prior service cost is amortized using the straight-line method over a certain number of years (5 years) within the average remaining years of service of the eligible employees at the time of occurrence.

5. Accounting standards for significant revenue and expenses

The principal performance obligations relating to revenue from contracts with customers of the Company, as well as the standard point at which such obligations are satisfied (i.e., the point at which revenue is recognized) are explained as follows.

The Company is engaged in the manufacturing and sale of cosmetic products. In terms of the sale of such goods or products, for domestic sales, revenue is recognized upon delivery of the goods or products to customers. For export sales, it is considered that the customer has acquired control over the goods or products when the risk burden is transferred to the customer based on the terms of trade stipulated by Incoterms, etc., and that the performance obligation has been satisfied; accordingly, revenue is recognized upon such transfer of the risk burden. However, for domestic sales, revenue is recognized at the time of shipment if the period from the time of shipment to the point at which control of the goods or products is transferred to the customer is the standard period.

Revenue is measured by the amount of consideration promised in the contract with the customer, less any applicable rebates and returns.

The transaction consideration is typically received within one month of the fulfillment of the performance obligation and does not contain any significant financial elements.

6. Other significant matters that serve as the basis for preparation of financial statements

Accounting methods for retirement benefits

The accounting methods for unrecognized actuarial gains and losses and unrecognized past service cost used for retirement benefits are different from those used in the consolidated financial statements.

(Significant accounting estimates)

Valuation of merchandise and finished goods

(1) Amount recorded in consolidated financial statements for the current fiscal year

(Thousand yen)

	Previous fiscal year	Current fiscal year
Merchandise and finished goods	4,034,129	4,679,315
Loss on valuation of inventories	254,786	1,094,327

(Note) The amount of loss on valuation of inventories represents the amount of write-down due to decreased profitability.

(2) Information to aid in understanding the details of accounting estimates

In the calculation using the method of write-down based on decreased profitability, regarding merchandise and finished goods, the planned shipment volume and the inventory volume at the end of the fiscal year are compared for each merchandise and finished good, and the amount of slow-moving inventories exceeding the planned shipment volume for a certain period is written down.

These accounting estimates may differ from the actual profitability if assumed circumstances change as they can be affected by changes in the future uncertain market environment and other factors.

(Balance sheets)

*1 Monetary receivables and monetary payables related to subsidiaries and associates

Monetary receivables and monetary payables included in each account other than those presented separately are as follows:

(Thousand yen)

	Previous fiscal year (As of December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (As of December 31, 2023)
Shot-term monetary receivables	911,799	600,900
Shot-term monetary payables	218,889	283,699

*2 Treatment of notes due at the fiscal year-end

Notes due at the end of the fiscal year are treated as settled on the due date.

As the fiscal year-end fell on a holiday for financial institutions, the following notes due at the fiscal year-end are treated as settled on the due date.

(Thousand yen)

	Previous fiscal year (As of December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (As of December 31, 2023)
Notes receivable - trade	80,781	68,336

(Statements of earnings)

*1 Transactions with subsidiaries and associates

(Thousand yen)

		(Thousand yen)	
	Previous fiscal year (From January 1, 2022	Current fiscal year (From January 1, 2023	
	to December 31, 2022)	to December 31, 2023)	
Amount of operating transactions			
Net sales	5,333,992	4,797,828	
Purchase amount	2,542,278	2,530,614	
Other	311,952	402,325	
Amount of non-operating transactions	275,531	78,586	

*2 Approximate ratios of expenses included in selling expenses are 9.8% for the previous fiscal year and 11.9% for the current fiscal year, and those included in general and administrative expenses are 90.2% for the previous fiscal year and 88.1% for the current fiscal year.

Major expenses included in selling, general and administrative expenses and their amounts are as follows:

(Thousand yen)

	Previous fiscal year (From January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (From January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023)	
Remuneration, salaries and allowances	4,798,376	4,915,783	
Logistics expenses	2,743,662	2,851,725	
Research and development expenses	2,108,860	2,361,191	
Promotion expenses	932,097	1,203,818	
Depreciation	823,036	857,928	
Provision for bonuses	390,067	375,976	
Retirement benefit expenses	273,695	370,433	

(Securities)

Previous fiscal year (as of December 31, 2022)

The description of the market values of shares of subsidiaries and associates (amounts in the balance sheets: 2,213,793 thousand yen of shares of subsidiaries and 4,457,200 thousand yen of investments in capital of subsidiaries and associates) is omitted since they are shares, etc., without market price.

Current fiscal year (as of December 31, 2023)

The description of the market values of shares of subsidiaries and associates (amounts in the balance sheets: 2,213,793 thousand yen of shares of subsidiaries and 4,457,200 thousand yen of investments in capital of subsidiaries and associates) is omitted since they are shares, etc., without market price.

	Previous fiscal year (As of December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (As of December 31, 2023)	
Deferred tax assets			
Provision for bonuses	168,066	163,987	
Loss on valuation of inventories	77,964	334,864	
Accrued enterprise tax and business office tax	86,245	45,781	
Accrued social insurance premiums	26,071	26,033	
Depreciation	227,369	224,396	
Allowance for doubtful accounts	125,001	149,048	
Loss on valuation of shares of subsidiaries and associates	194,732	194,732	
Retirement benefits for directors (and other officers)	3,709	3,709	
Asset retirement obligations	184,403	211,675	
Restricted share-based compensation	40,422	65,474	
Performance-linked compensation	24,051	-	
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	-	47,058	
Other	26,872	783	
Subtotal deferred tax assets	1,184,911	1,467,545	
Valuation allowance (Note)	-	(343,780)	
Total deferred tax assets	1,184,911	1,123,765	
Deferred tax liabilities			
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	(94,766)	-	
Retirement cost for asset retirement obligations	(113,579)	(124,342)	
Prepaid pension costs	(64,956)	(41,260)	
Total deferred tax liabilities	(273,303)	(165,603)	
Net deferred tax assets (liabilities)	911,607	958,161	

⁽Note) Valuation allowance is recorded as a result of assessing the recoverability of deferred tax assets related to loss on valuation of shares of subsidiaries and associates and allowance for doubtful accounts.

2. Breakdown by item of major causes of significant difference between the effective statutory tax rate and the income tax rate after applying tax effect accounting

	Previous fiscal year (As of December 31, 2022)	Current fiscal year (As of December 31, 2023)
Effective statutory tax rate	30.6%	30.6%
(Adjustments)		
Items permanently excluded from deductible expenses such as entertainment expenses	1.1%	2.7%
Dividend income excluded from gross revenue	(0.8)%	0.0%
Inhabitant tax on per capita basis	0.3%	0.6%
Experimentation and research expenses tax credit	(4.2)%	(7.7)%
Salary increase tax credits	(0.6)%	(2.6)%
Increase (decrease) in valuation allowance	-	7.4%
Other	0.2%	(0.2)%
Income tax rate after applying tax effect accounting	26.6%	30.8%

(Revenue recognition)

The description of useful information in understanding revenue from contracts with customers is omitted as it is provided in "Notes to the Financial Statements (Significant accounting policies), 5. Accounting standards for significant revenue and expenses."

(Significant subsequent events)

Not applicable.

Supplementary schedules
 Schedule of property, plant and equipment, etc.

(Thousand yen)

Category	Type of assets	Balance at beginning of period	Increase during period	Decrease during period	Depreciation (amortization) during period	Balance at end of period	Accumulated depreciation (amortization)
	Buildings	5,958,847	681,619	113,559	431,286	6,183,252	5,989,640
	Structures	89,773	7,200	2,511	15,064	81,817	285,169
	Machinery and equipment	2,106,899	525,189	192,966	571,039	2,049,772	5,928,501
Property,	Vehicles	10,288	7,097	2,280	5,259	12,126	41,528
plant and equipment	Tools, furniture and fixtures	642,177	542,340	66,803	372,573	809,774	2,652,026
	Land	6,324,093	-	-	-	6,324,093	-
	Construction in progress	277,940	1,468,416	939,064	-	807,292	-
	Total	15,410,019	3,231,863	1,317,185	1,395,223	16,268,129	14,896,866
Intangible assets	Software	1,194,130	713,931	-	467,241	1,440,820	3,441,045
	Other	315,446	324,891	523,342	245	116,750	9,417
	Total	1,509,577	1,038,822	523,342	467,486	1,557,571	3,450,462

(Note) Significant changes in non-current assets are as follows:

- Major components of an increase in buildings of 681,619 thousand yen are 165,153 thousand yen of construction work for the Haneda Innovation Center, 146,922 thousand yen of construction work for relocation of the Fukuoka Sales Office, and 31,845 thousand yen of construction work for implementation and expansion of the filling and wrapping area at the Yumegaoka Factory.
- 2. A major component of an increase in machinery and equipment of 525,189 thousand yen is 272,841 thousand yen of wrapping and filling facilities at the Yumegaoka Factory.
- 3. Major components of an increase in tools, furniture and fixtures of 542,340 thousand yen are 81,936 thousand yen of fixtures associated with the construction work for the Haneda Innovation Center and 44,862 thousand yen of fixtures associated with the relocation of the Fukuoka Sales Office.
- 4. A major component of an increase in construction in progress of 1,468,416 thousand yen is 490,092 thousand yen of expenses associated with the construction work for the Odawara Training Center.
- 5. A major component of a decrease in construction in progress of 939,064 thousand yen is 242,013 thousand yen of transfer associated with the construction work for the Haneda Innovation Center.
- 6. Major components of an increase in software of 713,931 thousand yen are 169,585 thousand yen for renovating the sales management system and 104,175 thousand yen for adding the milbon:iD STYLESTOCK function.

Schedule of provisions

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Account	Balance at beginning of period	Increase during period	Decrease during period	Balance at end of period
Allowance for doubtful accounts	408,501	78,585	-	487,087
Provision for bonuses	549,238	535,907	549,238	535,907

- (2) Components of major assets and liabilities

 This information is omitted since the Company prepares the consolidated financial statements.
- (3) Others
 Not applicable.