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Summary of Consolidated Financial Results for the Year Ended February 29, 2024 (Based on Japanese GAAP)

April 11, 2024

Company name: PR TIMES Corporation

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Scheduled date of ordinary general meeting of shareholders: May 29, 2024 Scheduled date to file Securities Report: May 29, 2024

Scheduled date to commence dividend payments:

Preparation of supplementary material on financial results: Yes

Holding of financial results meeting: Yes (for institutional investors and analysts)

(Amounts less than one million yen are rounded down)

1. Consolidated financial results for the year ended February 29, 2024 (from March 1, 2023 to February 29, 2024)

(1) Consolidated operating results

Percentages indicate year-on-year changes

| | Net sales | | Operating pr | ofit | Ordinary profit | | Profit attributable to owners of parent | |
|------------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|--------|-----------------|--------|---|--------|
| | Millions of yen | % | Millions of yen | % | Millions of yen | % | Millions of yen | % |
| Year ended February 29, 2024 | 6,836 | 19.8 | 1,746 | 46.7 | 1,717 | 44.5 | 1,161 | 49.3 |
| Year ended February 28, 2023 | 5,706 | 17.5 | 1,190 | (35.1) | 1,188 | (35.2) | 777 | (39.3) |

Note: Comprehensive income:

Year ended February 29, 2024

¥1,161 million

[49.3%]

Year ended February 28, 2023

¥777 million

[(39.3)%]

| | Earnings per share | Diluted earnings per share | Profit/equity | Ordinary profit/total assets | Operating profit/net sales |
|------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| | Yen | Yen | % | % | % |
| Year ended February 29, 2024 | 86.60 | 85.67 | 22.9 | 27.8 | 25.5 |
| Year ended February 28, 2023 | 57.96 | 57.16 | 19.0 | 23.5 | 20.9 |

Reference: Equity in earnings (losses) of affiliates: Year ended February 29, 2024

¥- million

Year ended February 28, 2023

¥- million

(2) Consolidated financial position

| | Total assets | Net assets | Equity ratio | Net assets per share |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------|
| | Millions of yen | Millions of yen | % | Yen |
| As of February 29, 2024 | 7,071 | 5,662 | 80.0 | 421.20 |
| As of February 28, 2023 | 5,265 | 4,466 | 84.8 | 333.01 |

Reference: Equity

As of February 29, 2024

¥5,660 million

As of February 28, 2023

¥4,465 million

(3) Consolidated cash flows

| (3) Consolidated cash hows | | | | |
|------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| | Cash flows from | Cash flows from | Cash flows from | Cash and cash equivalents |
| | operating activities | investing activities | financing activities | at end of period |
| | Millions of yen | Millions of yen | Millions of yen | Millions of yen |
| Year ended February 29, 2024 | 1,537 | (556) | (139) | 4,536 |
| Year ended February 28, 2023 | 598 | (172) | (74) | 3,695 |

2. Cash dividends

| | Annual dividends per share | | | | | | Dividend payout | Ratio of dividends to net assets | |
|--|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------|-------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| | 1st quarter-end | 2nd quarter-end | 3rd quarter-end | Fiscal year-end | Total | dividends (Total) | ratio (Consolidated) | (Consolidated) | |
| | Yen | Yen | Yen | Yen | Yen | Millions of yen | % | % | |
| Year ended February 28, 2023 | - | 0.00 | _ | 0.00 | 0.00 | - | - | - | |
| Year ended February 29, 2024 | - | 0.00 | _ | 0.00 | 0.00 | - | - | - | |
| Year ending February 28, 2025 (Forecast) | = | 0.00 | _ | 0.00 | 0.00 | | - | | |

3. Forecast of consolidated financial results for the year ending February 28, 2025 (from March 1, 2024 to February 28, 2025)

Percentages indicate year-on-year changes

None

| | Net sales | | Operating profit | | Ordinary profit | | Profit attributable to owners of parent | | Earnings per share |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|------|------------------|-------|-----------------|-------|---|-------|--------------------|
| | Millions of yen | % | Millions of yen | % | Millions of yen | % | Millions of yen | % | Yen |
| Six months ending August 31, 2024 | 3,958 | 20.5 | 842 | (5.5) | 835 | (6.2) | 566 | (5.7) | 42.15 |
| Full year | 8,189 | 19.8 | 1,900 | 8.8 | 1,889 | 10.0 | 1,276 | 9.9 | 94.94 |

4. Notes

(1) Changes in significant subsidiaries during the period (changes in specified subsidiaries resulting in the change in scope of consolidation): None

(2) Changes in accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates, and restatement of prior period financial statements

Changes in accounting policies due to revisions to accounting standards and other regulations: Yes Changes in accounting policies due to other reasons: None Changes in accounting estimates: None

Restatement of prior period financial statements:

Note: For more details, please refer to the section of "(5) Notes to consolidated financial statements, Changes in accounting policies" of "3. Consolidated financial statements and significant notes thereto" on page 12 of the attached material.

(3) Number of issued shares (common shares)

| Total number of issued shares at the end of the period (including treasury shares) | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|-------------------|------------------------------|--------|-------------------|--|--|--|
| As of February 29, 2024 | | 13,462,249 shares | As of February 28, 2023 | i I | 13,457,200 shares | | | |
| Number of treasury shares at the end of the period | | | | | | | | |
| As of February 29, 2024 | - | 22,876 shares | As of February 28, 2023 | | 46,904 shares | | | |
| Average number of shares during the period | | | | | | | | |
| Year ended February 29, 2024 | 1 | 13,410,653 shares | Year ended February 28, 2023 | | 13,419,637 shares | | | |

(Reference) Overview of non-consolidated financial results

Non-consolidated financial results for the year ended February 29, 2024 (from March 1, 2023 to February 29, 2024)

(1) Non-consolidated operating results

Percentages indicate year-on-year changes

| | Net sales | | Operating pr | ofit | Ordinary pro | ofit | Profit | |
|------------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|--------|-----------------|--------|-----------------|--------|
| | Millions of yen | % | Millions of yen | % | Millions of yen | % | Millions of yen | % |
| Year ended February 29, 2024 | 6,531 | 15.2 | 1,772 | 48.8 | 1,743 | 46.6 | 1,183 | 52.0 |
| Year ended February 28, 2023 | 5,670 | 17.1 | 1,191 | (35.7) | 1,189 | (35.8) | 778 | (39.5) |

| | Earnings per share | Diluted earnings per share |
|------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| | Yen | Yen |
| Year ended February 29, 2024 | 88.23 | 87.28 |
| Year ended February 28, 2023 | 58.00 | 57.20 |

(2) Non-consolidated financial position

| | Total assets | Net assets | Equity ratio | Net assets per share |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------|
| | Millions of yen | Millions of yen | % | Yen |
| As of February 29, 2024 | 7,007 | 5,690 | 81.2 | 423.26 |
| As of February 28, 2023 | 5,265 | 4,471 | 84.9 | 333.45 |

Reference: Equity

As of February 29, 2024

¥5,688 million

As of February 28, 2023

¥4,471 million

Reason for difference between non-consolidated financial results and actual results from the previous fiscal year

Net sales exceeded the actual results in the previous fiscal year due to increases in the number of companies using the press release distribution service "PR TIMES" and the number of press releases. In addition, although advertising and other investments were carried out in the current fiscal year in order to boost recognition over the medium to long term, ordinary profit and profit significantly exceeded the actual results in the previous fiscal year.

(Caution regarding forward-looking statements)

Forward-looking statements, including the consolidated forecasts stated in these materials, are based on information currently available to the Company and certain assumptions deemed reasonable. As such, they do not constitute guarantees by the Company of future performance. Results may differ materially from the consolidated forecasts due to various factors. Please refer to the section of "(ii) Outlook for the next fiscal year" of "1. Overview of operating results, etc., (1) Overview of operating results for the fiscal year under review" on pages 2 to 3 of the attached material for the preconditions for the results forecasts and items to exercise caution in the use of these results forecasts.

(How to obtain supplementary material on financial results and financial summary presentation material)

On Thursday, April 11, 2024, the Company plans to post the supplementary material on the financial results on its website. The Company also plans to hold a financial summary presentation meeting for institutional investors and securities analysts on the same day.

^{*} Financial results reports are exempt from audit conducted by certified public accountants or an audit corporation.

^{*} Proper use of financial results forecasts, and other special matters

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1. Overview of operating results, etc.

(1) Overview of operating results for the fiscal year under review

(i) Operating results during the fiscal year under review

In the fiscal year ended February 29, 2024, the PR TIMES Corporation Group (the "Group") continued aiming to increase recognition and acquire new customer segments, mainly working to strengthen the core structure for the press release distribution service "PR TIMES," which is a key business, as well as to grow business for the tools "Jooto" and "Tayori" for SaaS-based businesses in order to realize our mission of "Towards an age where information inspires hearts and minds."

The number of companies using "PR TIMES" has reached 94,258 companies (up 18.2% year on year), and 57.8% of listed companies in Japan were using "PR TIMES." The number of press releases reached a monthly record high of 34,092 in October 2023. Moreover, as press release materials, 187,016 images were posted in October, and 3,109 videos were posted in February 2024, each of which is a monthly record high, as the shift to press releases with rich content continues. In addition, there were 10,675 distribution recipients, 26,911 media users and 252 partner media, and the number of monthly site views for press releases in August 2023 was the highest recorded at 89.84 million page views.

We worked to expand usage and improve service with the key indicators of number of paying users and average unit prices for "Jooto," our task and project management tool, and "Tayori," our customer support tool. As a result, for "Jooto," although the number of paying users fell 4.3% year on year to 1,828, the average unit price per user rose 87.8% year on year to ¥7,839. For "Tayori," the number of paying users rose 25.8% to 1,127 and the average unit price per account rose 24.7% year on year to ¥7,686. The effects of both services on net sales were limited, and we continue to be in the investment phase. Furthermore, "Jooto" saw a temporary decline in the number of paying users compared to the end of the previous fiscal year due to our consolidation and elimination of plans offered in the fiscal year under review.

In addition, on March 31, 2023, the Company acquired all shares of glucose inc. (hereinafter "glucose") and made it a consolidated subsidiary. Glucose is a group of engineers characterized by its service development capabilities. It is particularly strong in providing solutions related to the web, social media, and mobile app fields, and in building prototypes. Glucose provides contracted development and consulting to clients including media companies and startups that prioritize development capabilities for online services, and to think tanks and research institutions that value its technologies and results. By adding glucose to the Group, the Company believes that it will combine the customer base and networks of the Group with the prototype assembly and service development capabilities of glucose, start the commissioned development business for new projects, make the desires of "people who carry out actions" concrete, and provide integrated support from product development to PR.

Furthermore, on December 1, 2023, the Company acquired 70% of the issued shares of NAVICUS Co., Ltd. (hereinafter "NAVICUS") and made it a consolidated subsidiary. NAVICUS is engaged in "fan building" through community support, including social media marketing support for companies and promotional support for local governments and regional companies. Many of the clients who form the customer base of "PR TIMES" are persons in charge of public relations and executives who face various public relations issues, and we believe that they have great needs for social media operation support. With the addition of NAVICUS to the Group, we believe that we will be able to offer public relations support for social media marketing, in addition to press releases, and that we will be able to support our customers' public relations activities in a more well-rounded way.

As a result, for the fiscal year under review, the Company posted net sales of \$6,836,966 thousand (up 19.8% year on year), operating profit of \$1,746,581 thousand (up 46.7% year on year), ordinary profit of \$1,717,188 thousand (up 44.5% year on year) and profit attributable to owners of parent of \$1,161,386 thousand (up 49.3% year on year).

The Group previously only had one segment, the "Press Release Distribution Business." However, in the fiscal year under review, we acquired all shares of glucose and 70% of the issued shares of NAVICUS, and newly added them to our scope of consolidation. With these additions, we began

disclosing segment information on our system development business and social media marketing support business, previously business segments not included in our reportable segments, in the "Other" category. The ratio of our "Press Release Distribution Business" as part of the Group's reportable segments is extremely high, and as the information for this business is nearly the same as that for our entire business listed above, we have omitted segment-specific listings.

(ii) Outlook for the next fiscal year

The press release distribution service "PR TIMES" is aimed to play an important social role as an information platform that connects companies with the media and consumers. At a time when further digitalization and the expanded use of the Internet are expected for all work in all industries, we believe that "Jooto" and "Tayori," as cloud tools for business that can be used for free, can make teamwork and business collaboration more efficient and, in turn, contribute to improving the overall productivity of society. Furthermore, by combining the businesses of glucose and NAVICUS, which were newly added to the Group, with the customer base and networks of "PR TIMES," we have created a structure that can provide support in terms of system development and social media marketing to "people who carry out actions," who are customers that we have not been able to support thus far using "PR TIMES" alone. Going forward, we will develop businesses and services in order to provide our customers with multifaceted support.

In this environment, in order to achieve Milestone 2025, the medium-term management target ending in fiscal 2025, the Group is making the maximum efforts currently possible, while continuing to take a medium-term perspective. The Group will invest aggressively in overseas expansion, marketing to encourage the use of "PR TIMES" by regional companies, and in systems to support the service infrastructure.

Given these circumstances, the business results forecasts for the next fiscal year are net sales of \$8,189 million, up 19.8% year on year, operating profit of \$1,900 million, up 8.8% year on year, ordinary profit of \$1,889 million, up 10.0% year on year, and profit attributable to owners of parent of \$1,276 million, up 9.9% year on year.

(2) Overview of financial position for the fiscal year under review

(i) Assets, liabilities, and net assets

Assets

Total assets at the end of the fiscal year under review were \$7,071,492 thousand, an increase of \$1,806,124 thousand from the end of the previous fiscal year.

Current assets at the end of the fiscal year under review were \(\frac{4}{5}\),400,365 thousand, an increase of \(\frac{4}{9}\)58,901 thousand from the end of the previous fiscal year. This was primarily due to an increase of \(\frac{4}{8}\)41,253 thousand in cash and deposits. Non-current assets at the end of the fiscal year under review were \(\frac{4}{1}\),671,127 thousand, an increase of \(\frac{4}{8}\)44,723 thousand from the end of the previous fiscal year. This was primarily due to increases of \(\frac{4}{3}\)17,779 thousand in intangible assets and \(\frac{4}{5}\)44,527 thousand in investments and other assets.

Liabilities

Total liabilities at the end of the fiscal year under review were \(\frac{\pma}{1}\),408,589 thousand, an increase of \(\frac{\pma}{6}\)609,736 thousand from the end of the previous fiscal year.

Current liabilities at the end of the fiscal year under review were \(\frac{\pmathbf

Net assets

Total net assets at the end of the fiscal year under review were \(\frac{4}{5}\),662,903 thousand, an increase of \(\frac{4}{1}\),196,388 thousand from the end of the previous fiscal year. This was primarily due to an increase of \(\frac{4}{1}\),161,386 thousand in retained earnings resulting from the recording of profit attributable to owners of parent.

(ii) Cash flows

Cash flows from operating activities

Net cash provided by operating activities totaled \(\frac{\pmathbf{\frac{4}}}{1,537,072}\) thousand (compared with \(\frac{\pmathbf{\frac{4}}}{598,071}\) thousand provided in the previous fiscal year). This was primarily due to profit before income taxes totaling \(\frac{\pmathbf{\frac{4}}}{1,702,562}\) thousand and income taxes paid totaling \(\frac{\pmathbf{2}}{212,447}\) thousand.

Cash flows from investing activities

Net cash used in investing activities totaled \\$556,068 thousand (compared with \\$172,183 thousand used in the previous fiscal year). This was primarily due to purchase of intangible assets totaling \\$153,583 thousand, purchase of investment securities totaling \\$119,500 thousand and purchase of shares of subsidiaries resulting in change in scope of consolidation totaling \\$192,973 thousand.

Cash flows from financing activities

Net cash used in financing activities totaled \(\pm\)139,750 thousand (compared with \(\pm\)74,605 thousand used in the previous fiscal year). This was primarily due to repayments of long-term borrowings of \(\pm\)105,914 thousand and purchase of treasury shares of \(\pm\)36,643 thousand.

(3) Basic policy on profit distribution and dividends for the fiscal year under review and next fiscal year

While the Company recognizes that returning profits to shareholders is an important management issue, the basic policy at present is to achieve sustainable growth in net sales and operating profit while aiming to increase market capitalization over the medium to long term through appropriate valuation, not returns to shareholders through dividends. Retained earnings will be applied to investments aimed at future expansion in the scale of business.

Based on the basic policy outlined above, the Company will pay no dividend for the fiscal year under review. Similarly, the Company currently plans to pay neither interim nor year-end dividends for the next fiscal year and beyond.

2. Basic concept regarding selection of accounting standards

To ensure comparability among companies and with past years, the Group prepares its consolidated financial statements based on the "Regulation on Terminology, Forms, and Preparation Methods of Consolidated Financial Statements (excluding Chapters VII and VIII)" (Ministry of Finance Order No. 28 of 1976).

With respect to adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), the Group will follow a policy of responding in a suitable manner after giving consideration to various circumstances in Japan and overseas.

3. Consolidated financial statements and significant notes thereto

(1) Consolidated balance sheet

| | | (Thousands of yen) |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| | As of February 28, 2023 | As of February 29, 2024 |
| Assets | | |
| Current assets | | |
| Cash and deposits | 3,695,539 | 4,536,792 |
| Notes and accounts receivable - trade, and contract assets | 654,379 | 732,112 |
| Other | 124,889 | 164,038 |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts | (33,343) | (32,578) |
| Total current assets | 4,441,463 | 5,400,365 |
| Non-current assets | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | | |
| Buildings and structures | 196,092 | 212,164 |
| Tools, furniture and fixtures | 196,333 | 172,218 |
| Leased assets | 9,720 | 10,682 |
| Accumulated depreciation | (147,408) | (155,410) |
| Total property, plant and equipment | 254,737 | 239,654 |
| Intangible assets | | |
| Goodwill | _ | 252,005 |
| Software | 158,399 | 276,072 |
| Software in progress | 53,240 | 1,475 |
| Other | 700 | 565 |
| Total intangible assets | 212,339 | 530,118 |
| Investments and other assets | | |
| Investment securities | 75,991 | 180,866 |
| Investments in capital | 31,526 | 78,550 |
| Leasehold and guarantee deposits | 139,183 | 124,588 |
| Deferred tax assets | 89,309 | 146,491 |
| Other | 20,816 | 370,857 |
| Total investments and other assets | 356,826 | 901,354 |
| Total non-current assets | 823,904 | 1,671,127 |
| Total assets | 5,265,368 | 7,071,492 |

| | As of February 28, 2023 | As of February 29, 2024 |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Liabilities | | |
| Current liabilities | | |
| Notes and accounts payable - trade | 57,192 | 81,840 |
| Lease liabilities | 1,208 | 785 |
| Income taxes payable | 54,602 | 457,672 |
| Contract liabilities | 240,137 | 209,916 |
| Provision for bonuses | 39,865 | 68,097 |
| Provision for shareholder benefit program | 14,060 | 20,090 |
| Other | 391,681 | 567,562 |
| Total current liabilities | 798,748 | 1,405,965 |
| Non-current liabilities | | |
| Lease liabilities | 78 | 2,051 |
| Deferred tax liabilities | _ | 572 |
| Other | 25 | _ |
| Total non-current liabilities | 104 | 2,624 |
| Total liabilities | 798,852 | 1,408,589 |
| Net assets | | |
| Shareholders' equity | | |
| Share capital | 420,660 | 422,717 |
| Capital surplus | 395,660 | 397,717 |
| Retained earnings | 3,764,178 | 4,891,507 |
| Treasury shares | (114,725) | (51,302) |
| Total shareholders' equity | 4,465,774 | 5,660,638 |
| Share acquisition rights | 191 | 1,654 |
| Non-controlling interests | 549 | 610 |
| Total net assets | 4,466,515 | 5,662,903 |
| Total liabilities and net assets | 5,265,368 | 7,071,492 |

(2) Consolidated statement of income and comprehensive income Consolidated statement of income

(Thousands of yen)

| | | (Thousands of yen |
|---|--|--|
| | Fiscal year ended February 28, 2023 | Fiscal year ended February 29, 2024 |
| Net sales | 5,706,238 | 6,836,966 |
| Cost of sales | 630,728 | 942,523 |
| Gross profit | 5,075,510 | 5,894,442 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | 3,884,776 | 4,147,861 |
| Operating profit | 1,190,734 | 1,746,581 |
| Non-operating income | | |
| Interest income | 0 | 0 |
| Recoveries of written off receivables | 754 | 785 |
| Other | 54 | 380 |
| Total non-operating income | 808 | 1,166 |
| Non-operating expenses | | |
| Interest expenses | 609 | 554 |
| Loss on investments in capital | 2,000 | 5,475 |
| Non-payment additional tax | _ | 24,344 |
| Other | 228 | 184 |
| Total non-operating expenses | 2,838 | 30,559 |
| Ordinary profit | 1,188,704 | 1,717,188 |
| Extraordinary losses | | |
| Loss on retirement of non-current assets | 4,189 | _ |
| Loss on valuation of investment securities | 49,399 | 14,625 |
| Total extraordinary losses | 53,589 | 14,625 |
| Profit before income taxes | 1,135,115 | 1,702,562 |
| Income taxes - current | 333,057 | 600,318 |
| Income taxes - deferred | 24,304 | (59,202) |
| Total income taxes | 357,362 | 541,115 |
| Profit | 777,752 | 1,161,447 |
| Profit (loss) attributable to non-controlling interests | (30) | 60 |
| Profit attributable to owners of parent | 777,782 | 1,161,386 |

Consolidated statement of comprehensive income

| | Fiscal year ended February 28, 2023 | Fiscal year ended February 29, 2024 |
|--|--|--|
| Profit | 777,752 | 1,161,447 |
| Comprehensive income | 777,752 | 1,161,447 |
| Comprehensive income attributable to | | |
| Comprehensive income attributable to owners of parent | 777,782 | 1,161,386 |
| Comprehensive income attributable to non- controlling interests | (30) | 60 |

(3) Consolidated statement of changes in equity

Fiscal year ended February 28, 2023

| | Shareholders' equity | | | | |
|--|----------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| | Share capital | Capital surplus | Retained earnings | Treasury shares | Total shareholders' equity |
| Balance at beginning of period | 420,660 | 395,660 | 3,000,248 | (77,111) | 3,739,457 |
| Changes during period | | | | | |
| Profit attributable to owners of parent | | | 777,782 | | 777,782 |
| Purchase of treasury shares | | | | (74,403) | (74,403) |
| Disposal of treasury shares | | (13,852) | | 36,790 | 22,937 |
| Transfer of loss on disposal of treasury shares | | 13,852 | (13,852) | | - |
| Net changes in items other than shareholders' equity | | | | | |
| Total changes during period | _ | - | 763,930 | (37,613) | 726,317 |
| Balance at end of period | 420,660 | 395,660 | 3,764,178 | (114,725) | 4,465,774 |

| | Share acquisition rights | Non-controlling interests | Total net assets |
|--|--------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|
| Balance at beginning of period | 203 | 579 | 3,740,240 |
| Changes during period | | | |
| Profit attributable to owners of parent | | | 777,782 |
| Purchase of treasury shares | | | (74,403) |
| Disposal of treasury shares | | | 22,937 |
| Transfer of loss on disposal of treasury shares | | | - |
| Net changes in items other than shareholders' equity | (12) | (30) | (42) |
| Total changes during period | (12) | (30) | 726,274 |
| Balance at end of period | 191 | 549 | 4,466,515 |

Fiscal year ended February 29, 2024

| | Shareholders' equity | | | | |
|--|----------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| | Share capital | Capital surplus | Retained earnings | Treasury shares | Total shareholders' equity |
| Balance at beginning of period | 420,660 | 395,660 | 3,764,178 | (114,725) | 4,465,774 |
| Changes during period | | | | | |
| Issuance of new shares | 2,056 | 2,056 | | | 4,113 |
| Profit attributable to owners of parent | | | 1,161,386 | | 1,161,386 |
| Purchase of treasury shares | | | | (36,643) | (36,643) |
| Disposal of treasury shares | | (34,057) | | 100,066 | 66,008 |
| Transfer of loss on disposal of treasury shares | | 34,057 | (34,057) | | - |
| Net changes in items other than shareholders' equity | | | | | |
| Total changes during period | 2,056 | 2,056 | 1,127,329 | 63,422 | 1,194,864 |
| Balance at end of period | 422,717 | 397,717 | 4,891,507 | (51,302) | 5,660,638 |

| | Share acquisition rights | Non-controlling interests | Total net assets |
|--|--------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|
| Balance at beginning of period | 191 | 549 | 4,466,515 |
| Changes during period | | | |
| Issuance of new shares | | | 4,113 |
| Profit attributable to owners of parent | | | 1,161,386 |
| Purchase of treasury shares | | | (36,643) |
| Disposal of treasury shares | | | 66,008 |
| Transfer of loss on disposal of treasury shares | | | - |
| Net changes in items other than shareholders' equity | 1,462 | 60 | 1,523 |
| Total changes during period | 1,462 | 60 | 1,196,388 |
| Balance at end of period | 1,654 | 610 | 5,662,903 |

(4) Consolidated statement of cash flows

| | Fiscal year ended February 28, 2023 | Fiscal year ended February 29, 2024 |
|--|--|---|
| Cash flows from operating activities | | |
| Profit before income taxes | 1,135,115 | 1,702,562 |
| Depreciation | 86,362 | 117,605 |
| Amortization of goodwill | _ | 34,995 |
| Loss (gain) on valuation of investment securities | 49,399 | 14,625 |
| Loss (gain) on investments in capital | 2,000 | 5,475 |
| Loss on retirement of non-current assets | 4,189 | _ |
| Increase (decrease) in allowance for doubtful accounts | 18,603 | (1,072) |
| Increase (decrease) in provision for bonuses | (30,535) | 22,085 |
| Increase (decrease) in provision for shareholder benefit program | 5,070 | 6,030 |
| Interest and dividend income | (0) | (0) |
| Interest expenses | 609 | 554 |
| Non-payment additional tax | _ | 24,344 |
| Decrease (increase) in trade receivables and contract assets | (75,483) | 15,835 |
| Increase (decrease) in trade payables | 7,415 | 3,942 |
| Increase (decrease) in accounts payable - other | 126,163 | 22,454 |
| Increase (decrease) in contract liabilities | 31,354 | (30,221) |
| Other, net | (82,200) | (164,799) |
| Subtotal | 1,278,063 | 1,774,418 |
| Interest and dividends received | 0 | 0 |
| Interest paid | (609) | (554 |
| Non-payment additional tax paid | _ | (24,344 |
| Income taxes paid | (679,382) | (212,447 |
| Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities | 598,071 | 1,537,072 |
| Cash flows from investing activities | , | , , <u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u> |
| Purchase of property, plant and equipment | (47,517) | (36,863 |
| Purchase of intangible assets | (72,740) | (153,583 |
| Purchase of investment securities | (99,399) | (119,500 |
| Purchase of shares of non-consolidated subsidiaries | (13,987) | = |
| Payments of leasehold and guarantee deposits | (1,302) | (270 |
| Proceeds from refund of leasehold and guarantee deposits | 75,263 | _ |
| Payments for investments in capital | (12,500) | (52,500 |
| Purchase of shares of subsidiaries resulting in change in scope of consolidation | _ | (192,973 |
| Other, net | _ | (378 |
| Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities | (172,183) | (556,068 |
| Cash flows from financing activities | (172,103) | (330,000 |
| Repayments of long-term borrowings | | (105,914 |
| Repayments of lease liabilities | (3,210) | (2,224 |
| Purchase of treasury shares | (74,631) | (36,643 |
| Proceeds from issuance of share acquisition rights | (71,031) | 1,563 |
| Proceeds from issuance of shares resulting from | | |
| exercise of share acquisition rights | = | 2,312 |
| Proceeds from disposal of treasury shares from exercise | 2.22 | 4 |
| of share acquisition rights | 3,236 | 1,156 |
| Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities | (74,605) | (139,750 |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | 351,283 | 841,253 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 3,344,256 | 3,695,539 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | 3,695,539 | 4,536,792 |

(5) Notes to consolidated financial statements

Notes on premise of going concern

Not applicable.

Basis of preparation of consolidated financial statements

Scope of consolidation

Number of consolidated subsidiaries: 3

Name of consolidated subsidiary: THE BRIDGE, Inc.

glucose inc.

NAVICUS Co., Ltd.

Although this matter does not constitute a change in a specified subsidiary, glucose inc. and NAVICUS Co., Ltd. are included in the scope of consolidation because the Company acquired shares of the said companies in the fiscal year under review thereby making them subsidiaries.

Changes in accounting policies

(Application of implementation guidance on accounting standard for fair value measurement)

The Company has applied the "Implementation Guidance on Accounting Standard for Fair Value Measurement" (ASBJ Guidance No. 31, June 17, 2021) from the beginning of the fiscal year under review, and in accordance with the transitional treatment prescribed in paragraph 27-2 of the Implementation Guidance on Accounting Standard for Fair Value Measurement, the new accounting policies set forth in the Implementation Guidance on Accounting Standard for Fair Value Measurement have been applied prospectively. There is no impact on the consolidated financial statements.

Additional information

On May 29, 2023, the National Tax Agency announced its view that the "economic gain at the time of exercise shall be taxed as wages" for the tax treatment of trust-type stock options.

For share acquisition rights issued by the Company, the fourth and sixth series of share acquisition rights fall under trust-type stock options. Of these, as the exercise period has commenced for the fourth series of share acquisition rights and the Company had tax withholding obligations with respect to those who have exercised their rights, the Company made tax payments of income tax withheld for the fiscal year under review. In addition, the exercise period for the sixth series of share acquisition rights did not commence, and this series of acquisition rights was cancelled pursuant to a resolution at the meeting of the Board of Directors held on July 13, 2023.

Segment information

1. Overview of reportable segments

(Methods used to identify business segments and types of services belonging to each reportable segment)

The reportable segments of the Group are components of the Group for which discrete financial information is available and regularly reviewed by the Board of Directors to make decisions about allocation of managerial resources and to assess their performance.

The Group provides various services with the "Press Release Distribution Business" as its main business, and each division and consolidated subsidiary of the Company formulates plans and develops business activities for each of these service categories.

Therefore, the Group has designated the "Press Release Distribution Business" as a reportable segment, and businesses that are not included in reportable segments are consolidated in the "Other" category.

The "Press Release Distribution Business," in which the press release distribution service "PR TIMES" is a key business, provides services related to "PR TIMES" and SaaS services for businesses, such as "Jooto" and "Tayori." The "Other" category includes the system development business of glucose inc. (hereinafter "glucose"), a consolidated subsidiary of the Company, and the social media marketing support business of NAVICUS Co., Ltd. (hereinafter "NAVICUS"), another consolidated subsidiary of the Company.

Items related to changes in reportable segments

The Group previously only had one segment, the "Press Release Distribution Business." However, in the fiscal year under review, we acquired all shares of glucose and 70% of the issued shares of NAVICUS, and newly added them to our scope of consolidation. With these additions, we began disclosing segment information on our system development business and social media marketing support business, previously business segments not included in our reportable segments, in the "Other" category.

Furthermore, for segment information for the previous fiscal year, we have disclosed information prepared based on the reportable segment categories for the fiscal year under review.

- 2. Calculation of net sales, profit or losses, assets, liabilities and other items by reportable segment. The accounting method for the reportable business segments is in accordance with the accounting policies adopted to prepare the consolidated financial statements.
 - Profit by reportable segment is based on operating profit.
 - In addition, internal sales or transfer volume among segments are based on actual market price.

3. Information related to amounts of net sales, profit or losses, assets, liabilities and other items by reportable segment, and earnings analysis information by reportable segment

Fiscal year ended February 28, 2023

(Thousands of yen)

| | Reportable segment Press Release Distribution Business | Other | Total | Amount of adjustments | Amount recorded in consolidated financial statements (Note) |
|---|---|-------|-----------|-----------------------|---|
| Net sales | | | | | |
| "PR TIMES" and services related to "PR TIMES" | 5,570,347 | - | 5,570,347 | - | 5,570,347 |
| SaaS services for businesses | 135,891 | _ | 135,891 | _ | 135,891 |
| Other | _ | _ | _ | _ | - |
| Revenue arising from contracts with customers | 5,706,238 | _ | 5,706,238 | _ | 5,706,238 |
| Net sales to external customers | 5,706,238 | = | 5,706,238 | _ | 5,706,238 |
| Internal sales or transfer volume among segments | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total | 5,706,238 | _ | 5,706,238 | _ | 5,706,238 |
| Segment profit | 1,190,734 | _ | 1,190,734 | _ | 1,190,734 |
| Segment assets | 5,265,368 | _ | 5,265,368 | _ | 5,265,368 |
| Other items | | | | | |
| Depreciation | 86,362 | - | 86,362 | _ | 86,362 |
| Amortization of goodwill | = | _ | _ | - | _ |
| Increase in property, plant and equipment and intangible assets | 107,106 | - | 107,106 | - | 107,106 |

Note: Segment profit matches operating profit in the consolidated financial statements.

Fiscal year ended February 29, 2024

| | Reportable segment Press Release Distribution Business | Other (Note) 1. | Total | Amount of adjustments | Amount recorded in consolidated financial statements (Note) 2. |
|---|---|--------------------|-----------|-----------------------|--|
| Net sales | | | | | |
| "PR TIMES" and services related to "PR TIMES" | 6,356,712 | _ | 6,356,712 | - | 6,356,712 |
| SaaS services for businesses | 211,344 | = | 211,344 | = | 211,344 |
| Other | _ | 268,909 | 268,909 | _ | 268,909 |
| Revenue arising from contracts with customers | 6,568,057 | 268,909 | 6,836,966 | _ | 6,836,966 |
| Net sales to external customers | 6,568,057 | 268,909 | 6,836,966 | _ | 6,836,966 |
| Internal sales or transfer volume among segments | _ | 71,502 | 71,502 | (71,502) | - |
| Total | 6,568,057 | 340,411 | 6,908,468 | (71,502) | 6,836,966 |
| Segment profit or losses | 1,774,084 | (27,503) | 1,746,581 | _ | 1,746,581 |
| Segment assets | 6,862,514 | 208,978 | 7,071,492 | _ | 7,071,492 |
| Other items | | | | | |
| Depreciation | 113,191 | 4,413 | 117,605 | _ | 117,605 |
| Amortization of goodwill | _ | 34,995 | 34,995 | _ | 34,995 |
| Increase in property, plant and equipment and intangible assets | 172,544 | 292,077 | 464,622 | - | 464,622 |

Notes: 1. The "Other" category includes our system development business and social media marketing support business, which are business segments not included in our reportable segments.

^{2.} Segment profit or losses match operating profit in the consolidated financial statements.

Per share information

(Yen)

| | Fiscal year ended February 28, 2023 | Fiscal year ended February 29, 2024 |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Net assets per share | 333.01 | 421.20 |
| Earnings per share | 57.96 | 86.60 |
| Diluted earnings per share | 57.16 | 85.67 |

Notes: 1. The basis for calculation of earnings per share and diluted earnings per share is as follows:

| | Fiscal year ended February 28, 2023 | Fiscal year ended February 29, 2024 |
|---|---|--|
| Earnings per share | | |
| Profit attributable to owners of parent (Thousands of yen) | 777,782 | 1,161,386 |
| Amounts not attributable to common shareholders (Thousands of yen) | _ | _ |
| Profit attributable to owners of parent related to common shares (Thousands of yen) | 777,782 | 1,161,386 |
| Average number of common shares outstanding during the period (Shares) | 13,419,637 | 13,410,653 |
| | | |
| Diluted earnings per share | | |
| Adjustment to profit attributable to owners of parent (Thousands of yen) | _ | - |
| Increase in number of common shares (Shares) | 187,132 | 145,138 |
| [Of the above, share acquisition rights (Shares)] | [187,132] | [145,138] |
| Overview of dilutive shares that are not included in the calculation of diluted earnings per share as they have no dilutive effects | Resolution of the Board of Directors held on April 13, 2021: Fifth series of share acquisition rights (Common shares: 39,000) Sixth series of share acquisition rights (Common shares: 96,000) | Resolution of the Board of Directors held on April 13, 2021: Fifth series of share acquisition rights (Common shares: 39,000) |

2. The basis for calculation of net assets per share is as follows:

| | As of February 28, 2023 | As of February 29, 2024 |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Total net assets on the consolidated balance sheet (Thousands of yen) | 4,466,515 | 5,662,903 |
| Amount deducted from total net assets on the consolidated balance sheet (Thousands of yen) | 740 | 2,264 |
| [Of the above, share acquisition rights (Thousands of yen)] | [191] | [1,654] |
| [Of the above, non-controlling interests (Thousands of yen)] | [549] | [610] |
| Net assets related to common shares at the end of the period (Thousands of yen) | 4,465,774 | 5,660,638 |
| Number of common shares at the end of the period used in the calculation of net assets per share (Shares) | 13,410,296 | 13,439,373 |

Significant events after the reporting period

Not applicable.