

A Message from the President

Reviewing first trends in overseas economies during the interim period ended September 30, 2002, personal consumption and residential housing investment in the United States remained generally firm, and the economy continued on a gradual expansionary trend. In Asia, the economies of the region moved toward recovery, supported by a rallying of exports and domestic demand. On the other hand, European economies in general marked time owing to a prolongation of the slowdown in the German economy and other factors.

In Japan, a severe economic environment continued, as the economy confronted employment and nonperforming loan problems under deflationary conditions and experienced a slowdown in new housing starts.

Amid these conditions, Makita Corporation pursued firm and aggressive management policies, including the start up of production at its second manufacturing subsidiary in China and implementation of measures to reduce costs. Along with these activities, on the marketing side of its operations, Makita worked to further strengthen its sales and service structures that focus closely on the needs of its customers in Japan and overseas.

In the United States, Makita continued its policy of recovering the strength of its brand image by emphasizing marketing to professional users, while working to enhance profitability by reducing its manufacturing costs.

Turning to consolidated interim business results, interim net sales rose 4.5% from the same period of the previous year, to ¥87,648 million (\$718.426 thousand). Of this total, domestic sales declined 4.2% from the previous interim period, to ¥19,265 million (\$157,910 thousand), owing to weakness in the market for power tools, the trend among distributors to restrain inventories because of the prolonged economic stagnation, and other factors. On the other hand, overseas sales rose 7.2%, to ¥68,383 million (\$560,516 thousand), supported by increases in sales in Europe and Southeast Asia. As a result, the percentage of total consolidated net sales accounted for by overseas sales increased to 78.0%. By geographic region, sales in Japan amounted to ¥19,265 million (\$157,910 thousand), as previously mentioned, representing 22.0% of Makita's total sales. Sales in North America declined 5.0% from the previous interim period, to ¥24,185 million (\$198,238 thousand), and accounted for 27.6% of total sales. In Europe, sales rose 13.2%, to ¥26,876 million (\$220,295 thousand), amounting to 30.7% of total sales. Sales in Southeast Asia increased 26.7%, to ¥7,181 million (\$58,860 thousand), representing 8.2% of total sales, while sales in other regions increased 13.8%, to ¥10,141 million (\$83,123 thousand), accounting for 11.5% of Makita's net sales.

Although Makita reported a foreign exchange loss, as a result of reductions in inventories of overseas sales subsidiaries, the positive impact of expansion of production in China, and other developments, income before income taxes more than doubled in comparison with the interim period of the previous year, to ¥4,423 million (\$36,254 thousand). In addition, as a result of the application of tax effect accounting for tax adjustments based on advance pricing agreements related to transfer pricing, net income for the interim period rose 8.6 times from the same period a year earlier, to ¥3,137 million (\$25,713 thousand).

Basic net income per share of common stock and American Depositary Share (ADS) rose to ¥21.0 (\$0.17), compared with ¥2.4 for the interim period of the previous year. Diluted net income per share of common stock and ADS amounted to ¥20.5 (\$0.17) for the interim period under review compared with ¥2.4 for the interim period of the previous year.

Regarding interim dividends, at its meeting held October 30, 2002, the Board of Directors decided to pay interim cash dividends per share of ¥9.0 (\$0.07).

Looking forward, as a result of concerns about simultaneous declines in stock prices around the globe, conditions in the Middle East, and other factors, uncertainty about economic trends is rising, and a severe economic environment for corporations is likely to continue.

In view of these conditions, as a result of the shortening of its product development period, Makita is well positioned to respond nimbly to market needs and will continue to work to expand its marketing channels as well as substantially reduce costs with the objective of becoming a Strong Company—winning and holding the top share of the market for power tools for professional users in regions throughout the world.

In closing, we would like to ask our shareholders for their continuing support and cooperation as we work toward our objectives.

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November 2002

Masahiko Goto

President and Representative Director

		en ions)	U.S. Dollars (thousands)
	2001	2002	2002
		idited)	(unaudited)
ASSETS	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	,	
CURRENT ASSETS:			
Cash and cash equivalents	¥ 16.310	¥ 21,033	\$ 172,402
Time deposits		4,527	37,107
Marketable securities	*	40,990	335,984
Trade receivables:		,	
Notes	1,930	1,931	15,828
Accounts		34,526	283,000
Less—Allowance for doubtful receivables		(1,385)	(11,353)
Inventories		62,492	512,229
Deferred income taxes		6,752	55,344
Other current assets	•	3,375	27,664
Total current assets		174,241	1,428,205
	170,022	177,271	1,420,200
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, AT COST:			
Land		21,845	179,057
Buildings and improvement		69,242	567,558
Machinery and equipment		79,926	655,131
	171,052	171,013	1,401,746
Less—Accumulated depreciation	(94,813)	(98,293)	(805,680)
·	76.239	72,720	596,066
INVESTMENTS AND OTHER ASSETS			
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Investment securities	,	17,404	142,655
Deferred income taxes	,	6,277	51,451
Other assets		5,586	45,787
	22,195	29,267	239,893
	¥276,456	¥276,228	\$2,264,164
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LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			
CURRENT LIABILITIES:	V 7.003	V 4 F12	e 2/002
Short-term borrowings		¥ 4,513	\$ 36,992
Trade notes and accounts payable		13,778	112,934
Accrued payroll		6,658	54,574
Other accrued expenses.	•	3,410	27,951
Income taxes payable		3,918	32,115
Deferred income taxes		37	303
Total current liabilities	33,536	32,314	264,869
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:			
Long-term indebtedness	21.867	19,956	163,574
Club members' deposits	17,124	14,984	122,820
Estimated retirement and termination allowances		19,162	157,065
Deferred income taxes		1,471	12,057
	53,516	55,573	455,516
MINORITY INTERFECT			
MINORITY INTERESTS	<u>836</u>	1,005	8,238
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:			
Common stock;			
Authorized—292,000,000 shares in 2001 and 2002			
Outstanding—153,006,992 shares in 2001 and 2002	23,803	23,803	195,107
Additional paid-in capital		45,419	372,287
Legal reserve		5,669	46,467
Retained earnings		135,513	1,110,762
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		(20,784)	(170,361)
Treasury stock, at cost:	, , , , , ,		,
675 shares in 2001 and 3,404,887 shares in 2002	(0)	(2,284)	(18,721)
	188,568	187,336	1,535,541
	¥276,456	¥276,228	\$2,264,164
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Consolidated Statements of Income Makita Corporation and Consolidated Subsidiaries For the six months ended September 30, 2001 and 2002

	Yen (millior	ne)	U.S. Dollars (thousands)
	2001	2002	2002
	(unaudit		(unaudited)
NET SALES Cost of sales GROSS PROFIT Selling, general and administrative expenses OPERATING INCOME	53,639 30,251 26,379	¥87,648 55,960 31,688 25,419 6,269	\$718,426 458,689 259,737 208,352 51,385
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSES): Interest and dividend income. Interest expenses Exchange losses on foreign currency transactions, net Realized losses on securities, net. Other, net. Total. INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	(1,749)	418 (426) (1,975) (172) 309 (1,846) 4,423	3,426 (3,492) (16,188) (1,410) 2,533 (15,131) 36,254
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES: Current	1,760	1,600 (314) 1,286 ¥ 3,137	13,115 (2,574) 10,541 \$ 25,713
PER SHARE OF COMMON STOCK AND AMERICAN DEPOSITARY SHARE: Net income per share: Basic Diluted Cash dividends applicable to the period		¥ 21.0 20.5 9.0	\$ 0.17 0.17 0.07

Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity Makita Corporation and Consolidated Subsidiaries For the six months ended September 30, 2001 and 2002 Equity

		en ions)	U.S. Dollars (thousands)
	2001	2002	2002
	(unau	dited)	(unaudited)
COMMON STOCK:			
Beginning balance	<u>¥ 23,803</u>	¥ 23,803	\$ 195,107
Ending balance	¥ 23,803	¥ 23,803	\$ 195,107
ADDITIONAL PAID-IN CAPITAL:			
Beginning balance	<u>¥ 45,419</u>	¥ 45,419	\$ 372,287
Ending balance	¥ 45,419	¥ 45,419	\$ 372,287
LEGAL RESERVE:			
Beginning balance	•	¥ 5,669	\$ 46,467
Transfer from retained earnings			
Ending balance	¥ 5,669	¥ 5,669	\$ 46,467
RETAINED EARNINGS:			
Beginning balance		¥133,723	\$1,096,090
Net income		3,137	25,713
Cash dividends	· , ,	(1,347)	(11,041)
Transfer to legal reserve		<u> </u>	
Ending balance	<u>¥135,330</u>	¥135,513	\$1,110,762
ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS):	(
Beginning balance		¥ (16,446)	\$ (134,803)
Change for the period		(4,338)	(35,558)
Ending balance	<u>¥ (21,653</u>)	¥ (20,784)	<u>\$ (170,361)</u>
TREASURY STOCK:	V), (0.000)	* (10.070)
Beginning balance		¥ (2,229)	\$ (18,270)
Purchases	(- /	(55)	(451)
Sales		V (2.204)	<u> </u>
Ending balance	<u>¥</u> (0)	¥ (2,284)	\$ (18,721)
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	<u>¥188,568</u>	¥187,336	\$1,535,541
DISCLOSURE OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS):			
Net income for the period		¥ 3,137	\$ 25,713
Other comprehensive income (loss) for the period, net of tax		(4,338)	(35,558)
Total comprehensive income (loss) for the period	¥ (2,602)	¥ (1,201)	\$ (9,845

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows Makita Corporation and Consolidated Subsidiaries For the six months ended September 30, 2001 and 2002

		Yen (millions)	
	2001	2002	(thousands)
	(unau		(unaudited)
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Net income	¥ 363	¥ 3,137	\$ 25,713
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided			
by operating activities:	4.700	4 210	25 402
Depreciation and amortization		4,319	35,402
Estimated retirement and termination allowances		58	475
Deferred income taxes	` '	(314)	(2,574)
Loss on disposal or sale of property, plant and equipment		172 174	1,410
	47	1/4	1,426
Changes in current assets and liabilities:	346	57	147
Trade receivables		- 1	467
Inventories.		4,320	35,410
Payables and accrued expenses		(31) 1,012	(254 <u>)</u> 8,295
Income taxes payable	` '	302	
Other, net			2,476
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>8,467</u>	13,206	108,246
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Capital expenditures	(3,309)	(3,021)	(24,762
Purchase of securities	(38,187)	(53,188)	(435,967
Proceeds from sales of securities	41,670	52,387	429,401
Proceeds from sales of property, plant and equipment	213	207	1,697
Decrease in time deposits	4,005	960	7,869
Increase in other assets, net	(103)	(276)	(2,263
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	4,289	(2,931)	(24,025
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Decrease in short-term borrowings, net	(9.430)	(4,183)	(34,287
Proceeds from long-term indebtedness	` ' '	(4,103)	(34,207
Repayment of long-term indebtedness		(83)	(680
Proceeds from club members' deposits		329	2,697
Repayment of club members' deposits		(1,418)	(11,623
Purchase and sales of common stock, net	` '	(55)	(451
Cash dividends paid.		(1,368)	(11,213
Net cash used in financing activities		(6,778)	(55,557
EFFECT OF EXCHANGE RATE CHANGES ON CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		<u>1,806</u>	14,803
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		5,303	43,467
Cash and Cash Equivalents, beginning of Period		15,730	_128,935
Cash and Cash Equivalents, end of Period	<u>¥16,310</u>	¥21,033	\$172,402
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION:			
Cash paid during the period for:			
Interest	¥ 840	¥ 433	\$ 3,549
Income taxes		588	4,820

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

Makita Corporation and Consolidated Subsidiaries

1. Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Makita Corporation (the "Company") and all of its majority owned sub-

sidiaries (together, the "Companies"). All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

2. Financial Statements Presentation

The accounts and the financial statements of the Companies are maintained in Japanese yen. For the convenience of the reader, the accompanying consolidated financial statements as of September 30, 2002 and for the six months then ended are also presented in U.S. dollars by arithmetically translating all yen amounts using the approximate exchange rate prevailing in the Federal Reserve Bank of New York of ¥122 to US\$1 at September 30, 2002.

The accompanying consolidated financial statements reflect certain adjustments, not recorded in the Companies' books, to present them in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, modified for the accounting for stock splits to comply with the provisions of the Japanese Commercial Code.

3. New Accounting Standard

The Companies adopted the EITF Issue No. 01-09, "Accounting for Consideration Given by a Vendor to a Customer or Reseller of the Vendor's Products," from April 1, 2002. The adoption resulted in a reduction in the net sales and operating income, for the six months

ended September 30, 2002, of ¥2,296 million (\$18,820 thousand) and ¥426 million (\$3,492 thousand), respectively. No effect on income before income taxes or net income was sustained.

4. Marketable Securities and Investment Securities

All marketable securities and investment securities at September 30, 2001 and 2002 were classified as either available-for-sale securities or held-to-maturity securities.

The cost, gross unrealized holding gains and losses and fair value for such securities by major security type as of September 30, 2001 and 2002 were as follows:

		Gross Unreali	zed Holding	
	Cost	Gains	Losses	Fair Value
As of September 30, 2001		Yen (millions)		
Marketable securities:				
Japanese and foreign governmental debt securities Corporate and bank debt securities. Funds in trusts Investments in trusts	. ¥ 201	¥ 23	¥ —	¥ 224
Corporate and bank debt securities	. 6,488	248	16	6,720
Funds in trusts	. 1,010	_	27	983
Investments in trusts	. 31,155	181	630	30,706
Marketable equity securities	. 5,359	1,113	263	6,209
	¥44,213	¥1,565	¥936	¥44,842
Investment securities:				
Corporate and bank debt securities	. ¥ 3,010	¥ —	¥ 29	¥ 2,981
Investments in trusts	. 682	_	_	682
Marketable equity securities	. 7,260	1,947	518	8,689
Marketable equity securities	. 577	_	_	577
	¥11,529	¥1,947	¥547	¥12,929

		Gross Unreali	zed Holding	
	Cost	Gains	Losses	Fair Value
As of September 30, 2002		Yen (m	llions)	
Marketable securities:				
Japanese and foreign governmental debt securities	¥ 200	¥ 17	¥ —	¥ 217
Corporate and bank debt securities	10,104	84	13	10,175
Funds in trusts	/06	_	35	671
Investments in trusts	28,019	134	430	27,723
Marketable equity securities	2,048	312	156	2,204
	¥41,077	¥ 547	¥634	¥40,990
nvestment securities:				
Japanese and foreign governmental debt securities	¥ 2,015	¥ —	¥ —	¥ 2,015
Corporate and bank debt securities	2,954	32	_	2,986
Investments in trusts	419	_	_	419
Marketable equity securities	9,205	2,471	291	11,385
Marketable equity securities	599	_	_	599
	¥15,192	¥2,503	¥291	¥17,404
	+13,172	+2,505	7271	+17,404

		Gross Unreali	zed Holding	
	Cost	Gains	Losses	Fair Value
As of September 30, 2002	U.S. Dollars (thousands)			
Marketable securities:	\$ 1.639	\$ 140	¢	\$ 1,779
Japanese and foreign governmental debt securities	82,820	\$ 140 689	3 — 107	83,402
Funds in trusts	5.787	_	287	5,500
Investments in trusts	229,664	1,098	3,524	227,238
Marketable equity securities	16,787	2,557	1,279	18,065
	\$336,697	\$ 4,484	\$5,197	\$335,984
Investment securities:				
Japanese and foreign governmental debt securities	\$ 16,516	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 16,516
Corporate and bank debt securities	24,213	262	_	24,475
Investments in trusts	3,434	_	_	3,434
Marketable equity securities	75,451	20,254	2,385	93,320
Non-marketable equity securities	4,910			4,910
	\$124,524	\$20,516	\$2,385	\$142,655

5. Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

Each component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) as of September 30, 2001 and 2002 was as follows:

	Y	en	U.S. Dollars
	(mill	lions)	(thousands)
	2001	2002	2002
	(unau	ıdited)	(unaudited)
Foreign currency translation adjustments	¥(18,221)	¥(13,864)	\$(113,639)
Net unrealized holding gains on securities	778	835	\$(113,639) 6,844
Minimum pension liability adjustment		(7,755)	(63,566)
Total of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		¥(20,784)	\$(170,361)

6. Derivative Financial Instruments

The estimated fair values of the derivative financial instruments as of

September 30, 2001 and 2002 were as follows:

			'en llions)		U.S. [(thou	Dollars sands)
	20	001	200	02	20	02
	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Carrying Amount	Fair Value
Interest rate swap agreements:						
Assets	¥771	¥771	¥653	¥653	\$5,352	\$5,352
Liabilities	42	42	37	37	303	303
Convertible options:						
Assets	24	24	_	_	_	_
Foreign currency forward contracts:						
Assets	20	20	9	9	74	74
Liabilities	75	75	220	220	1,803	1,803
Currency swap agreements:					,	
Assets	507	507	5	5	41	41
Liabilities	85	85	186	186	1,525	1,525
Currency option contracts:					, -	
Assets	25	25	5	5	41	41
Liabilities.	6	6	31	31	254	254

7. Operating Segment Information

	Yen (millions)								
Six months ended September 30, 2001	Japan	North America	Europe	Southeast Asia	Other	Total	Corporate and Eliminations	Consolidated	
Sales:									
External customers	¥ 22,853	¥25,746	¥23,760	¥ 3,362	¥ 8,169	¥ 83,890	¥ —	¥ 83,890	
Intersegment	20,779	821	1,770	7,494	32	30,896	(30,896)		
Total	¥ 43,632	¥26,567	¥25,530	¥10,856	¥ 8,201	¥114,786	¥(30,896)	¥ 83,890	
Operating expenses	¥ 40,621	¥27,566	¥24,264	¥ 9,960	¥ 8,113	¥110,524	¥(30,506)	¥ 80,018	
Operating income (loss)		(999)	1,266	896	88	4,262	(390)	3,872	
Long-lived assets	56,637	7,627	6,729	7,250	1,235	79,478	· —	_	
Identifiable assets	240,194	48,198	55,590	23,587	13,195	380,764	(104,308)	276,456	
Depreciation and amortization	2,766	885	513	454	96	4,714	(31)	4,683	
Capital expenditures	1,631	394	465	784	52	3,326	(17)	3,309	

				Yen (m	nillions)			
Six months ended September 30, 2002	Japan	North America	Europe	Southeast Asia	Other	Total	Corporate and Eliminations	Consolidated
Sales:								
External customers		¥24,280 1,714	¥26,997 2,471	¥ 3,442 9,373	¥ 9,251 45	¥ 87,648 32,920	¥ — (32,920)	¥ 87,648 —
Total	¥ 42,995	¥25,994	¥29,468	¥12,815	¥ 9,296	¥120,568	¥(32,920)	¥ 87,648
Operating expenses	¥ 40,353	¥26,694	¥27,915	¥11,435	¥ 8,777	¥115,174	¥(33,795)	¥ 81,379
Operating income (loss)		(700)	1,553	1,380	519	5,394	875	6,269
Long-lived assets		6,599	7,283	7,424	1,050	74,883	_	_
Identifiable assets	236,872	42,686	63,754	27,006	12,565	382,883	(106,655)	276,228
Depreciation and amortization	2,485	775	537	470	75	4,342	(23)	4,319
Capital expenditures	1,590	202	706	465	86	3,049	(28)	3,021

				U.S. Dollars	(thousands)			
Six months ended September 30, 2002	Japan	North America	Europe	Southeast Asia	Other	Total	Corporate and Eliminations	Consolidated
Sales:								
External customers	\$ 194,082 158,336	\$199,016 14,049	\$221,287 20,254	\$ 28,213 76,828	\$ 75,828 369	\$ 718,426 269,836	\$ — (269,836)	\$ 718,426 —
Total	\$ 352,418	\$213,065	\$241,541	\$105,041	\$ 76,197	\$ 988,262	\$(269,836)	\$ 718,426
Operating expenses Operating income (loss) Long-lived assets Identifiable assets Depreciation and amortization Capital expenditures	\$ 330,762 21,656 430,549 1,941,574 20,369 13,033	\$218,803 (5,738) 54,090 349,885 6,352 1,656	\$228,811 12,730 59,697 522,574 4,402 5,787	\$ 93,730 11,311 60,852 221,360 3,852 3,811	71,943 4,254 8,607 102,992 615 705	944,049 44,213 613,795 3,138,385 35,590 24,992	\$(277,008) 7,172 — (874,221) (188) (230)	\$ 667,041 51,385 — 2,264,164 35,402 24,762

Corporate Data As of September 30, 2002

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153,006,992 shares

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