

Makita Corporation

Consolidated Financial Results for the nine months ended December 31, 2014 (U.S. GAAP Financial Information)

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CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014 (Unaudited)

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Makita Corporation

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1. Summary operating results of the nine months ended December 31, 2014 (From April 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014)

(1) CONSOLIDATED OPERATING RESULTS

<u> </u>	Yen (millions)				
	For the nine n	nonths ended	For the nine months ended		
	December	31, 2013	December 31, 2014		
		%		%	
Net sales	283,137	25.1	311,119	9.9	
Operating income	41,475	20.1	55,607	34.1	
Income before income taxes	43,874	29.5	53,591	22.1	
Net income attributable to Makita Corporation	30,943	31.5	36,727	18.7	
Comprehensive income	73,633	107.4	68,773	(6.6)	
		Y	en		
Earning per share (Basic)					
Net income attributable to					
Makita Corporation common shareholders	227.95		270.58		

Notes:

- 1. Amounts of less than one million yen have been rounded.
- 2. The table above shows the changes in the percentage ratio of net sales, operating income, income before income taxes, net income attributable to Makita Corporation, and comprehensive income against the corresponding period of the previous year.

(2) SELECTED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL POSITION

_	Yen (millions)			
	As of March 31, 2014	As of December 31, 2014		
Total assets	519,121	575,632		
Total equity	439,444	495,706		
Total Makita Corporation shareholders' equity	435,934	491,846		
Total Makita Corporation shareholders' equity				
ratio to total assets (%)	84.0%	85.4%		

2. Dividend Information

	Ye	en
	For the year ended March 31, 2014	For the year ending March 31, 2015
Cash dividend per share:		
Interim	18.00	18.00
Year-end	73.00	(Note)
Total	91.00	(Note)

Notes:

- 1. The forecast for cash dividend announced on April 28, 2014 has not been revised.
- 2. The projected amount of dividends for the year ending March 31, 2015 has not been determined yet. For further details, refer to "Explanation regarding proper use of business forecast, and other significant matters" on page 2.



3. Consolidated Financial Performance Forecast for the year ending March 31, 2015 (From April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

	Yen (millions)			
	For the year ending March 31, 20			
		%		
Net sales	400,000	4.4		
Operating income	68,000	23.8		
Income before income taxes	65,700	15.3		
Net income attributable to Makita Corporation	45,000	17.0		
Earning per share (Basic)	Yen			
Net income attributable to		_		
Makita Corporation common shareholders	331.53			

Note: The consolidated financial forecast for the year ending March 31, 2015 has been revised.

4. Others

(Refer to [Qualitative Information and Financial Statements] Section 4 "Other" on page 4.)

- (1) Changes in important subsidiaries during the period (Changes in specified subsidiaries accompanied by changes in scope of consolidation during the quarter): None
- (2) Adoption of simplified accounting methods and accounting methods that are specific to the preparation of quarterly consolidated financial statements; Yes
- (3) Changes in accounting policies, procedures and presentation rules applied in the preparation of the quarterly consolidated financial statements:
 - 1. Changes due to revisions to accounting standards: None
 - 2. Changes due to other reasons: None
- (4) Number of shares outstanding (common stock)

1. Number of shares issued (including treasury stock):	As of December 31, 2014:	140,008,760
	As of March 31, 2014:	140,008,760
2. Number of treasury stock:	As of December 31, 2014:	4,273,423
	As of March 31, 2014:	4,271,134
3. Average number of shares outstanding:	For the nine months ended	
	December 31, 2014:	135,736,564
	For the nine months ended	
	December 31, 2013:	135,741,769

<u>Information regarding quarterly review</u>

This consolidated financial results report is not subject to a quarterly review stipulated under the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act. As of the release date of this document, the quarterly review under the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act has not been completed.

Explanation regarding proper use of business forecasts, and other significant matters

- 1. Regarding the assumptions for the forecasts and other matters, refer to [Qualitative Information and Financial Statements] Section 3. "Explanation of Information Relevant to Forecast such as Consolidated Financial Performance Forecast" on page 4. The financial forecast given above are based on information as available at the present time, and include potential risks and uncertainties. As a consequence of the factors above and other, actual results may vary from the forecasts provided above.
- 2. Makita's basic policy on the distribution of profits is to maintain a consolidated dividend payout ratio of 30% or greater, with a lower limit on annual cash dividends of 18 yen per share. However, in the event special circumstances arise, computation of the amount of dividends will be based on consolidated net income attributable to Makita Corporation after certain adjustments.

The Board of Directors plans to meet in April 2015 for a report on earnings for the year ending March 31, 2015. At the time, in accordance with the basic policy regarding profit distribution mentioned above, the Board of Directors plans to propose a dividend equivalent to at least 30% of net income attributable to Makita Corporation. The Board of Directors will submit this proposal to the General Meeting of Shareholders scheduled for June 2015.

The consolidated dividend payout ratio is calculated as annual dividends per share divided by consolidated net income attributable to Makita Corporation per share (after adjustments for special circumstances) and multiplied by 100.



[Qualitative Information and Financial Statements]

1. Explanation of Consolidated Operating Results

Looking at the global economic situation during the nine months (the "period") ended December 31, 2014, in Western Europe, the U.K. economy remained solid, while economic growth lost momentum in the euro zone. The Russian economy faced an increasingly tougher situation due to soured relations with Europe and the U.S. over political uncertainty in Ukraine and the economic sanctions. Meanwhile, the U.S. economy kept growing against the backdrop of solid consumer spending and housing investment. Turning to Asia, Chinese economic growth slowed but the overall economic situation in Asia gradually recovered. In Japan, consumer spending declined in reaction to the consumption tax rate hike, while the economy showed signs of recovery as seen in the increase in capital investment and exports.

Under these circumstances, our consolidated net sales for the period increased by 9.9% to 311,119 million yen compared to the same period of the previous year. This increase is attributed to active marketing activities amid uncertainty over the future business environment in Japan and abroad, along with the depreciation of the yen against major currencies such as the US dollar and the euro compared with the same period of the previous year. Operating income increased by 34.1% to 55,607 million yen (operating income ratio: 17.9%), supported by an improvement in cost of sales ratio due to the influence of currencies in addition to sales growth. Income before income taxes increased by 22.1% to 53,591 million yen (income before income taxes ratio: 17.2%) and net income attributable to Makita Corporation shareholders increased by 18.7% to 36,727 million yen (ratio of net income attributable to Makita Corporation shareholders: 11.8%) from the same period of the previous year.

Net sales by region are as follows:

Net sales in Japan increased by 6.7% to 48,931 million yen compared to the same period of the previous year. This was because demand remained steady for the construction of large-scale commercial facilities, mainly in urban areas, despite a decline in housing starts.

Net sales in Europe increased by 8.8% to 134,392 million yen. This was because the depreciation of the yen against the euro as compared to the same period of the previous year, and sales remained solid in main Western European markets.

Net sales in North America increased by 12.6% to 42,448 million yen. This was because of favorable sales to home improvement retailers compared to the same period of the previous year, as well as the weak yen against the US dollar.

Net sales in Asia increased by 13.3% to 29,748 million yen, although demand in Southeast Asian countries was mixed.

The sales situations in other regions are as follows. Net sales in Central and South America increased by 7.9% to 23,824 million yen due to steady sales, despite a stagnant market. In addition, net sales in Oceania grew to 17,265 million yen, up 14.2% compared to the same period of the previous year and those in the Middle East and Africa increased to 14,511 million yen, up 14.8% compared to the same period of the previous year because demand recovered in these regions.

2. Explanation of Consolidated Financial Position

Total assets as of December 31, 2014 increased by 56,511 million yen to 575,632 million yen compared to the balance as of March 31, 2014. The increase was mainly due to the increase in "Short-term investments" and "Inventories".

Total liabilities as of December 31, 2014 increased by 249 million yen to 79,926 million yen compared to the balance as of March 31, 2014.

Total equity as of December 31, 2014 increased by 56,262 million yen to 495,706 million yen compared to the balance as of March 31, 2014. This increase was mainly due to the increase in "Retained earnings" and "Accumulated other comprehensive income".



3. Explanation of Information Relevant to Forecast such as Consolidated Financial Performance Forecast

The consolidated financial forecast for the year ending March 31, 2015 has been revised, because consolidated financial results for the first nine months period of the fiscal year 2015 (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015) were steady besides the yen has been weaker against the U.S. dollar and the euro compared to the previous forecast.

Revised Forecast for consolidated performance during the fiscal year 2015 (From April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

		Yen			
	Net sales	Operating income	Income before income taxes	Net income attributable to Makita Corporation	Earning per share (Basic) Net income attributable to Makita Corporation common shareholders
Forecast announced previously (A)	385,000	59,500	59,800	39,800	293.21
Revised forecast (B)	400,000	68,000	65,700	45,000	331.53
Changes (B-A)	15,000	8,500	5,900	5,200	_
Percentage revision	3.9%	14.3%	9.9%	13.1%	-
Actual results for the previous year					
ended March 31, 2014	383,207	54,914	56,974	38,453	283.28

[Preconditions]

The above forecast is based on the assumption of exchange rates of 115 yen to the U.S. dollar and 130 yen to the euro for the three months period ending March 31, 2015.

The above forecast is based on the assumption of exchange rates of 109 yen to the U.S. dollar and 138 yen to the euro for the year ending March 31, 2015.

[Reference]

Our previous exchange rates that we announced on April 28, 2014 were 100 yen to the U.S. dollar and 135 yen to the euro for the year ending March 31, 2015.

The above forecast is based on information as available at the present time, and includes potential risks and uncertainties. As a consequence of the factors above and other, actual results may vary from the forecast provided above.

4. Other

- (1) Changes in important subsidiaries during the period (Changes in specified subsidiaries accompanied by changes in scope of consolidation during the quarter): None
- (2) Adoption of simplified accounting methods and accounting methods that are specific to the preparation of quarterly consolidated financial statements:

With regard to the income tax expenses, Makita computes interim income tax expense by multiplying reasonably estimated annual effective tax rate, which includes the effects of deferred taxes, by year-to-date income before income taxes for the reporting period.

(3) Changes in accounting principles, procedures and presentations: None



5. Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

(1) Consolidated Balance Sheets

(1) Consolidated Balance Sheets	Yen (millions)					
	As of March 3	1, 2014	As of Decembe	r 31, 2014		
	Com	position ratio	Composition ratio			
ASSETS						
CURRENT ASSETS:						
Cash and cash equivalents	81,732		84,720			
Time deposits	15,673		18,553			
Short-term investments	41,048		61,350			
Trade receivables-						
Notes	1,402		1,339			
Accounts	64,176		62,749			
Less- Allowance for doubtful receivables	(1,001)		(1,061)			
Inventories	156,111		176,528			
Deferred income taxes	7,231		5,761			
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	13,665		16,646			
Total current assets	380,037	73.2%	426,585	74.1%		
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, AT COST: Land	22,793		23,800			
Building and improvements	91,184		98,399			
Machinery and equipment	86,594		93,431			
Construction in progress	3,174		3,429			
Sub total	203,745		219,059			
Less- Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(112,143)		(119,565)			
Total net property, plant and equipment	91,602	17.6%	99,494	17.3%		
INVESTMENTS AND OTHER ASSETS:						
Investments	30,413		31,492			
Goodwill	721		721			
Other intangible assets, net	4,692		4,710			
Deferred income taxes	623		905			
Other assets	11,033		11,725			
Total investments and other assets	47,482	9.2%	49,553	8.6%		
Total assets	519,121	100.0%	575,632	100.0%		



	Yen (millions)				
	As of March	31, 2014	As of Decembe	r 31, 2014	
	Con	nposition ratio	Composition ratio		
LIABILITIES					
CURRENT LIABILITIES:					
Short-term borrowings	4,147		3,764		
Trade notes and accounts payable	21,406		21,600		
Other payables	6,647		7,429		
Accrued expenses	10,566		11,874		
Accrued payroll	9,083		7,618		
Income taxes payable	8,210		3,615		
Deferred income taxes	1,029		497		
Other liabilities	8,199		9,209		
Total current liabilities	69,287	13.3%	65,606	11.4%	
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:					
Long-term indebtedness	16		12		
Accrued retirement and termination benefits	3,689		3,759		
Deferred income taxes	5,332		9,145		
Other liabilities	1,353		1,404		
Total long-term liabilities	10,390	2.0%	14,320	2.5%	
Total liabilities		15.3%	79,926	13.9%	
EQUITY					
MAKITA CORPORATION SHAREHOLDERS'					
EQUITY:					
Common stock	23,805		23,805		
Additional paid-in capital	45,421		45,421		
Legal reserve	5,669		5,669		
Retained earnings	366,919		391,294		
Accumulated other comprehensive income	5,693		37,244		
Treasury stock, at cost			(11,587)		
Total Makita Corporation shareholders' equity		84.0%	491,846	85.4%	
NON-CONTROLLING INTEREST		0.7%	3,860	0.7%	
Total equity	120 111	84.7%	495,706	86.1%	
Total liabilities and equity		100.0%	575,632	100.0%	
	As of March	31 2014	As of Decembe	r 31 2014	
Total number of shares authorized	496,00		496,00		
Number of shares issued	140,00	·	140,00		
Number of shares issued (excluding treasury stock)	135,73		135,73		
Number of treasury stock		1,134		3,423	



(2) Consolidated Statements of Income

	Yen (millions)			
	For the nine months ended	For the nine months ended		
	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2014		
	Composition ratio	Composition ratio		
NET SALES	283,137 100.0%	311,119 100.0%		
Cost of sales	181,802 64.2%	192,626 61.9%		
GROSS PROFIT	101,335 35.8%	118,493 38.1%		
Selling, general, administrative and others, net	59,860 21.2%	62,886 20.2%		
OPERATING INCOME	41,475 14.6%	55,607 17.9%		
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE):				
Interest and dividend income	1,765	1,997		
Interest expense	(147)	(99)		
Exchange losses on foreign currency transactions, net	(837)	(4,019)		
Realized gains on securities, net	1,618	105		
Total other income (expense), net	2,399 0.9%	(2,016) (0.7%)		
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	43,874 15.5%	53,591 17.2%		
Provision for income taxes:				
Current	13,010	13,138		
Deferred	(273)	3,423		
Total income tax expense	12,737 4.5%	16,561 5.3%		
NET INCOME	31,137 11.0%	37,030 11.9%		
Less-Net income attributable to the non-controlling interest	194 0.1%	303 0.1%		
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO MAKITA CORPORATION	30,943 10.9%	36,727 11.8%		

Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

Consonance Statements of Comprehensive Income	Yen (m	illions)
	For the nine months ended December 31, 2013	For the nine months ended December 31, 2014
NET INCOME	31,137	37,030
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME:		
Foreign currency translation adjustment	37,908	30,628
Unrealized holding gains on available-for-sale securities	4,446	1,024
Pension liability adjustment	142	91
Total other comprehensive income	42,496	31,743
COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	73,633	68,773
Less-Comprehensive income attributable to the non-controlling interest	729	495
COMPREHENSIVE INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO MAKITA CORPORATION	72,904	68,278



(3) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(3) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows	Yen (millions)			
	For the nine months	For the nine months		
	ended December 31, 2013	ended December 31, 2014		
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:				
Net income	31,137	37,030		
Depreciation and amortization	6,525	6,331		
Deferred income tax expense	(273)	3,423		
Realized gains on securities, net	(1,618) (343)	(105) 201		
Impairment of goodwill and long-lived assets	800	_		
Changes in assets and liabilities-				
Trade receivables	2,291	4,715		
Inventories	373	(9,039)		
Trade notes and accounts payable and accrued expenses	(1,865)	(839)		
Income taxes payable	(1,545)	(6,564)		
Accrued retirement and termination benefits	(773)	(607)		
Other, net	(570)	(132)		
Net cash provided by operating activities	34,139	34,414		
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Capital expenditures, including interest capitalized	(8,463)	(9,742)		
Purchases of available-for-sale securities	(17,020)	(18,773)		
Proceeds from sales of available-for-sale securities	6,953	247		
Proceeds from maturities of available-for-sale securities	100	100		
Proceeds from maturities of held-to-maturity securities	3,300	2,300		
Proceeds from sales of property, plant and equipment	803	660		
Investment in time deposit	(15,619)	(18,471)		
Withdrawal of time deposit	14,324	18,008		
Other, net	(302)	(331)		
Net cash used in investing activities	(15,924)	(26,002)		
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES: Additions to borrowings with original maturities of three months or less, net	50 3,359	45 2,259		
Payments on borrowings with original maturities of more than three months	(948)	(3,185)		
Purchase of treasury stock, net	(43)	(14)		
Cash dividends paid	(9,773)	(12,352)		
Other, net	61	(112)		
Net cash used in financing activities EFFECT OF EXCHANGE RATE CHANGES ON CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(7,294) 6,703	(13,359) 7,935		
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	17,624	2,988		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF PERIOD	62,283	81,732		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF PERIOD	79,907	84,720		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF PERIOD	17,701	01,720		



(4) Notes on the assumptions for a going concern: None

(5) Note in case there is any significant change in the shareholders' equity: None

(6) Condensed Operating Segment Information

_	Yen (millions)							
	For the nine months ended December 31, 2013							
_	Japan	Europe	North America	Asia	Other area	Total	Elimi- nations	Consoli- dated
Sales:								
(1) External customers	62,591	124,328	38,375	13,478	44,365	283,137	-	283,137
(2) Inter-segment	42,716	3,534	2,633	118,967	90	167,940	(167,940)	
Total	105,307	127,862	41,008	132,445	44,455	451,077	(167,940)	283,137
Operating expenses	90,536	115,955	39,149	115,907	41,297	402,844	(161,182)	241,662
Operating income (loss)	14,771	11,907	1,859	16,538	3,158	48,233	(6,758)	41,475

	Yen (millions)									
	For the nine months ended December 31, 2014									
	Japan Europe North Asia Other area Total Eliminations da									
Sales:										
(1) External customers	66,066	134,850	43,734	16,729	49,740	311,119	-	311,119		
(2) Inter-segment	59,538	4,095	2,782	134,728	101	201,244	(201,244)			
Total	125,604	138,945	46,516	151,457	49,841	512,363	(201,244)	311,119		
Operating expenses	108,123	122,109	44,678	130,291	46,546	451,747	(196,235)	255,512		
Operating income (loss)	17,481	16,836	1,838	21,166	3,295	60,616	(5,009)	55,607		



SUPPORT DOCUMENTATION (CONSOLIDATED)

1. Consolidated Financial Results and Forecast

	Yen (millions)				
	For the	e nine	For the nine		
	months ended		months ended		
	December	31, 2013	December 31, 201		
		(%)		(%)	
Net sales	283,137	25.1	311,119	9.9	
Domestic	45,865	11.1	48,931	6.7	
Overseas	237,272	28.2	262,188	10.5	
Operating income	41,475	20.1	55,607	34.1	
Income before income taxes	43,874	29.5	53,591	22.1	
Net income attributable to Makita Corporation	30,943	31.5	36,727	18.7	
Earning per share (Basic)					
Net income attributable to Makita Corporation					
common shareholders (Yen)		227.95		270.58	
Number of Employees	12,742		13,165		

	Yen (millions)					
	For the year ended March 31, 2014		For the six months ended September 30, 2014		For the year March 31, (Forecas	2015
		(%)	(%)			(%)
Net sales	383,207	23.8	207,642	11.7	400,000	4.4
Domestic	66,019	16.7	32,427	9.8	63,500	(3.8)
Overseas	317,188	25.3	175,215	12.1	336,500	6.1
Operating income	54,914	21.0	37,986	47.7	68,000	23.8
Income before income taxes	56,974	24.7	37,094	37.3	65,700	15.3
Net income attributable to Makita Corporation	38,453	23.7	25,505	33.5	45,000	17.0
Earning per share (Basic)						
Net income attributable to Makita Corporation						
common shareholders (Yen)	283.28		187.90		331.53	
Number of Employees	12,804		13,180			

Notes:

- 1. The table above shows the changes in the percentage ratio of Net sales, Operating income, Income before income taxes, and Net income attributable to Makita Corporation against the corresponding period of the previous year.
- 2. Please refer to [Qualitative Information and Financial Statements] Section 3. "Explanation of Information Relevant to Forecast such as Consolidated Financial Performance Forecast" on page 4.



2. Consolidated Net Sales by Geographic Area

_	Yen (millions)								
	For the nine months ended December 31, 2013		For the	For the nine		For the year		For the six	
			months ended December 31, 2014		For the year ended		months ended		
						March 31, 2014		September 30,	
					Watch 51, 2014		2014		
		(%)		(%)		(%)		(%)	
Japan	45,865	11.1	48,931	6.7	66,019	16.7	32,427	9.8	
Europe	123,484	35.2	134,392	8.8	165,357	32.3	91,105	10.7	
North America	37,696	25.8	42,448	12.6	49,891	20.3	28,026	14.1	
Asia	26,265	22.5	29,748	13.3	35,004	20.3	19,725	19.5	
Other regions	49,827	17.9	55,600	11.6	66,936	16.5	36,359	10.3	
Central and South America	22,071	29.7	23,824	7.9	28,069	22.5	15,299	5.0	
Oceania	15,113	10.6	17,265	14.2	20,805	10.4	11,116	12.7	
The Middle East and Africa	12,643	9.1	14,511	14.8	18,062	15.1	9,944	16.5	
Total	283,137	25.1	311,119	9.9	383,207	23.8	207,642	11.7	

Note: The table above sets forth Makita's consolidated net sales by geographic area based on the customer's location for the periods presented. Accordingly, it differs from "Condensed Operating Segment Information" on page 9. The table above shows the changes in the percentage ratio of net sales compared to the corresponding period of the previous year.

3. Exchange Rates

_	Yen						
	For the nine months ended December 31, 2013	For the nine months ended December 31, 2014	For the year ended March 31, 2014	For the six months ended September 30, 2014	For the year ending March 31, 2015 (Forecast)		
Yen/U.S. Dollar	99.36	106.73	100.17	103.01	109		
Yen/Euro	132.17	140.21	134.21	138.90	138		

Note: The above forecast is based on the assumption of exchange rates of 115 yen to the U.S. dollar and 130 yen to the euro for the three months period ending March 31, 2015.

4. Production Ratio (unit basis)

	For the nine	For the nine	For the year	For the six
	months ended	months ended	ended	months ended
	December 31,	December 31,	March 31,	September 30,
	2013	2014	2014	2014
	Composition ratio	Composition ratio	Composition ratio	Composition ratio
Domestic	11.1%	10.0%	11.2%	9.9%
Overseas	88.9%	90.0%	88.8%	90.1%

5. Consolidated Capital Expenditures, Depreciation and Amortization, and R&D cost

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	Yen (millions)								
	For the nine months ended December 31, 2013	For the nine months ended December 31, 2014	For the year ended March 31, 2014	For the six months ended September 30, 2014	For the year ending March 31, 2015 (Forecast)				
Capital expenditures	8,463	9,742	11,417	6,807	14,000				
Depreciation and amortization	6,525	6,331	8,622	4,102	9,000				
R&D cost	6,567	6,737	8,720	4,552	9,300				