

Victor Company of Japan, Limited Annual Report 2005

For the year ended March 31, 2005

Our Promise...



Our Promise.

To Deliver "The Perfect Experience"

Our ultimate goal is to deliver the power and emotion of entertainment.

Whether hanging out with friends, relaxing with family, or just having fun, we want to help you

How? By providing unique, high-quality products and services that bring the energy, rhythm, and emotion of audiovisual content to you and creating new and exciting ways to communicate. In this way, we hope to inject richness and color into people's lives.

In short, our commitment is to deliver "The Perfect Experience"-truly moving experiences and

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Technologies, products, and corporate activities of Victor Company of Japan, Limited (JVC), are all designed to deliver "The Perfect Experience." Under our medium-term management plan—Leap Ahead 21, which covers fiscal 2005 to fiscal 2007—we are accelerating our growth strategy and implementing continuous structural reform. The results that we achieve through this plan will also serve as a driving force for providing "The Perfect Experience."

Accelerating Our Growth Strategy

JVC's core competence is providing outstanding quality. Our expertise in this area is largely attributable to superior technologies that deliver high-quality sound and images. We are working to add a robust array of network technologies vital in the digital age to the host of technologies that we have developed since the analog age to help create a succession of distinct products that will set us apart in the market. JVC also counts its presence in the entertainment software field among its strengths. Our growth strategy is to enhance our corporate value by being an entertainment solutions company that leverages its prowess—both in hardware and entertainment content—to deliver music and images with the power to move people and offer new ways to communicate, and we are currently stepping up its pace.

Implementing Continuous Structural Reform

At JVC, pursuing originality and maintaining our nimble size, which makes us able to pursue originality, are top priorities. To this end, we work with partners to amass technologies and pick up the speed of product commercialization as well as strive to stay on top amid the whirlwind of change characteristic of the digital age by continuously reworking day-to-day operations throughout the Company. In addition, we believe that human resource development focused on realizing the potential of every employee will be key to our future growth and are revamping our employment structure to secure employment for those who can perform within the new business structures. Through ongoing efforts, we will reinforce our revenue base and become a high-performance global company.

| Segment | Percent of Total Fiscal | 2005 Sales | Sales (Billions of Ye | n) |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------|
| Consumer Electronics | 74.6% | '05 '04 '03 '02 '01 | | 600 800 |
| Professional Electronics e Page 18 | 8.1% | '05 '04 '03 '02 '01 | | 80 100 |
| Components & Devices | 5.1 % (| '05 '04 '03 '02 '01 01 | | 60 80 |
| Software & Media | 11.4 _% (| '05 '04 '03 '02 '01 | | 150 200 |
| Other | 0.8 _% | '05 '04 '03 '02 '01 | | 6 8 |

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| Operating Income (Loss) (Billions of Yen) | Major Products | Highlights | |
|---|--|--|-------------|
| '05 '04 '03 '02 '01 .10 0 10 20 | Televisions Digital video cameras DVD players/recorders Car AV systems Audio systems VCRs | Segment sales in Japan rose substantially, encouraged by the strong performance of LCD TVs, three-in-one DVD recorders, and audio systems. Despite the successful launch of HD-ILA rear projection TVs in the United States and growth in sales of LCD TVs and other products in Europe and the United States, overseas sales declined due to the lackluster performance of such products as digital video cameras. | THAN IT AND |
| '05 '04 '03 '02 '01 -6 -3 0 3 6 | Video surveillance equipment Audio equipment Video equipment Projectors | Although sales of such presentation systems as professional camera recorders struggled and the price of system installations declined in Japan, sales of security products were strong. | |
| ² 05 ² 04 ² 03 ² 02 ² 01 -6 -3 0 3 6 | Motors Optical pickups Printed wiring boards (PWBs) Deflection yokes | Fluid dynamic bearing motors for hard disk drives performed well. Orders of high-density PWBs were down. | |
| '05 '04 '03 '03 '04 '03 '04 0 1 2 3 4 5 | Recordable media Pre-recorded audio and visual software, including CDs, DVDs, and videotapes | Sales of DVD recording media soared; however, a drop in the price of such products as mini DV tapes caused sales of recordable media to remain relatively unchanged. Sales of pre-recorded music software decreased due to the postponement of major releases by popular artists and the expiration of consignment contracts. | |
| <pre>'05 '04 '03 '02 '01</pre> | Interior furniture Production facilities | | |

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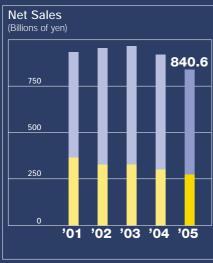
- World's First Image Intelligence LSI with an Integrated 32-Bit CPU to Perform Dedicated Image Processing Developed (April 2004)
- Second Compact Component System with Wood Cone Speakers EX-A5 Introduced (April 2004)
- HD-ILA Rear Projection TVs Launched in North America (July 2004)
- Low-Cost "Extended DUV" Mastering System, New Technology to Create Read-Only Blu-ray Disk Masters for the Same Cost as DVD Masters Developed (August 2004)
- JVC Takes Top Prizes in Two Divisions of the Annual European Imaging and Sound Association Awards (August 2004)
- Two Hard Disk Camcorders "Everio" GZ-MC100 and GZ-MC200 Introduced (September 2004)
- First Consumer Non-Compressed Optical Wireless Digital Transmission "Luciole" LW-DHW1 Introduced (September 2004)
- Environmentally Friendly DVD-ROM Using Cornstarch Developed (December 2004)
- World's First Blu-ray/DVD Combo ROM Disc Technology Developed (December 2004)
- JVC Products and Contents Make Their Way to the 2005 World Expo in Aichi, Japan (March 2005)

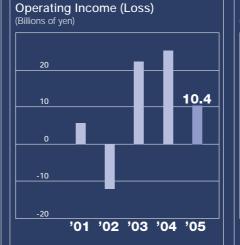
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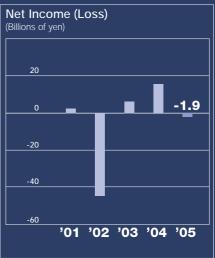
Victor Company of Japan, Limited and its consolidated subsidiaries Years ended March 31

| | | | Thousands of U.S. dollars (Note 1) | | |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------|--|--------------------------|--|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 | 2005 | |
| For the year: | | | | | |
| Net sales | ¥840,591 | ¥921,978 | ¥967,640 | \$7,855,991 | |
| Overseas | 567,565 | 619,962 | 638,092 | 5,304,346 | |
| Domestic | 273,026 | 302,016 | 329,548 | 2,551,645 | |
| Net income (loss) | (1,858) | 15,609 | 6,336 | (17,364) | |
| Capital expenditures | 28,959 | 25,900 | 21,036 | 270,645 | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 23,422 | 22,735 | 25,250 | 218,897 | |
| At year-end: | | | | | |
| Stockholders' equity | ¥158,236 | ¥159,326 | ¥146,410 | \$1,478,841 | |
| Total assets | 466,549 | 507,117 | 479,750 | 4,360,271 | |
| | | | Yen | U.S. dollars (Note 1) | |
| Per share: | | | | | |
| Net income (loss) | ¥ (7.7) | ¥ 61.1 | ¥ 24.9 | \$ (0.07) | |
| Diluted net income | | 57.9 | 23.5 | — | |
| Cash dividends (Note 2) | 5.0 | 5.0 | | 0.05 | |

Notes: 1. U.S. dollar amounts have been translated, for convenience only, at the exchange rate of ¥107 to U.S.\$1, the approximate rate prevailing on March 31, 2005. 2. Cash dividends represent amounts applicable to respective years.







Overseas Domestic

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In fiscal 2005, ended March 31, 2005, Victor Company of Japan, Limited (JVC), reported declines in net sales and operating income. These results and the posting of an extraordinary loss mainly due to special retirement allowances stemming from structural reform produced a net loss for the fiscal year under review—the first since fiscal 2002.

In fiscal 2006, we will move forward with our medium-term management plan Leap Ahead 21 with newfound resolve, working to boost revenues and earnings and deliver "The Perfect Experience."





Masahiko Terada, President

Fiscal 2005 Results

Fiscal 2005 was a tough year for JVC. Net sales dropped 9% from the previous fiscal year, operating income declined 59%, and a net loss of ¥1.9 billion was recorded. Needless to say, results were substantially below expectations. We revised our performance forecasts not once, but twice, unable to get a clear read on deteriorating conditions. This is something that I, as president, deeply regret. We largely attribute underperformance to our inability to keep up in the digital age, more specifically to respond rapidly to dramatic changes in the market environment spurred by the digitization of products.

All of us at JVC, from myself to business segment leaders to staff, take this unfortunate turn of events seriously and are committed to making a fresh start. In fiscal 2006, we will work with renewed determination toward a turnaround in performance by striking a balance between



high-value-added management and high-speed management while continuing to deliver outstanding products and services that inspire people through the power of music and images.

JVC regards maintaining stable dividends as one of its highest priorities and will pay cash dividends of ¥5 per share for fiscal 2005, remaining unchanged from fiscal 2004.

Factors Contributing to Weak Results

In fiscal 2005, we kicked off our medium-term management plan Leap Ahead 21. Under this new plan, JVC will accelerate its growth strategy and implement continuous structural reform as well as work to achieve an operating margin of 5% in fiscal 2007.

In the fiscal year under review, we endeavored to truly "leap ahead," building on the results of our previous three-year management plan. However, an economic slowdown entering the latter half of the year, mainly in Europe, led to a challenging operating environment. In addition, the advancement of digitization spurred an unprecedented level of competition, which, in turn, led to a drastic drop in retail prices and shortened product life cycles.

I, however, as a president entrusted with the management of a company, do not believe that harsh market conditions alone make for poor performance. There have always been corporations that thrive even when operating conditions are harsh. Thus, we must own up to the fact that internal factors are primarily responsible for our fiscal 2005 results. We have identified three main factors contributing to our weak performance.

First, we were counting on launches of new consumer electronics products—including digital video cameras, DVD recorders, and flat-screen TVs—to bolster performance in the latter half of the fiscal year. However, we were unable to introduce these products during peak retail periods as planned due to development delays. Such fundamental problems as incomplete new manufacturing processes and core technologies, an increase in the number of man-hours devoted to software development, and issues with evaluation technologies were to blame.

Second, we were not prepared for fierce competition in digital products, both in terms of sophistication and price. This reflects a lack of product planning that makes full use of insight into market needs as well as a need to speed up the development-production-sales cycle.

Third, our mainstay music software business lost ground due to the postponement of releases by major artists. Amid continued shrinkage in the music CD market due to diversifying tastes in and delivery options for music, we strove to develop new artists who can produce moderate hits. However, we remain largely dependent on major hits.

Although the fiscal year under review leaves much for reflection, it also raises expectations for growth in fiscal 2006. For one, our focus on distinct products that showcase our technological prowess led to the successful launch in the United States of HD-ILA rear projection TVs containing our proprietary high definition microdisplay device. In addition, car electronics products

performed well in the United States, Russia, and countries in Asia outside of Japan, and sales of LCD TVs equipped with Image Intelligence technology grew in Japan and overseas, increasing their market share. Furthermore, our worldwide launch of "Everio", the world's first compact hard disk camcorder, went over well. Three-in-one DVD/VHS/hard disk drive combo recorders, audio systems featuring wood cone speakers—a product that exemplifies our pursuit of accurately reproducing original sound, dual MD deck compact component systems, and other high-value-added products also proved popular.

Fiscal 2006 Issues and Objectives

Reorganization of the Consumer Electronics business segment is vital to achieving solid results in fiscal 2006. One key task will be to redouble efforts to set JVC apart from the competition by offering a robust lineup of distinct products. In addition, new products must be launched on time and quality must be ensured. To accomplish this, we need to reduce lead times by managing development according to specific time frames, strengthen software development capabilities, and increase concentration on select products. It is also critical that JVC take further steps to thrive amid intensifying market competition by implementing continuous structural reform encompassing the revision of management operations, manufacturing sites, and the employment structure.

To get our music software business back on track, we need to make the most of our enhanced earning power gained through structural reforms in the fiscal year under review, release albums by major artists, and develop the skills of new artists.

Furthermore, in fiscal 2006, all of us at JVC will pull together and make a fresh start, focusing on eliminating the internal factors that led to our weak fiscal 2005 performance to support a recovery in our performance. Two key objectives will guide our efforts.

Our first key objective is to strike a balance between high-value-added management and highspeed management. As for high-value-added management, we will endeavor to raise revenues and earnings by creating a stream of distinct, groundbreaking products that clearly demonstrate JVC's superior ability to innovate. Specifically, we will leverage our core competency in audiovisual technologies to develop new products with exceptional quality and added value that go a step farther by meeting customer wants as well as needs. In addition, we will move forward with our unique approach to product creation, which begins with clear market positioning for each product and ends with fun, sophisticated, easy-to-use products that inject richness and color into peoples' lives and, of course, are acclaimed for their superior sound and image quality.

Turning to high-speed management, JVC will return to the basics and take advantage of its nimble size to coordinate its development, production, and sales activities within the Company and throughout the world and ensure that these activities are undertaken from the customers' perspective. In addition, we will work with partners to amass cutting-edge technologies and rapidly launch new products to establish highly profitable operations anchored in quality rather than size.

Moreover, prompt decision making is essential to strengthening our capacity to respond to rapid change in the digital age. Therefore, it is crucial that all levels of management keep abreast of actual workplace conditions through firsthand observation and experience. Going forward, we will continue to quickly ascertain issues within the Company and put this information to use in management. In addition, we will strive to practice a perfect blend of bottom-up and top-down management to realize even faster management and operations.

Our second key objective for fiscal 2006 is to deliver music and images with the power to move people—a vision that has been at the heart of JVC since its birth. With high definition gaining momentum, there is no better time than the present to go beyond high specifications to deliver music and images that appeal to the senses and are truer to life than ever before. Through this pursuit, we aim to solidify our position as a company that truly creates value for customers by delivering inspiration.

Fuel for Our Development

Our business attitude comprises three approaches: *customer-first*, which involves focusing on customer happiness and satisfaction; *professionalism*, which encompasses self-motivation, independence, and the importance of leaders who can inspire their staff while improving themselves; and *empowerment and commitment*, which refer to fostering a personal responsibility and the idea that everyone is a manager. This business attitude is the bedrock of our technological prowess, which we are using to achieve our business vision of offering new ways to communicate through music and images. This, in turn, makes our brand statement—The Perfect Experience—and the thinking behind this statement—to create moving experiences and provide total customer satisfaction—ring true.

I am confident that our new technology center in Yokohama, "Techno WING," which was completed in April 2005, will play a leading role in delivering "The Perfect Experience." We entrusted the naming of this center to employees who have been with us for five years or less—a reflection of the great expectations that we have for these individuals. The name that they creat-ed—Techno WING—alludes to the desire to be winners at the forefront of innovation working together seamlessly as a team. It is home to roughly 1,000 employees, mainly consumer electronics engineers, who are working to improve communication and speed up product development through active and open discussion. The center is designed to facilitate the passing on of valuable implicit knowledge possessed by veterans and the fulfillment of JVC's potential. Moreover, the center is bound to be a powerful force propelling JVC toward its goal of establishing itself as a technology-driven company.

Active communication throughout the entire Group and employees who take the initiative to put forth innovative ideas are key to our growth. Employees who are not passive or satisfied with maintaining the status quo, can think and act out-of-the-box, and are not afraid to express and to exchange their real opinions are the driving force behind the Company's development. JVC is a magnet for these types of people, and we will endeavor to use the power that this gives us to enhance our corporate value and live up to our stakeholders' expectations.

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Masahiko Terada President

Medium-Term Management Plan: Leap Ahead 21

Are We Accelerating Our Growth Strategy?

Are We Implementing Continuous Structural Reform?

To Achieve Our Leap Ahead 21 Targets

Leap Ahead

In fiscal 2006, the second year of our medium-term management plan Leap Ahead 21, we will focus on accelerating our growth strategy and implementing continuous structural reform.

| Management Targets (for FY2007) | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Net Sales: | ¥1,100 Billion | | | | | | | | |
| Operating Income: | acome: ¥55 Billion (5.0% Operating Margin) | | | | | | | | |
| • CCM*: | Plus | | | | | | | | |
| Net Cash: | Plus | | | | | | | | |
| | *CCM: Capital Cost Management | | | | | | | | |

Accelerating Our Growth Strategy

In fiscal 2006, we will concentrate on consumer electronics operations as we accelerate our growth strategy. We aim to achieve double-digit growth in sales worldwide by creating robust product lineups in key growth businesses and strengthening our partnerships with distributors. The main strategies of our five key growth businesses are as follows.

High Definition Displays

With HD-ILA rear projection TVs, which have been launched in the United States and Japan and are slated for introduction in China and other countries in Asia, flat panel display (FPD) TVs, and cathode ray tube (CRT) TVs as the cornerstones of this business, we will strive to achieve the fiscal 2007 sales target of ¥300 billion set out in Leap Ahead 21 ahead of schedule.

Digital High Density Storage

In light of major change in the market, we will downsize operations to maintain a place for our mainstay DVD recorders. We will streamline our product lineup and concentrate on such high-value-added products as three-in-one DVD/VHS/hard disk drive combo recorders to enhance profitability.

Network Audio Visual (AV) Systems

We will seek to recover lost ground by reinforcing our mainstay digital video camera operations and seek to create a new recording culture by expanding our lineup of "Everio" hard disk camcorders. In professional electronics, we will introduce the world's first ProHD compact shoulder camera recorder GY-HD100 and work to achieve a comeback in our presentation system operations. Going forward, we will aggressively expand our core car electronics business, which continued to perform well in fiscal 2005, worldwide while developing new car AV products, including DVD receivers and navigation systems.

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We aim to reinforce the foundation of this business by focusing on such high-value-added motors as fluid dynamic bearing motors for hard disk drives and pickups for optical disks.

Software and Media

In recordable media, we will overcome falling prices by expanding the network of sales outlets through which these products are sold and improving productivity. In music software business, we expect releases by major artists in fall and our efforts to develop new hit artists in 2005 to boost business revenues.

HD-ILA Rear Projection TVs

The third JVC option for large-screen TVs, along with plasma and LCD TVs, our HD-ILA rear projection TVs incorporate our proprietary D-ILA technology, which is being used in Japan Broadcasting Corporation's Super Hi-Vision and digital cinema research, to achieve energy efficiency along with bright, high-resolution large-screen images.



JVC's In-House Developed Reflective LCD Device "D-ILA"



Point 1 D-ILA Delivers Bright, Smooth Images

Unlike transmissive LCDs, JVC's in-house developed reflective LCD device "D-ILA" achieves narrowly spaced pixels. This, in turn, results in images that are brighter and smoother by virtually eliminating the "grid" that is evident with transmissive LCD devices. In addition, JVC has found these large screens to be brighter than plasma TV screens*, thanks to their high aperture ratio and high light availability.

*Based on the Company's findings

Point 2 Three-Chip Design Delivers Natural Color Reproduction

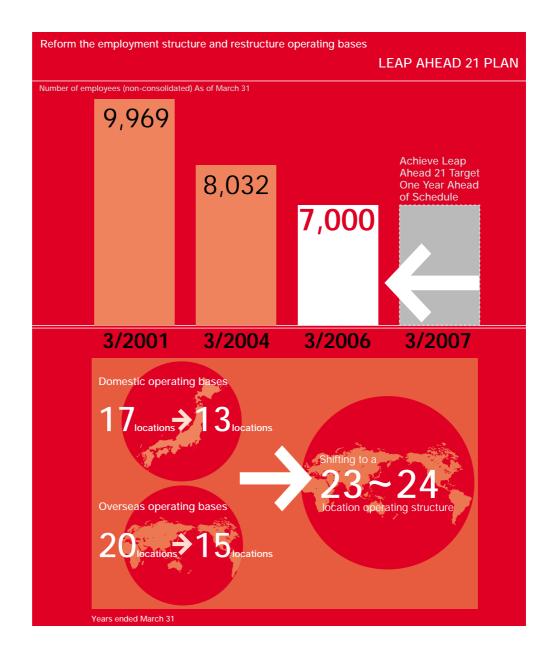
JVC's HD-ILA rear projection TVs contain a three-chip RGB (Red, Green, Blue) digital engine formed from three D-ILA devices, which produces truly beautiful natural color only possible with a three-chip design. Furthermore, this technology offers high contrast and vivid color reproduction to achieve rich gradation that gives depth to images and makes color come alive, delivering large-screen images of unprecedented quality.

Implementing Continuous Structural Reform

In addition to accelerating our growth strategy, we will move forward with continuous structural reform aimed at coordinating development, production, and sales activities within the Company and throughout the world and ensuring that these activities are undertaken from the customers' perspective.

In fiscal 2006, we will implement operational reforms to centralize the management of such basic manufacturing operation aspects as quality, retail price, manufacturing cost, inventory, and schedules; reinforce product model based management; and bolster product capabilities. At the same time, we will rework the organizational framework to put into place product category based development, production, and sales.

Moreover, we will continue to use our career development program to facilitate personal growth and enhance employees' skills so that ultimately all staff will contribute to business growth while working to enhance the efficiency of indirect operations to achieve our Leap Ahead 21 target for fiscal 2007 of reducing the parent company workforce to 7,000 employees a full year ahead of schedule. In addition, we will reduce one or two manufacturing sites to meet our fiscal 2007 target for manufacturing site realignment under Leap Ahead 21 ahead of schedule.

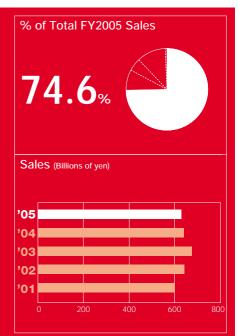


Consumer Electronics



This segment develops, manufactures, and sells consumer audio and visual products as well as car electronics products. In fiscal 2005, the segment generated sales of ¥627.3 billion, representing a 2% decline from the previous fiscal year and accounting for around 75% of total Group sales. In addition, the segment reported a 60% decline in operating income, to ¥10.4 billion.

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The Driving Force behind Leap Ahead 21

The Consumer Electronics segment creates flagship products and generates a substantial portion of the Group's sales. The segment's display and optical disk operations, which include such products as DVD recorders and players, have been designated as priority businesses under Leap Ahead 21. Focusing on these priority businesses and such core businesses as camcorders, car electronics, and AV systems, the segment will lead the Company toward achieving the goals set out in Leap Ahead 21 by securing growth in revenues and earnings. To this end, we will concentrate on select products and work to manufacture a steady stream of truly unique products that deliver high definition sound and images.

Substantial Decline in Profits due to Internal Factors

In the fiscal year under review, although the drop in retail prices greatly exceeded expectations, the weak performance was also largely a result of internal factors—primarily, numerous product introduction delays, which rendered us unable to launch products during peak retail periods. These delays were attributable to insufficient model-based development management. Specifically, we had problems with new manufacturing processes and core technologies, we were unable to appropriately allocate resources in response to an increase in the number of man-hours devoted to software development, and we spread our limited resources too thinly among an overly broad product lineup.

Domestic sales, however, grew 24%, to ¥135.3 billion, supported by a rise in sales of digital products that outpaced growth in the domestic audiovisual industry. Overseas, the July 2004 launch of HD-ILA rear projection TVs in the United States was a success, and sales of car electronics products were strong; however, sluggish sales of digital video cameras and the weak performance of audio products, mainly in Europe, led to a 7% decline in total overseas sales, to ¥492.0 billion. As a result, segment revenues and earnings were lower than in the previous fiscal year.

Eliminating Negative Internal Factors

In fiscal 2006, we will launch products on time during peak retail periods—learning from the fiscal year under review while taking steps to keep pace with shorter and shorter product life cycles. We will focus our initiatives on achieving the following three objectives.

Our first objective is to shrink development lead time. We aim to reduce lead time by one full month, to five months, by reforming development processes and clearly stipulating development volumes, time frames, and target specifications from the initial stage of development. To this end, we will bolster our framework for variable-volume, multiproduct production, including product procurement functions, concentrating efforts on the Yokosuka Plant.

Our second objective is to strengthen our software development capabilities. We will add 100 members annually to our current team of 600 software engineers, outsource software assessment and verification to specialists, and strengthen cooperation with overseas R&D divisions to accomplish this.

Our third objective is to enhance our products' added value. We will fine-tune our product offerings to establish a focused lineup that is consistent with our goal of becoming a top high-end niche player and concentrate development resources on this select product lineup. For instance, we plan to reduce the total number of camcorder and DVD recorder models by 20%.



High Definition LCD TVs

These TVs are equipped with Image Intelligence LSI incorporating the world's first 32-bit CPU dedicated to image processing.



"Everio" Hard Disk Camcorder

This hard disk camcorder utilizes a one-inch hard disk drive as a storage device and incorporates a newly developed 3-CCD camera system to deliver a high quality picture.

Promotion of Structural Reform

In fiscal 2006, the Consumer Electronics segment will move forward with structural reform to achieve high-speed management and enhance efficiency. In April 2005, the president, myself, and the vice-president of the AV & Multimedia Company allocated management responsibility by product category and put into place a simple new organizational framework to realize product category based development, production, and sales. In addition, in fiscal 2005, we reorganized operations to clearly place responsibility for orders with sales staff and responsibility for supply with production staff as part of efforts to hammer out kinks in production, sales, and inventory operations that contributed to poor performance in the fiscal year under review. We aim to achieve on-time market delivery of products through these reforms to operations and development processes.

We will also strictly manage inventory periods according to three product "freshness" categories—less than three months since launch, less than six months since launch, and six months or more since launch—with the aim of achieving an average inventory turnover of 35 days on a consolidated basis by the end of fiscal 2006. Leap Ahead 21 targets average inventory turnover of 28 days on a consolidated basis by the end of fiscal 2007. We will strive to improve the accuracy of sales forecasts to achieve this target ahead of schedule.

Furthermore, we will reduce the number of manufacturing sites and streamline the workforce to create a simple, lean organization.

Displays Will Play a Key Role in Accelerating Growth In fiscal 2006, we will establish PDP and LCD TVs, which take advantage of perizontal integration; LID II A rear pro-

take advantage of horizontal integration; HD-ILA rear projection TVs, which take advantage of vertical integration; and CRT TVs as the cornerstones of our display business.

We are focusing, in particular, on HD-ILA rear projection TVs, which we have positioned as the third JVC option for large-screen flat-panel TVs, along with plasma and LCD TVs. Our HD-ILA rear projection TVs balance uniformly bright images with low power consumption and screens exceeding 50 inches with a sleek, lightweight design. In May 2005, we introduced HD-ILA rear projection TVs in 52- and 61-inch screen sizes in Japan, taking the next step following the U.S. launch of HD-ILA rear projection TVs toward making the JVC name synonymous with HD projection TVs.

JVC's HD-ILA rear projection TVs owe their bright, high definition images to the Company's proprietary D-ILA microdisplay device for projectors and their natural, true-to-life color reproduction to newly developed Image Intelligence LSI, that uses an integrated CPU to perform dedicated image processing. Products of our quest to deliver sound and images that touch the emotions, the cutting-edge technologies incorporated in our products are part of what make them stand out from the crowd.

JVC aims to launch its HD-ILA rear projection TVs in China and other parts of Asia in fall 2005 and plans to introduce 70-inch screen and full high vision models in fiscal 2006. Going forward, we will forge ahead with our global market strategies for HD-ILA rear projection TVs as we work to meet our target of total sales of 300,000 sets by the end of fiscal 2006.





Three-in-One DVD/VHS/Hard Disk Combo Recorder VHS, hard drive, and DVD recording in a single, sleek component that incorporates JVC's proprietary high quality technologies.



DVD Compact Component System This DVD compact component system features two-way wood cone speakers tuned by JVC recording engineers, realizing fantastic true-tolife acoustics. In addition, we will establish a robust lineup of LCD TVs, which experienced strong growth worldwide in fiscal 2005, and strive to bring the picture quality of these TVs to an even higher level through the incorporation of such sophisticated technologies as a new image engine and high-speed response technologies. In May 2005, we launched a 37-inch screen LCD TV in Japan and have added a 40-inch model to our lineup.

We will make utmost efforts to achieve our Leap Ahead 21 display sales target of ¥300 billion ahead of schedule through these strategies.

Double-Digit Growth Worldwide

In the optical disks business, we will downsize operations to thrive amid dramatic changes in the market and focus on optical disks for such high-value-added products as p7, 10, 17 DVD/VHS/hard drive combo recorders in fiscal 2006. We seek to rapidly boost profitability through these initiatives and will also endeavor to develop new core technologies and products, with an eye to creating a bright future for our optical disk business.

In June 2005, JVC added a 3-CCD, five megapixel model to its flagship series of "Everio" hard disk camcorders. JVC aims to create a new recording culture and a new market via its "Everio" line.

We will expand the scope of our car electronics operations through such measures as enhancing our lineup of AV products, including DVD receivers, and introducing a new turn-by-turn navigation system. In addition, we will redouble efforts to boost sales of existing products on a global scale and establish a strong position in the car electronics market. In home theaters and other AV systems, we will enhance our lineup of such distinct products as wood cone speakers that showcase our corporate DNA in terms of our commitment to vivid, high quality sound reproduction that is true to its original source. We will also expand our high-end home theater system offerings, with the aim of generating synergy effects with our high definition (HD) visual equipment.

In fiscal 2006, we must breathe new life into the Consumer Electronics segment, as this is crucial to achieving a turnaround in Company performance. We will move forward with our product category strategies, which include strengthening partnerships with distribution companies from the planning stage of new product development and working to build global alliances with manufacturers and retailers. Furthermore, we will strive to achieve double-digit growth in sales worldwide.

Performance and Future Strategy by Region

In fiscal 2006, JVC will continue to carry out business activities that are tailored to regional characteristics and build on past accomplishments. Furthermore, we will focus on developing powerful strategic partnerships with distributors throughout the world.

Americas

In the fiscal year under review, although sales of video cameras lost ground, the launch of HD-ILA rear projection TVs was a success.

In fiscal 2006, we expect sales of video cameras, which bounced back in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2005 with the



DVD/CD Receiver

This DVD/CD receiver with an in-dash 7-inch wide monitor features 5.1 channel surround sound and a detachable monitor for back-seat viewing.



"alneo" Digital Audio Player Headphones Armless headphones equipped with amazingly true-to-life sound through high precision digital processing introduction of new models, to grow, and we aim to substantially boost sales of HD-ILA rear projection TVs, by enhancing the product lineup through the addition of models with larger screens and models designed for full HD broadcasts. In addition, we will strengthen retail partnerships with national accounts while reinforcing strategic partnerships with local mass market retailers with the goal of more than doubling sales.

Europe

In fiscal 2005, JVC struggled in Europe amid delays in new product launches and deteriorating market conditions, including the rise of non-branded home theater products.

In fiscal 2006, we will shore up channel-specific marketing to expand sales of video cameras, LCD TVs, and other AV products. At the same time, we will work to get home theater products back on track and increase sales in Russia and Eastern Europe. In addition, JVC is an official sponsor of the UEFA EURO 2008[™]. In preparation for this major football event, we will develop various marketing activities while endeavoring to enhance our brand image.

Asia and the Middle East

In fiscal 2005, sales of car electronics and LCD TVs grew, while sales of video cameras were weak.

In fiscal 2006, we aim to generate double-digit sales growth by taking our brand power in the Middle East—our largest market in this region—to the next level, especially in regard to displays and camcorders. We are also working to strengthen sales of such products as video cameras and displays in Singapore as well as aggressively develop new markets in India and elsewhere with Singapore as the base. In China, we are looking to storm the home theater market and generate synergies with audio products and DVD recorders via the introduction of HD-ILA rear projection TVs as part of efforts to further expand sales. Moreover, we will endeavor to boost sales of car electronics products and establish a solid position in the camcorder market with our "Everio" line of hard disk camcorders.

Japan

In fiscal 2005, sales of LCD TVs and DVD recorders experienced tremendous growth, leading to a substantial rise in revenues.

In fiscal 2006, we will work to achieve double-digit growth in sales, keeping our focus on LCD TVs, camcorders, and three-in-one DVD/VHS/hard disk combo recorders. In addition, we will leverage our HD-ILA rear projection TVs to build a greater presence in the largescreen, flat-panel TV market. At the sales front line, we will continue to conduct detailed follow-ups, strive to expand our share of sales at major mass market retailers, restructure our network of partner stores, and work to bolster our sales prowess.

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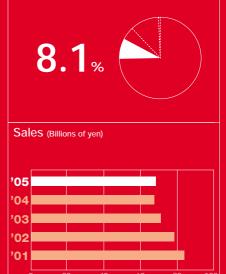
Eiichi Tsuchiya President, AV & Multimedia Company

Professional Electronics



This segment develops, manufactures, and sells surveillance systems comprising cameras and such peripheral equipment as disk recorders as well as camera recorders, audio equipment, projectors, and a range of other products for professional use. In fiscal 2005, this segment achieved growth in both sales and income. Sales rose 1%, to ¥68.3 billion, and operating income came to ¥0.3 billion, up ¥2.1 billion from the operating loss of ¥1.8 billion in the previous fiscal year.

% of Total FY2005 Sales





High Quality Audiovisual Systems and Solutions Deliver the Ultimate in Satisfaction

JVC's professional projectors are being put to use at EXPO 2005 Aichi, Japan, which is being held from March 2005 to September 2005. Among the D-ILA projectors in use at three pavilions is a Super High Vision projector developed in collaboration with Japan Broadcasting Corporation (NHK) that delivers the world's first super high definition images. Under the Leap Ahead 21 plan, the Professional Electronics segment concentrates on products in the presentation systems field—including valueadded professional projectors, monitors, camera recorders, and products in the security systems field, primarily closed-circuit TV (CCTV) cameras and professional audio equipment. In addition, this segment leverages synergies with the Consumer Electronics segment to develop new strategic growth products.

Strong Performance in Security Systems

In fiscal 2005, domestic sales of security systems grew, encouraged by robust demand for such products as surveillance cameras and professional audio equipment, mainly for recreational facilities. Overseas, sales of surveillance camera systems were also strong. In presentation systems, although the market for hand-held type camera recorders showed remarkable growth, JVC did not fare well overseas due to a weak product lineup.

In fiscal 2005, the Professional Electronics segment recorded a rise in sales and restored profitability, largely as a result of reductions in manufacturing costs and fixed expenses achieved through structural reform.

Enhancing Performance to Achieve Leap Ahead 21 Goals

In fiscal 2005, JVC fought hard to turn around its presentation systems business. We developed the ProHD series of professional high definition video (HDV) camera recorders and presented GY-HD100 and other models from the series at the annual National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) convention—the world's largest electronic media show, held in April 2005 in the United States. GY-HD100 is the world's first HDV camera recorder with interchangeable lenses and features full HD progressive recording at 24 frames per second to produce a more polished, film-like appearance. This truly unique product was a huge hit at the convention, drawing in the crowds and receiving a prestigious NAB Award for Innovation in Media. In fiscal 2006, we will launch the ProHD series and expand sales to strengthen our presentation systems operations.

In security systems, where further growth is expected, we will strive to bring sales of surveillance camera systems even higher; develop a strong lineup of storage network products offering outstanding ease of use, quality, and reliability; and expand sales to major customers.

In fiscal 2006, we will concentrate on becoming faster and stronger as well as on embracing change, enhancing performance through operational reform to achieve the goals set out in Leap Ahead 21.

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Hiroyuki Takekura President, Professional Systems Company



Professional HDV Camera Recorder JVC offers an HD solution that meets the video production needs of today.



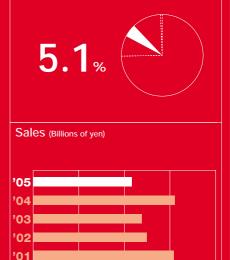
Wide Dynamic Range Surveillance Video Camera Captures clear images even in environments with high levels of light contrast

Components & Devices



Originally created to carry out the in-house production of components for JVC products, this segment has become focused on supplying customers outside the JVC Group over the years. Now, we are bringing the business back to its roots, shifting the focus of operations to key devices that will help to set our products apart from the rest. In fiscal 2005, although sales declined 30%, to ¥43.2 billion, the operating loss was reduced ¥1.4 billion, to ¥1.7 billion.

% of Total FY2005 Sales





Pursuing High Quality and Originality

Leveraging its technological prowess and original manufacturing processes, JVC has created fluid dynamic bearing motors for hard disk drives (HDDs) that boast high rotation speeds and outstanding shock resistance. Our motors have earned a solid reputation in the market for their high quality and have become core products in the Components & Devices segment. Under the Leap Ahead 21 plan, this segment will take part in creating distinct products by working to develop key devices—including motors, optical pickups, and high-density multilayer PWBs—that bring greater added value to our AV products.

Realizing the Benefits of Structural Reform

Since fiscal 2004, the Components & Devices segment has fought hard to get earnings back on track, and in the first half of fiscal 2005, we implemented major structural reforms designed to return the segment to profitability. One critical point that we concentrated on was to consolidate our manufacturing bases for deflection yokes for cathode ray tube (CRT) computer displays in Japan and overseas into one overseas base in response to contraction in the market for these products. Through this and other initiatives, we strengthened the segment's business base, bringing its operations back into the black in the latter half of fiscal 2005.

Looking at sales, in the segment's mainstay motors, fluid dynamic bearing motors for HDDs recorded sales and sales volumes that outstripped our targets; however, due to the shrinking market and fierce price competition, sales of motors for floppy disk drives and for optical disk drives were sluggish. Sales of optical pickups exceeded our targets, thanks to strong sales of optical pickups for car CD receivers. Multilayer PWBs, primarily specialized products for AV equipment, experienced a decline in sales and an initial loss stemming from structural reforms and the revision of manufacturing processes to create high-density products; however, we have built a strong foundation for future recovery by improving the production framework for these products.

As a result, although the Components & Devices segment's sales decreased 30% from the previous fiscal year, manufacturing cost reductions and the benefits of structural reforms led to the posting of operating income in the fourth quarter, which, in turn, resulted in a substantial reduction in the segment's operating loss from the one in fiscal 2004.

Expanding Our Motors Operations

In fiscal 2006, we will establish a framework to increase the production of fluid dynamic bearing motors for HDDs, which lie at the core of the segment's growth strategy. To meet the needs arising from the microminiaturization of HDDs, we will enhance our lineup of motors for 2.5-inch and even smaller HDDs. In deflection yokes, we anticipate ongoing contraction in the market and will rework operations to better reflect this trend. Furthermore, we will work to further expand sales of optical pickups for car CD receivers, proactively develop optical pickups for car DVD receivers, and achieve a recovery in sales of high-density multilayer PWBs. Through these efforts, we aim to boost segment sales and record an operating profit in fiscal 2006.

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Yoshitaka Iriuchijima President, Components & Device Company



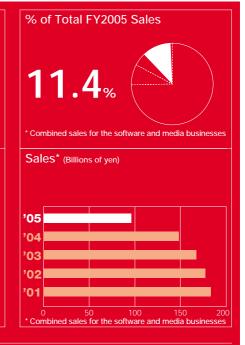
Fluid Dynamic Bearing Motors for Hard Disk Drives JVC has leveraged ultrahigh precision bearings and assembly technology to create low-noise, long-life, shock-resistant motors for hard disk drives.



Optical Pickups for Car CD Receivers This high performance optical pickup offers industry-leading heat and vibration resistance and outstanding reliability.

Software & Media

Media **Business**



" The Media business mainly manufactures and sells recordable media and such prerecorded software as CDs and DVDs, while the Software business identifies, develops, and manages promising artists as well as produces, sells, and distributes content. In fiscal 2005, sales declined 35%, to ¥95.9 billion, and operating income was down 49%, to ¥2.4 billion.

JVC's media business will build its growth upon digital recordable media, while leveraging its partnerships with the software industry.



Bolstering Our Lineup of Digital Recordable Media

High quality recordable media is an important ingredient for fully enjoying the exceptional quality offered by JVC products. Under Leap Ahead 21, digital recordable media lies at the core of the Media business's path to growth. Recordable media technologies are rapidly advancing, but JVC has more to offer than sophisticated functions. We will sharpen our competitive edge by providing distinct media products that deliver sound and images that touch the heart.

DVD Strengthens Its Foothold

In the year under review, sales of recordable tapes declined due to a drastic drop in the retail price of digital video camera tapes and the shrinking market for VHS tapes. DVD-RW and other recordable DVD media, however, soared on the back of the growing popularity of DVD recorders in Japan. As a result, overall sales of recordable media remained stable from the previous fiscal year.

In prerecorded software, sales of DVDs were strong overseas and outstripped the previous fiscal year's levels in Japan, encouraged by interest in Korean TV shows and movies. However, sales of VHS tapes lost ground as a result of video software's move to the DVD format, and sales of music CDs declined amid a slump in the Software business. Consequently, overall sales of prerecorded software dipped slightly.

Taking On Expanding Markets

JVC's Media business owes its strength to the Company's ability to use proprietary, cutting-edge technologies to develop trailblazing products. For instance, in April 2005, JVC unveiled the world's first single-sided, dual-layer DVD-RW disc technology. This technology has achieved large-capacity storage of 8.5GB and up to 11 hours of video recording without turning over the disc. Moreover, in December 2004, we announced our development of the world's first Blu-ray/DVD combo ROM disc technology, which uses proprietary, high-performance reflective film to enable storage of both high definition video and standard definition video on a single disc.

The Japan Recording Media Industries Association projects that the market for recordable DVD media will rapidly expand in 2005, with demand for rewritable DVD media and recordable DVD media rising 65% and 84%, respectively, from 2004.

The Media business will continue to make the most of its technological prowess in growing markets, focusing on enhancing productivity and offsetting the fall in retail prices by expanding the network of retail outlets where its recordable DVD media and digital video camera tapes are sold to increase revenues. We will also continue to develop and mass-produce groundbreaking media products while leveraging our partnership with the Software business.

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Hiroshi Fujisawa President, Media Company



DVD-RW Disks

JVC's years of experience in disk molding and recording layer formation technologies are the foundation for these high quality DVD-RW disks that deliver reliable and stable recording performance.



These high quality mini-DV tapes with unique JVC technology bring out the best performance in any mini-DV camcorder.

Mini-DV Tapes

Software & Media

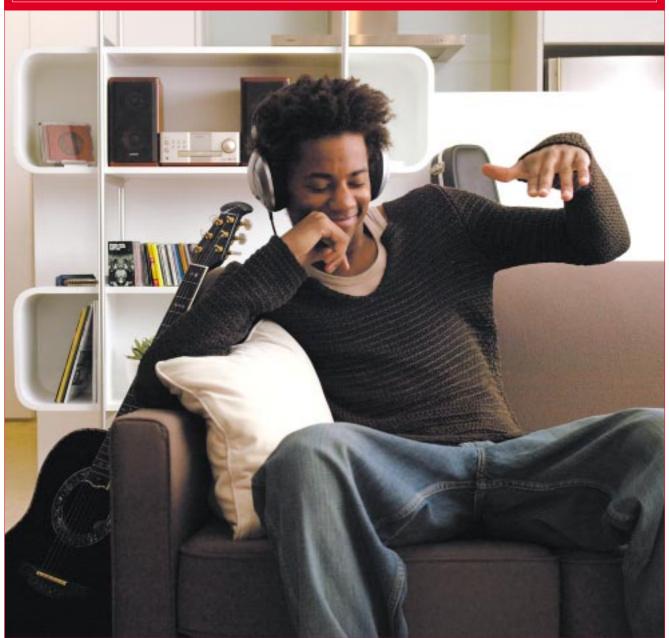


Software Business

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JVC's Software business comprises a number of key companies, including Victor Entertainment, Inc., and Teichiku Entertainment, Inc., which produce and sell music and video content, and Nippon Record Center Co., Ltd., a logistics company. Strategically, Victor Entertainment sits at the heart of the Software business.

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Strengthening Matrix Management

The creation of a wide array of music and other content and the employment of a business model that ensures that maximum earnings are generated from this content are key to JVC's ongoing advancement. Under Leap Ahead 21, the Software business will concentrate on discovering and developing music artists and other new talent as well as bolstering matrix management to expand its focus from CDs, DVDs, and other prerecorded software to content rights and other areas of the music industry.

New Opportunities

In Japan, music CD production costs have declined since their peak in 1998. At the same time, the way people enjoy music is ever diversifying. With many delivery options now available—including music DVDs, live concerts, and online sites—the shift to a one-source, multiuse environment is gaining momentum. This environment offers an excellent opportunity for enhancing earnings by generating a tremendous amount of business from the same content through collaboration with companies comprising our Software business and tie-ups with parties outside the industry. We see great potential for growth in our Software business in this climate.

Becoming a Matrix Entertainment Company

In the year under review, sales in the Software business declined markedly, largely as a result of the postponement of major releases by popular artists and lower sales of music software stemming from the expiration of sales consignment contracts with key industry players. Amid falling demand for music CDs and a steep drop in the number of million seller songs, JVC endeavored to develop new talent and artists who can produce moderate hits. These initiatives started to produce results in the latter half of the fiscal year, with the emergence of such new artists as Remioromen and Fumido and hit releases by Love Psychedelico and other music groups. We also created a new music label called BabeStar to enhance our capability to develop new artists. Furthermore, we enhanced cost performance and completed business process reorganization in line with structural reforms, with an eye to establishing a strong revenue base.

In fiscal 2006, we plan to release the first new CD album in seven years and more than 40 CD singles, including remixes and new songs, by the Southern All Stars as well as numerous other CD albums by such major artists as SMAP and Dragon Ash. We expect these releases to boost revenues and earnings and are developing the talents of several young artists on their way to becoming hit makers. In January 2004, Victor Entertainment established JVC Entertainment Networks Inc. (JEN) through the merger of affiliates to generate creative synergies. JEN is working to expand highly profitable new business and reinforce its matrix management approach to the entertainment business. In fiscal 2006, our Software business will work to build a solid revenue base, proactively generate resources, and maximize the benefits of the merger through such efforts. Also, in fiscal 2007, we will firmly establish ourselves as a Matrix Entertainment Company.

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Toshiaki Shibuya President & Chief Executive Officer, Victor Entertainment, Inc.



CD: LOVE PSYCHEDELICO Early Times



CD: SOUTHERN ALL STARS Only You Are A Star



CD: REMIOROMEN ether



CD: SMAP ~Say What You Will~

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Over the years, JVC has employed the host of audio and visual technologies that it has developed and advanced from the analog age to bring an array of products unlike anything seen before to market. JVC plans to invest ¥40 billion in R&D in fiscal 2006 to develop commercially viable technologies that will generate sustained growth in revenues and earnings from the present into the future.

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Developing New Technologies and Passing on Technological Know-How

To achieve the goals set out in Leap Ahead 21 and sustainable growth into the future, we must continue to develop and commercialize technologies that produce sound and images of unprecedented quality. In the fiscal year under review, we used our proprietary technologies to develop a dedicated image processor Genessa LSI and a D-ILA high definition microdisplay device, which led to the creation of new highvalue-added displays. In addition, we successfully developed numerous new optical disk media technologies, including DVD and Blu-ray technologies.

In fiscal 2005, we also established the JVC Technology Expert Group (JTEG). In-house experts in high quality audio and visual, high-density recording and playback, optical, and other technologies in which the Company excels are appointed to JTEG. The group is designed to enhance the skills of members as well as promote the transmission of the sophisticated technological know-how that these experts possess and contribute to the development of successors. As of May 2005, JTEG comprised 20 members (12 executive experts and 8 other experts) specializing in seven fields.

In fiscal 2006, R&D activities will play an important role in bringing us closer to achieving our objective of putting into place management that is fast-acting and creates a high level of added value. In addition, we need to make steady progress in developing technologies that will support operations several years from now. In fiscal 2006, we will put into effect a system that manages R&D themes according to three specific time frames—our immediate future to support the JVC of today, 3 to 5 years from now to create the technology of tomorrow, and 5 to 10 years hence. This system will enable us to deliver a steady stream of one-of-a-kind products.

Speeding Up Development

of Consumer Electronics Technologies

The technology department of each in-house company is in charge of developing technologies for the immediate future. Engineers from the AV & Multimedia Company (Consumer Electronics business segment), which is to be reorganized in fiscal 2006, used to be dispersed among the JVC Head Office and two plants. However, in April 2005, JVC gathered approximately 1,000 engineers at its new technology center Techno WING, which is located adjacent to the Head Office. We did this to encourage more active communication among engineers and between engineers and marketing and sales managers as well as to promote the sharing of information, skills, and implicit knowledge. This, in turn, will facilitate the rapid creation of products that meet market needs and wants.

JVC is positioning its optical disc operations as a priority business and is seeking to optimize all aspects of required R&D by clarifying and unifying the Company's development resources.

As a part of efforts to achieve this, in fiscal 2006, we established the Optical Disk Core Technology Development

<u>Techno</u> WING



In April 2005, the construction of JVC's new technology center, Techno WING, which is adjacent to its Yokohama Plant, was completed. Techno WING is home to roughly 1,000 employees, mainly consumer electronics engineers, and is designed to facilitate active communication through lively, open discussion. Techno WING will bring JVC's underlying technological prowess, which is rooted in the know-how amassed by the Company over the years, into full play and serve as a hub for the creation of new products that are truly one of a kind.

Center, which is devoted to the development of optical pickups and other key components for optical disc products to support our optical disc operations. We will also promote the flexible, efficient use of resources by focusing on select development themes. Specifically, we have established teams according to such product categories as next-generation optical disc products, current DVD recorders, and car CD/DVD receivers as well as appropriately allocated resources to these teams. We are picking up the pace of our R&D activities to accelerate growth in the optical disc business and launch distinct products that offer superior added value.

Creating Truly Unique Products to Support JVC in the Future

The primary focus of the Technology Development Division has been and will remain medium- to long-term R&D—R&D themes for products to be launched 5 and 10 years down the line. To meet intensifying demand for increased product development speed stemming from the emergence of the digital age, JVC has also established a Future Product Development Center within the division to focus on the development of products to be introduced in two to three years and promote collaboration with each in-house company.

The Future Product Development Center's research themes are selected by the Companywide Development Theme Committee. This committee looks at product development from the perspective of the entire Company, choosing research themes that have the potential to develop into major business two of three years down the road. Once a theme is selected, core technology developers, production technology developers, and staff in charge of product planning and design are chosen from the Technology Development Division and relevant in-house companies according to the theme, and the product commercialization process begins.

Within the Technology Development Division, we have also established a Core Technology Development Center to specialize in core technologies to be completed three years into the future.

JVC will leverage its two new development centers to further enhance the sophistication of its technologies, expand its development scale, and speed up product development. In addition, we will reinforce our framework for collaborative R&D with in-house companies, positioning the Technology Development Division as the center of these activities. Moreover, we will work to bolster our power to create groundbreaking products that will give us competitive advantages as market pioneers.

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Guided by our basic management slogan, "Contributing to culture and serving society through our products and business practices," efforts to protect the global environment are incorporated in all our business activities. Since formulating JVC's Basic Environmental Policy in 1992, we have carried out a range of initiatives designed to help realize a sustainable society.

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Environmental Management

JVC's environmental protection initiatives are underpinned by the JVC Environmental Committee, which is chaired by the president of JVC, and a number of specialist subcommittees. These subcommittees are responsible for implementing initiatives and policies adopted by the JVC Environmental Committee. In fiscal 2006, we will continue to accelerate the elimination of environmentally hazardous substances from JVC products. All subcommittees in JVC's environmental framework are actively working to achieve this objective.

In line with our commitment to sustainable environmental protection activities, we have worked to attain ISO 14001 certification, the internationally recognized standard for environmental management. Our plant in Hachioji led the way in achieving certification in January 1997, followed by all our other manufacturing facilities around the world. The JVC Head Office, our research facilities, and all of our domestic sales and service centers have also earned environmental management certification. Our next goals will be to upgrade environmental protection at JVC plants and design more eco-friendly products.

Designing Eco-Friendly Products

1. Promoting Green Procurement

JVC has worked to ensure that the products it ships to EU member countries do not contain any substances restricted by the EU's Restriction of the Use of Certain Hazardous

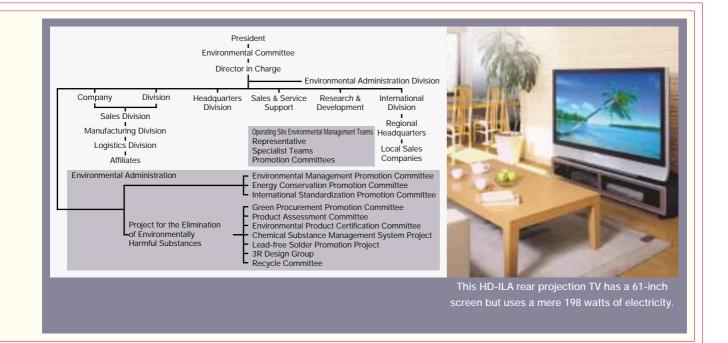
Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment (RoHS) directive since April 2005—ahead of the directive's enforcement in EU member countries in 2006.

JVC established guidelines for green purchasing in fiscal 1999. In fiscal 2004, we requested the support and understanding of suppliers with regard to our green purchasing policy. We have also been calling on our partners to guarantee that no hazardous substances are used in products supplied to JVC, verified by tests carried out by us on the components and materials we purchase.

Our suppliers provide us with information via the Internet that we purchase, which we utilize to promote efficient green design and purchasing.

2. Making Green Products

At JVC, products that are environmentally friendly designed are designated "green products." These products do not contain hazardous substances and are designed to help prevent global warming and promote resource recycling. As part of efforts to promote the creation of green products, we eliminated the use of the six substances restricted by the EU's RoHS directive at our manufacturing sites around the world as well as affiliates manufacturing JVC products, with certain exceptions, in March 2005. These substances are still used in some of the components and units that we purchase and OEM products that we manufacture for other companies. Going forward, we will work to enlist the



cooperation of suppliers and distributors in eliminating the targeted substances from these products as well.

3. Recycling End-of-Life Products in Europe

In February 2003, the EU's Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) recycling directive came into force. All electric and electronic equipment sold within the EU is subject to this directive. In addition to this regional initiative, individual member countries, such as the Netherlands and Sweden, have already introduced their own recycling systems. JVC is adhering to both these national and regional recycling regulations. JVC has established an internal Europe Recycling Committee to devise an effective recycling system by August 2005. The system will be based on country-bycountry recycling studies and research as well as experimental recycling systems created with local affiliates and specialist waste recycling companies.

Reducing Energy Consumption and Fighting Global Warming

JVC is working to achieve its medium-term target of reducing energy consumption 10% from the fiscal 2001 level by fiscal 2011. We are also striving to reduce emissions of CO₂, CFCs, and other greenhouse gases that contribute to global warming. Initiatives include efforts to curb the CO₂ emissions of JVC manufacturing plants and affiliates and completely eliminate CFC use by adopting alternatives. Moreover, we are developing products that reduce energy consumption. Our 61-inch HD-ILA rear projection TVs, which were launched in the United States in fiscal 2005 and in Japan in fiscal 2006, use a mere 198 watts, outperforming a 32-inch CRT television or 40-inch LCD television.

Cutting Waste Emissions

In an effort to reuse waste generated by manufacturing activities, we targeted and attained a waste recycling ratio of 99% in our domestic operations, including affiliates.

Helping to Protect the Air, Soil, and Water Environments

The electrical and electronics industries use four key chemical substances that can cause atmospheric pollution: trichloroethylene, tetrachloroethylene, dichloromethane, and trichloroethane. JVC has already banned the use of the first three chemicals in its manufacturing processes. Although we use small amounts of dichloromethane and trichloroethane in R&D and quality assurance testing, we are working to further reduce usage by examining the use of alternatives. "

JVC is committed to ensuring as many people as possible have the opportunity to share the inspiration and excitement that sports and the arts can offer. This thinking has underpinned our wideranging cultural activities over many years, mainly in the form of support for music, the arts, and sports. Bringing the magnificence of the arts and sports to people is just one of the ways we make our brand statement "The Perfect Experience" ring true. We want you to experience the wonder of the moment. It is what we are all about.

Sponsoring Sporting Events: International Soccer Tournaments



JVC lends its hand to a range of sports in numerous countries around the world, supporting events and sponsoring teams so that as many people as possible can enjoy the

Photo by Action Images/Andrew Couldridge

inspiration and excitement that sports offer, or what we like to call "The Perfect Experience."

In particular, we have been closely involved in the UEFA European Football Championship. An official partner since the 1980 UEFA tournament held in Italy, JVC has provided comprehensive support for this major soccer event for more than two decades to deliver to people the excitement and passion of one of the world's most loved sports.

Our backing of the event goes beyond mere sponsorship. Holding the championships requires ample hardware—from TV monitors to audio and visual equipment for the stadium and we help out by providing AV equipment and other products. At last year's Portugal tournament, supporters from around the world viewed games that they did not have tickets for on a giant screen set up in the center of town in Lisbon. Perfect strangers brought together by their passion for soccer watched the players intensely, their emotions swinging between elation and despair with every play. We are currently preparing for the UEFA EURO 2008[™], which will be cohosted by Switzerland and Austria, so that we can share "The Perfect Experience" with customers via this event.

In addition, JVC's AV products bring the game to fans who are unable to root for their team from the stands because they could not acquire tickets or the venue is simply too far away. We aspire to develop high definition technologies and products that deliver the inspiration and excitement of sports by making viewers feel as if they can actually hear the crowd's cheers and feel the players' emotions.

Inspiration through Music: JVC Jazz Festivals



With the love of music in its corporate heart, JVC has been offering the JVC Jazz Festival since 1984 to give audiences worldwide a chance to enjoy live jazz. This program

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James Carter at the 2004 JVC International Jazz Festival

has been one of JVC's contributions to the world's music culture.

Jazz musicians create soulful tunes out of their own imagination, their own inspiration. Melodies travel new, unexpected, and surprising paths, making no two performances exactly the same. It is what sets jazz apart as a musical movement, and it is why jazz has thrilled, excited, and captured the minds of music lovers the world over. The spirit



of jazz resonates with our corporate values, which is why JVC has sponsored over 160 major jazz festivals, where countless musicians have brought the splendor of live music to audiences of almost four million.

The well-known Newport Jazz Festival in Rhode Island, which celebrated its 50th anniversary last year; the great New York Jazz Festival; the extremely exciting North Sea Jazz Festival in Holland; avant-garde jazz concerts in Paris; and concerts in Eastern Europe's Warsaw are just a few of the events that we have sponsored for years. In addition, we have expanded our activities to Asia—sponsoring concerts in South Korea and Japan in 2003 and 2004, respectively to nurture a common bond among more music enthusiasts than ever before.

Expanding Video Culture: JVC Tokyo Video Festival



Since 1978, JVC has held the Tokyo Video Festival, a venerable international video competition for professionals and amateurs alike. To date, the festival has attracted entries of

more than 40,000 works from 90 countries and regions around the world.

In 2004, the Video Grand Prize was awarded to "Grainy Days," a masterpiece created by a 24-year-old woman who used film to paint a self-portrait, and the JVC Grand Prize was awarded to "Off to War: Chapter Two," a video letter produced by two U.S. video journalists chronicling the pain and hardships of war.

One thing that makes the Tokyo Video Festival unique is its concept. It is not just a video contest. Rather, it is a video communication festival for people to communicate and express themselves through works of art. The Tokyo Video Festival provides an opportunity for people who have never picked up a video camera before to experience the fun of filming and the joy of viewing their creations. Through the festival, JVC aims to promote video software production as one way to enjoy video technology and introduce new film creations to the world.



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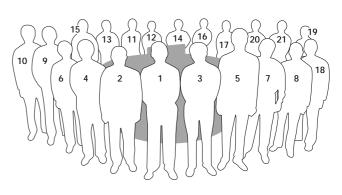
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Corporate Governance

Our Basic Stance

JVC aspires to be an outstanding global company and is committed to conducting its operations in a manner that is fair and highly transparent to all stakeholders.

Measures put forth by the Company to enhance corporate governance include the appointment of outside directors and auditors, the disclosure of information via a wide range of media, and the establishment of a Corporate Ethics Office to promote legal compliance.

Frameworks and Policies

Supported by the Board of Managing Directors, the Board of Directors is responsible for management decision making and the execution of operations. In addition, JVC employs an in-house company system to speed up management processes.

Since fiscal 2000, the Company has appointed one outside director to its Board of 17 directors. The objective insight obtained from the outside director helps the Board of Directors to make better, more informed decisions.

The Board of Managing Directors operates under the Board of Directors, which is responsible for making decisions related to the execution of operations under the Commercial Code of Japan, as a decision-making body responsible for matters that fall outside the realm of the Board of Directors' responsibilities. This organization is designed to promote flexible decision making and the accurate communication of management information.

In fiscal 2001, JVC introduced an in-house company system comprising five business segment companies—the AV & Multimedia Company, the Professional Systems Company, the Components & Device Company, the Media Company, and the Entertainment Software Company—and three regional companies—the Americas Company, the Europe Company, and the Asia & the Middle East Company. Inhouse company presidents are responsible for carrying out business operations in a timely and appropriate manner and have been delegated sufficient authority to achieve this task. We recognize that in terms of the big picture we must put what is best for the Company as a whole before what is best for each individual in-house company. Therefore, in-house company presidents and two regional company presidents also serve as directors.



Two statutory auditors and two outside auditors provide rigorous, objective oversight of various aspects of operations, including the execution of operations by the Board of Directors.

JVC is committed to promoting accountability and proactively provides information on its corporate activities and results through various forms of media, including the Company's annual report, environmental report, and other publications as well as its website.

Our compliance activities are headed by the Corporate Ethics Office, which employs lawyers from outside the Company. This office works to keep the JVC Business Conduct Guidelines up to date, establish job-specific business conduct guidelines, and promote the understanding of personal information issues among employees.

Fiscal 2005 Initiatives

In January 2005, JVC revised its Business Conduct Guidelines, with an eye toward bolstering corporate governance. We distributed this publication, which is available in Japanese and English, to all Group employees as part of efforts to promote the awareness of corporate governance issues. In addition, JVC took steps to ensure that employees have a clear understanding of information security matters in preparation for the enactment of Japan's Personal Information Security Act on April 1, 2005. In September 2004, we formulated our Information Security Management Regulations, and in November 2004, we published our *Information Security Guide*. Furthermore, JVC conducted a Companywide test of all employees' comprehension of pertinent information security issues.

JVC is reinforcing corporate governance to maximize shareholder value and ensure that it remains highly valued by the market and society, both in Japan and abroad.

Financial Section

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Six-Year Summary

Victor Company of Japan, Limited and its consolidated subsidiaries Years ended March 31

| | Millions of yen | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-------------|--|--|--|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 200 | | | |
| For the year: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Net sales | ¥840,591 | ¥921,978 | ¥967,640 | ¥954,172 | ¥934,350 | ¥870,235 | \$7,855,991 | | | |
| Overseas | 567,565 | 619,962 | 638,092 | 626,209 | 567,977 | 545,316 | 5,304,346 | | | |
| Domestic | 273,026 | 302,016 | 329,548 | 327,963 | 366,373 | 324,919 | 2,551,645 | | | |
| Cost of sales | 564,977 | 629,125 | 668,821 | 684,458 | 641,209 | 600,506 | 5,280,159 | | | |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | 265,244 | 267,702 | 276,520 | 281,808 | 287,449 | 277,748 | 2,478,916 | | | |
| Operating income (loss) | 10,370 | 25,151 | 22,299 | (12,094) | 5,692 | (8,019) | 96,916 | | | |
| Income (Loss) before income taxes | | | | | | | | | | |
| and minority interests | 4,728 | 14,106 | 10,064 | (38,446) | 9,444 | 6,088 | 44,187 | | | |
| Income taxes | 6,200 | (1,926) | 3,568 | 5,985 | 7,238 | 11,295 | 57,944 | | | |
| Net income (loss) | (1,858) | 15,609 | 6,336 | (44,572) | 2,498 | (5,341) | (17,364 | | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 23,422 | 22,735 | 25,250 | 28,000 | 28,085 | 28,590 | 218,897 | | | |
| Capital expenditures | 28,959 | 25,900 | 21,036 | 21,175 | 31,127 | 24,336 | 270,645 | | | |
| R&D expenditures | 39,336 | 40,574 | 40,973 | 40,981 | 44,094 | 43,351 | 367,626 | | | |

| | Millions of yen | | | | | | | | | Thousands U.S. dolla (Note | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|---------|---|----------|-------|----------------|----------|----------|---------|----------------------------------|---------|----------|-----------|-------------------------|
| | 2005 | | | 2004 | 2003 | | 2002 | | 2001 | | 2000 | | 20 | |
| At year-end: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Working capital | ¥ 8 | | | ¥147,225 | | ¥149,172 | ¥118,948 | ¥150,067 | | ¥127,709 | | \$ 820,7 | | |
| Stockholders' equity | 15 | | | 159,326 | 26 14 | 146,410 | 146,24 | 46,246 | 18 | 30,515 | 199,164 | | 1,4 | 1,478,841 |
| Total assets | 46 | 466,549 | | 07,117 | 4 | 79,750 513,365 | | 513,365 | 586,628 | | 540,359 | | 4,360,271 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | Yen | ι | J.S. dollars (Note 1 |
| | | 2005 | | 2004 | | 2003 | | 2002 | | 2001 | | 2000 | | 2005 |
| Per share: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Net income (loss) (Note 2) | ¥ | (7.7) | ¥ | 61.1 | ¥ | 24.9 | ¥ | (175.3) | ¥ | 9.8 | ¥ | (21.0) | \$ | (0.07) |
| Diluted net income (Note 2) | | _ | | 57.9 | | 23.5 | | _ | | _ | | _ | | _ |
| Cash dividends (Note 3) | | 5.0 | | 5.0 | | _ | | _ | | 3.0 | | _ | | 0.05 |

Notes: 1. U.S. dollar amounts have been translated, for convenience only, at the exchange rate of ¥107 to U.S.\$1, the approximate rate prevailing on March 31,

2005.

Net income (loss) per share of common stock for the years ended March 31, 2002, 2001 and 2000 have not been recalculated using the new accounting standard, which was effective April 1, 2002.
 Cash dividends represent amounts applicable to the respective years.

Financial Review

Overview of Fiscal 2005

In fiscal 2005, ended March 31, 2005, net sales declined 8.8%, to ¥840.6 billion. Sales of consumer electronics products in Japan grew, encouraged by the launch of LCD TVs, DVD recorders, hard disk camcorders, and other digital products; however, the weak performance of music software and lower music CD sales due to the expiration of consignment contracts caused domestic sales to contract 9.6%, to ¥273.0 billion. Although sales in Asia excluding Japan and sales of LCD TVs worldwide expanded, camcorders struggled overseas, and sales of home theaters in

Europe lost ground, resulting in an 8.5% decline in overseas sales, to ¥567.6 billion.

Cost of sales fell 10.2%, to ¥565.0 billion, and the gross profit margin rose from 31.8% in the previous fiscal year to 32.8%. Selling, general and administrative (SG&A) expenses slipped 0.9%, to ¥265.2 billion.

Despite the implementation of cost-cutting initiatives, operating income fell 58.8%, to ¥10.4 billion, owing to a drop in the retail price of consumer electronics products, lower overseas sales of consumer electronics products, and weak domestic sales of software.

NET SALES BY SEGMENT

| | | | | | | Billions of yen |
|----------------|----------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| | Consumer | Professional | Components | | | |
| | electronics | electronics | & Devices | Software & Media | Other | |
| | business | business | business | business | business | Total |
| 2005 | | | | | | |
| Sales | ¥627.3 | ¥68.3 | ¥43.2 | ¥95.9 | ¥5.9 | ¥840.6 |
| Percentage | 74.6% | 8.1% | 5.1% | 11.4% | 0.8% | 100.0% |
| Change | (1.7)% | 1.2% | (30.5)% | (35.2)% | (6.3)% | (8.8)% |
| Domestic Sales | ¥135.3 | ¥46.7 | ¥3.7 | ¥81.6 | ¥5.7 | ¥273.0 |
| Change | 23.7% | (6.4)% | (7.5)% | (38.3)% | (11.1)% | (9.6)% |
| Overseas Sales | ¥492.0 | ¥21.6 | ¥39.5 | ¥14.3 | ¥0.2 | ¥567.6 |
| Change | (6.9)% | 22.7% | (31.9)% | (8.3)% | 100.0% | (8.5)% |
| 2004 | | | | | | |
| Sales | ¥638.1 | ¥67.5 | ¥62.0 | ¥148.0 | ¥6.4 | ¥922.0 |
| Percentage | 69.2% | 7.3% | 6.7% | 16.1% | 0.7% | 100.0% |
| Major Products | VCRs, | Professional-use | Components for | Audio and visual | Interior furniture | è |
| | camcorders, | and educational- | use in computer | software | production faci | lities |
| | CRT TVs, | use systems, | displays, | including CDs, | | |
| | LCD TVs, Plasma TVs, | information | optical pickups, | DVDs and | | |
| | rear projection TVs, | systems, | motors, | videotapes, and | | |
| | stereo systems, | karaoke | and "VIL" PWBs | recording media | | |
| | car AV systems, | systems, and | | | | |
| | DVD players, DVD | projectors | | | | |
| | recorders, and | | | | | |
| | portable audio | | | | | |

As for other income (expenses), the Company posted a ¥3.9 billion gain on sales of investment securities, special retirement payments associated with structural reform of ¥6.5 billion, and an interest expense of ¥3.1 billion. Income before income taxes and minority interests totaled ¥4.7 billion, down 66.5%.

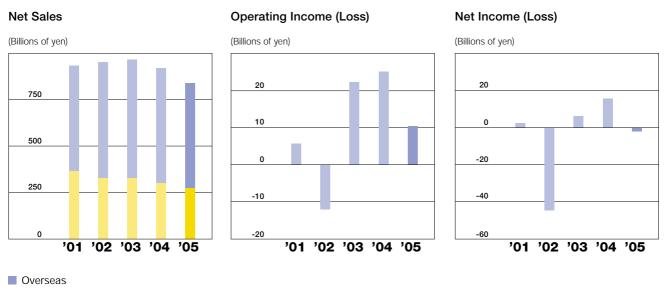
Income taxes amounted to ¥6.2 billion, representing a high effective tax rate of 131.1%, mainly due to the elimination of dividend income, and the Company recorded a net loss of ¥1.9 billion for the fiscal year under review, compared with net income of ¥15.6 billion in fiscal 2004.

Despite the Company's weak fiscal 2005 performance, JVC has decided to pay cash dividends of ¥5 per share in line with its goal of maintaining stable dividends.

SEGMENT INFORMATION

Consumer Electronics

Sales in this segment edged down 1.7%, to ¥627.3 billion, and operating income declined 59.8%, to ¥10.4 billion. In Japan, sales greatly outstripped those of the previous fiscal year, thanks to the robust performance of LCD TVs and DVD recorders, the launch of hard disk camcorders, and expanded sales of audio products. In Asia excluding Japan, sales of car electronics and displays gained ground. In the United States, sales of D-ILA rear projection TVs, car electronics, and LCD TVs grew, but those of camcorders and other products were sluggish, resulting in an overall decline in sales. In Europe, a rise in sales of LCD TVs and DVD recorders was hampered by the weak performance of home theaters and camcorders, leading to a decrease in total sales.



Domestic

Professional Electronics

Sales rose 1.2%, to ¥68.3 billion, and operating income totaled ¥0.3 billion, a major improvement from the operating loss of ¥1.8 billion in fiscal 2004. Although the presentation systems business struggled, sales of surveillance camera systems and other security products were strong.

Components & Devices

Segment sales dropped 30.5%, to ¥43.2 billion; however, the operating loss shrank from ¥3.1 billion in fiscal 2004 to ¥1.7 billion. The robust performance of hard disk drive motors was not sufficient to counter the negative effects of the shrinking markets for floppy disk drive motors and deflection yokes and the decline in orders for high-density PWBs, leading to an overall decline in segment sales.

Software & Media

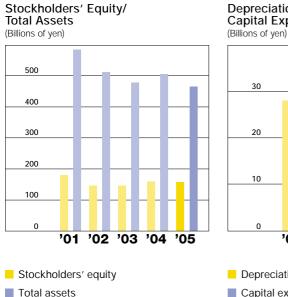
Sales decreased 35.2%, to ¥95.9 billion, and operating income declined 48.9%, to ¥2.4 billion, primarily owing to the postponement of major releases by popular artists and the expiration of sales consignment contracts for music CDs, which outweighed growth in sales of DVD recordable media.

Other

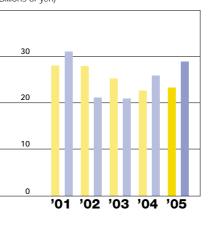
Sales slipped 6.3%, to ¥5.9 billion.

Financial Position

Total assets as of March 31, 2005, were ¥466.5 billion, down ¥40.6 billion, or 8.0%, from the end of the previous fiscal year. Total current assets declined ¥40.9 billion, to



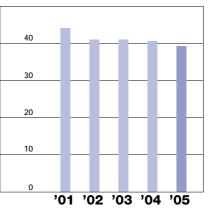
Depreciation and Amortization/ Capital Expenditures



Depreciation and amortizationCapital expenditures

R&D Expenditures

(Billions of yen)



¥342.9 billion, mainly owing to a ¥38.7 billion decrease in cash and time deposits. Major factors contributing to the decline in cash and time deposits are described in the following cash flows section. Property, plant and equipment rose ¥6.7 billion, to ¥96.2 billion, mainly reflecting investments related to the new technology center and the production of D-ILA devices. Investments and advances decreased ¥6.0 billion, largely as a result of the sale of investment securities.

Total liabilities fell 11.4%, or ¥39.2 billion, to ¥304.4 billion. Although current liabilities rose ¥18.5 billion, to ¥255.1 billion, notes and accounts payable declined ¥21.8 billion, and convertible bonds and bonds due within one year increased ¥25.1 billion. Total long-term liabilities dropped ¥57.7 billion, to ¥49.4 billion, mainly as a result of a ¥56.0 billion decline in bonds and long-term debt.

Stockholders' equity edged down 0.7%, or ¥1.1 billion, to ¥158.2 billion; however, stockholders' equity as a percentage of total assets rose to 33.9%, compared with 31.4% at the previous fiscal year-end.

Cash Flows

Net cash used in operating activities amounted to ¥6.2 billion, compared with an inflow of ¥40.7 billion in the previous fiscal year. This was mainly attributable to a decline in income before income taxes and minority interests, special retirement payments associated with structural reform, and a decrease in notes and accounts payable.

Net cash used in investing activities came to ¥13.9 billion, down from ¥15.8 billion in the previous fiscal year, primarily due to purchases of property, plant and equipment amounting to ¥26.8 billion, which outweighed proceeds from sales of investment securities of ¥5.5 billion.

Net cash used in financing activities totaled ¥15.6 billion, up from ¥9.4 billion in the previous fiscal year. This was largely a result of a ¥17.0 billion outflow attributable to repayments of long-term loans and the redemption of bonds, which countered a ¥3.7 billion increase in shortterm bank loans, net.

As a result, cash and cash equivalents at the end of fiscal 2005 came to ¥62.7 billion, down ¥34.6 billion from the end of the previous fiscal year.

Capital Expenditures/Depreciation and Amortization

In fiscal 2005, capital expenditures rose 11.8%, or ¥3.1 billion, from the previous fiscal year, to ¥29.0 billion. This increase primarily represents investments related to the production of D-ILA devices at the Company's Yokosuka Plant and HD-ILA rear projection TVs at the Company's manufacturing subsidiary in Mexico. Depreciation and amortization increased 3.0%, or ¥0.7 billion, to ¥23.4 billion.

R&D Expenditures

In fiscal 2005, R&D expenditures amounted to ¥39.3 billion, representing a 3.1%, or ¥1.2 billion, decline from the previous fiscal year and a ratio to net sales of 4.7%.

Personnel

The number of JVC employees on a consolidated basis at fiscal year-end totaled 34,493, a decrease of 1,087 employees compared to the previous fiscal year-end.

Consolidated Balance Sheets

Victor Company of Japan, Limited and its consolidated subsidiaries March 31, 2005 and 2004 $\,$

| | | | Thousands of U.S. dollars |
|---|--|---|---|
| | | Millions of yen | (Note 1) |
| ASSETS | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 |
| Current assets: | | | |
| Cash and time deposits | | | |
| (including time deposits with maturities over three months of | | | |
| ¥4,105 million in 2004) | ¥ 62,685 | ¥101,347 | \$ 585,841 |
| Notes and accounts receivable: | | | |
| Trade | 108,870 | 107,410 | 1,017,477 |
| Non-consolidated subsidiaries and affiliated companies | 14 | 129 | 131 |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts | (3,935) | (4,215) | (36,776) |
| Inventories (Note 5) | 124,705 | 129,912 | 1,165,467 |
| Deferred tax assets (Note 7) | 21,538 | 22,194 | 201,290 |
| Other current assets | 29,022 | 27,024 | 271,234 |
| Total current assets | 342,899 | 383,801 | 3,204,664 |
| Investments in and advances to non-consolidated subsidiaries and affiliated companies | 890 | 2,969 | 0 210 |
| Other | 9,804 | 13,723 | |
| Other Total investments and advances | 9,804 10,694 | | 8,318 91,626 99,944 |
| | | 13,723 | 91,626 |
| Total investments and advances | | 13,723 | 91,626 99,944 |
| Total investments and advances Property, plant and equipment: | 10,694 | 13,723 16,692 | 91,626 |
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| Total investments and advances Property, plant and equipment: Land Buildings and structures | 10,694 25,634 97,964 | 13,723 16,692 25,917 99,326 | 91,626 99,944 239,570 915,551 |
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| | | | Thousands of U.S. dollars |
|---|----------|-----------------|------------------------------|
| | | Millions of yen | (Note 1) |
| LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 |
| Current liabilities: | | | |
| Bank loans (Note 8) | ¥ 34,252 | ¥ 29,232 | \$ 320,112 |
| Current portion of long-term debt (Note 8) | 56,235 | 16,928 | 525,561 |
| Notes and accounts payable: | | | |
| Trade | 69,220 | 91,163 | 646,916 |
| Non-consolidated subsidiaries and affiliated companies | 586 | 412 | 5,477 |
| Accrued income taxes (Note 7) | 4,057 | 4,128 | 37,916 |
| Accrued expenses | 72,718 | 73,456 | 679,607 |
| Accrued restructuring charges | _ | 3,136 | _ |
| Other current liabilities | 18,006 | 18,121 | 168,280 |
| Total current liabilities | 255,074 | 236,576 | 2,383,869 |
| Long-term liabilities: | | | |
| Long-term debt (Note 8) | 30,345 | 86,337 | 283,598 |
| Employees' severance and retirement benefits (Note 9) | 16,484 | 18,587 | 154,056 |
| Other long-term liabilities | 2,546 | 2,129 | 23,795 |
| Total long-term liabilities | 49,375 | 107,053 | 461,449 |
| Minority interests | 3,864 | 4,162 | 36,112 |
| Contingent liabilities (Note 10) | | | |
| Stockholders' equity (Note 11): | | | |
| Common stock; | | | |
| Authorized 800,000,000 shares | | | |
| Issued 254,230,058 shares | 34,115 | 34,115 | 318,832 |
| Capital surplus | 67,216 | 67,217 | 628,187 |
| Retained earnings | 77,146 | 79,622 | 720,990 |
| Net unrealized holding gains on available-for-sale securities | 3,371 | 4,743 | 31,505 |
| Foreign currency translation adjustments | (23,434) | (26,230) | (219,009) |
| | 158,414 | 159,467 | 1,480,505 |
| Treasury stock, at cost | (178) | (141) | (1,664) |
| Total stockholders' equity | 158,236 | 159,326 | 1,478,841 |
| | ¥466,549 | ¥507,117 | \$4,360,271 |
| | | | |

Consolidated Statements of Operations

Victor Company of Japan, Limited and its consolidated subsidiaries Years ended March 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003

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| Big Big <td>Cost of sales</td> <td>564,977</td> <td>629,125</td> <td>668,821</td> <td>5,280,159</td> | Cost of sales | 564,977 | 629,125 | 668,821 | 5,280,159 |
| Operating income 10,370 25,151 22,299 Other income (expenses): Interest and dividend income 688 711 949 Equity in income (loss) of affiliated companies 32 (24) 70 Interest expense (3,092) (2,840) (3,403) Gain on sales of investment securities 3,911 280 318 Gain on sales of investment securities 3,911 280 318 Gain on sales of investment securities 3,911 280 318 Gain on sales of investment securities (16) (0) (170) Restructuring charges (57) (3,812) (3,785) Loss from write-down of investment in securities (349) (282) (5,408) Prior period patent royalty (263) (2,736) | Selling, general and administrative expenses | 265,244 | 267,702 | 276,520 | 2,478,916 |
| Other income (expenses): Interest and dividend income 688 711 949 Equity in income (loss) of affiliated companies 32 (24) 70 Interest expense (3,092) (2,840) (3,403) Gain on sales of investment securities 3,911 280 318 Gain on sales of investment securities 3,911 280 318 Loss on liquidation of subsidiaries and affiliated companies (16) (0) (170) Restructuring charges (57) (3,812) (3,785) Loss from write-down of investment in securities (349) (282) (5,408) Prior period patent royalty (263) (2,736) - Special retirement payments (6,530) (452) (4,260) Other, net 34 (1,890) (2) Income taxes (Note 7): - - 5,317 4,814 6,706 Deferred 883 (6,740) (3,138) - - Gurrent 5,317 4,814 6,706 - <t< td=""><td></td><td>830,221</td><td>896,827</td><td>945,341</td><td>7,759,075</td></t<> | | 830,221 | 896,827 | 945,341 | 7,759,075 |
| Interest and dividend income 688 711 949 Equity in income (loss) of affiliated companies 32 (24) 70 Interest expense (3,092) (2,840) (3,403) Gain on sales of investment securities 3,911 280 318 Gain on sales of investment securities 3,911 280 318 Gain on sales of investment securities 3,911 280 318 Loss on liquidation of subsidiaries and affiliated companies (16) (0) (170) Restructuring charges (57) (3,812) (3,785) Loss from write-down of investment in securities (349) (282) (5,408) Prior period patent royalty (263) (2,736) Special retirement payments (6,530) (452) (4,260) Other, net 34 (1,890) (2) Income taxes (Note 7): - - - Current 5,317 4,814 6,706 Deferred 6,200 (1,926) 3,568 Income (Loss) before minority interests (1,472) 16.032 6,496 < | Operating income | 10,370 | 25,151 | 22,299 | 96,916 |
| Equity in income (loss) of affiliated companies 32 (24) 70 Interest expense (3,092) (2,840) (3,403) Gain on return of substitutional portion of Employees' Pension Insurance - - 3,456 Loss on liquidation of substitutional portion of Employees' Pension Insurance - - 3,456 Loss on liquidation of substitutional portion of Employees' Pension Insurance - - 3,456 Loss on liquidation of substitutional portion of Employees' Pension Insurance - - 3,456 Loss on liquidation of substitutional portion of Employees' Pension Insurance - - 3,456 Loss on liquidation of substitutional portion of Employees' Pension Insurance - - 3,456 Loss on liquidation of substitutional portion of Employees' Pension Insurance - - - 3,456 Loss on liquidation of substitutional portion of Employees' Pension Insurance (57) (3,812) (3,785) - Loss on liquidation of substitutional portion of investment in securities (3,49) (282) (5,408) - Prior period patent royalty (263) (1,200) (12,235) - - - - - | Other income (expenses): | | | | |
| Interest expense (3,092) (2,840) (3,403) Gain on sales of investment securities 3,911 280 318 Gain on return of substitutional portion of Employees' Pension Insurance - - 3,456 Loss on liquidation of subsidiaries and affiliated companies (16) (0) (170) Restructuring charges (57) (3,812) (3,785) Loss from write-down of investment in securities (349) (282) (5,408) Prior period patent royalty (263) (2,736) - Special retirement payments (6,530) (452) (4,260) Other, net 34 (1,890) (2) Income before income taxes and minority interests 4,728 14,106 10,064 Income taxes (Note 7): Current 5,317 4,814 6,706 Deferred 883 (6,740) (3,138) - 6,200 (1,926) 3,568 - - Income (Loss) before minority interests (1,472) 16,032 6,496 Minority interests (1,886) (423) (160) Net income (loss) | Interest and dividend income | 688 | 711 | 949 | 6,430 |
| Gain on sales of investment securities 3,911 280 318 Gain on return of substitutional portion of Employees' Pension Insurance - - 3,456 Loss on liquidation of substitutional portion of Employees' Pension Insurance - - 3,456 Loss on liquidation of substitutional portion of Employees' Pension Insurance - - 3,456 Loss on liquidation of substitutional portion of Employees' Pension Insurance - - 3,456 Loss on liquidation of substitutional portion of Employees' Pension Insurance (16) (0) (170) Restructuring charges (57) (3,812) (3,785) Loss from write-down of investment in securities (349) (282) (5,408) Prior period patent royalty (263) (2,736) - Special retirement payments (6,530) (452) (4,260) Other, net 34 (1,890) (2) (11,045) (12,235) Income before income taxes and minority interests 4,728 14,106 10,064 Income taxes (Note 7): Current 5,317 4,814 6,706 Deferred | Equity in income (loss) of affiliated companies | 32 | (24) | 70 | 299 |
| Gain on return of substitutional portion of Employees' Pension Insurance - - 3,456 Loss on liquidation of subsidiaries and affiliated companies (16) (0) (170) Restructuring charges (57) (3,812) (3,785) Loss from write-down of investment in securities (349) (282) (5,408) Prior period patent royalty (263) (2,736) - Special retirement payments (6,530) (452) (4,260) Other, net 34 (1,890) (2) Income before income taxes and minority interests 4,728 14,106 10,064 Income taxes (Note 7): Current 5,317 4,814 6,706 Deferred 883 (6,740) (3,138) Income (Loss) before minority interests (1,472) 16,032 6,496 Minority interests (386) (423) (160) Net income (loss) ¥ (1,858) ¥ 15,609 ¥ 6,336 \$ | Interest expense | (3,092) | (2,840) | (3,403) | (28,897 |
| Loss on liquidation of subsidiaries and affiliated companies (16) (0) (170) Restructuring charges (57) (3,812) (3,785) Loss from write-down of investment in securities (349) (282) (5,408) Prior period patent royalty (263) (2,736) Special retirement payments (6,530) (452) (4,260) Other, net 34 (1,890) (2) (5,642) (11,045) (12,235) Income before income taxes and minority interests 4,728 14,106 10,064 Income taxes (Note 7): Current 5,317 4,814 6,706 Deferred 883 (6,740) (3,138) Income (Loss) before minority interests (1,472) 16,032 6,496 Minority interests (1,868) ¥ 15,609 ¥ 6,336 \$ Yen | Gain on sales of investment securities | 3,911 | 280 | 318 | 36,551 |
| Loss on liquidation of subsidiaries and affiliated companies (16) (0) (170) Restructuring charges (57) (3,812) (3,785) Loss from write-down of investment in securities (349) (282) (5,408) Prior period patent royalty (263) (2,736) Special retirement payments (6,530) (452) (4,260) Other, net 34 (1,890) (2) (5,642) (11,045) (12,235) Income before income taxes and minority interests 4,728 14,106 10,064 Income taxes (Note 7): Current 5,317 4,814 6,706 Deferred 883 (6,740) (3,138) Income (Loss) before minority interests (1,472) 16,032 6,496 Minority interests (1,868) ¥ 15,609 ¥ 6,336 \$ Yen | Gain on return of substitutional portion of Employees' Pension Insurance | _ | _ | 3,456 | _ |
| Loss from write-down of investment in securities (349) (282) (5,408) Prior period patent royalty (263) (2,736) — Special retirement payments (6,530) (452) (4,260) Other, net 34 (1,890) (2) (5,642) (11,045) (12,235) Income before income taxes and minority interests 4,728 14,106 10,064 Income taxes (Note 7): Current 5,317 4,814 6,706 Deferred 883 (6,740) (3,138) 6,200 (1,926) 3,568 Income (Loss) before minority interests (1,472) 16,032 6,496 Minority interests (1,858) ¥ 15,609 ¥ 6,336 \$ Yen | | (16) | (0) | (170) | (150 |
| Loss from write-down of investment in securities (349) (282) (5,408) Prior period patent royalty (263) (2,736) Special retirement payments (6,530) (452) (4,260) Other, net 34 (1,890) (2) (5,642) (11,045) (12,235) Income before income taxes and minority interests 4,728 14,106 10,064 Income taxes (Note 7): Current 5,317 4,814 6,706 Deferred 883 (6,740) (3,138) 6,200 (1,926) 3,568 Income (Loss) before minority interests (1,472) 16,032 6,496 Minority interests (386) (423) (160) Net income (loss) ¥ (1,858) ¥ 15,609 ¥ 6,336 \$ Yen | Restructuring charges | (57) | (3,812) | (3,785) | (533 |
| Prior period patent royalty (263) (2,736) — Special retirement payments (6,530) (452) (4,260) Other, net 34 (1,890) (2) (5,642) (11,045) (12,235) Income before income taxes and minority interests 4,728 14,106 10,064 Income taxes (Note 7): | | (349) | (282) | | (3,262 |
| Special retirement payments (6,530) (452) (4,260) Other, net 34 (1,890) (2) (5,642) (11,045) (12,235) Income before income taxes and minority interests 4,728 14,106 10,064 Income taxes (Note 7): Current 5,317 4,814 6,706 Deferred 883 (6,740) (3,138) Income (Loss) before minority interests (1,472) 16,032 6,496 Minority interests (1,858) ¥ 15,609 ¥ 6,336 \$ Amounts per share of common stock (Note 2): | Prior period patent royalty | (263) | | _ | (2,458 |
| Other, net 34 (1,890) (2) (5,642) (11,045) (12,235) Income before income taxes and minority interests 4,728 14,106 10,064 Income taxes (Note 7): Current 5,317 4,814 6,706 Deferred 883 (6,740) (3,138) 6,200 (1,926) 3,568 Income (Loss) before minority interests (1,472) 16,032 6,496 Minority interests (386) (423) (160) Net income (loss) ¥ (1,858) ¥ 15,609 ¥ 6,336 \$ Yen | | (6,530) | (452) | (4,260) | (61,028 |
| Income before income taxes and minority interests 4,728 14,106 10,064 Income taxes (Note 7): 5,317 4,814 6,706 Deferred 5,317 4,814 6,706 Deferred 883 (6,740) (3,138) 6,200 (1,926) 3,568 Income (Loss) before minority interests (1,472) 16,032 6,496 Minority interests (386) (423) (160) Net income (loss) ¥ (1,858) ¥ 15,609 ¥ 6,336 \$ Yen | | 34 | (1,890) | (2) | 319 |
| Income taxes (Note 7): 5,317 4,814 6,706 Deferred 883 (6,740) (3,138) 6,200 (1,926) 3,568 Income (Loss) before minority interests (1,472) 16,032 6,496 Minority interests (386) (423) (160) Net income (loss) ¥ (1,858) ¥ 15,609 ¥ 6,336 \$ Yen | | (5,642) | (11,045) | (12,235) | (52,729 |
| Current Deferred 5,317 4,814 6,706 B83 (6,740) (3,138) 6,200 (1,926) 3,568 Income (Loss) before minority interests (1,472) 16,032 6,496 Minority interests (386) (423) (160) Net income (loss) ¥ (1,858) ¥ 15,609 ¥ 6,336 \$ Amounts per share of common stock (Note 2): Yen | Income before income taxes and minority interests | 4,728 | 14,106 | 10,064 | 44,187 |
| Deferred 883 (6,740) (3,138) 6,200 (1,926) 3,568 Income (Loss) before minority interests (1,472) 16,032 6,496 Minority interests (386) (423) (160) Net income (loss) ¥ (1,858) ¥ 15,609 ¥ 6,336 \$ Yen | Income taxes (Note 7): | | | | |
| 6,200 (1,926) 3,568 Income (Loss) before minority interests (1,472) 16,032 6,496 Minority interests (386) (423) (160) Net income (loss) ¥ (1,858) ¥ 15,609 ¥ 6,336 \$ Yen Amounts per share of common stock (Note 2): | Current | 5,317 | 4,814 | 6,706 | 49,692 |
| Income (Loss) before minority interests (1,472) 16,032 6,496 Minority interests (386) (423) (160) Net income (loss) ¥ (1,858) ¥ 15,609 ¥ 6,336 \$ Yen | Deferred | 883 | (6,740) | (3,138) | 8,252 |
| Minority interests (386) (423) (160) Net income (loss) ¥ (1,858) ¥ 15,609 ¥ 6,336 \$ Yen | | 6,200 | (1,926) | 3,568 | 57,944 |
| Net income (loss) ¥ (1,858) ¥ 15,609 ¥ 6,336 \$ | Income (Loss) before minority interests | (1,472) | 16,032 | 6,496 | (13,757 |
| Yen Amounts per share of common stock (Note 2): | Minority interests | (386) | (423) | (160) | (3,607 |
| Amounts per share of common stock (Note 2): | Net income (loss) | ¥ (1,858) | ¥ 15,609 | ¥ 6,336 | \$ (17,364 |
| • • • • | | | | Yen | U.S. dollars (Note 1 |
| Net income (loss) ¥ (7.7) ¥ 61.1 ¥ 24.9 \$ | Amounts per share of common stock (Note 2): | | | | |
| | Net income (loss) | ¥ (7.7) | ¥ 61.1 | ¥ 24.9 | \$ (0.07 |
| Diluted net income – 57.9 23.5 | Diluted net income | _ | 57.9 | 23.5 | |
| Cash dividends applicable to the year 5.0 – | Cash dividends applicable to the year | 5.0 | 5.0 | _ | 0.05 |

Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity

Victor Company of Japan, Limited and its consolidated subsidiaries Years ended March 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003

| | | | | | | | | Millions of yen |
|-------------------------------------|--|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------|--|---|-------------------|-----------------|
| c | Number of shares of ommon stock (Thousands) | Common stock | Capital surplus | Retained earnings | Net unrealized holding gains on available- for-sale securities | Foreign currency translation adjustments | Treasury stock | Total |
| Balance at March 31, 2002 | 254,230 | ¥34,115 | ¥67,216 | ¥57,559 | ¥ 977 | ¥(13,609) | ¥ (12) | ¥146,246 |
| Net income | — | _ | — | 6,336 | — | — | _ | 6,336 |
| Foreign currency translation | | | | | | | | |
| adjustments | _ | — | | | — | (5,589) | _ | (5,589) |
| Net changes | _ | — | | — | (459) | _ | | (459) |
| Treasury stock | — | — | | | _ | — | (94) | (94) |
| Bonuses to directors and | | | | | | | | |
| corporate auditors | _ | _ | | (30) | | _ | _ | (30) |
| Balance at March 31, 2003 | 254,230 | ¥34,115 | ¥67,216 | ¥63,865 | ¥ 518 | ¥(19,198) | ¥(106) | ¥146,410 |
| Net income | _ | _ | _ | 15,609 | _ | _ | _ | 15,609 |
| Foreign currency translation | | | | | | | | |
| adjustments | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | (7,032) | _ | (7,032) |
| Adjustment due to change in | | | | | | | | |
| the number of consolidated | | | | | | | | |
| subsidiaries | _ | — | _ | 148 | _ | _ | _ | 148 |
| Net changes | _ | — | | _ | 4,225 | _ | _ | 4,225 |
| Treasury stock (net) | _ | — | 1 | | | — | (35) | (34) |
| Balance at March 31, 2004 | 254,230 | ¥34,115 | ¥67,217 | ¥79,622 | ¥4,743 | ¥(26,230) | ¥(141) | ¥159,326 |
| Net loss | _ | _ | _ | (1,858) | _ | _ | _ | (1,858) |
| Foreign currency translation | | | | | | | | |
| adjustments | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 2,796 | _ | 2,796 |
| Adjustment due to change in | | | | | | | | |
| the number of consolidated | | | | | | | | |
| subsidiaries | _ | _ | _ | 740 | _ | _ | _ | 740 |
| Net changes | _ | _ | _ | _ | (1,372) | _ | _ | (1,372) |
| Treasury stock (net) | _ | _ | (1) | _ | _ | _ | (37) | (38) |
| Cash dividends paid (¥5.0 per share | e) — | _ | _ | (1,270) | _ | _ | _ | (1,270) |
| Bonuses to directors and | | | | | | | | |
| corporate auditors | _ | _ | _ | (88) | _ | _ | _ | (88) |
| Balance at March 31, 2005 | 254,230 | ¥34,115 | ¥67,216 | ¥77,146 | ¥3,371 | ¥(23,434) | ¥(178) | ¥158,236 |

| | | | | | Th | ousands of U.S | 6. dollars (Note 1) |
|--|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--|---|-------------------|---------------------|
| | Common stock | Capital surplus | Retained earnings | Net unrealized holding gains on available- for-sale securities | Foreign currency translation adjustments | Treasury stock | Total |
| Balance at March 31, 2004 | \$318,832 | \$628,196 | \$744,130 | \$44,327 | \$(245,140) | \$(1,318) | \$1,489,027 |
| Net loss | \$310,032 | \$020,190 | (17 , 364) | \$44,327 | \$(245,140) | φ(1,510) | (17 ,364) |
| | _ | — | (17,304) | — | | _ | , |
| Foreign currency translation adjustments Adjustment due to change in the number | _ | _ | _ | _ | 26,131 | _ | 26,131 |
| of consolidated subsidiaries | _ | _ | 6,916 | _ | _ | _ | 6,916 |
| Net changes | _ | _ | _ | (12,822) | _ | _ | (12,822) |
| Treasury stock (net) | _ | (9) | _ | _ | _ | (346) | (355) |
| Cash dividends paid (\$0.05 per share) | _ | _ | (11,869) | _ | _ | _ | (11,869) |
| Bonuses to directors and corporate auditors | _ | _ | (823) | _ | _ | _ | (823) |
| Balance at March 31, 2005 | \$318,832 | \$628,187 | \$720,990 | \$31,505 | \$(219,009) | \$(1,664) | \$1,478,841 |

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

Victor Company of Japan, Limited and its consolidated subsidiaries Years ended March 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003

| | | | Millions of yen | Thousands of U.S. dollars (Note 1) |
|--|-------------------|------------------|---------------------|--|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 | 2005 |
| Cash flows from operating activities: | | | | |
| Income before income taxes and minority interests | ¥ 4,728 | ¥14,106 | ¥10,064 | \$ 44,187 |
| Depreciation | 21,952 | 21,461 | 24,062 | 205,159 |
| Interest and dividend income | (688) | (711) | (949) | (6,430 |
| Interest expense | 3,092 | 2,840 | 3,403 | 28,897 |
| Increase (Decrease) in accrued restructuring charges | (3,136) | 2,263 | (12,550) | (29,308 |
| Gain on sales of investment securities | (3,911) | (280) | (318) | (36,55 |
| Decrease in notes and accounts receivable | 1,313 | 10,157 | 15,211 | 12,27 |
| Decrease (Increase) in inventories | 8,083 | (23,463) | 18,062 | 75,542 |
| Increase (Decrease) in notes and accounts payable | (22,478) | 13,917 | (6,983) | (210,075 |
| Other | (7,285) | 6,971 | (3,287) | (68,08 |
| Sub-total | 1,670 | 47,261 | 46,715 | 15,607 |
| Interest and dividends received | 700 | 721 | 962 | 6,542 |
| Interest paid | (3,108) | (2,913) | (3,447) | (29,04) |
| Income taxes paid | (5,495) | (4,342) | (8,452) | (51,354 |
| Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities | (6,233) | 40,727 | 35,778 | (58,252 |
| | | | | |
| Cash flows from investing activities: | | | | |
| Purchases of time deposits | (50) | (9,100) | (8,000) | (46 |
| Withdrawal of time deposits | 4,155 | 13,100 | 5,000 | 38,832 |
| Purchases of property, plant and equipment | (26,849) | (21,124) | (18,517) | (250,925 |
| Proceeds from sales of property, plant and equipment | 5,199 | 5,132 | 6,440 | 48,589 |
| Proceeds from sales of marketable securities | _ | — | 2,804 | _ |
| Purchases of investment securities | (114) | (1,465) | (53) | (1,065 |
| Proceeds from sales of investment securities | 5,541 | 886 | 3,468 | 51,785 |
| Additional investment in newly consolidated entity | _ | — | (421) | _ |
| Other | (1,744) | (3,266) | (3,208) | (16,300 |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (13,862) | (15,837) | (12,487) | (129,551 |
| | | | | |
| Cash flows from financing activities: Proceeds from long-term loans | | | 30,005 | |
| Repayments of long-term loans | (5,987) | (8,046) | (1,715) | (55,953 |
| Redemption of bonds | (10,968) | (6,519) | (24,970) | • • |
| Increase (Decrease) in short-term bank loans, net | 3,673 | (0,319) 5,367 | (24,970) (9,719) | (102,505 34,327 |
| Decrease in commercial paper, net | 3,073 | 5,507 | (734) | 34,32 |
| | (1,629) | (1 4 4) | | (15.22) |
| Cash dividends paid Other | | (144) | (168) | (15,224 |
| Net cash used in financing activities | (703) (15,614) | (34) | (36) (7,337) | (6,570) (145,925) |
| | (15,014) | (9,370) | (7,557) | (145,725 |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents | 879 | (2,571) | (1,813) | 8,214 |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | (34,830) | 12,943 | 14,141 | (325,514 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year | 97,242 | 83,412 | 69,271 | 908,804 |
| Effect of changes in the number of consolidated subsidiaries | | | | |
| and companies accounted for by the equity method | 273 | 887 | _ | 2,551 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year | ¥62,685 | ¥97,242 | ¥83,412 | \$585,841 |
| See accompanying notes. | | | | |

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

Victor Company of Japan, Limited and its consolidated subsidiaries Years ended March 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003

BASIS OF PRESENTING CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Japanese Securities and Exchange Law and its related accounting regulations, and in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in Japan ("Japan GAAP"), which are different in certain respects as to application and disclosure requirements of International Financial Reporting Standards.

The accounts of overseas subsidiaries are based on their accounting records maintained in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles prevailing in the respective countries of domicile. The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been restructured and translated into English (with some expanded descriptions and the inclusion of consolidated statements of stockholders' equity) from the consolidated financial statements of Victor Company of Japan, Limited ("the Company") prepared in accordance with Japanese GAAP and filed with the appropriate Local Finance Bureau of the Ministry of Finance as required by the Securities and Exchange Law. Some supplementary information included in the statutory Japanese language consolidated financial statements, but not required for fair presentation, is not presented in the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

In the year ended March 31, 2005, the Company did not adopt early the new accounting standard for impairment of fixed assets ("Opinion Concerning Establishment of Accounting Standard for Impairment of Fixed Assets" issued by the Business Accounting Deliberation Council on August 9, 2002) and the implementation guidance for accounting standard for impairment of fixed assets (the Financial Accounting Standard Implementation Guidance No. 6 issued by the Accounting Standards Board of Japan on October 31, 2003). The new accounting standard is required to be adopted effective April 1, 2005.

The translation of the Japanese yen amounts into U.S. dollars are included solely for the convenience of readers outside Japan, using the prevailing exchange rate at March 31, 2005, which was ¥107 to U.S.\$1.00. The convenience translations should not be construed as representations that the Japanese yen amounts have been, could have been, or could in the future be, converted into U.S. dollars at this or any other rate of exchange.

Z SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

• Principles of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its significant subsidiaries. All significant inter-company transactions, account balances and unrealized profits have been eliminated.

Investments in certain non-consolidated subsidiaries and affiliated companies (20% to 50% owned and certain others 15% to 20% owned) are, with minor exceptions, stated at their underlying net equity value after elimination of unrealized inter-company profits. The Company's investments in its remaining subsidiaries and affiliated companies are immaterial in the aggregate, and are stated at cost or less.

The differences between acquisition cost and underlying net equity at the time of acquisition are generally being amortized on the straight-line method over five years.

Foreign currency translation

Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Japanese yen at exchange rates prevailing at the balance sheet dates except for those hedged by foreign currency forward contracts, which are recorded at contract rates.

Balance sheets of consolidated overseas subsidiaries are translated into Japanese yen at the year-end rate except for stockholders' equity accounts, which are translated at the historical rates.

Statements of operations of consolidated overseas subsidiaries are translated at average rates except for transactions with the Company, which are translated at the rates used by the Company.

The Company reports foreign currency translation adjustments in the stockholders' equity and minority interests.

• Cash and cash equivalents

In preparing the consolidated statements of cash flows for the years ended March 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003, cash on hand, readily available deposits and short-term highly liquid investments with maturities not exceeding three months at the time of purchase are considered to be cash and cash equivalents.

Inventories

Inventories are stated at cost, which is determined primarily by the average-cost method.

Securities

Securities are classified as (a) securities held for trading purposes (hereafter, "trading securities"), (b) debt securities intended to be held to maturity (hereafter, "held-to-maturity debt securities"), (c) equity securities issued by subsidiaries and affiliated companies, and (d) for all other securities that are not classified in any of the above categories (hereafter, "available-for-sale securities").

The Company and its consolidated subsidiaries ("the Companies") had no trading securities or held-to-maturity debt securities. Equity securities issued by subsidiaries and affiliated companies which are not consolidated or accounted for by the equity method, are stated at moving-average cost. Available-for-sale securities with available fair market values are stated at fair market value. Unrealized gains and losses on these securities are reported, net of applicable income taxes, as a separate component of stock-holders' equity. Realized gains and losses on sale of such securities are computed using moving-average cost. Other securities with no available fair market value are stated at moving-average cost.

If the market value of equity securities issued by non-consolidated subsidiaries and affiliated companies, and available-for-sale securities, declines significantly, such securities are stated at fair market value and the difference between fair market value and the carrying amount is recognized as a loss in the period of the decline. If the fair market value of equity securities issued by non-consolidated subsidiaries and affiliated companies not accounted for by the equity method is not readily available, such securities should be written down to net asset value with a corresponding charge in the income statement in the event when net asset value declines significantly.

• Derivatives and hedge accounting

The Companies state derivative financial instruments at fair value and recognize changes in the fair value as gains or losses unless derivative financial instruments are used for hedging purposes.

If derivative financial instruments are used as hedges and meet certain hedging criteria, the Companies defer recognition of gains or losses resulting from changes in fair value of derivative financial instruments until the related losses or gains on the hedged items are recognized.

• Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost. Depreciation is computed primarily by the declining-balance method based on the estimated useful lives of the assets. Certain consolidated overseas subsidiaries use the straight-line method.

The ranges of useful lives for computing depreciation are generally as follows:

| Buildings | 20 to 50 years |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| Machinery and equipment | 3 to 7 years |

Finance leases

Finance leases, except those leases for which the ownership of the leased assets is considered to be transferred to the lessee, are accounted for in the same manner as operating leases.

Research and development

Research and development expenditures for new products or significant improvement of existing products are charged to income as incurred.

Income taxes

Income taxes are accounted for under the asset and liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the estimated future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases and net operating loss carried forward and foreign tax credit carryforwards. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date.

Employees' severance and retirement benefits

The Company and some domestic subsidiaries has funded pension plans and unfunded benefit plans to provide retirement benefits for substantially all employees.

Upon retirement or termination of employment for reasons other than dismissal for cause, eligible employees are entitled to lumpsum and/or annuity payments based on the current rates of their salary and length of service.

The liabilities and expenses for severance and retirement benefits are determined based on the amounts actuarially calculated using certain assumptions.

The Company provided allowance for employees' severance and retirement benefits as of the balance sheet dates based on the estimated amounts of projected benefit obligation and the fair value of plan assets at those dates.

The excess of the projected benefit obligation over the total of the fair value of plan assets as of April 1, 2000 and the liabilities for severance and retirement benefits recorded as of April 1, 2000 (the "net transition obligation") is recognized in expenses in equal amounts primarily over 15 years commencing with the year ended March 31, 2001.

Prior service costs are recognized in income or expenses using the straight-line method over 10 years, and actuarial gains and losses are recognized in expenses using the straight-line method over 10 years commencing with the succeeding period.

Amounts per share of common stock

The computation of net income per share is based on the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during each year.

Diluted net income per share assumes dilution that could occur if convertible bonds or similar securities were converted into common stock resulting in the issuance of common stock. As the Companies reported net losses for the year ended March 31, 2005, inclusion of potential common shares would have an antidilutive effect on per share amounts.

Cash dividends per share represent the actual amount declared as applicable to the respective years.

Reclassifications

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to the 2005 presentation. These changes had no impact on previously reported results of operations or stockholders' equity.

3 CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING METHOD

The Company changed the method of accounting for royalty income and related expenses. Under the former method, the net amount of the two items was included in the statements of operations as royalty income-net, under other income (expenses). Effective April 1, 2002, royalty income is included in net sales, and the related expenses are included in selling, general and administrative expenses.

This change reflects the recognition that royalty income is directly attributable to the Company's principal operating activities, in light of the increasing number of technological alliances with partners both in Japan and overseas, and their growing strategic significance. Therefore, royalty income and the related expenses will be disclosed more appropriately under the new presentation method. As a result of the change, for the year ended March 31, 2003, net sales, selling, general and administrative expenses and operating income increased by ¥7,356 million, ¥4,066 million, and ¥3,290 million, respectively, and other income decreased by ¥3,290 million compared with what would have been reported under the former accounting policies. Income before income taxes and minority interests was unaffected by this change.

Details of the impact on segment information are described in Note 14.

4 RELATIONSHIP WITH MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD.

The Company is a subsidiary of Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd. ("Matsushita"). At March 31, 2005, Matsushita held 133,227 thousand shares of common stock of the Company, 52.40% of the total outstanding shares.

Transactions between the Company and Matsushita for the years ended March 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003, and the account balances between the two companies at March 31, 2005 and 2004 are not material.

5 INVENTORIES

Inventories at March 31, 2005 and 2004 are as follows:

| | | Millions of yen | Thousands of U.S. dollars |
|----------------------------|----------|-----------------|------------------------------|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 |
| Finished goods | ¥ 93,764 | ¥ 98,506 | \$ 876,299 |
| Work in process | 11,979 | 11,231 | 111,953 |
| Raw materials and supplies | 18,962 | 20,175 | 177,215 |
| | ¥124,705 | ¥129,912 | \$1,165,467 |

The following tables summarize acquisition costs and book values of securities with available fair values as of March 31, 2005 and 2004:

(1) Available-for-sale securities

| | | 1 | Villions of yen |
|---|-------------|--------------|-----------------|
| | Acquisition | | |
| | cost | Book value | Difference |
| 2005. | | | |
| 2005 : Securities with available fair values | | | |
| exceeding acquisition costs: | | | |
| Equity securities | ¥2,797 | ¥8,452 | ¥5,655 |
| Securities with available fair values | +2,171 | +0,+32 | +3,033 |
| not exceeding acquisition costs: | | | |
| Equity securities | 63 | 50 | (13) |
| Total | ¥2,860 | ¥8,502 | ¥5,642 |
| | +2,000 | +0,502 | +5,042 |
| | | 1 | Villions of yen |
| | Acquisition | | |
| | cost | Book value | Difference |
| 2004: | | | |
| Securities with available fair | | | |
| values exceeding | | | |
| acquisition costs: | | | |
| Equity securities | ¥4,071 | ¥12,040 | ¥7,969 |
| Securities with available fair | | | |
| values not exceeding | | | |
| acquisition costs: | | | |
| Equity securities | 51 | 49 | (2) |
| Total | ¥4,122 | ¥12,089 | ¥7,967 |
| | | | |
| | | Thousands of | of U.S. dollars |
| | Acquisition | | Diff |
| | cost | Book value | Difference |
| 2005: | | | |
| Securities with available fair | | | |
| values exceeding | | | |
| acquisition costs: | | | |
| Equity securities | \$26,140 | \$78,991 | \$52,850 |
| Securities with available fair | | | |
| values not exceeding | | | |
| acquisition costs: | | | |
| Equity securities | 589 | 467 | (121) |
| Total | \$26,729 | \$79,458 | \$52,729 |

The following tables summarize book values as of March 31, 2005 and 2004 of securities with no available fair values.

(2) Available-for-sale securities

| | Ν | /illions of yen | Thousands of U.S. dollars |
|----------------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|
| | 2005 2004 | | 2005 |
| | Book value | Book value | Book value |
| Unlisted equity securities | ¥1,482 | ¥1,627 | \$13,850 |
| Unlisted foreign | | | |
| debt securities | 8 | 8 | 75 |
| Subsidiaries and | | | |
| affiliated companies | 269 | 2,144 | 2,514 |
| Total | ¥1,759 | ¥3,779 | \$16,439 |

(3) Available-for-sale securities sold in the years ended March 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003 are as follows:

| | | Millions of yen | | | | |
|--------|--------|-----------------|--------|----------|--|--|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 | 2005 | | |
| Sales | ¥5,541 | ¥886 | ¥6,247 | \$51,785 | | |
| Gains | 3,911 | 280 | 318 | 36,551 | | |
| Losses | 7 | 6 | 15 | 65 | | |

7 INCOME TAXES

Income taxes in Japan consist of corporation, enterprise and inhabitants' taxes. The Company and consolidated domestic subsidiaries are subject to income taxes referred to above, which, in the aggregate, resulted in the statutory tax rates of approximately 40.6% for the year ended March 31, 2005, and 42.0% for the year ended March 31, 2004. Consolidated overseas subsidiaries are subject to income taxes regulation of the countries in which they domicile.

The following table summarizes the significant differences between the statutory tax rate and the Companies' effective tax rate for financial statement purposes for the years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004.

| | 2005 | 2004 |
|--|---------|---------|
| | 2005 | 2004 |
| Statutory tax rate: | 40.6 % | 42.0 % |
| Lower tax rates of overseas subsidiaries | (19.4)% | (8.7)% |
| Expenses not deductible for tax purposes | 50.0 % | 4.9 % |
| Effect of changes in valuation allowance | | |
| for deferred tax assets | (34.7)% | (47.1)% |
| Effect of changes in tax rates | _ | 4.1 % |
| Foreign tax credit | 22.0 % | 10.0 % |
| Effect of dividend income elimination | 49.6 % | _ |
| Other | 23.0 % | (18.9)% |
| Effective tax rate | 131.1 % | (13.7)% |

Significant components of the Companies' deferred tax assets and liabilities at March 31, 2005 and 2004 are as follows:

| | N | Thousands of U.S. dollars | |
|-----------------------------|----------|---------------------------|-----------|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 |
| Deferred tax assets: | | | |
| Loss on devaluation | | | |
| of inventory | ¥ 3,479 | ¥ 4,017 | \$ 32,514 |
| Accrued expenses not | | | |
| deductible for tax purposes | 7,111 | 10,028 | 66,458 |
| Accrual for losses on | | | |
| business restructuring | _ | 1,269 | _ |
| Depreciation | 9,186 | 8,920 | 85,850 |
| Retirement and severance | | | |
| benefits | 4,907 | 5,272 | 45,860 |
| Tax loss carryforwards | 16,538 | 17,746 | 154,561 |
| Other | 10,274 | 11,295 | 96,019 |
| Total gross deferred | | | |
| tax assets | 51,495 | 58,547 | 481,262 |
| Less valuation allowance | (22,745) | (28,808) | (212,570) |
| Net deferred tax assets | 28,750 | 29,739 | 268,692 |
| Deferred tax liabilities: | | | |
| Net unrealized holding | | | |
| gains on securities | (2,269) | (3,223) | (21,206) |
| Other | (1,021) | (1,299) | (9,542) |
| Total gross deferred | | | |
| tax liabilities | (3,290) | (4,522) | (30,748) |
| Net deferred tax assets | ¥25,460 | ¥25,217 | \$237,944 |

8 SHORT-TERM BANK LOANS AND LONG-TERM DEBT

Short-term bank loans of certain of the Company's consolidated subsidiaries consist of notes maturing generally in three months. The applicable annual interest rates on short-term bank loans outstanding at March 31, 2005 and 2004 range from 0.01% to 12.81% and from 0.04% to 10.22%, respectively.

Long-term debt at March 31, 2005 and 2004 is as follows:

| | | Millions of yen | | |
|-----------------------------|---------|-----------------|-----------|--|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | |
| 1.5% unsecured convertible | | | | |
| bonds due in 2005 | ¥ — | ¥ 10,968 | \$ — | |
| 0.55% unsecured convertible | | | | |
| bonds due in 2005 | 19,528 | 19,528 | 182,505 | |
| 2.15% unsecured bonds | | | | |
| due in 2005 | 9,500 | 9,500 | 88,785 | |
| 1.68% unsecured bonds | | | | |
| due in 2006 | 20,000 | 20,000 | 186,916 | |
| 1.89% unsecured bonds | | | | |
| due in 2007 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 93,458 | |
| 1.50% guaranteed notes | | | | |
| due in 2005 | 7,073 | 6,864 | 66,103 | |
| Loans, primarily from banks | | | | |
| with interest principally | | | | |
| at 1.19% to 6.10% | | | | |
| Unsecured | 20,479 | 26,405 | 191,392 | |
| | 86,580 | 103,265 | 809,159 | |
| Less current portion | 56,235 | 16,928 | 525,561 | |
| | ¥30,345 | ¥ 86,337 | \$283,598 | |

The 0.55% unsecured convertible bonds are redeemable prior to their stated maturity, in whole or in part, at the option of the Company at prices ranging from 103% to 100% of the principal amount. The price at which shares of common stock shall be issued upon conversion is \$1,487 (\$13.90) per share, subject to adjustments under certain circumstances.

The aggregate annual maturities of long-term debt at March 31, 2005 are as follows:

| Year ending March 31 | Millions of yen | Thousands of U.S. dollars |
|----------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|
| 2006 | ¥56,235 | \$525,561 |
| 2007 | 20,135 | 188,178 |
| 2008 | 10,139 | 94,757 |
| 2009 | 71 | 663 |
| | ¥86,580 | \$809,159 |

9 EMPLOYEES' SEVERANCE AND RETIREMENT BENEFITS

Employees of Japanese companies are compulsorily included in the Welfare Pension Insurance Scheme operated by the government. Employers are legally required to deduct employees' welfare pension insurance contributions from their payroll and to pay them to the government together with employers' own contributions. For companies that have established their own Employees' Pension Fund which meets certain legal requirements, it is possible to transfer a part of their welfare pension insurance contributions (referred to as the substitutional portion of the government's scheme) to their own Employees' Pension Fund under the government's permission and supervision.

Based on the newly enacted Defined Benefit Corporate Pension Law, the Company and its consolidated domestic subsidiaries decided to restructure their Employees' Pension Fund and were permitted by the Minister of Health, Labor and Welfare on July 1, 2002 to be released from their future obligation for payments for the substitutional portion of the Welfare Pension Insurance Scheme. Plan assets for the substitutional portion maintained by the Employees' Pension Fund were transferred back to the government on April 2004.

The Company and its consolidated domestic subsidiaries applied the transitional provisions as prescribed in paragraph 47-2 of the JICPA Accounting Committee Report No. 13, "Practical Guideline for Accounting of Retirement Benefits (Interim Report)", and the effect of transferring of the substitutional portion was recognized on the date permission was received from the Minister of Health, Labor and Welfare. As a result, in the year ended March 31, 2003, the Company and its consolidated domestic subsidiaries recorded gains on the release from the substitutional portion of the government's Welfare Pension Insurance Scheme amounting to \$3,456 million, which was calculated based on the amounts of the substitutional portion of the projected benefit obligations, the related plan assets, and the related unrecognized items. Liability for employees' retirement benefits included in liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets for 2005 and 2004 and the related expenses for 2005, 2004 and 2003, which were determined based on the amounts obtained by actuarial calculations, are as follows:

| | | Millions of yen | Thousands of U.S. dollars |
|--|------------|-----------------|------------------------------|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 |
| Projected benefit obligation: Projected benefit | | | |
| obligation | ¥(133,997) | ¥(158,211) | ¥(1,252,308) |
| Unamortized prior | (17.0(7) | | (144.072) |
| Unamortized actuarial | (17,866) | _ | (166,972) |
| differences | 21,893 | 27,624 | 204,607 |
| Less fair value of plan assets | 97,470 | 94,377 | 910,935 |
| Less unrecognized net transition obligation | 16,016 | 17,623 | 149,682 |
| Liability for severance and retirement benefits | ¥ (16,484) | ¥ (18,587) | ¥ (154,056) |

| | Millions of yen | | | Thousands of U.S. dollars |
|--|-----------------|---------|---------|---------------------------|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 | 2005 |
| Severance and retirement benefits expenses: | | | | |
| Service costs | ¥ 5,581 | ¥ 6,973 | ¥ 7,103 | \$ 52,159 |
| Interest costs on projected benefit obligation | 3,774 | 4,795 | 6,383 | 35,271 |
| Expected return on plan assets | (2,348) | (2,000) | (3,080) | (21,944) |
| Amortization of net transition obligation | 1,598 | 1,603 | 1,994 | 14,934 |
| Amortized actuarial differences | 3,608 | 5,039 | 3,151 | 33,720 |
| Amortized prior service costs | (940) | _ | (297) | (8,785) |
| Severance and retirement benefits expenses | 11,273 | 16,410 | 15,254 | 105,355 |
| Gain on return of substitutional portion of Employees' Pension Insurance | — | _ | 3,456 | |
| Total | ¥11,273 | ¥16,410 | ¥11,798 | \$105,355 |

Not included in the above table is special retirement payments amounting to ¥6,530 million (\$61,028 thousand), ¥452 million and ¥4,260 million which were expensed in 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

The discount rate and the rate of expected return on plan assets used by the Company are 2.7% and 3.0% in 2005, and 2.7% and 3.0% in 2004, and 3.0% and 3.0% in 2003, respectively.

10 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The contingent liabilities of the Companies at March 31, 2005 are as follows:

| | Millions of yen | Thousands of U.S. dollars |
|--|-----------------|------------------------------|
| As endorser of export bills discounted | | |
| with banks | ¥4,044 | \$37,794 |
| As guarantor for loans to employees | 2,110 | 19,720 |
| As guarantor for lease obligations of | | |
| affiliated company and others | 151 | 1,411 |
| | ¥6,305 | \$58,925 |

11 STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

Under the Japanese Commercial Code (the "Code"), at least 50% of the issue price of new shares is required to be designated as common stock. The portion which is to be designated as common stock is determined by resolution of the Board of Directors. Proceeds in excess of the amounts designated as common stock are credited to additional paid-in capital, which is included in capital surplus.

The Code provides that an amount equal to at least 10% of cash dividends and other cash appropriations shall be appropriated and set aside as a legal earnings reserve until the total amount of the legal earnings reserve and additional paid-in capital equals 25% of common stock.

The legal earnings reserve and additional paid-in capital may be used to eliminate or reduce a deficit by resolution of the stockholders' meeting or may be capitalized by resolution of the Board of Directors.

On condition that the total amount of the legal earnings reserve and additional paid-in capital remains being equal to or exceeding 25% of common stock, they are available for distributions or certain other purposes by the resolution of the stockholders' meeting. The legal earnings reserve is included in retained earnings in the accompanying financial statements. The maximum amount that the Company can distribute as dividends is calculated based on the non-consolidated financial statements of the Company and in accordance with the Code.

In accordance with customary practice in Japan, the appropriations are not accrued in the financial statements for the period to which they relate, but are recorded in the subsequent accounting period after the stockholders' approval has been obtained. Retained earnings at March 31, 2005, include amounts representing the year-end cash dividends of ¥1,270 million ¥5.00 per share, and directors' bonuses of ¥71 million, which were approved at the stockholders' meeting held on June 29, 2005.

12 DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Companies use derivative financial instruments in the normal course of their business to manage the exposure to fluctuations in foreign exchange rates and interest rates. The primary derivative financial instruments used by the Companies are forward exchange contracts, currency option contracts and interest rate swap contracts.

The Company and certain of its overseas subsidiaries have established regulations for financial transactions that specify the persons with approval authority for derivative transactions. These derivative transactions are executed and managed by the Company's accounting department and the member of the Board of Directors in charge of finance. The results of all such transactions are reported to the Director in charge of finance.

The following summarizes hedging derivative financial instruments used by the Companies and items hedged:

Hedging instruments: Hedged items:

| 0 0 | 0 |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Forward exchange contracts | Foreign currency trade |
| and currency option | receivables and trade |
| contracts | payables, future transaction |
| | denominated in a foreign |
| | currency |
| Interest rate swap contracts | Interest on bonds |
| | |

The Companies evaluate hedge effectiveness by comparing the cumulative changes in cash flows from or the changes in fair value of hedged items and the corresponding changes in the hedging derivative instruments.

The following tables summarize fair value information as of March 31, 2005 and 2004 of derivative transactions for which hedge accounting has not been applied:

| | | | Millions of yen |
|----------------------------|----------|--------|-----------------|
| | Contract | Fair | Recognized |
| March 31, 2005 | amount | value | gain (loss) |
| Swap contracts: | | | |
| Receive floating/pay fixed | ¥7,159 | ¥98 | ¥98 |
| | | | |
| | | | Millions of yen |
| | Contract | Fair | Recognized |
| March 31, 2004 | amount | value | gain (loss) |
| Swap contracts: | | | |
| Receive floating/pay fixed | ¥7,046 | ¥(454) | ¥(454) |

| | | Thousands | of U.S. dollars |
|----------------------------|----------|-----------|-----------------|
| | Contract | Fair | Recognized |
| March 31, 2005 | amount | value | gain (loss) |
| Swap contracts: | | | |
| Receive floating/pay fixed | \$66,907 | \$916 | \$916 |

The fair value of interest swap contracts is estimated based on the quotes obtained from financial institutions.

13 LEASE INFORMATION

Lessee:

The Companies lease certain buildings, machinery and equipment and other assets under non-capitalized finance and operating leases. Finance leases which do not transfer ownership to lessees are not capitalized and are accounted for in the same manner as operating leases. Certain information for such non-capitalized finance and operating leases is as follows.

(1) A summary of assumed amounts of acquisition cost, accumulated depreciation and net book value at March 31, 2005 and 2004 is as follows:

| | | | Millions of yen |
|--------------------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|
| | Acquisition | Accumulated | Net book |
| | cost | depreciation | value |
| 2005: | | | |
| Buildings and structures | ¥ 1,612 | ¥ 782 | ¥ 830 |
| Machinery and equipment | 15,842 | 9,945 | 5,897 |
| Others | 520 | 362 | 158 |
| | ¥17,974 | ¥11,089 | ¥6,885 |
| | | | Millions of yen |
| | Acquisition | Accumulated | Net book |
| | cost | depreciation | value |
| 2004: | | | |
| Buildings and structures | ¥ 1,860 | ¥ 822 | ¥1,038 |
| Machinery and equipment | 17,172 | 9,769 | 7,403 |
| Others | 418 | 248 | 170 |
| | ¥19,450 | ¥10,839 | ¥8,611 |
| | | Thousands | of U.S. dollars |
| | Acquisition | Accumulated | Net book |
| | cost | depreciation | value |
| 2005: | | | |
| Buildings and structures | \$ 15,065 | \$ 7,308 | \$ 7,757 |
| Machinery and equipment | 148,056 | 92,944 | 55,112 |
| Others | 4,860 | 3,383 | 1,477 |
| | \$167,981 | \$103,635 | \$64,346 |

(2) Future minimum lease payments under the non-capitalized finance and operating leases at March 31, 2005 and 2004 are as follows:

| | M | Thousands of U.S. dollars | |
|---------------------|--------|------------------------------|----------|
| Finance leases | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 |
| Due within one year | ¥3,054 | ¥3,551 | \$28,542 |
| Due after one year | 3,899 | 5,241 | 36,439 |
| | ¥6,953 | ¥8,792 | \$64,981 |

| | M | illions of yen | Thousands of U.S. dollars |
|---------------------|--------|----------------|------------------------------|
| Operating leases | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 |
| Due within one year | ¥1,311 | ¥1,314 | \$12,252 |
| Due after one year | 1,306 | 1,844 | 12,206 |
| | ¥2,617 | ¥3,158 | \$24,458 |

(3) Lease payments, assumed depreciation charges and assumed interest charges for the years ended March 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003 are as follows:

| | | Thousands of U.S. dollars | | |
|------------------------------|--------|------------------------------|--------|----------|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 | 2005 |
| Lease payments | ¥3,790 | ¥4,041 | ¥3,727 | \$35,421 |
| Assumed depreciation charges | 3,381 | 3,660 | 3,367 | 31,598 |
| Assumed interest charges | 277 | 334 | 290 | 2,589 |

(4) Assumed depreciation charges are computed using the straight-line method over lease terms assuming no residual value.

(5) The excess amount of total lease payments over acquisition cost of leased property is deemed as accumulated interest expenses and allocated for each period on the basis of the interest method.

Lessor:

The Companies lease certain equipment under non-capitalized finance leases, as lessees. And the Companies lease that equipment under non-capitalized finance leases, as lessors. Future minimum lease receipts under these non-capitalized finance leases at March 31, 2005 and 2004 are as follows:

| | Mi | llions of yen | Thousands of U.S. dollars |
|--------------------------------|------|---------------|------------------------------|
| Non-capitalized finance leases | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 |
| Due within one year | ¥341 | ¥410 | \$3,187 |
| Due after one year | 341 | 533 | 3,187 |
| | ¥682 | ¥943 | \$6,374 |

14 SEGMENT INFORMATION

Information by segment for the years ended March 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003 is shown in the tables below. (1) Business segment information is as follows:

| | | | | | | | | Millions of yen |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|----------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| | Consumer electronics business | Professional electronics business | Components & Devices business | Software & Media business | Other business | Total | Eliminations and unallocation | Consolidated total |
| 2005: | | | | | | | | |
| Sales | | | | | | | | |
| External sales | ¥627,286 | ¥68,348 | ¥43,150 | ¥ 95,928 | ¥ 5,879 | ¥840,591 | ¥ — | ¥840,591 |
| Intersegment sales | 3,520 | 2,221 | 2,107 | 6,788 | 3,782 | 18,418 | (18,418) | _ |
| Total sales | 630,806 | 70,569 | 45,257 | 102,716 | 9,661 | 859,009 | (18,418) | 840,591 |
| Operating expenses | 620,424 | 70,282 | 46,990 | 100,339 | 9,337 | 847,372 | (17,151) | 830,221 |
| Operating income (loss) | ¥ 10,382 | ¥ 287 | ¥ (1,733) | ¥ 2,377 | ¥ 324 | ¥ 11,637 | ¥ (1,267) | ¥ 10,370 |
| Identifiable assets | ¥293,932 | ¥37,675 | ¥26,817 | ¥ 82,532 | ¥24,077 | ¥465,033 | ¥ 1,516 | ¥466,549 |
| Depreciation & amortization | 15,223 | 885 | 2,959 | 3,682 | 479 | 23,228 | 194 | 23,422 |
| Capital expenditures | 20,749 | 937 | 3,272 | 3,794 | 172 | 28,924 | 35 | 28,959 |
| | | | | | | | | Millions of yen |
| | Consumer | Professional | Components | Software | | | Eliminations | |
| | electronics | electronics | & Devices | & Media | Other | Tatal | and | Consolidated |
| | business | business | business | business | business | Total | unallocation | total |
| 2004: | | | | | | | | |
| Sales | | | | | | | | |
| External sales | ¥638,091 | ¥67,545 | ¥62,035 | ¥148,016 | ¥ 6,291 | ¥921,978 | ¥ — | ¥921,978 |
| Intersegment sales | 4,685 | 3,456 | 2,571 | 7,976 | 3,190 | 21,878 | (21,878) | |
| Total sales | 642,776 | 71,001 | 64,606 | 155,992 | 9,481 | 943,856 | (21,878) | 921,978 |
| Operating expenses | 616,958 | 72,768 | 67,721 | 151,342 | 8,180 | 916,969 | (20,142) | 896,827 |
| Operating income (loss) | ¥ 25,818 | ¥ (1,767) | ¥ (3,115) | ¥ 4,650 | ¥ 1,301 | ¥ 26,887 | ¥ (1,736) | ¥ 25,151 |
| Identifiable assets | ¥262,688 | ¥44,525 | ¥37,762 | ¥ 89,306 | ¥23,651 | ¥457,932 | ¥49,185 | ¥507,117 |
| Depreciation & amortization | 13,981 | 1,252 | 3,085 | 3,540 | 507 | 22,365 | 370 | 22,735 |
| Capital expenditures | 17,230 | 841 | 4,421 | 2,956 | 306 | 25,754 | 146 | 25,900 |

| | | | | | | | | Millions of yer |
|-----------------------------|-------------|--------------|------------|----------|----------|----------|--------------|-----------------|
| | Consumer | Professional | Components | Software | | | Eliminations | |
| | electronics | electronics | & Devices | & Media | Other | | and | Consolidated |
| | business | business | business | business | business | Total | unallocation | tota |
| 2003: | | | | | | | | |
| Sales | | | | | | | | |
| External sales | ¥674,970 | ¥70,953 | ¥47,576 | ¥167,525 | ¥ 6,616 | ¥967,640 | ¥ — | ¥967,640 |
| Intersegment sales | 2,722 | 4,141 | 2,003 | 7,193 | 3,512 | 19,571 | (19,571) | _ |
| Total sales | 677,692 | 75,094 | 49,579 | 174,718 | 10,128 | 987,211 | (19,571) | 967,640 |
| Operating expenses | 652,408 | 78,791 | 50,292 | 173,425 | 8,951 | 963,867 | (18,526) | 945,341 |
| Operating income (loss) | ¥ 25,284 | ¥ (3,697) | ¥ (713) | ¥ 1,293 | ¥ 1,177 | ¥ 23,344 | ¥ (1,045) | ¥ 22,299 |
| Identifiable assets | ¥245,794 | ¥44,267 | ¥29,727 | ¥ 94,795 | ¥20,692 | ¥435,275 | ¥44,475 | ¥479,750 |
| Depreciation & amortization | 13,910 | 1,645 | 4,441 | 4,324 | 639 | 24,959 | 291 | 25,250 |
| Capital expenditures | 12,719 | 1,516 | 4,747 | 1,631 | 247 | 20,860 | 176 | 21,036 |

| | | | | | | | Thousan | ds of U.S. dollars |
|-----------------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|--------------|--------------------|
| | Consumer | Professional | Components | Software | | | Eliminations | |
| | electronics | electronics | & Devices | & Media | Other | | and | Consolidated |
| | business | business | business | business | business | Total | unallocation | total |
| 2005: | | | | | | | | |
| Sales | | | | | | | | |
| External sales | \$5,862,486 | \$638,766 | \$403,271 | \$896,523 | \$ 54,945 | \$7,855,991 | \$ — | \$7,855,991 |
| Intersegment sales | 32,897 | 20,757 | 19,692 | 63,440 | 35,344 | 172,130 | (172,130) | _ |
| Total sales | 5,895,383 | 659,523 | 422,963 | 959,963 | 90,289 | 8,028,121 | (172,130) | 7,855,991 |
| Operating expenses | 5,798,355 | 656,841 | 439,159 | 937,748 | 87,261 | 7,919,364 | (160,289) | 7,759,075 |
| Operating income (loss) | \$ 97,028 | \$ 2,682 | \$ (16,196) | \$ 22,215 | \$ 3,028 | \$ 108,757 | \$ (11,841) | \$ 96,916 |
| Identifiable assets | \$2,747,028 | \$352,103 | \$250,626 | \$771,327 | \$225,019 | \$4,346,103 | \$ 14,168 | \$4,360,271 |
| Depreciation & amortization | 142,271 | 8,271 | 27,654 | 34,411 | 4,477 | 217,084 | 1,813 | 218,897 |
| Capital expenditures | 193,916 | 8,757 | 30,579 | 35,458 | 1,608 | 270,318 | 327 | 270,645 |

As explained in Note 3, "CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING METHOD", effective April 1, 2002, the Company changed the method of accounting for royalty income. As a result, in 2003, external sales, operating expenses, and operating income of the Consumer electronics business increased by ¥7,356 million, ¥4,066 million, and ¥3,290 million, respectively.

(2) Geographical segment information is as follows:

| | | | | | | | Millions of yen |
|-------------------------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| | Japan | Americas | Europe | Asia | Total | Elimination and unallocation | Consolidated total |
| 2005: | | | | | | | |
| Sales | | | | | | | |
| External sales | ¥312,827 | ¥201,113 | ¥228,875 | ¥ 97,776 | ¥ 840,591 | ¥ — | ¥840,591 |
| Intersegment sales | 206,559 | 82 | 1,518 | 203,456 | 411,615 | (411,615) | _ |
| Total sales | 519,386 | 201,195 | 230,393 | 301,232 | 1,252,206 | (411,615) | 840,591 |
| Operating expenses | 517,046 | 201,241 | 227,371 | 296,551 | 1,242,209 | (411,988) | 830,221 |
| Operating income (loss) | ¥ 2,340 | ¥ (46) | ¥ 3,022 | ¥ 4,681 | ¥ 9,997 | ¥ 373 | ¥ 10,370 |
| Identifiable assets | ¥308,060 | ¥ 74,275 | ¥ 87,859 | ¥ 91,740 | ¥ 561,934 | ¥ (95,385) | ¥466,549 |
| | | | | | | | Millions of yen |
| | Japan | Americas | Europe | Asia | Total | Elimination and unallocation | Consolidated total |
| 2004: | | | | | | | |
| Sales | | | | | | | |
| External sales | ¥352,485 | ¥218,877 | ¥243,061 | ¥107,555 | ¥ 921,978 | ¥ — | ¥921,978 |
| Intersegment sales | 271,194 | 965 | 1,638 | 193,209 | 467,006 | (467,006) | |
| Total sales | 623,679 | 219,842 | 244,699 | 300,764 | 1,388,984 | (467,006) | 921,978 |
| Operating expenses | 608,592 | 222,343 | 237,922 | 294,810 | 1,363,667 | 466,840 | 896,827 |
| Operating income (loss) | ¥ 15,087 | ¥ (2,501) | ¥ 6,777 | ¥ 5,954 | ¥ 25,317 | ¥ 166 | ¥ 25,151 |
| Identifiable assets | ¥318,387 | ¥ 70,799 | ¥ 89,361 | ¥100,249 | ¥ 578,796 | ¥ (71,679) | ¥507,117 |

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| | | | | | | | Millions of yer |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|--------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| | Japan | Americas | Europe | Asia | Total | Elimination and unallocation | Consolidated tota |
| 2003: | | | | | | | |
| Sales | | | | | | | |
| External sales | ¥405,734 | ¥259,043 | ¥220,378 | ¥ 82,485 | ¥ 967,640 | ¥ — | ¥967,640 |
| Intersegment sales | 261,732 | 155 | 1,204 | 201,717 | 464,808 | (464,808) | _ |
| Total sales | 667,466 | 259,198 | 221,582 | 284,202 | 1,432,448 | (464,808) | 967,640 |
| Operating expenses | 656,536 | 256,500 | 215,806 | 279,253 | 1,408,095 | (462,754) | 945,341 |
| Operating income | ¥ 10,930 | ¥ 2,698 | ¥ 5,776 | ¥ 4,949 | ¥ 24,353 | ¥ (2,054) | ¥ 22,299 |
| Identifiable assets | ¥317,020 | ¥ 78,768 | ¥ 76,406 | ¥ 87,126 | ¥ 559,320 | ¥ (79,570) | ¥479,750 |
| | | | | | | Thousar | ids of U.S. dollars |
| | Japan | Americas | Europe | Asia | Total | Elimination and unallocation | Consolidated tota |
| 2005: | | | | | | | |
| Sales | | | | | | | |
| External sales | \$2,923,617 | \$1,879,561 | \$2,139,019 | \$ 913,794 | \$ 7,855,991 | \$ — | \$7,855,991 |
| Intersegment sales | 1,930,458 | 766 | 14,187 | 1,901,458 | 3,846,869 | (3,846,869) | _ |
| Total sales | 4,854,075 | 1,880,327 | 2,153,206 | 2,815,252 | 11,702,860 | (3,846,869) | 7,855,991 |
| Operating expenses | 4,832,206 | 1,880,757 | 2,124,963 | 2,771,504 | 11,609,430 | (3,850,355) | 7,759,075 |
| Operating income (loss) | \$ 21,869 | \$ (430) | \$ 28,243 | \$ 43,748 | \$ 93,430 | \$ 3,486 | \$ 96,916 |

Identifiable assets\$2,879,065\$694,159\$821,112\$857,384\$5,251,720\$(891,449)\$4,360,271As explained in Note 3, "CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING METHOD", effective April 1, 2002, the Company changed the method of accounting for
royalty income. As a result, in 2003, external sales, operating expenses, and operating income of Japan increased by \$7,356#1100, \$4,066million, \$3,290million, respectively.\$3,290\$1,202\$1,202\$1,202\$1,202\$1,202

(3) Overseas sales information by geographic area is as follows:

| | | | | | Millions of yer |
|---|----------|----------|----------|-------------|--------------------|
| | Americas | Europe | Asia | Other areas | Tota |
| 2005: | | | | | |
| Overseas sales | ¥204,650 | ¥235,411 | ¥119,578 | ¥7,926 | ¥567,565 |
| Consolidated sales | | | | | ¥840,591 |
| Ratio of overseas sales to consolidated sales | 24.4% | 28.0% | 14.2% | 0.9% | 67.5% |
| 2004: | | | | | |
| Overseas sales | ¥225,849 | ¥247,493 | ¥140,424 | ¥6,196 | ¥619,962 |
| Consolidated sales | | | | | ¥921,978 |
| Ratio of overseas sales to consolidated sales | 24.5% | 26.8% | 15.2% | 0.7% | 67.2% |
| 2003: | | | | | |
| Overseas sales | ¥268,674 | ¥229,222 | ¥133,024 | ¥7,172 | ¥638,092 |
| Consolidated sales | | | | | ¥967,640 |
| Ratio of overseas sales to consolidated sales | 27.8% | 23.7% | 13.7% | 0.7% | 65.9% |
| | | | | Thousand | ds of U.S. dollars |
| | Americas | Europe | Asia | Other areas | Tota |

| 2003. | | | | | |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------|-------------|
| Overseas sales | \$1,912,617 | \$2,200,103 | \$1,117,551 | \$74,075 | \$5,304,346 |
| Consolidated sales | | | | | \$7,855,991 |
| Ratio of overseas sales to consolidated sales | 24.4% | 28.0% | 14.2% | 0.9% | 67.5% |
| | | | | | |

As explained in Note 3, "CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING METHOD", effective April 1, 2002, the Company changed the method of accounting for royalty income. As a result, in 2003, total overseas sales increased by ¥3,365 million, and overseas sales of Americas, Europe, and Asia increased by ¥2,741 million, ¥69 million, and ¥555 million, respectively.

Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of Directors of Victor Company of Japan, Limited

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Victor Company of Japan, Limited and consolidated subsidiaries as of March 31, 2005 and 2004, and the related consolidated statements of operations, stockholders' equity and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended March 31, 2005, expressed in Japanese yen. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to independently express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in Japan. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Victor Company of Japan, Limited and subsidiaries as of March 31, 2005 and 2004, and the consolidated results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended March 31, 2005 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in Japan.

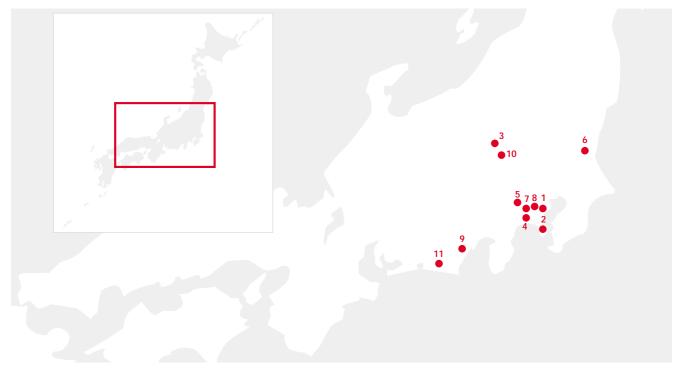
Without qualifying our opinion, we draw attention to the following: As discussed in Note 3, effective April 1, 2002, Victor Company of Japan, Limited changed the method of accounting for royalty income and related expenses.

The U.S. dollar amounts in the accompanying consolidated financial statements with respect to the year ended March 31, 2005 are presented solely for convenience. Our audit also included the translation of yen amounts into U.S. dollar amounts and, in our opinion, such translation has been made on the basis described in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements.

KPMGAESA & Co.

Tokyo, Japan June 29, 2005

(As of July 2005)



Main Japanese Manufacturing Sites

- Plant
 1 Headquarters & Yokohama Plant
- Headquarters & Yokonama P
- 2 Yokosuka Plant
- 3 Maebashi Plant
- 4 Yamato Plant
- 5 Hachioji Plant
- 6 Mito Plant
- 7 Rinkan Plant
- 8 Tsurugamine Plant
- 9 Fujieda Plant
- 10 Victor Isesaki Electronics Co., Ltd.
- **11** Victor Interior Furniture Co., Ltd.

Main Japanese Consolidated Subsidiaries

Company Name Sanin Victor Sales Co., Ltd. Okinawa Victor Sales Co., Ltd. Victor Arcs Co., Ltd. Victor Leisure System Co., Ltd.

Victor Isesaki Electronics Co., Ltd. Victor Data Systems Co., Ltd. Victor Interior Furniture Co., Ltd. Victor Entertainment, Inc. Teichiku Entertainment, Inc. JVC Entertainment Networks, Inc.

Nippon Record Center Co., Ltd. Victor Finance Co., Ltd. Victor Real Estate Co., Ltd. Victor Service & Engineering Co., Ltd. Victor Networks Co., Ltd.

Victor Logistics, Inc. Victor Parts & Technical Support, Inc.

Yokohama-city, Kanagawa Pref.

Location

| Yokosuka-city, Kanagawa Pref. |
|-------------------------------|
| Maebashi-city, Gunma Pref. |
| Yamato-city, Kanagawa Pref. |
| Hachioji-city, Tokyo |
| Mito-city, Ibaraki Pref. |
| Yamato-city, Kanagawa Pref. |
| Yokohama-city, Kanagawa Pref. |
| Fujieda-city, Shizuoka Pref. |
| Isesaki-city, Gunma Pref. |
| lwata-gun, Shizuoka Pref. |

Main Products

High-density, multi-layer printed wiring boards, D-ILA devices DVD recorders, Camcorders, LCD TVs, Rear projection TVs Audio equipment DVD discs (pre-recorded), Electronics components (optical pickups) Professional, educational, and information-related equipment Recording media products, Pre-recorded software (videotapes) CD and DVD discs (pre-recorded) Precision parts (FA and mold) Electronic components (motors) Electronic components (PWBs) Home furniture

Location Matsue-city, Shimane Pref. Ginowan-city, Okinawa Pref. Minato-ku, Tokyo Chuo-ku, Tokyo

Isesaki-city, Gunma Pref. Hachioji-city, Tokyo Iwata-gun, Shizuoka Pref. Minato-ku, Tokyo Shibuya-ku, Tokyo Minato-ku, Tokyo

Atsugi-city, Kanagawa Pref. Yokohama-city, Kanagawa Pref. Minato-ku, Tokyo Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo Minato-ku, Tokyo

Yokohama-city, Kanagawa Pref. Yokohama-city, Kanagawa Pref.

Business Wholesale

Wholesale Sales of professional audio and visual equipment Manufacturing, sales, and leasing of audio & visual and communication equipment Manufacturing and sales of PWBs Manufacturing and sales of devices for electronic calculators Manufacturing and sales of home furniture Planning and sales of audio and video software, etc. Planning and sales of audio and video software, etc. Entertainment service (talent management, music publishing, concert promotion, marketing, etc.) Logistics of audio software, etc. Finance and business consulting Management, sales, purchase, and leasing of real estate Repair of electric equipment Planning and development of information-providing services for mobile phones Logistics Sales and logistics of repair parts



Global Manufacturing Sites Company Name

JVC Manufacturing U.K. Ltd. JVC Video Manufacturing Europe GmbH JVC Disc America, Co. JVC Industrial de Mexico, S.A. de C.V. JVC Electronics Singapore Pte. Ltd. JVC Electronics Malaysia Sdn. Bhd. JVC Video Malaysia Sdn. Bhd. JVC Video Malaysia Sdn. Bhd. JVC Manufacturing (Thailand) Co., Ltd. JVC Components (Thailand) Co., Ltd. JVC Electronics Indonesia JVC Beijing Electronic Industries Co., Ltd. Fujian JVC Electronics Co., Ltd. Fujian JVC Electronics Co., Ltd.

Location

East Kilbride, United Kingdom Berlin, Germany Tuscaloosa, Alabama, U.S.A. Tijuana, Mexico Singapore Selangor, Malaysia Selangor, Malaysia Navanakorn, Thailand Nakhonratchasima, Thailand West Java, Indonesia Beijing, China Shanghai, China Fujian, China

Main Products

TVs DVD recorders, VCRs, camcorders CDs, DVDs (pre-recorded software) TVs Audio products Audio products Camcorders, VCRs TVs, Professional products Electronic components (motors, optical pickups, etc.) Audio products, Car AV products Camcorders, VCRs Audio products, DVD players Electronic components (deflection yokes) Electronic components (motors)

Europe Area: Regional Company and Sales Subsidiaries Company Name Location

| Regional Company | |
|---|-----------------|
| VC Europe Ltd. | United Kingdom |
| Sales Subsidiaries | |
| VC (U.K.) Ltd. | United Kingdom |
| VC Professional Europe Ltd. | United Kingdom |
| VC France S.A.S. | France |
| VC Deutschland GmbH | Germany |
| VC Professional Europe Ltd., Frankfurt Branch | Germany |
| VC Italia S.p.A. | Italy |
| VC Professional Europe Ltd., Milano Branch | Italy |
| VC España, S.A. | Spain |
| VC Benelux B.V. | The Netherlands |
| VC Professional Belgium S.A./N.V. | Belgium |
| VC Danmark A/S | Denmark |
| VC Skandinavia AB | Sweden |
| VC Svenska AB | Sweden |
| VC Norge A/S | Norway |
| VC Austria GmbH | Austria |
| VC International (Europe) GmbH | Austria |
| VC Polska Sp. Zo. o. | Poland |
| VC Czech spol. s.r.o. | Czech Republic |
| L.C. JVC CIS | Russia |

Americas Area: Regional Company and Sales Subsidiaries

| Americas Area. negional company | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------|--|
| Company Name | Location | |
| Regional Company | | |
| JVC Americas Corp. | U.S.A. | |
| Sales Subsidiaries | | |
| JVC Company of America | U.S.A. | |
| JVC Professional Products Company | U.S.A. | |
| JVC Canada Inc. | Canada | |
| JVC Latin America, S.A. | Panama | |
| JVC de Mexico, S.A. de C.V. | Mexico | |
| JVC do Brasil Ltda. | Brazil | |
| | | |

Asia, Oceania, the Middle East and Africa: Regional Company and Sales Subsidiaries

| Company | Location |
|--|-------------|
| Regional Company | |
| JVC Asia Pte. Ltd. | Singapore |
| Sales Subsidiaries | |
| JVC Asia Pte. Ltd., Sales & Service Division | Singapore |
| JVC Sales & Service (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. | Malaysia |
| JVC Sales & Service (Thailand) Co., Ltd. | Thailand |
| JVC (Philippines), Inc. | Philippines |
| JVC Vietnam Limited | Vietnam |
| P.T. JVC Indonesia | Indonesia |
| JVC Taiwan Corp. | Taiwan |
| JVC Korea Co., Ltd. | Korea |
| JVC Gulf Fze | U.A.E. |
| | |

China Area: Regional HQ

| Company Name | Location |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| China Area: Regional HQ | |
| JVC (China) Investment Co., Ltd. | China |

Other Main Global Subsidiaries

| Company Name | Location | Business |
|---|----------------|--|
| JVC Industrial America, Inc. | U.S.A. | Management of imports and exports in U.S.A. |
| JVC America, Inc. | U.S.A. | Administrating media companies in U.S.A. |
| JVC Finance of America | U.S.A. | Issuance of commercial paper |
| JVC Forex (U.K.) Ltd. | United Kingdom | Management of JVC's European subsidiaries' foreign exchange transactions |
| JVC Logistics Europe N.V. | Belgium | Merchandise stock center for the distribution of JVC products to European sales companies |
| JVC Trading (Shanghai) Co., Ltd. | China | Import and distribution of service parts |
| JVC Shanghai System Development Engineering Co., Ltd. | China | Integration and maintenance of professional systems |
| Beijing JVC AV Equipment Co., Ltd. | China | Manufacturing and sales of professional products |
| Beijing Kelin JVC Electronic System Engineering Co., Ltd. | China | Integration and maintenance of professional systems |
| JVC Purchasing Center (H.K.), Ltd. | Hong Kong | Procurement of manufacturing parts |
| Kuang Yuan Co., Ltd. | Taiwan | Sales of electronic components and devices |
| JVC Procurement Asia (A Division Company of JVC Asia Pte. Ltd.) | Singapore | International procurement office (IPO) of components |
| JVC Electronics (Thailand) Co., Ltd. | Thailand | Production of consumer products |

| Global Software Related Companies | | |
|---|-----------|--|
| Company Name | Location | Business |
| JVC Entertainment, Inc. | U.S.A. | International strategic base for JVC's software business |
| JVC Music H.K., Ltd./Kaku-Sui Publishing Ltd. | Hong Kong | Management of music publications |
| CRC. JVC Audio Visual Software Co., Ltd. | China | Planning and production of audiovisual software, etc. |

Main Global Liaison Offices Company Name

| Company Name | Location | |
|---|----------------|-----|
| JVC Latin America Liaison Office | Panama | |
| JVC Legal Liaison Office (Europe) | United Kingdom | dom |
| JVC International (Europe) GmbH, Moscow Representative Office | Russia | |
| JVC International (Europe) GmbH, Hungarian Information & Service Office | Hungary | |
| JVC International (Europe) GmbH, Kiev Representative Office | Ukraine | |
| JVC España, S.A., Portugal Branch | Portugal | |
| | | |

| Global Service and Technical Centers | | | |
|--|----------|--|--|
| Company Name | Location | | |
| IVC Sonvice and Engineering Company of America | 119 4 | | |

| JVC Service and Engineering Company of America | U.S.A. |
|--|---------|
| JVC Tongguang Beijing Technical Center | China |
| JVC Technology Center Europe GmbH | Germany |

| Global Research and Development Centers | |
|---|-----------|
| Company Name | Location |
| JVC Laboratory of America | U.S.A. |
| JVC Singapore R&D Center | Singapore |
| JVC Asia Laboratories of Singapore | Singapore |
| JVC Malaysia R&D Center | Malaysia |
| JVC (Beijing) Research & Development Center, Ltd. | China |

History of JVC

| 1927 | Victor Talking Machine Company of Japan, Limited established | |
|-----------|---|---|
| 1939 | victor raiking watchine company of sapari, Einned established | Produced Japan's first TV receiver |
| 1954 | | Draducad Japan's first ED record |
| 1956 | First plant in | Developed 45/45 stereo record format |
| 1958 | Yokohama established | Produced Japan's first stereo LP record |
| 1750 | | Introduced STL-1S, Japan's first 45/45 stereo record player |
| 1960 | | Introduced 31C-13, Japan S inst 45/45 stereo record player Introduced 21CT-11B, JVC's first color TV set |
| 1963 | | |
| | N/C America Inc. cotablished | Introduced KV-200, the world's smallest 2-head professional VCR |
| 1968 | JVC America Inc. established | |
| 1971 | | Introduced CD-4, 4-channel stereo record |
| 1973 | JVC (U.K.) Ltd. established | |
| 1976 | | Introduced HR-3300, the world's first VHS home video recorder |
| 1977 | • US JVC Corp. established | |
| 1978 | JVC Electronics Singapore Pte. Ltd. established | |
| 1000 | Held the first JVC Tokyo Video Festival | 1976 |
| 1980 | Started to sponsor the UEFA European Football Championship | HR-3300 GR-C1 |
| 1982 | Started to sponsor the FIFA World Cup™ | |
| 1984 | Held the first JVC Jazz Festival | Introduced GR-C1, a single-unit video camera |
| 1986 | | Introduced GR-C7, the world's smallest and lightest VHS-C video camera |
| 1987 | | Introduced HR-S7000, the world's first S-VHS video recorder |
| 1990 | 221 | Introduced HR-SC1000, the world's first VHS/VHS-C compati- ble video recorder |
| 1991 | 5-6 L GA | Introduced AV-36W1, first multi-wide vision TV in the industry |
| 1993 | First JVC Tokyo Video Festival held | Introduced high definition TV |
| | | Introduced HR-W1, the world's first high definition home video recorder |
| | | Introduced GR-DV1, the world's first pocket-sized digital video camera |
| 1995 | JVC Asia Pte. Ltd. established | Q10 |
| 1996 | JVC (China) Investment Co., Ltd. established | 1 |
| 1997 | JVC Americas Corp. established | 1995 GR-DV1 |
| 1998 | JVC Europe Ltd. established | Introduced DLA-G10, full S-XGA high definition D-ILA multi- media projector |
| 1999 | | Introduced HM-DR10000, the world's first D-VHS video recorder capable of recording 24 hours per cassette |
| 2001 | | Introduced GR-DVP3, the world's smallest and lightest digital |
| | | video camera |
| 2002 | Sponsored 2002 FIFA World Cup Korea/Japan[™] | Introduced AV-36/32Z1500, TVs equipped with DIST (digital image scaling technology) |
| | | Introduced PD-42/35DT3, plasma displays |
| 2003 | JVC Professional Europe Ltd. established | Introduced GR-HD1, high definition digital video camera |
| | | Introduced EX-A1, compact component system |
| | | 2003 GR-HD1 EX-A1 |
| 2004 | Sponsored UEFA EURO 2004™ | Introduced D-ILA rear projection TV |
| | | Introduced home theater projection system DLA-HD2K 2004 |
| | | Introduced hard disk camcorder "Everio" GZ-MC200/MC100 |
| 2005 | JVC Benelux B.V. established | Introduced digital audio players XA-AL55 |
| | JVC Professional Belgium S.A./N.V. established | and XA-MP101/MP51 2004 |
| | JVC becomes UEFA EUROTOP Partner | GZ-MC200 |
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Organization Chart

(As from April 1, 2005) Victor Company of Japan, Limited (JVC)

President





| Components & Device Company |
|----------------------------------|
| |
| Motor Div. |
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| Circuit Board Div. |
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| Display & Optical Component Div. |
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| Media Company |
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| Soft Media Business Center |
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| Recording Media Business Center |
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| Entertainment Software Company |
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Date of Establishment:

September 13, 1927

Number of Employees:

34,493

Paid-in Capital:

¥34,115 million

Number of Shares of Common Stock Issued:

254,230,058 shares

Number of Stockholders:

13,794

Stock Exchange Listings:

Tokyo Stock Exchange Osaka Securities Exchange

Transfer Agent and Registrar:

The Sumitomo Trust & Banking Co., Ltd. 4-5-33, Kitahama, Chuo-ku, Osaka 541-0041, Japan

Annual Meeting of Stockholders:

An ordinary annual meeting of stockholders shall be convened within three months after the day immediately following the day on which the accounts are closed.

Auditor:

KPMG AZSA & Co.

Principal Consolidated Subsidiaries: *Domestic*

Victor Entertainment, Inc. Teichiku Entertainment, Inc. Victor Leisure System Co., Ltd. Victor Service & Engineering Co., Ltd. Victor Real Estate Co., Ltd. Victor Finance Co., Ltd. Victor Logistics, Inc. Nippon Record Center Co., Ltd.

Overseas

JVC Americas Corp. JVC America, Inc. JVC Industrial America, Inc. JVC Entertainment, Inc. JVC Canada Inc. JVC Europe Ltd. JVC (U.K.) Ltd. JVC Manufacturing U.K. Ltd. JVC France S.A.S. JVC Italia S.p.A. JVC España, S.A. JVC Deutschland GmbH JVC Video Manufacturing Europe GmbH JVC Belgium S.A./N.V. JVC Nederland B.V. JVC International (Europe) GmbH JVC Asia Pte. Ltd. JVC Electronics Singapore Pte. Ltd. JVC Electronics Malaysia Sdn. Bhd. JVC Video Malaysia Sdn. Bhd. JVC Sales & Service (Thailand) Co., Ltd. JVC Manufacturing (Thailand) Co., Ltd. JVC Components (Thailand) Co., Ltd. P.T. JVC Electronics Indonesia JVC Gulf Fze JVC Korea Co., Ltd. JVC (China) Investment Co., Ltd. JVC Beijing Electronic Industries Co., Ltd. JVC Shanghai Electronics Co., Ltd.

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