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Kobe Steel subsidiary Nippon Koshuha revises earnings forecast

TOKYO, February 6, 2009 –Nippon Koshuha Steel Co., Ltd., a listed subsidiary of Kobe Steel, Ltd., announced today a revision in its forecast for fiscal 2008 (April 1, 2008-March 31, 2009) made on April 25, 2008.

The revision to Nippon Koshuha's earnings forecast does not affect Kobe Steel's consolidated forecast for fiscal 2008.

Consolidated forecast for full-year fiscal 2008 (April 1, 2008 – March 31, 2009)

(Millions of yen)

	Net Sales	Operating Income (Loss)	Ordinary Income (Loss)	Net Income (Loss)	Net income (loss) per share (in yen)
Previous forecast (A)	58,500	1,650	1,500	900	6.13
New forecast (B)	49,000	(230)	(350)	(1,450)	(9.88)
Change (B-A)	(9,500)	(1,880)	(1,850)	(2,350)	---
% change	(16.2)	---	---	---	---
FY2007 results for same period	53,424	2,688	2,504	1,860	12.68

Nonconsolidated forecast for full-year fiscal 2008 (April 1, 2008 – March 31, 2009)

(Millions of yen)

	Net Sales	Operating Income (Loss)	Ordinary Income (Loss)	Net Income (Loss)	Net income (loss) per share (in yen)
Previous forecast (A)	44,000	450	500	350	2.39
New forecast (B)	37,000	(350)	(300)	(850)	(5.79)
Change (B-A)	(7,000)	(800)	(800)	(1,200)	---
% change	(15.9)	---	---	---	---
FY2007 results for same period	40,126	2,002	2,111	1,727	11.77

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