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Kobe Steel subsidiary Kobelco Eco-Solutions revises earnings forecast and dividend forecast

TOKYO, March 9, 2012 – Kobelco Eco-Solutions Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of Kobe Steel, Ltd., announced today a revision in its forecast for fiscal 2011 (April 1, 2011 - March 31, 2012) made on October 28, 2011 and a revision in its dividend forecast made on April 26, 2011. Details are given in the tables below.

Consolidated forecast for full-year fiscal 2012 (April 1, 2011 – March 31, 2012)

(Millions of yen)

	Net Sales	Operating Income	Ordinary Income	Net Income	Net income per share (in yen)
Previous forecast (A)	71,500	3,700	3,600	1,850	22.96
New forecast (B)	71,500	4,150	4,000	1,900	23.58
Change (B-A)	0	450	400	50	-
% change	0.0	12.2	11.1	2.7	•
FY2010 results for same period	69,605	3,192	3,135	1,836	22.80

Non-consolidated forecast for full-year fiscal 2012 (April 1, 2011 – March 31, 2012)

(Millions of ven)

	Net Sales	Ordinary	Net Income	Net income per
		Income		share (in yen)
Previous forecast (A)	52,000	2,800	1,750	21.72
New forecast (B)	52,000	3,100	1,800	22.34
Change (B-A)	0	300	50	-
% change	0.0	10.7	2.9	-
FY2010 results for	50,520	2,282	1,558	19.34
same period				

Dividend forecast

	Dividend per share							
Date of record	End of first	End of second	End of third	End of fiscal	Full fiscal year			
	quarter	quarter	quarter	year				
	(June 30,	(September	(December 31,	(March 31,				
	2011)	30, 2011)	2011)	2012)				
Previous Forecast		0.00 yen		7.00 yen	7.00 yen			
(announced on Apr.								
26, 2011)								
Current Forecast				9.00 yen	9.00 yen			
FY2011 Results		0.00 yen						
FY2010 Results		0.00 yen		7.00 yen	7.00 yen			

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