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Kobe Steel subsidiary Kobelco Eco-Solutions announces difference between forecast and actual results of first-half fiscal 2011 and revision of its earnings forecast for full-year fiscal 2011

TOKYO, October 28, 2011 – Kobelco Eco-Solutions Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of Kobe Steel, Ltd., announces today a difference between its forecast for first-half fiscal 2011 (April 1, 2011-September 30, 2011), released on April 26, 2011, and the actual results of first-half fiscal 2011 announced today.

In addition, it announces a revision in its full-year forecast for fiscal 2011 (April 1, 2011-March 31, 2012) made on April 26, 2011. Details are given in the tables below.

Difference between consolidated results and forecast for first-half fiscal 2011 (April 1, 2011 – September 30, 2011)

(Millions of yen)

	Net Sales	Operating	Ordinary	Net Income	Net income per
		Income	Income		share (in yen)
Previous forecast (A)	30,000	850	750	300	3.72
Actual results (B)	29,852	1,420	1,448	638	7.93
Change (B-A)	(148)	570	698	338	-
% change	(0.5)	67.1	93.1	112.7	-
FY2010 results for	30,037	1,169	1,165	719	8.93
same period					

Difference between nonconsolidated results and forecast for first-half fiscal 2011 (April 1, 2011 – September 30, 2011)

(Millions of ven)

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	Net Sales	Ordinary Income	Net Income	Net income per
				share (in yen)
Previous forecast (A)	22,000	1,100	750	9.31
Actual results (B)	22,034	1,468	995	12.36
Change (B-A)	34	368	245	-
% change	0.2	33.5	32.7	-
FY2010 results for	22,541	1,309	950	11.79
same period				

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

(Millions of ven)

	Net Sales Operating		Ordinary	Net Income	Net income per
		Income	Income		share (in yen)
Previous forecast (A)	70,000	3,350	3,200	1,700	21.10
New forecast (B)	71,500	3,700	3,600	1,850	22.96
Change (B-A)	1,500	350	400	150	=
% change	2.1	10.4	12.5	8.8	-
FY2010 results for	69,605	3,192	3,135	1,836	22.80
same period					

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

(Millions of ven)

(Millions of year)					
	Net Sales	Ordinary Income	Net Income	Net income per	
				share (in yen)	
Previous forecast (A)	51,000	2,350	1,450	17.99	
New forecast (B)	52,000	2,800	1,750	21.72	
Change (B-A)	1,000	450	300	-	
% change	2.0	19.1	20.7	-	
FY2009 results for	50,520	2,282	1,558	19.34	
same period					

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