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## Announcement of Revision of Business Forecasts

Based on recent business performance, Hitachi High-Technologies has decided to revise the Company's business forecasts, which were announced on July 25, 2008.

### 1. Revision of consolidated business forecasts

- 1) Forecasts for the six months of fiscal year ending March 31, 2009 (April 1, 2008 - September 30, 2008)

(Millions of yen)

	Net sales	Operating profit	Ordinary income	Net income
Previous forecast (A)	415,000	8,800	9,300	4,300
Revised forecast (B)	423,300	12,500	13,900	7,500
(B) – (A)	8,300	3,700	4,600	3,200
% change	2.0	42.0	49.5	74.4
(Ref.) Previous interim results	487,227	23,259	23,755	14,712

### 2. Revision of non-consolidated business forecasts

- 1) Forecasts for the six months of fiscal year ending March 31, 2009 (April 1, 2008 - September 30, 2008)

(Millions of yen)

	Net sales	Operating profit	Ordinary income	Net income
Previous forecast (A)	321,000	4,900	11,080	8,670
Revised forecast (B)	327,000	7,900	14,800	11,100
(B) – (A)	6,000	3,000	3,720	2,430
% change	1.9	61.2	33.6	28.0
(Ref.) Previous interim results	374,362	17,041	18,880	17,886

### 3. Reasons for the revisions

On July 25, 2008, the Company lowered its consolidated and non-consolidated forecasts for the first six months mainly because of lower sales of semiconductor manufacturing equipment due to deteriorating market conditions and changes to accounting policy for recognizing revenue.

However, Hitachi High-Technologies has achieved its shipment plans for next quarter and onwards ahead of schedule, by offsetting lower production of semiconductor manufacturing equipment with increased production of clinical chemical analyzers, which are in strong demand in European and U.S. markets. Furthermore, the Company has seen higher sales of LCD manufacturing equipment and changes in performance in other areas. It also now expects the impact of changes in revenue recognition criteria to be less than was previously expected.

In light of the above, Hitachi High-Technologies has raised its consolidated and non-consolidated forecasts for the first six months of fiscal year ending March 31, 2009.

The Company plans to announce full-year forecasts in its second-quarter financial results on October 23, 2008.

Note: The above forecasts are based on information available at the time of their announcement and are subject to various risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from forecasts.

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