## To All Concerned Parties

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## Fullcast Co., Ltd. and the Fullcast Group Third Quarter Operating Results for the Fiscal Year Ending September 2002

Fullcast Co., Ltd. ("Fullcast") released the following statement reviewing the results of business operations by the Company and the Fullcast Group during the third quarter (April 1, 2002 - June 30, 2002) of the fiscal year ending September 2002.

## 1. Introduction

During Fullcast's third quarter, Japan's economy began showing signs that the drop in exports and production had tapered off as the result of an improved external economic environment and business inventory adjustments. This led the government to issue its Monthly Economic Report for July under the headline, "While the economy continues to be in a difficult situation, movements of an incipient recovery can be seen in some areas" (July 11, 2002). On the other hand, conditions remain impossible to predict as the environment concerning employment and income, including a persistent high unemployment rate, remains severe. For Fullcast as well,
the environment remained challenging in light of circumstances in the manufacturing and distribution industries.
2. Fullcast Group's operating results for the third quarter
(1) Fullcast Group's operating results by major segment (Spot Business)

In the manufacturing industry, the trend to push beyond mere cost cutting measures and aggressively utilize outsourcing to increase operating efficiency that was noted in the first and second quarters continued during the third quarter. In response to this tendency, Fullcast enhanced marketing capabilities in order to rapidly and accurately perceive customers' needs as the leading company in the short-term contracting business, by reviewing its office development program and sales organization. The Company simultaneously implemented spot contracting business quality improvements. Fullcast also viewed expansion of market share as a management priority, and increased the number of orders obtained by adjusting to market levels fees the Company had strategically set at high levels.

Despite these efforts, Fullcast was unable to increase net sales above the level of the third quarter in the prior fiscal year because of increasingly severe competition in the Kanto region and a drop in orders related to warehouse work.

During the Company's third quarter, Fullcast and Fullcast Lady established two new offices and closed two existing offices. As of the end June 2002, the Company had 51 spot business offices throughout Japan.
(Factory Business)
During the third quarter, the Company continued its first and second quarter policy of emphasizing maintenance of market share. By responding promptly and exactly to customers' needs, Fullcast succeeded in expanding its Factory Business net sales. With regard to Fullcast Central Co., Ltd. in particular, a new business started during the third quarter, the Company established five offices and steadily achieved sales growth in line with initial projections. During the quarter Fullcast Factory reviewed its office organization, adding one office and closing three offices to finish the
quarter with 16 offices. As a result, the Company increased the number of Factory Business offices from 18 at the end of March to 21 offices as of the end of June 2002.

## (Technical Business)

Companies in the manufacturing industry are among the Fullcast Group's major customers. Despite the growing number of manufacturing customers that have adjusted inventory levels and improved operating efficiency, Fullcast found it difficult to increase the number of orders received compared to the same quarter of the prior fiscal year, because the manufacturing industry overall has slashed capital investment compared to the prior year's level. As of the end of June, Fullcast had 423 technical employees, and achieved an operating ratio of $91.7 \%$ for June. As of the end of June, the Company had assigned approximately 32 of its 50 newest employees, a progress ratio of $64 \%$ compared with the initial plan level.
(2) Third quarter consolidated net sales

Segment information by type of business
Third quarter (From April 1, 2002 through June 30, 2002)
(Unit: thousand yen; rounded down)

|  | Spot <br> Business | Factory <br> Business | Technical <br> Business | Other <br> Businesses | Total | Eliminations <br> and corporate | Consolidated |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| Net sales and operating <br> profit (loss) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net sales <br> (1) Net sales to outside <br> customers | $3,776,918$ | $1,564,146$ | 810,100 | 249,497 | $6,400,663$ |  | - |
| (2) Net sales or net <br> transfers among <br> business segments | 92,498 | 14,736 | 4,698 | 23,737 | 135,671 | $-135,671$ | $6,400,663$ |
| Total | $3,869,417$ | $1,578,883$ | 814,799 | 273,234 | $6,536,334$ | $-135,671$ | $6,400,663$ |
| Operating expenses | $3,564,385$ | $1,549,713$ | 850,900 | 292,380 | $6,257,379$ | $-35,957$ | $6,221,422$ |
| Operating profit (loss) | 305,032 | 29,169 | $-36,101$ | $-19,145$ | 278,954 | $-99,713$ | 179,241 |

Prior fiscal year third quarter (From April 1, 2001 through June 30, 2001)
(Unit: thousand yen; rounded down)

|  | Spot <br> Business | Factory <br> Business | Technical <br> Business | Other <br> Businesses | Total | Eliminations <br> and corporate | Consolidated |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| Net sales and operating <br> profit (loss) <br> Net sales <br> (1) Net sales to outside <br> customers | $3,962,983$ | 925,751 | 793,139 | 196,313 | $5,877,187$ |  |  |
| (2) Net sales or net <br> transfers among <br> business segments | 27,877 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 34 | 5,721 | 26,511 | 60,145 | $-60,145$ | $5,877,187$ |  |
| Operating expenses | $3,990,861$ | 924,785 | 798,861 | 222,824 | $5,937,332$ | $-60,145$ | $5,877,187$ |
| Operating profit (loss) | 475,700 | 58,794 | $-9,093$ | $-79,094$ | 446,306 | $-138,447$ | $-207,859$ |

Notes: 1. Figures shown above do not include consumption and other taxes.
2. Business classifications are based on classifications used for internal management.
3. Segments by type of business
(1) Spot Business: Temporary contractual services, dispatch of temporary staff
(2) Factory Business: Contracting for production line work
(3) Technical Business: HR contracting of technical staff, engineer dispatching services
(4) Other Businesses: Telecommunications-related services, other
4. The above figures are unaudited.
(Reference) Third quarter segment information by type of business (Nine-month cumulative total)

Third quarter (From October 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002)
(Unit: thousand yen; rounded down)

|  | Spot <br> Business | Factory <br> Business | Technical <br> Business | Other <br> Businesses | Total | Eliminations <br> and corporate | Consolidated |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| Net sales and operating <br> profit (loss) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net sales <br> (1) Net sales to outside <br> customers | $11,965,145$ | $3,825,607$ | $2,388,308$ | 560,094 | $18,739,156$ |  |  |
| (2) Net sales or net <br> transfers among <br> business segments | 287,162 | 27,462 | 14,828 | 268,999 | 598,452 | $-598,452$ | $18,739,156$ |
| Total | $12,252,307$ | $3,853,069$ | $2,403,136$ | 829,094 | $19,337,608$ | $-598,452$ | $18,739,156$ |
| Operating expenses | $10,973,966$ | $3,797,793$ | $2,455,394$ | 880,569 | $18,107,723$ | $-339,326$ | $17,768,397$ |
| Operating profit (loss) | $1,278,340$ | 55,276 | $-52,257$ | $-51,474$ | $1,229,885$ | $-259,125$ | 970,759 |

Prior fiscal year third quarter (From October 1, 2000 through June 30, 2001)
(Unit: thousand yen; rounded down)

|  | Spot <br> Business | Factory <br> Business | Technical <br> Business | Other <br> Businesses | Total | Eliminations <br> and corporate | Consolidated |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| Net sales and operating <br> profit (loss) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net sales <br> (1) Net sales to outside <br> customers | $13,059,833$ | $2,461,324$ | $2,282,004$ | 456,260 | $18,259,423$ |  |  |
| (2) Net sales or net <br> transfers among <br> business segments | 88,481 | 13,888 | 18,866 | 195,306 | 316,542 | $-316,542$ | $-18,259,423$ |
| Total | $13,148,314$ | $2,475,213$ | $2,300,871$ | 651,566 | $18,575,966$ | $-316,542$ | $18,259,423$ |
| Operating expenses | $11,287,064$ | $2,340,463$ | $2,194,031$ | 764,837 | $16,586,397$ | 133,189 | $16,719,587$ |
| Operating profit (loss) | $1,861,250$ | 134,749 | 106,840 | $-113,271$ | $1,989,568$ | $-449,732$ | $1,539,836$ |

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(4) Other Businesses: Telecommunications-related services, other
4. The above figures are unaudited.

## (3) Third quarter Consolidated Statements of Income

(Unit: Thousand yen; rounded down)


Notes 1. Extraordinary income and loss and other items necessary to calculate net income have been omitted from the
Consolidated Statements of Income shown above.
2. The percent change shown in the column showing the change compared to the same period of the prior fiscal year was calculated as follows.
(A) Operating results for Q3 of current fiscal year - (B) Operating results

Percent change $=$ for Q3 of prior fiscal year
(B) Operating results for Q3 of prior fiscal year
3. Figures shown above are unaudited

## (Reference) Third quarter Consolidated Statements of Income (Nine-month cumulative total)

(Unit: Thousand yen; rounded down)


Notes 1. Extraordinary income and loss and other items necessary to calculate net income have been omitted from the Consolidated Statements of Income shown above.
2. The percent change shown in the column showing the change compared to the same period of the prior fiscal year was calculated as follows.
(A) Operating results for Q3 of current fiscal year - (B) Operating results

Percent change $=$
for Q3 of prior fiscal year
(B) Operating results for Q3 of prior fiscal year
3. Figures shown above are unaudited

## 3. Third Quarter Operating Results (Non-consolidated)

## (1) Third Quarter Company Statements of Income

(Unit: Thousand yen; rounded down)


Notes 1. Extraordinary income and loss and other items necessary to calculate net income have been omitted from the Consolidated Statements of Income shown above.
2. The percent change shown in the column showing the change compared to the same period of the prior fiscal year was calculated as follows.
(A) Operating results for Q3 of current fiscal year - (B) Operating results

Percent change $=$ for Q3 of prior fiscal year

X 100
(B) Operating results for Q3 of prior fiscal year
3. Figures shown above are unaudited
(Reference) Third quarter Company Statements of Income (Nine-month cumulative total)
(Unit: Thousand yen; rounded down)


Notes 1. Extraordinary income and loss and other items necessary to calculate net income have been omitted from the Consolidated Statements of Income shown above.
2. The percent change shown in the column showing the change compared to the same period of the prior fiscal year was calculated as follows.
(A) Operating results for Q3 of current fiscal year - (B) Operating results

Percent change $=$ for Q3 of prior fiscal year

X 100
(B) Operating results for Q3 of prior fiscal year
3. Figures shown above are unaudited

