Annual Report 2008

Year Ended March 31, 2008

Continuing to Grow as a **Unique Chemical Manufacturer** Dedicated to Excellence





Profile

The MGC Group currently consists of Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Company, Inc. and over 100 companies worldwide. Under a corporate philosophy of "making contributions towards development in harmony with society through the creation of a diverse range of value based on chemistry," the MGC Group conducts a wide range of businesses globally, from basic chemicals such as methanol and hydrogen peroxide, to fine chemicals such as life science products, meta-xylene derivatives and electronic chemicals, as well as functional materials such as engineering plastics, optical materials, electronic materials and oxygen absorbers.

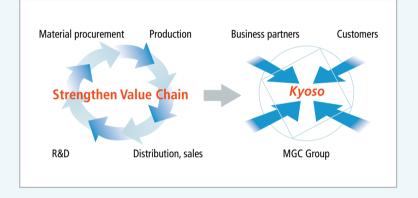
Building on 30 years of overseas business experience, MGC will continue to strengthen its international presence, particularly in growing Asian markets. To ensure sustainable growth, MGC initiated a new medium-term management plan, *Kyoso 2008*, in April 2006. The MGC Group is making steady progress in implementing the plan's basic strategies of in-depth differentiation and strengthening the management infrastructure.



MGC is fully committed to making contributions towards development in harmony with society through the creation of a diverse range of value based on chemistry.

Kyoso 2008 Concept

"Kyoso" is a coined term that means creating new value that could not have been achieved alone by applying the respective strengths of many toward a common goal to increase synergy.



Group Vision

The MGC Group works to achieve sustainable growth while contributing to society in every aspect of its highly profitable, research-driven operations.

Forward-Looking Statements

Statements in this annual report with respect to MGC's plans, strategies and beliefs, as well as other statements that are not historical facts, are forward-looking statements involving risks and uncertainties. Various factors could cause actual results to differ materially from such statements.

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Financial Highlights

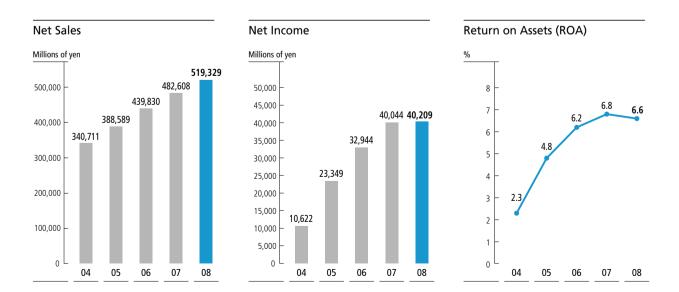
Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Company, Inc. and Consolidated Subsidiaries For the years ended March 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006

| | | Millions of yen | Percentage change | Thousands of U.S. dollars | |
|---|----------|-----------------|----------------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2008/2007 | 2008 |
| For the year: | | | | | |
| Net sales | ¥519,329 | ¥482,608 | ¥439,830 | 7.6% | \$5,183,441 |
| Operating income | 47,367 | 42,220 | 38,970 | 12.2 | 472,772 |
| Net income | 40,209 | 40,044 | 32,944 | 0.4 | 401,327 |
| Return on assets (ROA) (%) | 6.6 | 6.8 | 6.2 | (0.2) points | |
| Return on equity (ROE) (%) | 13.7 | 15.0 | 14.5 | (1.3) points | |
| Capital expenditures | 39,448 | 29,502 | 17,484 | 33.7 | 393,732 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 24,521 | 28,626 | 18,759 | (14.3) | 244,745 |
| At year end: | | | | | |
| Total assets | ¥601,386 | ¥609,966 | ¥564,484 | (1.4)% | \$6,002,455 |
| Total net assets | 312,021 | 292,696 | 259,339 | 6.6 | 3,114,293 |
| Interest-bearing debt | 150,573 | 163,950 | 161,806 | (8.2) | 1,502,875 |
| Per share of common stock (Yen/U.S. dollars): | | | | | |
| Net income—basic | ¥ 87.01 | ¥ 86.63 | ¥ 70.98 | 0.4% | \$ 0.87 |
| Net assets | 654.25 | 613.64 | 543.12 | 6.6 | 6.53 |
| Cash dividends | 16.00 | 14.00 | 10.00 | 14.3 | 0.16 |

Notes: 1. U.S. dollar amounts are translated from yen, for convenience only, at the approximate rate of ¥100.19 = US\$1 prevailing on March 31, 2008. 2. Cash dividends for each year represent the total of the interim dividend and the year-end dividend declared as applicable to the respective year.

3. Return on assets = Net income / Average total assets

4. The calculation of return on equity uses net assets excluding minority interests.



In the year ended March 31, 2008, we continued to focus management resources to strengthen our core businesses, reinforce our domestic R&D structure, strengthen our management infrastructure and improve profitability to achieve further growth in line with the aims of *Kyoso 2008*.



Kazuo Sakai, President (left), and Hideki Odaka, Chairman

Operating Environment and Results

During fiscal 2007, the year ended March 31, 2008, the overall domestic economy continued to recover gradually, with strong capital expenditure and exports, particularly during the first half. However, with consumer spending weakening, the economic outlook is uncertain, and developments in the latter part of the fiscal year, such as the sub-prime mortgage crisis and the strengthening of the yen, indicate that a slowdown is likely. Despite continued rises in crude oil prices to record levels, as well as increases and sustained highs in raw material costs, the operating environment for the Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Company, Inc. and its group companies (the "MGC Group") was favorable due to strong exports and continued, though gradual, domestic economic recovery.

The strategic focus of the MGC Group in this environment was to strengthen the management infrastructure and pursue further growth in line with the aims of *Kyoso* 2008, the Group's medium-term management plan, while endeavoring to improve profitability by increasing sales volumes, revising prices and other such measures.

As a result, consolidated net sales increased ¥36,721 million, or 7.6 percent, compared with the previous fiscal year to ¥519,329 million, and operating income increased ¥5,147 million, or 12.2 percent, to ¥47,367 million. Consolidated net income for the fiscal year increased ¥165 million, or 0.4 percent, to ¥40,209

million. Factors included a decline in equity in earnings of affiliates following the one-time increase of the previous year resulting from special dividend payments from affiliated companies, foreign exchange loss, impairment loss associated with Coenzyme Q_{10} , an increase in taxes paid by subsidiaries, and the absence of the one-time loss resulting from revisions to the depreciation of property, plant and equipment that impacted net income in the previous year.

Policy on Stockholder Returns

MGC considers returning earnings to stockholders to be one of the most important tasks in the management of the MGC Group. MGC's basic policy is 1) to determine the optimum amounts of profit to allocate for stockholder distribution and to retain for increasing MGC's future corporate value based on comprehensive consideration from a medium-to-long-term perspective of such factors as business performance, capital expenditure plans, and maintaining and improving the Group's financial position; 2) to determine dividend amounts from the combined perspectives of performance and stability; and 3) increase capital efficiency by flexibly implementing share buybacks while observing the market environment.

Based on this policy, MGC increased total annual dividends per share ¥2.00 from the previous fiscal year to ¥16.00, resulting in a consolidated dividend payout ratio of 18.4 percent, an increase of 2.2 percentage points.

Progress of Kyoso 2008

In April 2006, the MGC Group initiated *Kyoso* (Cooperative Value Creation) *2008*, a new three-year medium-term management plan, as its second stage targeting further growth. The Group Vision is "to achieve sustainable growth while contributing to society in every aspect of its highly profitable, research-driven operations." The Basic Strategies of *Kyoso 2008* are summarized below.

| Deploy an in-depth differentiation st | rategy for further growth | 2. Strengthen the man | nagement infrastructure | |
|--|----------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Strengthen presence in growing Asian markets Concentrate management resources in priority fields Accelerate new product development Numerical Targets (to be achieved by March 2009) | | Implement ongoing structural reforms Build a responsive financial framework for growth Improve productivity and continuously reduce costs Enhance personnel training and on-site capabilities Generate greater Group synergy by sharing managen | | |
| Numerical Targets (to be achieved by Mare | ch 2009) | 5) Generate greater Gr | oup synergy by sharing management resour | |
| Numerical Targets (to be achieved by Marc 1) Consolidated ordinary income: | ch 2009) 2) Consolidated retu | | oup synergy by sharing management resour 3) Consolidated debt/equity (D/E) ratio | |

MGC is implementing the medium-term management plan with primary emphasis on Group-wide enhancement of internal control systems and cultivation of the trust of all stakeholders as premises for the achievement of sustainable growth.

In terms of business strategy, MGC is focusing management resources to further strengthen the core businesses in which it has a competitive advantage. All projects are currently proceeding steadily. For example, MGC is vigorously promoting the establishment and expansion of production sites, primarily in Asia, for commodity products such as methanol, hydrogen peroxide and engineering plastics. In Japan, MGC is also reinforcing the R&D structure and enhancing production capacity for high-value-added products and specialty products such as m-xylene derivatives, electronic chemicals and electronic materials.

Strengthening the management infrastructure is also essential to ensuring sustainable growth. Concrete measures are currently under way to accelerate new product development, establish a strong financial framework and enhance Group management, which are priority issues.

During fiscal 2007, the second year of *Kyoso 2008*, consolidated operating income and ordinary income remained at high levels due to factors including steady demand for purified isophthalic acid and BT resin-based materials, and an increase in income from equity affiliates due to a stronger market for methanol. As a result, return on assets (ROA) and the debt/equity (D/E) ratio surpassed original numerical targets.

In fiscal 2008, the final year of the plan, the MGC Group foresees a difficult operating environment including the increasingly uncertain global economy, the continuing high price of raw materials and fuel, and concern over the appreciating yen. The MGC Group will make a concerted effort to achieve the targets and objectives of *Kyoso 2008* by focusing on the steady, high-output operation of plants with enhanced capacity, thorough efforts to reduce costs and revision of selling prices.

The MGC Group is fully committed to development in harmony with society through the use and application of our expertise in chemistry. Based on this management philosophy, we practice thorough corporate social responsibility (CSR) in all our business activities while working to achieve sustained growth and a stronger corporate infrastructure as a highly profitable, R&D-driven corporate group.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our stockholders for their valued support of our efforts.

July 2008

Hideki Odaka

Hideki Odaka Representative Director, Chairman

K. Suten

Kazuo Sakai Representative Director, President

The MGC Group Vision is "to achieve sustainable growth while contributing to society in every aspect of its highly profitable, research-driven operations." To realize this vision and maximize corporate value, MGC is establishing a sound, highly transparent management structure and taking aggressive measures for safety and environmental preservation. In addition, MGC conducts activities to contribute to the community and society as a whole.

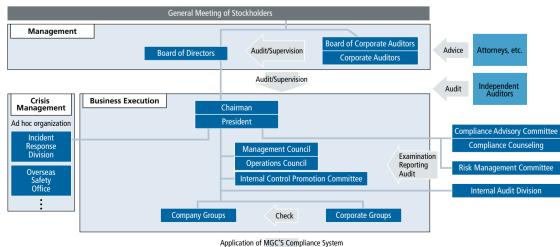
Corporate Governance Policy

At Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Company, Inc. ("MGC" or "the Company"), the establishment and maintenance of a sound and transparent management system is a key management issue, and a number of measures are being pursued with the aim of improving transparency, ensuring fairness, and accelerating decision-making.

The Company has adopted an executive officer system and positioned the Board of Directors as the organization responsible for deciding important management issues, including basic policies, and for overseeing business execution. This has strengthened governance and enhanced the operational framework by clarifying functions and responsibilities. MGC has also adopted an internal company system for its business divisions, which has clarified responsibility and improved management performance.

MGC aims to enhance the transparency and fairness of management through internal audits performed by the Company's Board of Corporate Auditors and will develop effective corporate governance through appropriate disclosure of management information.

The MGC Group works to achieve sustainable growth while contributing to society in every aspect of its highly profitable, research-driven operations.



Corporate Governance and Risk Management Structure

Corporate Governance System and Execution Status

Management System for Decision-making and Business Execution

MGC uses a corporate auditor system, and has adopted an executive officer system to oversee the execution of duties, which separates the decision making of management and supervisory functions from business executions, thereby ensuring expeditious decision-making and business execution.

The Board of Directors is composed of 10 directors (as of June 26, 2008) and has been positioned as the organization that decides basic management policies as well as important matters relating to items decreed by law and the Company's articles of incorporation, and oversees business execution. The number of directors is limited to 15 by the articles of incorporation. In order that directors may fully concentrate on the management of MGC, MGC's regulations limit to three the number of non-Group companies at which directors may concurrently serve as directors, auditors or executive officers. Candidates for director are selected based on officer candidate selection criteria, which require that each candidate be suitable in terms of achievements and character.

Executive officers (21 as of June 26, 2006) oversee business execution. For matters arising in the course of its business execution that may have a significant effect on the Company, the executive officers make their decisions on the basis of multifaceted deliberations. The Management Council deliberates on management policies and the Operations Council deliberates on specific plans for their implementation.

MGC receives advice from attorneys and other experts when necessary in the course of its decision making and business execution. In order to evaluate the business execution of directors and executive officers, reports on the execution of their duties are submitted regularly to the Board of Directors and internal meetings in addition to the reports of profits and losses and other financial matters that are submitted to monthly internal meetings.

In order that the Board of Directors and corporate auditors fulfill their roles as expected, the Company's articles of incorporation provide that, pursuant to Article 426,

Compensation of Directors, Corporate Auditors and Independent Auditor (Fiscal 2007)

| Total Compensation and Other Amounts Paid to Corporate Officers | | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Classification | Number | Amount of Compensation, etc. (Millions of yen) | | | | | | | |
| Directors | 10 | 490 | | | | | | | |
| Corporate Auditors | 5 | 80 | | | | | | | |
| (Outside Corporate Auditors) | 3 | 35 | | | | | | | |
| Total | 15 | 571 | | | | | | | |

Notes: 1. The above compensation includes a fiscal 2007 increase in the reserve for retirement benefits for directors and corporate auditors (¥129 million for directors.

2. In addition to the compensation above, pursuant to the resolution of the 80th Annual General Meeting of Stockholders held on June 28, 2007, ¥218 million in retirement benefits was paid to one retiring director and one retiring corporate auditor. Furthermore, in conjunction with the abolishment of the retirement benefits system for corporate auditors, a resolution at the same meeting was passed to make a one-time lumpsum payment of accrued retirement benefits totaling ¥34 million to three corporate auditors currently employed.

 Amounts of Fee and Other Payments Made to Independent Auditor

 1) Fee for the audit performed as stipulated in Article 2

 Paragraph 1 of the Certified Public Accountants Law
 ¥56 million

 2) Aggregate amount of cash and other monetary

 payments made by MGC and MGC's subsidiaries
 ¥68 million

- Notes: 1. The fee for audits pursuant to the Corporation Law and that for audits pursuant to the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law are not differentiated in the Audit Agreement between MGC and its independent auditor. As such, the amount in 1) includes the amount of the audit fee and other payments due pursuant to the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law.
 - 2. Of MGC's important subsidiaries, the financial statements of foreign subsidiaries are audited (as stipulated in the Corporation Law or the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law, including equivalent foreign laws and ordinances) by certified public accountants or accounting firms (including those with equivalent foreign certifications) other than MGC's independent auditor.

Paragraph 1 of the Corporation Law, directors (including former directors) and corporate auditors (including former corporate auditors), as defined by Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Corporation Law may be exempted from liability for damages by resolution of the Board of Directors to the extent provided by law.

Auditing System

MGC's Board of Corporate Auditors is composed of five corporate auditors (three full-time). In the course of auditing the business execution of MGC, each corporate auditor attends meetings of the Board of Directors and other important meetings, audits MGC departments, and carries out surveys of subsidiaries. In doing so, they monitor the process of important decision-making and business execution to ensure rational decision-making as well as compliance with laws and corporate ethics. They also audit business execution.

To reinforce its auditing functions through an increase in the number of outside corporate auditors, effective from the Annual General Meeting of Stockholders held on June 28, 2007, MGC changed the number of corporate auditors from four to five, and increased the number of outside corporate auditors from two to three.

The Internal Audit Division was established to enhance internal controls and to raise business management efficiency. In order to confirm the proper execution of business, internal audits are conducted based on an annual plan (10 internal auditors, one full-time, nine part-time). The corporate auditors and the Internal Audit Division cooperate in the execution of audit duties, providing regular reporting and attending meeting sessions.

Pursuant to the Corporation Law, the Company has appointed Toyo Horwath as its independent auditor, and

delegates auditing responsibilities to it pursuant to the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law. The auditing team for fiscal 2007 consisted of Tamotsu Kinjo, Chisato Kitayama and Akio Enokura, assisted by 14 other certified public accountants. The corporate auditors and independent auditors cooperate in the execution of audit duties, providing regular reporting and attending meeting sessions.

Relationships with Outside Directors and Outside Corporate Auditors

MGC does not appoint outside directors. There are no special interests between MGC and its outside corporate auditors.

Although MGC does not appoint outside directors, it is confident that it can ensure impartial management supervision by carrying out external audits of directors and including outside corporate auditors in the Company's decision-making process for important matters.

Director and Auditor Compensation

The nature of MGC's business is such that each business requires many years to reach profitability, with a progression from research and development to the construction of manufacturing facilities, and then to market development. In general, the individual skills and short-term achievements of an individual director do not greatly influence the Company's performance in a given fiscal year.

Consequently, MGC pays its directors compensation that is appropriate to and commensurate with their duties, the total amount of which is decided at the General Meeting of Stockholders in accordance with MGC director compensation regulations. As an incentive for corporate management from a long-term perspective, retirement benefits are paid upon retirement, the calculation of which is based on length of service and achievements during employment. Therefore, there is no retirement benefits system or pension system in place for outside directors and outside corporate auditors.

Depending on trends in the Company's performance, payments separate from those mentioned above may be awarded by resolution of the General Meeting of Stockholders, or reductions made to the fixed amounts for compensation.

MGC does not use a system of stock options or related corporate loans. However, MGC has established guidelines for directors and executive officers with the aim of aligning their interests with those of shareholders and thereby encouraging greater efforts by directors and executive officers to improve MGC's corporate value. Having stipulated a minimum number of MGC shares that directors and executive officers are required to hold, part of the compensation that MGC provides to its directors and executive officers is provided by the allotment of MGC shares through a shareholding system for directors and executive officers.

MGC pays its outside corporate auditors compensation that is appropriate to and commensurate with their duties and in accordance with MGC corporate auditor compensation regulations. MGC has revised its compensation system to enhance the independence of its corporate auditors from management. Effective from the Annual General Meeting of Stockholders held on June 28, 2007, MGC abolished its retirement benefits for corporate auditors (including outside corporate auditors) and established an integrated policy of fixed compensation.

Internal Control System

The Board of Directors of MGC has resolved with respect to the establishment of internal control systems and promotes internal controls of the MGC Group in accordance with this policy. In order to ensure that MGC and its Group companies construct, maintain and operate internal controls appropriately, while correctly and appropriately fulfilling the internal control reporting system requirements stipulated by the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law, MGC has established an Internal Control Promotion Committee headed by the director responsible for the Internal Audit Division.

Compliance

MGC views "compliance" as broadly encompassing conformity with laws, regulations, the Company's Articles of Incorporation, and internal rules, as well as the conduct of fair, transparent, and free business based on an awareness of corporate responsibility to society, and has established the Directives for Corporate Actions, Compliance Rules, and MGC Code of Conduct. Based on this, MGC has appointed an officer in charge of compliance and established a Compliance Advisory Committee chaired by said officer as an organization directly under the President. The Compliance Advisory Committee examines and implements measures to enhance MGC's compliance systems, and provides instructions and oversight regarding compliance. In order to detect internal compliance violations and take corrective measures promptly, a Compliance Counseling Office has been established as a means of receiving internal reports from officers, employees, their families, contractors, business partners and others.

In addition to creating the MGC Compliance Handbook for officers and employees to ensure understanding of the compliance system, MGC cultivates awareness of compliance through education and training.



The MGC Compliance Handbook

Risk Management

MGC has established Risk Management Rules in order to understand and appropriately manage business risks. A Risk Management Committee chaired by the officer in charge of risk management has been established as an organization directly under the President to identify the status of risk management and provide oversight and instructions on prioritizing risks and devising reduction measures.

Responsible Care

As a chemical manufacturer, MGC voluntarily engages in Responsible Care (RC) activities to ensure environmental protection and safety through all stages of chemical production and disposal. In addition, MGC publicly discloses the contents of its Responsible Care activities through its Responsible Care Status Report.

Our Responsible Care Status Report can be viewed on our website. (http://www.mgc.co.jp/eng/csr/environment/report.html)



Responsible Care Status Report 2007

Board of Directors, Corporate Auditors and Executive Officers

(As of June 26, 2008)



Representative Director; Chairman

Hideki Odaka



Representative Director; President

Kazuo Sakai



Representative Director; Senior Managing Executive Officer

Shoji Uematsu

In charge of compliance; Chairman of Internal Control Promotion Committee; In charge of Internal Audit Division and Environment & Safety Division



Representative Director; Senior Managing **Executive Officer**

Kuniaki Kawakami

In charge of risk management: Member of Internal Control Promotion Committee; In charge of Administrative & Personnel Center Directors, Managing Executive Officers

Yoshishige Yamazaki President of Natural Gas Chemicals Company

Kazuhiro Miyasaka President of Information & Advanced Materials Company

Kozo Tsukamoto President of Aromatic Chemicals Company

Corporate Auditors

Takao Kawaki

Hiroshi Watanabe

Executive Officers

Kunio Oya General Manager, Purchasing & Logistics Center

Makoto Mizutani In charge of Maintenance Center; Executive Assistant to Director in charge of Environment & Safety Division

Jun Nakao General Manager, Corporate Planning Division

Norio Konishi General Manager, Methanol & DME Project Division, Natural Gas Chemicals Company

Toshikiyo Kurai President of Specialty Chemicals Company

Masami Orisaku General Manager, Planning & Development Division, Natural Gas Chemicals Company; General Manager, Basic & Intermediate Chemicals Division, Natural Gas Chemicals Company

Executive General Manager

Kinya Tsuji CEO of BRUNEI METHANOL COMPANY SDN. BHD.

Kuniaki Ageishi

Member of Internal Control Promotion Committee; In charge of Corporate Planning Division and Corporate Communications Division

Yuh Miyauchi

In charge of Research & Technology Development Division and Purchasing & Logistics Center

Jin Hata Member of Internal Control Promotion Committee; In charge of Finance & Accounting Center

Outside Corporate Auditors

Ichiei Noguchi

Wataru Taguchi

Yoshimasa Nihei

Yukio Sakai

General Manager, Planning & Development Division, Aromatic Chemicals Company; General Manager, Aromatic Chemicals Division I, Aromatic Chemicals Company

Hideyuki Takahashi

General Manager, Oxygen Absorbers Division, Information & Advanced Materials Company

Katsuhiko Sugita General Manager, Finance & Accounting Center

Tomio Kato Administrative Project Manager, China Hydrogen Peroxide Project, Specialty Chemicals Company

Takayuki Watanabe

General Manager, Electronic Materials Division, Information & Advanced Materials Company

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Business Segments



Natural Gas Chemicals

The strongly linked businesses in this segment start with natural gas, and extend to commodity chemicals such as methanol, ammonia and formaldehyde and organic chemicals derived from these commodity chemicals. Other business areas include development of life-science products and exploration of gas fields in Japan, and supply of geothermal steam for an electric power company.



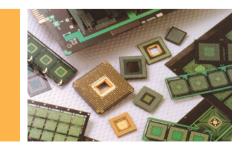
Aromatic Chemicals

The Aromatic Chemicals segment develops various chemicals, mainly based on super acid catalysis technology and meta-xylene. Applications include products integral to people's everyday lives, such as textiles, paints, fragrances, bottles for drinks, food packaging materials and automotive parts. Its lineup of materials and final products spans a comprehensive range from commodity chemicals to fine chemicals.



Specialty Chemicals

The inorganic chemicals business handles hydrogen peroxide, hydrogen peroxide derivatives, electronic chemicals for applications such as semiconductors, liquid crystals and printed wiring boards, and plastic lens monomers with a high refraction index. The engineering plastics business has adopted a global perspective, supplying a wide range of engineering plastics such as polycarbonates and polyacetals.



Information & Advanced Materials

The electronic materials business supplies a wide range of products based on high-performance epoxy resins and BT resins, an original MGC material, including printed wiring boards, shield boards and materials for semiconductor packaging. MGC is a leading manufacturer of oxygen absorbers for use in food packaging and various other applications including pharmaceutical and medical products.

Major Products

Share of Net Sales

(Year ended March 31, 2008)

| Methanol Methanol and ammonia derivatives: Formalin, ammonia, amines, methyl methacrylate, methacrylic acid esters, dimethyl ether, polyols, etc. Enzymes and coenzymes: Coenzyme Q10, catalase, etc. Energy: Natural gas, crude oil, etc. | 28.2% |
|--|-------|
| Commodity aromatic chemicals: Meta-xylene, para-xylene, ortho-xylene, purified terephthalic acid, phthalic anhydride, plasticizers, etc. Specialty aromatic chemicals: MXDA, Nylon-MXD6, trimellitic anhydride, pyromellitic dianhydride, aromatic aldehydes, purified isophthalic acid, etc. | 27.6% |
| Industrial inorganic chemicals: Hydrogen peroxide, sodium percarbonate, persulfates, water treatment agents, etc. Electronic chemicals: Super-pure hydrogen peroxide, chemical polishing fluids, ELM clean[®] (cleaners for the electronics industry), etc. Engineering plastics: Polycarbonate resin, polyacetal resin, polycarbonate sheets and films, etc. | 29.2% |
| Electronic materials: Epoxy resin-based copper-clad laminates, BT resin-based copper-clad laminates, LE Sheet, etc. Oxygen absorbers: AGELESS[®], etc. | 14.8% |

Note: The Share of Net Sales total does not equal 100% because the Other segment has been omitted.

Natural Gas Chemicals



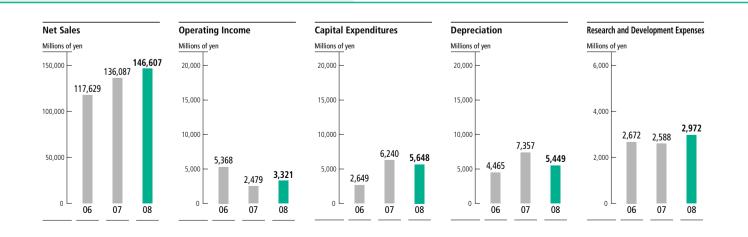
Yoshishige Yamazaki Company President

Sales of the Natural Gas Chemicals segment increased ¥10,520 million, or 7.7 percent, year-on-year, to ¥146,607 million, and operating income increased ¥842 million, or 34.0 percent, to ¥3,321 million. In the methanol business, the market softened at the start of the fiscal year as stable output from global manufacturing plants met demand. However, the market surged again in early autumn 2007 due to a decline in the operating ratio at the manufacturing plants of a major competing industry participant overseas. As a result, MGC's revenue and earnings grew both in Japan and at overseas subsidiaries. Equity in earnings of overseas methanol companies also increased substantially due to higher average prices compared with the previous fiscal year.

Revenue and earnings from methanol and ammonia derivatives grew due to solid overall demand and the successful reflection of higher raw material and fuel costs in prices.

Despite increased sales volumes of Coenzyme Q₁₀, revenue and earnings from enzymes and coenzymes decreased due to market decline, mainly in exports.

Revenue and earnings from natural gas and other energy products increased as a result of rising crude oil prices.



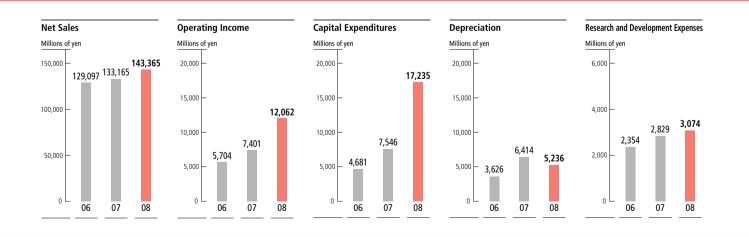
Aromatic Chemicals



Kozo Tsukamoto Company President

Sales of the Aromatic Chemicals segment increased ¥10,200 million, or 7.7 percent, to ¥143,365 million, and operating income increased ¥4,661 million, or 63.0 percent, to ¥12,062 million. Revenue from commodity aromatic chemicals was essentially unchanged from the previous fiscal year as a result of price increases that helped offset increased mixed xylene and fuel costs. Reorganization of para-xylene operations resulted in a structure from the second half of the fiscal year that avoids market fluctuation risks.

Revenue from specialty aromatic chemicals increased compared with the previous year, supported by solid demand for both meta-xylenediamine (MXDA), which is used as an epoxy curing agent among other applications, and Nylon-MXD6, which is increasingly used in PET bottles due to its superior gas barrier properties. However, earnings decreased due to an increase in fixed costs including depreciation and other expenses associated with the completion of the MXDA production facility at the Mizushima plant. At MGC subsidiary A.G. INTERNATIONAL CHEMICAL CO., INC., tight global supply for isophthalic acid, which is used in PET bottles and coating materials, among other applications, led to strong sales, which resulted in substantial increases in revenue and earnings.



Specialty Chemicals



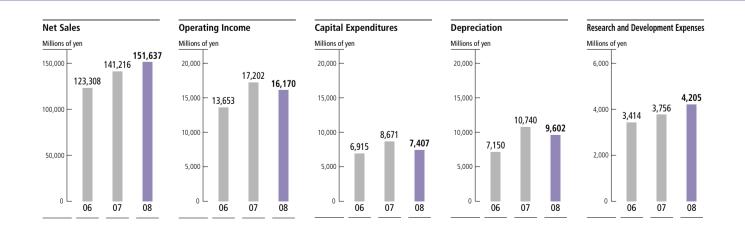
Toshikiyo Kurai Company President

Sales of the Specialty Chemicals segment increased ¥10,421 million, or 7.4 percent, to ¥151,637 million, and operating income decreased ¥1,032 million, or 6.0 percent, to ¥16,170 million. Revenue from inorganic chemicals for industrial applications increased due to higher sales volumes of hydrogen peroxide for use in the paper and pulp industry. However, earnings decreased as a result of higher raw material and fuel prices and competition from products originating overseas.

Revenue from electronic chemicals increased compared with the previous fiscal year, and earnings were unchanged. Firm overall demand helped to offset the impact of higher raw material and fuel prices and inventory adjustments by some purchasers of high-value-added products.

In engineering plastics, revenues increased, supported by continued solid demand from major customers in the electronic and automotive industries. However, earnings decreased due to higher raw material and fuel prices and a softer market for polycarbonate from the middle of the fiscal year.

Although revenue increased at consolidated subsidiary MGC FILSHEET CO., LTD., profitability worsened due to downward revisions of prices for the polycarbonate sheets and films that it manufactures, as well as an increased depreciation burden.



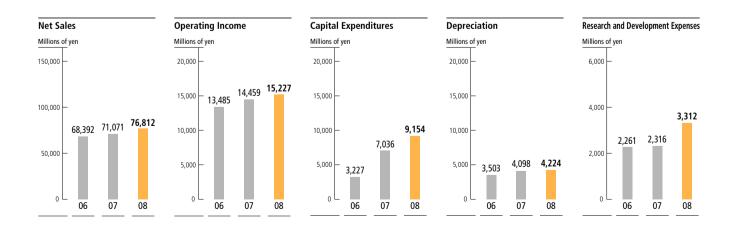
Information & Advanced Materials



Kazuhiro Miyasaka Company President

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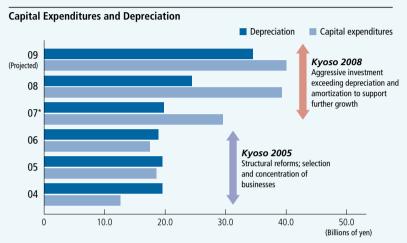
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Topics

Supporting Further Growth — MGC's New Facilities and Investment Plan

MGC is currently aggressively investing in its core business as part of *Kyoso 2008*, the medium-term management plan for the period from April 2006 to March 2009 that serves as the MGC Group's second stage targeting further growth. Following is a summary of some of MGC's new facilities and the exploration investment plan that will support further growth.



* A one-time loss totaling ¥8.8 billion resulting from revisions to the method of calculating depreciation of property, plant and equipment has been subtracted from depreciation for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2007.

Expansion of Production Capacity for Copper-Clad Laminates

In April 2008, manufacturing subsidiary ELECTROTECHNO CO., LTD. finished optimizing its new line for mass-producing copper-clad laminates and other products. As a result, ELECTROTECHNO increased its copperclad laminate production capacity by 300,000m² to 1,000,000m² per month. The new line uses cutting-edge production equipment to meet growing market needs for thinner materials.

MGC's Copper-Clad Laminates

MGC's copper-clad laminates include BT resin laminates, which have a high share of the market for semiconductor substrate materials, and high-performance epoxy resin laminates, which are used in high multilayer printed circuit boards. BT copper-clad laminates are a mainstay product, based on original BT resin developed by MGC. Highly evaluated for their superior heat resistance and high-frequency characteristics, they are widely used in semiconductor package materials and module board materials. Demand is expected to continue growing with the increase in digital electronic equipment. High-performance epoxy resin laminates are increasingly being adopted for use in information processing equipment, telecommunications infrastructure equipment and semiconductor testing devices, which require high heat resistance and electrical conductivity for high-speed transmission with low signal loss.

Expansion of Production Capacity for Purified Isophthalic Acid

In April 2008, MGC subsidiary AG INTERNATIONAL CHEMICAL CO., INC. (AGIC) commenced commercial production of purified isophthalic acid (PIA) at its newly constructed facility, which has an annual production capacity of 100,000 tons. AGIC already owns a facility at the MGC Mizushima Plant that can produce 130,000 tons of PIA annually, but it has been operating at full capacity for several years to meet rapidly increasing demand. The addition of the new facility increased AGIC's total annual production capacity to 230,000 tons, consolidating the company's position as the top manufacturer of PIA in Asia.

What is PIA?

PIA is a chemical substance synthesized from meta-xylene, and is used to produce polyethylene terephthalate (PET) bottle resins, paint, and glass fiber reinforced plastics. Demand for PIA has risen steadily in recent years, and is expected to continue increasing, driven by high growth in the markets for PET bottles, which is its primary application, and powdered paints.

Expansion of Production Capacity for Meta-Xylenediamine

In April 2008, full-scale commercial production began at a newly constructed meta-xylenediamine (MXDA) facility at the Mizushima Plant. The facility has an annual production capacity of 20,000 tons, and raises MGC's annual MXDA production capacity to 50,000 tons when combined with the existing facility at the Niigata Plant. Using two locations has further stabilized MGC's supply framework. The new facility incorporates improvements to existing processes that have reduced production costs.



What is MXDA?

MXDA is a chemical substance synthesized from meta-xylene. While MGC sells MXDA to other companies for producing epoxy resin curing agents, polyamides and isocyanate, more than half of it is used internally as a raw material for derivatives such as Nylon-MXD6 resin and 1,3-bis (aminomethyl) cyclohexane. The demand for MXDA has increased more than 10 percent annually in recent years in line with growth of these derivatives. MGC is also developing new derivatives that use MXDA as a raw material, and forecasts further increase in demand in the future.

Offshore Exploration for Natural Gas and Oil at Kita Kambara, Niigata Prefecture¹

Based on a geotechnical survey of the seabed adjacent to Kita Kambara in Niigata Prefecture, MGC commenced drilling at two exploratory wells at Seiro-oki and Tainai-oki, two offshore locations judged to have potential for yielding oil or gas. Drilling began in March 2008 at Seiro-oki MS-1 well, using the semi-submersible platform Hakuryu No. 5. Once the target depth of 4,300 meters has been reached, drilling will commence at Tainai-oki MS-1. Drilling here is scheduled to finish at the end of August when the target depth of 4,350 meters has been reached.

If exploratory drilling suggests that oil and natural gas exist, MGC will conduct tests to verify productivity and delineate reservoirs. On the basis of these tests, a decision will be made whether to proceed with development of a new oil and gas field.

MGC's Exploration Operations

Focusing on the rich natural gas reserves of Niigata Prefecture, MGC was the first company in Japan to synthesize methanol and ammonia from natural gas. Since then, MGC has been developing diverse chemical products using natural gas as a raw material². Exploration operations are the foundation of "natural gas chemicals." For approximately 50 years, MGC has carried out natural gas and oil exploration activities in Niigata Prefecture. The gas produced is used as a feedstock and fuel at the Niigata Plant. Crude oil produced in conjunction with natural gas is sold to oil refining companies.

In addition to producing natural gas and crude oil in the Higashiniigata oil-gas field directly beneath the Niigata Plant and the Iwafune-oki oil-gas field in the Japan Sea, MGC undertakes ongoing exploration in Japan and overseas to secure new reserves.

Notes:

- 1. This business is a joint venture with Japan Petroleum Exploration Co., Ltd. and Japex Offshore Ltd.
- 2. Domestic production of methanol ceased in 1995.





Six-Year Summary

Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Company, Inc. and Consolidated Subsidiaries For the years ended March 31, 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004 and 2003

| | Millions of yen | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|----------|-------------------------|------------|----------|--|--|--|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 | | | |
| For the year: | | | | | | | | | |
| Net sales | ¥519,329 | ¥482,608 | ¥439,830 | ¥388,589 | ¥340,711 | ¥312,119 | | | |
| Chemical products | | | · | 223,952 | 188,984 | 176,747 | | | |
| Advanced materials | | _ | _ | 138,976 | 127,991 | 110,201 | | | |
| Other products | | _ | _ | 25,661 | 23,736 | 25,171 | | | |
| Natural Gas Chemicals | 146,607 | 136.087 | 117.629 | 112,172 | | | | | |
| Aromatic Chemicals | 143,365 | 133,165 | 129,097 | 110,045 | | _ | | | |
| Specialty Chemicals | 151,637 | 141,216 | 123,308 | 106,541 | _ | _ | | | |
| Information and Advanced Materials | 76,812 | 71,071 | 68,392 | 57,890 | | | | | |
| Other | 908 | 1,069 | 1,404 | 1,941 | | | | | |
| | | | , | , | FF 711 | | | | |
| Gross profit | 102,179 | 91,679 | 87,136 | 75,363 | 55,711 | 45,159 | | | |
| Selling, general and | F4 042 | 40.450 | 10 100 | 44 404 | 10 770 | 42.252 | | | |
| administrative expenses | 54,812 | 49,459 | 48,166 | 44,494 | 40,776 | 43,252 | | | |
| Operating income | 47,367 | 42,220 | 38,970 | 30,869 | 14,935 | 1,907 | | | |
| Net income (loss) | 40,209 | 40,044 | 32,944 | 23,349 | 10,622 | (474) | | | |
| R&D expenses | 13,563 | 11,489 | 10,702 | 10,726 | 10,516 | 11,542 | | | |
| Capital expenditures | 39,448 | 29,502 | 17,484 | 18,591 | 12,505 | 15,796 | | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 24,521 | 28,626 | 18,759 | 19,430 | 19,519 | 20,113 | | | |
| At year end: | | | | | | | | | |
| Total assets | ¥601,386 | ¥609,966 | ¥564,484 | ¥494,577 | ¥475,117 | ¥458,137 | | | |
| Current assets | 268,660 | 275,926 | 242,255 | 208,365 | 191,775 | 180,343 | | | |
| Current liabilities | 213,531 | 221,669 | 221,650 | 197,045 | 199,885 | 193,765 | | | |
| Working capital | 55,129 | 54,257 | 20,605 | 11,320 | (8,110) | (13,422) | | | |
| Total net assets | 312,021 | 292,696 | 259,339 | 203,307 | 180,524 | 161,859 | | | |
| Interest-bearing debt | 150,573 | 163,950 | 161,806 | 167,059 | 184,299 | 193,999 | | | |
| Per share of common stock (Yen): | | | | | | | | | |
| Net income (loss)—basic | ¥ 87.01 | ¥ 86.63 | ¥ 70.98 | ¥ 50.41 | ¥ 22.91 | ¥ (1.05) | | | |
| Net income—diluted | \$5.13 | + 00.05 85.64 | + 70.50 | + 50.41 | + 22.51 | + (1.05) | | | |
| Net assets | 654.25 | 613.64 | 543.12 | 439.60 | 390.23 | 349.93 | | | |
| Cash dividends | 16.00 | 14.00 | 10.00 | 43 <u>9</u> .00 6.00 | 4.00 | 3.00 | | | |
| | 10.00 | 14.00 | 10.00 | 0.00 | 4.00 | 5.00 | | | |
| Ratios: | | | | | | | | | |
| Gross profit margin (%) | 19.7 | 19.0 | 19.8 | 19.4 | 16.4 | 14.5 | | | |
| Operating income margin (%) | 9.1 | 8.7 | 8.9 | 7.9 | 4.4 | 0.6 | | | |
| Return on sales (%) | 7.7 | 8.3 | 7.5 | 6.0 | 3.1 | | | | |
| Return on assets (ROA) (%) | 6.6 | 6.8 | 6.2 | 4.8 | 2.3 | (0.1) | | | |
| Return on equity (ROE) (%) | 13.7 | 15.0 | 14.5 | 12.2 | 6.2 | (0.3) | | | |
| Current ratio (times) | 1.26 | 1.24 | 1.09 | 1.06 | 0.96 | 0.93 | | | |
| Net assets ratio (%) | 50.3 | 46.5 | 44.5 | 41.1 | 38.0 | 35.3 | | | |
| Number of employees | 4,686 | 4,561 | 4,466 | 4,426 | 4,537 | 4,729 | | | |

Notes: 1. Business segments were reclassified in the year ended March 31, 2006. Figures for 2005 have been restated for reference.

2. Accounting Standard for Presentation of Net Assets in the Balance Sheet (Accounting Standards Board of Japan, Statement No. 5, December 9, 2005) and Guidance on Accounting Standard for Presentation of Net Assets in the Balance Sheet (Accounting Standards Board of Japan, Guidance No. 8, December 9, 2005) are applied as of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2006. Figures for previous years use stockholders' equity.

3. Diluted net income per share is not presented for 2003 although there was an issue of convertible bonds, because the company recorded a net loss for the year. Diluted net income per share for 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 is not presented because there were no residual securities such as bonds with stock options or warrants.

4. Cash dividends for each year represent the total of the interim dividend and the year-end dividend declared as applicable to the respective year.

5. Return on assets = Net income / Average total assets

6. The calculation of return on equity uses net assets excluding minority interests.

Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Company, Inc. and Consolidated Subsidiaries For the years ended March 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006

Sales and Income

During the year ended March 31, 2008, consolidated net sales increased ¥36,721 million, or 7.6 percent, compared with the previous fiscal year to ¥519,329 million, and operating income increased ¥5,147 million, or 12.2 percent, to ¥47,367 million. Consolidated net income for the fiscal year increased ¥165 million, or 0.4 percent, to ¥40,209 million. Factors included a decline in equity in earnings of affiliates following the one-time increase of the previous year resulting from special dividend payments from affiliated companies, foreign exchange loss, impairment loss associated with Coenzyme Q₁₀, an increase in taxes paid by subsidiaries, and the absence of the one-time loss resulting from revisions to the method of calculating depreciation of property, plant and equipment that impacted net income in the previous year.

Performance by Business Segment

Natural Gas Chemicals Segment

In the methanol business, the market softened at the start of the fiscal year as stable output from global manufacturing plants met demand. However, the market surged again in early autumn 2007 due to a decline in the operating ratio at the manufacturing plants of a major competing industry participant overseas. As a result, MGC's revenue and earnings grew both in Japan and at overseas subsidiaries. Equity in earnings of overseas methanol companies also increased substantially due to higher average prices compared with the previous fiscal year.

Revenue and earnings from methanol and ammonia derivatives grew due to solid overall demand and the successful reflection of higher raw material and fuel costs in prices. Despite increased sales volumes of Coenzyme Q₁₀, revenue and earnings from enzymes and coenzymes decreased due to market decline, mainly in exports.

Revenue and earnings from natural gas and other energy products increased as a result of rising crude oil prices.

As a result, sales of the Natural Gas Chemicals segment increased ¥10,520 million, or 7.7 percent, year on year, to ¥146,607 million, and operating income increased ¥842 million, or 34.0 percent, to ¥3,321 million.

Aromatic Chemicals Segment

Revenue from commodity aromatic chemicals was essentially unchanged from the previous fiscal year as a result of price increases that helped offset increased mixed xylene and fuel costs. Reorganization of para-xylene operations resulted in a structure from the second half of the fiscal year that avoids market fluctuation risks.

Revenue from specialty aromatic chemicals increased compared with the previous year, supported by solid demand for both meta-xylenediamine (MXDA), which is used as an epoxy curing agent among other applications, and Nylon-MXD6, which is increasingly used in PET bottles due to its superior gas barrier properties. However, earnings decreased due to an increase in fixed costs including depreciation and other expenses associated with the completion of the MXDA production facility at the Mizushima plant. At MGC subsidiary A.G. INTERNATIONAL CHEMICAL CO., INC., tight global supply for isophthalic acid, which is used in PET bottles and coating materials, among other applications, led to strong sales, which resulted in substantial increases in revenue and earnings.

As a result, sales of the Aromatic Chemicals segment increased ¥10,200 million, or 7.7 percent, to ¥143,365 million, and operating income increased ¥4,661 million, or 63.0 percent, to ¥12,062 million.

Specialty Chemicals Segment

Revenue from inorganic chemicals for industrial applications increased due to higher sales volumes of hydrogen peroxide for use in the paper and pulp industry. However, earnings decreased as a result of higher raw material and fuel prices and competition from products originating overseas.

Revenue from electronic chemicals increased compared with the previous fiscal year, and earnings were unchanged. Firm overall demand helped to offset the impact of higher raw material and fuel prices and inventory adjustments by some purchasers of high-value- added products.

In engineering plastics, revenues increased, supported by continued solid demand from major customers in the electronic and automotive industries. However, earnings decreased due to higher raw material and fuel prices and a softer market for polycarbonate from the middle of the fiscal year.

Although revenue increased at consolidated subsidiary MGC FILSHEET CO., LTD., profitability worsened due to downward revisions of prices for the polycarbonate sheets and films that it manufactures, as well as an increased depreciation burden.

As a result, sales of the Specialty Chemicals segment increased ¥10,421 million, or 7.4 percent, to ¥151,637 million, and operating income decreased ¥1,032 million, or 6.0 percent, to ¥16,170 million.

Information & Advanced Materials Segment

Revenue and earnings from materials for printed circuit boards increased. Although operations were affected by increases in the cost of copper foil and other raw materials, orders picked up during the fiscal year and demand for memory semiconductor applications increased, particularly in the first half of the year. At manufacturing subsidiary ELECTROTECHNO CO., LTD., measures to boost the production capacity of equipment for copper clad laminate and other products were completed according to plan. At manufacturing subsidiary YONEZAWA DIA ELECTRONICS CO., INC., revenue and earnings increased. Factors included continued steady sales of LE Sheet, an entry sheet used in mechanical drilling, mainly for applications in motherboards and printed circuit boards for mobile phones, as well as lower production costs for LE Sheet resulting from technology improvements.

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As a result, sales of the Information & Advanced Materials segment increased ¥5,741 million, or 8.1 percent, to ¥76,812 million and operating income increased ¥768 million, or 5.3 percent, to ¥15,227 million.

Other Segment

Sales of the Other segment decreased ¥161 million, or 15.1 percent, to ¥908 million, and operating income increased ¥12 million, or 2.5 percent, to ¥495 million.

Assets and Liabilities

Current assets decreased ¥7,266 million from a year earlier to ¥268,660 million. The last day of the previous fiscal year fell on a business holiday, and therefore the fiscal yearend settlements were included, which reduced trade notes and accounts receivable.

Net property, plant and equipment increased ¥8,775

million from a year earlier to ¥161,739 million. The main factor in the increase was capital expenditures that exceeded the increase in depreciation resulting from a change in the method of depreciation.

Investments and other assets decreased ¥10,209 million from a year earlier to ¥167,978 million. Investments in securities decreased ¥11,453 million to ¥153,921 million, mainly due to a decrease in the fair market value of stock held by the Company resulting from weaker stock market conditions.

As a result, total assets as of March 31, 2008 decreased ¥8,580 million from a year earlier to ¥601,386 million.

Current liabilities decreased ¥8,138 million from a year earlier to ¥213,531 million. Non-current liabilities decreased ¥19,767 million from a year earlier to ¥75,834 million. Interest-bearing debt, consisting of short-term debt and current installments of long-term debt plus long-term debt, stood at ¥150,573 million as of March 31, 2008, a decrease of ¥13,377 million from a year earlier. In addition, trade notes and accounts payable decreased as a result of the inclusion of settlements due on the balance sheet date in the previous fiscal year because the fiscal year end fell on a business holiday.

Total net assets as of March 31, 2008 increased ¥19,325 million from a year earlier to ¥312,021 million. Although net unrealized gain on other securities decreased, reflecting the drop in the fair market value of stock held by the Company as discussed above, retained earnings increased due to the Company's solid business performance.

As a result, the ratio of net assets to total assets increased to 50.3 percent from 46.5 percent a year earlier, and net assets per share increased to ¥654.25 from ¥613.64 a year earlier.

Cash Flow

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Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year decreased ¥4,032 million from a year earlier to ¥37,235 million.

Net cash provided by operating activities increased ¥18,598 million from the previous fiscal year to ¥40,395 million. The significant year-on-year change in trade notes and accounts receivable result largely because the final day of the previous fiscal year fell on a business holiday.

Net cash used in investing activities increased ¥6,868 million from the previous fiscal year to ¥20,908 million, mainly due to an increase in cash used for purchase of property, plant and equipment and for purchase of investments in securities.

Net cash used in financing activities increased ¥13,432 million from the previous fiscal year to ¥22,251 million. Net payments on long-term debt increased substantially as the MGC Group reduced external borrowing intended to fund capital expenditures. Other uses of cash included increased dividends to stockholders totaling ¥7,394 million.

Capital Expenditures

Capital expenditures of the MGC Group (the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries) for the year ended March 31, 2008 totaled ¥39,448 million.

By segment, capital expenditures were ¥5,648 million in the Natural Gas Chemicals segment, ¥17,235 million in the Aromatic Chemicals segment, ¥7,407 million in the Specialty Chemicals segment, ¥9,154 million in the Information & Advanced Materials segment, and ¥4 million in the Other segment.

Research and Development Expenses

Under *Kyoso 2008*, its medium-term management plan, the MGC Group is working to realize its Group vision of sustainable growth as a highly profitable, research-driven corporate group. To that end, the Company is actively conducting research and development in close cooperation with subsidiaries in line with the basic strategies of the plan, which are to deploy an in-depth differentiation strategy for further growth and to strengthen the management infrastructure.

The R&D organization consists of the three research laboratories in Tokyo, Niigata and Hiratsuka and the MGC Chemical Analysis Center, as well as the Research & Technology Development Division within the Corporate Group, the planning and development divisions within the Company Group, and the technical research departments of each plant. With this structure, MGC is promoting more efficient and speedy cultivation of new product lines by further enhancing the extensive technology platform it has built up, creating synergy by combining these technologies, and conducting research and development that leverages the Group's capabilities through joint development with and consignment of research to subsidiaries. Moreover, MGC has decided to integrate and restructure the Tokyo Research Laboratory and the neighboring Tokyo Techno-Center to form the Tokyo Techno Park. This new facility will be an urban research and development base focusing on research of specialty chemicals and advanced materials.

The MGC Group's research and development staff, including the research and development divisions of subsidiaries, numbers about 670 people, or approximately 14 percent of all employees. Total research and development expenses for the year ended March 31, 2008 were ¥13,563 million. Research and development expenses by

segment were ¥2,972 million in the Natural Gas Chemicals segment, ¥3,074 million in the Aromatic Chemicals segment, ¥4,205 million in the Specialty Chemicals segment, and ¥3,312 million in the Information & Advanced Materials segment.

Consolidated Forecast for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2009

A slowdown in the U.S. economy stemming from the subprime mortgage crisis, along with a limited recovery in domestic consumption, are prompting concerns of deceleration or stagnation in the domestic economy. In addition, the operating environment is likely to worsen, with increases in and sustained high costs for crude oil and other fuels as well as raw materials and construction materials, and a continued strong yen.

Under these conditions, the MGC Group intends to continue implementing the basic strategies outlined in the Group's medium-term management plan *Kyoso 2008*, namely to deploy an in-depth differentiation strategy for further growth and to strengthen the management infrastructure, with the aim of achieving sustainable growth as a highly profitable, R&D-driven corporate group.

Although the healthy sales volumes of isophthalic acid and electronic materials recorded during the fiscal year under review are expected to continue to expand in the next fiscal year, market conditions are expected to worsen. In addition, operating income is expected to decrease year on year because of an increase in fixed costs including depreciation costs associated with the operation of new facilities, repair and improvement costs incurred in large-scale renovations of aging facilities, and retirement benefit expenses. Equity in earnings of affiliates is expected to be lower due to market decline and the impact of a strong yen on foreign currency translation, despite the anticipated increase in sales volumes from the operation of new facilities at overseas methanol manufacturing companies.

Consolidated full-year forecasts for the year ending March 31, 2009 are for net sales of ¥540 billion, operating income of ¥30 billion and net income of ¥35 billion.

These forecasts are based on an assumed exchange rate for the fiscal year of $\pm 100 = US$. Premised on the achievement of the above performance forecasts, MGC plans to pay an interim dividend and a year-end dividend of ± 8.00 per share each.

Business and Other Risks

The following are the main foreseeable risks that have the potential to affect the MGC Group's operating results, stock price and financial condition.

Please note that the following does not represent an exhaustive list of risks. All forward-looking statements in the text are based on the judgment of the MGC Group as of June 26, 2008.

1) Economic Conditions

The business revenues of the MGC Group are affected by economic conditions in the countries and regions where the Group's products are sold.

In particular, market-sensitive commodities such as methanol, methanol derivatives and xylene products, are generally prone to declines in sales volume and selling prices during times of economic downturn, which adversely affects the MGC Group's operating results and financial condition. In addition, rapid increases in raw material prices could also have an adverse effect on the MGC Group's operating results and financial condition.

Other factors, including appreciation of the yen, interest

rate increases, and downturns in the stock market, could have adverse effects on the MGC Group's operating results and financial condition, such as decreases in sales or increases in expenses or losses.

2) Overseas Business

The MGC Group has established subsidiaries and conducts manufacturing and sales in Asia, North America, South America, the Middle East and other regions. Financial statement items denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Japanese yen for the purpose of preparing the consolidated financial statements. Depending on the exchange rates at the time of translation, this could have an adverse effect on the MGC Group's operating results and financial condition.

Moreover, the MGC Group makes large investments in plant and equipment at overseas subsidiaries. Although the Group takes various measures to mitigate risks, local business activities, including manufacturing, remittance of profits and recovery of investment could become difficult due to local political instability, social or economic turmoil, or other reasons.

Other risks that could have an adverse effect on the MGC Group's operating results and financial condition include problems due to differences in legal systems, the possibility of restrictions by foreign governments on investments, and personnel or labor issues.

3) Business Characteristics

The MGC Group manufactures and sells various chemical products, and conducts its business in a competitive environment. The Group competes mainly on the basis of price in commodity products, and on the basis of categories including price, market trends, quality, function, delivery time and customer service in specialty products and high-value-added products. A rise in the level of competition in these areas could lead to lower selling prices or a decrease in sales volume.

In addition, because of their characteristics, businesses of the MGC Group have risks such as those described below.

For example, the MGC Group purchases raw materials such as mixed xylene, electric power and other items from outside suppliers. The Group takes measures such as purchasing from various suppliers to reduce the risk that procurement will become impossible. However, the inability of a major supplier to deliver necessary raw materials or other items could be detrimental to the Group's production activities.

Many of the MGC Group's manufacturing bases have multiple production facilities that share electricity, water supply, steam and other utilities. Consequently, if a shared utility at any base shuts down due to an accident or other trouble, the production activities of the entire base could be suspended.

The specialty chemical products manufactured and sold by the MGC Group include some products that are sold only to specific customers. The MGC Group reduces risks with measures such as entering into long-term supply contracts with these customers; however, sales could decline if customers discontinue their use of these products.

Electronic materials and other high-performance products, for which the electronics industry is the primary customer segment, typically have a short product life and are constantly exposed to competition in technological innovation. Therefore, sales could decline if existing products become obsolete or if new product development is delayed.

For products other than commodity and basic chemicals, including engineering plastics and specialty chemicals, selling prices could drop and sales volume could decline due to the emergence of cheaper competing products. The MGC Group takes all possible measures to mitigate these risks, but they could have an adverse effect on the Group's operating results and financial condition.

4) Product Defects

Nearly all of the MGC Group's manufacturing bases conduct production activities in accordance with globally recognized quality management standards, and ship products that conform to specifications agreed upon with customers. However, the possibility exists that defective products could be manufactured or shipped. In the event that a product with a quality defect is shipped, the MGC Group may have to compensate the customer who used the defective product not only for direct damages but also for opportunity loss. In addition, MGC may lose the trust of society.

To deal with this type of risk, the MGC Group has obtained product liability insurance and other liability insurance. However, the full amount of the damages for which the MGC Group is ultimately liable may not be covered by this insurance, and therefore the MGC Group's operating results and financial condition could be adversely affected.

5) Legal Restrictions

The MGC Group handles hazardous chemical substances including poisonous and deleterious substances, hazardous materials and high-pressure gas as part of its business, and is subject to various legal restrictions, both domestically and overseas, at each stage, including manufacturing, storage, distribution and sale. In addition, with rising environmental awareness worldwide, regulations on chemical substances are becoming increasingly stringent, which could disrupt the MGC Group's business activities.

Penalties, social sanctions, remediation costs and other

consequences of the failure of the MGC Group to comply with legal regulations related to its business activities could have an adverse effect on the Group's operating results and financial condition.

6) Natural Disasters

The MGC Group has manufacturing bases not only in Japan but also in Asia, North America, South America, the Middle East and other regions. The production activities at these bases could be suspended or otherwise disrupted if equipment is damaged or trouble occurs due to the effects of natural disasters such as earthquakes, windstorms and floods. In some cases, material loss or opportunity loss caused by natural disasters may be excluded from casualty insurance, and thus could have an adverse effect on the MGC Group's operating results and financial condition.

7) Accidents and Disasters

The MGC Group routinely handles hazardous chemical substances including poisonous and deleterious substances, hazardous materials and high-pressure gas as part of its business. Although the MGC Group makes efforts to ensure maintenance and stable operation of production facilities with a world-class security and disaster prevention system, explosions, fires, toxic gas leaks or other accidents may occur as a result of equipment malfunction or human error. Such events could not only damage production facilities, but also, depending on circumstances, damage the area surrounding the production facility or harm customers. The MGC Group takes out fire insurance, profit insurance, oil pollution insurance, liability insurance and other insurance against these risks. However, the MGC Group's operating results and financial condition could be adversely affected if this insurance does not cover the full amount of the damages for which the MGC Group is ultimately liable.

8) Research and Development

The MGC Group conducts basic and applied research to develop new products and processes and improve existing products and processes. Research and development is complex and long-term, and results are uncertain. If the MGC Group does not continue to develop new products that are accepted in the market, or if the markets for products newly developed by the MGC Group do not grow as much as anticipated, the Group's future operating results and financial condition could be adversely affected.

9) Joint Ventures

The MGC Group procures virtually all of its methanol, the Group's largest-selling product when derivatives are included, from joint ventures in Saudi Arabia and Venezuela. The Group also has numerous joint ventures that manufacture other products. Because the MGC Group does not control its joint venture partners, there is no guarantee that the joint venture partners will make decisions that are best for the MGC Group or the joint ventures. Moreover, the partners may not fulfill their obligations under the joint venture agreements. Such circumstances could have an adverse effect on the MGC Group's operating results and financial condition.

10) Intellectual Property

The MGC Group consistently files and obtains patents in Japan and overseas to protect the research findings used in its businesses and licenses, and has entered into numerous patent licensing agreements and technology agreements. The MGC Group works to protect intellectual property with these patent rights and confidentiality agreements. However, failure of these protections could have an adverse effect on the Group's operating results and financial condition.

Consolidated Balance Sheets

Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Company, Inc. and Consolidated Subsidiaries March 31, 2008 and 2007 $\,$

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| ASSETS | Million | Millions of yen | | | | |
|--|-----------|-----------------|------------------|--|--|--|
| | 2008 | 2007 | (note 2) 2008 | | | |
| Current assets: | | | | | | |
| Cash (note 3) | ¥ 30,265 | ¥ 36,565 | \$ 302,076 | | | |
| Trade notes and accounts receivable (note 16) | 139,715 | 151,783 | 1,394,500 | | | |
| Short-term investments (notes 4 and 6) | 8,381 | 6,356 | 83,651 | | | |
| Inventories | 70,246 | 66,115 | 701,128 | | | |
| Deferred income taxes (note 8) | 5,695 | 4,946 | 56,842 | | | |
| Other current assets | . 15,317 | 11,147 | 152,880 | | | |
| Less allowance for doubtful receivables | . 959 | 986 | 9,572 | | | |
| Total current assets | 268,660 | 275,926 | 2,681,505 | | | |
| Property, plant and equipment (notes 6 and 13): | | | | | | |
| Buildings and structures | 116,998 | 109,484 | 1,167,761 | | | |
| Machinery, equipment and vehicles | . 311,164 | 288,731 | 3,105,739 | | | |
| Land | 23,141 | 23,465 | 230,971 | | | |
| Construction in progress | 20,093 | 19,095 | 200,549 | | | |
| Other | 26,905 | 26,122 | 268,540 | | | |
| | 498,301 | 466,897 | 4,973,560 | | | |
| Less accumulated depreciation | 336,562 | 313,933 | 3,359,237 | | | |
| Net property, plant and equipment | 161,739 | 152,964 | 1,614,323 | | | |
| Intangible assets, net: | | | | | | |
| Goodwill | 465 | 850 | 4,641 | | | |
| Software | 2,112 | 1,542 | 21,080 | | | |
| Other | . 432 | 497 | 4,312 | | | |
| Net intangible assets | 3,009 | 2,889 | 30,033 | | | |
| Investments and other assets: | | | | | | |
| Investments in securities (notes 4, 5 and 6) | 153,921 | 165,374 | 1,536,291 | | | |
| Long-term loans receivable | | 3,514 | 33,696 | | | |
| Deferred income taxes (note 8) | | 4,214 | 48,668 | | | |
| Other investments and other assets (notes 5 and 7) | | , 5,868 | 64,537 | | | |
| Less allowance for doubtful receivables | | 783 | 6,598 | | | |
| Total investments and other assets | | 178,187 | 1,676,594 | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| Total assets | ¥601,386 | ¥609,966 | \$6,002,455 | | | |

| LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS | s of yen | Thousands of U.S. dollars (note 2) | | |
|---|----------|--|-------------|--|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 | |
| Current liabilities: | | | | |
| Trade notes and accounts payable | ¥ 85,148 | ¥ 96,869 | \$ 849,865 | |
| Short-term debt and current installments of | | | | |
| long-term debt (note 6) | 84,679 | 85,587 | 845,184 | |
| Accrued expenses | 15,212 | 14,212 | 151,831 | |
| Accrued income taxes (note 8) | 5,052 | 6,320 | 50,424 | |
| Accrued bonuses | 4,230 | 4,193 | 42,220 | |
| Other current liabilities (notes 7 and 8) | 19,210 | 14,488 | 191,736 | |
| Total current liabilities | 213,531 | 221,669 | 2,131,260 | |
| Non-current liabilities: | | | | |
| Long-term debt (note 6) | 65,894 | 78,363 | 657,690 | |
| Liabilities for retirement and severance benefits (note 7) | | 9,251 | 46,921 | |
| Deferred income taxes (note 8) | | 5,513 | 3,733 | |
| Other non-current liabilities (note 7) | | 2,474 | 48,558 | |
| Total non-current liabilities | | 95,601 | 756,902 | |
| Total liabilities | | 317,270 | 2,888,162 | |
| Stockholders' equity: | | | | |
| Common stock (note 9): | 41,970 | 41,970 | 418,904 | |
| Authorized 984,856,000 shares; issued 483,478,398 shares in 2008 and 2007 | 41,570 | | 410,504 | |
| Additional paid-in capital (note 9) | 35,577 | 35,565 | 355,096 | |
| Retained earnings (note 10) | | 188,695 | 2,216,259 | |
| Treasury stock, at cost; 21,396,891 shares in 2008 and 21,268,505 shares in 2007 | | | | |
| | | (4,139) | (42,789) | |
| Total stockholders' equity | 295,307 | 262,091 | 2,947,470 | |
| Valuation and translation adjustments: | | | | |
| Net unrealized gain on other securities (note 4) | 10,867 | 22,042 | 108,464 | |
| Deferred gains on hedges | 129 | 208 | 1,288 | |
| Surplus on revaluation of land | | 192 | 1,916 | |
| Foreign currency translation adjustments | (4,181) | (902) | (41,731) | |
| Total valuation and translation adjustments | 7,007 | 21,540 | 69,937 | |
| Minority interests | 9,707 | 9,065 | 96,886 | |
| Total net assets | | 292,696 | 3,114,293 | |
| | | | | |
| Commitments and contingencies (note 17) | | | | |
| Total liabilities and net assets | ¥601,386 | ¥609,966 | \$6,002,455 | |

Consolidated Statements of Income

Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Company, Inc. and Consolidated Subsidiaries For the years ended March 31, 2008 and 2007

| | Million | Thousands of U.S. dollars (note 2) | |
|--|----------|--|-------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 |
| Net sales (note 16) | ¥519,329 | ¥482,608 | \$5,183,441 |
| Cost of sales (note 12) | 417,150 | 390,929 | 4,163,589 |
| Gross profit | 102,179 | 91,679 | 1,019,852 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses (notes 11 and 12) | 54,812 | 49,459 | 547,080 |
| Operating income | 47,367 | 42,220 | 472,772 |
| Other income (deductions): | | | |
| Interest income | 425 | 289 | 4,242 |
| Dividend income | 1,579 | 1,674 | 15,760 |
| Interest expenses | (2,147) | (2,101) | (21,429) |
| Equity in earnings of affiliates | 21,312 | 23,200 | 212,716 |
| Exchange loss | (3,705) | _ | (36,980) |
| Personnel expenses for seconded employees | (1,212) | (1,560) | (12,097) |
| Gain on sale of investments in securities (note 4) | _ | 323 | _ |
| Loss on disposal of inventories | (911) | (600) | (9,093) |
| Loss on sale/disposal of property, plant and equipment | (1,370) | (987) | (13,674) |
| Depreciation | _ | (8,794) | _ |
| Impairment loss (note 13) | (5,023) | _ | (50,135) |
| Other, net | (247) | (1,016) | (2,465) |
| | 8,701 | 10,428 | 86,845 |
| Income before income taxes and minority interests | 56,068 | 52,648 | 559,617 |
| | | | |
| Income taxes (note 8): | | | |
| Current | 12,212 | 13,470 | 121,888 |
| Deferred | 2,076 | (2,141) | 20,721 |
| | 14,288 | 11,329 | 142,609 |
| Income before minority interests | 41,780 | 41,319 | 417,008 |
| Minority interests | 1,571 | 1,275 | 15,681 |
| Net income | | ¥ 40,044 | \$ 401,327 |

Consolidated Statements of Changes in Net Assets

Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Company, Inc. and Consolidated Subsidiaries For the years ended March 31, 2008 and 2007

| | | | | | Years ended | March 31, 20 | 008 and 2007 | | | | | |
|--|-----------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|----------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| | | | | | | Millions of yer | 1 | | | | | |
| | | St | ockholders' equit | 1 | | | Valuation a | nd translation a | djustments | | | |
| | Common stock (note 9) | Additional paid-in capital (note 9) | Retained earnings (note 10) | Treasury stock | Total | Net unrealized gain on other securities (note 4) | Deferred gains on hedges | Surplus on revaluation of land | Foreign currency translation adjustments | Total | Minority interests | Total net assets |
| Balance at March 31, 2006 | ¥41,970 | ¥35,555 | ¥154,337 | ¥(4,027) | ¥227,835 | ¥ 25,980 | ¥ — | ¥192 | ¥(2,804) | ¥ 23,368 | ¥8,136 | ¥259,339 |
| Changes arising during year: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cash dividends | | | (5,547) | | (5,547) | | | | | | | (5,547) |
| Bonuses to directors and | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| corporate auditors | | | (125) | | (125) | | | | | | | (125) |
| Net income | | | 40,044 | | 40,044 | | | | | | | 40,044 |
| Decrease resulting from newly | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| consolidated subsidiaries | | | (14) | | (14) | | | | | | | (14) |
| Purchase of treasury stock | | | | (113) | (113) | | | | | | | (113) |
| Disposition of treasury stock | | 10 | | 1 | 11 | | | | | | | 11 |
| Net changes other than stockholders' equity | | | | | | (3,938) | 208 | | 1,902 | (1,828) | 929 | (899) |
| Total changes during the year | _ | 10 | 34,358 | (112) | 34,256 | (3,938) | 208 | _ | 1,902 | (1,828) | 929 | 33,357 |
| Balance at March 31, 2007 | 41,970 | 35,565 | 188,695 | (4,139) | 262,091 | 22,042 | 208 | 192 | (902) | 21,540 | 9,065 | 292,696 |
| Changes arising during year: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cash dividends | | | (7,395) | | (7,395) | | | | | | | (7,395) |
| Net income | | | 40,209 | | 40,209 | | | | | | | 40,209 |
| Increase resulting from newly consolidated subsidiaries | | | 538 | | 538 | | | | | | | 538 |
| Purchase of treasury stock | | | | (151) | (151) | | | | | | | (151) |
| Disposition of treasury stock | | 12 | | 3 | 15 | | | | | | | 15 |
| Net changes other than stockholders' equity | | | | | | (11,175) | (79) | | (3,279) | (14,533) | 642 | (13,891) |
| Total changes during the year | _ | 12 | 33,352 | (148) | 33,216 | (11,175) | (79) | _ | (3,279) | (14,533) | 642 | 19,325 |
| Balance at March 31, 2008 | ¥41,970 | ¥35,577 | ¥222,047 | ¥(4,287) | ¥295,307 | ¥ 10,867 | ¥129 | ¥192 | ¥(4,181) | ¥ 7,007 | ¥9,707 | ¥312,021 |

| | | Year ended March 31, 2008 | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| | | | | | Thousan | ds of U.S. dolla | ars (note 2) | | | | | |
| | | 9 | Stockholders' equi | ty | | Valuation and translation adjustments | | | | | | |
| | Common stock | Additional paid-in capital | Retained earnings | Treasury stock | Total | Net unrealized gain on other securities | Deferred gains on hedges | Surplus on revaluation of land | Foreign currency translation adjustments | Total | Minority interests | Total net assets |
| Balance at March 31, 2007 | \$418,904 | \$354,976 | \$1,883,372 | \$(41,312) | \$2,615,940 | \$ 220,002 | \$2,076 | \$1,916 | \$ (9,003) | \$ 214,991 | \$90,478 | \$2,921,409 |
| Changes arising during year: Cash dividends | | | (73,810) | 1 | (73,810) | | | | | | | (73,810) |
| Net income | | | 401,327 | | 401,327 | | | | | | | 401,327 |
| Increase resulting from newly consolidated subsidiaries | | | 5,370 | | 5,370 | | | | | | | 5,370 |
| Purchase of treasury stock | | | | (1,507) | (1,507) | | | | | | | (1,507) |
| Disposition of treasury stock | | 120 | | 30 | 150 | | | | | | | 150 |
| Net changes other than stockholders' equity | | | | | | (111,538) | (788) | | (32,728) | (145,054) | 6,408 | (138,646) |
| Total changes during the year | _ | 120 | 332,887 | (1,477) | 331,530 | (111,538) | (788) | _ | (32,728) | (145,054) | 6,408 | 192,884 |
| Balance at March 31, 2008 | \$418,904 | \$355,096 | \$2,216,259 | \$(42,789) | \$2,947,470 | \$ 108,464 | \$1,288 | \$1,916 | \$(41,731) | \$ 69,937 | \$96,886 | \$3,114,293 |

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Company, Inc. and Consolidated Subsidiaries For the years ended March 31, 2008 and 2007

| | Million | Millions of yen | | | |
|---|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|--|
| | | - | (note 2) | | |
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 | | |
| Cash flows from operating activities: | | | | | |
| Income before income taxes and minority interests | ¥ 56,068 | ¥ 52,648 | \$ 559,617 | | |
| Adjustments to reconcile income before income taxes and | | | | | |
| minority interests to net cash provided by operating activities: | 24 524 | 20 626 | 244 745 | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 24,521 | 28,626 | 244,745 | | |
| Loss on sale/disposal of property, plant and equipment Impairment loss | 737 5,023 | 867 | 7,356 50,135 | | |
| Equity in earnings of affiliates | (21,312) | (23,200) | (212,716) | | |
| Allowance for doubtful receivables | (149) | (23,200) 426 | (1,487) | | |
| Decrease in liabilities for retirement and severance benefits | (4,545) | (1,294) | (45,364) | | |
| Interest and dividend income | (2,004) | (1,963) | (20,002) | | |
| Interest expenses | 2,147 | 2,101 | 21,429 | | |
| Gain on sale of short-term investments and investments in securities | (49) | (218) | (489) | | |
| Loss on devaluation of short-term investments and investments in securities | 18 | 229 | 180 | | |
| (Increase) decrease in trade notes and accounts receivable | 10,039 | (25,272) | 100,200 | | |
| Increase in inventories | (5,591) | (10,764) | (55,804) | | |
| Increase (decrease) in trade notes and accounts payable | (11,051) | 11,191 | (110,301) | | |
| Bonuses to directors and corporate auditors | _ | (134) | _ | | |
| Other, net | 396 | 5,113 | 3,952 | | |
| Sub total | 54,248 | 38,356 | 541,451 | | |
| Interest and dividend received | 2,005 | 1,612 | 20,012 | | |
| Interest paid | (2,155) | (2,026) | (21,509) | | |
| Income taxes paid | (13,703) | (16,145) | (136,770) | | |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 40,395 | 21,797 | 403,184 | | |
| Cash flows from investing activities: | | | | | |
| Purchase of short-term investments | (139) | (114) | (1,387) | | |
| Proceeds from sale of short-term investments | 239 | 124 | 2,385 | | |
| Capital expenditures | (34,829) | (26,316) | (347,630) | | |
| Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment | 2,117 | 2,534 | 21,130 | | |
| Purchase of investments in securities | (9,876) | (2,385) | (98,573) | | |
| Proceeds from sale of investments in securities | 173 | 542 | 1,727 | | |
| (Increase) decrease in long-term loans receivable | (420) | 633 | (4,192) | | |
| Other, net | 21,827 | 10,942 | 217,856 | | |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (20,908) | (14,040) | (208,684) | | |
| Cash flows from financing activities: | | | | | |
| Decrease in short-term debt | (1,833) | (747) | (18,295) | | |
| Proceeds from long-term debt | 4,402 | 42,844 | 43,936 | | |
| Payments on long-term debt | (16,818) | (44,457) | (167,861) | | |
| Purchase of treasury stock | (152) | (113) | (1,517) | | |
| Dividends paid to stockholders | (7,394) | (5,547) | (73,800) | | |
| Dividends paid to minority stockholders of subsidiaries | (668) | (943) | (6,667) | | |
| Other, net | 212 | 144 | 2,116 | | |
| Net cash used in financing activities | (22,251) | (8,819) | (222,088) | | |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents | (1,847) | (124) | (18,435) | | |
| Decrease in cash and cash equivalents | (4,611) | (1,186) | (46,023) | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year | 41,267 | 40,590 | 411,888 | | |
| Increase in cash and cash equivalents resulting from the merger | | 856 | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents of newly consolidated subsidiaries | 579 | 1,007 | 5,779 | | |
| | | | | | |

Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Company, Inc. and Consolidated Subsidiaries

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of Presenting Consolidated Financial Statements

Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Company, Inc. (the Company) and its domestic subsidiaries maintain their books of account and prepare their financial statements in conformity with financial accounting standards of Japan, and its foreign subsidiaries in conformity with those of the countries of their domicile.

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Japanese Financial Instruments and Exchange Law and its related accounting regulations, and in conformity with accounting principles and practices generally accepted in Japan, which may differ in certain respects from accounting principles and practices generally accepted in countries and jurisdictions other than Japan.

In preparing the accompanying consolidated financial statements, certain reclassifications have been made in the financial statements issued domestically in Japan in order to present them in a form which is more familiar to readers outside Japan. In addition, the notes to the consolidated financial statements include information which is not required under accounting principles generally accepted in Japan but is presented herein as additional information.

(b) Principles of Consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries (33 subsidiaries for 2008 and 31 subsidiaries for 2007). The Company and its consolidated subsidiaries are collectively referred to as "MGC."

All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

Investments in affiliates are accounted for by the equity method.

The Accounting Standards for Consolidation require the control or influence concept for the consolidation scope of subsidiaries and affiliates. Under the control or influence concept, a company in which the parent company or its consolidated subsidiaries, directly or indirectly, are able to exercise control over operations is fully consolidated, and a company over which the parent company and/or its consolidated subsidiaries have the ability to exercise significant influence is accounted for by the equity method.

The difference between the cost and the underlying net assets at the date of investments in subsidiaries or affiliates is allocated to identifiable assets and liabilities based on fair market value at the date of investments.

The unallocated portion of the difference, which is recognized as goodwill or negative goodwill, is being amortized over 5 to 7 years.

(c) Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purpose of the statements of cash flows, MGC considers all highly liquid investments with insignificant risk of changes in value, which have maturities of generally three months or less when purchased, to be cash equivalents.

(d) Short-term Investments and Investments in Securities

Under the Accounting Standards for Financial Instruments, securities are classified into four categories - "trading securities," "held-tomaturity securities," "investments in affiliates" and "other securities." Securities classified as "trading securities" are stated at fair value and unrealized gains or losses are recorded in the consolidated statements of income. Securities classified as "held-to-maturity securities" are stated at amortized cost. Securities classified as "other securities" with fair value are stated at fair value and unrealized gains or losses, net of related taxes, are excluded from earnings and recorded in a separate component of net assets. Debt classified as "other securities" for which fair value is not available are stated at the amortized cost. Equity securities classified as "other securities" for which fair value is not available are stated at the moving-average cost. Realized gains and losses on the other securities are computed using the moving-average cost. Holding securities of MGC are classified as held-to-maturity securities and other securities.

(e) Inventories

Inventories are stated principally at cost. Cost is principally determined by the average method.

(f) Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are carried substantially at cost. Depreciation of the Company and its domestic consolidated subsidiaries is provided principally by the declining-balance method for the year ended March 31, 2008 and principally by the straightline method for the year ended March 31, 2007, based on the estimated useful lives. And depreciation of overseas subsidiaries is provided principally by the straight-line method.

The estimated useful lives are as follows:

| Buildings and structures | 7-50 years |
|--|------------|
| Machinery, equipment and vehicles | 7-15 years |
| From the year ended March 31, 2008, the Company changed its | |
| depreciation method of property, plant and equipment other than | |
| buildings from the straight-line method to the declining-balance | |
| method. And the Company and its domestic consolidated | |
| subsidiaries changed the estimated residual value of property, plant | |
| and equipment which was acquired on or after April 1, 2007 from 5% | |
| of the acquisition cost to ¥1 in accordance with the revised corporate | |
| tax low. Linder the circumstances of increasing capital expanditures | |

tax law. Under the circumstances of increasing capital expenditures and growing obsolescence through technology innovation, these changes are made to aim at showing periodical profits and losses more appropriately. As a result of these changes, both operating income and income before income taxes and minority interests decreased by ¥3,327 million (\$33,207 thousand).

With respect to property, plant and equipment acquired on or before March 31, 2007, the Company and its domestic consolidated subsidiaries had depreciated the estimated residual value of property, plant and equipment from 5% of the acquisition cost to ¥1 as a memorandum value until the year ended March 31, 2007 because research on actual conditions of property, plant and equipment disposals had found an actual disposal value was almost zero due to accruing disposal costs, etc. From the year ended March 31, 2008, such property, plant and equipment

acquired on or before March 31, 2007 which were depreciated to the allowable limit based on a pre-revised corporate tax law (95% of the acquisition cost) in a particular business year are further depreciated down to ¥1 evenly over five years starting from the following business year. The change was made because it takes a long time to depreciate to ¥1 by the declining-balance method (the newly adopted depreciation method) and that does not reflect the actual condition, and made for office work simplification. The effect of this change was immaterial.

(g) Intangible Assets

Intangible assets are carried at cost less amortization. The expenses for internal use computer software are deferred and amortized by the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives (5 years). Intangible assets other than software are deferred and amortized by the straight-line method at rates based on the estimated useful lives of the respective assets.

(h) Impairment of Long-lived Assets

The standard for the impairment of long-lived assets requires that fixed assets be reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset or asset group may not be recoverable. An impairment loss would be recognized if the carrying amount of an asset or asset group exceeds the sum of the undiscounted future cash flows expected to result from the continued use and eventual disposition of the asset or asset group. The impairment loss would be measured as the amount by which the carrying amount of the asset exceeds its recoverable amount, which is the higher of the discounted cash flows from the continued use and eventual disposition of the asset or the net selling price at disposition.

(i) Allowance for Doubtful Receivables

An allowance for doubtful receivables is provided at an amount of uncollectible receivables based on historical loss ratios and an amount that takes into consideration the possibility of specific liabilities.

(j) Retirement and Severance Benefits

MGC have retirement benefit plans covering substantially all employees.

Under the Accounting Standards for Retirement and Severance Benefits, provisions have been made in the accompanying consolidated financial statements based on the present value of the projected future retirement and severance benefits attributable to employee services rendered by the end of the year, less amounts funded under pension plans.

The Company and certain subsidiaries have unfunded defined benefit pension plans for directors, corporate auditors and executive officers. The provision for the plans has been made in the accompanying consolidated financial statements for the vested benefits to which directors, corporate auditors and executive officers are entitled if they were to retire or sever immediately at the balance sheet dates.

(k) Leases

Finance leases, except for those where the legal title of the underlying property is transferred from the lessor to the lessee at the end of the lease term, are accounted for similarly to operating leases.

(I) Foreign Currency Translation

Under the Accounting Standards for Foreign Currency Transactions, foreign currency transactions are translated into yen on the basis of the rates in effect at the transaction dates, receivables and payables denominated in foreign currencies are translated into yen at the rate of exchange as of the balance sheet dates, and gains or losses resulting from the translation of foreign currencies are credited or charged to income. Assets and liabilities are translated into yen at the rate of exchange as of the balance sheet date, and revenue and expenses are translated into yen using the average rate in the year. A comprehensive adjustment resulting from translation is presented as "Foreign currency translation adjustments" and "Minority interests" in a component of net assets.

Effective from April 1, 2007, revenues and expenses of overseas subsidiaries are translated into yen using the average rate in the year, which were previously translated into yen at the rate of exchange as of the balance sheet date. This change was made to reflect the actual results of operations of the subsidiaries which are generated through the year, considering the increasing materiality of the overseas subsidiaries. As a result of this change, net sales increased by ¥1,562 million (\$15,590 thousand), operating income increased by ¥26 million (\$260 thousand) and income before income taxes and minority interests increased by ¥705 million (\$7,037 thousand), respectively.

(m) Income Taxes

Income taxes in Japan applicable to the Company and its domestic consolidated subsidiaries consist of corporate tax, inhabitant tax and business tax.

The Accounting Standards for Income Taxes require that deferred income taxes be accounted for under the asset and liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the expected future tax consequences of events that have been included in the financial statements or tax returns. Under this method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled, and the effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date.

(n) Accrued Estimated Cost of Abandonment of Wells

MGC provided the accrued estimated cost of abandonment of a well at an offshore oil field to cover the costs to be incurred upon the abandonment of the well at an estimated amount which is allocated over a scheduled period based on the MGC's plan for the abandonment of the well.

(o) Accrual for Environmental Measures

An accrual for environmental measures is provided at an estimated amount of disposal and transport costs of polychlorinated biphenyl waste based on the handling cost publicized by Japan Environment Safety Corporation. The Law of Special Measures for Proper Handling of Polychlorinated Biphenyl Waste requires proper handling of polychlorinated biphenyl waste.

(p) Directors' Bonus

Effective from the year ended March 31, 2007, the Company and its domestic consolidated subsidiaries adopted the "Accounting Standard for Directors' Bonus" (Accounting Standards Board of Japan Statement No. 4, issued on November 29, 2005).

According to the Standard, directors' bonuses are accounted for as an expense when such bonuses are accrued, instead of being accounted for as an appropriation of retained earnings upon approval at a general meeting of stockholders. The effect of adoption of the new standard was immaterial.

(q) Presentation of Net Assets on Balance Sheet

Effective from the year ended March 31, 2007, MGC adopted the "Accounting Standard for Presentation of Net Assets in the Balance Sheet" (Accounting Standards Board of Japan Statement No. 5, issued on December 9, 2005) and the "Guidance on Accounting Standard for Presentation of Net Assets in the Balance Sheet" (Accounting Standards Board of Japan Guidance No. 8, issued on December 9, 2005).

According to the Standards, former "Stockholders' equity" is presented as "Net assets" and classified into "Stockholders' equity," "Valuation and translation adjustments" and "Minority interests." "Minority interests" formerly listed after "Liabilities" is included in "Net assets." The stockholders' equity at March 31, 2007 amounted to ¥283,423 million based on the former classification.

(r) Expenditures for Natural Gas, etc. Development

Effective from the year ended March 31, 2007, MGC adopted the "Tentative Solution on Accounting for Deferred Assets" (Accounting Standards Board of Japan, Practical Issues Task Force No. 19, issued on August 11, 2006).

Expenditures for natural gas, etc. development had been accounted for as deferred charges and fully amortized as other deductions in the year in which they were paid, and from April 1, 2006, these expenditures have been expensed as selling, general and administrative expenses in the year in which they were paid. The amount of the expenditures reclassified are ¥1,108 million for the year ended March 31, 2007.

(s) Personnel Expenses for Seconded Employees

Personnel expenses for seconded employees had been accounted for as selling, general and administrative expenses, and from April 1, 2006, these expenses have been reclassified to other deductions. The proportion of the expenses compared to total personnel expenses has been increasing in recent years, and the expenses include payments to non-consolidated subsidiaries, affiliates and third parties, therefore, have no direct relation with sales. MGC believes that operating income is presented more accurately by this reclassification. The amount of the expenses for seconded employees reclassified are ¥1,560 million for the year ended March 31, 2007.

(t) Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior years' consolidated financial statements to conform to the presentation used for the year ended March 31, 2008.

Note 2. Financial Statement Translation

The consolidated financial statements are expressed in Japanese yen. However, solely for the convenience of the reader, the consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended March 31, 2008 have been translated into United States dollars at the rate of ¥100.19=U.S.\$1, the approximate exchange rate on the Tokyo Foreign Exchange Market on March 31, 2008. This translation should not be construed as a representation that the amounts shown could be converted into U.S. dollars at such rate.

Note 3. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Reconciliation between "Cash" in the consolidated balance sheets and "Cash and cash equivalents" in the consolidated statements of cash flows at March 31, 2008 and 2007 is follows:

| | Millions | Thousands of U.S. dollars | |
|----------------------------------|----------|---------------------------|-----------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 |
| Cash | ¥30,265 | ¥36,565 | \$302,076 |
| Time deposits with maturities of | | | |
| over three months | (255) | (371) | (2,545) |
| Short-term investments | 7,225 | 5,073 | 72,113 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | ¥37,235 | ¥41,267 | \$371,644 |

Note 4. Short-term Investments and Investments in Securities

Balance sheet amount, fair value and gross unrealized gain and loss of held-to-maturity securities with fair value as of March 31, 2008 and 2007 are summarized as follows:

| | Millions of yen | | | |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------|
| | Balance sheet amount | Gross unrealized gain | Gross unrealized loss | Fair value |
| March 31, 2008 | | | | |
| Government bond securities | ¥51 | ¥— | ¥— | ¥51 |
| | ¥51 | ¥— | ¥— | ¥51 |

| March 31, 2007 | | | | |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------|
| Government bond securities | ¥51 | ¥— | ¥— | ¥51 |
| | ¥51 | ¥— | ¥— | ¥51 |
| | | Thousands o | f U.S. dollars | |
| | Balance sheet amount | Gross unrealized gain | Gross unrealized loss | Fair value |
| March 31, 2008 | | | | |
| Government bond securities | \$509 | \$— | \$— | \$509 |
| | \$509 | \$— | \$— | \$509 |

Acquisition cost, balance sheet amount and gross unrealized gain and loss of other securities with fair value as of March 31, 2008 and 2007 are summarized as follows:

| | Millions of yen | | | | |
|---|---------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| | Acquisition cost | Gross unrealized gain | Gross unrealized loss | Balance sheet amount | |
| March 31, 2008 Equity securities Other securities | • | ¥17,540 | ¥(298) — | ¥47,298 33 | |
| | ¥30,089 | ¥17,540 | ¥(298) | ¥47,331 | |
| March 31, 2007 | | | | | |
| Equity securities | | ¥36,883 | ¥(46) | ¥63,650 33 | |
| | ¥26,846 | ¥36,883 | ¥(46) | ¥63,683 | |

| | Thousands of U.S. dollars | | | |
|-------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| | Acquisition cost | Gross unrealized gain | Gross unrealized loss | Balance sheet amount |
| March 31, 2008 | | | | |
| Equity securities | \$299,990 | \$175,067 | \$(2,974) | \$472,083 |
| Other securities | 329 | — | — | 329 |
| | \$300,319 | \$175,067 | \$(2,974) | \$472,412 |

It is not practicable to estimate the fair value of securities as of March 31, 2008 and 2007 described below because of lack of market price and difficulty in estimating fair value.

| | Millions | Thousands of U.S. dollars | |
|--|----------|---------------------------|-----------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 |
| Held-to-maturity securities: Certificates of deposit Other securities: | ¥ 8,261 | ¥6,244 | \$ 82,453 |
| Unlisted equity securities | 3,400 | 3,477 | 33,936 |
| | ¥11,661 | ¥9,721 | \$116,389 |

Projected future redemption of other securities with maturities and held-to-maturity securities at March 31, 2008 are summarized as follows:

| | Millions of yen | | | | |
|--|---------------------|-----|--|---|------------------------|
| | Due within one year | | Due after one year through five years | Due after five years through ten years | Due after ten years |
| Debt securities: Government bond securities Other: | ¥ | 44 | ¥13 | ¥ 2 | ¥— |
| Certificates of deposit | 8, | 261 | — | _ | — |
| | ¥8, | 305 | ¥13 | ¥ 2 | ¥— |

| | Thousands of U.S. dollars | | | | |
|--|---------------------------|------------------|--|---|------------------------|
| | | within e year | Due after one year through five years | Due after five years through ten years | Due after ten years |
| Debt securities: Government bond securities Other: | \$ | 439 | \$130 | \$20 | \$— |
| Certificates of deposit | 82 | 2,454 | _ | _ | _ |
| | \$82 | 2,893 | \$130 | \$20 | \$— |

For the years ended March 31, 2008 and 2007, proceeds from the sale of other securities are ¥168 million (\$1,677 thousand) and ¥476 million, gross realized gains are ¥54 million (\$539 thousand) and ¥326 million, gross realized losses are ¥10 million (\$100 thousand) and ¥3 million, respectively.

Note 5. Investments in Affiliates

The aggregate carrying amounts of investments in affiliates as of March 31, 2008 and 2007 are ¥103,300 million (\$1,031,041 thousand) and ¥98,346 million, respectively.

Note 6. Short-term and Long-term Debt

Short-term debt is represented by bank loans which are due within one year. The weighted average interest rate of short-term debt at March 31, 2008 and 2007 is 1.2% and 1.0%, respectively.

Long-term debt as of March 31, 2008 and 2007 is summarized as follows:

| | Million | Thousands of U.S. dollars | |
|---|---------|------------------------------|-----------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 |
| Loans, principally from banks, maturing in installments through 2028 with weighted average interest of 1.8% at March 31, 2008 and maturing in installments through 2028 with weighted average interest of 1.7% at March 31, 2007, partially secured by mortgage of property, plant and equipment and securities. | ¥61,852 | ¥73,681 | \$617,347 |
| Yen zero coupon convertible bonds (bonds with stock acquisition rights), due 2011 | 20,000 | 20,000 | 199,621 |
| 1.18% unsecured yen bonds issued by a subsidiary, due 2009 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 9,981 |
| | 82,852 | 94,681 | 826,949 |
| Less current installments | 16,958 | 16,288 | 169,259 |
| | 65,894 | 78,393 | 657,690 |
| Elimination on consolidation | _ | (30) | _ |
| | ¥65,894 | ¥78,363 | \$657,690 |

The yen zero coupon convertible bonds (bonds with stock acquisition rights), due 2011 are exercisable for the period from October 5, 2006 to September 7, 2011 and entitling the bearer to acquire fully-paid and non-assessable shares of common stock of the Company at the conversion price of ¥1,963 (\$19.59) per share on March 31, 2008.

The aggregate annual maturities of long-term debt after March 31, 2009 are as follows:

| | Millions of yen | U.S. dollars |
|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Year ending March 31: | | |
| 2010 | ¥13,983 | \$139,565 |
| 2011 | 2,743 | 27,378 |
| 2012 | 21,801 | 217,597 |
| 2013 | 18,755 | 187,194 |

Property, plant and equipment and securities with a book value at March 31, 2008 of ¥30,579 million (\$305,210 thousand) are mortgaged to secure certain debts.

As is customary in Japan, both short-term and long-term bank loans are under general agreements which provide that security and guarantees for present and future indebtedness will be given upon request of the bank, and that the bank shall have the right, as the obligations become due or in the event of default, to offset cash deposits against obligations due the banks.

Note 7. Retirement and Severance Benefits

The Company and its domestic subsidiaries have defined benefit retirement and pension plans, which consist of unfunded lump-sum payment plans and tax qualified noncontributory pension plans.

Effective March 1, 2008, the Company amended the plan to introduce a "point" based funded pension plan. Under the new plan, the pension payments are based on accumulated "points" vested each year by the employees' length of service and job title. And the Company converted its tax qualified noncontributory pension plan into a defined benefit corporation pension plan, and converted a part of its unfunded lump-sum payment plan into a defined contribution pension plan. With respect to these transfers, the Company adopted "Accounting for Transfers among Retirement Benefit Plans" (Financial Accounting Standard Implementation Guidance No. 1), and as a result of these transfers, loss on revision of pension plans of ¥565 million (\$5,639 thousand) was recorded in the accompanying consolidated statement of income for the year ended March 31, 2008.

The funded status of the pension plans at March 31, 2008 and 2007 is outlined as follows:

| | Million | U.S. dollars | |
|---|-----------|--------------|-------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 |
| Projected benefit obligation | ¥(39,152) | ¥(43,185) | \$(390,778) |
| Plan assets at fair value | 16,436 | 19,447 | 164,048 |
| Assets contributed to the trust | 18,485 | 24,663 | 184,500 |
| Funded status | (4,231) | 925 | (42,230) |
| Unrecorded actuarial loss (gain) | 1,415 | (7,607) | 14,123 |
| Unrecognized prior service | | | |
| cost (benefit) | 1,082 | (239) | 10,800 |
| Net amount recognized in the consolidated balance sheets | (1,734) | (6,921) | (17,307) |
| Prepaid retirement and severance benefits | 1,943 | 1,269 | 19,393 |
| Accrued retirement and severance benefits | ¥ (3,677) | ¥ (8,190) | \$ (36,700) |

For the year ended March 31, 2008, the effect of the partial transfer of tax-qualified noncontributory pension plans and unfunded lump-sum payment plan into a defined contribution pension plan was as follows:

| | Millions of yen | U.S. dollars |
|---|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| Decrease in projected benefit obligations Unrecorded actuarial gain Unrecognized prior service benefit | (186) | \$42,140 (1,856) (2,725) |
| Decrease in accrued retirement and severance benefits and increase in prepaid retirement and severance benefits | ¥3,763 | \$37,559 |
| | | |

Assets of ¥4,328 million (\$43,198 thousand) will be transferred to the defined contribution pension plan over 4 years, and as at March 31, 2008, the not transferred amount is ¥3,246 million (\$32,398 thousand) which was included in other current liabilities and other non-current liabilities in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet. Net periodic pension cost for the years ended March 31, 2008 and 2007 consists of the following components:

| | Millions of yen | | U.S. dollars |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|---------|--------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 |
| Service cost | ¥ 1,630 | ¥ 1,706 | \$ 16,269 |
| Interest cost | 956 | 990 | 9,542 |
| Expected return on plan assets | (415) | (404) | (4,142) |
| Amortization of actuarial gain | (1,551) | (2,102) | (15,481) |
| Amortization of prior service benefit | (49) | (61) | (489) |
| Net periodic pension cost | 571 | ¥ 129 | 5,699 |
| Loss on revision of pension plans | 565 | | 5,639 |
| Contribution to the defined | | | |
| contribution pension plan | 19 | | 190 |
| | ¥ 1,155 | | \$ 11,528 |

Significant assumptions of pension plans used to determine these amounts in fiscal 2008 and 2007 are as follows:

| | 2008 | 2007 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| Periodic allocation method for | | |
| projected benefit | Straight-line | Straight-line |
| Discount rate | Mainly 2.5% | Mainly 2.5% |
| Expected rate of return on plan assets | Mainly 2.5% | Mainly 2.5% |
| Period for amortization of unrecognized | | |
| prior service cost/benefit | 10 years | 10 years |
| Period for amortization of | | |
| unrecognized actuarial loss/gain | Mainly 10 years | Mainly 10 years |

Directors, corporate auditors and executive officers are not covered by the plans described above. For such persons, the Company and certain subsidiaries have unfunded defined benefit pension plans. Under the plans, directors, corporate auditors and executive officers are entitled to lump-sum payments based on the current rate of pay and length of service when they leave the companies. MGC provides for the amount of the vested benefits to which directors, corporate auditors and executive officers are entitled if they were to retire or sever immediately at the balance sheet dates. As of March 31, 2008 and 2007, the liabilities for retirement and severance benefits related to the plans were ¥1,024 million (\$10,221 thousand) and ¥1,061 million, respectively.

At the general meeting of stockholders held on June 28, 2007, abolishment of retirement benefit system for corporate auditors of the Company was approved and corporate auditors were entitled to lump-sum payment up to the date of the abolishment when they leave the Company. No additional provision has been made and the balance at the date of the abolishment will be reversed when they leave the Company.

Note 8. Income Taxes

The Company and its domestic subsidiaries are subject to Japanese corporate, inhabitant and business taxes based on income which, in the aggregate, result in a statutory tax rate of approximately 40.5% in 2008 and 2007.

A reconciliation of the statutory tax rate and the effective tax rate as a percentage of income before income taxes and minority interests for the years ended March 31, 2008 and 2007 is follows:

| | 2008 | 2007 |
|---|--------|--------|
| Statutory tax rate | 40.5% | 40.5% |
| Equity in earnings of affiliates | (15.4) | (17.9) |
| Dividend income eliminated in consolidation | 15.6 | 10.9 |
| Income not credited for tax purposes | (12.5) | (8.4) |
| Difference in statutory tax rates of subsidiaries | (1.9) | (1.7) |
| Other | (0.8) | (1.9) |
| Effective tax rate | 25.5% | 21.5% |

Significant components of deferred tax assets and liabilities at March 31, 2008 and 2007 are as follows:

| | Millions of yen | | Thousands of U.S. dollars |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------------------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 |
| Deferred tax assets: | | | |
| Liabilities for retirement and | | | |
| severance benefits | ¥ 5,817 | ¥ 8,495 | \$ 58,059 |
| Tax loss carryforward | 3,968 | 3,357 | 39,605 |
| Devaluation loss on | | | |
| investments in securities | 2,335 | 2,538 | 23,306 |
| Accrued bonuses | 1,676 | 1,662 | 16,728 |
| Intercompany profits | 964 | 1,030 | 9,622 |
| Depreciation | 4,281 | 4,834 | 42,729 |
| Other | 8,427 | 5,170 | 84,110 |
| | 27,468 | 27,086 | 274,159 |
| Valuation allowance | (4,120) | (2,546) | (41,122) |
| | 23,348 | 24,540 | 233,037 |
| | | | |
| Deferred tax liabilities: | | | |
| Net unrealized gain on | | | |
| other securities | (6,444) | (15,085) | (64,318) |
| Gain by contributing | | | |
| the assets to the trust | (3,096) | (3,096) | (30,901) |
| Tax purpose reserves, etc. | () | () | () |
| regulated by Japanese tax law | | (2,427) | |
| Other | (503) | (428) | (5,020) |
| | (13,378) | (21,036) | (133,526) |
| Net deferred tax assets | ¥ 9,970 | ¥ 3,504 | \$ 99,511 |

Net deferred tax assets and liabilities as of March 31, 2008 and 2007 are reflected in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets under the following captions:

| | Millions of yen | | Thousands of U.S. dollars |
|--|--------------------|---------|---------------------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 |
| Current assets — Deferred income taxes | ¥5,695 | ¥ 4,946 | \$56,842 |
| Investments and other assets — Deferred income taxes | 4,876 4,214 | | 48,668 |
| Current liabilities — Other current liabilities | (227) (143) | | (2,266) |
| Non-current liabilities — Deferred income taxes | (374) | (5,513) | (3,733) |
| Net deferred tax assets | ¥9,970 | ¥ 3,504 | \$99,511 |

Note 9. Common Stock

On May 1, 2006, a new corporation law (the "Corporation Law") became effective, which reformed and replaced the Commercial Code of Japan with various revisions that would, for the most part, be applicable to events or transactions which occur on or after May 1, 2006 and for the fiscal years ending on or after May 1, 2006. Under the Corporation Law, the entire amount of the issue price of shares is required to be designated as stated common stock account although a company in Japan may, by resolution of its Board of Directors, account for an amount not exceeding 50% of the issue price of new shares as additional paidin capital.

Note 10. Retained Earnings and Dividends

The Corporation Law provides that an amount equal to 10% of distributions from retained earnings paid by the Company and its Japanese subsidiaries be appropriated as a legal reserve. No further appropriations are required when the total amount of the additional paid-in capital and the legal reserve equals 25% of their respective stated capital. The Corporation Law also provides that additional paid-in capital and legal reserve are available for appropriations by the resolution of the stockholders. Balances of the legal reserve are included in retained earnings in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets.

Cash dividends charged to retained earnings for the years ended March 31, 2008 and 2007 represent dividends paid out during those years. The amount available for dividends is based on the amount recorded in the Company's non-consolidated books of account in accordance with the Corporation Law.

(a) Dividends paid during the year ended March 31, 2007

The following was approved by the general meeting of stockholders held on June 29, 2006.

| (a) Total dividends | ¥2,774 million |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| (b) Cash dividends per common share | ¥6 |
| (c) Record date | March 31, 2006 |
| (d) Effective date | June 29, 2006 |

The following was approved by the Board of Directors held on November 14, 2006.

| (a) Total dividends | ¥2,774 million |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| (b) Cash dividends per common share | ¥6 |
| (c) Record date | September 30, 2006 |
| (d) Effective date | December 7, 2006 |

(b) Dividends paid during the year ended March 31, 2008

The following was approved by the Board of Directors held on May 11, 2007.

| (a) | Total dividends | ¥3,698 million (\$3 | 36,910 thousand) |
|-----|---------------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| (b) | Cash dividends per common | n share | ¥8 (\$0.08) |
| (c) | Record date | | March 31, 2007 |
| (d) | Effective date | | June 11, 2007 |

The following was approved by the Board of Directors held on November 9, 2007.

| (a) | Total dividends | ¥3,697 | million (\$36,900 thousand) |
|-----|---------------------------|---------|-----------------------------|
| (b) | Cash dividends per commor | n share | ¥8 (\$0.08) |
| (c) | Record date | | September 30, 2007 |
| (d) | Effective date | | December 7, 2007 |

(c) Dividends to be paid after the balance sheet date but the record date for the payment belongs to the year ended March 31, 2008

The following was approved by the Board of Directors held on May 22, 2008.

| (a) | Total dividends | ¥3,697 million | (\$36,900 thousand) |
|-----|------------------------|----------------|---------------------|
| (b) | Dividend source | | Retained earnings |
| (c) | Cash dividends per com | imon share | ¥8 (\$0.08) |
| (d) | Record date | | March 31, 2008 |
| (e) | Effective date | | June 9, 2008 |

Note 11. Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

Significant components of selling, general and administrative expenses are as follows:

| 2008 2007 20 | 008 |
|--|-------|
| | |
| Freight | 3,057 |
| Stevedoring and warehouse fee 2,588 2,632 25 | 5,831 |
| Salaries | 9,330 |
| Employees' bonuses | 5,191 |
| Pension cost 273 120 2 | 2,725 |
| Welfare | 5,749 |
| Transportation | 3,744 |
| Depreciation | 5,353 |

Note 12. Research and Development Costs

Research and development costs charged to income for the years ended March 31, 2008 and 2007 are ¥13,563 million (\$135,373 thousand) and ¥11,489 million, respectively.

Note 13. Long-lived Assets

For the year ended March 31, 2008, MGC reviewed its longlived assets for impairment and, as a result, recognized an impairment loss as follows:

| Location | Usage | Classification | Millions of yen | Thousands of U.S. dollars |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|
| Niigata City, Niigata | Coenzymes Q10 manufacturing | Machinery and | | |
| Prefecture | facilities | equipment, etc. | ¥4,277 | \$42,689 |

The long-lived assets that are used for business are grouped according to the classification which is used for monitoring the profit and loss continuously under the management accounting system, and the idle assets are grouped individually by each item.

Coenzymes Q₁₀ manufacturing facilities were written down to a recoverable amount and the amount written down was recognized as impairment loss of ¥4,277 million (\$42,689 thousand) because the market condition worsened dramatically. The recoverable amount was measured at its value in use and the discount rate used for computation of present value of future cash flows was 5%.

Impairment loss on long-lived assets consisted of the following: Thousands of

| | Millions of yen | U.S. dollars |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Buildings and structures | ¥ 890 | \$ 8,883 |
| Machinery, equipment and vehicles | 3,343 | 33,367 |
| Other (property, plant and equipment) | 44 | 439 |
| Software | 0 | 0 |
| Total | ¥4,277 | \$42,689 |

Note 14. Per Share Information

(a) Net Income per Share

Basic and diluted net income per share, and reconciliation of the numbers and the amounts used in the basic and diluted net income per share computations for the years ended March 31, 2008 and 2007 are as follows:

| | Yen | | U.S. dollars |
|--|------|-----------------|----------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 |
| Basic net income per share Diluted net income per share | | ¥86.63 85.64 | \$0.87 0.85 |

| | Millions | Thousands of U.S. dollars | |
|--|----------|------------------------------|-----------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 |
| Net income | ¥40,209 | ¥40,044 | \$401,327 |
| Net income not applicable to common stockholders | _ | _ | _ |
| Net income applicable to common stockholders | ¥40.209 | ¥40,044 | \$401.327 |

| | Number of shares | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|-------------|--|--|
| | 2008 | 2007 | | |
| Weighted average number of shares | | | | |
| outstanding on which basic net income | | | | |
| per share is calculated | 462,131,344 | 462,252,747 | | |
| Effect of dilutive convertible bonds | 10,188,487 | 5,351,245 | | |
| Number of shares outstanding | | | | |
| on which diluted net income | | | | |
| per share is calculated | 472,319,831 | 467,603,992 | | |

(b) Net Assets per Share

Net assets per share at March 31, 2008 and 2007 are as follows:

| | Yen | | U.S. dollars |
|----------------------|---------|---------|--------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 |
| Net assets per share | ¥654.25 | ¥613.64 | \$6.53 |

Other than the above impairment loss was immaterial.

Note 15. Leases

(a) Finance Lease

A summary of assumed amounts of acquisition cost which includes interest portion, accumulated depreciation and net book value at March 31, 2008 and 2007 are as follows:

| | Millions of yen | | |
|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|--------|
| | Machinery, equipment and vehicles | Other tangible assets | Total |
| March 31, 2008 | | | |
| Acquisition cost | ¥1,951 | ¥2,955 | ¥4,906 |
| Accumulated depreciation | 1,005 | 1,474 | 2,479 |
| Net book value | ¥ 946 | ¥1,481 | ¥2,427 |
| | | | |
| March 31, 2007 | | | |
| Acquisition cost | ¥1,813 | ¥2,702 | ¥4,515 |
| Accumulated depreciation | 872 | 952 | 1,824 |
| Net book value | ¥ 941 | ¥1,750 | ¥2,691 |
| | | | |

| | Thousands of U.S. dollars | | |
|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|----------|
| | Machinery, equipment and vehicles | Other tangible assets | Total |
| March 31, 2008 | | | |
| Acquisition cost | \$19,473 | \$29,494 | \$48,967 |
| Accumulated depreciation | 10,031 | 14,712 | 24,743 |
| Net book value | \$ 9,442 | \$14,782 | \$24,224 |

Future minimum payments which include interest portion required under finance leases at March 31, 2008 and 2007 are as follows:

| | Millions of yen | | Thousands of U.S. dollars | |
|-----------------|-----------------|--------|------------------------------|--|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 | |
| Within one year | ¥1,032 | ¥1,087 | \$10,300 | |
| Over one year | 1,395 | 1,604 | 13,924 | |
| | ¥2,427 | ¥2,691 | \$24,224 | |

Lease payments for the years ended March 31, 2008 and 2007 amounted to ¥1,239 million (\$12,367 thousand) and ¥1,264 million, respectively.

(b) Operating Lease

Future minimum lease payments required under noncancellable operating leases as of March 31, 2008 and 2007 are as follows:

| | Millions of yen | | U.S. dollars |
|-----------------|-----------------|--------|--------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 |
| Within one year | ¥ 504 | ¥ 389 | \$ 5,030 |
| Over one year | 1,967 | 2,224 | 19,633 |
| | ¥2,471 | ¥2,613 | \$24,663 |

Note 16. Balances and Transactions with Related Party

The Company has a 50% equity ownership in Mitsubishi Engineering-Plastics Corp. at March 31, 2008 and 2007.

Balances with the company at March 31, 2008 and 2007, and related transactions for the years then ended are summarized as follows:

| | Millions of yen | | Thousands of U.S. dollars |
|---------------------------|-----------------|---------|------------------------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 |
| Balances: | | | |
| Trade accounts receivable | ¥15,889 | ¥20,520 | \$158,589 |
| Transactions: | | | |
| Sales | 61,080 | 58,617 | 609,642 |

The Company has a 50% equity ownership in Mizushima Aroma Co., Ltd. at March 31, 2008 and 2007.

Balances with the company at March 31, 2008 and 2007 and related transactions for the years then ended are summarized as follows:

| | Millions of yen | | Thousands of U.S. dollars |
|---------------------------|-----------------|---------|---------------------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 |
| Balances: | | | |
| Trade accounts receivable | ¥ 7,012 | ¥10,508 | \$ 69,987 |
| Transactions: | | | |
| Sales | 24,272 | 24,710 | 242,260 |

The Company has a 50% equity ownership in CG Ester Corporation at March 31, 2008 and 2007.

Balances with the company at March 31, 2008 and 2007 and related transactions for the years then ended are summarized as follows:

| | Millions of yen | | Thousands of U.S. dollars |
|---------------------------|-----------------|--------|------------------------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 |
| Balances: | | | |
| Trade accounts receivable | ¥5,246 | ¥4,683 | \$52,361 |
| Transactions: | | | |
| Sales | 9,944 | 8,191 | 99,251 |

Note 17. Commitments and Contingencies

It is common practice in Japan for companies, in the ordinary course of business, to receive promissory notes in settlement of trade accounts receivable and to subsequently discount such notes at banks or to transfer them by endorsement to suppliers in the settlement of accounts payable. At March 31, 2008 and 2007, MGC was contingently liable with respect to trade notes receivable discounted in the amounts of ¥11 million (\$110 thousand) and ¥309 million, respectively. Notes discounted are accounted for as sales and removed from the balance sheets. And at March 31, 2008, MGC was contingently liable with respect to recourse obligations related to trade notes receivable transferred in the amounts of ¥482 million (\$4,811 thousand).

Contingent liabilities at March 31, 2008 for loans guaranteed amounted to ¥10,113 million (\$100,938 thousand).

Note 18. Derivative Financial Instruments

MGC does not hold or issue derivative financial instruments for the purpose of trading. Derivative financial instruments held by MGC comprise forward exchange contracts, interest rate and currency swap agreements and interest rate swap agreements. MGC has entered into forward exchange contracts to hedge the risk of changes in foreign currency exchange rates associated with assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies. And MGC has entered into interest rate and currency swap agreements to manage interest rate exposures and changes in foreign currency exchange rates on certain foreign currency borrowings, and interest rate swap agreements to manage interest rate exposures on certain borrowings.

If interest rate swap agreements are used as hedges and meet certain hedging criteria, the difference in amounts to be paid or received on the interest rate swap agreements is recognized over the life of the agreements as an adjustment to interest expense.

The counterparties to these derivative transactions are financial institutions with high credit ratings and consequently, MGC does not anticipate credit-related losses from non-performance by the counterparties to transactions involving derivative financial instruments.

Derivative transactions have been executed and controlled in accordance with MGC's derivative regulations. The finance department has executed the derivative transactions with the director's approval and the transaction records have been reported to the accounting department regularly. At consolidated subsidiaries, the finance departments have executed the derivative transactions with the director's approval.

The contract or notional amounts disclosed below do not represent straightforwardly the extent of market risk or credit risk of the derivatives.

The contract or notional amounts and fair value of derivative financial instruments held as of March 31, 2008 and 2007 are summarized as follows:

| | Millions of yen | | | | |
|---|------------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|--|--|
| | Contract or notional amounts | Fair value | Valuation gain (loss) | | |
| March 31, 2008 | | | | | |
| Forward exchange contracts: | | | | | |
| To buy foreign currency: | | | | | |
| U.S. dollar | ¥ 1,385 | ¥1,240 | ¥(145) | | |
| To sell foreign currency: | | | . , | | |
| U.S. dollar | 15 | 15 | | | |
| New Taiwan dollar | 489 | 478 | 11 | | |
| Interest rate and currency swap | | | | | |
| agreements: | | | | | |
| U.S. dollar received for Thai baht | 551 | (125) | (125) | | |
| Interest rate swap agreements: | | | | | |
| Fixed rate received for | | | | | |
| variable rate | 195 | (1) | (1) | | |
| Variable rate received for | | | | | |
| fixed rate | 11,733 | (209) | (209) | | |
| March 21, 2007 | | | | | |
| March 31, 2007 | | | | | |
| Forward exchange contracts: | | | | | |
| To buy foreign currency: | ¥ 515 | ¥ 552 | ¥ 37 | | |
| U.S. dollar | ¥ 515 | ¥ 552 | ¥ 3/ | | |
| To sell foreign currency: Euro | 390 | 391 | (1) | | |
| | 390 | 291 | (1) | | |
| Interest rate and currency swap | | | | | |
| agreements: U.S. dollar received for Thai baht | 2 0 2 0 | (216) | (21c) | | |
| | 2,030 | (316) | (316) | | |
| Interest rate swap agreements: Fixed rate received for | | | | | |
| variable rate | 135 | (1) | (1) | | |
| Variable rate received for | 135 | (1) | (1) | | |
| fixed rate | 12,470 | (28) | (28) | | |
| | 12,470 | (20) | (20) | | |

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| | Thousands of U.S. dollars | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|
| | Contract or notional amounts | Fair value | Valuation gain (loss) | | | |
| March 31, 2008 | | | | | | |
| Forward exchange contracts: | | | | | | |
| To buy foreign currency: | | | | | | |
| U.S. dollar | \$ 13,824 | \$12,377 | \$(1,447) | | | |
| To sell foreign currency: | | | | | | |
| U.S. dollar | 150 | 150 | — | | | |
| New Taiwan dollar | 4,881 | 4,771 | 110 | | | |
| Interest rate and currency swap | | | | | | |
| agreements: | | | | | | |
| U.S. dollar received for | | | | | | |
| Thai baht | 5,500 | (1,248) | (1,248) | | | |
| Interest rate swap agreements: | | | | | | |
| Fixed rate received for | | | | | | |
| variable rate | 1,946 | (10) | (10) | | | |
| Variable rate received for | | | | | | |
| fixed rate | 117,107 | (2,086) | (2,086) | | | |

The fair value of forward exchange contracts or interest rate and currency swap agreements is computed using prices on the futures market, and the fair values of interest rate swap agreements are estimated based on quotes from counterparties. Receivables and payables denominated in foreign currencies, of which yen amounts at settlement are fixed and stated at the corresponding yen amounts on the consolidated balance sheets due to forward exchange contracts, are not subject to disclosure.

Note 19. Segment Information

(a) Industry segments

MGC operate principally in five segments as "Natural gas chemicals," "Aromatic chemicals," "Specialty chemicals," "Information and advanced materials" and "Other." The segments are divided based on the classification for internal management and type of products. Segment information by industry for the years ended March 31, 2008 and 2007 is summarized as follows:

| | Millions of yen | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| | | 2008 | | | | | | |
| | Natural gas chemicals | Aromatic chemicals | Specialty chemicals | Information and advanced materials | Other | Total | Elimination / corporate | Consolidated |
| Sales to outside customers Inter-segment sales | ¥146,607 9,740 | ¥143,365 1,787 | ¥151,637 2,296 | ¥76,812 18 | ¥ 908 198 | ¥519,329 14,039 | ¥ — (14,039) | ¥519,329 — |
| Operating expenses | 156,347 153,026 | 145,152 133,090 | 153,933 137,763 | 76,830 61,603 | 1,106 611 | 533,368 486,093 | (14,039) (14,131) | 519,329 471,962 |
| Operating income | ¥ 3,321 | ¥ 12,062 | ¥ 16,170 | ¥15,227 | ¥ 495 | ¥ 47,275 | ¥ 92 | ¥ 47,367 |
| Assets Depreciation Impairment loss Capital expenditures | ¥174,178 5,449 4,278 5,648 | ¥139,051 5,236 707 17,235 | ¥152,242 9,602 26 7,407 | ¥75,744 4,224 12 9,154 | ¥19,796 10 — 4 | ¥561,011 24,521 5,023 39,448 | ¥ 40,375 — — — | ¥601,386 24,521 5,023 39,448 |

| | Millions of yen | | | | | | | |
|---|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| | | 2007 | | | | | | |
| | Natural gas chemicals | Aromatic chemicals | Specialty chemicals | Information and advanced materials | Other | Total | Elimination / corporate | Consolidated |
| Sales to outside customers Inter-segment sales | ¥136,087 8,106 | ¥133,165 1,523 | ¥141,216 1,866 | ¥71,071 37 | ¥ 1,069 115 | ¥482,608 11,647 | ¥ — (11,647) | ¥482,608 |
| Operating expenses | 144,193 141,714 | 134,688 127,287 | 143,082 125,880 | 71,108 56,649 | 1,184 701 | 494,255 452,231 | (11,647) (11,843) | 482,608 440,388 |
| Operating income | ¥ 2,479 | ¥ 7,401 | ¥ 17,202 | ¥14,459 | ¥ 483 | ¥ 42,024 | ¥ 196 | ¥ 42,220 |
| Assets Depreciation Capital expenditures | ¥172,653 7,357 6,240 | ¥127,067 6,414 7,546 | ¥158,461 10,740 8,671 | ¥71,855 4,098 7,036 | ¥16,310 17 9 | ¥546,346 28,626 29,502 | ¥ 63,620 — | ¥609,966 28,626 29,502 |

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| | Thousands of U.S. dollars | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|--|--|-----------------------------|---|----------------------------|---|
| | | 2008 | | | | | | |
| | Natural gas chemicals | Aromatic chemicals | Specialty chemicals | Information and advanced materials | Other | Total | Elimination / corporate | Consolidated |
| Sales to outside customers Inter-segment sales | \$1,463,290 97,215 | \$1,430,931 17,836 | \$1,513,494 22,917 | \$766,663 180 | \$ 9,063 1,976 | \$5,183,441 140,124 | \$ — (140,124) | \$5,183,441 — |
| Operating expenses | 1,560,505 1,527,358 | 1,448,767 1,328,376 | 1,536,411 1,375,017 | 766,843 614,862 | 11,039 6,098 | 5,323,565 4,851,711 | (140,124) (141,042) | 5,183,441 4,710,669 |
| Operating income | \$ 33,147 | \$ 120,391 | \$ 161,394 | \$151,981 | \$ 4,941 | \$ 471,854 | \$ 918 | \$ 472,772 |
| Assets Depreciation Impairment loss Capital expenditures | \$1,738,477 54,386 42,699 56,373 | \$1,387,873 52,261 7,057 172,023 | \$1,519,533 95,838 259 73,930 | \$756,003 42,160 120 91,366 | \$197,585 100 — 40 | \$5,599,471 244,745 50,135 393,732 | \$ 402,984 — — — | \$6,002,455 244,745 50,135 393,732 |

Notes:

| 100 | tes: | |
|-----|-----------------------|---|
| 1. | The main products of | of each segment are as follows: |
| | Natural gas chemicals | : Methanol, ammonia, amines, methacrylates, |
| | | polyols, enzymes and coenzymes, natural gas and crude oil |
| | Aromatic chemicals: | Xylene isomers and xylene derivatives |
| | Specialty chemicals | : Hydrogen peroxide and other industrial inorganic |
| | | chemicals, electronic chemicals and engineering plastics |
| | Information and adv | anced materials: Printed circuit board materials, |
| | | printed circuit boards and oxygen absorber |
| | | (AGELESS®) |
| | Other: | Real estate business, etc. |

- 2. Corporate assets of ¥73,795 million (\$736,551 thousand) and ¥91,240 million as of March 31, 2008 and 2007 in the Elimination / corporate line consist primarily of surplus funds (cash and deposits, and securities), long-term investments (investment securities, etc.) and assets relating to the administrative operations.
- 3. For the year ended March 31, 2008, as described in Note 1 (f), the Company changed its depreciation method of property, plant and equipment other than buildings from the straight-line method to the declining-balance method. And the Company and its domestic consolidated subsidiaries changed the estimated residual value of property, plant and equipment which was acquired on or after April 1, 2007 from 5% of the acquisition cost to ¥1. As a result of these changes, operating income of each segment decreased as follows:

| | Millions of yen | Thousands of U.S. dollars |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|
| Natural gas chemicals | ¥ 574 | \$ 5,729 |
| Aromatic chemicals | 1,014 | 10,121 |
| Specialty chemicals | 1,169 | 11,668 |
| Information and advanced materials | 570 | 5,689 |

Decrease in operating income of "Other" segment was immaterial.

4. Effective from April 1, 2007, as described in Note 1 (I), revenues and expenses of overseas subsidiaries are translated into yen using the average rate in the year, which were previously translated into yen at the rate of exchange as of the balance sheet date. As a result of this change, sales of each segment increased as follows:

| | Millions of yen | Thousands of U.S. dollars |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|
| Natural gas chemicals | ¥1,098 | \$10,959 |
| Aromatic chemicals | 244 | 2,435 |
| Specialty chemicals | 161 | 1,607 |
| Information and advanced materials | 59 | 589 |

And operating income of each segment increased (decreased) as follows:

| | Millions of yen | Thousands of U.S. dollars |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|
| Natural gas chemicals | ¥ 33 | \$330 |
| Aromatic chemicals | 12 | 120 |
| Specialty chemicals | (17) | (170) |
| Information and advanced materials | (2) | (20) |

- 5. For the year ended March 31, 2007, as described in Note 1 (r), MGC changed the accounting treatment of expenditures for natural gas, etc. development from being accounted for as deferred charges and fully amortized as other deductions in the year in which they were paid to being expensed as selling, general and administrative expenses in the year in which they were paid. As a result of this change, operating income of "Natural gas chemicals" segment decreased by ¥1,108 million.
- 6. For the year ended March 31, 2007, as described in Note 1 (s), MGC changed the accounting treatment of personnel expenses for seconded employees from being accounted for as selling, general and administrative expenses to being accounted for as other deductions. As a result of this change, operating income of each segment increased as follows:

| C C | Millions of yen |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Natural gas chemicals | ¥282 |
| Aromatic chemicals | 180 |
| Specialty chemicals | 971 |
| Information and advanced materials | 85 |
| Other | 42 |

7. For the year ended March 31, 2007, as described in Note 1 (f), the Company and its domestic consolidated subsidiaries changed the estimated residual value of property, plant and equipment from 5% of the acquisition cost to ¥1 as a memorandum value. As a result of this change, operating income of each segment decreased as follows:

| | Millions of yen |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Natural gas chemicals | ¥115 |
| Aromatic chemicals | 134 |
| Specialty chemicals | 124 |
| Information and advanced materials | 15 |
| Other | 4 |
| And depreciation of each segm | ent increased as follows: Millions of yen |
| Natural gas chemicals | ¥2,897 |
| Aromatic chemicals | 2,813 |
| Specialty chemicals | 2,827 |
| Information and advanced materials | 644 |
| Other | 6 |

(b) Geographic segments

Segment information by geographic area for the years ended March 31, 2008 and 2007 is summarized as follows:

| | Millions of yen | | | | |
|---|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| | | | 2008 | | |
| | Japan | Other | Total | Elimination / corporate | Consolidated |
| Sales to outside customers Inter-segment sales | ¥445,817 39,471 | ¥73,512 4,608 | ¥519,329 44,079 | ¥ — (44,079) | ¥519,329 — |
| Operating expenses | 485,288 443,103 | 78,120 72,883 | 563,408 515,986 | (44,079) (44,024) | 519,329 471,962 |
| Operating income | ¥ 42,185 | ¥ 5,237 | ¥ 47,422 | ¥ (55) | ¥ 47,367 |
| Assets | ¥560,314 | ¥49,296 | ¥609,610 | ¥ (8,224) | ¥601,386 |

| | Millions of yen | | | | |
|---|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| | | | 2007 | | |
| | Japan | Other | Total | Elimination / corporate | Consolidated |
| Sales to outside customers Inter-segment sales | ¥429,555 31,979 | ¥53,053 12,615 | ¥482,608 44,594 | ¥ (44,594) | ¥482,608 |
| Operating expenses | 461,534 423,295 | 65,668 61,808 | 527,202 485,103 | (44,594) (44,715) | 482,608 440,388 |
| Operating income | ¥ 38,239 | ¥ 3,860 | ¥ 42,099 | ¥ 121 | ¥ 42,220 |
| Assets | ¥574,795 | ¥39,724 | ¥614,519 | ¥ (4,553) | ¥609,966 |

| | Thousands of U.S. dollars | | | | |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------|-------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| | 2008 | | | | |
| | Japan | Other | Total | Elimination / corporate | Consolidated |
| Sales to outside customers | \$4,449,715 | \$733,726 | \$5,183,441 | \$ — | \$5,183,441 |
| Inter-segment sales | 393,962 | 45,992 | 439,954 | (439,954) | — |
| | 4,843,677 | 779,718 | 5,623,395 | (439,954) | 5,183,441 |
| Operating expenses | 4,422,627 | 727,447 | 5,150,074 | (439,405) | 4,710,669 |
| Operating income | \$ 421,050 | \$ 52,271 | \$ 473,321 | \$ (549) | \$ 472,772 |
| Assets | \$5,592,514 | \$492,025 | \$6,084,539 | \$ (82,084) | \$6,002,455 |

MGC has classified its geographic areas other than Japan into "North and South America" and "Asia." Sales in "North and South America" and "Asia" are less than 10% of total sales, therefore, all are totally stated as "Other."

The major countries or regions in the respective divisions are as follows:

North and South America: U.S.A.

Asia: Korea, Taiwan, Singapore, Thailand and Indonesia

(c) Overseas sales

Information for overseas sales for the years ended March 31, 2008 and 2007 is summarized as follows:

| | Millions of yen | | Thousands of U.S. dollars |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------------------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 |
| Overseas sales | | | |
| Asia | ¥144,195 | ¥118,960 | \$1,439,215 |
| North and South America | 34,297 | 31,500 | 342,320 |
| Other | 12,423 | 11,924 | 123,994 |
| | ¥190,915 | ¥162,384 | \$1,905,529 |
| Consolidated sales | ¥519,329 | ¥482,608 | \$5,183,441 |
| Percentage of overseas sales | | | |
| to consolidated sales | 36.8% | 33.7% | 36.8% |

The major countries or regions in the respective divisions are as follows: Asia: Thailand, Malaysia, India, Indonesia, Korea, China and Taiwan North and South America: U.S.A., Mexico and Brazil Other: Australia, New Zealand, Germany, the Netherlands, Italy, Great Britain and South Africa To the Board of Directors of Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Company, Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Company, Inc. and consolidated subsidiaries as of March 31, 2008 and 2007, and related consolidated statements of income, changes in net assets and cash flows for the years then ended, all expressed in Japanese yen. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in Japan. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Company, Inc. and consolidated subsidiaries as of March 31, 2008 and 2007, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in Japan.

As more fully described in Note 1(f) to the consolidated financial statements, effective in the year ended March 31, 2008, the Company has changed its depreciation method of property, plant and equipment other than buildings from the straight-line method to the declining-balance method. As more fully described in Note 1(l) to the consolidated financial statements, effective in the year ended March 31, 2008, revenues and expenses of overseas subsidiaries have been translated into yen using the average rate in the year, which had been previously translated into yen at the rate of exchange as of the balance sheet date.

Furthermore, as more fully described in Note 1(s) to the consolidated financial statements, effective in the year ended March 31, 2007, the Company has changed its method of accounting for personnel expenses for seconded employees. As more fully described in Note 1(r) to the consolidated financial statements, effective in the year ended March 31, 2007, the Company has adopted the "Tentative Solution on Accounting for Deferred Assets."

The accompanying consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended March 31, 2008 have been translated into United States dollars solely for the convenience of the reader. We have recomputed the translation and, in our opinion, the consolidated financial statements expressed in yen have been translated into United States dollars on the basis described in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements.

Toyo Horwath Tokyo, Japan June 10, 2008

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(As of March 31, 2008)

| Name | Issued share capital (Millions of yen, except as noted) | The Company's share ownership | Principal business |
|--|---|-------------------------------|--|
| • TOKYO SHOKAI, LTD. | 200 | 99.9% | Sale of compound resins and other products |
| RYOKO CHEMICAL CO., LTD. | 100 | 100.0 | Sale of industrial chemicals and other products |
| JAPAN CIRCUIT INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD. | 1,497 | 96.0 | Manufacture and sale of printed wiring boards |
| KINOE TERMINAL COMPANY, INC. | 493 | 75.5 | Storage service for methanol |
| JAPAN FINECHEM COMPANY, INC. | 274 | 93.2 | Manufacture and sale of fine chemicals and electronic products |
| JAPAN PIONICS CO., LTD. | 200 | 100.0 | Manufacture and sale of gas generators and gas purifiers, and manufacture of disposable body warmers |
| EIWA CHEMICAL IND. CO., LTD. | 420 | 89.1 | Manufacture and sale of foaming agents for rubber and plastic |
| MGC PURE CHEMICALS AMERICA, INC. | US\$5,000 thousan | d 90.0 | Manufacture and sale of chemicals for semiconductors |
| THAI POLYACETAL CO., LTD. | THB840 million | 70.0 | Manufacture and sale of polyacetal resin |
| MGC FILSHEET CO., LTD. | 50 | 90.5 | Manufacture and sale of polycarbonate sheet and film |
| ELECTROTECHNO CO., LTD. | 500 | 100.0 | Manufacture of copper-clad laminate and multilayer prepreg |
| MARINE TRANSPORT AND TERMINAL COMPANY, LIMITED | 400 | 100.0 | Storage and transport of methanol, other chemical products |
| RYOYO TRADING CO., LTD. | 90 | 73.8 | Sale of industrial chemicals and insurance agency businesses |
| MITSUBISHI GAS CHEMICAL AMERICA, INC. | US\$1,084 thousan | d 100.0 | Sale of chemicals and other products |
| MITSUBISHI GAS CHEMICAL SINGAPORE PTE. LTD. | US\$1,161 thousan | d 100.0 | Sale of chemicals and other products |
| KOKUKA SANGYO CO., LTD. | 250 | 93.8 | Transport of chemical products |
| FUDOW COMPANY LIMITED | 180 | 100.0 | Manufacture and sale of molding resin |
| A.G. INTERNATIONAL CHEMICAL CO., INC. | 850 | 91.6 | Manufacture and sale of purified isophthalic acid |
| MITSUBISHI ENGINEERING-PLASTICS CORPORATION | 3,000 | 50.0 | Manufacture and sale of engineering plastics |
| JSP CORPORATION | 10,113 | 42.9 | Manufacture and sale of foamed plastics |
| JAPAN U-PICA COMPANY, LTD. | 1,100 | 45.7 | Manufacture and sale of unsaturated polyester |
| JAPAN SAUDI ARABIA METHANOL COMPANY, INC. | 2,310 | 47.4 | Management of AR-RAZI |
| KOREA ENGINEERING PLASTICS CO., LTD. | W11,000 million | 40.0 | Manufacture and sale of polyacetal |
| MIZUSHIMA AROMA CO., LTD. | 2,000 | 50.0 | Manufacture and sale of purified terephthalic acid |

- A&C COMPANY, INC.
- POLYOLS ASIA COMPANY LTD.
- JAPAN BIO COMPANY LTD.
- METANOL DE ORIENTE, METOR, S.A.
- JAPAN ACRYACE CORPORATION
- TOHO EARTHTECH, INC.
- MGC ADVANCED POLYMERS, INC.
- FUDOW TECHNO CO., LTD.
- TAIYO INDUSTRY CO., LTD.
- DIA TEREPHTHALIC ACID CORPORATION

- KYOUDOU KASANKASUISO CORPORATION
- P. T. PEROKSIDA INDONESIA PRATAMA
- SAMYOUNG PURE CHEMICALS CO., LTD.
- TOYO KAGAKU CO., LTD.
- MGC PURE CHEMICALS SINGAPORE PTE. LTD.
- MGC PURE CHEMICALS TAIWAN, INC.
- YONEZAWA DIA ELECTRONICS CO., INC.
- RYOWA ENTERPRISE COMPANY, LTD.
- MGC FINANCE CO., LTD.

- Consolidated subsidiary
- Equity method affiliate
-
- Natural Gas ChemicalsAromatic Chemicals
- Specialty Chemicals
- Information & Advanced Materials
- Other

Corporate Data

(As of March 31, 2008)

Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Company, Inc.

Established

April 21, 1951

Paid-in Capital ¥41,970 million

Outstanding Shares 483,478,398

Number of Stockholders 34,171

Listings Tokyo, Osaka and Nagoya

Ticker Code

4182

Annual General Meeting of Stockholders

The annual general meeting of stockholders is normally held in June in Tokyo, Japan.

Transfer Agent and Registrar Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking Corp.

Independent Auditor Toyo Horwath

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2,186 (non-consolidated) 4,686 (consolidated)

Head Office

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Research Institutes

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Plants

Niigata, Mizushima, Yokkaichi, Yamakita, Kashima, Naniwa*, Saga*

*Part of Yokkaichi Plant

Investor Information

(As of March 31, 2008)

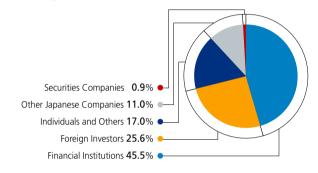
Principal Stockholders

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4/2003

| Name | Number of Shares Held (Thousands) | Percentage of Total Shares Outstanding |
|--|---|--|
| The Master Trust Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust Account) | 28,588 | 6.2% |
| Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Trust Account) | 24,334 | 5.3 |
| Nippon Life Insurance Company | 21,452 | 4.6 |
| Meiji Yasuda Life Insurance Company | 16,795 | 3.6 |
| The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd. | 16,403 | 3.5 |
| Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking Corp. | 11,686 | 2.5 |
| Goldman Sachs International | 10,128 | 2.2 |
| The Norinchukin Bank | 10,053 | 2.2 |
| Asahi Glass Co., Ltd. | 9,671 | 2.1 |
| Tokio Marine & Nichido Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. | 9,008 | 1.9 |

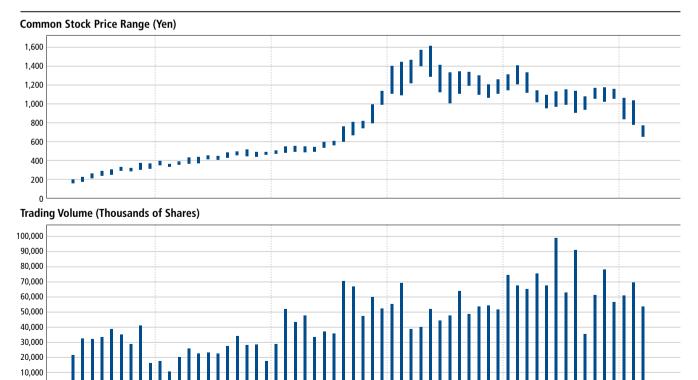
Composition of Stockholders



Note: MGC holds 21,396 thousand shares of treasury stock, which is not included in the above list of principal stockholders or percentage calculations.

4/2004

Monthly Stock Price Range and Trading Volume



4/2006

4/2005

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3/2008

4/2007



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